



I would like to thank you all for subscribing to Etoonin' this past year. I really enjoy having an audience. I am a powerhouse of autobiographic communication. Somehow, in some way, I'd just like to communicate that the Lord is active in our lives. I know I am not always the best at explaining it, but God is here, with us. The rest of Etoonin' is just babble.

On December 31st, 2008 I dedicated Etoonin' as a public ministry to the Lord. From that time I've seen great poverty and trouble in my life. But through it God has opened my eyes to a more empathetic way of life, a life of sharing what I have with others and reaching out to anyone who will grab my hand. Most people won't. But the poor in spirit, they will. I'm finding my niche, and it is not in some corporate office, it is here on the outside where people want the help, and I'm glad to give it. You wouldn't think a poor person would be much help to others, but you've never seen a starving person eat a meal that I've made. Not starving for food per se, but starving for meal made with love just for them. These people starve for contact, starve to be real, and starve to be loved as they are. I listen to them. All those years of psychotherapy have paid off: I find myself an amateur therapist. People are really hungry out here.

I wish I'd started doing this earlier: loving people this way, really caring about people, at least just a little. I guess it is a process I will continue to learn. It is very rewarding. I'm developing a flock. People who will take care of me because I take care of them as well as those who take care of me because I can't take care of myself. I move resources from the willing to the needy.

I'm on my turf, here in the Boston area. I travel around a lot, but I love it here. The Northeast is acrid soil, but I'm learning what grows. People respond to love anywhere.

So I want to thank you, Etoonin'. Thanks for subscribing. I know I don't turn the topic to you near as much as I should, but if you're still here through all that I broadcast in Etoonin', that says a lot. Thank you for all the ways in which you've supported me over the years. Love, Jim

Merry Christmas Etoonin'!