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Turn in your Guns! Stop the Violence

It's on the television news stations, in the local news papers and on many of the radio stations. They are getting the message out loud and clear, "Turn in Your Guns." Wow, that's a great start, but I also ask each of you, my readers, is this a realistic start? Anything helps but a lot of nothing hurts! Ooowee, read that over again.

When walking down the street at the cross light starting to cross the street, when the traffic light turned red, I was almost hit by a car as an old lady yelled at me saying, "The Hell with that light man, watch the cars." I could do nothing but laugh as I jumped back on the curve – and I've been watching the cars every since.

What's my point? The light don't kill people crossing the streets, it's the person behind the wheel driving that car. Let me slow down as I continue on this, "Turn in Your Guns! Stop the Violence!"

As I stood across the street looking at a burning house, the firefighters were really using the water to hose down the flames. The kid standing next to me looked up at me and asked, "Why

they spraying at the bottom of the fire, it's up there?" I looked down at him and tried to answer his question, "They trying to put out the root, the spot where the fire has started from." He said, "Oh", and I was happy that he was happy with my answer. What's my point?

First, instead of turn in the guns that get in the wrong hands like our precious children, I think it would be better to turn in the person or persons bringing the guns into our communities. See, if we turn in these individuals, then we won't have to worry about these same guns getting into the hands for children to continue to kill children. I know that "Common Sense is UNCOMMON" these days but it's time we get back to "common sense."

First, I ask each of you my readers this question; How do all these guns get into our community in the first place, when most of these precious kids can't even afford to go downtown? How is it that guns from downtown or across town, get over here to our community in the first place? Somebody, anybody, everybody explain this to me like I'm a second grader – "How do these guns get into our community?"

Next, it's not what's in one's hands that do the killing, but instead it's what's in ones heart. If every gun was turned in, then next there would there be a new announcement to turn in your knife? How about turn in your base ball bat? Maybe your bowling ball? If used in the wrong way they can kill you too.

Behind every shooting of kids and even adults killing each other, there is something called anger. And this anger has totally gone out of control. If adults can't seem to manage their anger, how do we as a society expect hurting children to do so? Somebody help me with these answers. Anger management cannot be managed if you don't have the skills to manage your anger in the first place. "Ooowee."

The Word of God speaks about this thing called anger that's behind the holder of a gun or whatever else one might use to kill. Let's go to the Word of God in the book of Matthew the 5th chapter starting at the 21st verse, "You have heard that people were told in the past, 'Do not commit murder; anyone who does will be brought to trial." But now I tell you; if you are angry with your brother you will be brought to trail, if you call your brother "a good for nothing!," you will be brought before the Council, and if you call your brother "a worthless fool," you will be in danger of going to the fire of hell. So if you are about to offer your gift to God at the altar and there you remember that your brother has something against you, leave your gift in front of the altar, go at once and make peace with your brother, and then come back and offer your gift to

God." I can go on, but let me stop here.

Stay tuned to next week as I continue to address this violence as it's important to know when there's a fire taking place which way to aim to put the fire out using the Word of God as our foundation.

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