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2015 Declarations

As you are able to agree with and own these declarations you will be built up in your most holy faith (Jude 1:20) and you will have a tool to war with that can defeat the enemy at several points in the coming year.

Each year I pray and ask the Lord for declarations to make (1) over people within my sphere of influence, for (2) those with whom I have some degree of influence and for (3) those who desire to claim them and come into agreement with them in prayer. I am making these declarations to those with whom I have a degree of influence (Paul said, “I stay in my metron (Gk.)”—2Cor.10:13-15).

These declarations are for **prayer points** (points that we pray over regularly) and **points of agreement** (points that we put agreement to in the atmosphere—agreeing with the purposes of God and with one another). If you desire to be a recipient of and a participant in these declarations, you must (1) **agree** and you must (2) **pray** them through and you must (3) **declare** them (cf. Paul in Acts 27). These will come to pass through the agreement that comes by prayer (and perhaps fasting) and applying ourselves.

Each year individuals, churches and prayer groups join us in prayer and agreement throughout the year over the declarations believing God for HIs (1) redemptive intervention in our lives, (2) our churches and in (3) our nation and



for (4) enablement for our Lord's Kingdom purposes. Each year individuals contact us to tell us about the declarations coming to pass in their lives after they have claimed them and prayed them through the year.

I declare that in 2015:

1. GOD IS DIGGING DEEPER

God is digging deeper into our lives to get more out of the way this year. He is digging deeper into layers to get out those things which are unnecessary; so we can get more done, so that we may function to a greater degree in the coming year. Then, where we haven't accomplished anything we will be able to accomplish something and where we have accomplished something, we will be able to accomplish more. Our Lord is scraping more layers off so we can be in the Kingdom what we are supposed to be, so that we may have the effect we are supposed to have.

Heb.12:1 "Therefore then, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses [who have borne testimony to the Truth], let us **strip off and throw aside** every encumbrance (unnecessary weight) and that sin which so readily (deftly and cleverly) clings to and entangles us, and let us **run with patient endurance and steady and active persistence** the appointed course of the race that is set before us, (Amp)

2. WE ARE TAKING THE FIRST STEP

Father's strength and wisdom are available for defeated people to take the first step after not moving against things that have defeated them in the last year. The time of not doing something about defeating factors is over. We will take the first step toward resolve of relationship problems with family; take the first step out of a habit, victimization, porno, poverty and abuse.

The first step will be admitting there is a problem and wanting the answer, even if it means we have to put forth some effort and make some changes. The first step will be to not wait for others and not wait for those circumstances to change, but begin the change in us.

First Step Plan:

1.) Admit there is a problem 2.) Identify that problem 3.) Begin taking steps to change while looking to the Word of God and Spirit of God for strength.

Ps.37:23 "The steps of a [good] man are directed and established by the Lord when He delights in his way [and He busies Himself with his every step]." (Amp)

3. THE ACCOUNT IS CLOSED

Our God is declaring that the account is closed where the enemy has been depositing fodder to shoot at you and depositing currency to spend against you. Fodder is ammunition that includes criticisms, faults, failures, accusations, shortcomings.

Rom.4:25 "Who was betrayed and put to death because of our misdeeds and was

raised to secure our justification (our acquittal), [making our account balance and absolving us from all guilt before God].” (Amp)

4. PEOPLE AND MATTERS RESOLVED AFTER A TIME OF PROCESS

I saw an old-timey postmaster putting mail in slots. The slots represented people and the matters concerning them. The delivering of the mail was a completing of, was an end of, the process of those troubled people and troubling matters -- like the mail being put up, finally delivered.

Ps.138:7 “Though I walk in the midst of trouble, You will revive me; You will stretch forth Your hand against the wrath of my enemies, and Your right hand will save me.” 8 “The Lord will perfect that which concerns me; Your mercy and loving-kindness, O Lord, endure forever--forsake not the works of Your own hands.”

5. OUR LORD IS COMING LIKE A GUST OF WIND IN THE U.S.

Unrighteousness and injustice are filling the nostrils like a foul odor and leaving a bad taste in the mouths of the coming generation. The Lord will blow the foul odor clear of their nostrils and they will get a deep, fresh breath. They will no longer be spoon-fed the tired and fruitless dogma of humanism and the encroachment and centralization of government. They will refuse to allow their vote to be bought with catch-phrases and empty political propaganda. Their hearts are being turned to a future that is worth living for their children. They are turning their hearts to truth and to biblical values.

Jn.3:8 “The wind blows where it wills; and though you hear its sound, yet you neither know where it comes from nor where it is going...” (Amp) Ps. 18:10 “...he soared on the wings of the wind.” No matter how high the walls that are built, they can’t keep God out.

6. WE HAVE APPOINTMENTS TO GET TO IN 2015

We have appointments to get to in 2015 that were set up by our Lord. But we will get to those appointments by things said BY US, whereas, if we listen to things said TO US we may miss those appointments. **We have been living, to a large degree, by things said TO US when we should be living by things said BY US.**

Acts 27-- Paul when ship was sinking; they were all saying, “We are going to drown” v.17 “fearing”; v.20 “all hope taken away”; But Paul said, “This night an angel stood by me and **I must go to Rome**”; v.22 “there shall be no loss”; v.24 “fear not”; “all will be saved”; “**you must be brought before Ceasar**”--(“you have an appointment”); v.25 “I believe God” v.34 “there shall not a hair fall from the head of any of you” Paul had appointments and he spoke those appointments and got to those appointments.... and he took others with him. God puts appointed people in the boat to keep it from sinking.

Rom. 10:8 “...The Word is near you, even in your mouth and in your heart...”

7. YOU HAVE A FUTURE

(Rev.3:8) “I HAVE SET before you an open door and no man can shut it.” No man has set, no happen-chance circumstance has set, no fluke or hiccup has set, no turmoil or trauma or luck-of-the-draw has set that door in front of you. BUT.... “**I HAVE SET AN OPEN DOOR**”. SET: (Thayer) to give one something to his advantage; to give to one who is asking; to supply, furnish necessary things; to give over to one’s care, entrust; to commission [for 2015].

1Cor.16:9 “a great door and effectual is opened unto me... and there are many adversaries” [those that oppose, that which opposes]. BUT... it does not say “and there are many impossibilities”. The Word says that there are things that oppose and things that are contrary but it does not say “impossibilities”. “**I HAVE overcome the world**” (Jn.16:33); NOT: “I will eventually overcome the world” Remind the enemy of the Footprint on his neck! (Josh.10:24) Declare: I have a future because my LORD has set an open door before me.

8. There will be a failing of plans and attempts that are designed to sabotage the 2016 elections.

“He frustrates the devices of the crafty, so that their hands cannot perform their enterprise or anything of [lasting] worth.” (Job 5:12, Amp)

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Good things for you to declare throughout 2015:

I will not allow any person nor any adverse circumstance to determine the life-span of the hope God originally put in me.

Jehovah is the God who does the undoable, changes the unchangeable and provides the impossible.

BLESSINGS: Num.6:24-26; Deut.28:7

May your home be a place of receiving. May your family receive encouragement, good times, happy times, times of celebration, gifts and surprises, supplies, breakthrough, health, wealth and resolve of on-going issues.

May your home be filled with different conversation in the year to come—different because you are no longer discussing threats and defeats but hopes and victories.

May your home be fuller this year—full of the things you have needed, full of the evidences of victories and full of love and good, productive fellowship.

May your home be filled with new language this year—filled with the language of finance and prosperity, filled with the language of health and filled with the language of wise counsel given and heeded.



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PRAYING as SONS



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As we read, Matthew 6 and Luke 10, we find Jesus teaching the disciples to pray. The verses leading up to the actual prayer reveal firstly what prayer is not. Prayer is not practicing your righteousness before men. Prayer is not using surplus words trying to cover your bases. Prayer is not from any motive that would manipulate God or man. Then, Jesus gives directions to His disciples on how to communicate with the Father. His instruction becomes a model for us known as *The Lord's Prayer*.

While the most common understanding of prayer is an appeal or petition, I think *The Lord's Prayer* illustrates a broader concept of prayer. I see it as a prayer of alignment with God's Word and will and character, or a declaration of agreement with God's order and principles and intent. If I viewed *The Lord's Prayer* only as a petition, it would seem to be a formal format of how to properly ask for basic necessities. While there is nothing wrong with that, I think there is more life in it and more relationship demonstrated in His model prayer. This prayer takes on more dimension when it comes from a motive and priority to pray as sons who know and reflect their Father.

Our Father. . . The first emphasis in Jesus' instruction was to start prayer from the "Our Father" position of a son to his father. This places priority on relationship rather than protocol and on heritage rather than hierarchy. Relationship assures us we can be confident of acceptance when we approach Him personally, face to face. Lack of relationship (1) leaves us unsure and at a distance, (2) a questionable guest in the throne room or (3) a needy outsider having to beg. Coming face to face is about knowing our Father well enough to see as He sees. If we don't come face to face, we position ourselves on the peripheral where we are susceptible prey for misbeliefs about God. When men are too far away to really know Him as a son, they are more apt to lean to their own understanding and create images from their own imagination and experience, like the ancient Greeks did. The gods they created had so many

human flaws that their supernatural powers over men were distorted to extremes by emotion and whim. If misbelief misrepresents God, it corrupts the potential and purpose of relationship and the motivation of the heart. Then there is no sonship and no "Our Father" entrance into the dimension of prayer Jesus taught.

Who is in heaven . . . "Our Father who is in heaven," releases a son from any earthly father's shortcomings. There will be no hindrance in our conversation because of a father's bad mood or because of an earthly father's personal guilt or distraction or misunderstanding or prejudiced opinion or unjust anger or mistaken views or lack of foresight. His being in heaven declares His Divine Supremacy while removing all human limitations. We are praying to a powerful Father, the Father who is situated above all, the Father who controls the universe, the Father who is almighty, the Father who is subject to none, the Father who prevails over all. Praying as a son changes the posture, scope and expectations in prayer.

Hallowed be Thy name . . . You are holy. I venerate your name, knowing it represents all that you are, all your authority and character. Father, there is no other like you, nor can anyone else be called by your name.

Thy Kingdom come . . . This is a statement of agreement that Father's order and government should and is coming into manifestation, and that this earthly domain should reflect the Father's. This is what a son prays when he understands the power of agreement.

Thy will be done on earth as in heaven . . . A son can choose to agree with His Father's will whether he knows it specifically or not in any situation because he knows His Father and trusts His Father's wisdom. A son can also pray this prayer of agreement because he understands the "givens," those conditions, decisions and circumstances that reflect His Father's will.

Give us this day our daily bread . . . In a healthy father-son relationship, a son does not ask his father for enough food to be sustained for a day. (Matt.6:8 already stated Father is aware of our needs even before we are.) Give us this day our daily bread, more than a request, is a declaration of trust that our Father will decide the right portion, daily. Rather than a mere petition, it is a declaration of agreement when we realize that our Father already knows the portion of provision (physically, financially, circumstantially) that we need in our lives today, not just to survive but to be fulfilled and equipped and successful. This declaration is not a frugal request for bread crumbs to fight off hunger and poverty; rather it is an agreement with unlimited means for whatever is needed to walk out our purpose and bring glory to our Father. He knows not only what we are to accomplish and steward in our day, but also in our lifetime, and He also knows the provision and timing of portions necessary to do so. "Give us this day our daily bread" is deliberate agreement with our Father's apportioning for life and purpose on a daily basis. That means if I need \$5000 today so it will gain interest and be an exact amount needed forty months from now, that \$5000 will be part of my daily bread today. As sons we steward relationships, money, circumstances, business and mandates. If we trust Father to apportion our daily provision, that provision will be neither limited nor wasteful, but I believe understanding this as a declaration

of agreement will definitely blow our doors with the changes it brings to our lives. That prayer is agreement with (1) Father's economy, (2) Father's accounting and (3) Father's agenda.

Forgive us our debts as we also forgive our debtors. . . And forgive us our debts **AS** we forgive our debtors. I wonder if a healthy father-son relationship means having to continually ask for forgiveness? I think many Christians feel this part of the prayer is a directive to always be sure we are still saved, but that is not praying as a son. A healthy son does not continually question if he is still a part of the family. This statement, more than a petition to be forgiven, is submission to a mature son's discipline and training. Forgiveness un-tethers us so our lives do not revolve around our conflicts. Forgiveness changes our focus from failure to future. Mature sons know that walking confidently in the freedom and power of forgiveness only happens "**AS**" we forgive others and un-tether them from a future dictated by the past. As we release others, dead or alive, from what they owe us in apology for pain, hassle, grief or injustice, we are freed up from the debt we have built. Debt erased from our future will change it. Forgiveness is an investment in your future. It is not about staying saved or deserving, it is about investing wisely. And forgive us our debts **AS** we forgive our debtors is a declaration that we understand Father's governing principle and we know our personal responsibility in living it out. I have to think God was emphasizing a consistent and continuous release that forgiveness brings, a continual unfettering of others to unfetter ourselves from our issues, a continual coming to freedom and deliverance to live as God intended, free to be who we were born to be for our Father's glory.

And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. . . At first glance, this sounds like this is asking God not to tempt us when James 1:13, tells us that God tempts no man to evil. So a son wouldn't suspect his Father of doing that. One of the meanings of temptation here is adversity. Neither would sons ask Father to keep us from adversity, because a mature son knows better than to expect not having to grow in character through overcoming. I think **The Message** may have captured the heart of this phrase: *Mat 6:13 Keep us safe from ourselves and the Devil.* One of the meanings of the Greek word translated here as "not" is "lest," which means "for fear that." That would lend this phrase to say, "Father lead us and deliver us from evil for fear that we will fall to temptation if You don't." And as a son with that understanding, my prayer would be in agreement, "May I live my life today showing that I am not under the dictates and influence of temptation because I am delivered from the evil one". I can pray that with confident expectation because **Thine is the Kingdom, the power and the glory.** Therefore, we pray as sons, knowing our Father has, and always will have, the prevailing governmental order and the authoritative power and the ultimate manifestation of His every intent . . . **forever.**

Amen . . . a "so be it" that implies a confident rest in our Heavenly Father who is both able and willing to bring our lives into alignment with His wisdom and goodness daily.

Kathy will be ministering at the Kingdom Equipping Congress March 4-6, 2015



To advance, we need to see the big picture. If we don't see and live by the big picture, we can get bogged down and discouraged. The Great Commission that Jesus gave to His Church has to be the big picture for us. If a commission is great in its difficulty, it is greater in its fulfillment. The Great Commission is 1) Jesus' mission to inherit nations, people groups and ethnicities, 2) a renewal of the Dominion Mandate given to Adam and Eve to reproduce and reach out and rule on the earth, 3) a co-mission because He has invited us to participate in His mission. In 1900 there were 20 non-believers to every believer. Today the ratio is 7 non to every believer. We are gaining ground. Most are from non-western nations which is remarkable since 100 years ago the opposite was true. The financial epicenter for Christendom has also shifted to Asia.

We have dealt with economic recession in the Church. We have been dealing with an over-reaching federal government. We have increasing corruption throughout our culture. We have experienced a doctrinal dumbing-down of the Church. Therefore, we must not live out of the conditions that surround us. We need the bigger picture to see beyond these current conditions. The challenge then is that we must minister and live out of revelation from God and spiritual sight more than ever. We must see what He sees. Without a vision people perish. Without a proceeding, prophetic word, we perish from discouragement, from depression or disillusionment and we become purposeless. We live by what we see and God gives us light and direction. "In your light, we see light," Psalm 36:9. We must engage in the Great Commission by first seeing in the Spirit. We can see by being engaged, but we cannot be engaged without seeing. Revelation is priority and it causes us to engage in the mission and causes

us not to back down when it is difficult in the darkness around us.

Revelation leads to repentance because people don't change their perspective until they see what God sees. The good news is there has been some genuine repentance and shifting of mindsets in the Body of Christ.

- For example, we have shifted from Church-centeredness to Kingdom-centeredness. We are not diminishing Church. Jesus gave the Kingdom keys to the ecclesia. However, the Kingdom is prioritized over the Church because the Kingdom transcends everything. Being Church-centered will keep us from seeing much of the Kingdom. Those who see the Kingdom will love the Church.
- Secondly, we have shifted from an entertainment model of ministry to equipping the Church for ministry in the seven mountains of culture.
- Thirdly, we have shifted from self-help techniques to discipling people into servant leaders. Converts do not change the world, disciples do. It takes a disciple to produce a disciple.
- Fourthly, we are shifting from revival to reformation. Revivals can be short-lived, but reformations last for generations. In 1517, when Martin Luther nailed 95 theses on the door of the Wittenberg church, that loosed a reformation in the Body of Christ and opened the way for a dark continent. There was an awakening in every area of life to appreciate the truth. It was only 100 years later that Galileo built a telescope to observe Jupiter. Reformation in the Church advances the culture. Reformation is not a selfish agenda. It serves God's bigger picture, His Kingdom purpose.
- Fifthly, we have shifted from defending our group's favorite doctrine to developing a biblical worldview through which we view all of life and reality. We all have doctrinal strengths and we are still adjusting some of our doctrines, but we are not defending our pet doctrines. Whole movements were built on defending pet doctrines and a lot of them were not even major issues. We have shifted somewhat from one generation leadership to multi-generational leadership in Church ministries. It is not a matter of passing the torch but a matter of sharing the torch. We are also shifting from "doing" church to building community among believers. We have shifted from ignoring the culture around us to influencing it and eventually managing it. The meek shall inherit the earth.
- Lastly, we have shifted somewhat from "I've got leaving on my mind," to "I've got changing the world on my mind." We can go to heaven with deficient eschatology, but we don't change the world with it. We have realized that how we view the future affects what we do now in life, finances, ministry and family plans. We love Jesus and we are here to fulfill the mission.

The next thing that Divine revelation will do for us as we live and minister by it is to lead us into new structures, new strategies and some adjusted doctrine.

We already have some revelation, but we are lacking *application* and *implementation*. We have shifted some mindsets but we are still praying for the “how-to.” We are seeking strategies to revolutionize our communities. We are asking how to Kingdomize the seven mountains of culture: family, religion, finances, education, government, media and arts/entertainment. I was asking God “how” as I was walking the other day. I was praying and talking when out of my own mouth came these words, “Strategy comes out of maturity.” Well, I immediately began to search for some biblical backing for that statement. In Matt. 28, when Jesus gave the Great Commission, did He give us a strategy to fulfill it? No. In Acts 2, when the Spirit was sent at Pentecost, there was prophetic declaration about the Spirit being poured out on all mankind, but there was no strategy given. It is interesting as the Spirit came and blew upon that early Church that they moved out and forward. The wind of God blew them into strategies. Though we do not find a strategy in Acts 2, we do find a structure or a wineskin through which they could get strategies because the structures or wineskins would mature these new believers. It is in Acts 2:42, they continually devoted themselves to apostles’ doctrine, fellowship, breaking of bread and prayers. In the context of that wine-skin structure, God began to work maturity in them and that facilitated the mission of Christ being fulfilled. The strategy is in the wind. The strategy is in the skin.

We are looking for methods but God is looking for maturity. We believe in methods, but they are not first. The wind is first. In Acts 13, the Church at Antioch matured to such a level in one year that they sent out their two most prominent leaders, Paul and Barnabas to pursue the Great Commission. They taught and disciplined for one year, every day. Maturity preceded strategy. Paul disciplined in Ephesus and in two years they matured teams to send out to the entire Asia Minor area. Jesus, the Son of Man matured before He fully accomplished His Father’s mission. (Hebrews 5:9, it says, having arrived at the full stature of his maturity He became to all those who obey Him the source of eternal salvation.) We are not saying that we do not pursue the mission until we are fully matured, but the best and most effective strategies for fulfilling the Great Commission will be released through a mature, corporate son of God in the earth. We are not diminishing what we have now, but greater strategies are coming as we get in front of the wind of God, as we get the right wineskin structure to see people mature in Christ. The Lord won’t give His highest level strategies to an immature Church. He is working to “bring many sons to glory” in the earth to represent Him and His purpose for the earth. We are accomplishing something now, but the greatest impact in the earth with the gospel message is yet to happen.

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Remnant Pulled Out Of The Remnant



In the SEEC Ministries Kingdom Conference last year, I was standing on the front row and I smelled something on fire. It got stronger and stronger until I realized it was a signal from the Lord that He was about to do something in the supernatural realm. He told me that He was allowing me to smell the burning of cancer cells. He was radiating the building. God calls Himself a consuming fire. So when something gets near Him that is not pleasing to Him, He burns it. That sensory experience was a first for me. Then a month or so later, I was ministering in Mexico and it happened again. We were dedicating a church in Mexicali when I smelled the burning again. God was burning cancer cells in this place. I shared that with the group and as I spoke the words, people started getting healed of tumors and cancer. It was so strong and dramatic that they were feeling it going on in their bodies as it was happening. They were feeling heat on tumors that had been diagnosed by medical professionals. Without being asked, people began to come quickly to the altar to give testimony of being healed. Let's agree with God who has already made up His mind that He wants to do miracles on our behalf. God is bringing the church into a time when everybody that comes in the door will get healed. We serve the God of miracles. Being supernatural is normal for God. The Word says that in some of the towns Jesus healed all that were sick. I'm expecting those times ahead. He wants to heal us and do supernatural things, even much more than we want them.

God sets all things into times and seasons. God never leaves things to chance or allows things to happen without reason. He sets everything in our lives into times and into seasons. Sometimes it becomes a challenge when an old season is coming to an end. It may not be comfortable because there can be an overlapping of the old and new season that can cause believers to get confused. Many times we begin to sense the lifting of the grace that was on us for that former season, but we don't know what the new is going to be. That can make us feel off-center or off-balance and that's not always a good feeling. The enemy will try to come into the overlap and deliberately bring confusion or fear or doubt. So, we have to learn to recognize the end of an old season and the begin-

ning of the new and not panic in the overlap period but, instead, see the overlap as the way God transitions us.

One important aspect of a new season is that God is looking for a response from us. Like the sons of Issachar (1Chron. 12:32) understood the times and seasons and knew how to respond, we also need to learn to know what to do in response. The sons of Issachar served in the roll of knowing what the whole nation of Israel ought to do. They were known as the timekeepers of Israel. They would tell the nation when a new month was beginning or when a new season of harvest was about to begin, so the nation could respond to the new season. The reason they could do that was two-fold. 1) They had a supernatural sensitivity, a prophetic gift from God, to recognize a new season and 2) they also had natural gifts. They were scientists in their day, astronomers. They studied the heavens to know when an old season was ending and a new one beginning. They were able to make the connections that as the heavens shifted in lunar cycles they were signaling a new season coming. Their accuracy caused the whole nation to look to them.

In the time when Saul was king of Israel and God was lifting His hand off of him, God had sent Prophet Samuel to anoint another king. There was an overlap period where Saul was still king but David received the king's anointing and was being prepared by God to become the new king. During that overlap period, the nation was divided because many were loyal to Saul but many others were loyal to David. The nation saw the distinction between the two. They honored King Saul but they recognized David was coming under that hand of God as the hand of God was lifting off of Saul. Since that was a confusing period for Israel, they looked to the sons of Issachar. And the sons of Issachar were used by God to confirm an old season was ending and a new one beginning under the reign of David. Issachar had such great credibility as the timekeepers of Israel that the nation accepted their assessment. They believed the sons of Issachar and shifted their allegiance from Saul to David. I believe the Lord still wants to alert His people to the change of seasons and times because He sets all things into times and seasons.

One thing the Lord has set in to do in this time and season is to pull a remnant out of a remnant. God is a God who works with remnants. The nation of Israel is a remnant nation. God uses the small to confound the great. He uses the simple and the childlike to confound the wise and the prudent. Isa 10:20-23 *And it shall be in that day, the remnant of Israel, and those who have escaped from the house of Jacob, shall never again lean on him who struck them; but truly lean on Jehovah, the Holy One of Israel. The remnant shall return, the remnant of Jacob, to the mighty God. For though Your people Israel are like the sand of the sea, yet a remnant of them shall return; the full end which is decreed shall overflow with righteousness. For the Lord Jehovah of Hosts shall make a full end, as ordained, in the midst of all the land.* Israel is a remnant, but within Israel is another remnant.

God pulling a remnant out of a remnant is calling people to a whole new place like He did with Gideon. Gideon had an army of 3000 soldiers. Though it

is better to have more than less when going to battle, God was pulling a remnant out of a remnant and told him to get rid of most of them in this army. Gideon took them down to the river to watch how they drank from the water. Only 300 kept their eyes up to scan the horizon for the enemy while they were drinking. They were tactical even down to drinking water. These guys knew the enemy could come at any moment. That 300 was the remnant pulled out of the remnant. Gideon learned that God can do more with less. We like to always think of God as the God of increase and He is, but sometimes before increase, He becomes the God of reduction. He takes things down to the lowest, to the least, and then He blows the power of His breath upon that *little* in order to resurrect it into a fuller, mightier form. If we don't understand this, it will mess with us when He starts reducing things.

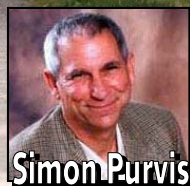
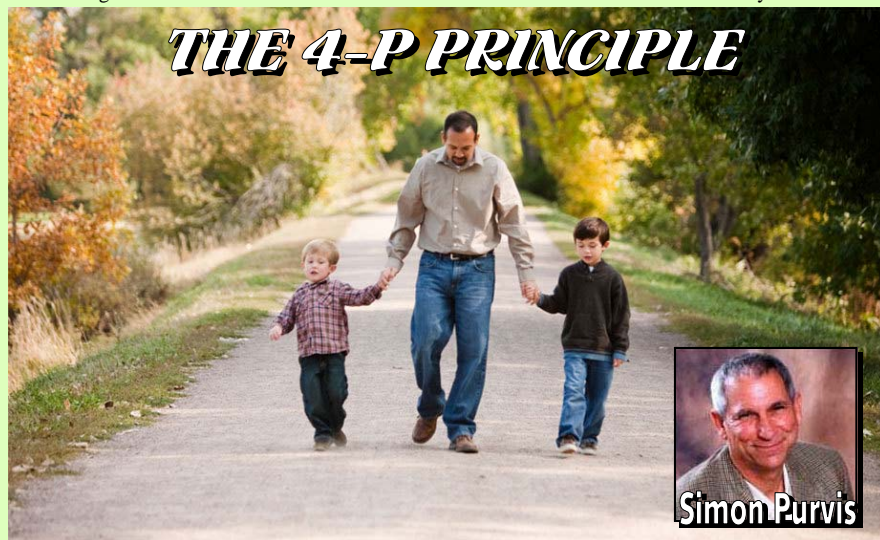
David had thirty mighty men, (2Sam 23). They were a remnant out of the nation's army. They were the biggest, the baddest and the best. However, the Bible says that this "special forces" thirty did not attain to the three. So among the thirty there were three that were even better than the rest of the thirty. These three, Adino, Eleazar and Shammah were the main captains of David's army. They were like David's Secret Service detail that protected him closely. They were the three that fought through the enemy's stronghold to get David a drink from the well in Bethlehem. They were a remnant out of a remnant. Again God is the God of reduction before He becomes the God of increase. He convinces us that we can trust Him when He is the God of reduction. However, most believers have trouble with that because we have misconceived an aspect of the character of God. So, during reduction people can feel disappointed and complain and sometimes turn bitter toward God. When people second-guess God and decide that God did not do things right, they do not see He has a master plan. Trust in God is essential in the process of pulling a remnant out of a remnant. Trust here is more important than faith because *trust is faith to not have to understand*. When Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego were about to be thrown into a fiery furnace because they would not bow before a false God they said, "Our God is able to deliver us". They had faith in His ability but more importantly, they had a trust in God's character. In trust, they left the final decision to God and decided that even if they perished in the fire, they would worship none but the one true living God. Sometimes, more important than faith in God's ability is trust in God's character. God all by Himself is God and we can set ourselves up for disappointment if we expect Him to work according to our thinking.

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THE 4-P PRINCIPLE



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What difference does it make if the Kingdom is here now or not? Most people just think of getting saved and going to heaven when you die. When God brought us into sonship, He gave us an inheritance and that inheritance is the Kingdom. Colossians 1:12 says the Lord has qualified us to be sons and not only that, He has given us an inheritance. Verse 13 goes on to tell us what the inheritance is: He has rescued us, taken us out of the kingdom of darkness and transferred us into the Kingdom of His son. Matt 6:33 *"But seek first His kingdom and His righteousness, and all these things will be added to you."* 34 *"So do not worry about tomorrow; for tomorrow will care for itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own."* When we find this quoted in Luke, the next verse says, "Fear not, for it is the Father's good pleasure to give you the Kingdom." We see in Matthew that every day has its struggles, but Luke's version says don't have fear in these struggles for it is the Father's good pleasure to give you the Kingdom. As sons of God we have been given a kingdom and that gives us a dominion mindset. But according to Galatians, you can be a son of God and have a law mentality and you will have a victim mindset. The mindset you have will determine how you go through what you are going through. If you are a son of God with a law mindset, you will simply be a victim of your circumstances. If you are a son of God and know that you have inherited the Kingdom of God, and you know that you have dominion, you can go through your suffering with a dominion mindset.

Let me lay a little groundwork here. There is something called *The 4-P Principle*. I did not come up with this. It is in a lot of materials you can read. 1) The first "P" is that God gives us a promise. 2) The second "P" is

the principle of obedience, 3) The third “P” is the problem of the wilderness. 4) The fourth “P” is that if you make it through the wilderness, you get the provision of the fulfillment of the promise. So, the whole problem is how you handle the problem of the wilderness. We all have to go through the wilderness. The distinction is that Israel went through their wilderness and came out as victims. Jesus Christ went through His wilderness with the reality of the Kingdom of God as a son of God, and He came out with dominion. In a lot of the moves of God we have gone through, we did not know how to deal with suffering. It is only when you come into the reality of the Kingdom that you understand how to go through suffering as a son of God and come out victorious. In Matt 11, when John had been put in prison, Jesus said, “The Kingdom of God suffers violence and the violent take it by force”. That means that those who have inherited the Kingdom of God will have great opposition but they will have a dominion mindset and they will press the Kingdom forward. The Kingdom is always advancing. It cannot be stopped. It is like the mustard seed, like leaven. Sons of God know how to handle their situations as a son. However, according to Galatians 4, there are sons that are no different from a slave with a slave mentality. As long as we are under the law, thinking that our works merit us something, we will continue in a slave mentality and come out victimized.

He gives us the principle of obedience but we don’t like the problem of the wilderness. The thing that stands between you and your promise is the problem of the wilderness. Ask Joseph. Ask David. Israel got a promise that God was rescuing them out of Egypt to bring them into a land flowing with milk and honey, but there was a problem called the wilderness. Israel faced the problem of the wilderness as a victim. One of the first signs of being a victim is murmuring. A son of God that has received the Kingdom, knows how to deal with their wilderness.

In the second chapter of Luke, Jesus Christ was twelve and was taken down to Jerusalem to bring Him into manhood, to bring Him under the law, and He was accidentally left by His parents. When they found Him He asked why they were looking for Him because He had to be about His Father’s business. He knew He was a son of God. In the third chapter when He was baptized, a voice came out of heaven saying, “This is my beloved son in whom I am well pleased”. Then the problem came up in chapter four. One verse said the Spirit of God led Him into the wilderness. Another verse said the Spirit of God drove Him into the wilderness. We all go there because the wilderness is between you and the fulfillment of your promise. The important thing is how you handle it, either as a victim because of a slave mindset produced by the law, or as a

son who is never victimized.

Understanding the reality of the Kingdom, the rule of God, helps you understand how you go through your wilderness, how you face your suffering, and it all works for you. All things do not work for your good if you have a victim mentality. Romans 8:28 tells us all things work together for the good of those who love God and are called according to His purpose. Then in the next verse it talks about our being predestined for sonship. If you have received the Kingdom you can't lose because you have a dominion mindset. In the garden, Adam and Eve were given the Kingdom and dominion. The thing that was lost in the garden was a dominion mindset. God wants to free us from a victim mentality, no matter what we have been through. We are not victims, we are sons of God. We have been rescued out of the kingdom of darkness and have been placed in the Kingdom, the rule of Christ. Under the rule of Christ, we have been restored as sons of God and have received this inheritance so we can go through our wilderness and come out different.

Life is filled with choices. Our wilderness experiences bring us to choices. C. S. Lewis said every time you make a choice you are turning your control center, the heart or part of you that makes choices, into something different from what it was before. Taking your life as a whole with all the innumerable choices, you are slowly changing your control center into something that is heavenly or into something that is hellish. In other words, your choices establish a son or slave mentality, a son or victim mentality.

If we realize that God uses the wilderness to develop us, we can view it as a son. In the tenth chapter of Hebrews, the Hebrew Christians were suffering because of the Judaizers trying to bring them back under the law. In the twelfth chapter it says God used their suffering to chastise and instruct and teach them because they were sons. When I was growing up, the only concept of chastening was that we were in trouble and God was spanking us, but the chastening in Hebrews 12 is not about sin at all. It is about destiny. God used persecution to chasten them as sons in order to mature them to bring them into their full inheritance. The real deal with chastening is like Deut. 8, when God told Israel He was going to bring them out of Egypt, He used the wilderness as part of a wonderful process to mature them for their full inheritance. And the wilderness took out of them any idea of saying that their own hands or own power had gotten them the wealth God was bringing them into. Even if we never sin, God will still chasten us so that we learn covenant. All humans try to lean upon their own human strength. Therefore, God

takes us through a human process of chastening, instruction and training so that when we come out, we don't think we did it in our own strength. Rather we discover the strength of covenant, sonship and relationship. If we don't think like sons, we live with a law mentality that leaves us thinking that we merit something from God, but a son understands that all comes through inheritance.

If we think like sons, we see the bigger picture. We cannot take a slice of pizza and think we have the whole pizza. Some people talk faith and try to make it the whole pizza. Some take healing and try to make it the whole pizza. Some take deliverance or prayer or intercession or prophecy and try to make it the whole pizza. The thing we need to see is that the whole pizza is the Kingdom that includes everything. We need to teach healing from a Kingdom perspective. When Jesus delivered someone, He said the Kingdom is here. Another government is here. So the Kingdom encompasses all and sons can see that. If we don't think like sons, we come to the wrong conclusions. For example, people who think faith is the whole truth by itself, do not know how to suffer because they think that suffering means you don't have enough faith. So, they don't know how to deal with their wilderness experiences. Many Christians don't come into destiny because they don't know how to handle their wilderness experiences and instead they get victimized. Only when thinking like a son will things work together for good and come out right.

We are not victims. We are sons of God and we have inherited an unshakeable Kingdom. That Kingdom is explained in Hebrews ten, then chapter eleven talks about the heroes of faith, then chapter twelve talks about chastening of sons. As we become sons instead of victims, we know there is profit in going through wilderness sufferings. No matter what we go through in life, we can come out with victory and dominion if we realize we have inherited an unshakeable Kingdom. (This article was taken from a teaching given by Simon Purvis. He is the lead teacher at the Word of Life Teaching Center in Lufkin, TX. Training is at 1:00pm each Sunday. To contact him about speaking engagements or to purchase his 160 page study manual on the Kingdom of God, call Word of Life Teaching Center at 936-639-2000; Email: wol-luf@consolidated.net)

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STAND



All my life I heard Ephesians 6:13 quoted like this, "Having done all... stand." This phrase was always accompanied by a sigh along with drooping shoulders. Here's the connotation from this scenario, "Bless your heart. Things are hard and beating you down, and potentially going to get worse. BUT try not to give up. Maybe God will deliver you out of this if you don't fall." There's just no comfort in this at all! It doesn't give hope or oomph to press on. It just confirms that things are really bad.

I was looking at this verse one day and saw something I have never seen. Look at this, here is how this scripture is quoted most of the time, "Having done all... stand". Here is how the scripture is written, "and having done all, to stand". See that?

OH MY! For the most part the word "TO" has been omitted from our quote, and that word changes everything. "*Wherefore take unto you the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, TO stand.*" (Eph. 6:13). So here it is in 2015 Lingo: Put on the **WHOLE** set of armor God provided, and when you have done that you will be able to **STAND** against any attack that comes. **YOU WON'T BE TAKEN OUT! WHAT?!** Well, this certainly puts hope and oomph back into that scripture. It's not a victim scripture it's an *I-gave-you-everything-you-need-to-take-care-of-this* scripture.

Here is what God provided so that we **CAN** stand no matter what comes at us:

- Belt: *having your loins girt about with TRUTH.*

Truth is what sets us free. Having that belt on will combat any lies that are meant to destroy us. "*And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you*



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free." (Jn 8:32)

- Breastplate: *and having on the breastplate of RIGHTEOUSNESS*

Morals and virtue protect the HEART. *"Keep thy heart with all diligence; for out of it are the issues of life."* (Prov. 4:23). The Breastplate that guards your heart, the core of who you are, is living and meditating on His Word and principles. These cause a barrier that keeps lies and wrong beliefs from shaping you into who society says you should be rather than who God says you should be.

- Shoes: *and your feet shod with the preparation of the GOSPEL OF PEACE*

Peace (Greek): prosperity: quietness, rest. We carry the "good news" of PEACE. It's that thing that trumps chaos. Here's a picture of that peace: *"And he arose, and rebuked the wind, and said unto the sea, Peace, be still. And the wind ceased, and there was a great calm."* (Mk. 4:39) Even the atmosphere knows that peace.

- Shield: *taking the shield of FAITH*

This protects us from the onslaught that wounds and consumes (*fiery darts*). This stands between you and the weapon so that it cannot destroy, so it merely bounces off. Here is what faith does, *"No weapon that is formed against thee shall prosper; and every tongue that shall rise against thee in judgment thou shalt condemn. This is the heritage of the servants of the Lord, and their righteousness is of me, saith the Lord."* (Is. 54:17)

- Helmet: *and take the helmet of SALVATION*

Salvation- (Greek) defender. This defends the mind. *"And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God."* (Rom. 12:2).

- Sword: WORD OF GOD

His words hold power and authority. This is what annihilates any enemy. *"For the word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart."* (Heb. 4:12)

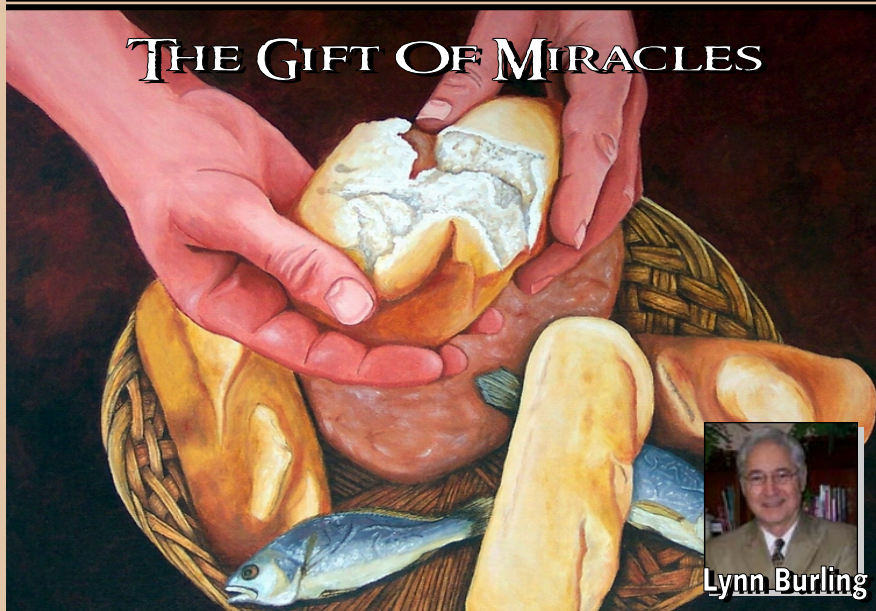
"All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness:" (2 Tim. 3:16)

The WHOLE armor of God makes it possible to STAND when the war comes to you! He gave us a belt of truth that will set us free, a breastplate of righteousness to guard our character and destiny, peace (shoes) to hush any storm we encounter, a shield of faith to stand behind to deflect whatever deadly thing is hurled at us, a helmet of salvation that keeps our mind sanctified and on Him and His plans, AND He gave us a the Word of God (sword) that holds the terms and principles of the covenant He went out of His way to create. Now,

putting all of this armor on is why we can STAND no matter what the enemy has planned! God made a way out, a way through, and a way to the top. Being able to stand is guaranteed when you apply what He has provided. Here's more proof of that, "*For His divine power has bestowed upon us all things that [are requisite and suited] to life and godliness, through the [full, personal] knowledge of Him Who called us by and to His own glory and excellence (virtue).*" (2 Pet. 1:3 Amplified). This just says it. He gave us everything we need to live this life, He gave us everything we need to excel in this life. He gave us a full set of armor, in fact. You've got this, so STAND!

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(I Cor. 12:10) "*To another the working of miracles; (vs 11)... the same spirit works all these things.*" Miracles are one of the gifts of the Holy Spirit given to the church. I love the way the Spirit introduces the "Gift of Miracles" as one of the gifts, "sort of blasé"; to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy; to another "Discerning of Spirits." STOP! Are you kidding me? The Spirit just kinda' moves on quickly enumerating gift after gift. Ha! I love it, MIRACLES. This gift encompasses so much and touches every spiritual gift as *miraculous*.

As a young man, I thought to have any of these gifts would be miraculous. It never ceases to amaze me that a prophet can tell us of future events or someone with the "Word of Knowledge" can literally pierce

your spirit with words sent for edification. Amazing as these are, how about the “Gift of Healing”... WOW! Again God in His crafting of the Body of Jesus, His church, has graciously given this gift to bring hope to the sick and restoration to physical and spiritual sicknesses. As we approach the “Gift of Miracles,” there is seemingly a blue print to follow embedded in Old Testament scripture. To me it’s as if the Almighty, “The Great I Am” will not stay buried in past reports of incredible, significant, almost unbelievable deeds. He’s the same today as yesterday. He still shuts the lion’s mouth and rescues from the fire! To Israel He performs incredible miracles in Egypt just to “prove” He is the “I Am.” He still wants us to know Him as the “I Am,” not the “**I Was.**” Please forgive me if it seems like I still believe in this “stuff”. He’s made a way in my wilderness. He’s allowed me to walk through waters of the deep and on dry ground just to show off (if you please) that He really, really still loves me and all His people. I know I’m introducing the “Gift of Miracles” in this article but somehow I believe if you’re reading this you “know” this Miracle Worker in a very personal way.

I would not say I have the “Gift of Miracles,” but I will tell you I have experienced the by-product of just believing, not just for myself but for others for ministering as well. Please allow me to tell of two. August of 1960, my eighteen year old bride of eighteen months is “trying” to deliver our first child. She is in Hermann Hospital in Houston’s Medical Center. At that time a 5’ 2” 118 lb., small framed young woman is carrying a 10 lb. 9 oz. baby in her, and is trying to deliver him. She has now been in labor over 36 hours and now she and the baby are getting weak. I can remember this as if it were yesterday. The old German doctor came to the waiting room at 2:00 a.m.. which was empty except for me. At nineteen years old myself, grasping the realities of things was not my strong suit. Dr. Strassman looked at me with a very worried look on his countenance and began to tell me in broken English... “We have a problem... you must choose... the baby or the mother”. I sort of told you that I was clueless about matters, but I got his drift. I said to him, “**NO!...both of them**”. He left the room and I fell on my knees. I can’t tell you what I prayed, but I was calling out the to “Great I Am” for a miracle. In about twenty minutes, he returned to give me an update, but this time there was a very puzzled look on his face and his words were softer and he appeared physically shaken. As I waited for him to speak, I had no idea that the next ten words I heard from this Dr. would be so impactful. He said, “***There was a PRESENCE THERE in that room with me!*** (a pause and as if it were a post script) and the mother and the baby are fine.” To me that was God in my fiery furnace or lion’s den! The second one was that I was driving in Houston while talking to an Indian Pastor while he was in India. And he was sharing about another Pastor’s wife that was about to go into surgery because they had found 1012 tumors in her uterus, as he was speaking, something rose up from in my belly and I said, “We are going to pray now!” After about 2 minutes, he said I feel something. I’m going to call the

hospital and tell the family that God is going to do something miraculous. He had to hurry because as he was calling, they were already taking her into surgery. From this point, I think you can surmise the rest of the story. So as they went inside her, they found no tumors. They consulted the x-rays again and again there were no tumors. All of this transpired in about 45 minutes since the phone call and prayer. What a great miracle God did.

There have been many miraculous things unexplained in human terms in my life, some characterized as “Gifts of the Spirit.” I can’t explain tongues, or how a man can receive an interpretation of a Heavenly tongue or explain a spiritual impression to tell someone their inner most thoughts or longings. All of the Gifts are miraculous to me! Tell me how a blind eye can immediately open, the deaf hear and the dead are raised? These are not explainable except by faith in the One who still does them. Please Joshua, explain to me the sun standing still; Hezekiah explain the sundial going backwards ten degrees; how about a mere man walking on water or a storm being persuaded to be still with one word, “PEACE”!

“*Greater things shall you do,*” Jesus told us. It still amazes me that I can stand and preach the Good News and a sinner can receive Jesus, salvation, sins forgiven and eternal life ALL at the same time! Miracles were never done to force or frighten believers into believing—they were done to encourage those who already believed or wanted to believe. Jesus said, “*A wicked and adulterous generation seeketh after a sign, and no sign shall be given it, but the sign of the prophet Jonah* (referring to his death and resurrection).” Mt. 12:39-40. Some will say, AHA! There you are! You’re not supposed to have signs! They overlook the fact that Jesus is talking to the “wicked and adulterous generation. On the other hand Jesus said, “*These signs shall follow those that believe.*” (Mk. 16:17) In 1 Cor. 12, the gift of miracles is spoken of as one of the nine gifts that were regularly manifested by believers. Following Pentecost, signs of power were done by or for the Apostles and others. Believers were set free from prison by angelic powers. One evangelist was transported bodily by the “Power of the Holy Spirit”. Paul did not suffer after receiving a deadly snake bite. Again to me, just to access the ear of the Almighty, just to have my voice come to His hearing is a miracle, but to see the answer come just as quickly or even 56 years later by seeking, knocking and asking, as with my Jewish dad to accept Jesus as his Messiah on the very day of his death at 96 1/2 years old is as great a miracle as ever.

Paul seemed to gain momentum in his later years with miracles. Paul used terminology such as “Diversity of Gifts and Operations,” “Differences of Administration,” and “Manifestations of the Spirit.” The fifth gift listed in the center of the “9” is “The Gift of Miracles.” It’s as if the previous 4 and the last 4 find their balance in the fulcrum of the miraculous. This is Webster’s definition of fulcrum: *one that supplies capability for action.* Let me give a definition for miracle: *an event of supernatural power demonstrating the reality and supremacy of God’s Kingdom rule and authority.* While a miracle is biblically referred to as a sign or wonder, they can most likely occur in power confrontations be-

tween the Kingdom of God and the Kingdom of Darkness. I submit to you that just living the life of a Christ-believer, many miracles will and probably have passed through your life.

Now in summary these comments are to encourage us all to seek this gift as any other, because it is a gift of the Spirit. You may need a miracle or someone you love may—regardless, our God is still in the miracle business. Expect them. (Lynn Burling pastors Christian Faith Church in Bellville, TX. He is Texas Bishop for the Association of Evangelical Gospel Assemblies and President of From The Heart Ministries. His teaching CDs are available at CFC Church phone: 979-865-5464. Kathy and I have enjoyed staying at their lovely bed and breakfast: www.somewhereintimebb.com. Lynn & Linda are gracious hosts.)

FORGETTING THOSE THINGS BEHIND

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“Brethren I count not myself to have apprehended: but this one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind and reaching forth unto those things which are before, I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus”. (Phil. 3:13-14) That forgetting means to be unable to remember. Isn’t that amazing, people say I forgave, but I haven’t forgotten, but here Paul is saying forgetting those things which are behind. It means to stop remembering, it means to fail to mention.

I asked the Lord one time about this because He said; “He forgets our sins”. I said; “how in the world can you do that? I can remember my sins and everybody else’s that I know about.” How about you? God said: “I choose to forget” Do you know we have the power to forget those things which are behind. What are those things? Past hurts, past

failures, bad memories, even sometimes success if that success keeps you in the same place (because God is always moving). Have you noticed how much God changes things? Its daylight now, it's going to change to night, night changes to day, months change to years. God is always changing things about us. He is always moving us from faith to faith and glory to glory. He wants us to let go of the past, and forget those things which are behind.

Another thing Paul says is that he's reaching forth to those things that are before. If you keep yourself in the past you can never go forward. He is saying to "go forth". What does that mean? Does that mean New Year's resolutions? Sometimes they are good, but what God is really talking about is commitments and goals. He is talking about the vision He has given us. You say "Has he given me a vision?" Yes He has. If you don't know what it is you need to ask him, because God is always moving us forward, He does not want us to stay behind, and He gives us what we need to do that and it's called grace.

Look at Moses. *"By faith Moses, when he was come to years, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter; choosing to rather suffer affliction with the people of God, than enjoy the pleasures of sin for a season; Esteeming the reproach of Christ greater riches than the treasures in Egypt, for he had respect unto the recompence of the reward. By faith he forsook Egypt not fearing the wrath of the king: for he endured, as seeing him who is invisible. (Hebrews 11:24-27)* Here we see Moses left the pleasures of Egypt. He was having a lot of pleasures because he was in Pharaoh's Palace. Also he had to leave his wife and sons to obey God. To be able to be a deliverer for Israel, he had to leave some things behind.

What about Paul, what happened with Paul? We can see how Moses left Egypt, but what about Paul? The Bible tells us that Paul was *"Circumcised the eighth day, of the stock of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, an Hebrew of the Hebrews; as touching the law, a Pharisee; concerning zeal persecuting the church; touching the righteousness which is in the law, blameless. But what things were gain to me, I counted loss for Christ. Yea doubtless, and I count all things but loss for the excellency of the knowledge of Christ Jesus my Lord: for whom I have suffered the loss of all things, and do count count them but dung that I may win Christ. (Phil. 3:5-8).* So as you see, Paul left behind his occupation, his position, his heritage, also all his mistakes.

You say, "Can I really do this?". Yes you can! It is very necessary

that you do. Sometimes its good things. I've seen people who have lost a loved one grieve for years. God says "sorrow not". Doesn't He care about your feelings? Yes He does, and He knows as long as you're grieving you're going to be stuck in that place. He says, "Let go of it." Sometimes we have a situation or a problem in our lives we just turn over and over. We don't know what to do, so we meditate on it, think about it and it becomes a big care and then a trouble and then a mountain. God says, "Let go of that," and you've got to let go of it. You say is it that easy? I wouldn't say it's that easy, but it can be done if you pursue. Our emotions get in the way when they are about us. Sometimes they are about other people, but usually it's about, "What about me?". Your emotions get involved, but God has done something to help us with that. He's given us peace that passes all understanding, but you have to let go of it. Jesus will help you. He said, "Cast all your cares on me, I'll take them because I care for you". You have to make a conscious effort to do it. It takes about a second to say, "Jesus I cast all my cares upon you because you care for me". Is it gone? Probably not, because you're not experienced in doing that so you have to do it over again. You keep on doing that until it's gone because you are making a conscious decision to make the right choice to do what God said to do. Every day we have the opportunity to walk in the things of God. If you don't let go of the stuff, you'll always be stuck in that rut, whatever your rut is.

What about Abraham? *By faith Abraham, when he was called to go out into a place which he should after receive for an inheritance, obeyed; and he went out, not knowing whither he went. By faith he sojourned in the land of promise, as in a strange country, dwelling in tabernacles with Isaac and Jacob, the heirs with him of the same promise: (Hebrews 11:8-9)* God said to get up and leave this place. He was comfortable in that place. That's where his family was. He had his own herds. His tent was home but God said pack up and leave. He had to leave the place that was familiar to him, a lot of those cares and situations are familiar, and because it's familiar, we don't want to change. We want to hang on to it. God says, "Let go". Abraham had to leave his family and even his idols. He had to leave to be able to obey God.

What about David? David was a shepherd boy. He was anointed king; He killed the nation's biggest enemy Goliath. They brought him into the palace and everything was wonderful. The King loved him. He got the king's daughter. His best friend was the king's son, Jonathan. Everything was wonderful and then he ran for his life for the next fifteen years. The king became jealous and wanted to kill him. He had to move

on until he did finally become King.

What about Jesus? Jesus was raised in a normal home with a mom and dad, brothers and sisters and a family business. He was comfortable and safe. God called him to a purpose. You must know that when you forget those things which are behind, and obey God, He changes you.

Paul was a persecutor of the church; he became the builder and establisher of the church. Abraham was a herdsman living in his own environment and worshipping idols but he became the father of many nations and the father of faith. Moses was an orphan in Pharaoh's house only to become a great leader and deliverer of God's people. David became King. Jesus was born in a manger but became King of Kings and Lord of Lords.

There are two things that you have to do to be able to move on and to let go of all that stuff. The first is you have to repent. When Jesus was baptized in the river Jordan and the Holy Spirit came upon him, the first thing He said was, "Repent for the kingdom of God is at hand". So the first thing we need to do is really easy, all you have to do is say, "Lord is there anything in me that's not pleasing to you?". He is faithful. He will show you right there and then that all you have to do is repent.

The next thing you have to do is forgive. A lot of times the things you're holding on to are old things because you haven't forgiven. One time I was praying and the Lord showed me someone I needed to forgive. I said, "Lord, but they were wrong". He said "I know it" I said, "But they were wrong". He said, "I know it". I said, "But they were wrong". He said, "Why do you think you have to forgive? If they were right you wouldn't have to forgive them". We think if they're wrong you don't have to forgive them, but the reason they're wrong is the reason you have to forgive them. You might say "Can I do that?". Yes you can.

If you will do it, it will give you peace and joy. If you are in any kind of anxiety or fear or depression, it's probably because you're not letting go of something. Jesus is teaching about faith in God and how to walk by faith. *And when ye stand praying, forgive, if ye have ought against any: that your Father also which is in Heaven may forgive you your trespasses. (Mark 11:25)* When you pray, you cannot have unforgiveness in your heart. Why? *But if ye do not forgive, neither will your Father which is in heaven forgive your trespasses. (Mark 11:26)* Is that fair? I thought He loved me! He does. That's the reason he wants you to forgive so you can be cleansed. So you can have that peace and joy. You say, "I have forgiven, but it just keeps coming back". If you've forgiven

and it keeps coming back you say, “That’s under the blood, I’m letting it go”. When God told me to forgive, it was my shorthand teacher in High School. Do you believe that? I said, “Lord you’re kidding”. He said, “No you have held a grudge against her”. I said, “Yes, she treated me wrong”. I hadn’t thought about that woman in twenty years when He told me that. It was real easy to forgive her, because that was so long ago. What about somebody that did you wrong yesterday? What about somebody that’s going to do you wrong tomorrow? Maybe you work with them. How do you deal with that? First, check to see if you are in the wrong. Then you forgive them and pray for them. If you have an opportunity to correct them you can. Sometimes if it’s your boss, you can’t. So ask the Lord to change your situation. He will move them, move you or change the problem, if you are repenting and forgiving, and casting those cares upon him.

For if ye forgive men their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you. But if ye forgive not men their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses. (Matthew 6:14-15) That falls in that sowing and reaping category. God is wanting to help you, to give you joy, to give you peace. He’s wanting to do all those things, but you have to repent if you’re wrong and forgive if somebody else is wrong. You have to see yourself as God sees you. You’re redeemed. You’re a child of the King, You’re an overcomer and sometimes you have to overcome your own emotions to be able to walk in the things God has for you, *Casting all your care upon him; for the careth for you.* (1 Peter 5:7) Now you might have to do that fifteen or thirty times the first day, but I’m telling you if you do it, it works because God is faithful to His word. If there is anything rubbing you the wrong way, you’ve got to let go of that and get rid of it. You are not going to walk in the peace and joy and fulfillment that God has for you until you do. Forget those things that are behind and walk with Jesus.

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