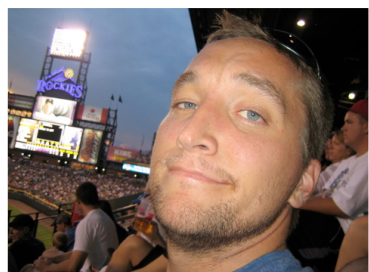


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For the earth shall be filled with the knowledge of the glory of the Lord, as the waters cover the sea. -Habakkuk 2:14

BACK IN MANHATTAN, KS

It has been an arduous journey this summer from July to what is difficult to realize is now September. Lots of traveling, transition, new relationships, and grace to keep me sane. I have spent the last 3 months in consistent motion connecting with friends and family, being at conferences, and have still yet to settle completely. It's a season of life I'm ready to be done with, and a significant reason for my lack of correspondence throughout the summer.

Currently, I'm working in Manhattan, KS on the Kansas State campus with the staff team of 3 other men and 2 moms. I'm beginning to enjoy life again after the dust has settled from a myriad of tasks and relationships the first 2 weeks of the fall semester handed me.

We successfully distributed over 800 Freshman Survival Kits on the first 2 days of class and we are still initiating into the contacts we've obtained from that distribution process. Now we are trying to plug them into a place of fellowship if they desire to be involved.

BEING A NOMAD

The pace has been fairly quick, and the wear on my suitcase is showing me perhaps it's more tired of being tossed around than I am. A lot of traveling has not been ideal to allow me to sit down and process the year in Mexico or the transitioning process back into America. Not until recently have I seen with more clarity the need for reflection. Perhaps because I have more time to do so. In short, the reality of stress that existed in my life in those first few weeks as I entered back into the comfortable efficiency America dictates so well made me quite carnal. Seemingly, the Lord has more he wants me to learn and understand about how He operates. Thank God that becoming more like Christ is a journey and not a destination. Life is a process and I found that to re-enter a culture is not as simple as just stepping off an airplane.

VISUAL DOCUMENTATION OF KOREA

On the next page you will find pictures to help you see what happened in Korea with 18,000 people encountering Jesus. I worked closely with 8 people and enjoyed the time more than I thought possible. Also, I started a blog (web log or online journal) while I was in Korea that shared many of my experiences. You can find it at: joshua4him.wordpress.com

THOUGHTS OF CONVICTION:

God called Adam very good before he did anything.

-Anonymous

If you believe what you like in the gospel, and reject what you don't like, it's not the gospel you believe, but yourself.

-Augustine of Hippo

It is terrible when people do not know God, but it is worse when people confuse God with what is not God.

-Leo Tolstoy

It seems that we often, almost sulkily, reject the good that God offers us because, at the moment, we expected some other good.

-C.S. Lewis

The wisest person knows that he knows nothing.

-Socrates

One who loves God necessarily loves silence.

-Thomas Merton

We dislike people not because they are evil; we think they are evil because we dislike them.

-Leo Tolstoy

