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**Grace Notes Radio Program**

**THEME: The Hand that brought us peace**

**SONGS: WHERE THE NAILS WERE 4:48**

**THERE IS GOOD NEWS 4:32**

**INTRO:**

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**Our hands are an ever present agent of skill. They aid us in our work and play. They protect us. They reflect our emotions. We speak mounds of words through our gestures. Yes, hands are an important part of what we do and who we are. No wonder the word "HAND" is used over 1600 times in Scripture. Today, on Grace Notes, Barbara Sandbek will look a powerful use of the word 'Hand'.**

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**Besides its literal use, the word 'HAND' figuratively stands for many things in Scripture. In Old Testament times, a solemn oath was solidified by placing one's hand under another's thigh. Fathers would often put their hand on their son's head to bestow a blessing.**

**Jesus used his hands in significant ways as he walked among men. He blessed the children. He touched people when he healed them - even lepers. Oh, how they must have enjoyed the comfort of his touch. His hands were truly an instrument of blessing.**

**The use of the word 'Hand' in Scripture often denotes POWER.**

**In Isaiah 23:11 we read...**

**The Lord has stretched out his hand over the sea and made its kingdoms tremble.**

**And in Isaiah 41:10 God says...**

**I will uphold you with my righteous right hand.**

**That same meaning for the word "hand" was used by King David Psalm 22:16b. He wrote...They have pierced my hands and my feet. David's illusion was a foreshadowing of Christ being nailed to the cross. Jesus's hands were pierced, rendering Him unable to defend Himself against his executioners, humanly speaking. But Jesus voluntarily allowed his POWER to be subdued while He paid the penalty for our sins in His body.**

**Isaiah 53:5-6 says...**

**He was pierced for our transgressions. He was crushed for our iniquities. The punishment that brought us peace was upon Him and by His wounds, we are healed. We, all, like sheep have gone astray, each of us has turned to his own way, and the Lord has laid on Him the iniquity of us all.**

**In Old Testament times, people would place their hands on the animal to be sacrificed to symbolize the transference of sin. In doing this they saw clearly that the animal was dying in their place for their sin. Its blood was the cleansing agent that temporarily removed sin because blood represented the life of the animal. The blessing of forgiveness flowed as a result.**

**God placed our sin on His Son, Jesus. Jesus shed His cleansing, spotless blood and died as our substitute. It should have been our hands that were pierced on that cross, but only His hands, his feet, his side, his LIFE could provide what is needed for our salvation. In death, the opened, wounded hands once used to comfort, heal, and bless on earth became an instrument of eternal blessing for all who believe. May we never forget the price Jesus paid for us...**

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**\*\*\* WHERE THE NAILS WERE \*\*\* WRITER: Sandi Patty**

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**"Father forgive them"  
I heard you faintly say  
Still, in my heart I feel so guilty  
I know the truth is the debt was mine to pay  
How could it be right that it happened his way  
A fallen and sinful life I was leading  
Now, why is Your body torn and bleeding?**

**Chorus:  
It should've been my hands where the nails were  
It should've been  
It should've been my feet where the nails were  
It should've been  
It should've been my side that was opened  
My heart that was broken  
It should've been my hands  
It should've been my feet where the nails were**

**At times I am tempted to overlook Your grace  
Thinking I'm worth the love You've given  
I walk like I'm earning the right to run the race  
Somehow forgetting You died in my place**

**Still isn't long before I've stumbled  
One look at the cross and I am humbled**

**Repeat Chorus**

**It should've been my hands where the nails were  
It should've been  
It should've been my feet where the nails were  
It should've been  
It should've been my side that was opened  
My heart that was broken  
But it was Your hands  
Yes, it was Your feet  
It was Your blessed hands  
It was Your precious feet  
It should've been my hands  
It should've been my feet  
Where the nails were**

**King David was no perfect man, he committed adultery, he lied, he even murdered, yet he wrote in Psalm 32:5...**

**I acknowledged my sin to You and did not cover up my iniquity. I said, "I will confess my transgression to the Lord" and You forgave the GUILT of my sin.**

**Did you get it? It wasn't just the SIN Jesus died for, it was the GUILT as well. We need to accept the forgiveness for the GUILT Jesus' offers.**

**Maybe you think your SIN is too great for God to forgive. The apostle Paul must have felt that way, but He received forgiveness and wrote these assuring words for us in Romans 8:1-3...**

**There is therefore now NO CONDEMNATION to those who are in Christ Jesus because through Christ Jesus the law of the SPIRIT of LIFE set me free from the law of sin and death. For what the law was powerless to do in that it was weakened by the sinful nature, God did by sending His Son in the likeness of sinful men to be a sin offering and so He condemned sin in sinful man.**

**If you're living with GUILT turn it over to JESUS. There is NOTHING you've done that He can't forgive. Listen to this special message just for you...**

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**\*\*\* THERE IS GOOD NEWS \*\*\* WRITER: Steve and Annie Chapman**

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### **THERE IS GOOD NEWS**

#### **VERSE 1**

- 1 - There is a mother crying tonight - All she can do is GRIEVE**
- 2 - 'Cause over the question comes - How could I have been so DECEIVED**
- 3 - And she FEELS A WALL as she cries to the LORD AGAIN**
- 4 - And says the MAKER of this life I have taken will never  
Forgive me for this sin**
- 5 - But I long to tell her - she needs to know-she needs to understand**
- 6 - THIS life is not the FIRST life she's taken**
- 7- There's other blood on her hands**
- 8 - For the Father in HEAVEN had an INNOCENT Son**
- 9 - held blameless to the Cross**
- 10 - And her SIN was among the reasons - that His life was lost**

#### **CHORUS 1**

- 11- But there is good news - She needs to hear it tonight**
- 12 - For the taking of the Savior's life - she is forgiven**
- 13 - And so it is TRUE - there's no other sin so GREAT**
- 14 - That can't be covered by the GRACE of the Father in heaven**

#### **VERSE 2**

- 15- And so many others CYING tonight - SADLY they believe**
- 16 - That the LOVE of God came near them -but their SIN was out of His reach**
- 17 - But I Long to tell them - they need to know - I pray they'll understand**
- 18 - NOTHING is WORSE that they've ever done**
- 19- Than His Blood that's on their hands**
- 20- THEY need to hear it - they need to know - they need to understand**
- 21 - THIS life is not the FIRST life they've taken**
- 22 - There's other blood on their hands**
- 23 - For the Father in HEAVEN had an INNOCENT Son**
- 24 - held blameless to the Cross**
- 25- And her SIN was among the reasons - that His life was lost**

#### **CHORUS 2**

- 26- But there is good news - They need to hear it tonight**
- 27 - For the taking of the Savior's life - they are forgiven**
- 28 - And so it is TRUE - there's no other sin so GREAT**
- 29 - That can't be covered by the GRACE of the Father in heaven**

#### **CHORUS 3**

- 30- But there is good news - We all need to hear it tonight**

**31 - For the taking of the Savior's life – we are forgiven**

**32 - And so it is TRUE - there's no other sin so GREAT**

**33 - That can't be covered by the GRACE of the Father in heaven**

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