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... Sandy Warner~~ swauthor@usa.net~~ www.thequickenedword.com OPEN DOOR FOR MENTORING BETWEEN GENERATIONS [Parents Adopting Upcoming Leaders For Training] == == == == == RHEMA 6/5 /03 COMMISSIONING DREAM/ VISION: A man about 8 feet tall came to me and said I had passed the test and he had come to offer me a ministry. He was commissioning me and handed me a promise spoken by Bob Jones that I had very dearly held onto. I was not sure who this man was that wanted to commission me. All I knew was that he was very respected in some kind of an overseer ministry ...

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www.thequickenword.com 6/16/01 Isaiah 40:31 KJV But they that wait upon the LORD shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint. Deut 32:11-12 NKJV As an eagle stirs up ...

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### 3. [YOUNG PROPHETS](#) [Search Rhema]

... Sandy Warner~~ swauthor@usa.net~~ www.thequickenword.com Young Prophets 5/20/00: REVELATION OF THE VIRGIN PROPHET& **MENTORING**: Today as I was listening to scripture on the Bible tape, the following passage jumped out to me as a prophetic parable. The colt that has never been ridden reminds me of the young virgin prophet who has received a wonderful vision or revelation from the Lord, and the Lord rides the virgin in honor, in view of the crowds. The young one is innocent and does not know the pain of rejection or any of the mishaps in coming into the prophetic giftings. We need to **mentor** younger ones so they ...

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... was touched by the fact that in the movie, William was a student of John Newton who had been a slave trader and then came to the Lord in repentance. John was the one who wrote the song, Amazing Grace. It was John's influence that seeded and fueled William's passion. As I thought of the power of **mentoring**, to pour one's life into another, I saw the power of what it means to be a bridge...the infrastructure that moves people to commitment. When Wayne and I were still young and I went back to college to finish my degree, I did my thesis and research on opening a store in a local mall. ...

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... anointing, is drawing people to themselves in order to be worshipped and it takes the focus and worship off God. I have watched this for years and understand the balance of sharing to avoid that. God has a way of bonding parents with their children, in the same way Paul spoke of so often about those he was **mentoring**. It is very right and encouraging to feel that strong bond of support. But when hearing the **mentor** share is displacing faith in God, or leaning upon Him and hearing Him speak, then something has gotten off. And so I walk in fear and trembling of that in my writings. Water naturally runs downhill and as ...

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### 7. [Script Gifts](#) [Search School]

... the Hebrew language, that a part of being a prophet is being an inspired poet. I was SO surprised. {# 5031 Strongs} The Lord told me a few months before He gave me my first poem, that He was going to impart the Gift of Poetry to me. Then Paul Keith Davis, who was **mentored** by Bob Jones came to our church and he called me forward and laid hands on me. I was under the trembling power for a long time as the Lord poured upon me. It was right after that impartation that I began writing intercessory poetry. I literally felt His yearning heart as I wrote them, and many times ...

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### 8. [{Teaching} How To Break Through And Hear God Speak](#) [Search Rhema]

... what you see and hear 2 Tim 2:15 AMP Study and be eager and do your utmost to present yourself to God approved (tested by trial), a workman who has no cause to be ashamed, correctly analyzing and accurately dividing {rightly handling and skillfully teaching} the Word of Truth. 3. If you are being **mentored** (like on my email list), steward what you are given. If something confirms where you are, take notes and paste it all together so that you have your own journey of how the Lord is weaving it all together to build your faith and hearing. Eph 4:15-16 NKJV may grow up in all things into Him ...

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#### 9. [Donkeys and Birthing Babies](#) [Search Rhema]

... you have sermons, you have finances, you have homes to share for prayer, Bible studies, classes and home groups you have great wealth collected in your life and under the Lord's anointing, it will pour forth like rivers of sweet mother's milk. The Lord will place within your heart a burning love and a passion to **mentor**, to nurture that which God has brought forth. CHILDREN OF PROMISE As children of corporate, generational and personal promises, what happens after birth? When Jesus rode His triumphant entry into the city, it was on the young colt, not the mother donkey. These newly birthed corporate, generational and personal promises will have the ...

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#### 10. [{Word To Ponder} Fellowship Not Activities](#) [Search Rhema]

... your intimacy with Me to include people. I desire our fellowship to be 3 way, where you sit at My feet through another, and they sit at My feet through you and I AM the focus and you clearly see Me working between parties. If you are involved in activity without real exchange of life, fellowship, **mentoring**, or communion between Me and others, then it is busy stuff and tasks. Consider delegating some tasks so that others may grow up and walk in those shoes. This will give us as chance to find greater intimacy and greater flow together. Phil 2:1-4 NKJV Therefore if there is any consolation in Christ, if any comfort ...

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#### 11. [Walking in the Spirit](#) [Search School]

... ripped all the veils away and He made it possible to truly hear and see and know God. But Jesus had to leave for them to find it. What Jesus wanted for them was to learn how to walk in the Spirit and to know God's kingdom within them. Have you ever wanted a popular spiritual leader to personally **mentor** you, call you on the phone and teach you face to face? How often does the Lord answer that prayer? (Smile) If He did that for you, your focus would be on the person and his teachings. Have you ever desired a really good friend or group of people to walk with in the Lord ...

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#### 12. [{Confirmations} Finding Your Boundaries](#) [Search Rhema]

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#### 13. [{Parable} "Sign" Language](#) [Search Rhema]

... watched a movie on the Gospel Channel called Love is Not Silent. It was an interesting true story in the 1930's about a hearing girl that grew up with 2 deaf parents. She became a go between, for her parents who could not hear, and the world who could not communicate to them. She had a hearing **mentor** who she visited in his pawn shop every day after school. She taught him English and Math, and he taught her to not be ashamed that she was different. One of the things he told her was that her language skills were much deeper than knowing the English language and knowing the sign language of the hands. She ...

14. [How to Teach](#) [Search School]

... I learned a lot from reading spirit filled books, but my hubby don't read. So I guess personally I learned the most from practical experience in intercession groups watching and participating as the Holy Spirit moved. Then from Spirit filled preachers and teachers and the messages they shared. I have never had the opportunity to have a **mentor**, although many different people had an influence and imparted into my life. == == == == == == == I don't consider myself a teacher, except to my children and grandchildren. My method is straight out information. My children and I had butterfly and sea shell ...

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15. [Class Interpretation Gum Vision](#) [Search School]

... is beginning to do a real separation, he is setting those aside that he has chosen to teach the real truth of God's word to, and he knows that the way is very rocky but he is leading and guiding them and he has sent help to them in the form of very wise, and full of wisdom, **mentors** to help them in their journey, he knows if they are ever to full fill their God ordained destiny they can no longer be lead by too many teachers. They will hear God speak to them saying "And thine ears shall hear a word behind thee, saying this is the way, walk ye in it, when ...

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16. [How To Say No](#) [Search Rhema]

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17. [ParentsAndChildrenGraftedTogether.htm](#) [Search Rhema]

... No longer will they be bored with 60 fold measures, but they will burst forth into 100 fold harvest. "The good soil represents the hearts of those who truly accept God's message and produce a huge harvest --thirty, sixty, or even a hundred times as much as had been planted." (Matt 13:23 NLT) **MENTORING BETWEEN GENERATIONS** 4/21/04 The doorway to bonded, nurturing relationships between generations is now open. I AM calling and commissioning the hearts of many to accept the assignment of teaming with those of a different generation. I will bring many wonderful benefits to those who receive this special joy. They shall partner with Me and ...

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18. [Panel Discussion: Healing and Deliverance](#) [Search School]

... to come into alignment. Therefore I will never say: "heart disease" or "gallstones" leave this body! But I will say "spirit of scoliosis" leave this body! (That's what I understand by speaking to something). We have had some fantastic healings and miracles this way. Once again, my **mentors** were Charles and Frances Hunter and I follow their teachings. == == == == == == == Question by {Class Member} Hello Wilson, Andrea and Nancy: This is the question: I have a number of books on "the anointing". I have read a few biographies ...

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... to come here? I can't be pregnant, I'm 65 years old" (That is my actual age) There were some nurses sitting around a table with their backs to me. One of them turned around and I saw that it was Mary Audrey Reycroft, a pastor at Toronto Airport Christian fellowship, who has been a **mentor** and encourager to me for many years.

She was laughing away (but not AT me) Then they called me to see a doctor. I continued to make the same protest, about being too old to be having a baby. You are about to "give birth" to something new-- a new ministry perhaps ...

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21. [Class Assignment: Grace Gifts](#) [Search School]

... they needed – I received GREAT joy when I did this. Now that money is tight, I give to others by giving of my time. I love to pray for people and listen to them as they share their heart with me. I love to counsel people and minister to their emotional needs, and I truly enjoy **mentoring** people and helping them to grow spiritually and in their giftings. I especially enjoy encouraging people – the Lord shows me those who are hurting and in need of encouragement, and He gives me the words to speak to them that will bring life and hope, and that will help them to continue to run the race that He ...

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## OPEN DOOR FOR MENTORING BETWEEN GENERATIONS

[Parents Adopting Upcoming Leaders For Training]

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### RHEMA 6/5/03 COMMISSIONING

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CONFIRMATION POSTED NEXT DAY 6/6/03

Excerpt from Whitedove Ministries June E-Newsletter

<http://www.whitedoveministries.org>

June 6, 2003

### Commissioning Around Pentecost

It was not our original design to have this newsletter go out on this date. However, we do believe it is a significant day with purpose and destiny. The Day of Pentecost begins at sundown on June 6th and extends until sundown on June 7th.

Over the past several weeks we have been receiving insight from the Lord that this would be a season of spiritual sensitivity and impartation of destiny. The seven weeks between Passover and Pentecost are recognized as days of preparation for the "first fruits" harvest. It is called the Feast of Weeks. There have been prophetic promises and seeds of destiny imparted to many throughout the years over which they have labored in prayer and preparation. Some are about to mature into a harvest that will begin to unveil Kingdom purposes for this season of the Spirit. Days of transition are coming to an end and commissioning is being initiated.

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### BABIES GETTING READY TO BE BIRTHED

Almost 9 months later I began hearing about babies. I discovered that the commissioning at Pentecost was a seed that had been planted and it took 9 intercessory months to come to fruition.

2 Kings 4:16 NLT

"Next year at about this time you will be holding a son in your arms!"

VISION 2/06/04: I saw the lower portion of an adult body sitting on a love seat. Then I saw a baby lying down with its head propped up along the leg. She was a pink blanketed baby. Later as I was thinking about the baby I saw it again and this time the baby was a blue blanketed baby. It was imparted to me at that time that there were actually 2 babies being birthed at the same time.

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HEARD 2/22/04: A pilot watches his little baby very carefully. Even so, I watch over you.

VISION: I was inside a huge cargo plane. The back door opened up and I saw the filmy clouds fly by that were covering the earth below. It was an awesome view.

STRANGE QUICKENED EXPERIENCE: To no one, Wayne just stated in the other room, "Just stand there."

VISION: I saw a milk cow inside the plane just standing there.

HEARD: I am carrying you. Equipped. It's not your worry. Food. Streams of living

light. Milk cow. My pleasant side effect.

VISION: I saw a beautiful waterfall.

QUICKENED THOUGHT: I thought about nature's letdown reflex after the milk flows and after you have nursed a baby. It is wonderful peace.

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REVELATION 4/21/04 : Today, I was thinking about the babies and the fact the Lord had told me I was one of the babies being born. I was remembering this and also connecting the thoughts with other rhema about a younger generation of leaders also being born. I was wondering how these things connected and what it might mean. Then I turned with anointed hands to the follow Word to Ponder, which was based upon rhema for that given day. I realized that now is the birthing time to which this Word to Ponder referred.

OBSTETRICAL WARD 3/5/97

I AM bringing to birth ministries of both parents and children. The obstetrical ward is full of them! What I AM doing is a very big event and we have been earnestly waiting with great anticipation. I will bring everything together for My end-time purpose and move all into their places. The promises of end-time ministries are going to unfold in a beautiful array of nurturing growth and love.

"Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet before the coming of the great and dreadful day of the LORD: 6 And he shall turn the heart of the fathers to the children, and the heart of the children to their fathers, lest I come and smite the earth with a curse." (Mal 4:5-6 KJV)

CONFIRMATION: As I was pondering these things, I sat down to type in my rhema and had a few sugar free animal crackers. This was my first time to buy these and I had never looked at the animals. As I was thinking about this above Word to Ponder, I grabbed a cookie and looked at it. I was stunned. It was a mama kangaroo with a baby in her pouch. I'd had many promises in the 80's about the mama kangaroo and a baby.

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CONCLUSION

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{Words to Ponder are summaries of His quickened Words}

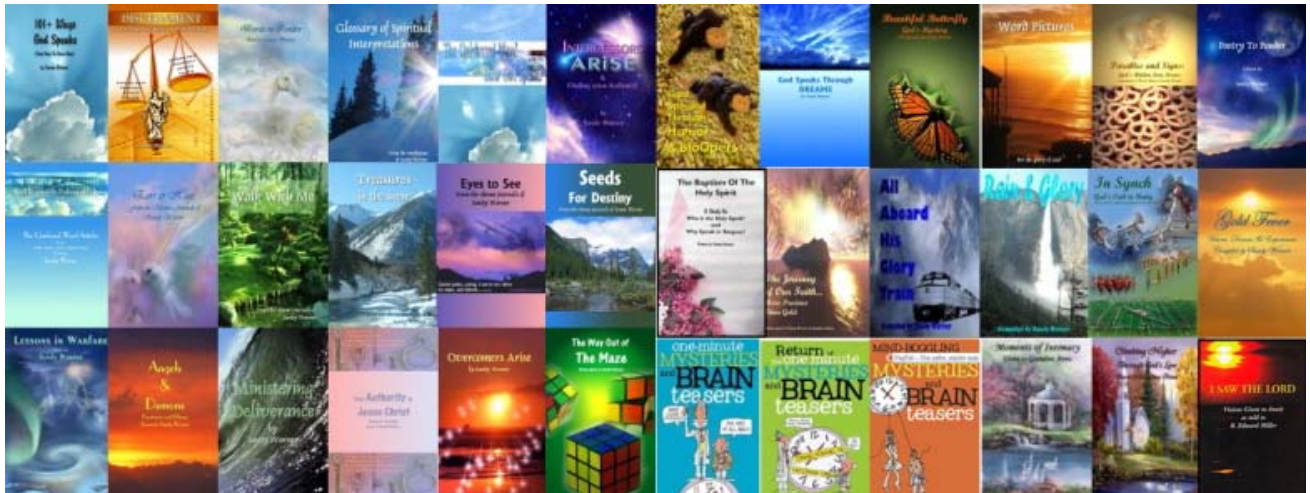
WORD TO PONDER: MENTORING BETWEEN GENERATIONS

The doorway to bonded, nurturing relationships between generations is now open. I AM calling and commissioning the hearts of many to accept the assignment of teaming with those of a different generation. I will bring many wonderful benefits to those who receive this special joy. They shall partner with Me and with one another to hear My Word and release it for kingdom business. They shall receive the joy of increased fellowship but that is not all. This will form tandem relationships where the

joining of such will increase the yield for all. The mystery of My multiplication factor is that it will require less effort and will be a lighter load, but it will produce a huge crop.

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## 1] TO FLY LIKE AN EAGLE

Eagle Facts & Parables of Mentoring

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6/16/01

Isaiah 40:31 KJV

But they that wait upon the LORD shall renew their strength;  
they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run,  
and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint.

Deut 32:11-12 NKJV

As an eagle stirs up its nest, hovers over its young, spreading out its wings, taking them up, carrying them on its wings, so the LORD alone led him, and there was no foreign god with him.

As most of you know, eagles have been classified in the prophetic world as being symbolic of the prophetic. I recently did some research about eagles and was fascinated with how the information correlated with our training up as Christians and also the prophetic giftings.

#### IMPRINTING - BONDING WITH WHAT MOVES

Did you know that eagles must LEARN to fly and hunt and are taught by OBSERVING their parents? These skills are not instinctive like some of God's creatures. However, eagles are born with a different instinct called imprinting. Konrad Lorenz first discovered imprinting when he observed ducks and geese hatching out of their eggs. He noticed they would bond with the first moving object they saw, regardless of whether this was their parent. From that first moment of imprinting, they follow their moving parent (or adopted parent) until raised. (It is interesting that Paul said, "Imitate me, just as I also imitate Christ." 1 Cor. 11:1)

The concept of imprinting is fascinating. Bird shelters that rescue eagle eggs, must hand feed them with an eagle puppet so that the eagles do not think they are human and end up resisting their own kind when it is time to mate. In Konrad's imprinting studies, he saw one egg hatch near a rolling ping pong ball. When the duck grew old enough, it tried to mate with anything that was round and rolling. One group of ducklings imprinted on his moving boots. In the morning when he would go outside to put on his boots, instead of being in their nest, the ducks were curled up and sleeping on his boots. They followed Konrad - everywhere his boots took him.

#### ROLE MODELS - LEADING THE WAY

In this concept of imprinting, it is easy to see the importance of both newborn Christians and also newborn

prophets needing proper Christian and prophetic role models. Anything that 'moves' in the name of Christianity, is not necessarily the right standard to follow. (Mat 7:22,23, 5:24, 2 Tim 4:3,4)

Like the eagles, a Christian's foundations of learning to fly and hunt must be learned, and the adoptive parents play an important part in this. Flying in a Christian's life is faith to rise above circumstances. Hunting is searching for the manna or bread from heaven, to grow strong and healthy. At first the role models feed the young, then they must learn to find food for themselves. "Train up a child in the way he should go, And when he is old he will not depart from it." (Prov 22:6)

There is an old adage, "Give a person a fish, and he has food for a day. Teach a person to fish, and he has food for a lifetime." One aspect of being taught is learning to listen and then applying it. The young learn this by watching older ones model something, then they mimic it themselves until they develop their own skills. "Listen, my child, to what your father teaches you. Don't neglect your mother's teaching. What you learn from them will crown you with grace and clothe you with honor." (Prov 1:8-9

NLT)

## HOW TO TEACH

An important aspect of teaching, is for the older ones to take the time to explain HOW they came to their conclusions. If they are sharing something from the Lord, they can take the time to explain what went on behind the scenes, building bridges of communication, so that the young can also learn how to come up with their own conclusions when the time comes. When the older ones simply give the meat (the Word of the Lord) without giving them the scripture, vision, dream, life examples, the answers to prayer, the thought processes that went on behind the scenes... etc... then the young are forced to either swallow or reject the food without question. And the Word becomes fish for a day. But if the young are led in what went on behind the scenes, then they learn to apply their own conclusions and also learn the roads of revelation and faith in receiving food from the Lord by themselves.

The best teacher is a role model. Jesus taught by living

among the people, showing them how to do what He did and teaching them about His Father Who was the Source for everything in His life. He taught people through stories in their current surroundings, so that they could see the practical and apply it to the spiritual. The best kind of teachers are those who are transparent and learn to let go of their dignity and masks. They are simply real, living people, sharing from their own hearts and lives... the triumphs and the pitfalls of every day living, and how relationship with our Heavenly Father makes a difference. (John 10:2-4)

We may think that we are not mature enough to teach anyone. This is not true. I spent a long time praying for mature leadership so that we would have enough godly role models to raise the harvest when it came. And the Lord brought me an answer I did not expect. If you watch a baby in a room with other people, you will notice that if there is a toddler in the room, the baby's eyes will follow the moving toddler. If there is a grade schooler in the room, the toddler will watch the moving grade schooler. The younger will automatically bond and follow whatever available age is older than its own. I noticed this is like imprinting! God has placed within our lives, an instinctive bonding that each level of maturity looks up to, following and mimicking the next available level above it. When the harvest comes in, a one day old Christian can reach a non Christian with his own story of how God found him. The one week old Christian can share the scripture that jumped off the page with the 2 day old Christian. And so it goes, until we all grow into the full measure and stature of Jesus Christ. (Eph 4:13)

#### LEARNING TO FLY

The movie called "Fly Away Home" is a wonderful true story of how a little girl rescued some duck eggs from an excavation project and brought them home to hatch. After hatching they followed her everywhere and she found out as they were growing that these ducks would not survive unless she taught them to fly and took their migration south for the winter. This prophetic story is a remarkable feat of how she taught them to flap their wings and eventually fly and how she led them on their first migration to escape the bitter cold. If she could fly them south, they would find their own way back home in the spring by the same way she took them, and then be able to take the following winter migrations without her. All the subsequent "children" of those first ducks would be able to follow their parents on their own first migration and the cycle would continue.

When a baby eagle fledges (loses its fluffy baby down and grows flying feathers) a parent will hover over the nest and flap its wings. As the fledgling stretches for food, it mimics the parents and flaps its newly feathered wings. The subsequent wind that the parent makes, will cause the baby to rise slightly above the nest as the baby is also flapping its own wings. These are its first flights - inches above the floor of the nest, usually at about 8-10 weeks old. The fledging makes vigorous wing stretches and exercises and is very hungry. It weighs about one pound more than its parents because it needs the excess to survive the next stage of training which is hunting - outside the nest.

#### FORCED FROM THE NEST

Sometimes when a young eaglet is fearful of taking its first flight away from the nest, a parent will withhold food to force it out. This is similar to what happens to those who have been closely mentored and the Lord says its time the "fledglings" got their wings. The fledglings find their mentors increasingly unavailable and or are told to try and hear the Lord for themselves.

I read of one experience written by Frances Hamerstrom who spent her life studying wildlife. This was her observation of a fledgling's first flight. I thought it a remarkable parable of our lives with the Lord. The following is a quote from her book, "An Eagle to the Sky" (1970).

"The.....eaglet was now alone in the nest. Each time a parent came flying in toward the nest he called for food eagerly; but over and over again, it (the parent) came with empty feet, and the eaglet grew thinner. He pulled meat scraps from the old dried-up carcasses lying around the nest. He watched a sluggish carrion beetle, picked it up gingerly, and ate it. His first kill.

Days passed, and as he lost body fat he became quicker in his movements and paddled ever more lightly when the wind blew, scarcely touching the nest edge; from time to time he was airborne for a moment or two.

Parents often flew past and sometimes fed him. Beating his

wings and teetering on the edge of the nest, he screamed for food whenever one flew by. And a parent often flew past just out of reach, carrying delectable meals: a half-grown jack rabbit or a plump rat raided from a dump. Although he was hungry almost all the time, he was becoming more playful as he lost his baby fat; sometimes, when no parent bird was in sight, he pounced ferociously on a scrap of prairie dog skin or on old bits of dried bone.

The male eaglet stayed by himself for the most part. He was no longer brooded at night. Hunger and the cold mountain nights were having their effect, not only on his body but on his disposition. A late frost hit the valley, and a night wind ruffled his feathers and chilled his body. When the sunlight reached the eyrie's (the brood in a nest of a bird of prey) edge, he sought its warmth; and soon, again, he was bounding in the wind, now light and firm-muscled.

A parent flew by, downwind, dangling a young marmot in its feet. The eaglet almost lost his balance in his eagerness for food. Then the parent swung by again, closer, upwind, and riding the updraft by the eyrie, as though daring him to fly. Lifted light by the wind, he was airborne, flying--or more gliding--for the first time in his life. He sailed across the valley to make a scrambling, almost tumbling landing on a bare knoll. As he turned to get his bearings the parent dropped the young marmot nearby. Half running, half flying he pounced on it, mantled, and ate his fill."

[end of Frances' quote]

I thought that story a profound parable of our journey with the Lord. When it's time to leave our nest of comfort and learn to fly, we get so hungry for the Lord that we are willing to leave our comfortable surroundings and abandon old childhood habits, all for the taste and fill of strong meat dropped from heaven. Strong meat is not easily palatable, but when one becomes hungry enough, it is.

Frances' recording was a heroic first flight. Most often an eaglet will take its first flight to a nearby tree branch, or stump. It will glide back to the nest if possible. Otherwise the parents continue to bring food wherever it perches. It is at this time it breaks the infant bond with the nest. (However they have discovered in the imprinting studies, that mated eagles will return to the nest or within close

proximity to the nest and raise their own family.) One month after leaving the nest it has learned to soar and climb with the winds. It takes an eagle 4-5 years after this to become an adult eagle.

## SOARING

An eagle learns to soar by using thermal currents of air. These warm air patterns are created by the surrounding terrain. They will spread their wings and their tail feathers and let the wind carry them to new heights, then glide down to catch another upward thermal. Soaring saves an eagle energy because it does not have to flap its wings as often.

When I think of wings, I consider them to be parables of our wings of faith. Faith is a heart condition where we stretch out and reach toward the Lord, while the winds of His Spirit holds us afloat. When we flap our wings, we are vigorously exercising our faith through works, based upon what we believe the Lord has told us. And when we soar, we are resting in our trust in the Lord and letting Him carry us amidst the surrounding terrain. The Lord teaches us through faith, how to rise above difficulties and hindrances in our life. We learn how to rise high enough to gain His perspective on what is below. As I was praying about the concept of soaring with wings as eagles I heard the Lord say that we want a formula. He said there is no formula, only to abide in Him. (John 12:46, 14:16, 15:4,6,7,10)

I was interested in the role of the tail feathers for landing and maneuvering in flight. It stabilizes the eagle and is actually used like a brake when landing, just like an airplane. It tilts back and forth, up and down, depending upon the need. I felt that this parable was a significant part of our relationship the Lord - learning how to put on the brakes when needed. If you notice the scripture says, those that WAIT upon the Lord shall mount up with eagles wings. (Isa 40:31) It seems like that is the hardest lesson in life, to learn to wait upon Him and not do something in our own strength. Sometimes He wants us to wait because it is a matter of timing, like for instance we are losing our baby fur and growing eagles wings. But other times He wants us to wait upon Him because He wants to carry us so we don't suffer burnout in flapping our wings! The truth is, when one learns to abide in Him, they learn the secret of waiting upon Him for everything they do. (John 5:19 "Then Jesus answered and said to them, "Most assuredly, I say to you, the Son can do nothing of Himself, but what He sees the

Father do; for whatever He does, the Son also does in like manner.")

May we all learn to become better role models and teachers and students - and may we all learn to abide in Him in everything that we do. "And all of us have had that veil removed so that we can be mirrors that brightly reflect the glory of the Lord. And as the Spirit of the Lord works within us, we become more and more like Him and reflect His glory even more." (2 Cor 3:18 NLT)

May we wait upon the Lord to renew our strength; and may our faith mount up with wings as eagles so that we may run, and not be weary; and walk and not faint. Amen.

Lovingly,  
Sandy

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## 2] TO HUNT LIKE AN EAGLE

Part Two Eagle's posting - The Various Stages of Hunting for Food

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### BABY HUNTERS

A baby eagle's first lesson in hunting comes right after hatching. In other bird species, the mother will eat the food, then regurgitate the partially digested contents, and

individually place the food in the baby's gaping mouth. However a mother eagle shreds pieces of fresh fish or meat with her beak, then coaxes her young to take the raw morsel. She does not put the food directly into its mouth like other birds, because this is the eaglet's first lesson in hunting. She offers the food over and over again, until the baby finds the prey, grabs it, then takes it for its own.

This is similar to how the Lord trains us. The Lord promises us in both the Old and New Testaments that we shall find Him IF we seek Him. (Jer 29:13-14, Luke 11:9-10) These promises reveal that we have an active part in being fed by Him. He already has our food, we must search for it, grab it and taken it as our own.

At first He dangles His food in front of us until our appetites are stirring. An example of this is when we hear of another's awesome experience in the Lord, and say, "WOW would I like to hear from Him like that!" Once our appetites are aroused, we start seeking Him. "If a son asks for bread from any father among you, will he give him a stone? Or if he asks for a fish, will he give him a serpent instead of a fish? Or if he asks for an egg, will he offer him a scorpion? If you then, being evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask Him!" (Luke 11:11-13 NKJV) And then we must RECEIVE what He is offering. "Anyone who is willing to hear should listen and understand! And be sure to pay attention to what you hear. The more you do this, the more you will understand--and even more, besides." (Mark 4:23-25 NLT)

When the eaglets get older, the parents carry the food with their talons or bill and drop it in the nest. Now the eaglets must tear the food for themselves. I am reminded of when the Lord plops a vision, dream, etc into a young prophet's life, then allows him to tear it apart, piece by piece; to interpret, digest, and apply it. It can be frustrating to have a big hunk of meat drop into your life when you have no idea what to do with it. However hunger coaxes one to bite off a chunk at a time, taking each chunk to the Lord for His help and confirmation until the whole thing is digested. Sometimes, especially when we receive visions and dreams about our callings, it takes years to digest the full ramification in the original hunk of meat of what He gave us. Often it is only after it comes to pass that we see the full scope of what He meant. And then, that scope is not revealed without the Holy Spirit's quickening. (Gen 37:7,

42:6)

## NURTURING PARENTS

I thought it interesting that when the eagles are still young, the parents move about the nest with their talons balled into fists. This keeps them from accidentally skewering the babies. The Holy Spirit quickened to me the need for self control and patience by nurturing parents, or role models. Newborn prophetic eagles are often sent on assignments by the Lord to share their revelations with a spiritual teacher in their life. (I Sam 3:16-17) They learn lessons in obedience, overcoming fear of man, fear of rejection, desiring the man's approval, etc. There are other ways to overcome these without the painful skewering of rejection. For instance, a newborn prophet's expectations will most likely be greater than what they end up receiving by way of feedback! It is worthy to note that only 50% of baby eaglets live to adulthood, mainly because of the lack of food and the acquired hunting skills. Applying this to young prophets, a relationship with a mentor is very vital until they can become established. (I Tim 1:2)

## TEARING MEAT INTO PIECES

A full grown adult can see its prey from a great distance, diving up to 100 MPH, grabbing and plunging its talons into a fish, and never even get its legs wet. So you can see that an eaglet needs lots of practice, a step at a time. Flying, pouncing, grabbing, ripping pieces of food is a part of this practice. After an eaglet's first flight away from the nest, it continues to take small flights to develop its flying and landing skills while watching the adults eat prey, then nudging themselves in to eat too. This is an important part of learning to hunt and the adults allow this.

I saw a parable in this eaglet training process. Often the older and established prophets will share the Word of the Lord in a generic way. They may give an announcement of some important revelation. But when they do so, they do not greatly expound upon it, except just enough to announce it. Basically they are called to catch a chunk of revelation or meat and bring it to earth. Then after their own fill, they leave it to the prophetic pastors and teachers to tear it apart and explain the details of how it is applied and to bring out additional quickened pieces of revelation.

When the prophetic pastors and teachers do so, this can appear as stealing or grabbing food from their revelation. But this is the Lord's work and no revelation belongs to one person but for the whole body to build itself up in love. (I Cor 3:9) What may appear as stealing is actually the Holy Spirit speaking to further develop the same theme. (The Lord knows the false ones from the real ones, and He will establish those that are His own.)

#### TRAINING IN SPOTTING FOOD

At this time, the young eagles have also learned to soar and spot moving prey. However they do not dive for it, rather they watch the adults dive down to snatch it. This similarity is also a very normal part of prophetic upbringing. Often a young prophet will be given a revelation and then shortly afterwards hear it announced through an established prophet. This is a work of the Holy Spirit because He most often speaks in similar themes to the prophets in the same seasons. (Acts 21:10-11, 20:23) For many years I would hear snippets of information from the Lord then hear it announced to the body of Christ through an older prophet.

At first this frustrated me until I realized it was a great opportunity to kill MY flesh: ambition, desire for recognition and approval, etc!!! Once young prophets get past these stumbling blocks, (for these must be killed on the cross if one wants to go higher in the Lord) then they get excited that what they hear and see is being confirmed. This builds their faith and joy and relationship in Him. They also have the joy of watching (and being mentored through) the awesome display of the older prophet swooping in for the kill of this revelatory meat, and bringing it to earth. And if they are following the Holy Spirit, the younger prophets will also get to partake and eat of the same kill and receive greater bits and pieces of revelation than they had by just previously watching and knowing.

#### CARRION

For the most part, an eagle's diet is fresh fish (especially salmon). However when conditions or seasons are not available for such, they eat other small mammals. When in dire need they will scavenge on dead prey, also known as carrion. This is especially true of young eaglets because they are not yet skillful at hunting.

This fact was really quickened to me as a parable that some of the prophetic today are eating carrion, which is prey from the second heaven. The second heaven is the realm of the demonic. It is the area that every prophet must press through and overcome, to make it into the third heaven. The third heaven is where the throne room of the Lord is, and where the revelation is clear, pure, holy and without mixture.

Sometimes what the younger prophetic ones do not understand is that even though second heaven revelation might be very supernatural - what they have seen or heard is the enemy plans and not the Lord's plans. Often negative Words will be misunderstood and accepted as the will of the Lord, then the young prophet makes an announcement and declares a negative Word. However, there are also some more mature prophetic callings that are sent as spies into the second heaven, to find out the plans of the enemy and expose them so that they do NOT come to pass. Those with this specific assignment have the authority to withstand what they see and hear, in particular regarding principalities.

Second heaven revelation contains dead, non edifying bits that sour the taste and make them impure and void of the faith, hope and love of the Lord. It is important to learn how to separate the holy from the profane. The best, simplest and most profitable way to separate anything is the through the filters of faith, hope and love.... The greatest being love. (Heb 5:14, I Cor 13:13)

However even mature eagles eat carrion when no fresh meat is available. This is similar to receiving faith from a negative warfare experience from the second heaven. The Lord can turn an evil attempt to destroy our faith into a strengthening piece of meat when we realize that we must be on the right track for the devil to bring such opposition!!!

#### THE TALONS - WEAPONS

Through out the maturation process, a young eaglet learns the skills of using its feet for eating, balance, landing skills, and finally catching prey. The feet are the most important weapon and hunting tool for an eagle. (Rom 16:20) They use their feet and talons to capture and kill their prey. They dive from long distances, straight to their victim and bore their

long talons into the flesh. This is done so quickly and smoothly it appears more like a ballet than an act of violence.

I am reminded of the scripture, "Blessed be the LORD my Rock, Who trains my hands for war, and my fingers for battle." (Ps 144:1 NKJV) An eagle has a well developed sense of touch in its feet, for catching prey. In these last days, we are going to experience some very unusual and interesting ways that the Lord uses our hands (and feet) for battle in overcoming demons. Eagles also bear their talons outstretched when approaching other birds like vultures who are feeding on a large animal. Eagles are known to drive vultures away and even force them to disgorge their meal. (Mat 24:28) I am reminded of the many scriptures about taking back our inheritance that the enemy has stolen.

With both their bills and talons, eagles will wade in shallow water and spear fish. They rip the heads off the fish, then stand on it to tear chunks from its body. (1 Sam 17:51) "For He must reign till He has put all enemies under His feet." (1 Cor 15:25-26 NKJV) As the prophetic gifting matures in our calling, we will ultimately place the enemy under our feet. What a joy that will be!

Lovingly,

Sandy

PS - My book, "Discernment: Separating the Holy From the Profane" is now available for those who would like help in learning to discern "carrion" in what they are receiving. And also "Ministering Deliverance" gives some interesting testimonies of the Lord using hands to deliver.

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3] EAGLE'S NESTS

Job 39:27-30 NKJV

Does the eagle mount up at your command, and make its nest on high? On the rocks it dwells and resides, on the crag of the rock and the stronghold. From there it spies out the prey; Its eyes observe from afar. Its young ones suck up blood; and where the slain are, there it is."

#### EAGLE TRIVIA: ABOUT EAGLES NESTS

Bob Jones was given revelation about 3 eagle's nests in the Pacific NW and these nests are churches. After doing the research on eagles, I realized that each eagle nest births eagles who also grow up, mate and birth their own eagles. So the cycle continues and the number of churches birthing eagles increases.

In today's world, there is much talk about eagles representing the prophetic. And this is true. I think that it also represents the mounting up of revelatory Christianity in these last days. As a result, last day Christianity will acknowledge the prophetic gifts as a normal and vital part of the body.

1. The shape of an eagle nest is determined by the shape of the branch it is built upon. Some are conical nests, some are bowl shaped. Likewise, each church is shaped differently with its own personality, depending upon where it is planted. (4)
2. Nests are usually built within one mile of a permanent water source like a flowing river or coastline. (30) This is symbolical of being near the river of God and flowing in His Holy Spirit.
3. A normal nest is about 5 feet in diameter. (Symbolic of grace) They grow larger in the years, some have grown to 9 feet in diameter. The record nest is 20 feet deep, 10 feet wide, weighing two tons! (26) (I figure 2 tons is about 2,000 people!)
4. A parent's impulse to build is strong. For several weeks after completion, some will continue to collect strange things until the instinct stops. Some strange things found in an eagle's nest: Light bulbs, bleach bottles, a picture frame, conch shells, a white rubber ball (which was incubated for six weeks after the eggs in the nest had hatched). I consider the parable of building or collecting things for the nest as: building book libraries, cassette libraries, Bible studies,

sermon series, teaching resources, manuals, special speakers, etc. I have seen pregnant mothers with the nesting instinct and some gather until they collapse. (9) (I canned 1500 jars of organic baby food prior to the birth of my son... I have not canned a thing since!)

5. A nest location is deeply etched in the original birthing of an eagle. A breeding eagle will build its nest within a couple mile range of where it was born. If for some reason the nest is destroyed, it will rebuild at or near the same site. This attachment to location is so strong that they will even build in an unsuitable tree rather than go elsewhere. (How flexible are we?)

6. One nest built in the Midwest lasted 34 years, being used annually. (34) Most do not last this long due to storms. Older and well maintained nests can weigh so much that it will eventually collapse the tree. (Warning, demonic storms and overbuilding can collapse what is being birthed.)

7. Eagles mate for life (40 years) and are capable of breeding each year after adulthood. (32) Some do not breed every year, due to weather and food resources. (Even with freedom to choose, timing is important when birthing. Consider the spiritual climate and the available resources.)

Another thing that Bob Jones was told was that eagles would be found every 50 miles up and down the west coast, everywhere that natural eagles are found. These eagles would be found in small churches, lest they be raised with pride in their hearts. In applying this with the eagle trivia, I understand that these eagles will one day mate and give birth to their own eagles, within a close proximity of where they were born.

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#### 4] EAGLE TRIVIA: ABOUT THE BIRTHING PARENTS

1. Females lay one to three eggs. (7)

2. Incubation is a 35 day, constant vigil shared by both parents, mostly by the female with the male attending to her needs. (27) This keeps the eggs warm and safe. If left unattended, squirrels, ravens and gulls eat the eggs. (A breeding spiritual parent will stay close to home and not accept traveling engagements or ministry outside its home

planting for that season.)

3. They trade places when the female needs to stretch. She will hunt and eat and wash. Since the nest is the focus at this time, the hunting parent stays within 1-2 miles of the incubating nest. (10)

1. The female spends most of the time staying in the nest while the male is hunting food or bringing green sprigs of branches to the nest. The greenery gives shade and covering to her food and nest. (10)

2. It is interesting that eagles will adopt eagle eggs when environmentalists secretly place them in their nests. (29) They will raise them as their own. (The Lord will often ploop a prophetic egg, prepared to hatch in a new church. Parents need to stay flexible and recognize their calling soon, so they can be raised in a safe environment.)

3. Both parents lose their feathers on their lower breast. This is called a brood patch. (2) The eggs are kept warm by their exposed and surging blood vessels. Every hour they turn the eggs so they will warm evenly. The young are brooded for two or three weeks after hatching, because they are unable to regulate their own body temperature. After they have grown their 2nd coat of down feathers, the parents brood sitting up with half spread wings. I see the brood patch as a parable of the exposure, or bearing the heart and the soul of a nurturing parent over its young. Their tenderness keeps them warm and secure. The parent keeps constant vigil in turning the eggs and does not abandon them for some other ambition or goal in ministry.

4. After hatching, the female feeds the young by shredding pieces of meat with her beak. She will offer food over and over again, coaxing her chick to take a morsel from her beak. (28) She does not put the food into their mouth like other birds, because this is their first lesson in hunting. The eaglet must find the prey, grab and take it for its own.

7. When the eagles are still young, the parents move about the nest with their talons balled into fists. (10) This keeps them from accidentally skewering the babies. When I read this the Holy Spirit immediately quickened to me the self control and patience needed in nurturing parents. Babies are demanding in every way. They take total attention and little else can be done in a parents' life until they are no longer babies. It is a matter of accepting the parental position with contentment, love, patience and gracious giving. Newborn prophetic eagles are soon sent on assignments by the Lord to give their revelations. Relationship with the parent is very vital in this time. It is worthy to note that only 50% of baby eagles lives to adulthood due to nest tragedy (usually siblings) and first flights.

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## 5] COMING TO BIRTH

In the early 80's I had a vision where I saw myself inside an egg shell. I had a baby bottle inside the shell with me, and I was feeling cramped and wanted to get out. I used my bottle and starting wacking away from the inside. Finally I managed to crack the shell and climb out. As I stood up, I noticed I was about 5 years old and had on a pretty pink party dress! I looked at my shell, became very excited and said, "I'm going to tell my heavenly Father that I just broke out of my shell!" As I saw myself prattle away, I noticed there were many smaller eggs all around my shell. These eggs were not full grown yet and I knew it was not time for them to come out yet!

I wrote a Word to Ponder back then, based upon that vision, and also my experiences in coming out of my shell:

### LIKE AN EGG

Just like an egg, I will bring you to birth. Growing from a tiny state, what I conceive grows in secret behind the shell of My covering. Ordained in perfect seasons, each stage of growth is built upon another until all comes to fruition.

One day I will call forth that which I have created within you. You will begin to break your own walls of confinement and come out of your shell. This requires strength and tenacity to break your own restraints. It requires a courageous heart to face the outside world. This process is not something I do for you, because if I were to do so, the strength you need to face your surroundings would not be fully developed. I need your cooperation to bring you to birth. I promise you My help and protection, but you must be willing and persistent to break your own yokes.

You will know it's time when you grow so big that you can no longer stay within your established borders. You will know it's time when you want to come out. You will know it's time when everything in you says, "Yes! ... It is time!"

And when it is time, you will have the strength and the tenacity to break free.

"And it shall come to pass in that day, that his burden shall be taken away from off thy shoulder, and his yoke from off thy neck, and the yoke shall be destroyed because of the anointing." (Isa 10:27)

[end Word to Ponder]

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## 6] EAGLE TRIVIA: ABOUT BREAKING FORTH

1. Eagle eggs hatch in the order in which they were laid. (10)

2. Eagles use their egg tooth to break their shell. (6) This is a pointed, sharp projection or bump on the top of their beak. This tooth wears off about a month later since it is no longer needed. (This is like weaning from the baby bottle.) "Whom shall he teach knowledge? and whom shall he make to understand doctrine? Them that are weaned from the milk, and drawn from the breasts. For precept must be upon precept, precept upon precept; line upon line, line upon line; here a little, and there a little." (Isa 28:9-10 KJV)

3. It takes about 1-2 days for the eaglet to break free from the shell. (8) The parent is there brooding the eggs, but never assists in the process. This is something the eaglet must do for himself, as this builds his own muscles and strength to survive.

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## 7] EAGLE SCRIPTURES

For those who are interested, here are the scriptures that have the words eagle or eagles:

Exodus 19:4 KJV

4 Ye have seen what I did unto the Egyptians, and how I bare you on eagles' wings, and brought you unto myself.

Leviticus 11:13 KJV

13 And these are they which ye shall have in abomination among the fowls; they shall not be eaten, they are an abomination: the eagle, and the ossifrage, and the ospray,

Leviticus 11:18 KJV

18 And the swan, and the pelican, and the gier eagle,

Deuteronomy 14:12 KJV

12 But these are they of which ye shall not eat: the eagle, and ossifrage, and the ospray,

Deuteronomy 14:17 KJV

17 And the pelican, and the gier eagle, and the cormorant,

Deuteronomy 28:49 KJV

49 The LORD shall bring a nation against thee from far, from the end of the earth, as swift as the eagle flieth; a nation whose tongue thou shalt not understand;

Deuteronomy 32:11 KJV

11 As an eagle stirreth up her nest, fluttereth over her young, spreadeth abroad her wings, taketh them, beareth them on her wings:

2 Samuel 1:23 KJV

23 Saul and Jonathan were lovely and pleasant in their lives, and in their death they were not divided: they were swifter than eagles, they were stronger than lions.

Job 9:26 KJV

26 They are passed away as the swift ships: as the eagle that hasteth to the prey.

Job 39:27 KJV

27 Doth the eagle mount up at thy command, and make her nest on high?

Psalms 103:5 KJV

5 Who satisfieth thy mouth with good things; so that thy youth is renewed like the eagle's.

Proverbs 23:5 KJV

5 Wilt thou set thine eyes upon that which is not? for riches certainly make themselves wings; they fly away as an eagle toward heaven.

Proverbs 30:17 KJV

17 The eye that mocketh at his father, and despiseth to obey his mother, the ravens of the valley shall pick it out, and the young eagles shall eat it.

Proverbs 30:19 KJV

19 The way of an eagle in the air; the way of a serpent upon a rock; the way of a ship in the midst of the sea; and the way of a man with a maid.

Isaiah 40:31 KJV

31 But they that wait upon the LORD shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint.

Jeremiah 4:13 KJV

13 Behold, he shall come up as clouds, and his chariots shall be as a whirlwind: his horses are swifter than eagles. Woe

unto us! for we are spoiled.

Jeremiah 48:40 KJV

40 For thus saith the LORD; Behold, he shall fly as an eagle, and shall spread his wings over Moab.

Jeremiah 49:16 KJV

16 Thy terribleness hath deceived thee, and the pride of thine heart, O thou that dwellest in the clefts of the rock, that holdest the height of the hill: though thou shouldst make thy nest as high as the eagle, I will bring thee down from thence, saith the LORD.

Jeremiah 49:22 KJV

22 Behold, he shall come up and fly as the eagle, and spread his wings over Bozrah: and at that day shall the heart of the mighty men of Edom be as the heart of a woman in her pangs.

Lamentations 4:19 KJV

19 Our persecutors are swifter than the eagles of the heaven: they pursued us upon the mountains, they laid wait for us in the wilderness.

Ezekiel 1:10 KJV

10 As for the likeness of their faces, they four had the face of a man, and the face of a lion, on the right side: and they four had the face of an ox on the left side; they four also had the face of an eagle.

Ezekiel 10:14 KJV

14 And every one had four faces: the first face was the face of a cherub, and the second face was the face of a man, and the third the face of a lion, and the fourth the face of an eagle.

Ezekiel 17:3 KJV

3 And say, Thus saith the Lord GOD; A great eagle with great wings, longwinged, full of feathers, which had divers colours, came unto Lebanon, and took the highest branch of the cedar:

Ezekiel 17:7 KJV

7 There was also another great eagle with great wings and many feathers: and, behold, this vine did bend her roots toward him, and shot forth her branches toward him, that he might water it by the furrows of her plantation.

Daniel 4:33 KJV

33 The same hour was the thing fulfilled upon Nebuchadnezzar: and he was driven from men, and did eat grass as oxen, and his body was wet with the dew of heaven, till his hairs were grown like eagles' feathers, and his nails like birds' claws.

Daniel 7:4 KJV

4 The first was like a lion, and had eagle's wings: I beheld till the wings thereof were plucked, and it was lifted up from the earth, and made stand upon the feet as a man, and a man's heart was given to it.

Hosea 8:1 KJV

1 Set the trumpet to thy mouth. He shall come as an eagle against the house of the LORD, because they have transgressed my covenant, and trespassed against my law.

Obadiah 4 KJV

4 Though thou exalt thyself as the eagle, and though thou set thy nest among the stars, thence will I bring thee down, saith the LORD.

Micah 1:16 KJV

16 Make thee bald, and poll thee for thy delicate children; enlarge thy baldness as the eagle; for they are gone into captivity from thee.

Habakkuk 1:8 KJV

8 Their horses also are swifter than the leopards, and are more fierce than the evening wolves: and their horsemen shall spread themselves, and their horsemen shall come from far; they shall fly as the eagle that hasteth to eat.

Matthew 24:28 KJV

28 For wheresoever the carcase is, there will the eagles be gathered together.

Luke 17:37 KJV

37 And they answered and said unto him, Where, Lord? And he said unto them, Wheresoever the body is, thither will the eagles be gathered together.

Revelation 4:7 KJV

7 And the first beast was like a lion, and the second beast like a calf, and the third beast had a face as a man, and the fourth beast was like a flying eagle.

Revelation 12:14 KJV

14 And to the woman were given two wings of a great eagle, that she might fly into the wilderness, into her place, where she is nourished for a time, and times, and half a time, from the face of the serpent.

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8] EAGLE FEATHERS - Trivia

1. Bald eagles have 7,000 feathers. (3) Feathers, like hair and nails, are made of keratin.<sup>1</sup> [I was reminded of the scripture: "But if a woman have long hair, it is a glory to her: for her hair is given her for a covering." (1 Cor 11:15: KJV) I thought of the parable of hair being a covering of glory and that eagles feathers can be interpreted that way too.]

2. An eagle's feathers consist of interlocking microscopic structures that are light, but very strong. These joining of feathers is an amazing design from the outer ones down to the soft layer of inner down. Layers of feathers trap air to insulate birds against cold and protect them from rain. (1)

[In considering this, I thought of how the Lord teaches us line upon line, carefully placing each step in our life. "Whom will he teach knowledge? And whom will he make to understand the message? Those just weaned from milk? Those just drawn from the breasts? For precept must be upon precept, precept upon precept, Line upon line, line upon line, Here a little, there a little." (Isa 28:9-10 NKJV)]

3. The feathers if an eagle help it acclimatize. An eagle maintains its body temperature by adjusting the position of its feathers to the sun and air pockets. (4) Eagles do not migrate for climate changes, rather they migrate for food supplies.

4. An eagle grooms itself and waterproofs its feathers by preening. Each feather is worked from base to tip with a vibratory movement of the bill. An oil gland at the base of the tail is pressed regularly with the bill and this oil is worked into the feathers. After all of the feathers have received some attention, the eagle, standing erect, shakes its body to settle the feathers into place. The instinct to preen is very strong and young birds will preen even before their primary feathers emerge. (2)

5. 30 feathers weigh about as much as a penny.

6. The male's wingspan is a little more than 6 feet from wing tip to wing tip, the female's is between 6.5 and 7 feet. (5)

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## 9] ARTICLE ABOUT SOARING EAGLE'S & PSALM 13

[Note from Sandy: This is the first half of an article posted

from the Elijah List as relating to soaring eagles. The second half was a personal Word for South Africa and is not posted here.]

## PSALMS 13

Bob Jones with Keith Davis - August 12, 1999

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In his epistle to the Ephesians, the apostle Paul teaches, "our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the powers, against the world forces of this darkness, against the spiritual {forces} of wickedness in the heavenly places. (Eph

6:12) The spiritual forces that reside in heavenly places have set themselves in opposition to the working of the Holy Spirit through the Church. Not only will this evil defiance create snares and traps for Christians, but also assail our minds and spirits during seasons of prayer. At times, it seems we are easily able to move directly into the realm of the Spirit during prayer. At other times it seems as though all the spirits of hell are set against us as we attempt to come before the throne of grace in prayer and intercession. In recent times, it seems the latter has been more prominent than the former.

These difficult seasons are allowed to train us in warfare and establish deliverance in us as we wrestle with the enemy, discovering through small victories the omniscience and amazing provision established for us through the Cross.

The Bible often symbolizes God's people as eagles. This symbolism is especially true for prophets. The eagle is able to soar higher than any other creature and is gifted with phenomenal eye sight. We are taught that the eagle is equipped with special filters on its eyes allowing this majestic bird to maneuver directly toward the sun while evading encounters with predators. We must do likewise and flee to the Son when engaged with enemy confrontation.

To see the things the Lord desires to display oftentimes

requires battling through the spiritual resistance until we are able to soar above it and hear the things that He will express and see the things that He would disclose. To do this requires diligence and determination through fervent prayer and intercession. It is in the midst of this wrestling that deceiving spirits will often impart revelation from the enemy masquerading as true disclosure. In one Old Testament example the 400 prophets of Ahab each received spiritual revelation containing measures of truth, yet its origin was a deceiving spirit that the Lord allowed because of the unrighteousness of Ahab and his leadership. A true prophet of God was then summoned who was able to soar above the deceiving spirit and receive a true revelation from the heart of God. (I Kings 22:1-28) Spiritual discernment and a good foundation in Truth clearly identifies false revelation, motivating the believer to press-in more earnestly to receive the true revelation.

Recently, while in a season of prayer and intercession, Bob found himself engaged in this spiritual battle. Many opposing spirits attempted to withstand his efforts to soar in the Spirit to receive fresh manna for the Body of Christ. Evil opposition attempted to impart false revelation masquerading as Truth. However, the fruit of this revelation did not incorporate love, hope and faith and was therefore easily discerned. Bob continued to press in for quite sometime until he finally soared above the opposition and received a clear word from the Lord. He was audibly given Psalms 13 with an emphasis on verse 5 as an encouragement for the Body of Christ.

"How long, O LORD? Will You forget me forever? How long will You hide Your face from me? How long shall I take counsel in my soul, having sorrow in my heart daily? How long will my enemy be exalted over me?

Consider and hear me, O LORD my God; Enlighten my eyes, lest I sleep the sleep of death; Lest my enemy say, 'I have prevailed against him'; lest those who trouble me rejoice when I am moved. But I have trusted in Your mercy; my heart shall rejoice in Your salvation. I will sing to the LORD, because He has dealt bountifully with me." Ps 13:1-6

Many scholars believe this Psalm was written by David after Samuel anointed him to be King of Israel. Despite his prophetic destiny, David found himself fleeing from Saul for the preservation of his life. Although David's future promised greatness and Divine favor, he was required to endure

persecution and hardship before being released in the fullness of his calling. It was during these difficult years that character was being formed in him that would prepare him for Kingship. Decisions that he made in the wilderness helped formulate the pattern of his life when he attained the throne.

So has it been for many in the church. It seems as though our enemies have prevailed over us despite the great promises given to us by the Holy Spirit. It is during the difficult seasons that Divine character is being formed in us as we are purged and purified from our own carnality so we can faithfully accommodate the anointing. Righteous decisions made during the dry intervals reap immeasurable dividends during the seasons of prosperity.

One of the most challenging things during the baptism of trials is to wait upon the Lord for His timing in the release of the promises.

Like David we cry to the Lord, How Long must we endure these difficult and trying times? Nonetheless, we are admonished to be still and wait upon the completion of His sanctifying work of grace within, so the fullness of His anointing can be released to us. The tendency during these times is to do something, oftentimes misinterpreting ministry for DOING THE WILL OF THE FATHER. In Matthew 7 the Lord describes many who were involved in ministry, healing the sick, casting out devils, performing miracles and other worthy things; even so, their destiny was outer darkness. "Not everyone who says to Me, 'Lord, Lord,' will enter the kingdom of heaven; but he who does the will of My Father who is in heaven. (Matt 7:21) It is in doing the will of the Father that we access the Kingdom of Heaven and find favor and grace in time of need.

Our encouragement is found in Verse 5, But I have trusted in Your mercy; my heart shall rejoice in Your salvation. For many, the day of salvation is at hand.

The term for salvation in this passage is "yeshu`sh" denoting deliverance, welfare, prosperity, and victory. It's unique application has to do with deliverance from present troubles and the assurance that the Lord is aware of our condition

and will intervene in our behalf. The Lord assures us saying, 'I know the plans that I have for you,' declares the LORD, 'plans for welfare and not for calamity to give you a future and a hope. (Jer 29:11). Our Savior's plans for us are for welfare and prosperity not calamity. However, wilderness experiences are allowed to establish Godly character in us and allow us to sow seeds of righteousness that will reap bountiful dividends in the seasons ahead. We must pray with the same assurance as David despite the external circumstances realizing that the Lord is faithful to His promises. Not one of His promises has ever failed in all of history.

David begins this Psalm with a cry of desperation but concludes it by remembering the Lord's faithfulness to His promises and the bountiful favor with which the Lord has vowed to establish His people. So is it with us; though our minds are burdened with the difficulty of our circumstances, our spirits rejoice at the realization of our Savior's promises to us. Repentance and obedience to the Will of the Father will prepare us for the day of visitation. To whom shall the Lord appear in the day of His visitation? Those who have His commandments and faithfully adhere to them. "He who has My commandments and keeps them, it is he who loves Me. And he who loves Me will be loved by My Father, and I will love him and manifest Myself to him." (John 14:21)

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## 10] ARTICLE ON GOLDEN EAGLES

A Golden Eagle

Bill Burns

July 13, 2000:

Many recognize that the eagle is symbolic of the prophetic. The eagle has tremendous vision and can soar to lofty heights. The eagle also has amazing speed as he dives to take his prey, and his weapons are very effective.

The Lord has used the eagle to bring forth several prophetic words through me in the last two years. Each time that I have observed the activity of eagles, the Lord has spoken to me to reveal different aspects of what the present work of the Holy Spirit is.

Sunday, as Marsha and I were driving home from church, a very unusual event occurred. We had just crossed a bridge which is located at a curve in the highway. The highway descends to the bridge and then ascends. Because of these conditions I always slow down. So, I had slowed down, crossed the bridge, and was just beginning to accelerate as we moved upwards. It was at this point that a young golden eagle appeared out of nowhere and completely filled the vision which we had through the windshield of our car.

The eagle was so close that it seemed as though his tail feathers touched the windshield as we passed under him. I know that this was a young eagle because he was not quite as large as the adult eagles that I have previously seen. Also the feathers of this eagle were a brilliant golden color, a lighter gold than the feathers of the adults.

"And, the Spirit of the Lord brings this message forth...on the wings of eagles. My golden ones are about to arise. You have crossed over the bridge of troubled waters. Behold, the old things are behind you, the new will now spring forth. Now the time of acceleration which I spoke of will come forth. With this acceleration will come greater vision. I will completely fill your vision (the eyes of your understanding) with My purposes. You will begin to see more clearly than you ever have before because I will come closer to you, and your total focus will be upon Me. The distractions of the past occurred because you viewed Me from afar. But now, I will fill your vision, and you shall feel the wind of My Spirit and the touch of My hands.

This is a new day and on this, the third day of My power, I will come to you and raise you up as on wings of eagles that you may live in My sight, and you shall perceive My presence as you never have before. My people, you are turning a corner, and new direction will come forth.

Now, consider what the sign of the young eagle means, for does it not have a two-fold meaning? First, I will renew some of My old eagles and make them young again. Those

who have remained faithful to Me will be renewed. Now I will lead you out of the caves where I have placed you, and you shall soar to new heights with greater vision and strength than you have ever had.

Secondly, I will also bring some young eagles forth at this time. They are those who have forsaken the world and do not desire religion; they desire only Me. Thus, the old and the new shall be brought out of My treasure house, and My golden ones will be sent to the nations to prepare the way of the Lord. His coming forth is established as the morning, and He is coming like the latter and former rain to His people."

A note of encouragement is found in this message, especially to you old eagles who carry about the weariness of many battles in your bodies. When an eagle reaches the age of 50 (approximately), his beak begins to freeze shut, and he can no longer eat. Some give up and die, but some find a cave or cleft in the rock where water is present. The old eagle goes into the cave and beats his beak on a rock until it is broken off. The eagle drinks water for 40 days until it grows a new beak. The eagle then pulls its old feathers out and an oil sack grows and is filled with oil (over the heart). The eagle then breaks the oil sack with the new beak and spreads the oil over his body. Beautiful new golden feathers grow in, and the eagle is renewed. The eagle's body is also strengthened through this process. The regenerated eagle is then able to fly higher than it ever could before and see better than it could before. Oh yes, and the beak also works, for words must yet be spoken and the prey must be taken. Happy hunting!

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NOTE FROM SANDY: In my research on eagles, I was not able to find information backing the above story about how

an old eagle renews itself. However I did find similar stories under Indian folklore. I have been blessed by this story and regardless of whether it is fact or allegory, it is quickened to me.

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## 11] EAGLE FLIGHT - MISC TRIVIA

1. First flights: The young eaglets pick up and manipulate sticks, play tug of war with each other, practice holding things in their talons, and stretch and flap their wings. By eight weeks, the eaglets are strong enough to flap their wings, lift their feet off the nest platform, and rise up in the air. At eight weeks, the appetites of the young birds are at their greatest. While parents hunt almost continuous to feed them, back at the nest the eaglets are beginning to stretch their wings in response to gusts of wind and may even be lifted off their feet for short periods. Eventually they will be able to rise 15 feet above the nest and soar for a moment before returning to the nest. While they are learning to fly, the young eagles are awkward, have difficulty landing, and often fall to the ground after leaving the nest. If a young eagle is reluctant to leave the nest, its parents may stop feeding it at the nest and lure the hesitant bird to another perch with food. (9)

2. Their speed of light is between 20 to 40 miles per hour in normal flight. It can rise of over 100 miles per hour while diving. (9)

3. Winds sweeping across open water also create updrafts that eagles use for gliding.

4. The flight path to a nest or perch must be open, because a bald eagle cannot maneuver through dense forest like an owl or take off from an obstructed perch. Open vistas also make it easier for eagles to scan for prey. (9)

5. While migrating (usually for food), eagles ride columns of rising air called thermals and can average speeds of 30 mph (50 kilometers). Effortlessly, an eagle can circle in a strong thermal to high altitudes, then glide long distances in the direction of its migration until it finds the next column of rising air. Generally, the eagles follow seasonal food supplies. As lakes and streams freeze over, bald eagles must go south to find open fresh water or head to the coast. (9)

6. Approximately 40% of young eagles do not survive their

first flight. (10)

7. Through months of trial and error, eagles acquire basic skills such as lighting on perches or stooping on prey through practice. Eagles practice with almost fully developed bodies, and so sharpen their skills quickly. (10)

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## 12] A WORD TO THE EAGLES

June 12, 2001

Doug Patterson

Perseverance and persistence have land marked your way. You have fought the winds, you have struggled and you have pressed through. For a season and a time you felt very weary and tired allowing yourself just like an eagle to rest upon the cleft of the rock. In your moment of rest, you decided to perhaps walk a distance from mountaintop to mountaintop, step by step where it seemed a safer and more practical way at the time. I tell you it is a tedious work for my eagles to walk across the rocks.

Allow My wind to catch you underneath your wings as they extend out with praise and worship unto me and lift you back up from the position that you feel is secure as you stand on the rock. For you must maneuver forward in flight yielding to the breeze, yielding to the updrafts, yielding to the presence of your mighty God. For I desire to cause you to be as a skilled warrior flying in and out of the very peaks of the mountain, for they belong to you. I call them your home, a dwelling place. Mount Zion is calling and encouraging you to praise and worship the Lord your God.

So do not be weary in well doing but know I do order your steps and at times I ask you to leap into My presence for as you fly you move quickly, swiftly and powerfully. Spiral into My heavenlies and see the very world I ask you to conquer from a high and lofty place. A place of vision is a place of intercession. A place of intercession is an attitude of the heart. And out of the abundance of your heart My people speak. Fly into My love, soar like an eagle and don't grow

weary My children for you belong to Me.

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### 13] EAGLE EYES - misc trivia

1. The eagle's eyes are specially evolved to give it extraordinary vision. The eye's size and shape give it magnification when compared to the human eye. But most important, the eagle's eye is densely packed with the specialized cells that give exceptional vision. The wealth of the special cells and the way they are arranged give the eagle the ability to see extraordinary detail and observe things at great distances. An eagle can spot a fish from two or three miles away. (11)

2. They have excellent eye sight, as with all raptors. Eagles, and other hawks, have a double fovea...two centers of focus on the retina. The "regular" one is for focusing on the horizontal plane. The other is higher on the retina and concentrates focus toward the ground. The birds not only see and process two images, one from each eye, as do most animals with eyes on the sides of their heads, but they also process two more images from below themselves. That is four (yes, 4) things at once. And that explains why a perched bird will sometimes turn its head completely upside down when looking skyward. The ground-image fovea is then looking up. (12)

3. The vision of predatory birds is probably the keenest of any living creature. Eagles see objects two to three times farther away than humans can. Since they hunt by day, sight is by far the most important of all their senses. An eagle must spot prey from great distances and catch birds on the wing. Astonishing accuracy is needed to track the erratic

course of prey, and the eyes must constantly refocus as an eagle dives toward its moving target. The eyes of an eagle are very large, but their movement within the eye sockets is restricted. To see in different directions, an eagle must turn its head. (9)

4. The acute vision of eagles is due, in part, to the fact that each eye has two depressions in the retina packed with sensory cells that provide an area of especially clear perception. One of these depressions, or fovea, is directed forward, the other to the side. The four foveae working together allow for unusually accurate distance perception. The eyes can function some what independently to see objects to the side, or both eyes can focus on an object directly in front of the head. Special muscles control the curvature of the lens so that the eye can accurately perceive moving objects. A transparent "second eyelid" sweeps across the eye to cleanse and protect it and a projecting bony brow shields the eye from injury. (9)

5. An eagle can see a rabbit about 1 mile or 1760 yards away. Now the average person needs to be about 550 yards away to see the same rabbit. That's why when someone says "you must have eagle eyes," they mean you can see really far. (13)

6. Unlike most mammals, birds have color vision. Much of a bird's survival may depend on its extraordinary vision. Bald Eagles have good binocular vision since their eyes are in front of their heads. This enables them to judge distances accurately - an important ability for birds that often swoop down to snatch food from the ground or water. (14)

7. Golden eagle: A four week old Golden Eagle possess vision that is telescopic, microscopic, monocular, binocular, and about eight times finer than man's. Mature birds can spot a rabbit two miles away. (15)

8. Birds of prey have three eyelids to protect their eyes. Hawks close their eyes most of the time by moving their lower lids up. Owls move their upper eyelids down adding to the human appearance of their faces. The third eyelid is called the nictitating membrane and it closes from side to side. It can be used to clean the eyes or to protect them. (16)

9. Eagle parents often pull the membranes over their eyes when feeding their young. This way chicks won't accidentally damage an eye when they lunge for food. (16)

10. Due to the size of an eagle's eyes, very little room is left for the eye muscles which forces the eagle to turn its head when looking around. This is unlike a human eye which can move more freely in the eye socket. Eagles have powerful

eye sight allowing them to see three to four times farther away than a human being. While hunting, eagles can see their prey several hundred feet above the ground. From a perch position in a high tree, eagles can see prey up to one mile away. When flying at 1000 feet, eagles can spot prey within three square miles. In addition, the two centers of focus in an eagles eye allows it to see both forward and to the side at the same time and like a human, eagles have eyelids. The eyelids will closing during sleep, otherwise a second eyelid (called a nictitating) wipes the cornea every three to four seconds to keep the cornea clean. This second eyelid is translucent which allows the eagle to see in mid blink. (17)

11. A bony extension of the scull (over the eagle's eyes) helps protect tehnm from injury when catching and handling prey. (18)

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## 14] EAGLE'S OTHER SENSES

1. The eagle's other senses are less impressive. The eagle's sense of hearing is comparable to that of humans. Its outer ear openings are located just behind its eyes and covered by a layer of feathers. (19)

2. The eagle seems to have a less-developed sense of taste, and its sense of smell is poorly developed. For example, a bald eagle cannot detect even strong food odors under snow. Eagles cannot find food hidden from view. (19)

3. On the other hand, its sense of touch is acute on the beak and feet, a feature that aids the eagle in capturing and killing prey. Tactile sensations in these areas are important when capturing and killing prey. (9)

4. Eagles make sounds that are often described in human terms. The calls between a pair of eagles at the start of the breeding season are called a "greeting," and the soft, high-pitched call of the female during courtship is thought to be a "solicitation." Young chicks in the nest "beg" for food by peeping or crying. When alarmed, an eagle lowers its head, stretches out its neck, droops and quivers its wings, and, as the bill opens and closes, call "kar! kar! kar!" (9)

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## 15] EAGLE TALONS

1. Talons are extra-large and grooved underneath, and the foot pads rough, almost spiculate (needle-like), for increased grasping ability, vital when the prey is large and slippery. (12)

2. The bald eagle is well-adapted for hunting. Its feet and talons are large even for such a huge bird. The talons are impressively long and are backed by tremendous muscular force from the legs. The talons can easily penetrate to the bone and even crush some bones. (19)

3. When the muscles in the legs contract, the tendons in the lower legs tighten and the talons close together. This locking system allows the bird to secure its toes around a catch and keep its body steady during rest and sleep. On the undersides of its fleshy toes are small, rough projections called spicules which help the eagle to grasp and hold slippery prey such as fish. (19)

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## 16] EAGLE BEAK

1. The beak is very heavy (fishing eagles have some of the most powerful beaks).

2. The bald eagle's beak is massive. Its main purpose seems to be for killing and tearing. The beak may be used as a weapon if the talons have not finished off the prey. However, generally the beak is used for tearing prey into small pieces since eagles do not chew their food. (19)

3. The eagle's mouth allows it to swallow sizeable objects, but the food must be torn into reasonably-sized pieces. After ingestion the food is temporarily stored in a huge sack, called the crop, in the throat. (19)

4. An eagle cleans its bill after eating by rubbing it on a stick or a branch. The area around the bill is not feathered and so stays clean while feeding. (9)

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## 17] EAGLE PAIRS: Misc trivia

1. A pair will remain together for each nesting season as long as both are alive. They engage in various greeting and courtship flights, the most spectacular of which consists of locking talons in mid-air and descending for several hundred feet in a series of spiraling somersaults. (20)

2. They utilize feeding, day roost and night roost perches, and there is a definite dominance hierarchy for their use. Two adults sitting in close proximity will almost certainly be a pair. (12)

3. The courtship flight is truly spectacular. The nest usually built in a commanding position in a large tree, but sometimes on a rocky promontory or even, on islands, on the ground. It is a very large structure of sticks, lined with softer material such as pine needles. The site is usually near water, but nests away from water are known. (21)

4. The male does most of the hunting and scavenging during the early weeks of the chick's life. The female does the majority of the feeding and brooding. The male will often eat the head of the fish he catches and then bring the remainder to the nest. The male will brood and feed the chick when the female is off the nest. She will leave to stretch, defecate, bathe, preen and hunt on her own. (22)

5. The breeding season for bald eagles begins in February and lasts through July, with pairs establishing long-term bonds. They breed in open areas along coasts, rivers, and large lakes, usually away from human disturbances. In California, a study showed that approximately 87% of their nest sites were within 1 mile (1.6 km) of water. (23)

6. Platform nests of sticks are lined with vegetation and other fine materials and are built in large snags and old growth trees with open branches. The nests are often built in the fork of the tree and range from 3 to 61 meters (10-200 ft) above the ground. Cliff nests vary in size from those with very little nesting materials to those that are massive structures. Some eagles have been known to use the same nest for more than 35 years; occasionally, they may use more than one nest in a season. (23)

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## 18] EAGLE TERRITORY - MISC TRIVIA

1. Three terms are used by eagle biologists to describe the area in which a breeding pair of eagles lives. The "nest site" refers to the nest itself and is the focus of the pair's activity. The term "breeding territory" describes an area surrounding the nest site or sites that is actively defended against intruders. A breeding territory includes the sky above the territory because eagles will defend this space to a certain height. Surrounding the breeding territory is a much larger area within which eagles travel, roost, and search for food. This area, called the "home range," is not actively defended. (9)

2. Breeding territories vary in size and shape. In the 1940s, so many eagles lived along Florida's Gulf coast that nesting birds defended a territory extending only about half a mile outward from the nest; in a few areas, active nests were within 1000 feet of each other. Today eagles rarely nest this closely to each other. The shape of a territory can vary with the location of roosting trees and shoreline configuration. Some territories are circular, while others may encompass a band along a section of shoreline. The shape of the home range in which an eagle travels and hunts is much more flexible and can shift with wind direction. (9)

3. Eagles soar over their nest or perch in conspicuous trees to advertise that their territory is in use. The white heads of the adults is an easily-seen signal that a territory is occupied. In this way, territories are defended with a minimum of fighting. Once a territory is established, other eagles usually recognize and respect these boundaries. Eagles defend their territory against large birds such as gulls and crows and may drive ospreys from their own nests if they are too close. (9)

4. Immature and non-breeding adult eagles do not maintain territories and many roost and feed together. In Everglades National Park, immature eagles fly inland to roost communally at night, well away from coastal nesting areas. (9)

5. Bald eagles are usually associated with a source of permanent water, such as reservoirs, lakes, and free-flowing rivers, with abundant fish and nearby sites for perching, roosting, and, in season, nesting. These sites include snags or other open perches, such as broken-topped trees and rocks near the water. (23)

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## 19] AN EAGLE'S HUNT

1. Their primary prey is fish, especially salmon, but they will also eat small mammals, various water birds, such as waterfowl, and carrion. In the winter, provided the roosting sites and food are abundant, the eagles will roost in groups, particularly in conifer stands or along rivers with migrating salmon. During salmon runs in Alaska, up to 4,000 eagles have been known to congregate along the Chiklat River. (23)

2. The bald eagle searches for prey from a soaring flight or from a perch, then swoops down and grabs its prey. These eagles are known to wade in shallow water to pursue fish with their bill or talons. (23)

3. Bald eagles tend to cooperatively hunt, particularly when pursuing lagomorphs, such as cottontails and black-tailed hares; they will try and flush them out by using short flights back and forth across the vegetation, or by watching from a perch and waiting for the prey to appear. Occasionally, bald eagles visit flooded fields, pouncing on the small mammals displaced by the water. Piracy of prey from other species is a common foraging tactic of immature bald eagles. (23)

4. The young eagle will spend the next 4 years of its life wandering across eastern North America looking for summering and wintering areas where food is accessible. The mortality rate for eagles during their first year of life is greater than 50%, but once they have learned to hunt and forage successfully their chances of reaching adulthood are good. When it begins to mature at age 4, an eagle seeks a mate and establishes a territory. The territory is usually located within 250 miles of the nest where the eagle was hatched. There, the new pair of eagles will construct their own nest but often don't produce eggs or young during their first year as a pair. They'll return in following years to raise young of their own. (22)

5. The bald eagle searches for prey from a soaring flight or from a perch, then swoops down and grabs its prey. These eagles are known to wade in shallow water to pursue fish with their bill or talons. (23)

6. The Bald Eagle feeds primarily on fish, aquatic birds, and mammals, which it may take alive or find dead. Much of its live prey, especially the waterfowl, consists of sickly individuals or those wounded by hunters. When its staple foods are not available, a Bald Eagle will eat almost anything that has food value. (24)

7. These large predators take food however they can,

stealing it from other birds (e.g., fish from the Osprey), scavenging on carrion (including road kills and fish killed passing through hydropower turbines), and hunting in flight, from a perch, on the ground, or in shallow water. They sometimes feed in groups, although they rarely cooperate in hunting. Generally, the adults are more likely to hunt and kill, whereas the younger birds rely more on scavenging and piracy. (24)

8. An eagle uses its feet to capture and kill prey. Swooping down from above, it grabs a fish and drives its long talons into the prey with a treading motion. This happens so smoothly that an eagle rarely gets its legs wet. Eagles snare flying waterfowl by flying under the intended victim, turning upside down, and grabbing the prey by the breast. (9)

9. An eagle hunting coots on the St. Johns River separated a bird from its flock and pursued it underwater. Several moments passed before the eagle returned to the surface with the coot in its talons. An eagle in Alaska dove underwater to catch a duck and then calmly folded its wings and floated at the surface for several minutes until the duck drowned. Since the duck was too heavy to carry off, the eagle towed its victim to shore with rhythmic beats of its outstretched wings, much like a human swimmer using the butterfly stroke. (9)

10. Prey is carried back to the nest or roost and eaten there. Eagles remove the skin from small mammals and often pluck the feathers from larger birds before eating them. When eating a fish, an eagle usually rips off the head and then stands on the carcass to tear chunks from the body. Undigested fur and feathers are regurgitated as pellets. (9)

11. When food is abundant, an eagle can gorge itself by storing up to two pounds of food in a pouch in the throat called a crop. Gorging allows the bird to fast for several days if food becomes unavailable. Eagles also readily eat carrion such as stranded fish or the carcasses of large animals. They will even drive vultures or dogs from a carcass or pursue vultures and force them to disgorge their meal. (9)

12. Besides hunting and killing prey, eagles steal food from other birds. The tendency to pirate food led Benjamin Franklin to decide that eagles were birds of "bad moral character." Assigning human moral values to an eagle is, of course, unfair, because stealing is just another way of getting food. Eagles are particularly known for stealing food from ospreys with whom they share waterfront habitats, but they will steal from many kinds of birds, especially other eagles. (9)

13. In some parts of the country, wintering, non-nesting birds roost and feed in groups. Groups of two to three to 30

or more eagles may feed together. In the Chilkat Valley area of southeastern Alaska, more than 3,000 bald eagles gather in the fall to feed on the carcasses of salmon. These groups are far from friendly, however, since aggression between eagles and food stealing are common. (2)

14. An analysis of the behavior of these eagles revealed a range of aggressive displays as the birds continually displaced each other. An eagle can challenge a feeding bird by descending from above with its feet and talons outstretched or, if both eagles are on the ground, one may jump a few feet in the air and drop towards the other. Sometimes an aggressive eagle approaches a feeding eagle with slow deliberate steps, staring intently, with its head and neck extended horizontally. If the feeding bird does not retreat, the aggressor may strike with talons or beak. A defending bird either retreats or retaliates by jumping and presenting its talons to the aggressor. Physical contact is rare, but aggressive displays occasionally lead to injury as one bird embeds its talons in the body of another. (9)

15. Stealing occurs even when food is plentiful. Pirating is adaptive even when food is abundant because the risks associated with stealing and hunting are about equal. Aggressive encounters rarely escalate into violence, because the status of each bird usually predetermines which bird will win an encounter. In other words, eagles usually challenge birds that are likely to yield. For example, larger birds, which are usually female, tend to steal from smaller birds. As a result, smaller or younger birds tend to hunt more, while large adults more often benefit from stealing. Hungry birds usually win out over birds that have eaten since a satiated bird is less likely to defend a food item aggressively. A full crop is a clear sign that an eagle has been feeding for a while. When each contestant knows the status of the other, one will emerge as the winner without escalated fighting. (9)

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## 20] FISHING EAGLES

National Geographic aired a special one night about how eagles catch fish in lakes. They fly high above the water but their eyesight is so good they can spot fish in the water below. When they see one they fold back their wings and

aim directly for the water, going as fast as 130 mph. When they reach the water they spread their wings, reach out their talons, grab the fish, and begin flying back to the shore.

On this TV special, they showed film of a very unusual occurrence. An eagle made a dive for a fish and grabbed it in its talons. But the fish was much larger than the eagle realized. As it began to fly to the shore you could see the strain on the eagle's face. It was not going to make it back to the shore with this huge fish. It then tried to drop the fish, to let go of it. But the talons of the eagle had dug into the flesh of the fish so deeply that it could not pull them out. It struggled but to no avail.

Slowly the eagle descended into the lake and drowned, unable to let loose of its catch.

Many times in life we grab on to something that can be dangerous. We feel we have control and can stop holding on any time we like. It becomes a habit and one day we try to get out and discover that we no longer have a hold on it but it has a hold of us. "Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles, and let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us" (Hebrews 12:1).

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## 21] OTHER MISC EAGLE TRIVIA

1. An eagle is one of the largest birds of prey in the world.
2. COMMON NAME: bald eagle (22)

3. The name "bald" is a misnomer. The scientific name, *Haliaeetus leucocephalus*, means "white-headed sea eagle." (22)

1. CLASS: Aves (22)

2. ORDER: Falconiformes (22)

3. FAMILY: Accipitridae (22)

4. GENUS & SPECIES: *Haliaeetus leucocephalus* (22)

There are 59 species of eagles worldwide.

5. CLASSIFICATION: Falconiformes, yes, eagles are hawks. Hawks are divided by their wing shapes and the way they fly: falcons, accipiters, buteos, kites and eagles. Accipiter means "hawk" in Latin. Halos and aetos are Greek for "sea" and "eagle." Since the bald eagle is considered one of the sea-eagles, it fits. Another Latinized obvious observation: leucocephalus. Leukcos is Greek for "white" and kephale is Greek for "head." Pretty straight-forward! (22)

6. PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION: Length: 27-30+ inches (bigger farther north)

Wingspan: Male: about 6 1/2 feet; Female: about 7 feet

Weight: Male: 9 lbs.; Female: 12.8 lbs.

Coloration: Adult - Rich, deep brown except head and tail which are snowy white. Bill and feet yellow, eyes straw colored.

Juvenile - dark head, neck and tail, body dark to black and often mottled with pointed feather tips buff. Attainment of adult plumage is gradual with mottling slowly molting out (the buffy tips wear off) and the head and tail looking muddy, then buff, then white at four or five years of age. Beak and feet are black. [Juveniles are easily confused with young Golden Eagles. Bare lower tarsi, best when fishing because water-logged feathers are heavy, are diagnostic for Bald Eagles, Golden Eagles are feathered to the toes. (22)

7. DIET: Mostly fish (which they will steal from each other and from osprey), water birds that "raft" (like Coots), as well as muskrats and other small mammals ("our" eagles at Eastman Lake take jackrabbits and ground squirrels like Golden Eagles do) plus carrion. (22)

8. Eagles sometimes bathe in shallow water or fly down and drag their feet through water to clean them.

9. PREY SIZE: Prey items weigh from 3 to 5 pounds at most. An eagle would have difficulty carrying anything

approaching even one-half its own weight, making myths of eagles carrying off human babies or calves absurd.

10. LONGEVITY: Have lived 50 years in captivity. Life expectancy in the wild may be 30 years. (25)

11. EYESIGHT: Five to six times sharper than a human's. (25)

12. PERCHING: Bald eagles spend more time sleeping or resting on a perch than at any other activity. Pairs often perch together and, as one preens, the other keeps a watchful eye. If it is very hot, perching birds droop their wings and gape their mouths. Different perches are used during the day so that a bird can face into the wind or avoid the sun's glare. When eagles of different ages perch in the same tree, the oldest birds usually occupy the highest perches. (9)

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## 22] NOTE FROM SANDY ABOUT EAGLE TRIVIA

From the following footnote references, you can see I searched websites about nature, government, environment, scientific, wild life studies, etc.

In searching for the eagle trivia it was interesting to me that I did not find one particular item in even one scientific or nature site. (Although it was written about in many Christian sites.) If you find a scientific data source mentioning this theme, please let me know, I would like to post it with this file.

The scientific data I did not find was the concept of an eagle parent carrying an eaglet in flight. The scientific sites say that prey weighs about 3-5 pounds and a baby eaglet weighs about 1 pound more than its parent when it comes time to fly. (They need the extra weight because they will no longer be fed in the nest and they will be gradually learning how to hunt.) The parents weigh between 9-13 pounds.

I am thinking that if this is not a scientific fact, then perhaps the Lord was using the following scripture as an allegory of

how He carried Israel on His wings in their journey through the wilderness. "As an eagle stirs up its nest, Hovers over its young, Spreading out its wings, taking them up, Carrying them on its wings, So the LORD alone led him, And there was no foreign god with him." (Deut 32:11-12 NKJV)

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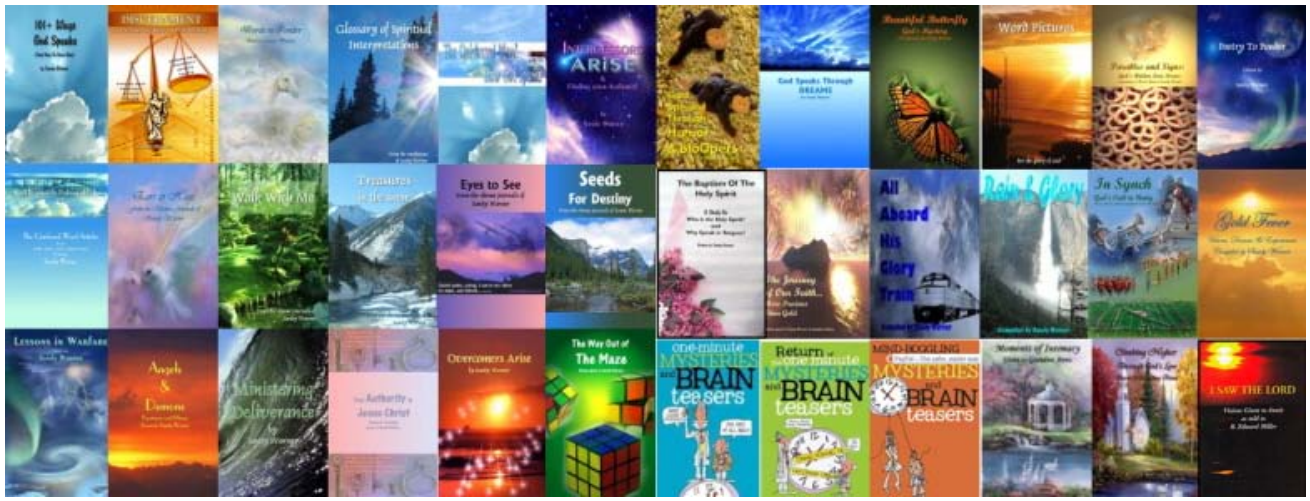
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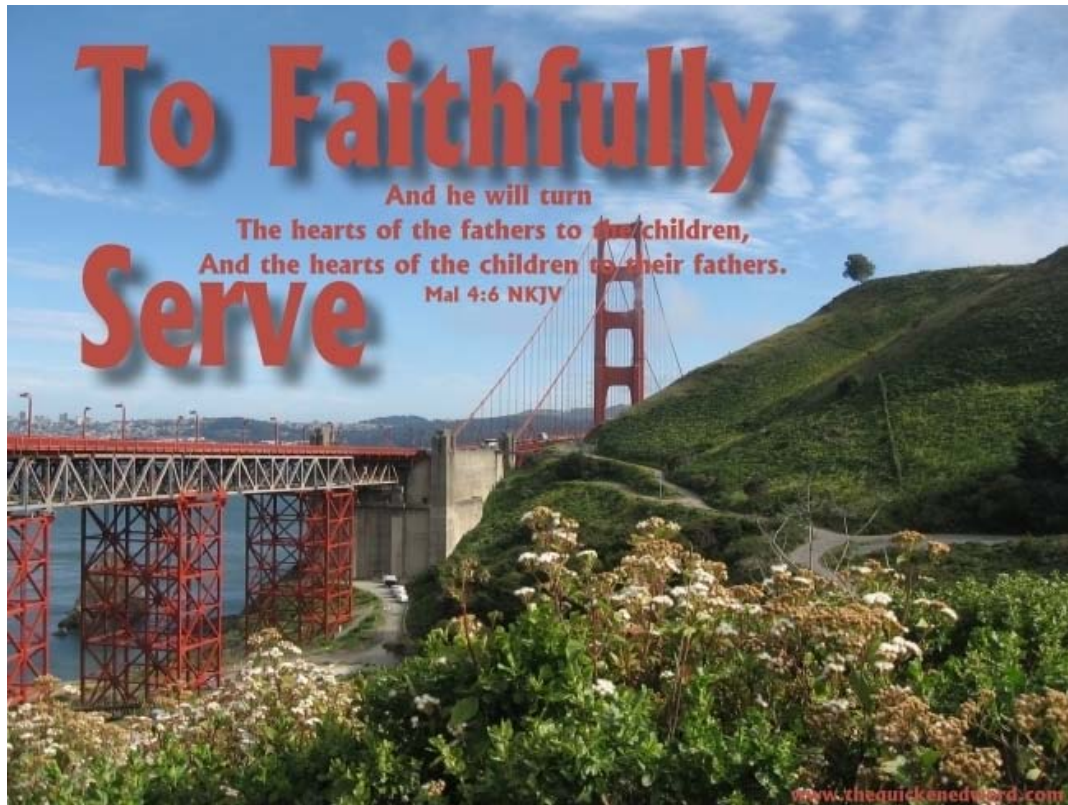
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## YOUNG PROPHETS

### 5/20/00: REVELATION OF THE VIRGIN PROPHET & MENTORING:

Today as I was listening to scripture on the Bible tape, the following passage jumped out to me as a prophetic parable. The colt that has never been ridden reminds me of the young virgin prophet who has received a wonderful vision or revelation from the Lord, and the Lord rides the virgin in honor, in view of the crowds.

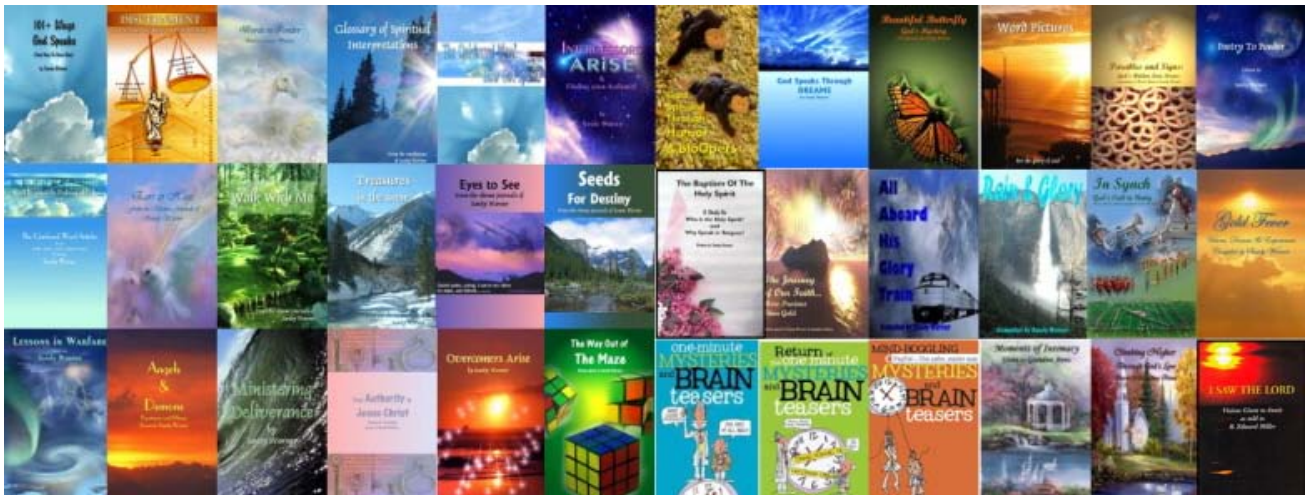
The young one is innocent and does not know the pain of rejection or any of the mishaps in coming into the prophetic giftings. We need to mentor younger ones so they are protected and not abused by the system, taken advantage of or promoted outside of their metron before their time.

*Mark 11:2-32 "Go into that village over there," he told them, "and as soon as you enter it, you will see a colt tied there that has never been ridden. Untie it and bring it*

here. 3 If anyone asks what you are doing, just say, 'The Lord needs it and will return it soon.' NLT

Zech 9:9-10 Rejoice greatly, O people of Zion! Shout in triumph, O people of Jerusalem! Look, your king is coming to you. He is righteous and victorious, yet he is humble, riding on a donkey--even on a donkey's colt. NLT

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*Jesus Christ is the Way, the Truth, the Life ... and He died for you.*

**He sends out His command to the earth;  
His word runs very swiftly.**

Ps 147:15 NKJV

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## THE INFRASTRUCTURE OF WINNING A WAR WITH WORDS

QUICKENED SIGN: *Honoring ordinary people who do extraordinary things.*

QUICKENED MOVIE: Today we went to the movie, Amazing Grace. I heard the Word of the Lord through William Wilberforce's life. He felt called by God and didn't know how to resolve that and his desire for parliament. As it worked out He served God in parliament. Near the beginning of the movie I heard the Lord say "A war with words" and then watched as William spent the passion of his youth and health in unrelenting, persevering conviction to work on the mindsets of his peers through his words. From one man against all, he finally turned abolition of slavery to the popular vote and ended the slave trade in Great Britain.

I felt a deep undercurrent of God's heartbeat in the fact that He is using His servants to win a war with Words. Instead of directly battling principalities and demons, they are sent to destroy strongholds built through mindsets. As for me, He is doing it all with the whisp of a feather pen. Wayne once saw me on a white horse and my weapon was a huge white feathered pen that touched the ground and swept up over my shoulder. (smile) Only God can do such a thing with a feather! I have long believed that it is much easier to cast out demons than to touch the mindsets of free willed men.

He once showed me a huge warehouse with a slot on the top. It was like a piggy bank that I would be filling with His Words. I scribed His first Word and dropped it in the slot and then watched the tiny piece of paper float down exactly like a feather,

onto the floor of this huge concrete box that was about 3 stories tall.

After that time, He gave me the analogy of “A penny for your thoughts” and has spent me one penny at a time as I deposit His Words into that giant bank. It was interesting to me that at the end of the movie one of the members of parliament stood to his feet to honor William, who had spent so much to win the minds and votes of those whose wealth depended upon the slave trade. He said something to the fact that Napoleon was a great man who won a great war, but when it was all over he had the haunting memories of dead men. But William, a common man won his war through peace and returned home to sleep in peace. The Holy Spirit immediately brought back the quickened poster I read before I went into the movie: “Honoring ordinary people who do extraordinary things.” And thus, the power of spending one Word at a time, daring to topple strongholds while trusting God to empower mere pennies and feathers.

*2 Cor 10:3-6 NKJV*

*For though we walk in the flesh, we do not war according to the flesh. For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal but mighty in God for pulling down strongholds, casting down arguments and every high thing that exalts itself against the knowledge of God, bringing every thought into captivity to the obedience of Christ, and being ready to punish all disobedience when your obedience is fulfilled.*

#### THE INVESTMENT OF AN INFRASTRUCTURE

I was touched by the fact that in the movie, William was a student of John Newton who had been a slave trader and then came to the Lord in repentance. John was the one who wrote the song, Amazing Grace. It was John’s influence that seeded and fueled William’s passion. As I thought of the power of mentoring, to pour one’s life into another, I saw the power of what it means to be a bridge...the infrastructure that moves people to commitment.

When Wayne and I were still young and I went back to college to finish my degree, I did my thesis and research on opening a store in a local mall. After all the facts were gathered, we chose not to open a store in the brand new mall that was being built at the time. We realized that the first business of its kind is the one who spends most of their money to change the mindsets of the people, and actually build the infrastructure. If they have a new product or new idea, they have to convince the public of its benefit. After that business has spent everything on its dream, it is actually the second business that comes in with the identical product that becomes the success. It reaps all the previous advertising that went into convincing the public of its need. This truth has been played out in many arenas of life.

We saw this on a practical level where the mall contract required the businesses to finish the inside of their store. When you walked into the spaces for lease, they were actually bare infrastructure without walls, fixtures or anything. It was a minimum of a \$25,000 before even starting that had to be freely left behind for the next store in line. Back then, that was a lot of money.

Today as I was thinking about the slave trader who repented and told his story to young William, I saw him as a parable of today’s bridge.... A generation that takes the time to mentor and invest in our kids. There is so much life spent in building an infrastructure, and once built it is rarely seen or its details understood. But what remains is the passion to move the harvest of what was invested of time, energy and

commitment to the finish line. Our harvest and our inheritance IS our children. And that is why God said that infrastructures of those who planted in our lives could not become perfect without us.

So the slave trader repented and told his story to one who listened. And the one who listened took a torch and changed nations.

*Heb 11:40 AMP*

*Because God had us in mind and had something better and greater in view for us, so that they [these heroes and heroines of faith] should not come to perfection apart from us [before we could join them].*

QUICKENED AD: When we walked out of the movie and down this same mall, we stopped at the food court to get a bite to eat. My eye glanced at an advertisement: "Purchasing millions with just pennies." I looked away and smiled, thinking of "one sent" (cent) and the simple power of spending a penny, one Word at a time. Yes there are many ways to win a war, but it is the God of peace that crushes the enemy under foot. And He does so with a war of Words.

*Ps 33:6-9 NKJV*

*By the word of the LORD the heavens were made, and all the host of them by the breath of His mouth. He gathers the waters of the sea together as a heap; He lays up the deep in storehouses. Let all the earth fear the LORD; Let all the inhabitants of the world stand in awe of Him. For He spoke, and it was done; He commanded, and it stood fast.*

*Rev 12:10-11 m NKJV*

*Then I heard a loud voice saying in heaven, "Now salvation, and strength, and the kingdom of our God, and the power of His Christ have come, for the accuser of our brethren, who accused them before our God day and night, has been cast down. And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony, and they did not love their lives to the death.*

*Luke 21:14-16 NKJV*

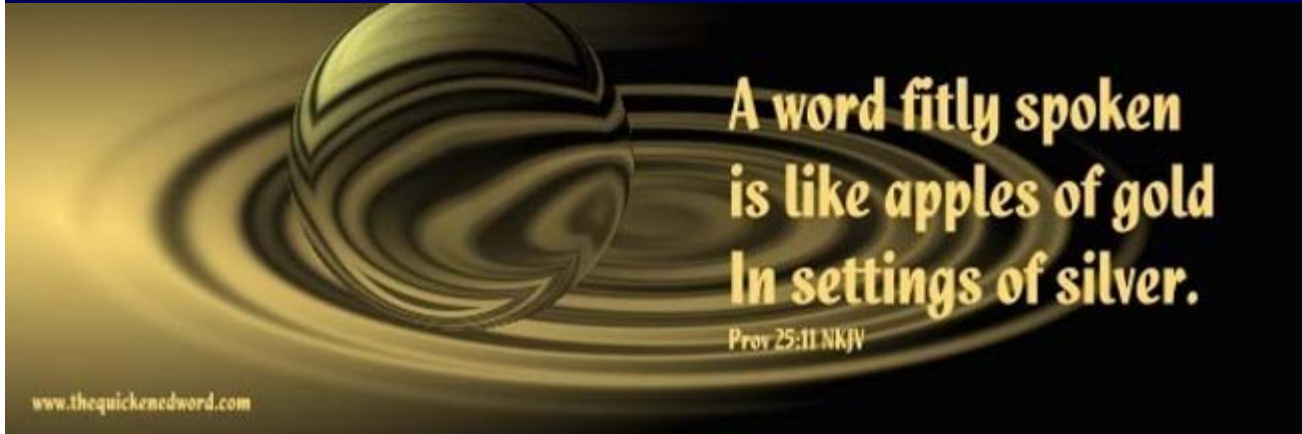
*Therefore settle it in your hearts not to meditate beforehand on what you will answer; for I will give you a mouth and wisdom which all your adversaries will not be able to contradict or resist.*

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#### TIPS ON SHARING YOUR TESTIMONY 3/19/07

Someone wrote me some questions today on sharing their testimony and I felt quickened to share this with you all as wisdom.

It is good to try to define the boundaries for your sharing your testimony, since the Lord is wanting you to share more. The Lord has told me that LOVE is always the standard. To always cover others. At my forum, I rarely allow names unless they are positive things about public figures, or unless they are a regular writer at the forum and I refer to them.

I always try to stay positive in my examples and focus on the good and not the demonic. So it has to be a really powerful example or encouragement for me to share about warfare or something negative. The purpose is to build people's faith, hope and love. When I wrote my book on Angels and Demons, I copied all of my experiences from my journals and then pasted them every other one. So that one was an angel experience, the next was a demonic one. It brought a healthy balance that didn't focus so much on the demonic, and the demonic ones were only the ones where they actually had good endings that taught something and encouraged people. The other demonic ones I deleted from my journals and will rarely if ever tell.

As far as sharing about myself in a transparent way, I heard the Lord tell me that He had given me the power and right to give or withhold any part of my testimony and use it as I felt it was best to be used in the situation. He would never "make" me share unwillingly. It is our gift of love and sacrifice to Him and for those who need to hear it. There are some things in my life that the public will never know and there are

things that someone would have to be a really serious reader to find since they might be mentioned so rarely. It has to do with focus and what the message is and what the purpose is in using personal examples. Sometimes it really encourages a reader to identify with the person in the example.

But one of the worst sins in leaders who have an anointing, is drawing people to themselves in order to be worshipped and it takes the focus and worship off God. I have watched this for years and understand the balance of sharing to avoid that. God has a way of bonding parents with their children, in the same way Paul spoke of so often about those he was mentoring. It is very right and encouraging to feel that strong bond of support. But when hearing the mentor share is displacing faith in God, or leaning upon Him and hearing Him speak, then something has gotten off. And so I walk in fear and trembling of that in my writings.

Water naturally runs downhill and as long as you are moving forward in the Lord, you will find your natural course in sharing. He will help you find your purpose in each thing you share, and how to present it so that people can hear God and be built up. In return, God will favor you with love and honor that goes with being His servant and leader. When favor is missing, so is your metron. As your favor increases, it will open doors for you and you will know it is time to step into a place of increase.

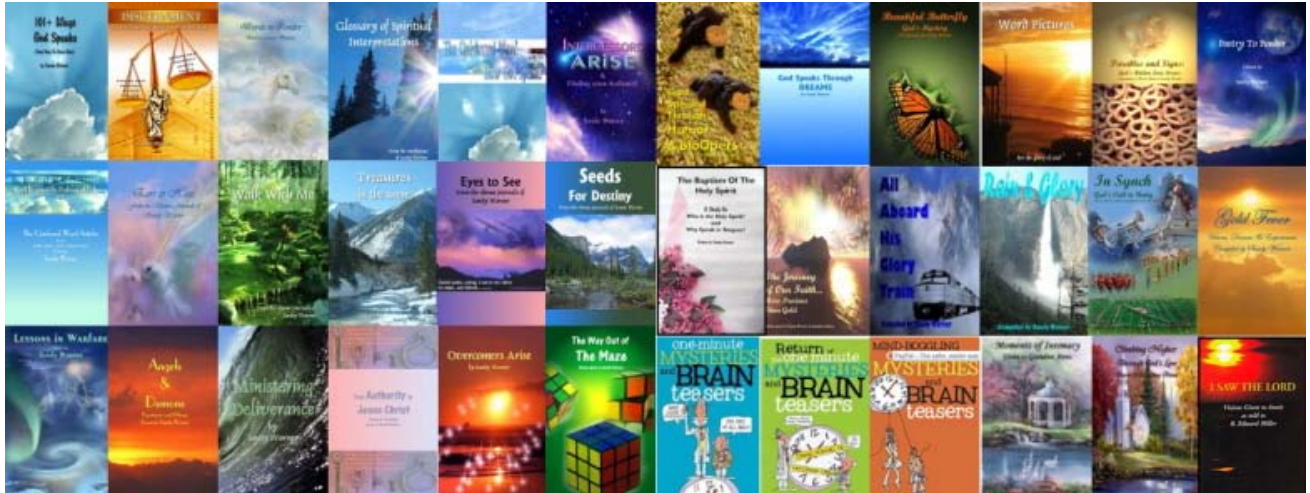
When you make a bold decision to be transparent about something, let peace be your guide. If it causes you to be afraid about anything, then it leaves an open door for you to be attacked in that area, and it also says that you are not ready to share it. You need to walk in the shoes of peace in every thing you share. You will feel the drawing of the Lord, and the joy in sharing and partnering with Him as you find ways to express the message He has given you. I find writing one of my greatest joys of expression. And I know with Him calling you to begin this journey, that you too will find the His best expression for the gifts He gives you.

*1 Cor 2:1-5 NKJV*

*And I, brethren, when I came to you, did not come with excellence of speech or of wisdom declaring to you the testimony of God. For I determined not to know anything among you except Jesus Christ and Him crucified. I was with you in weakness, in fear, and in much trembling. And my speech and my preaching were not with persuasive words of human wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power, that your faith should not be in the wisdom of men but in the power of God.*

*Rev 19:10 NKJV*

*And I fell at his feet to worship him. But he said to me, "See that you do not do that! I am your fellow servant, and of your brethren who have the testimony of Jesus. Worship God! For the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy."*



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**Take heed what you hear.  
With the same measure you use,  
it will be measured to you;**

Mark 4:24 NKJV

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## TEACHING: HOW TO BREAK THROUGH AND HEAR GOD SPEAK

### QUESTION FROM READER:

Today I received a question from a reader who has been on my list for a number of years. It was quickened to me and so I turned it into a teaching.

Hi Sandy

Just as I began to read the word today, my immediate thought was, "Lord HOW does she hear your words"....I would ask you Sandy if you can help in this area. Although I have walked with the Lord for many, many years, and am gifted in the prophetic ministry, I have never had an open vision, or visions for that matter, only had one prophetic dream. My gifting is through "a thought, sometimes getting a picture, and then by faith speaking out and the flow comes, and the people are blessed. However I know in this season that the Lord wants to give me so much more but I seem to be really blocked from being able to breakthrough. If you can give any advice through your years of being God's scribe, I'd appreciate it.

### RESPONSE FROM SANDY

I have been listening to the Lord and journaling since 1984. After all these years, He continually reinforces that [color red] I have to use what He gives me and then He gives me more. It is being accountable to steward and then expecting to receive more increase as I use it. [/color] I have found that if I dont steward what He gives me, then the well dries up and sometimes it dries up really fast. Below is what the Lord has taught me in how to dig a spiritual well of hearing Him and then maintaining

it.

*Mark 4:24-25 NKJV*

*Then He said to them, "Take heed what you hear. With the same measure you use, it will be measured to you; and to you who hear, more will be given. For whoever has, to him more will be given; but whoever does not have, even what he has will be taken away from him."*

## HOW TO BE ACCOUNTABLE AND STEWARD WHAT HE GIVES YOU

1. Journal what you hear, see, perceive, search for, question.

**DREAM 5/13/94: THE LORD LIKES LENGTHY PUZZLES**

*I had a dream about someone trying to understand a mystery. The lady said, "If that's all the notes you keep, you'll never understand it. He likes lengthy puzzles."*

*Hab 2:2-3 NKJV*

*Then the LORD answered me and said: "Write the vision and make it plain on tablets, That he may run who reads it. 3 For the vision is yet for an appointed time; But at the end it will speak, and it will not lie. Though it tarries, wait for it; Because it will surely come, It will not tarry."*

CHEW it, ponder it, apply it and then let it feed your spirit with faith and your soul with understanding. Submit to Him in places that need to change and mature.

2. Add scriptures.

Do word searches, cross references, and study the scriptures as they relate to what you see and hear

*2 Tim 2:15 AMP*

*Study and be eager and do your utmost to present yourself to God approved (tested by trial), a workman who has no cause to be ashamed, correctly analyzing and accurately dividing {rightly handling and skillfully teaching} the Word of Truth.*

3. If you are being mentored (like on my email list), steward what you are given.

If something confirms where you are, take notes and paste it all together so that you have your own journey of how the Lord is weaving it all together to build your faith and hearing.

*Eph 4:15-16 NKJV*

*may grow up in all things into Him who is the head — Christ — 16 from whom the whole body, joined and knit together by what every joint supplies, according to the effective working by which every part does its share, causes growth of the body for the edifying of itself in love.*

4. Be His witness of what you see and hear.

Share what God is speaking to you in a personal way in order to encourage, comfort, help, strengthen, build up someone else. Giving is the best and easiest way to get your well flowing.

*Prov 11:25 NLT*

*The generous prosper and are satisfied; those who refresh others will themselves be refreshed.*

*John 8:28-29 NKJV*

*I do nothing of Myself; but as My Father taught Me, I speak these things.*

5. Stay under His glory spout.

Where ever you are perceiving that you are experiencing His Presence, being confirmed, encouraged, fed and you are participating.... DON'T LEAVE. Stick with it and participate however you can participate through the above ideas. He is building spiritual watering holes and you need to stay because outside is increasing famine.

*Amos 8:11-12 NKJV*

*"Behold, the days are coming," says the Lord GOD, "That I will send a famine on the land, Not a famine of bread, Nor a thirst for water, But of hearing the words of the LORD. They shall wander from sea to sea, And from north to east; They shall run to and fro, seeking the word of the LORD, But shall not find it.*

6. Pray about what you hear and see.

Pray it into your life, into your loved ones, your church and into His corporate body. Find someone who will agree with you in prayer over what you see and hear.

*Luke 6:12-13 NKJV*

*Now it came to pass in those days that He went out to the mountain to pray , and continued all night in prayer to God.*

*Matt 18:19-20 NKJV*

*"Again I say to you that if two of you agree on earth concerning anything that they ask, it will be done for them by My Father in heaven. For where two or three are gathered together in My name, I am there in the midst of them."*

7. Throw out all limitations on HOW you want God to speak to you.

*Isa 45:6-7 KJV*

*That they may know from the rising of the sun, and from the west, that there is none beside me. I am the LORD, and there is none else. 7 I form the light, and create darkness: I make peace, and create evil: I the LORD do all these things.*

*Rom 8:28 NKJV*

*And we know that all things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are the called according to His purpose.*

8. Let your measure of hearing Him be through every detail.

Ask Him to open the eyes of your understanding to see how they really do relate and what He is saying to you about them. You will be amazed as you start to see Him in every area of your life, divinely plant even the smallest details into puzzles that make sense to His overall whole. All that is lacking is the eyes to see it. Bind spiritual blindness and loose your eyes to see.

*Luke 24:30-33 NLT*

*As they sat down to eat, he took a small loaf of bread, asked God's blessing on it, broke it, then gave it to them. 31 Suddenly, their eyes were opened, and they recognized him. And at that moment he disappeared! 32 They said to each other, "Didn't our hearts feel strangely warm as he talked with us on the road and explained the Scriptures to us?"*

Pray daily for eyes to see, ears to hear and the heart to understand.

9. Repent of fellowshiping in the world in places that grieve His Holy Spirit.

Carnal TV is a really, really big issue. Speaking critically about people is another one. And so is pornography.

*James 4:4-5 NKJV*

*Do you not know that friendship with the world is enmity with God? Whoever therefore wants to be a friend of the world makes himself an enemy of God. 5 Or do you think that the Scripture says in vain, "The Spirit who dwells in us yearns jealously"?*

10. Submit to His uprooting the tares of your soul and washing you.

Allow Him to clean up the parts of your soul that do not line up with His Word. Thought, word, deed and motive. Ask Him for the reward that as you submit to the process, that He will bring you closer to Him and you will hear and see Him more clearly because of it.

11. PRAY, PRAY, PRAY. ASK, ASK, ASK. SEEK, SEEK, SEEK.

Every day and every night I ask for and expect to hear Him.

*Matt 7:7-12 NKJV*

*"Ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you. 8 For everyone who asks receives, and he who seeks finds, and to him who knocks it will be opened. 9 Or what man is there among you who, if his son asks for bread, will give him a stone? 10 Or if he asks for a fish, will he give him a serpent? 11 If you then, being evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father who is in heaven give good things to those who ask Him!"*

12. Continually keep your well primed.

I continually work to keep my spiritual well primed and pumping clear water. If there is dirty water or the threat of my well drying up, I press in to the Lord through prayer, tongues, worship, fasting and sacrifice until it returns steady and pure. I ask for prayer. I break off curses, I ask again for prayer. I press in. If I am away from His glory spout and I know where I have found it in the past, I return to that place. It is a serious and desperate stand I take until I am flowing again. It is my life time prayer to know Him intimately.

Above all I try to stay accountable with what He gives me, regardless of whether I like what He gives. I find in the end that when I swallow it, I have His peace that totally sustains me.

*John 4:13-14 NKJV*

*Jesus answered and said to her, "Whoever drinks of this water will thirst again, but whoever drinks of the water that I shall give him will never thirst. But the water that I shall give him will become in him a fountain of water springing up into everlasting life."*

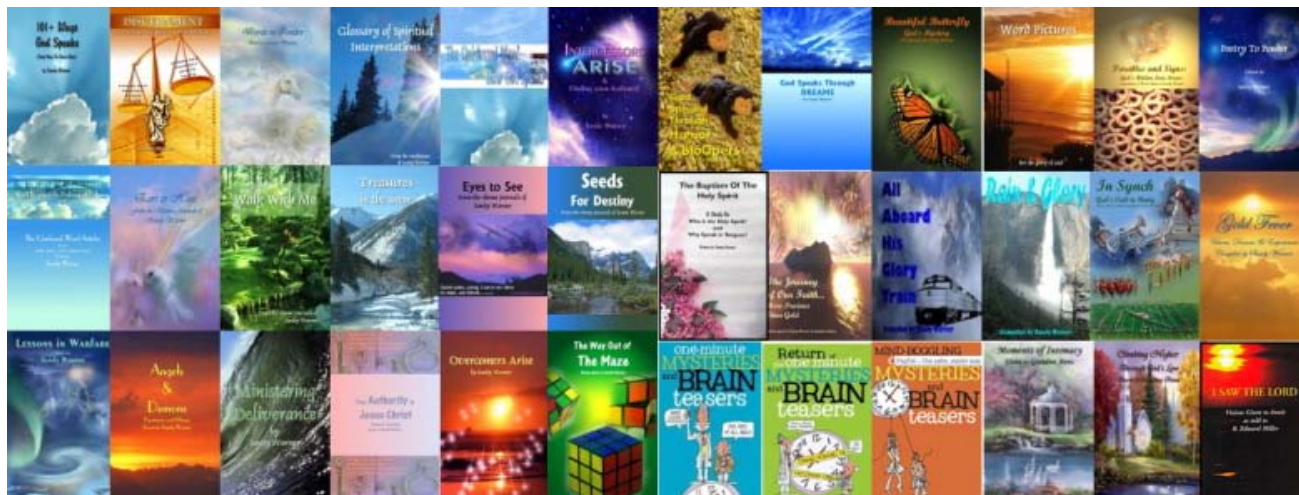
*John 6:57-58 NKJV*

*As the living Father sent Me, and I live because of the Father, so he who feeds on Me will live because of Me. This is the bread which came down from heaven — not as your fathers ate the manna, and are dead. He who eats this bread will live forever."*

PRAYER: Lord I pray for whoever has read this teaching. I know they would not have read it, if they were not hungry to hear You. I ask that You will honor their hunger, their quest and their deepest yearnings to hear You more. Help them pinpoint areas in their life where they can stretch and grow into a bigger portion of hearing ears and seeing eyes. Grant them hearts to understand. Grant them a divine thirst for You that wont quit until they have broken through and heard You speak to them to the point of their need, desire and desperation.

Papa You promised us DAILY BREAD and JESUS IS OUR BREAD OF LIFE. Grant those who are hungry for You, their daily portion in Jesus Name I ask. Amen.

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## DONKEYS, BIRTHING BABIES AND TUMMY TICKLES

(A prophetic look at Jesus' Triumphant Entry, from the donkey's viewpoint)

3/16/01

Hi Loved Ones,

In case you can't tell, the Lord has been talking to me about donkeys lately. It all began when I went through a tough season that lasted a couple of years. I felt that I was being thoroughly dumped on by the enemy. I continued to stand and rebuke, but at one time I felt quit defeated, shamed and polluted by the whole thing.

During this time a wonderful Word came through Bob Jones at a conference. He said the Lord wanted to remove the shame caused from the enemy. He shared a story about a donkey who lived in his owner's field. One day an enemy broke through the owner's fence and dug a deep pit in the field. The owner discovered the enemy's destruction and ordered the intruder to leave but first he was to fill the hole. Somehow, during the night, the donkey managed to fall into the hole. The enemy was delighted and kept dumping dirt upon the donkey's head, intending to bury it.

The next morning, the owner couldn't find his donkey but when he called it, two donkey ears appeared above ground level at the hole. Then a head, then two feet poked up on top of the hole, then a paw, then another paw until he climbed right up the steep incline straight out of the hole. The owner said. "Donkey, what were you doing in that hole?" The donkey replied, "I fell in and the enemy intended to bury me,

but with each shovel full, I just shook and stomped, shook and stomped. So now I'm outta' here!" He was one dirty donkey, but he was safe, he was free and he was out of that pit. (Psa 30)

Then minutes prior to my teaching debut on a class about deliverance, a fellow came up to me and told me he'd had a dream. Tired of being "dumped" on with bad dreams, I was not too anxious to hear this dream, especially right before class. (I already had the jitters, for who in their right mind would say yes to a teaching debut on such a subject as deliverance?) Hesitantly I asked, "Is this a good dream or a bad one?" He didn't know. My curiosity couldn't stand it. "OK tell me the dream!" He saw a bunch of people standing around this donkey. Then he saw the donkey laying on its side and its womb opened and the donkey was giving birth to a baby colt. Remembering Bob's donkey story and how much it meant to me, I knew this was significant.

Next, a lady on my email list sends me a Word. This was the day I sent out my last post concerning the invitation about the new Quickened Prayer elist and the announcement about the winds of intimidation. This is her note: "Good morning, I saw a donkey laying down on a roof top during my quiet time. Does this ring a bell? Could this be tied to the invitation that went out? Thanks for your time and may God bless you. Cheryl."

I laughed thinking about the donkey being out of that dirty and dark hole and having climbed as far away from that hole as possible! I felt he was enjoying the light and warmth of the sun (Son) and also waiting upon the Lord for something. I was wondering what that something was. The Lord heard my ponderings and I saw a vision of this donkey on top of a roof, laying upside down on its back. I thought, "Oh no! Transition, giving birth, upside down, unstable, no feet on the ground, undone!" Then I saw this big hand come down to the donkey's tummy and tickle it! I laughed out loud, having no idea what that meant.

## MOTHERS AND BABIES

The final stage of the birthing process is called transition. It is when the labor pains come closer together, there is less rest between the cycles and the pain is most intense. (I remember in the Lamaze class of 1980 they told us, if the mother was going to lose her self control, this was when it was most likely to happen! After going through the process, I agree! :)

As "mothers", we are living through birth pangs and transition:

... Corporately, the church has been storing nations in her spiritual womb, and slowly carrying them to full term through intercession.

... Generationally, the baby boomers are birthing Generation X into their callings. (We're blooming with babies that are Xtra specially marked by God.)

... Personally, we are carrying our promises to full term: waiting and groaning through the process, earnestly expecting and standing against the pressures, bearing down under the strain and being compelled into bringing forth that which He has spoken into our lives.

As is the parable of the donkey climbing out of the hole, and its colt coming through the birth canal, so are we all intimately interconnected through this experience. For there is a little bit of mother and a little bit of child in all of us. We may even switch roles, depending upon which application we take.

As babies, we are also living through birth pangs and transition:

Prior to the baby going through the birth canal (the dark hole), it turns around, upside down and comes through head first. This is a parable that the baby is not exactly in control either; it certainly is not going to land on its feet when it comes through upside down and head first. (Think about THAT when you are birthing your promises!)

"Mother and baby", you may have just gone through (or are going through) a dark hole where the enemy wanted to hold you back. You may have felt like your head was being covered with shovels of dirt and you were being buried in difficult circumstances. You may have gone through a tough transition and suffered strong pressures along with it. Both of you may have suddenly shot out of your holes, messy and stunned...wobbly, unstable and with zero confidence... It's OK. You are OK. God is still in control. He still has a plan. He knows where everything is. He hasn't lost anything. To every thing there is a season!

#### AFTER BIRTH - CALLED & CHOSEN

As I was thinking about the donkey giving birth to a child, the Lord quickened to me the scripture where Jesus rode into the city on the donkey's colt. Notice, He called both mother and child when He had need of a ride into the city. The disciples brought both donkeys to Jesus.

Matt 21:1-9 NLT

Jesus sent two of them on ahead. "Go into the village over there," he said, "and you will see a donkey tied there, with its colt beside it. Untie them and bring them here. If anyone asks what you are doing, just say, 'The Lord needs them,' and he will immediately send them." This was done to fulfill the prophecy, "Tell the people of Israel, 'Look, your King is coming to you. He is humble, riding on a donkey -- even on a donkey's colt.'" The two disciples did as Jesus said. They brought the animals to him and threw their garments over the colt, and he sat on it. Most of the crowd spread their coats on the road ahead of Jesus, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. He was in the center of the procession, and the crowds all around him were shouting, "Praise God for the Son of David! Bless the one who comes in the name of the Lord! Praise God in highest heaven!"

Zech 9:9 NLT

Rejoice greatly, O people of Zion! Shout in triumph, O people of Jerusalem! Look, your king is coming to you. He is righteous and victorious, yet he is humble, riding on a donkey -- even on a donkey's colt.

#### MOTHER'S MILK

What happens after the mother's role of interceding for the corporate, generational and personal promises is completed? Is she discarded after her lengthy intercession to bring forth God's plans? No! The mother role of carrying the baby to full term may

be over, but after birth, her role has just begun. After any birth, mother's milk is quickly generated and she steps into a new role of raising her young.

When the disciples found the colt, it was right beside the mother. That means it was probably still nursing. The disciples brought both to Jesus. The colt needed mother's milk and the mother needed to give it. The disciples brought the mother with them as they traveled with Jesus through the crowds. The mother was not left out, she was right there in the midst of it all.

So if you feel too old and have disqualified yourself, thinking you are too old to do anything, remember you have great wealth stored inside. You have been collecting mother's milk for a very long time, and have not realized it. You have wisdom, you have teaching, you have encouragement, you have praise, you have boldness, you have insight, you have understanding, you have discernment, you have knowledge, you have prayers, you have authority, you have fortitude, you have tenacity, you have cassette & video tapes, you have books, you have sermons, you have finances, you have homes to share for prayer, Bible studies, classes and home groups... you have great wealth collected in your life and under the Lord's anointing, it will pour forth like rivers of sweet mother's milk. The Lord will place within your heart a burning love and a passion to mentor, to nurture that which God has brought forth.

## CHILDREN OF PROMISE

As children of corporate, generational and personal promises, what happens after birth?

When Jesus rode His triumphant entry into the city, it was on the young colt, not the mother donkey. These newly birthed corporate, generational and personal promises will have the honor of carrying Jesus Christ through the streets of the cities. And in the process, Jesus Christ will be honored and glorified and desired by all nations. (Hag 2:7)

The mantle of authority and power that will fall upon this child of promise is going to be awesome. Notice in the triumphant walk into the city, the disciples of Jesus and the masses placed their coats below Him. (Below His rest and His journey.) Coats and outer garments are a prophetic symbol of the mantle of authority. There are mantles of power from the disciples and masses that have gone before us, and they will be falling from heaven, even as Elijah's mantle fell to earth as he departed to be with the Lord. (2 Kings 2:13) We are going to walk in unprecedented power and authority in these last days as all of heaven and earth climax into one great and awesome display of Jesus Christ. (John 14:12)

If you have disqualified yourself because you (or your promise) are too young, naive, and inexperienced, remember the colt was still nursing and Jesus specifically chose that colt. A young colt can kick its heels, run, jump and play and still have energy left to spare. You are going to be set on fire with His power and take His good news to the streets, to the schools, to the malls, to the hospitals, to the prisons, to the work world, and to the nations. Under the power and anointing of God, there will be nothing stopping you.

And so this year as you celebrate Palm Sunday (April 8), think about the mother and child donkey and what they went through behind the scenes to be so honored as to

walk with Jesus among the masses. And remember that while we are waiting, (perhaps upside down and in transition) for His timing in this whole process, He wants to tickle our tummies and make us laugh. For even when it feels like the enemy has the upper hand, God laughs at such a ridiculous thought. (Psalms 2)

"It will be the same joy as that of a woman in labor when her child is born-her anguish gives place to rapturous joy and the pain is forgotten." (John 16:20-22 TLB)

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#### RHEMA 11/5/00 A NEW BORN BABY

Today I birthed a teaching baby and a deliverance baby. I taught a 3 hour workshop on deliverance. I had perfect peace and it was amazing I was able to do this.

Something VERY funny occurred immediately before I started. One of our intercessors came up and told me that he had 2 vivid dreams last night. People are always telling me their dreams and wanting interps. A lot of time I just throw them out due to impurity. I asked him if it was bad, because if it was bad I did not want to hear it right before the class! He said he was not sure.

HIS DREAM: He saw a donkey and it went over on its side with its feet sticking out. There was a group of people all gathered around this donkey. Then he saw a womb. Then he saw a baby donkey pop out of the womb!!!!!! I was totally amazed, since last week one of our musicians from prayer meeting prophesied over me about Jesus' triumphant entry on a donkey. The donkey represents the lowly servant. The Lord is certainly funny.

HIS 2ND DREAM: He walked into a room that had operating computer equipment stacked from the floor to the ceiling, in one corner of the room, spreading out on both adjoining walls. There was a person sitting at a keyboard in front of this mass of computer equipment. He had the impression it was an operating center, extending outward to the world.

[I wondered if the Lord was saying that the baby would go on the Internet and teach people about deliverance.]

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#### RHEMA 11/6/00 JUST BE NATURAL

HEARD: Keep in mind, this is merely a beginning.

PIX: I saw someone with a measuring tape, measuring the height, depth and width of a tree.

HEARD: It's the right size. She's ready. Perfect. My good job. I can't watch this. Just be natural. It's who you are, not what you are. Comes out in unusual ways. She's almost done.

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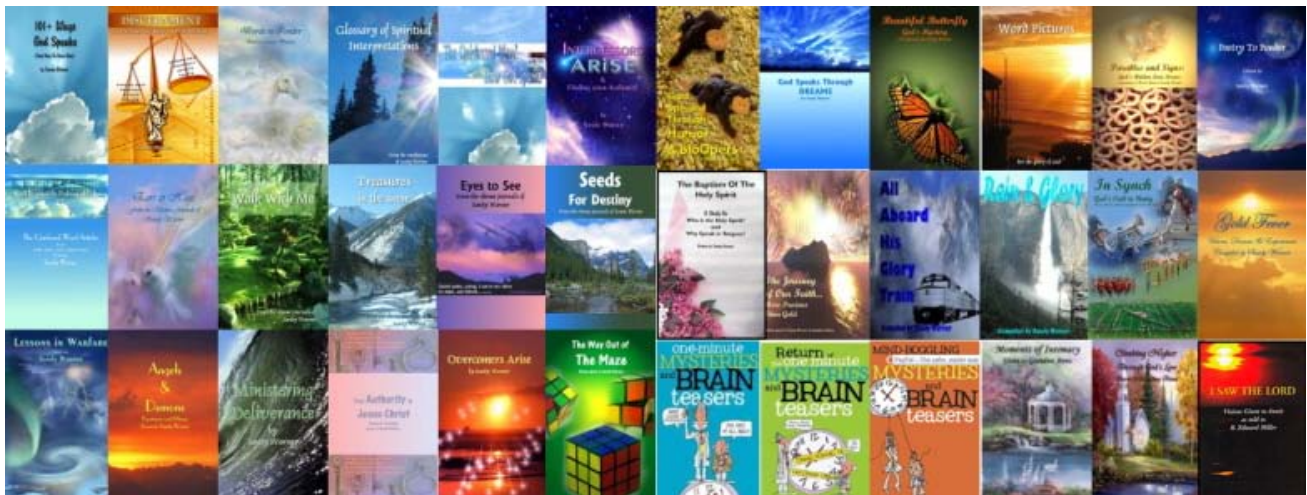
Matt 21:2-5 NKJV

"Go into the village opposite you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her. Loose them and bring them to Me. 3 And if anyone says anything to you, you shall say, 'The Lord has need of them,' and immediately he will send them." 4 All this was done that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the prophet, saying: 5 "Tell the daughter of Zion, 'Behold, your King is coming to you, Lowly, and sitting on a donkey , A colt, the foal of a donkey .'"

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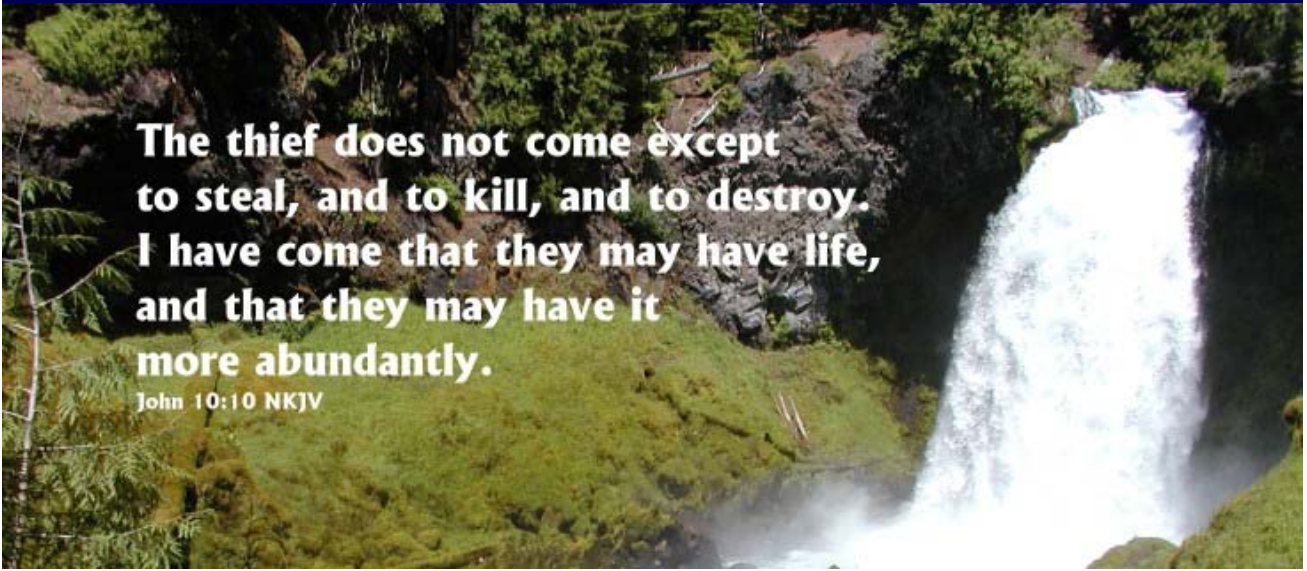
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**The thief does not come except to steal, and to kill, and to destroy. I have come that they may have life, and that they may have it more abundantly.**

John 10:10 NKJV

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WORD TO PONDER: FELLOWSHIP NOT ACTIVITIES 8/19/10

If you are involved in activities with your ministry, job and family, it will always be a balancing act. Remember that I only ask two things, to love Me with everything you have and to love others as (you would treat) yourselves. I truly desire your intimacy with Me to include people. I desire our fellowship to be 3 way, where you sit at My feet through another, and they sit at My feet through you and I AM the focus and you clearly see Me working between parties.

If you are involved in activity without real exchange of life, fellowship, mentoring, or communion between Me and others, then it is busy stuff and tasks. Consider delegating some tasks so that others may grow up and walk in those shoes. This will give us as chance to find greater intimacy and greater flow together.

*Phil 2:1-4 NKJV*

*Therefore if there is any consolation in Christ, if any comfort of love, if any fellowship of the Spirit, if any affection and mercy, fulfill my joy by being like-minded, having the same love, being of one accord, of one mind. Let nothing be done through selfish ambition or conceit, but in lowliness of mind let each esteem others better than himself. Let each of you look out not only for his own interests, but also for the interests of others.*

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# FINDING YOUR BOUNDARIES

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RHEMA 8/17/09 FINDING YOUR BOUNDARIES

HEARD: *Fellowship. You had to learn when to say no. You had to find your boundaries.*

CONFIRMATION: Someone who is not on my list wrote me the following sentence this morning. It was strongly quickened to me as related to what I heard the Lord say today:

“I feel personally it is an attempt of enemy to break peace and get into my home. I’m putting foot down in spirit and it will not be ok with me for that to come in....”

CONFIRMATION: The following post came out tonight. It was very appropriate for what I was going through and also the above person.

## OPPORTUNITIES ARE NOT REQUIREMENTS

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RHEMA 3/28/09 OPPORTUNITIES ARE NOT REQUIREMENTS

HEARD: *Allowances were made. Took it to prayer. Unstable.*

HEARD: *Opportunities are not requirements. We are sad but we honor your decision. There you have it. Close a door. Find My will and then stick to it. Say no to the devil and all else.*

WORD TO PONDER: OPPORTUNITIES ARE NOT REQUIREMENTS 3/28/09

There are many doors of opportunities in life. Some of them you are drawn to,

some of them are drawn to you, and some of them are simply there. Beloved ones, do not presume that a door of opportunity is My will or is not My will based upon any kind of influence. If you are faced with decision, always take it to prayer, find My will and then stick to it. Resist all other influence and learn to close doors with freedom in the same way you would open doors.

I allow doors of opportunity to come your way when I think that it will be a chance for you to grow. However all opportunities come with new challenges that require change, sacrifice and stretching. That is why many doors are only opportunities to weigh within your own willingness of heart when taking the matter to prayer. These opportunities are not intended for you to presume it is My will for your life.

*Gal 5:13-14 NKJV*

*For you, brethren, have been called to liberty; only do not use liberty as an OPPORTUNITY for the flesh, but through love serve one another.*

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#### POEM: FINDING YOUR BOUNDARIES

What is safe and what is not?

Is it God or demonic plot?

Look in the distance, look right here.

Balance the measure, far and near.

There's times to stretch and times to settle.

A time for faith and not to meddle.

As you span the distance and look to Me

I will give you grace for what's to be.

Boundaries keep you safe, they also constrict.

The flesh and the Spirit, always conflict.

Discern the voice that is calling you.

What does it nurture, is it true?

Start at your foundation, level and set.

Anchored to My Word, and take no bets.

Now draw a line from here to there.

Is it off course, challenging to dare?

Boundaries come in all kinds of boxes.

Measures set to keep out the foxes.

Relationships and business, education and faith,

Each have a flavor, each have a taste.

Nurturing fathers, provoke not to wrath.

Yield control and anger and take a bath.

Others be mentored to flame your passion.

Humble yourselves and give devotion.

Don't let another steal your vision.

Don't let words cause division.

Stick to your guns, but always love.

Your boundaries will be kept from above.

Don't stretch out if you are not equipped.

Faith without works can get you ripped.

Be content and wait for Me.

I walk ahead to make a place for thee.

Psalm 16:5, 6 NKJV

LORD, you have assigned me my portion and my cup; you have made my lot secure. The boundary lines have fallen for me in pleasant places; surely I have a delightful inheritance.

CONFIRMATION: The above post came out today and someone sent me the following article by Graham Cooke. It was very good.

LEARNING TO SAY NO - BY GRAHAM COOKE-

<http://grahamcooke.com/>

August 6, 2009

The most difficult part of resting in the Lord is learning to say one simple two-letter word: "No." I have had to learn how to say no. For every ministry invitation I accept, I turn down ten or eleven. I have to say no, because I know what I am called to be and do. If an event doesn't fit with God's vision for my life—no matter how attractive the event is—I have to turn it down. God has told me to work in a number of specific countries right now: if I receive an invitation from a different nation, I have to say no. I just can't go. I know God's parameters for me.

Rushing and productivity have no connection. The issue for us is what we lose when we rush, not what we gain. I could go on a mad dash and spend 350 days a year on the road ministering, but it isn't right. Hurrying exhausts us, decreases our efficiency, and produces a lack of quality in what we do.

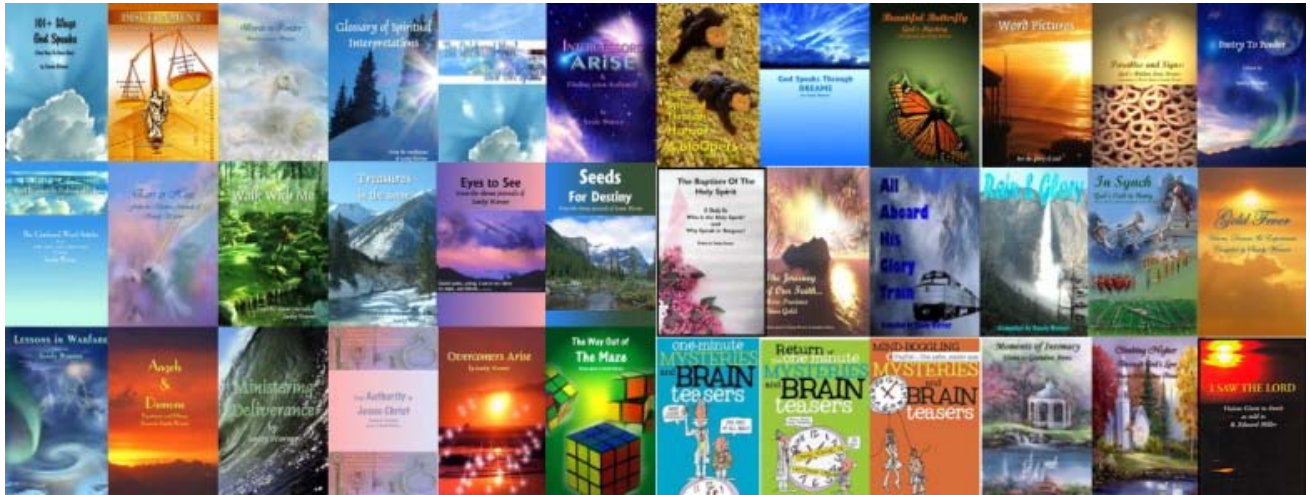
By saying no, I have had the opportunity to rest and reflect on what God wants to do next. Revival—contrary to our belief that it is an event that happens where people get saved—is actually about having an extended peace so the work of the Gospel can go on unhindered. When we bring peace to our churches and neighborhoods, the work of the enemy decreases.

A few years ago, the Lord told me that I should spend a year only doing three kinds of events. These events were ones I had plenty of material for; I didn't need to study for them. Instead, the Lord had me spend that year meditating, studying, and writing about what He wanted to do next. When invitations came in that didn't fit the three types of events He wanted me to do, I turned them down. My job that year was to study who God is and who He wants to be for me. Rushing or saying yes to things would have robbed me of that revelation. My relationship with Him was upgraded wonderfully that year—so much so I wish I could have that every year!

Saying no is just one way to increase rest. How many of us take time for ourselves? Silence and stillness must be practiced—we all need times of solitary confinement with God to practice our peace.... [Article continued:](#)

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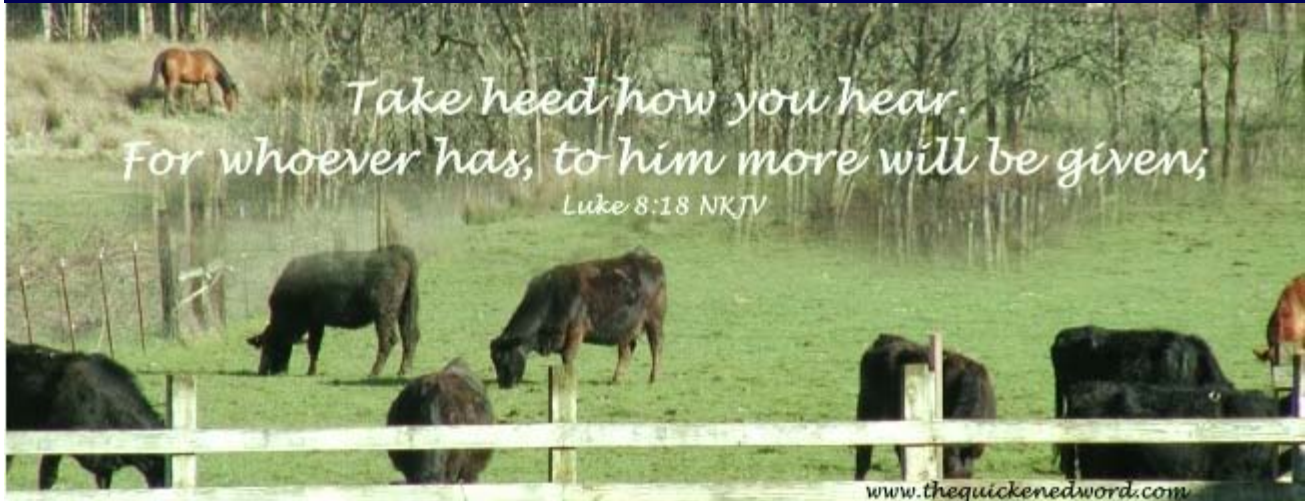
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#### RHEMA 9/09/09 "SIGN" LANGUAGE

HEARD: *Your assignment. Transition, help them. Follow that cat. She prays in tongues and comes out with answers. Interpreter.*

[I have past rhema where a cat represents many tongues.]

*1 Cor 14:13-19 NKJV*

*Therefore let him who speaks in a tongue pray that he may interpret. 14 For if I pray in a tongue, my spirit prays, but my understanding is unfruitful. 15 What is the conclusion then? I will pray **with the spirit**, and I will also pray **with the understanding** . I will sing with the spirit, and I will also sing with the understanding . 16 Otherwise, if you bless with the spirit, how will he who occupies the place of the uninformed say "Amen" at your giving of thanks, since he does not understand what you say? 17 For you indeed give thanks well, but the other is not edified. 18 I thank my God **I speak with tongues** more than you all; 19 **yet in the church I would rather speak five words with my understanding, that I may teach** others also, than ten thousand words in a tongue.*

APPLICATION: I just read this scripture in a different light. It is literally about speaking in tongues and then interpreting what we spoke. However this time I read it as though we speak mysteries of God, parables and riddles of God and then we interpret them to teach others with understanding.

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PARABLE: QUICKENED MOVIE: LOVE IS NOT SILENT 9/02/09  
Today I just watched a movie on the Gospel Channel called Love is Not Silent. It was an interesting true story in the 1930's about a hearing girl that grew up with 2 deaf parents. She became a go between, for her parents who could not hear, and the world who could not communicate to them.

She had a hearing mentor who she visited in his pawn shop every day after school. She taught him English and Math, and he taught her to not be ashamed that she was different. One of the things he told her was that her language skills were much deeper than knowing the English language and knowing the sign language of the hands. She listened with her heart to the voices of the silent ones who could not speak and she understood the feelings behind their sign language, and that was what made her special.

I saw the parallel of how we as watchmen speak what heaven says to the deaf world who can not hear heaven's Words. And the deaf, they speak and listen in sign language, which is what Jesus called parables.

So as His watchmen, we have God's precious Holy Spirit Who feels hearts. He gives us the perfect Words to say, but it passes through our hearts before we speak. The only way to truly prophetically read someone else's mail is with His heart, because that is what He does

PRAYER: Lord You are sending us as watchmen all over the world. We speak a language all our own and we feel inadequate at the most to be a communication bridge of Your heavenly language to a deaf world who does not hear. Thank You for teaching us Your language, thank You for each and every Word You speak and thank You for granting us the gift to understand.

We ask that You will give us Your heart and Your favor to bridge the sign language of the world and the mysteries of Your speech and translate both so the two will connect with understanding in Your divine life. Let those who do not hear, hear. Let those who do not speak, speak. Build the bridge Lord. And may it be done with Your heart and understanding. In Jesus Name.

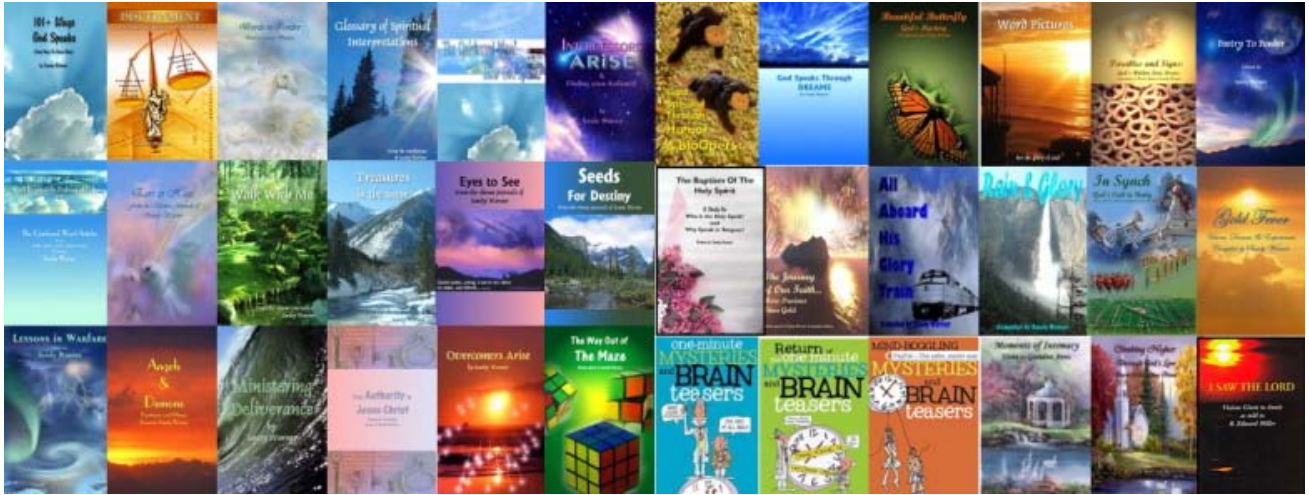
*Prov 1:5-6 NKJV*

*A wise man will hear and increase learning, and a man of understanding will attain wise counsel, To understand a proverb and an enigma, the words of the wise and their riddle.*

*Dan 5:11-12 NKJV*

*Inasmuch as an excellent spirit, knowledge, understanding, interpreting dreams, solving riddles , and explaining enigmas were found in this Daniel, whom the king named Belteshazzar, now let Daniel be called, and he will give the interpretation.*

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RHEMA 1/25/11 LEARNING HOW TO SAY NO IN A GRACIOUS WAY

HEARD: *Felled a tree. How to say no.*

RHEMA 8/17/09 FINDING YOUR BOUNDARIES

HEARD: *Fellowship. You had to learn when to say no. You had to find your boundaries.*

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TIPS ON HOW TO SAY NO GRACIOUSLY

- Say thank you with a commitment to consider it or pray about it.
- Do not feel obligated to tell your position or defend it.
- Honor the motives of another person whether or not you agree with their behavior.
- If you feel violated and your boundaries are not respected, change the subject.
- If you are being cornered to explain yourself, say that you have a different perspective and want to avoid debate.
- If your time is violated, explain your priorities.
- Remain silent only when avoiding an argument.
- Walk away and close the door to argument, after having stated your choice to avoid such.
- Say no thank you, but do not reject the person in the process.
- Speak in the opposite spirit by reinforcing what you say "yes" to, through saying thank you and giving positive feedback to what you agree with.

WISDOM: An argumentative spirit dishonors free will, in an attempt to coerce change. Argument is a form of witchcraft through domination over wills.

*Titus 3:10-11 NLT*

*If people are causing divisions among you, give a first and second warning. After that, have nothing more to do with them.*

*2 Tim 2:23-26 NKJV*

*But avoid foolish and ignorant disputes, knowing that they generate strife. 24 And a servant of the Lord must not quarrel but be gentle to all, able to teach, patient, 25 in humility correcting those who are in opposition, if God perhaps will grant them repentance, so that they may know the truth, 26 and that they may come to their senses and escape the snare of the devil, having been taken captive by him to do his will.*

*1 Tim 6:4-5*

*... he is proud, knowing nothing, but is obsessed with disputes and arguments over words, from which come envy, strife, reviling, evil suspicions, 5 useless wranglings of men of corrupt minds and destitute of the truth, who suppose that godliness is a means of gain. From such withdraw yourself.*

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RHEMA 3/28/09 OPPORTUNITIES ARE NOT REQUIREMENTS

*HEARD: Opportunities are not requirements. We are sad but we honor your decision. There you have it. Close a door. Find My will and then stick to it. Say no to the devil and all else.*

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POEM: FINDING YOUR BOUNDARIES

What is safe and what is not?  
Is it God or demonic plot?  
Look in the distance, look right here.  
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A time for faith and not to meddle.  
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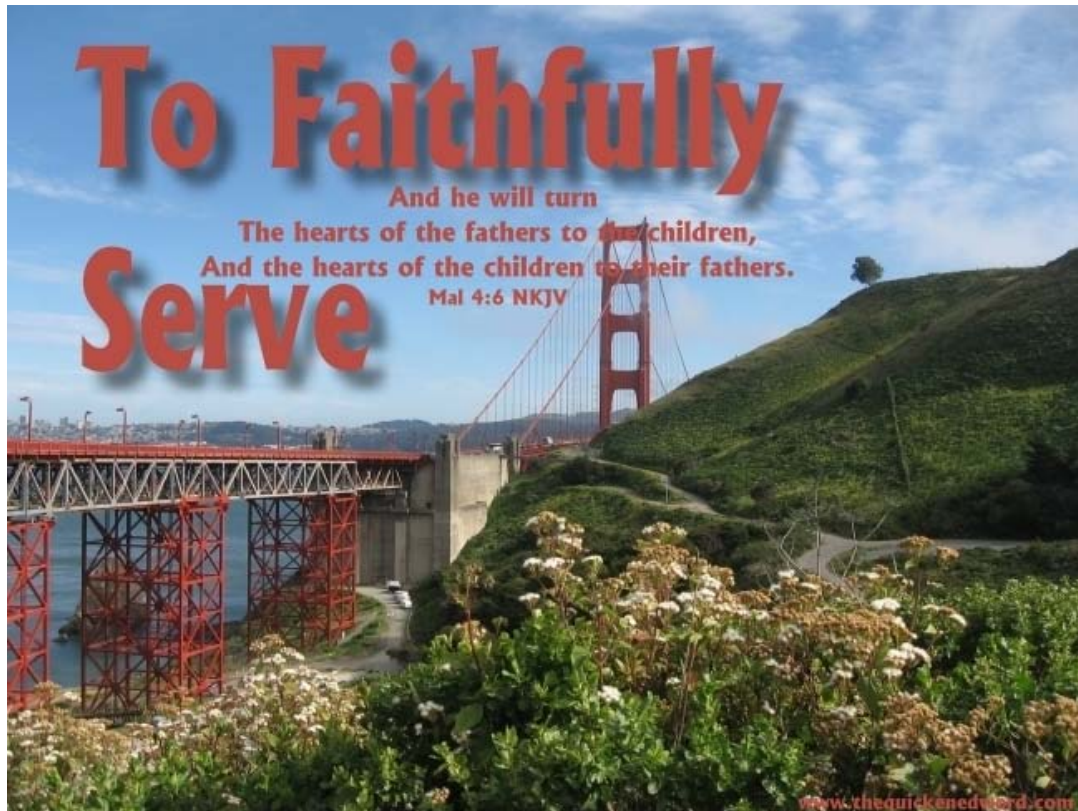
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#### RHEMA 3/15/07 PARENTS AND CHILDREN GRAFTED TOGETHER

*VISION: I saw my grocery cart moving in Costco and a young boy about 8 or so move right in front of me. I let him in and he walked along ahead of me. Then we turned a corner and I saw all these YOUNG trees planted in pots, and they were all blooming. Some of them were almond trees and cherry trees in bloom.*

*HEARD: Plant them with their mother. A brand new baby. Bursting through my door. Practical. Marrying the practical with the spiritual.*

*OK up. I saw a baby being lifted up. Ok, now gently transition him into the next stage. I am moving him to a new project. Soul. You will be there to help him through these things. Instinctive. It's all for good, I will walk with you. And ENJOY it. I have grafted you together. Protected. You have a long arm. Your arm reaches around me.*

*Isa 62:4-5 AMP*

*You [Judah] shall no more be termed Forsaken, nor shall your land be called Desolate any more. But you shall be called Hephzibah [My delight is in her], and your land be called Beulah [married]; for the Lord delights in you, and your land shall be married [owned and protected by the Lord]. For as a young man marries a virgin [O Jerusalem], so shall your sons marry you; and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride, so shall your God rejoice over you.*

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INSERT WORDS TO PONDER ON 3 GENERATIONS

SOMETHING BETTER, GENERATIONS JOIN 6/21/96

I AM doing a new thing in the ministry of the spirit of Elijah. I AM joining 3 generations into one marriage. I AM grafting them into one body, in giftedness, walk, promises and faith. They will know the truth of what it means to be of one mind, one heart and function as One, even as We are One. Together, they will occupy their promises as one family.

*Mal 4:5-6 NKJV*

*Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet before the coming of the great and dreadful day of the LORD. And he will turn the hearts of the fathers to the children, and the hearts of the children to their fathers, lest I come and strike the earth with a curse."*

*John 17:11-12 NKJV*

*... that they may be one as We are.*

*1 Cor 12:20-21 NKJV*

*But now indeed there are many members, yet one body. And the eye cannot say to the hand, "I have no need of you"; nor again the head to the feet, "I have no need of you."*

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COOKING TIME 12/19/00

It's time to work in the kitchen. I AM going to supernaturally join generations of old and young together and they shall cook up My delicious feasts. I have

prepared the hearts of many to join as teams and work side by side in My common purposes.

Too long you have worked alone, too long you have been sifted from the very wheat you have used for bread. Your confirmations have been stolen, your plantings have been uprooted and you have been tipped long enough. I will establish you and begin to send you divine confirmations. One by one, they will come. My angelic messengers are sent from My throne to bring you all that you need to be re-established. There will come quickened spurts of revelation and you shall know beyond any doubt that I AM planting that which the enemy has tried to circumvent for so long. It has been long enough.

I have released the angelic protection to cover your backside and keep you safe in the process. I shall lead you, guide you, train you, all for specific placement. Long you have stood against the devourer, and long you have suffered the anguish of My people. I AM sending the angelic reinforcements now, even as you pray, to begin to answer your prayers for healing and deliverance. I will not leave you defenseless. I AM going with you to commission and plant and send you forth to heal My people. Join with kindred hearts of another generation and see what I will do. I have some good food coming from the kitchen.

*“And he will turn the hearts of the fathers to the children, and the hearts of the children to their fathers, lest I come and strike the earth with a curse.” (Mal 4:6 NKJV)*

### 3 GENERATIONS OF SONS 12/01/02

Dearest intercessors, your prayers have been supporting overcomers in three separate, distinct and chosen generations. These are a remnant from a rich heritage, planted in good soil. How carefully I have nurtured them. From being tiny seedling trees into lush evergreens of three levels of maturity, they are now standing solid. Each generation, has grown roots strong and deep into My abiding faithfulness. They know their God and in Whom they find strength, refreshment and nourishment.

Your love and prayers, your hanging onto those you love has crossed the generation gaps between these three generations, like no other generation has on earth before. Whether elders for their young, or the young for their elders, I AM hearing your prayers on behalf of those you love. How this endears My heart and flames it as I hear My own children cherish and groan over their loved ones, even as I do over them! Have you heard Me say, “Thank you” lately? How grateful I am, dear ones, for your loving intercession. Thank you for continuing to bridge the gap and closing the door to demonic destruction in their lives. For the devil’s time is short and he wars against all who belong to Me.

*“And he shall turn the heart of the fathers to the children, and the heart of the children to their fathers, lest I come and smite the earth with a curse.” (Mal 4:6 KJV)*

FEELING THAT FIRST THRUST FORWARD 1/4/03

You have been waiting at a rest stop for some time now. I AM turning on the engine, stepping My foot on the throttle and about to depart this place of waiting. As this occurs and you suddenly feel the thrust forward in your own personal life, resist your flesh's impulse to take over and step your own foot on the throttle. Leave the driving to Me, I AM a much better bus captain.

I AM about to move 3 ministries at once, in unity with My timing, into forward motion. These 3 ministries represent three generations of those who have been waiting, waiting, waiting. My timing is not your own, My ways are not your own. Even before I begin, I already know your flesh will rise up and push to go faster, once you feel the momentum and excitement of movement. It is understandable, since to wait for anything is not humanly natural and you have been waiting a long time. I AM infinitely more patient and have a much bigger plan in mind. So even as you feel another jolt of My foot on your brakes, know that I do this to help better pace you in the move. I will give you a new speedometer to help balance out your own ways of putting the pedal to the floor.

*"Whether the cloud stayed above the Tabernacle for two days, a month, or a year, the people of Israel stayed in camp and did not move on. But as soon as it lifted, they broke camp and moved on. So they camped or traveled at the LORD's command, and they did whatever the LORD told them through Moses." (Num 9:22-23 NLT)*

LAUNCHED FROM THE 60 FOLD MINISTRIES 10/07/03

As a unit, My church has not ministered in 100 fold giftings, 100 fold fruit, and 100 fold power since the days of the apostles. The church has become so adept at practicing without the 100 fold giftings that it has become boring and routine.

I will use the previous generations as a launching pad, and extend My reach into new creative ways that will reach out to the unsaved. My people shall be sent with My blessings and the power of My Word. They shall be covered and protected within the shelter of My wings. No longer will they be bored with 60 fold measures, but they will burst forth into 100 fold harvest.

*"The good soil represents the hearts of those who truly accept God's message and produce a huge harvest--thirty, sixty, or even a hundred times as much as had been planted." (Matt 13:23 NLT)*

MENTORING BETWEEN GENERATIONS 4/21/04

The doorway to bonded, nurturing relationships between generations is now open. I AM calling and commissioning the hearts of many to accept the assignment of teaming with those of a different generation. I will bring many wonderful benefits to those who receive this special joy. They shall partner with Me and with one another to hear My Word and release it for kingdom business. They shall receive the joy of increased fellowship but that is not all. This will form tandem relationships where the joining of such will increase the yield for all. The mystery of My multiplication factor is that it will require less effort and will be a lighter load, but it will produce a huge crop.

*“Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet before the coming of the great and dreadful day of the LORD: And he shall turn the heart of the fathers to the children, and the heart of the children to their fathers, lest I come and smite the earth with a curse.” (Mal 4:5-6 KJV)*

TO PURGE ABANDONMENT: 4/29/04

Yes, dear ones, I love you so much that I am willing to take you to far away places, or even have far away places come to you, just to set you free from your past wounds. At times you have felt like you are stripped naked, but I want to assure you, when in the pure Presence of My love, you are always clothed and safe. I would never abandon you to shame and I AM always with you in ways that you have yet to discover for yourself.

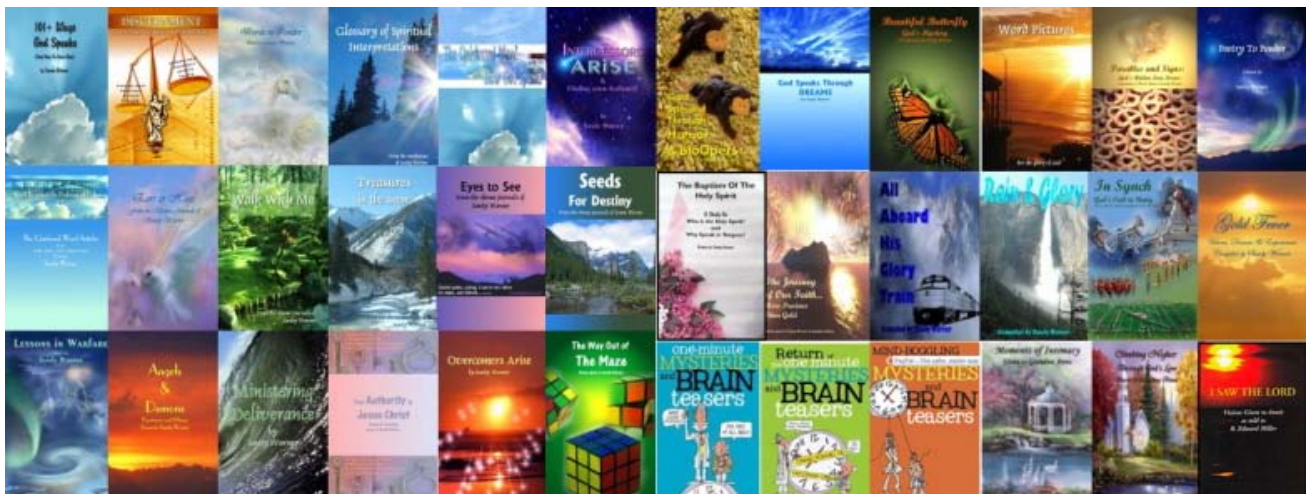
I know that issues of abandonment in your lives and in the lives of your loved ones have brought you through a trail of tears. This has become your private cross that you have born in silence. Beloved ones, the pain from these issues was not your fault. Circumstances may point to your failures, but I know the truth. Do not accuse yourselves. It hurts Me when you do this.

You have lived behind the closed doors of isolation long enough. Your joy will be returned to you in full - and you will never be alone again. You will be gathered with 3 generations of My kindred heart family.

*John 14:18 NLT*

*No, I will not abandon you as orphans--I will come to you.*

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2006 – BOUNDARIES FIX THE MIX

Hi loved ones,

We each see in part, and the following is the part the Lord has given me for 2006, starting from the Day of Atonement, 10/13/05.

Here are the questions that are being posed to us:

BOUNDARIES 2006, FIX THE MIX

Do you need inspection?

Do you need correction?

Do you need connection?

Do you need protection?

Do you need direction?

SUMMARY OF THE FOLLOWING WORDS:

Focusing on our Foundations and Boundaries

What is out of whack?

Radical pendulum of opposite poles

What is out of balance, what is shaking?

What is being compromised?

Seeking a way out of the endless maze

Seeking to come out of repeated patterns of mindsets

Soul giant surgery & death to self

Goal is to walk in peace

Pray over painful relationships

Goal is to adopt one another

## SCRIPTURES FOR 2006

Soul giants:

Num 33:55 NKJV

But if you do not drive out the inhabitants of the land from before you, then it shall be that those whom you let remain shall be irritants in your eyes and thorns in your sides, and they shall harass you in the land where you dwell.

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God's discipline or self discipline?

Heb 12:10-13 NLT

But God's discipline is always right and good for us because it means we will share in his holiness. No discipline is enjoyable while it is happening — it is painful! But afterward there will be a quiet harvest of right living for those who are trained in this way. So take a new grip with your tired hands and stand firm on your shaky legs. Mark out a straight path for your feet. Then those who follow you, though they are weak and lame, will not stumble and fall but will become strong.

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God is in control

John 14:27 NKJV

Peace I leave with you, My peace I give to you; not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid.

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Pray, pray, pray

Phil 4:6-7 NKJV

Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God; and the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.

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Adopted

John 14:18 NKJV

I will not leave you orphans ; I will come to you.

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Abide in the Holy Spirit, His Presence

John 14:16; 26 NKJV

And I will pray the Father, and He will give you another Helper, that He may abide with you forever — ... But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My

name, He will teach you all things, and bring to your remembrance all things that I said to you.

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Trust in God

Ps 91: 1-7 NKJV

He who dwells in the secret place of the Most High Shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty. I will say of the LORD, "He is my refuge and my fortress; My God, in Him I will trust." Surely He shall deliver you from the snare of the fowler and from the perilous pestilence. He shall cover you with His feathers, And under His wings you shall take refuge; His truth shall be your shield and buckler. You shall not be afraid of the terror by night, nor of the arrow that flies by day, nor of the pestilence that walks in darkness, nor of the destruction that lays waste at noonday. A thousand may fall at your side, and ten thousand at your right hand; But it shall not come near you.

Lovingly,

Sandy

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INSPECTION:

POEM: SUNDOWN YOM KIPPER

This is the night where the line is drawn.

Separating the year of rights and wrong.

Their hearts and deeds went through the maze.

My sheep pass before Me now as I gaze.

Exposed, uncovered and cameras on them.

Walking before Me having pulled up their hems.

Now they pass under My rod.

I look at their feet, are they well shod?

The foundations of their walk are inspected so close.

Arches strengthened, clean between toes?

Ankles turned in, ankles turned out?

Level and secure, holy devout?

I see their feet and how they walk,

I check their pace and match their talk.

This year what matters is to be shod with peace.

There's only one way to walk in My grace:

Repentance, confession, humility.

Apologize quick for tranquility.

Mend your fences, and secure your doors.

Walk a straight path on hardwood floors.

Don't let the enemy steal your peace.

Keep your shoes on and keep them laced.

Receive correction if you need new shoes.

Hold onto what works, or you will lose.

I speak through men, but listen to Me.

And you will walk into your destiny.

Men will nurture and men will teach.

Men will betray and men will breach.

Hold onto the good and release the bad.

Keep your focus on Me, not the sad.

Some are ready and some are not.

Another year's wait for what's been sought.

Those who are shod with peace in their walk.

Are ready to move and ready to talk.

Move on to the right and walk on through.

Hearing My Word and then promptly DO.

I will set up your places with divine appointments.

Tabernacle's covering you just like a tent.

Hidden and secure and warm inside.

I surround My sent ones and walk by their side.

*Prov 4:10-15 NKJV*

*Hear, my son, and receive my sayings, and the years of your life will be many. I have taught you in the way of wisdom; I have led you in right paths. When you walk, your steps will not be hindered, and when you run, you will not stumble. Take firm hold of instruction, do not let go; Keep her, for she is your life. Do not enter the path of the wicked, and do not walk in the way of evil. Avoid it, do not travel on it; Turn away from it and pass on.*

CORRECTION:

POEM: 2006, FIX THE MIX

Do you need correction?

Do you need connection?

Do you need protection?

Do you need direction?

In the year two thousand and six

More to come to separate the mix.

Compromise is not My holy way.

Faith, hope and love is here to stay.

Your boundaries are pressed to the limit.

All you hold dear, stretched between the split.

No more straddling the fences of life

Obedying My Word gives peace from strife.

What you plant, you will truly reap.

Planting love will keep you from defeat.

Seeds of choice will bring a quick harvest.

Only what's in love will stand and last.

Presumption, unbelief and lust bring ashes

I paid for these with My bloody lashes.

My rod and staff, they will keep you safe.

Stick close to Me and you wont be chaffed.

Your direction needs correction

If your connection needs protection.

What really matters and what do you fear?

Lean on Me and look in the mirror.

Endless circles and patterns of defeat  
Are mazes without doors for your feet.  
If you insist on going your way  
You'll get what you ask for in the betray.

Blind eyes, deaf ears are from mind-sets  
The fruit of old choices and making old bets.  
Wash your garments in the blood of My Son.  
The mix will fall away, the victory won.

When you are hanging - in the balance  
Stretched like curtain rods with a valance,  
Look down at your feet and the nail that's there.  
Yield to Me, everything and everywhere.

Crossing over death is multiplied life.  
I give back your promises that were knifed.  
Betrayal runs deep with groanings of despair  
Forgive, release, and cover what did tear.

Remember the veil that was rent in two.  
The earthquake's door having opened right through.  
I redeem everything if you trust in Me.  
It all works for good, you will clearly see.

On the other side of death is heaven's shout.

Men that live for Me and men devout  
Will stand in the balance praying all through  
That none will be lost, but be birthed brand new.

*Rom 8:21-22 NLT*

*All creation anticipates the day when it will join God's children in glorious freedom from death and decay. For we know that all creation has been groaning as in the pains of childbirth right up to the present time.*

CONNECTION:

TO FIND KINDRED HEARTS

To find the fellowship that I so desire  
Has become my passion, my earnest fire.  
Walking by myself these many years  
Has put away most of my belittling fears.

Yet when I stand without kindred hearts  
Places me at risk, and sets me apart.  
Yes the call of God is strong upon my life.  
As He grants me Words written in penknife.

Yet without some friends both near and far  
I wonder at my life, it seems ajar.  
Is it so bad to long for relationship?  
Will He grant me kindred heart fellowship?

Where are the ones whose hearts are on fire  
With passion and yearnings and earnest desire -

For gifts of His Spirit and to sit at His feet,  
That love just His Presence for a reason to meet?

Dear ones, be gathered and come to feast.  
Find one another and share with the least.  
It's time to discover the joys of one another.  
It's time to embrace the heart of your brother.

Hold each other and listen so well  
And call upon Him about the stories you tell.  
Within each story is a life and a heart  
Broken and frayed from lives torn apart.

It's time to heal, it's time to mend.  
Come my beloveds, come follow His wind.  
He's stirring the yearnings to gather in Him  
All that remains not torn from the limb.

Just as Job was restored from such a great loss  
As he prayed for his friends, who brought such cost  
Bringing pain and shame of no small amount;  
His prayers for his friends, they settled the account.

So tell your stories and be tender to hear  
As you bare a burden, as you dry a tear.  
The bowels of mercy are groaning to heal  
What comes to the surface of all that you feel.

Run not away from a heart that is frayed,  
From hope that is lost, from prayers delayed.  
You will find as you hold the heart of another  
That your turn is coming to be held by your brother.

It is true that He made us both joint and marrow  
To bear the load and to carry the sorrows.  
Together we stand united as one  
Healthy and happy let the burdens be gone.

That's His will you see, that we stand not alone.  
Yet unique and special, not ever a clone.  
The cover of our story is so different by itself.  
Yet so similar in pages along life's bookshelf.

We all have hearts that yearn deep and shallow  
From broken lives and dreams laid fallow.  
So search far and wide for kindred heart friends  
As we start new beginnings waiting to mend.

We call forth our friends as though they are  
We declare our joining even though afar.  
United we stand, as one yearning man  
To bond together and say that we can.

*Eph 4:16 NLT*

*Under his direction, the whole body is fitted 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.*

PROTECTION:

POEM: FINDING YOUR BOUNDARIES

What is safe and what is not?

Is it God or demonic plot?

Look in the distance, look right here.

Balance the measure, far and near.

There's times to stretch and times to settle.

A time for faith and not to meddle.

As you span the distance and look to Me

I will give you grace for what's to be.

Boundaries keep you safe, they also constrict.

The flesh and the Spirit, always conflict.

Discern the voice that is calling you.

What does it nurture, is it true?

Start at your foundation, level and set.

Anchored to My Word, and take no bets.

Now draw a line from here to there.

Is it off course, challenging to dare?

Boundaries come in all kinds of boxes.

Measures set to keep out the foxes.

Relationships and business, education and faith,

Each have a flavor, each have a taste.

Nurturing fathers, provoke not to wrath.

Yield control and anger and take a bath.

Others be mentored to flame your passion.

Humble yourselves and give devotion.

Don't let another steal your vision.

Don't let words cause division.

Stick to your guns, but always love.

Your boundaries will be kept from above.

Don't stretch out if you are not equipped.

Faith without works can get you ripped.

Be content and wait for Me.

I walk ahead to make a place for thee.

*Psalm 16:5, 6 NKJV*

*LORD, you have assigned me my portion and my cup; you have made my lot secure. The boundary lines have fallen for me in pleasant places; surely I have a delightful inheritance.*

DIRECTION:

POEM: A WAY OUT OF THE MAZE

What was My Word? What was absurd?

What did you hear? What did you fear?

What was assured? What was a lure?

What was real? What was surreal?

Sorting life is like cryptograms  
Letters move around that are jammed.  
Rubik's cubes are hard to solve  
One affects another with resolve.

Sometimes it's people, sometimes it's words  
Sometimes it's circumstances gone absurd.  
Never ending circles up and down  
Smiles and laughter turned to a frown.

Sometimes people are hard to fit  
One is at peace, the other's in a snit.  
Sometimes words make no sense  
Until they are washed and recompensed.

No matter what is unsettled this day.  
I weave My will in your life to stay.  
I make order out of pure chaos  
I take the gold and remove the dross.

Give Me your riddled rubik's cube.  
Flowing formulas down the tube.  
There is a way the pieces fit.  
Release to Me and recommit.

Mindsets, opinions set the frame.

Keeping the patterns just the same.

Breaking out will take creation,

Holy Spirit revelation.

My answer is simple, under your nose.

I make manifest and expose.

Lives are coded in DNA.

But passion from vision is here to stay.

Every choice has repercussions

Facing the truth can't be out run.

Independence, pride and control wont work.

Faith, humility and love don't shirk.

Confess, apologize, forgive a lot.

And I will reveal the answers you've sought.

Relationship must be a two way street.

Or all will go down in painful defeat.

Turn your Rubik's cubes round and round.

What was lost, will be found.

Talk to Me and talk to others.

Talk to your family, pray with your brothers.

As you talk and pray about what hasn't worked

Demonic strongholds fall from what did lurk.

The warps in your puzzle will become un-kinked.

Chains will fall and old patterns unlink.

It is not as hopeless as in times past.  
From despairing patterns set in dyes cast.  
Don't give up or quit or run away.  
Talk and pray it out yet another day.

Before you know it, changes will appear  
It's not as bad as in the past you feared.  
One thing remains and is simple to solve.  
My love never quits, My love resolves.

*1 Cor 13:11-13 NKJV*

*When I was a child, I spoke as a child, I understood as a child, I thought as a child; but when I became a man, I put away childish things. For now we see in a mirror, dimly, but then face to face. Now I know in part, but then I shall know just as I also am known. And now abide faith, hope, love, these three; but the greatest of these is love.*

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