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# Editor's Letter



## Face Your Giants!

Ever had a giant in your life? If you look back, I'm sure you're likely to identify someone or something—one gigantic obstacle—that stood fiercely in your path and refused to move.

I've faced a few rough patches last year that, while they were not life-threatening, were just plain annoying. They just hung around, not wanting to budge, and blocked me from moving forward. They reminded me of David and his encounter with his giant, Goliath.

Though the odds seemed wildly against him, when David faced Goliath, he didn't think to himself, *I'm just a young shepherd boy and this monster is a skilled warrior. He's going to kill me!* Instead, David looked at that gigantic frame of a man and declared his faith with these words: "You come to me with a sword, with a spear, and with a javelin. But I come to you in the name of the LORD of hosts, the God of the armies of Israel, whom you have defied" (1 Samuel 17:45, *New King James Version*).

David took control of his future by exercising his authority over the giant who stood in his way. First, he told Goliath, "This day the LORD will deliver you into my hand, and I will strike you and take your head from you" (verse 46, *NKJV*). Then, using a slingshot and one stone, he fired off one round and slayed the giant!

We've all experienced situations that seemed mountainous. They appear as giants before us and we have no idea how to get around them. But God has told us in His Word that we are more than conquerors (Romans 8:37)—that we are giant slayers. All we have to do to be victorious is use His Word as our weapon, exercise faith to speak to our mountains, and command them to get out of our way.

Mark 11:23 is a giant-slaying verse, ensuring that whatever we ask God for in faith, according to His will, we can have. That includes telling our mountains—our giants—to move. But the key to receiving what we ask for is to not allow doubt and fear to keep us from releasing our most powerful weapon—God's Word!

In his article this month, titled "Releasing the Miracle Action of God," Kenneth Copeland shows how the Lord instructed Joshua to handle the giants, and the giant challenges, he was about to face after stepping in to lead God's people after Moses died.

"God did not tell Joshua to go off into a cave somewhere and wait on Him for a couple hundred days," Brother Copeland writes. "He didn't tell Joshua to spend hours crying and begging Him to release His miracle-working power. No, at the most crucial moment in Joshua's life, God pointed him to The WORD and told him to meditate on it, speak it and do what it says."

That's what God is saying to you and to me today. As His children, and because we have His Word, we are fully equipped. We can use the Word and slay the giants in our lives!

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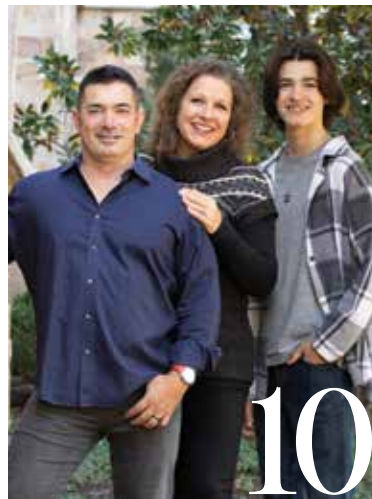
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When The LORD first spoke to us about starting the *Believer's Voice of Victory* magazine, He said: *This is your seed. Give it to everyone who ever responds to your ministry, and don't ever allow anyone to pay for a subscription to it.*

For 52 years it has been our joy to bring you good news through the teachings of ministers who write out of living contact with God, and the testimonies of believers who took God at His WORD and experienced His victory in everyday life.

—Kenneth & Gloria Copeland

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**Releasing  
the Miracle  
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by **Kenneth Copeland**

If you've been waiting on God to prosper you and give you success in some area of life, most likely you aren't really waiting on God. Instead, He is waiting on you.

What is He waiting on you to do?

He's waiting on you to  
take Him at His WORD.

He's already said that THE BLESSING of Abraham has come on you as a believer. He's already given you His WORD that in Christ you've been BLESSED with every spiritual BLESSING in heavenly places. He has already provided you with a Bible full of exceedingly great and precious promises. Now, He's waiting for you to take advantage of them.

He's waiting for you to do what Joshua did and take your promised land.

"But Brother Copeland," you might say, "you don't understand. I really do need a miracle. I'm facing some serious challenges. I'm in a tough situation."

So was Joshua.

When God told him to take

his Promised Land, in the natural, it looked impossible. Not only were there giants in the land, but he was also responsible for taking 2 million Israelites into it with him. What's more, Moses, who had been their leader for 40 years, had just died and Joshua had to take his place.

Can you imagine having to replace Moses? The man whose prayers caused manna to fall in the middle of the desert for four decades. The man who was with God on Mount Sinai when He wrote the commandments on tablets of stone. The man whose face shone so brightly with the glory of God that he had to wear a veil to keep from frightening people.



Talk about a tough situation! Joshua didn't just need one miracle; he needed a lot of them to lead the Israelites into the prosperity God had promised. So, God told him how to set those miracles in motion. He reminded Joshua of The WORD (which He called "the Book of the Law") that He had given through Moses and said:

This book of the law shall not depart out of thy mouth; but thou shalt meditate therein day and night, that thou mayest observe to do according to all that is written therein: for then thou shalt make thy way prosperous, and then thou shalt have good success (Joshua 1:8).

Notice, God did not tell Joshua to go off into a cave somewhere and wait on Him for a couple hundred days. He didn't tell Joshua to spend hours crying and begging Him to release His miracle-working power. No, at the most crucial moment in Joshua's life, God pointed him to The WORD and told him to meditate on it, speak it and do what it says.

Why? Because His WORD works!

It works in situations where nothing else will. It will do what can't be done in the natural. It will succeed when all human ideas, efforts and plans have failed.

For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, saith the LORD. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways, and my thoughts than your thoughts. For as the rain cometh down, and the snow from heaven, and returneth not thither, but watereth the earth, and maketh it bring forth and bud, that it may give seed to the sower, and bread to the eater: So shall my word be that goeth forth out of my mouth: it shall not return unto me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it (Isaiah 55:8-11).

I'm so glad God didn't just say in those verses that He is higher than us, and then stop. I'm glad He went on to let us know that although His thoughts and ways are higher than ours, they're not out of our reach. Through His WORD, we can come up to His level. We can think His thoughts, walk in His ways, and get His supernatural results.

Like Joshua, by observing to do all that's written in The WORD, we can release in our lives the miracle action of God.

### Put The WORD Out There and Stick With It

The WORD of God "is alive and full of power [making it active, operative, energizing, and effective]..." (Hebrews 4:12, *Amplified Bible, Classic Edition*). When you put The WORD to work it always produces exactly what it says, because it contains within it the supernatural ability to bring itself to pass.

That's why wherever you find believers releasing the power of God's WORD, you find miracles in action around them. You see the kinds of things that I so often saw happening, for example, around Jerry Savelle.

I remember when Jerry, my dear friend and preaching partner for over 50 years, first started learning to walk by faith in The WORD. One of the verses he caught hold of was Mark 16:18. It says that believers "shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover." So, Jerry began praying for the sick.

He went to the hospital to pray for one of his relatives and somebody else heard him; they asked if he would come and pray for them. He did, and as he started to leave the hospital, somebody else asked him for prayer. He ended up praying for four or five people before he got out of that hospital, and every one of them got healed.

Jerry also took hold of the fact early in his faith walk that "the gospel of Christ...

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is the power of God unto salvation” (Romans 1:16). So, taking God at His WORD, he went out witnessing to people. When he began helping me in my meetings, in between services he would roam the streets and share the gospel with anyone he could find.

One time when we were holding meetings in Jacksonville Beach, Fla., he led as many people to The LORD on the streets as we did in the services. We won 500 in the meetings, and he won 500 on the streets.

On another occasion, in Omaha, Neb., Jerry was out witnessing on the street and saw a crowd of people standing around a man who was on the ground having a hard seizure. Nobody else was doing anything to help the man, so Jerry pushed through the crowd, cast the devil out of him, and got him born again. By the time the ambulance arrived, the man didn't need it anymore. He was healed and praising God.

“But Brother Copeland, I'm not Jerry Savelle! Those kinds of things don't happen around me.”

They didn't always happen around Jerry either. There was a time when all he was doing was going broke running a paint and body shop. What made the difference? What caused the miracle action of God to go to work around him in such a mighty way?

He found out God's WORD is alive and real. He found out God said, “I am alert and active, watching over My word to perform it” (Jeremiah 1:12, *AMPC*), and began putting The WORD out there. He began releasing its power to go to work wherever he went.

What's more, he stuck with it. He kept taking God at His WORD year after year, decade after decade, and what happened? He wound up prospering and having good success, not only in ministry but in every area of life!

### Outside the Realm of Argument

God's WORD will produce the same results in your life. Jesus Himself will make sure of it. He is the living WORD! He came

to earth as a Man, became The WORD made flesh. He qualified on our behalf for all the Covenant benefits and promises laid out in God's WORD, then gave His life for us and left all those Covenant benefits and promises to us in His Will.

The book we call the Bible is His Will! That's why we refer to the two parts of the Scriptures as the Old Testament and the New Testament. A *testament* is “a document by which a person determines the disposition of his or her property after death.”

As with all wills, Jesus' Will became valid when He died. Only, in His case, He came back from the dead and now oversees the administration of His own Will to ensure it is carried out as written.

Imagine if some other man did that! Imagine Joe Smith died and left a will naming his wife as his sole beneficiary, and cousin Fred showed up claiming Joe's Last Will and Testament didn't mean what it said. Fred could declare himself the beneficiary and take the wife to court, and things could get messy.

If Joe Smith came walking into the courtroom, back from the dead, however, that mess would be resolved fast! Joe would say, “Cousin Fred, get out of here!” He would make sure

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the wife got what belonged to her, and court would be adjourned because there would be no argument left.

I like how the great faith preacher Smith Wigglesworth handled it when some people tried to argue him out of claiming by faith what The WORD of God declares is ours in Christ. He just showed them what the Bible says about it and said, “Fellows, it’s outside the realm of argument because it has now been brought within the confines of the Holy Writ!”

*But what if I can’t see how God’s WORD can come to pass in my life? you might wonder. What if I’ve tried to prosper and have good success like Joshua did, but I can’t seem to make it happen?*

Making it happen is not your part. That’s God’s part. He’s the One who performs The WORD and brings it to pass. Your part is to

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take Him at His WORD, believe it and walk on it.

When you do that, God will perform His WORD for you just as He did for Peter when he got out of the boat on the Sea of Galilee. You’ve probably read about what happened there. Peter and the other 11 disciples had

been struggling against the wind to sail across the sea one night, when Jesus came walking toward their boat on the water. Peter said to Him: “Lord, if it be thou, bid me come unto thee on the water. And he said, Come. And when Peter was come down out of the ship, he walked on the water, to go to Jesus” (Matthew 14: 28–29).

Obviously, Peter did not perform The WORD in that situation. There is no way he could walk on water. What happened was the Son of God said, “Come,” and Peter stepped out on that WORD by faith. God performed it and Peter began to walk across the sea toward Jesus.

But when he saw the wind boisterous, he was afraid; and beginning to sink, he cried, saying, Lord, save me. And immediately Jesus stretched forth his hand, and caught him, and said unto him, O thou of little faith, wherefore didst thou doubt? (verses 30–31).

Even on a day when there’s no wind at all, you can’t go out and walk across the swimming pool. So, clearly, it wasn’t the wind that sank Peter. What sank him was doubt. He let the wind deceive him into doubting God’s WORD.

As long as Peter was walking by faith in The WORD, God was obligated to perform it. But when he doubted, God no longer had the right to keep him on top of the water. If He had done so, it would have been an illegal operation. He would have been forcing His miracle power on that man and, because He made man a free moral agent, that’s something God can’t do.



POINTS TO GET YOU THERE:

**1**

**What God told Joshua to do will work for you just like it did for him.**

(Josh. 1:8)

**2**

**God’s WORD contains within it the supernatural ability to bring itself to pass.**

(Isa. 55:11)

**3**

**Your part is to take God at His WORD; His part is to bring The WORD to pass.**

(Jer. 1:12)

**4**

**Wherever you find believers releasing the power of God’s WORD, you find miracles in action.**

(Mark 16:20)

**5**

**By faith in God’s WORD, you can walk in victory over contrary circumstances.**

(Matt. 14:28-29)





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He did, however, meet Peter at the level of his faith. Peter believed Jesus would save him, and He did. But that wasn't God's best.

You don't get His best if you give in to doubt the moment something happens that makes it look like His WORD is not true. You get His best by refusing doubt. You get it by "casting down imaginations, and every high thing that exalteth itself against the knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ" (2 Corinthians 10:5).

Peter could have done that. He could have said, "I don't care how hard the wind blows, it will have to sink God before it can sink me!" He could have refused to look at the wind, closed his eyes and kept walking; and The WORD would have upheld him.

The WORD of God is the key! In your life as in Peter's, it's not your circumstances that determine whether or not the Covenant BLESSINGS of God manifest in your life. What makes you or breaks you is standing or not standing on God's eternal WORD.

So, get on The WORD! Receive it and believe even more surely than you would the word of your doctor, your lawyer or a highly respected personal friend. Read your Bible as if it is God speaking directly to you, because it is. Treat the promises and commands in the Scriptures as if every one of them begins with your name.

Put them to work for you by speaking and acting on them in faith. Release the miracle action of God into every area of your life like Joshua did, by keeping it in your mouth, meditating in it, and doing according to all that is written in it. For then you will make your way prosperous, and then you will have good success! 📌



The Texas winter storm of 2021 caused extensive damage to our KCM World Headquarters building, forcing several departments to relocate.

But in 2025, we are coming back! Phase 2 renovations of the Headquarters building are almost complete.

We're continuing to stand in faith on Proverbs 6:31, which says the thief must return seven times what he stole. And we're seeing it happen!

Partner, is there an area of your life where you're believing for restoration? We are believing God with you that 2025 will come alive for you and your family! Thank you for your continued support through your prayers and your financial giving.

We pray you'll be encouraged by this testimony from one of our staff members:

In 2021, Sarah, a KCM Partner, was living in Georgia. She prayed and asked the Lord what her part was in the aftermath of the

winter storm that caused damage at KCM. Upon hearing from the Lord, Sarah sowed her seed to help with the storm repairs. She had no idea that He would eventually lead her to attend Kenneth Copeland Bible College the following year, and ultimately she would be hired to work at KCM.

Today, Sarah is preparing to move into her new office space—in the newly renovated area of the Headquarters building that was damaged during the storm!

"I was sowing into my future, and didn't know it," says Sarah. "I was simply being obedient to what the Lord put on my heart to do."



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by Melanie Henry

# What God Has Joined Together

Robin Goncalves

chatted excitedly with her mother as they drove from their home on the West Coast of Canada toward the U.S. border. The car was packed with their belongings. Her husband, Victor, was driving the car behind her, which was also carrying a load of the family's belongings.

Also on board was the most precious cargo of all, their 12-year-old son, Mateo.

A semitrailer loaded with their furniture was already on its way to their new home in Texas.

A graphic designer, for the past six years Robin had worked at the Canadian office of Kenneth Copeland Ministries. Now she'd accepted a position at the ministry

headquarters in Texas.

Their transition from Canada to the U.S. had been...complicated.

Robin, her mother and Mateo were all U.S. citizens. Victor, however, was a Canadian citizen.

All he needed to get into the U.S. was a spousal visa. However, this was in 2021. The COVID-19 pandemic was in full swing, which





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Tue	4	Ex. 14:15-16:21	Matt. 25
Wed	5	Ex. 16:22-18:27	Matt. 26
Thu	6	Ex. 19:1-21:11	Matt. 27
Fri	7	Ex. 21:12-23:9	Matt. 28
Sat	8	Ex. 23:10-25:22	
Sun	9	Ps. 19-21; Prov. 4:1-19	
Mon	10	Ex. 25:23-27:8	Mark 1
Tue	11	Ex. 27:9-29:9	Mark 2
Wed	12	Ex. 29:10-30:21	Mark 3
Thu	13	Ex. 30:22-32:29	Mark 4
Fri	14	Ex. 32:30-34:35	Mark 5
Sat	15	Ex. 35:1-36:30	
Sun	16	Ps. 22-24; Prov. 4:20-5:14	
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Fri	21	Lev. 5:1-7:14	Mark 10
Sat	22	Lev. 7:15-8:36	
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Wed	26	Lev. 13:29-14:32	Mark 13
Thu	27	Lev. 14:33-15:33	Mark 14
Fri	28	Lev. 16:1-18:18	Mark 15

meant no visas were being issued.

“Since you’re not processing visas right now, what’s our next option?” Robin had asked when she’d called the U.S. Customs office. “He’s just staying long enough to get us settled. Then he has to return to Canada to close down his business.”

“Then he can enter as a visitor,” the customs agent explained. “Just go to the border and ask that he enter temporarily as a visitor.”

That settled, they’d packed up everything for the move.

After getting his wife and son settled, Victor would return to stay with his family in Canada. He would tie up loose ends on his business and wait on his visa.

That *was* the plan!

Reaching the border, Robin pulled up first. She handed the officer passports for her and her mother. They were told to pass through with no problems.

“The car behind me has my husband and son,” she explained. “My son is a U.S. citizen. My husband is a Canadian citizen, he’s just crossing temporarily.”

“Well, we’re going to pull them in,” the officer said.

“Why?”

“We’re closed for all nonessential travel. So, we have to pull him in.”

Nonessential?

The officer’s comments caught Robin off guard. Victor’s travel was essential, she thought, considering he was helping his family move and get settled.

Robin began pulling out all her documentation. She had her and Victor’s marriage license. She had proof of her new job. She had letters to prove Victor had a business in Canada. She even showed proof that the car Victor was driving belonged to his parents.

Everything showed proof that he was expected back in Canada.

Robin sat with Victor during his interview with customs, listening as he explained that he would only be in the U.S. temporarily and shared letters he had from his business partners in Canada. Despite spending nearly ten grueling hours with custom officials, in the end, Victor was denied entry into the United States.

**Separated Indefinitely**

“Both cars were packed. So, while they continued questioning Victor, we had to make room for Mateo and figure out what was in his car we had to have.

“When Victor came out, I was sobbing. He put his hands on both sides of my face and locked eyes with me. Then he said, “The devil is trying to stop you from continuing on, in your assignment. You can’t stop. You can’t turn around now, remember whose you are. You belong to Almighty God. I can’t go with you, but He will.’

“As head of the household, he wanted to protect us. He wanted to help us with the journey and the move. Instead, he waved goodbye.”

It was a long drive from Washington to Texas, Robin recalls. To make things worse, on the way she received another blow when Victor called with news that he had been banned from entering the United States for *five years*.

“I’d experienced a lot of warfare in my life,” Robin said, “but nothing like this. In the U.S., there were riots in the streets and all kinds of unrest. I was trying to avoid that while dealing with the trauma of what had happened. By the time we arrived in Texas it was Mateo’s 13th birthday, which is important to a young man.

“I didn’t want him to remember it with regret. This should have been a day of celebrating. When we reached our rental, our belongings hadn’t arrived. I didn’t have the keys yet, either. So, we drove to KCM to visit with friends.

“I told them that I wanted to find a hotel with a pool to celebrate Mateo’s birthday. By the time we were ready to leave, two of my friends had booked us a room at Great Wolf Lodge. Some of the other staff members had paid for our dinner.”

**Over and Above**

As Robin drove up to the lodge, Mateo’s eyes were like saucers.

“Hey, Mateo,” Robin said.

“What, Mom?”

“Is this more than you could ask or imagine?”

“Yeah, Mom, it is.”

“That’s how you know it’s God.”

Once they got settled, Robin and Victor contacted an immigration attorney in the Seattle area. Most of the experts Victor and Robin spoke with gave them the same advice: “Figure out how to spend at least the next 18 months apart.”

“Absolutely not,” Robin said. “We’re faith people. We believe we serve Almighty God who fights supernaturally on our behalf.”

### Journey of Faith

Victor and Robin’s journey in faith had different beginnings.

Victor’s family immigrated to Canada from Portugal. His mom had to go to kindergarten with him because he didn’t speak English for the first few years of his life.

“I was raised in a Catholic family,” Victor explains. “My childhood was interesting because my parents managed a care home for people with mental handicaps, such as schizophrenia and bipolar disorder. They lived on the top two floors, and we lived on the main floor.

“We were active in the Catholic Church,” Victor remembers, “but my mother sensed there was more. In the early 1990s, she discovered KCM. We would watch the *Believer’s Voice of Victory* program on TV. I was about 14 and we were living in Winnipeg, when Kenneth Copeland held a meeting there. That’s when we started to learn how to live by faith.”

“My childhood was interesting, too,” Robin says, “because my parents took in foster children. Like Victor with the mentally disabled, it builds compassion. One year, my parents took an anniversary trip to Fiji.

“They fell in love with the people. The island is a developing nation. The only daycares available were for the children of wealthier immigrant families. A lot of the local children, even preschoolers, were left home alone while their parents worked 18-20 hours a day.”

At that time, Robin was an elementary school teacher.

“My parents called during my summer



break and told me what was happening with the Fijian children,” she said. “They asked me to come see if I could help. I fell in love with the people too, so I resigned from my job and went to Fiji to help write curriculum and set up a school.

“While in Fiji, I learned that I had a gift as a graphic designer. It wasn’t until I met and married Victor that his mother introduced me to KCM. Through them, I learned what the Bible said about toil. I asked God to help me use my gift for the Kingdom. That’s when He opened the door for me to work at KCM Canada. Now it was going to take all our faith to bring my family back together again.”

Even though she’d met Pastors George and Terri Pearsons while in Canada, Robin didn’t expect them to remember her. But they did.

“What’s going on with your husband?” Pastor Terri asked. “Tell me what I’m missing so we can pray about it.”

Pastor George joined them and asked, “You’re married, right?”

Robin thought that was an odd question because he knew she was married. Then she realized he was going somewhere with that question.

“Yes, I’m married.”

Looking into her eyes, he said, “What God has joined together, let no man separate.”

The anointing on those words was palpable.

“Pastor George gave me my standing point,” Robin recalls. “That was all I needed. Whenever the devil tried to taunt me, I repeated those words.

***“Victor called with news that he had been banned from coming to the U.S. for five years. I’d experienced a lot of warfare in my life, but nothing like this.”***



Brother Copeland prayed that our family would not be separated again. Having done all we knew to do, we just stood in faith.



### A Direct Hit

“Victor and I talked every day. That summer, Mom, Mateo and I attended our first Southwest Believers’ Convention in Fort Worth. When God told me to go work in Texas, I thought it was just for my job. But He told me the main reason was so that Mateo would be at 14forty, the youth ministry.

“Two days into the conference, my mother developed pneumonia. It quickly escalated to COVID pneumonia, and she was admitted to the hospital. After the conference, she was discharged on oxygen. Right after she came home, I got sick with COVID.

“What welled up in me was, *Call Victor.*”

Robin called her husband. “Victor, you need to call the lawyer and ask if there’s some provision for you to come take care of us. Mom is on oxygen. I’m so sick I can barely take a drink of water. We have a 13-year-old who is by himself trying to keep us alive. There’s got to be some provision for you to come help.”

Turns out, there was a provision.

Within two days of the request, Victor was allowed into the U.S. for seven weeks.

“It was called a ‘humanitarian parole,’” Victor explains. “Three months from the time I was barred from the country for five years, I arrived in Texas. The devil had meant for there to be an evil outcome, but God had prevailed.

“As soon as Robin heard I was on my way, symptoms started leaving her body. Had the devil known that giving my family COVID would allow us to be reunited, he wouldn’t have done it.”

The men’s pastor at church referred Victor and Robin to a local immigration lawyer who was a Christian. When Robin and Victor met with the lawyer, the first thing the three of them did was pray and come into covenant

agreement, Victor recalled.

Although Victor was only approved to stay in the U.S. for seven weeks, they learned that he could apply for a visa from within the country because his spouse was a citizen. By doing that, it would put a pause on his orders to depart the country until a decision was reached.

### The Best Gift

“In September, I was watching VICTORYTHON,” Victor remembers. “Brother Copeland said something about sowing your best gift. I thought about the alabaster jar, in Matthew 26:7, which was broken to pour over Jesus.

“I kept wondering what my best gift could be. I had always been a big fan of Swiss watches. I liked the ones that were rare and unique. My favorite watch was one I’d bought in Zurich. Without hesitation, I sowed that watch.

“Brother Copeland prayed that our family would not be separated again. Having done all we knew to do, we just stood in faith. It took over a year, but I finally got my first interview. By December of 2023, nothing else had happened. They had lost my paperwork!

“Our lawyer called and outlined our options. One was to sue the government. We didn’t have peace about that. We decided to work with the local office to try and locate my paperwork.

“Finally, in January of 2024, I received my green card in the mail.

“In Canada, I was a well-trained economic analyst. I’ve spoken on stages all over the globe. Now I’m out of the world’s system. God is allowing me to teach finance to the Body of Christ.”

Today, Victor, Robin and Mateo Goncalves are living their dream—right where God planted them. There is no question that being Partners with KCM has changed their lives.

“Besides all the other blessings that flow through KCM, just the impact of VICTORY Channel is enough to change the world,” Robin explains.

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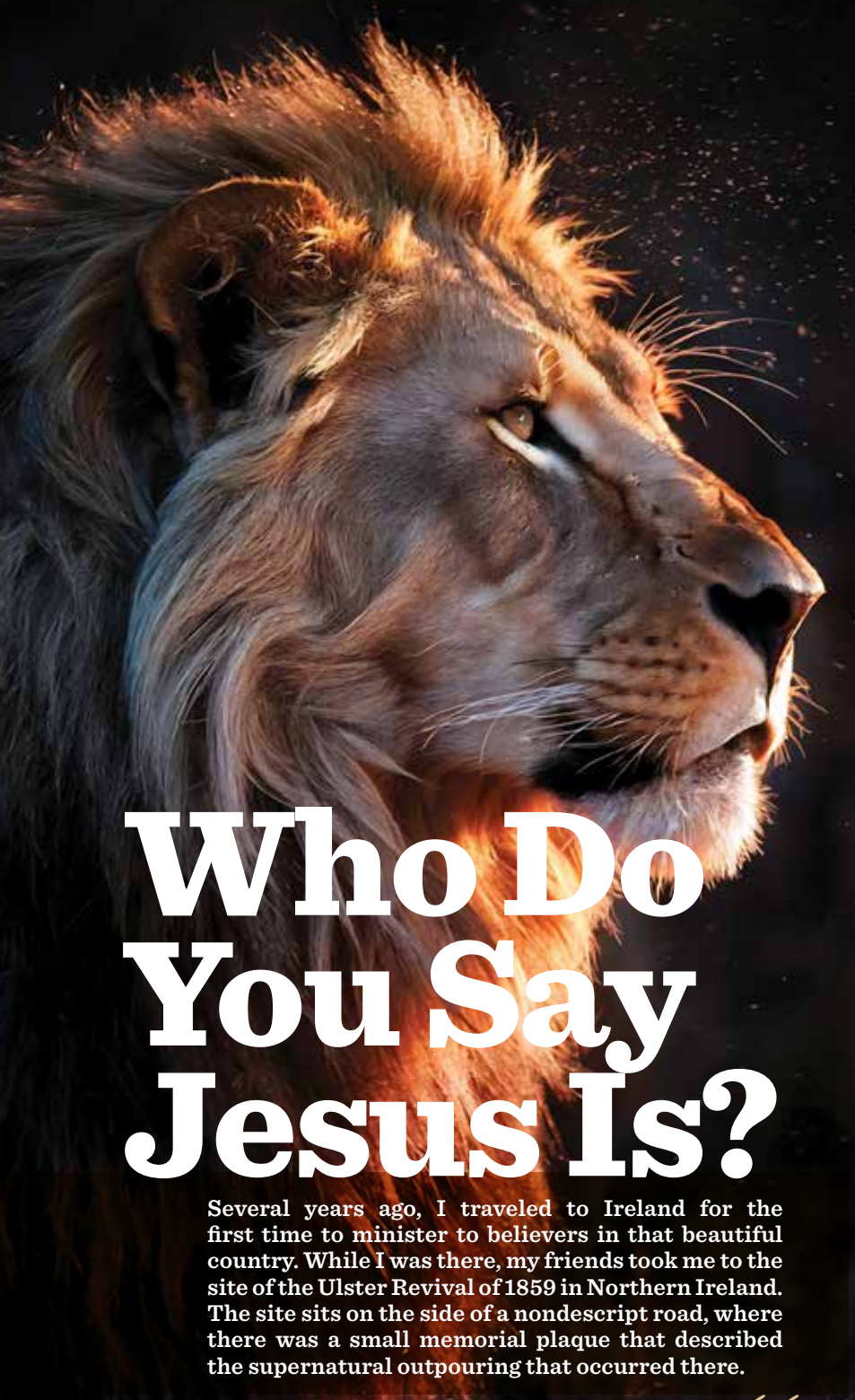


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# Who Do You Say Jesus Is?

Several years ago, I traveled to Ireland for the first time to minister to believers in that beautiful country. While I was there, my friends took me to the site of the Ulster Revival of 1859 in Northern Ireland. The site sits on the side of a nondescript road, where there was a small memorial plaque that described the supernatural outpouring that occurred there.

The memorial testified of four men who united in prayer for God to move in their land. Their meetings began in a schoolhouse just a few hundred yards from where the plaque rests. Word of the meetings quickly spread, and soon others were joining them—filling up that little schoolhouse. They held meetings every day, and the Spirit of God moved in miraculous ways.

Over time, tens of thousands of people came to know Jesus in Ulster. One record describes how, on one occasion, so many

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people dressed in black clothing were laid out under the power of God, the field outside the schoolhouse looked like a sea of black cloth.

Now that’s what you call revival!

Outpourings like the Ulster Revival have occurred in recent years, too. The power of God showed up in the Brownsville Revival in Pensacola, Fla., and the Toronto Blessing in Canada. And while those outpourings were good and Spirit-led, I believe we’re in a new time. In this latest move of God, I sense that you and I, as believers, are to be conduits of God’s outpouring right where we are, wherever we are. Instead of going somewhere else in search of the move of God, we’re to bring His presence with us.

How do we do that? I believe it starts by understanding who Jesus really is.

## Who Is Jesus—to You?

In the Gospel of Matthew, there was an encounter between Jesus and His disciples in which Jesus posed two important questions. They’re the same questions we should ask ourselves today. Matthew 16:13 (*New King James Version*) says, “When Jesus came into the region of Caesarea Philippi, He asked His disciples, saying, ‘Who do men say that I, the Son of Man, am?’”

The disciples didn’t hesitate to respond: “So they said, ‘Some say John the Baptist, some Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets’” (verse 14, *NKJV*).

As you read through this chapter, you’ll notice that Jesus did not respond immediately to those words. He knew His disciples didn’t believe it. They were merely repeating what others had said. Instead, Jesus followed up with a second, more important question.

“But who do you say that I am?” (verse 15, *NKJV*).

Jesus began by asking His disciples what *others* called Him, but He ended by asking what *they* called Him. As believers, we often point to the world and ask, “Who do they say Jesus is?” But a much more important question is, “Who do *I* say Jesus is?” How we answer this question determines who we allow Him to be in our lives.

We know what Scripture says about Jesus, and we know Scripture is truth. But each of us determines whether we allow the Word of God and the revelation of who Jesus is to change our lives.





How we answer the question, “Who do I say Jesus is?” determines who we allow Him to be to us.

He is the Savior to those who receive and declare Him to be their Savior

He is the Healer to those who declare Him to be their Healer and their healing

He is the Baptizer in the Holy Spirit to those who declare Him to be that.

But He is none of those until we declare Him to be so.

### For Every Member

God wants to reveal who Jesus is to the Body of Christ as a whole, but all believers must lay hold of the truth. It’s not enough for pastors or spiritual leaders to believe. The Church must believe.

For example, many Christians believe in the gifts of the Holy Spirit, such as the manifestation of tongues, prophecy and others. But sadly, they also believe these gifts operate only through certain persons—like their pastor, a worship leader, a spiritual mentor or a teacher. They don’t understand or realize they can operate in those gifts *themselves*.

I sense so strongly that God is lifting the Body of Christ to a new place where every member—not just leadership—is functioning in, flowing in, hearing and expecting the supernatural. Imagine how that would change the world!

It doesn’t matter who others say Jesus is. What matters is that we know what the Scripture says about who He is, and that we say so ourselves—not just because we’re mindlessly quoting Scripture but because we believe it. We also have a responsibility to do our part to help people understand spiritual things they haven’t yet grasped.

### How To Impact the World

The good news is, the story in Matthew 16 isn’t over yet. Read how the disciples answered Jesus’ second question in verse 16: “Simon Peter answered and said, ‘You are the Christ, the Son of the living God’” (NKJV).

It was the first time anyone had called Jesus “the Son of the living God.” That was a new revelation, and a powerful one at that! Jesus responded to Peter, saying, “Blessed are you,

Simon Bar-Jonah, for flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but My Father who is in heaven. And I also say to you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build My church, and the gates of Hades shall not prevail against it” (verses 17-18, NKJV).

Jesus declared that He would build His Church on Himself and the revelation of who He is. If *we* don’t get the revelation of who Christ is, and who we are in Him, then we won’t have any real impact on the world.

### It’s Our Time

As born-again, Spirit-filled, faith-talking Christians, we’ve had decades of great teachers teaching us who we are in Christ. We’ve learned that we are the righteousness of God in Christ—that we are the healed, the delivered, the voice, the hands, the leaders, the pinpoint that connects God to this planet.

But do we believe that’s who we are?

It’s time for the entire Body of Christ to learn who Jesus is. We must dig in, study the Word, and listen to anointed men and women of God. We must influence those around us by teaching them how to mature in faith and the Word. And we must provide a place for people to grow in their understanding of who God is and who they are in Christ.

Jesus is the Savior, but we are the Body of Christ—the Body of the Anointing. We carry the voice. We carry the authority. We carry the dominion.

We are in the days of outpouring where everything the Lord has been saying and telling us for centuries is available for every believer. We have the power of God’s love, the gifts of the Spirit, the authority, the doctrines of the Church, and the prosperity that belongs in every household. And we live by faith.

The outpouring of God is not limited to a single location, like Ulster or Pensacola or Toronto. The outpouring of God is designed to be in the Body of Christ all over this planet. It’s designed to be wherever you are.

When we have a revelation of who Jesus is, then we can expect these moves of God to break loose everywhere—because we are the ones who have the right to declare and release the kind of power that will change the world.

Who do you say Jesus is?

How you answer that question can change your life and, quite surely the world, for the good—forever! 🙏



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**The Goodness of God**

I just want you to know how much the messages of Pastor John Jester at EMIC on Wednesday nights have meant to me personally. I look forward to them. I also faithfully watch *FlashPoint!*

My heart's desire is to give much more than I do. Just know this 74-year-old great-grandma is praying and cheering you on!

S.D. | Indiana

**That They May Know...You**

I have been blessed to watch all of SWBC, including all of the prayer times. I loved the revelation of the "middle wall of partition was broken down" for us, and seeing the diagram of the temple with the walls that prevented getting to the Holy of Holies!

I also appreciated learning to pray Psalm 83 for Israel. I'm always looking to be more effective in my prayer for them! Thank you!

R.D. | Florida

**When You Ask...Believe!**

I asked for prayer for my back/sciatic nerve healing, and praise God, my back IS HEALED.

V.J. | Tennessee

**Don't Despise Small Beginnings**

I am a Partner that wasn't able to attend SWBC, so I watched online. While watching I heard the Lord tell me, *I haven't taken away your teaching gift; that word impacted me greatly.*

I have renewed my commitment to study the Word more intently and be prepared for whatever opportunity He has waiting for me, no matter how great or small.

J.A. | California

**JOY COMES IN THE MORNING**

One Sunday at 4 a.m., I began watching Brother Copeland online. He was preaching at the 2018 Orlando Victory Campaign, and he called out scoliosis, and described my exact symptoms. Immediately, my spine was straightened and I could bend. There has been no pain ever since. Bless God for this healing.

**Better Together**  
I just want to tell you how much I enjoy watching Pastors George and Terri Pearsons on the *Believer's Voice of Victory* broadcast. I learn so much from them!

J.M. | California

A.B. | Trinidad



*"We are in the middle of a Holy Ghost 'storm' of His lightning and His winds of salvation and healing. The flood of His power is flowing."*

—Kenneth Copeland

**'Jesus Healed Me!'**

I was rewatching the 2024 Southwest Believers' Convention. Brother Copeland was speaking and he called out that throat problems were being healed. I took it and my throat just instantly felt better. It's true—God's Holy Spirit is present everywhere. Jesus healed me! Hallelujah to God!

H.B. | California

**Every Joint Supplieth**

My left thumb was stiff and very sore, I couldn't bend it. One evening while watching the SWBC, I noticed I was using my thumb normally and it didn't hurt. I screamed out loud, "I've been healed!" Not sure when it happened, but it was definitely during the SWBC. Praise the Name of Jesus!

S.C. | Nevada

**Freedom Looks Good on You**

One morning, while watching VICTORY Channel, I noticed severe pain in my abdomen. I told myself God would heal me when VICTORYTHON started. Once it began, Pastor Nancy Dufresne instructed us to lay our hand on anywhere we felt pain. I laid my hands on my abdomen and the pain instantly went away.

However, that night I woke up with that same pain, but worse. I could hear Kenneth Copeland's voice saying, "satan, you will not put that on me." Then immediately these words rose from the inside of me: "He that the Son has set free is free indeed." The pain instantly went away. Thank You, Jesus!

T.A. | California

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THANK YOU for coming out to Chicago! You ARE the current-day 'Circuit Riders.' Chicago is often overlooked because of so much negativity, but there is a strong group here of warriors who will never give up, and CRY OUT FOR REVIVAL!

I drove out to Tulsa and Omaha to attend other *FlashPoint* LIVE tours, and all I could say in my heart to the Lord over the past couple days was, *Thank You!*

I am believing HE will fully pay ALL and OVER your financial costs, expenses and needs!

H.D. | Chicago

## SALVATION PRAYER

If you do not know Jesus as your Savior and Lord, simply pray the following prayer in faith, and Jesus will be your Lord!

Heavenly Father, I come to You in the Name of Jesus. Your Word says, "Whosoever shall call on the name of the Lord shall be saved" and "If thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved" (Acts 2:21; Romans 10:9). You said my salvation would be the result of Your Holy Spirit giving me new birth by coming to live in me (John 3:5-6, 15-16; Romans 8:9-11) and that if I would ask, You would fill me with Your Spirit and give me the ability to speak with other tongues (Luke 11:13; Acts 2:4).

I take You at Your Word. I confess that Jesus is Lord. And I believe in my heart that You raised Him from the dead. Thank You for coming into my heart, for giving me Your Holy Spirit as You have promised, and for being Lord over my life. Amen.

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### **'They Are Such A Blessing!'**

I can't say enough how much I look forward to Pastors George and Terri together on *Believer's Voice of Victory*. They are such a blessing!

During one Sunday service when Pastor Terri started in about the Holy Spirit, I felt the warmth of that prayer.

As the week progressed, I became more empowered and more aware of a healthier perspective of things around me. Turning my mourning into dancing, my sorrow into joy!

Bless God and  
bless you all!

V.C. | Texas



by Kenneth Copeland

*“The Cross affected everything. The problem is, most of us don’t even begin to understand the fullness of what happened there.”*

# Discovering the Sweet Secret of the Cross

The supernatural power to touch a bitter life and make it sweet.

That’s the secret people have been searching for almost since time began. Every human heart cries it out. Every person ever born longs for the power to turn sickness into health, loneliness into love, bondage into freedom and failure into

victory. All mankind yearns to taste the full sweetness of abundant life...and to bring that sweetness to others, whose lives have become little more than one bitter pill to swallow.

But does such power really exist? Is there truly a secret that can make any life an abundant life?

Absolutely. And, if you’ve made Jesus Christ The LORD of your life, you’ve already discovered that secret.

It’s the secret of the Cross.

“What do you mean, Brother Copeland?” you might ask. “The Cross is no secret. Lots of people know about the Cross.”

Well, they may know some basic facts about the Cross, but they don’t understand

the true power of it. If they did, then they'd know why the New Testament tells us quite plainly that "the preaching of the cross is to them that perish foolishness; but unto us which are saved it is the power of God" (1 Corinthians 1:18).

Notice that verse doesn't tell us the Cross *was* the power of God in the past, in days gone by. It says the Cross *is* the power of God that brings us salvation (which means deliverance from all temporal and eternal evil) now, today, in the present—and every single day of our lives!

Everything good comes from the Cross. It changed the entire future of humanity and all of heaven forever.

The Cross affected everything. The problem is, most of us don't even begin to understand the fullness of what happened there. We simply think of it as the place where Jesus paid the penalty for sin so that we could go to heaven and escape hell. That kind of thinking is right, as far as it goes. But it doesn't go far enough. There's much more to it.

### **Looking Back to the Good Old Days**

To see just how much more actually happened at the Cross, we have to go back to the beginning, to the creation of man, to see how this all began. We have to go back and find out how bitterness got into the life stream of humanity in the first place. God certainly didn't put it there.

The book of Genesis tells us that everything God created on the Earth was good. He created the land and the water and "it was good" (Genesis 1:10). He created all vegetation and "it was good" (verse 12). He created the sun, moon and stars, the animals and every other living thing, and saw that they were good (verse 25).

Once all that was done, God made the body of man from the dust of the Earth and breathed His own life into him after saying, "Let us make man in our image, after our likeness: and let

them have dominion" (Genesis 1:26). At that moment, man became a living soul. He was clothed with God's own glory. God Himself empowered Adam (and later Adam's wife, Eve) to bring BLESSING and prosperity to the whole Earth. And when it was all finished, the Bible says that "God saw every thing that he had made, and, behold, it was very good" (verse 31). Those truly were the good old days.

### **The Touch of Death**

In those days, Adam and Eve were free to enjoy God's good creation and reign in Eden as His representatives in the Earth. They were free to enjoy nothing but sweetness and light forever—on one condition: They were to keep God's commands.

Everything depended on that. If they obeyed God's commands, life would be glorious and wonderful. If they disobeyed, they would die.

Sadly, they made the wrong choice. They disobeyed...and the light of God's glory that once radiated from them was snuffed out by the spiritual darkness of sin. The devil, whom they had obeyed, became their overlord. His deadly nature invaded their spirits, and everything beautiful God had breathed into Adam and Eve was instantly twisted and marred.

The fruit of God's Spirit that once filled their souls—qualities like love, joy, peace and faith—were suddenly corrupted. Love became hate. Joy became sorrow. Peace became turmoil. Faith became fear.

The Anointing of God that had once empowered them to BLESS the Earth was transformed into a touch of death that cursed the entire planet. The very ground itself was cursed because of what happened to them. Every molecule was infected by it. The Earth, and everything in it, was cursed.

That, in itself, would have been bad enough. But the horror didn't stop there. Because God had ordained that every seed produce after its own kind, Adam and Eve were destined to reproduce children infected by the curse of sin.

So the more they multiplied, the more the effects of the curse increased!

Under the curse of sin, life on Earth, which had once been so sweet, became indescribably bitter. In fact, “bitterness” is the definition of the Hebrew root of the word *curse*.

I doubt if Adam realized the full extent of what had happened right away, but as time passed, the magnitude of it must have dawned on him. He must have thought, *Dear LORD, the seed of everything in the Earth is bitter! My own seed is bitter! How will anything on Earth ever be pure again? God, how can I ever be Your friend again?*

Adam didn’t have a clue. He didn’t know what God’s plan was. It was a mystery hidden in God before the world began (1 Corinthians 2:7). Yet from the very first moment the curse hit the Earth, God began to talk about Redemption. Right there in the Garden of Eden after Adam sinned, God spoke to the devil and said, *There is One coming, the son of a woman, and He will crush your head* (see Genesis 3:15).

#### God Did the Impossible

The devil himself must have wondered how God was ever going to find such a man. After all, the entire race of man was

under his demonic lordship. They were all sinners. They couldn’t defeat the devil. They were his slaves. And through their sin, they’d all earned the same wages: bitterness and eternal death.

Of course, according to God’s system of covenant justice, if God could find one pure man, the blood of that man could be shed for the rest of mankind. He could become their substitute and take their punishment. But God had no pure seed on the Earth to work with. He couldn’t even start again from scratch to form a new Adam from the dust of the Earth, because the dust itself was cursed and impure. How could God ever find human blood that was not already cursed with bitterness? It was impossible!

Or so it seemed. But God made a way. He visited a young woman named Mary and spoke His WORD to her. She believed it, and that WORD went into her. “And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth” (John 1:14).

Jesus, The WORD Himself, was born as the pure, sinless Son of Man and Son of God. There was no bitterness in Him. No trace of the curse. He passed every test of temptation that Adam had failed. He lived as a free man. Death could not touch Him.

But then He did the unthinkable.

“And being found in fashion as a man, he humbled himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross” (Philippians 2:8).

Jesus was already free. He didn’t have to do that. But He chose to do it so “that through death he might destroy him that had the power of death, that is, the devil; and deliver them who through fear of death were all their lifetime subject to bondage” (Hebrews 2:14-15).

#### Living In Heaven’s Sweetness

That’s what happened on the Cross! Jesus redeemed us from the bondage of the curse by becoming a curse for us (Galatians 3:13).

**“Jesus took away the authority of bitterness and released THE BLESSING— heaven’s sweetness— back into the Earth!...**

**He opened Eden’s goodness to us again.”**

He not only paid the awful price for what Adam did, He broke the power of the curse and destroyed the devil's authority to use it on any believer who, by faith, will walk in their purchased redemption.

Jesus took away the authority of bitterness and released THE BLESSING—heaven's sweetness—back into the Earth! He bore our bitterness and gave us His sweet abundant life.

He opened Eden's goodness to us again.

How do we live in that goodness? The same way Adam and Eve were supposed to do it—by obeying God's commandments. If we'll do that, the curse will be helpless to function in our lives and God's good BLESSINGS will overtake us (Deuteronomy 28:1-2). The saving power of the Cross itself is released in every area of our lives—spirit, soul and body—when we keep God's commands.

And as 1 John 5:3 says, "His commandments are not grievous." In fact, they are delightfully simple. "This is his commandment, That we should believe on the name of his Son Jesus Christ, and love one another" (1 John 3:23).

Or, as Jesus said in Matthew 22:37-40: "Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets."

Believe and love. That's all we have to do to live free.

There's no need for us to suffer the effects of the curse any longer. Through Jesus' death and resurrection, God has not only made it possible for us to taste the sweet life of God, He's put a well of it inside us (John 4:14). He's given us rivers of it, rivers that will never run dry (John 7:38).

The supernatural power to touch a bitter life and make it sweet has already been given to you. So release your faith and let that sweetness flood not only your own life, but the lives of countless others as well. Step into the overflow through the power of the Cross! 🍷

# Celebrate:



## Look What the Lord Has Done!

**Years ago, I went through a long season of testing. When I got on the other side, I heard these words rise up in my spirit: *Just because you can still see the Egyptians doesn't mean you're back in Egypt.***

My freedom had come after a long battle. Even though I was standing on the other side, the enemy wanted to convince me that my freedom wasn't real. But, praise God, I knew the truth.

I've seen this ploy of the enemy many times. He follows believers into their new lives and tries to bring back the old. It can happen with any kind of battle—sickness, depression, anxiety, fear, torment, addictions or bad habits—you name it!

The truth is, God has already given you your freedom. You don't need to convince Him to give it to you. He already has!



In 2 Corinthians 2:14, *New King James Version*, the Apostle Paul wrote, “Now thanks be to God who always leads us in triumph in Christ, and through us diffuses the fragrance of His knowledge in every place.”

Notice that Paul doesn’t say to give thanks only *after* we receive a miracle. He doesn’t tell us to wait for something to change. He tells us to give thanks *NOW*.

Another translation says it like this: “But thanks be to God, who leads me from place to place in the train of his triumph, to celebrate his victory over the enemies of Christ.”

The first part is a simple command: “Thanks be to God.” In other words, “Thank God.” The second part says, “who leads me from place to place in the train of his triumph, to celebrate his victory over the enemies of Christ.” I can’t help thinking of a divine conga line with people dancing and celebrating. That’s not too far off!

In every place, whether before or after our battle, our job is to celebrate. What are we celebrating? We’re celebrating Jesus’ victory over the enemy’s attacks. Whether we’re dealing with sickness, can’t pay our bills, have heard rumors of a workplace layoff, or had a run-in with someone while running errands, it doesn’t matter. Our job remains the same—*celebrate*.

We’re called to celebrate His victory. His victory *is* our victory. We’re not trying to get victory—we have it because of Him. He’s already made it ours.

### Run Out Ignorance

Hosea 4:6 says, “My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge.” In other words, God’s people are destroyed because they are ignorant. *Ignorant of what?* you may wonder. They haven’t learned what belongs to them. And that’s what the enemy is counting on. He doesn’t want us to know all that God has done for us.

That’s why we must continually run ignorance out of our lives.

How do we do that? By receiving the knowledge of God and acting upon it. The Word calls this being “doers of the word” (James 1:22).

As we already read in 2 Corinthians 2:14, if we aren’t celebrating, we aren’t following His lead. Things change when we celebrate. Locations, conditions and circumstances—they all change when we celebrate.

When circumstances arise that we don’t know how to handle, we’re to rejoice. We’re to sing and dance and shout before the Lord. It’s not about using choreographed dance moves or by laughing in some manufactured way. It’s about simply releasing our faith in celebration.

Dad Goodwin once said, “Anytime I run into a financial difficulty, I go into my office, shut the door and start dancing.” He knew that there is such a thing as Spirit-inspired dance. You don’t train for it. You don’t practice it. You simply dance with the knowledge that you are stirring up your faith.

Take a moment and meditate on these promises of God:

“By His stripes I am healed” (Isaiah 53:5)

“The joy of the Lord is my strength” (Nehemiah 8:10)

“All my needs are met according to His riches in glory” (Philippians 4:19).

These promises belong to every believer. The revelation of them will get us moving and cause us to want to celebrate.

### Personality and Present Times

Now, you might say, “Well, Pastor Nancy, dancing like that isn’t my personality.”

That reminds me of a bold statement my husband once made: “The reason more people don’t receive more in a service is because they don’t respond more.” God is always present and moving, but He’s not always manifesting. He waits for those who will move with Him to manifest His provision, presence and miracle-working power.

You might need to stir up your faith so you can walk into church with a spring in your step and an expectation of what the Lord promises to do. You might need to rejoice and say, “I’m getting something today. I’m



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receiving something from the Lord.”

Some might say, “But Pastor Nancy, you just don’t know how dire my circumstances are.” And you’re right. I don’t know how dire your circumstances are. But if you’re waiting for your circumstances to get better to be joyful, then you don’t have a revelation of God’s promises.

Romans 14:17 tells us, “The kingdom of God is not meat and drink; but righteousness, and peace, and joy in the Holy Ghost.” The work of Jesus doesn’t rely on your current circumstances. His work on your behalf comes because He is your Lord. Even when you’re standing for your breakthrough, you can celebrate. The Holy Ghost will meet you there. He’ll get in that flow because He’s the Author of it.

Still others will say, “Pastor Nancy, I’m just sincere and down-to-earth. I don’t put on a show.”

Well, you should. We should all *put on* Christ. We’re new creatures in Him (2 Corinthians 5:17). We should let Jesus affect every part of our lives—top to bottom, inside out. If we don’t, we’ll likely end up wearing the wrong things.

This became very real to me a while back, when I was dealing with our city government. The city had ruled against us on a project, so I called my son and my administrator and said, “We’re going to a city meeting tomorrow.”

Before I showed up at that meeting, I showed up on my back porch in my pajamas. I started declaring things. I stepped over into psalms, hymns and spiritual songs. All the while, the word *victory* kept rising in my spirit.

“I hear what heaven is saying to me,” I said. “This thing is turned to my victory. It is *already* turned.”

I had an urge to dance. It didn’t matter that I’m not a naturally gifted dancer. I began dancing in faith. Not 30 seconds later, the Lord said, *In the rejoicing, power flows.*

I hadn’t felt like rejoicing or dancing at the start, but I did it. I needed a miracle.

Like Oral Roberts used to say, “Every day, miracles are coming to you or going past you.”

God never stops moving. The question is, are we skilled enough to tap into what He has in store for us? That’s what I was doing—

tapping into my miracle.

My son and I went to that city meeting even though the outcome didn’t look favorable. In fact, throughout the meeting, it looked like the decision would go against us. I held on to what the Lord had spoken to me on my patio. Regardless of what happened, I knew I had my miracle. And God was true to His word. In a very short time, the city ruled in our favor.

### It’s Ours!

You and I are in Christ. We live in a new covenant with Him. We know who we are. We know what we already have and we know what we can do, because the greater One is on the inside of us. *That’s* why we celebrate.

We aren’t the sick trying to get healed. We are the healed.

We aren’t the downtrodden. We are the prosperous.

We’re not trying to get our blessing. We are already blessed!

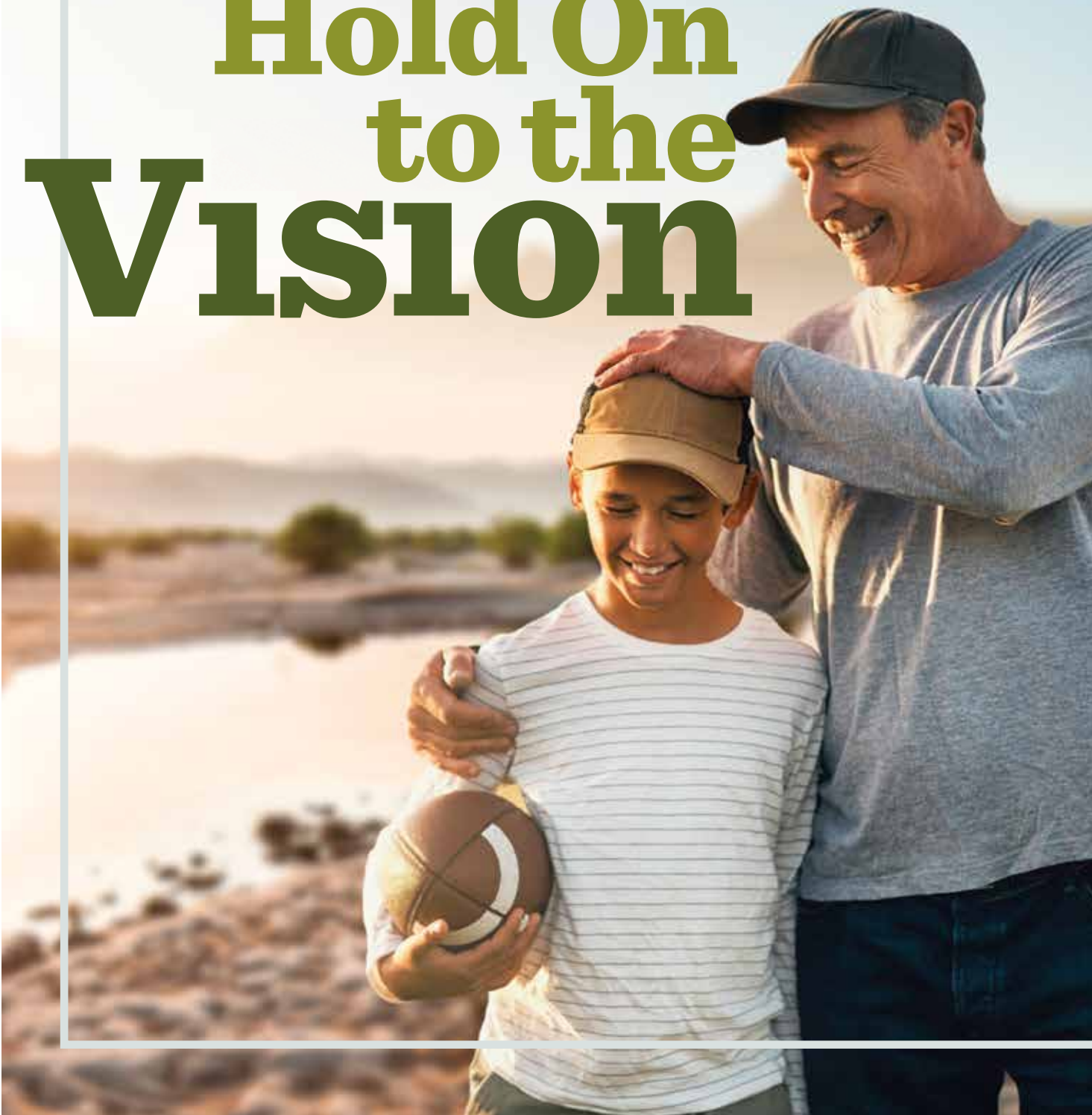
And when we celebrate, our miracle begins to manifest. So, let’s celebrate! 📌

**“Paul doesn’t say to give thanks only after we receive a miracle. He doesn’t tell us to wait for something to change. He tells us to**

**give thanks NOW.”**



# Hold On to the **VISION**





by Gloria Copeland

# “As you seek God in His written Word and listen to the voice of His Spirit, His plan for you becomes increasingly clear. He reveals it and puts His vision for you in your heart!”

I'm not a big football fan, so football games don't usually excite me. But years ago, I got a spiritual insight while watching a Super Bowl game that made me want to jump up and preach! It was 1999 when, in the last two minutes of play, quarterback Kurt Warner threw his now-famous, game-winning pass to Isaac Bruce.

Seeing Kurt Warner draw back his arm and scan the field for an open receiver, I got a revelation. *That's what the Lord is doing!*

He has in His hand good plans and

abundant blessings, and He's looking to get them to someone. He's looking for someone who will reach out with the hand of faith and take what He has prepared for them. As 2 Chronicles 16:9 says, "The eyes of the LORD run to and fro throughout the whole earth, to show himself strong in the behalf of them whose heart is perfect [or turned wholly] toward him."

In other words, like Kurt Warner with that football in his hand, God is always looking for a receiver!



POINTS TO GET YOU THERE:

1

Having a God-given vision for your life is vital. (Prov. 29:18)

2

Unlike unbelievers, you as a believer can find out what His vision is for you. (Matt. 13:11)

3

You can find out His plan for you from what He's already said in His Word and from the Holy Spirit. (John 14:26)

4

For your God-given vision to come to pass, you must patiently hold on to it and refuse to let the devil steal it. (Luke 8:15)

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God is looking for receivers who will reach out by faith and take His good plans and blessings. (2 Chr. 16:9a)

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To be a good receiver in the kingdom of God, spiritually you must be a lot like Isaac Bruce was in the natural that day on the football field. He knew exactly what he was out there to do. He understood the game plan, and it had his full attention. He had a vision of being a Super Bowl champion and that vision came to pass.

As believers, if you and I want to be good receivers, we must have that kind of clarity too. We can't just wander around aimlessly with no idea of what God has planned for us. We can't just pray, "Lord, do for me whatever You want to do," and leave it at that. We must know what His will for us is. We must know His purpose for our lives, what He has called us to do, and what He has provided for us. We must have a divine vision so we can release our faith for it and God can bring it to pass.

Having a God-given vision for your life is vital! Proverbs 29:18 says, "Where there is no vision, the people perish..."

The word *vision* in Hebrew refers to something coming into view. It means "to gaze at mentally, to perceive, to behold, to look, to see a sight as in a dream or prophecy, or to have a redemptive revelation."

The word *perish* comes from a Hebrew root that means to "loosen, to dismiss, or to set at naught." One Hebrew scholar, I read, said that in Proverbs 29:18 the word *perish* refers to letting something slip through the fingers by ignoring an opportunity.

Think again about Isaac Bruce's winning catch in the Super Bowl. If he hadn't kept that pass in his field of vision, if he hadn't been looking at it, it would have come to naught. He would have missed his opportunity, and his Super Bowl victory would have slipped through his fingers.

Even though we've been born again into the kingdom of God, the same can happen to us in life.

If we don't have a redemptive revelation of the blessings God has given to us in Christ Jesus, we can let those blessings slip through our fingers. If we don't keep His vision for our lives before our eyes, although we'll still go to heaven when we die, the many

wonderful plans He has for us here on earth will come to naught.

### **Don't Let It Remain a Mystery**

"But I don't know what my vision for my life should be," somebody might say. "I'm not sure what God has in mind for me."

Then seek Him about it.

How? First, by going to His Word.

You can find out a lot about what God has in mind for you just by reading your Bible. It will give you vision for every area of your life. It says, for instance, that God's plan and desire for you as His child is:

For you to "prosper in every way and [that your body] may keep well, even as...your soul keeps well and prospers" (3 John 2, *Amplified Bible, Classic Edition*).

For you to imitate Him "[copy Him and follow His example], as well-beloved children [imitate their father]. And walk in love..." (Ephesians 5:1-2, *AMPC*).

For you to receive from Him the desires of your heart (Psalm 37:4).

For you to do the good works He created you to do, walk in paths He has already prepared for you, and live "the good life" He has made ready for you to live (Ephesians 2:10, *AMPC*).

"But Gloria, how do I find out exactly what good works I should envision myself doing and what paths God has prepared especially for me? How do I know, for example, if I'm called to be a pastor or if I'm called to go into business? The Bible doesn't tell me that."

True. But it does tell you how to get that information. It says in John 14:26 that "the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost," whom the Father has sent to live inside you, "he shall teach you all things."

Through the written Word and the ministry of the Holy Spirit, you can find out everything you need to know about God's plan for you! You can not only develop a God-given vision; you

can find out what you need to do step by step and day by day to experience the fulfillment of that vision.

That makes for a happy life! For as Proverbs 29:18 goes on to say, although where there is no vision, the people perish, “he that keepeth the law,” (or he who hears and heeds the Word of God) “happy is he.”

True happiness isn’t available to people who reject God’s Word. They may come up with a vision on their own and even manage to achieve it. But they miss out on the real joy God has planned for them, because His vision for their lives remains a mystery to them.

Not so, however, for you! As a believer, “it is given unto you to know the mysteries of the kingdom of heaven” (Matthew 13:11). So, as you seek God in His written Word and listen to the voice of His Spirit, His plan for you becomes increasingly clear. He reveals it and puts His vision for you in your heart!

Of course, that vision won’t automatically become a manifested reality just because God reveals it to you. For it to come to pass, you must make a choice. You must believe and act on what God shows you.

That’s how His kingdom works. We always have a choice.

You didn’t automatically get born again just because you heard the gospel. For what you heard to make a difference in your life, you had to believe and act on it. Until you chose to do that, nothing in your life changed. Once you did make that choice and believed, though, everything changed. You became a new creation in Christ Jesus and were never the same again!

The same principle holds true when it comes to your God-given vision. How much of it comes to pass depends on what you do with what He has said to you about it in His Word and by His Spirit.

Jesus talked about this in Matthew 13 in the parable of the sower. He said there that the seed of the Word is sown into the lives of four groups of people, and compared the groups to four different kinds of ground. Group 1 He called “wayside” ground.

Wayside ground people are those who hear the Word but let the devil steal it out of their

hearts before it can take root. If they hear the Word about healing, for example, the devil might remind them of somebody who prayed for healing and didn’t receive it. So, they dismiss the Word of God they heard, and it produces nothing for them. Not one thing.

The second group of people Jesus described in the parable He called “stony” ground. The person in this group “hears the Word and at once welcomes and accepts it with joy; yet it has no real root in him, but is temporary (inconstant, lasts but a little while); and when affliction or trouble or persecution comes on account of the Word, at once he is caused to stumble...and he falls away” (verses 20–21, *AMPC*).

When stony ground people hear God’s Word about prosperity, they initially get excited and say things like, “That’s wonderful! I would love to prosper!” But at the first sign of financial trouble, they let go of the Word. So they miss the prosperity God has for their lives.

As believers, if we want our God-given vision to come to pass, we must hold on to what God’s Word says about it! If we want to walk in our God-ordained calling, we must hold on to that calling.

Maybe you’ve been in the ministry or in business for 30 years, and the vision God gave you in the beginning hasn’t come to pass yet.

Don’t let it go now. Don’t let the devil talk you out of it after you’ve held onto it for 30 years! Instead,

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when he comes around trying to discourage you, put him on the run by quoting the scriptures God has quickened to you. Go back over the things God has said to you and shown you in times of prayer. Keep them before your eyes and in your mouth, “that inspired and aided by them you may wage the good warfare, holding fast to faith” (1 Timothy 1:18-19, *AMPC*).

**Thorny Ground or Good Ground?**

The third group of people Jesus identified are described as thorny ground. I think many Spirit-filled Christians today fall into this group. They aren't seeing their God-given visions come to pass because, as Jesus put it,

[They] hear the Word; then the cares and anxieties of the world and distractions of the age, and the pleasure and delight and false glamour and deceitfulness of riches, and the craving and passionate desire for other things creep in and choke and suffocate the Word, and it becomes fruitless (Mark 4:18-19, *AMPC*).

It's easier than ever these days to let the distractions of the age choke out the Word we've heard. We have so many things vying for our attention. If we want to have time to spend with God in the Word and in prayer, we have to really contend for it!

Otherwise, our schedules will get totally filled with the busyness of life. Our Bibles will remain closed and our fellowship time with the Lord will get pushed aside. Our minds and hearts will become overcrowded with the cares and anxieties of the world and, like weeds overtaking a garden, they will start to choke our faith and suffocate our vision.

For a while, we might not even notice what's happening. But then we'll run into some kind of trouble, and the devil will do what he always does in such situations. He will use that trouble to try and change our vision.

For example, if you have a God-given vision of healing and you get a negative report from the doctor, the devil will try to get you to see yourself sick. If you have a vision of prospering financially, and your company starts laying

people off, the devil will try to get you to see yourself losing your job and going broke.

He will bring to your mind all kinds of dark imaginations when you're going through a trial of some sort. His aim is to get you to let him have his way in your life. But if you keep God and His Word first place, you can reject those devilish thoughts and imaginations. You can stay out of the thorny ground group and be like the fourth group of people Jesus described in His parable as “good ground.”

“These are [the people] who, hearing the Word, hold it fast in a just (noble, virtuous) and worthy heart, and steadily bring forth fruit with patience.... some an hundredfold, some sixtyfold, some thirtyfold” (Luke 8:15, *AMPC*; Matthew 13:8).

Notice, according to those verses, for the Word and your God-given vision to bear much fruit, you must exercise patience! Why? Because often what you're believing God for won't happen as fast as you'd like. You may have to wait awhile for it to unfold, and while you wait you must stay with the program.

You must patiently keep doing what God told Joshua to do to take the Promised Land.

He told him: “This Book of the Law shall not depart out of your mouth, but you shall meditate on it day and night, that you may observe and do according to all that is written in it. For then you shall make your way prosperous, and then you shall deal wisely and have good success” (Joshua 1:8, *AMPC*).

This is the way you receive anything from the Lord! Big things, little things, healing, direction, fulfillment of your ministry, and whatever else He has promised. You take the Word of God and get it on the inside of you. You fellowship with Him over it and get a picture of it in your heart. You let the vision of it get in you and hold on to it with faith and patience so that you don't perish, but you're happy and your life is fruitful.

God is looking right now for someone who will do this. His eyes are scanning the earth for believers who will reach out with the hand of faith and take hold of the good plans, the abundant blessings and the thrilling vision He has for them. He is looking for receivers.

Make sure He finds one in you!

# Enveloped In LOVE!



Commander Kellie's Corner

## Happy Valentines Day, Superkid!

February is a good time to talk about LOVE! This is a GOD-sized topic because GOD IS LOVE!

Last month we learned from Ephesians 4:13-14 that as we continue to walk and talk with Jesus we will grow up in the Lord. When we grow in our relationship with Jesus, we become stronger and more secure. Our trust in Jesus will carry us through the most difficult times, knowing we belong to Him.

I shared three things with you that happen as we live life with our Savior: We trust and understand Jesus more, and we grow up in our faith as we follow Him. This makes it hard for the enemy to confuse us or lie to us about who we are!

There are three more ways we become more like Jesus, and I saved them for the month of February because Ephesians 4:15-16 is all about LOVE! Let's look at these verses: "Instead, we will speak the truth in love, growing in every way more and more like Christ, who is the head of his body, the church. He makes the whole body fit together perfectly. As each part does its own special work, it helps the other parts grow, so that the whole body is healthy and growing and full of love" (New Living Translation).

Instead of being confused or troubled, like verse 14 talks about, we start:

**Speaking the Truth In Love.** We learn to say what's true, but we say it in a loving way, like Jesus.

**Growing To Be Like Jesus.** We try to be more like Jesus in everything we do because we are part of His family—the Church.

**Working Together In Love.** Jesus helps us connect in His love, so as each of us does our part, we help each other grow. This makes the whole Church strong and full of love.

As we walk and talk with Jesus, we are being rooted firmly in His love. This brings a sense of security in Him and the knowledge that we belong to Him.

When we are convinced that **Jesus loves us**, we can boldly speak the truth in love. His love makes us brave enough to follow Him anywhere, and His love connects us with others as it flows through us, making us into one big family. I like how the *Amplified Bible, Classic Edition* explains verses 15-16. It says,

Rather, let our lives lovingly express truth [in all things, speaking truly, dealing truly, living truly]. Enfolded in love, let us grow up in every way and in all things into Him Who is the Head, [even] Christ (the Messiah, the Anointed One). For because of Him the whole body (the church, in all its various parts), closely joined and firmly knit together by the joints and ligaments with which it is supplied, when each part [with power adapted to its need] is working properly [in all its functions], grows to full maturity, building itself up in love.

It says we are **ENFOLDED** in love. *Enfolded* means "to be wrapped up or surrounded with love," the way an envelope "wraps up" a Valentine's Day card. Think about how Jesus came to us as God's perfect message of love. The Father's love is the reason Jesus died on the cross for us. That love wraps around us and makes us one with Him.

We are **enfolded and enveloped** in His love, and we are now part of His loving message to others. We are becoming a family **closely joined and firmly knit together**—like pieces of a puzzle that fit perfectly.



Each of us has a special role to play, and when we do our part, we help the whole Church grow stronger and full of love.

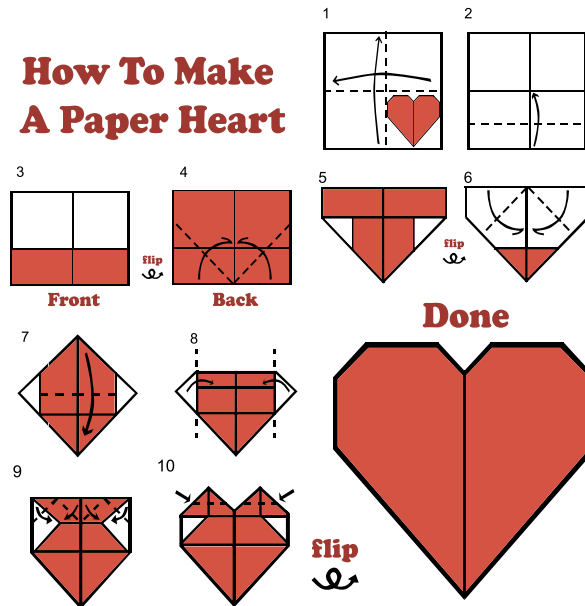
**Jesus is OUR Valentine**, and we are His message to the world!

Whenever you see a valentine in an envelope, remember that you are enfolded in the love of Jesus. You are hugged, embraced and surrounded by His great love! Romans 12:9, *The Passion Translation*, says, "Let the inner movement of your heart always be to love one another...."

The Holy Spirit is always at work in your heart to help you love others, like Jesus loves you. Let your heart flow with His message! Let this final word in verse 10 become your Superkid assignment for this month—and beyond: "Be devoted to tenderly loving your fellow believers as members of one family. Try to outdo yourselves in respect and honor of one another!"

Your devoted friend,  
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