

Today, while putting away Christmas decorations and reflecting on the holidays, my mind was busy thinking of all that needs to be accomplished with what I call my lost. It is overwhelming when you think of the mentally ill. We are very difficult people! I keep in touch with a great deal of people in prison that are there for their actions and are mentally ill. I also keep in touch with several that are simply dealing with the difficulties of mental illness and behavior in their day to day life.

Working frantically and moving faster and faster with the thoughts coming to mind of all the dynamics involved a piece of scripture just kept popping into my mind. Mind you, I am not someone that reads the bible diligently. In fact, I had to look up what the scripture even was. The scripture was from Mathew 19:26, I now know: "Through God all things are possible"

With every obstacle that came to mind, those 6 words kept popping out at me. Finally I just stopped, plopped down on the sofa and said, "Now wait a minute, what exactly does that piece of scripture leave out?" I must have sat there for 10 minutes in complete silence. "What exactly do those 6 words leave out?" It doesn't say, "Through God all things are possible, except for a mentally ill, ex-felon. It doesn't say that "Through God all things are possible, except for those who do not have the intelligence or financial means." It does not say that, "Through God all things are possible, except for someone living in the Midwest with no connections to people with power and influence." It doesn't say "Through God all things are possible, except for a man living in an area where mental illness is not deemed important, but rather an excuse." It doesn't say, "Through God all things are possible, except for the twenty thousand people that are sitting in Ohio prisons with mental illnesses." It doesn't say that "Through God

all things are possible, except when there are budget cuts.” No, it simply states that “Through God, all things are possible!”

I then got up and could actually feel the twinkle in my eye! Now mind you, I have not a clue as to how in the world to make anything possible! HA! But I know that all things are possible, through God. I will trust in that whole heartedly, spiritually and soulfully. If I know God then I must know his words. It will be interesting to see how it all plays out. I encourage everyone that is reading this to reflect on those words, “Through God all things are possible!” It is astounding if you think about it – meditate on it and realize it. I can’t possible do myself or God justice by limiting myself by the ways and judgments of the world.

May you find all things possible, through God and act upon them (he isn’t going to do it for you!)

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