

**October Reflection: A BIG THANK YOU TO YOU!!!**

First, thank you for the work you do in promoting a more peaceful environment in Kansas City. A few months ago, I enjoyed a restful, peaceful time with an Army chaplain buddy, watching the KC Royals beat the Chicago White Sox—by at least four runs. And, whether enjoying a baseball game or visiting another part of the inner city, I realize that the police are working to keep the citizens safe. Honestly, I cannot say thank you enough to each one of you for the great work you are doing every day!

This leads me to write about the Great Healer, Jesus. John wrote in the gospels of Jesus that not enough could be said about His great works! In John 21:25, John states the following of Jesus, “Jesus did many other things. If they were all written down, I suppose the whole world could not contain the books that would be written.” (New Living Translation) Note that—not even the whole world could contain all the books that would be written about Him! Think about that for a minute!

Now, of all the great work that the KCPD police department has done, many books could be written also—too many for any one person to read and it would fill many information banks. You are told to be concise and fit everything within a certain space. But much more was done than the words written communicate! So, again, I say, “Thank You for the work you do—even though you cannot write it all down!”

Now, when you get off work and back into civilian clothes, be reminded of the passage in John about this One named Jesus. In addition to healing the many sick folks—He also knew the disciples wanted to and needed to have a good time of excitement and pleasure. Jesus took Peter out on a fabulous fishing excursion! It is in John chapter 21 verse 11—Peter caught 153 large fish, so many that the nets should have broken, but the nets did not break. This was another miracle, this miracle involving the work and pleasure of fishing! And then, Jesus held a fish fry for His disciples. The type of marinade or flavorings are not listed, but I’m sure the fish were worth every breakfast bite.

I trust that you are encouraged as you read this short writing and that you will look at John 21 where we read in verse 25 that, not even the whole world could contain all the books of Jesus’ great works, if they were all written down.

Again, all that you are doing is making a huge impact on our city for good and promoting peace! So, again, thank you for all you do!

Blessings to You and Your Loved Ones,

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