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Harris becomes big man on track



R onnie Harris may be the "fastest white man alive." At least that's what the Washington sprinters were saying after Harris swept the 100- and 200-meter races in Saturday's dual meet with the Huskies.

You won't get any argument from any of the 2,000-plus fans who attended Saturday's meet at Hayward Field.

Fastest white man alive may be pushing it, but one thing is certain: Like Bob Gray and Art Skipper before him, Harris has become the new darling of the Oregon track team.

Harris graces the cover of the track and field media guide, shares a spot with Camara Jones on the 1993 Oregon track poster, his introduction at track meets brings the loudest applause from Duck fans and his victory laps bring the crowd to its feet.

Although Oregon's new batch of talent is impressive, and the team has a solid group of upperclassmen, it is Harris who is at center stage of the track program this season.

Saturday, Harris didn't disappoint the fans. Besides cruising to victories in the 100 and 200, he also ran the anchor leg of the Ducks' 4x100 relay team. In the relay, Harris smoked past the Washington anchorman in the final 50 meters as the Oregon crowd rose to its feet in delight.

As Harris flew past the Husky sprinter, I'm sure I was not the only one who was reminded of the last time Harris overcame a deficit in the anchor leg of a relay race.

It was not quite a year ago when Harris made a fool of Washington State's Michael Joubert in the



Oregon's Ronnie Harris is the top sprinter for the Ducks this season and will face rival Michael Joubert of Washington State Saturday in Pullman.

final lap of the 4x400 relay after Joubert — who had a seemingly insurmountable lead — began to taunt the Oregon fans. Harris made up a huge distance and passed Joubert on the final turn of the race.

That's what started it all for Harris. Since that day, Duck fans have been in love with him.

And he didn't hurt his popularity over the fall as Oregon's big-play man on the football team. During the football season, Harris made several unbe-

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WHO IS THIS JESUS?

The following four principles will help you discover how to know God personally and experience the abundant life he promised.

GOD LOVES YOU AND CREATED YOU TO KNOW HIM PERSONALLY.

(References contained in this booklet should be read in context from the Bible whenever possible.)

God's Love

"For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish, but have eternal life" (John 3:16)

God's Plan

"Now this is eternal life: that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom you have sent" (John 17:3, NIV).

What prevents us from knowing God personally?

MAN IS SINFUL AND SEPARATED FROM GOD, SO WE CANNOT KNOW HIM PERSONALLY OR EXPERIENCE HIS LOVE.

Man Is Sinful

"For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God" (Romans 3:23).

Man was created to have fellowship with God; but, because of his stubborn self-will, he chose to go his own independent way, and fellowship with God was broken. This self-will, characterized by an attitude of active rebellion or passive indifference, is evidence of what the Bible calls sin.

Man Is Separated

"For the wages of sin is death" (spiritual separation from God) (Romans 6:23).

HOLY GOD

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This diagram monates that God is holy and man is sinful A great gulf separates the two The arrows illustrate that mai is continually trying to react God and establish a person relationship with Him through his own efforts, such as good life philosophy or religion.

The third principle explains the only way to bridge this gulf...

JESUS CHRIST IS GOD'S
ONLY PROVISION FOR
MAN'S SIN THROUGH HIM
ALONE WE CAN KNOW
GOD PERSONALLY AND
EXPERIENCE HIS LOVE.

He Died In Our Place

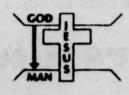
"But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us" (Romans 5:8).

He Rose From The Dead

"Christ died for our sins... He was buried...
He was raised on the third day, according to the Scriptures... He appeared to Peter, then to the twelve. After that He appeared to more than five hundred..."
(1 Corinthians 15:3-6).

He Is The Only Way To God

"Jesus said to him, I am the way, and the truth, and the life; no one comes to the Father, but through Me" (John 14:6).



This diagram illustrates that God has bridged the gulf which separates us from Him by sending His Son, Jesus Christ, to die on the cross in our place to pay the penalty for our sins.

It is not enough to know these truths...

WE MUST INDIVIDUALLY
RECEIVE JESUS CHRIST AS
SAVIOR AND LORD; THEN WE
CAN KNOW GOD PERSONALLY
AND EXPERIENCE HIS LOVE.

We Must Receive Jesus Christ

"But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, even to those who' believe in His name" (John 1:12).

We Receive Christ Through Faith

"For by grace you have been saved through faith; and that not of yourselves, it is the gift of God, not as a result of works, that no one should boast" (Ephesians 2.8.9)

When We Receive Christ, We Experience A New Birth.

(Read John 3:1-8).

We Receive Christ By Personal Invitation

(Christ is speaking): "Behold, I stand at the door and knock; if anyone hears My voice and opens the door, I will come in to him" (Revelation 3:20).

Receiving Christ involves turning to God from self (repentance) and trusting Christ to come into our lives to forgive our sins and to make us the kind of people He wants us to be. Just to agree intellectually that Jesus Christ is the Son of God and that He died on the cross for our sins is not enough. Nor is it enough to have an emotional experience. We receive Jesus Christ through faith, as an act of will.

These two circles represent two kinds of lives:

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SELF-DIRECTED LIFE

S-Self is on the throne

-Christ is outside the life
-Interests are directed by
self, often resulting in
discord and frustration.



CHRIST DIRECTED LIFE +-Christ is in the life and on the throne

S-Self is yielding to Christ
-Interests are directed by
Christ, resulting in harmony
with God's plan.

Which circle best represents your life? Which circle would you like to have

represent your life?
The following explains how you can invite Jesus Christ into your life.

YOU CAN RECEIVE CHRIST RIGHT NOW BY FAITH THROUGH PRAYER.

(Prayer is talking with God.)
God knows your heart and is not so
concerned with your words as He is with
the attitude of your heart. The following is
a suggested prayer:

"Lord Jesus, I want to know You personally. Thank You for dying on the cross for my sins. I open the door of my life and receive You as my Savior and Lord. Thank you for forgiving my sins and giving me eternal life. Take control of the throne of my life. Make me the kind of person you want me to be."

Receiving Christ involves turning to God Does this prayer express the desire of from self (repentance) and trusting Christ your heart?

If it does, pray this prayer right now, and Christ will come into your life, as He promised.

How to know that Christ is in your life.

On what authority do you know that Jesus has answered your prayer? On the trustworthiness of Christ himself, and His promises. He promised to come into your life if you will open the door (Revelation

Want more information?

3:20, Romans 10:9, 10).

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"Come to Me, all you are weary and carrying heavy loads, and I will give you rest" -Jesus