

Yenny Encounters Jesus (cont)

The friendship between Yenny and Joy deepened and Yenny began to attend Bible studies each week. She met a few more Christians on campus and found a safe atmosphere with them. She eventually prayed to receive Christ into her heart. Although she was sincere in asking forgiveness for her sins, she naively continued to mess with the dark side and unhealthy romances.

After a particularly difficult relationship, filled with unfaithfulness and jealousy, Yenny came to a breaking point. In her room one night on the brink of suicide, she had an encounter with Jesus. “I remember lying on the floor—desperate, crying and suffocating in my sorrow. I whispered to God that I’d devote my utmost attention to Him and no other, if He would just hold my heart. That’s when I felt Jesus embrace me. I finally grasped the reason Jesus died on the cross for me. What followed was a sense of genuine joy.”

Soon after, her Christian friends helped her understand the occult was not an extension of God, but actually against Him. One of her new friends told her, “Yenny you’re tampering with demonic spirits!” She went home and thought long and hard about that. Soon afterward she put all her books, candles and stones in a bag and threw them in the bin.

“When I renounced those things, I felt like I was throwing my entire past away. It was difficult. I had invested so much energy into something that was anti-God, and I could feel the anger of the demons.”

Yenny says her walk with God has been both adventurous and challenging. When Christ came into her life, she changed in many ways. It has become easier for her to forgive others and to have more compassion. “I used to take pleasure in seeing others in pain, now I want to comfort them. With the Lord in my life I feel safer than I ever did while involved in the occult. My refuge is in Him now, and whenever I walk past New Age shops, I just pause and thank God for what He saved me from.”

Her life is quite different now. In addition to taking part in a recent mission trip, Yenny now co-leads a Christian organization at La Trobe University. She enjoys fellowship with strong Christians and is experiencing a pure relationship with a godly young man. Yenny sums it up, “God saves, transforms and renews withered, blackened souls.”