

ENCOURAGING
WORDS
Book 23

TO REVIEW
FOR STRENGTHENING

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INTRODUCTION

This book contains bits and pieces of encouraging words I have received from the Lord directly to me personally, from the Bible, and through the writings of others. There are times when I need to review these encouraging words to strengthen me. Therefore, I offer them to you, the reader, to strengthen you also. You may wish to begin your own book of encouraging words the Lord gives you personally, from the Bible, and from others, to keep for your own re-viewing and re-strengthening.

(Words from the Lord are in blue italics)

1 CORINTHIANS 2:12-13

Now we have received, not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit who is from God, that we might know the things freely given to us by God, which things we also speak, not in words taught by human wisdom, but in those taught by the Spirit, combining spiritual thoughts with spiritual words.

(Scriptures are from the NIV Bible unless marked otherwise)

Sing to the Lord a new song;
Sing to the Lord, all the earth,
Sing to the Lord, praise his name;
Proclaim his salvation day after day.
Declare his glory among the nations,
His marvelous deeds among all peoples.
(Psalm 96:1-3)

~ 1 ~

THAT HIGH CALLING

Taking the high road is tough. It takes perseverance and great courage while you go through My training period to qualify you for that high calling.

~ 2 ~

THE BRICK WALL OF CHRISTIAN FAITH

(Notes and Quotes book 5 #28 by David Miller regarding the "brick wall" of Christian faith, absolutely essential to be a Christian)

There are some doctrines which we must contend for, even to the point of separation. God's word is a sword, and swords divide. There are some doctrines that all must believe. If you do not believe them, you have denied the faith. There can be no unity in the body of Christ with those whose doctrines threaten the very existence of that body.

Some Christians are unwilling to admit that this level of truth even exists. But doctrines of first importance must be contended for in uncompromising measure. What are those doctrines? I would use 1 Corinthians 15 as a guide.

Paul identifies the facts of [the death and resurrection of Christ](#) as of first importance. So, "Brick Wall" doctrine is that truth which is essential to the gospel of Christ. If you question [the authority of God's Word](#), the foundation of the gospel crumbles. Salvation is grounded in a Biblical view of [a sovereign, triune God](#). There is no compromise on these doctrines.

Salvation by grace through faith alone -- the exclusivity of salvation through Christ -- is essential doctrine. The fact of Christ's return to judge the world is necessary. Around these doctrines we must erect a brick wall -- tall and thick. Those who deny these truths are not brothers in Christ. They are wolves among the sheep. We do not fellowship with them, we contend with them.

1. The death and resurrection of Christ
2. The authority of God's Word
3. A sovereign, triune God
4. Salvation by grace through faith alone
5. Exclusivity of salvation through Christ
6. Christ's return to judge the world

~ 3 ~

TORNADOES

Chuck Pierce (#30 Notes and Quotes book 5)

That is why we must pay attention to all the tornadoes that are happening in the Midwest. When you see a state filled with tornadoes, know that is a revival center God is looking at.

~ 4 ~

I, THE LORD, DESIRE MY PEOPLE TO BE THANKFUL

Being thankful is extremely important, Joan, and it blesses Me AND it blesses you. So, if you want to be blessed, draw close to Me and begin to tell Me the things you are thankful for. I will listen and I will come close to you and I will bless you. Thanksgiving draws Me near.

1 Chronicles 16:8

Give thanks to the Lord, call on his name; make known among the nations what he has done. Sing to him, sing praise to him; tell of all his wonderful acts.

Psalms 32:6-8, 10b-11

You are my hiding place; you will protect me from trouble and surround me with songs of deliverance. I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go; I will counsel you and watch over you...the Lord's unfailing love surrounds the man who trusts in him. Rejoice in the Lord and be glad, you righteous; sing, all you who are upright in heart!

Psalm 50:14, 23

Sacrifice thank offerings to God, fulfill your vows to the Most High, and call upon me in the day of trouble; I will deliver you, and you will honor me....He who sacrifices thank offerings honors me, and he prepares the way so that I may show him the salvation of God.

Psalm 95:1-2

Come, let us sing for joy to the Lord; let us shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation. Let us come before him with thanksgiving and extol him with music and song.

Psalm 100:4

Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name. For the Lord is good and his love endures forever; his faithfulness continues through all generations.

Psalm 107:1, 8-9, 21-22, 32

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love endures forever. Let them give thanks to the Lord for his unfailing love and his wonderful deeds for men, for he satisfies the thirsty and fills the hungry with good things. Let them give thanks to the Lord for his unfailing love and his wonderful deeds for men. Let them sacrifice thank offerings and tell of his works with songs of joy.

1 Corinthians 15:57

But thanks be to God! He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

2 Corinthians 2:14

But thanks be to God, who always leads us in triumphal procession in Christ and through us spreads everywhere the fragrance of the knowledge of him.

2 Corinthians 9:10-11

Now he who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will also supply and increase your store of seed and will enlarge the harvest of your righteousness. You will be made rich in every way so that you can be generous on every occasion, and through us your generosity will result in thanksgiving to God.

2 Corinthians 9:12-15

This service that you perform is not only supplying the needs of God's people but is also overflowing in many expressions of thanks to God. Because of the service by which you have proved yourselves, men will praise God for the obedience that accompanies your confession of the gospel of Christ, and for your generosity in sharing with them and with everyone else. And in their prayers for you their hearts will go out to you, because of the surpassing grace God has given you. Thanks be to God for his indescribable gift!

Ephesians 5:19-21

Speak to one another with psalms, hymns and spiritual songs. Sing and make music in your heart to the Lord, always giving thanks to God the Father for everything, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Philippians 4:6-7

Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Colossians 2:6-7

So then, just as you received Christ Jesus as Lord, continue to live in him, rooted and built up in him, strengthened in the faith as you were taught, and overflowing with thankfulness.

Colossians 3:17

And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

Colossians 4:2

Devote yourselves to prayer, being watchful and thankful.

1 Thessalonians 5:18

Be joyful always; pray continually; give thanks in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.

Hebrews 12:28

Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us be thankful, and so worship God acceptably with reverence and awe, for our God is a consuming fire.

1 Timothy 4:4

For everything God created is good, and nothing is to be rejected if it is received with thanksgiving, because it is consecrated by the word of God and prayer.

Revelation 7:12

Praise and glory and wisdom and thanks and honor and power and strength be to our God for ever and ever. Amen!

Revelation 11:16-17

And the twenty-four elders, who were seated on their thrones before God, fell on their faces and worshiped God, saying: "We give thanks to you, Lord God Almighty, the One who is and who was, because you have taken your great power and have begun to reign.

~ 5 ~

A WHIRLWIND EXPERIENCE WHILE SLEEPING

I don't know words to tell what happened, but in this experience I would know what feeling or truth was being given out, and I could tell it like that. I just knew how because I could feel it, see it, and experience it. It was almost like I was in a circular pattern going around in this whirlwind which was something He was doing. And at the same time I could "see" this circular whirlwind in front of me too.

I could know exactly how He wanted it reported, because I could feel it. It was a wonderful knowing and feeling and gave me great joy to do it. I don't know if it was a dream or vision or what. I just know that I was experiencing something wonderful and I loved it.

When I woke up (about 5:30 a.m.) I talked to the Lord about what that was. He said He imparted something to me during that experience. He said it was something I hadn't known existed, that it was a "secret of the kingdom." He said He imparted it and that He gave it as a gift to me. He said it would be a supernatural understanding. And the whirlwind will start soon, maybe even today, which I expect to bring about great changes coming to us.

~ 6 ~

I AM THE LORD WHO LOOKS AT YOUR HEART

You heart, Joan, is of utmost importance to Me, because everything comes out of your heart. It is the central part of you out of which everything springs forth. It can bring out good things or bad things. So you must guard your heart and watch to see what goes into your heart and what comes out of it.

Above all else, guard your heart, for it is the wellspring of life. (Proverbs 4:23)

Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God. (Matthew 5:8)

The Lord says: "These people come near to me with their mouth and honor me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me. Their worship of me is made up only of rules taught by men." (Isaiah 29:13)

Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for men, since you know that you will receive an inheritance from the Lord as a reward. (Colossians 3:23)

Sing and make music in your heart to the Lord, always giving thanks to God the Father for everything, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. (Ephesians 5:19-20)

The word is near you; it is in your mouth and in your heart, that is, the word of faith we are proclaiming. That if you confess with you mouth, "Jesus is Lord," and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you confess and are saved. (Romans 10:10)

The good man brings good things out of the good stored up in his heart and the evil man brings evil things out of the evil stored up in his heart. For out of the overflow of his heart his mouth speaks. (Luke 6:45)

Jesus replied, "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the first and greatest commandment." (Matthew 22:37)

Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy, and where thieves break in and steal. But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where moth and rust do not destroy, and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. (Matthew 6:21)

You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all your heart. (Jeremiah 29:13)

My son, keep my words and store up my commands within you. Keep my commands and you will live; guard my teachings as the apple of your eye. Bind them on your fingers; write them on the tablet of your heart. (Proverbs 7:1-3)

Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make your paths straight. (Proverbs 3:5-6)

May the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be pleasing in your sight, O Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer. (Psalm 19:14)

Create in me a pure heart, O God, and renew a steadfast spirit within me. (Psalm 51:10)

The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise. (Psalm 51:17)

**Delight yourself in the Lord and he will give you the desires of your heart.
(Psalm 37:4)**

If I had cherished sin in my heart, the Lord would not have listened. (Psalm 66:18)

Teach me your way, O Lord, and I will walk in your truth; give me an undivided heart, that I may fear your name. (Psalm 86:11)

I have hidden your word in my heart that I might not sin against you. (Psalm 119:11)

~ 7 ~

VIBRATIONS AND PALMONI

Paul Cox (#31 *Notes and Quotes book 5*)

In the article by Paul Cox he talks about vibrations and how we need to get in the right vibration with God. It made me wonder if what I experienced and "saw" moving around in a circle in front of me in the experience I had last night dealt with vibrations moving around in a circle in front of me and somehow affecting me to come into the correct vibrations with God.

It was, Joan. I brought you into better vibrations with Me. You will understand this better later.

So You imparted something vibrationally to me during the night, Lord?

Yes.

Also in that same article Paul talks about discerning Palmoni:

Palmoni (which means "a numberer of secrets") as a Greek reference to "that certain one" in Daniel 8:13: "Then, I heard a holy one speaking; and another holy one said to that certain one who was speaking. . ."

~ 8 ~

I AM THE LORD WHO DISPLAYS KINDNESS AND GOODNESS

I am a God who is good and kind, Joan. I display My goodness and kindness day after day to the whole earth. I call people to Me by My goodness and kindness. I call them by it to repent and give their lives to Me and come and live with Me forever.

Surely goodness and love will follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever. (Psalm 23:6)

I am still confident of this: I will see the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living. (Psalm 27:13)

How great is your goodness, which you have stored up for those who fear you, which you bestow in the sight of men on those who take refuge in you. (Psalm 31:19)

Consider therefore the kindness and sternness of God; sternness to those who fell, but kindness to you, provided that you continue in his kindness. Otherwise you will be cut off. (Romans 11:22)

And God raised us up with Christ and seated us with him in the heavenly realms in Christ Jesus, in order that in the coming ages he might show the incomparable riches of his grace, expressed in his kindness to us in Christ Jesus. (Ephesians 2:6-7)

He has shown kindness by giving you rain from heaven and crops in their seasons; he provides you with plenty of food and fills your hearts with joy. (Acts 14:17)

The earth is full of the goodness of the Lord. (Psalm 33:5)

The goodness of God endures continually. (Psalm 52:1)

They will celebrate your abundant goodness and joyfully sing of your righteousness. (Psalm 145:7)

They ate to the full and were well-nourished; they reveled in your great goodness. (Nehemiah 9:25)

Do you show contempt for the riches of his kindness, tolerance and patience, not realizing that God's kindness leads you toward repentance? (Romans 2:40)

Sometime during the night I also heard from Him that "believing" was a gift and to ask for it. I asked for it from Him. And the answer was yes - He would give me that gift. He said He decided who got what gift in His kingdom, and that He gave certain gifts to those He wanted close to Him. He let me also ask for the gift of believing for some others, and I did that.

~ 10 ~

I AM THE LORD WHO FORGIVES

I am the Lord who forgives, Joan. I forgave, while on the cross, all those who crucified Me. I am the One who forgives your sins, because I paid the penalty for them on the cross. I died in your place, for you. I forgave, and so I want you to forgive also. Do this in remembrance of Me. Forgive as I forgave.

When they came to the place called the Skull, there they crucified him, along with the criminals - one on his right, the other on his left. Jesus said, "Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing." (Luke 23:33-34)

If my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin and will heal their land. (2 Chronicles 7:14)

Our Father in heaven...forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. (Matthew 6:9, 12)

For if you forgive men when they sin against you, your heavenly Father will also forgive you. But if you do not forgive men their sins, your Father will not forgive your sins. (Matthew 6:14-15)

Peter came to Jesus and asked, "Lord, how many times shall I forgive my brother when he sins against me? Up to seven times?" Jesus answered, "I tell you, not seven times, but seventy-seven times." (Matthew 18:21-22)

Bear with each other and forgive whatever grievances you may have against one another. Forgive as the Lord forgave you. (Colossians 3:13)

If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness. (1 John 1:9)

If you, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand? But with you there is forgiveness, therefore you are feared. (Psalm 130:3-4)

For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his love for those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far has he removed our transgressions from us. (Psalm 103:11-12)

All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name. (Acts 10:43)

In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, in accordance with the riches of God's grace that he lavished on us with all wisdom and understanding. (Ephesians 1:7)

For he has rescued us from the dominion of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of the Son he loves, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. (Colossians 1:13-14)

This righteousness from God comes through faith in Jesus Christ to all who believe. There is no difference, for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, and are justified freely by his grace through the redemption that came by Christ Jesus. God presented him as a sacrifice of atonement through faith in his blood. (Romans 3:22-25)

In fact, the law requires that nearly everything be cleansed with blood, and without the shedding of blood there is no forgiveness. (Hebrews 9:22)

Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you. (Ephesians 4:32)

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A DREAM ABOUT A HOUSE WITH A GRANDPARENT'S SECTION

In this dream I was a substitute teacher and was in the school building finding my way to the music room where I was to substitute for the director. When I got there I realized it was for the choir and the director was really there. Her name was Gladys, so I told her I would help her if she wanted me to.

As she began talking I realized she had a home for sale with a grandparent's section in that home. I said I had been wanting to find a home like that for a long time and wanted to get her phone number to call her and talk about it, that I was interested in it. Later a man came in and seemed interested in that home also, but she said I was first and he was second to consider buying it.

Lord, I ask You about the dream.

This IS a dream from Me. What is a "music teacher" Joan? In dream symbols it refers to one who leads worship. I am the One who leads worship and I have a house for you with a special place in it for you, a special separate place for you to live - near Me but in your own space. Would you like to "buy" this house, Joan? Yes, you knew immediately you would. And you planned to call to learn more about this. So - call Me and ask about this special place for you to live.

I "call" You, Lord. I ask You about this special place for me to live that I might buy from You.

You have already bought it, Joan. You have purchased it day by day, month by month, year by year, as you have come to Me and sought Me and preferred Me above all others in your life. This is a special place near Me which belongs to you. It is already yours here in heaven with Me. And you will be coming there to live soon...in this special place prepared just for you. How soon? Just as soon as your assignment is over with - and that is very soon.

~ 12 ~

I AM THE ONE THE SAINTS ARE TO BE CONFORMED TO

I am the One the saints are to be conformed to - while on earth, and later in heaven. You will become like Me more and more as you are continually cleansed and sanctified while on this earth. Then, when you come to heaven, either raised from the dead or raptured, you will be changed to be like Me.

And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose. For those God foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the likeness of his Son, that he might be the firstborn among many brothers. (Romans 8:28-29)

Do not conform any longer to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is - his good, pleasing and perfect will. (Romans 12:2)

As obedient children, do not conform to the evil desires you had when you lived in ignorance. But just as he who called you is holy, so be holy in all you do; for it is written: "Be holy, because I am holy." (1 Peter 1:14-15)

If there is a natural body, there is also a spiritual body. So it is written: "The first man Adam became a living being"; the last Adam, a life-giving spirit. The spiritual did not come first, but the natural, and after that the spiritual. The first man was of the dust of the earth, the second man from heaven. As was the earthly man, so are those who are of the earth; and as is the man from heaven, so also are those who are of heaven. And just as we have borne the likeness of

the earthly man, so shall we bear the likeness of the man from heaven. (1 Corinthians 15:48-49)

Listen, I tell you a mystery: We will not all sleep, but we will all be changed - in a flash, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, the dead will be raised imperishable, and we will be changed. (1 Corinthians 15:51-52)

~ 13 ~

LEVELS OF LEARNING IN OUR CHRISTIAN WALK

I read in one of Paul's letters (1 Corinthians 12:12-31) about how the body of Christ is made up of many parts and each is important but not the same - some are apostles, some prophets, some teachers, etc. As I sat in meditation, the Lord taught me about levels of learning in our Christian walk.

He compared it to public school levels - kindergarten, first grade, etc. saying that the teachers for each level has different things to teach us, that a first grade teacher doesn't teach 12th grade literature. It is like that in our Christian learning levels also.

I was taught by various Christian authors and speakers (i.e. Derek Prince) in my early level, and other teachers on other levels.

He said I was now ready to read Agnus Sanford's book *The Healing Light*. So I got the book out this week and have begun it. The book is very old (1947) but is new for me.

I have something I want to show you in that book, Joan, so be watching for it. When you find it, come and write it in here.

~ 14 ~

I AM THE LORD WHO IS YOUR SHIELD

I am a shield, Joan, and you can call on Me to be that for you. I shield those who belong to Me and protect them from the evil one. Trust Me to be your shield for I am worthy of that trust.

The Lord is my strength and my shield; my heart trusts in him, and I am helped. (Psalm 28:7)

Take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one. (Ephesians 6:16)

But you, O Lord, are a shield for me, my glory and the One who lifts up my head. (Psalm 3:3)

Surely he will save you from the fowler's snare and from the deadly pestilence. He will cover you with his feathers and under his wings you will find refuge. His faithfulness will be your shield and rampart. (Psalm 91:3-4)

My defense and shield depend on God, who saves the upright in heart. (Psalm 7:10 AMP)

I see from these scriptures that my shields are:

- The Lord is my shield
- The shield of faith is my shield
- His faithfulness is my shield

~ 15 ~

THANK YOU, LORD

(A song)

Thank You Lord for saving my soul
Thank You Lord for making me whole
Thank You Lord for giving to me
Thy great salvation so rich and free.

And that's where I dwell, Joan, in the secret place, the inner room, the Holy of Holies. That's where you meet Me every day as you seek Me. "Return to Me and I will return to you."

~ 16 ~

I AM THE GOD WHO GIVES REWARDS

I am the God who rewards My people in magnificent ways, Joan. I give many kinds of rewards for many kinds of service. So read down through these Scriptures and see a few of the things I reward people for. As you can see, I love to reward people.

Ruth 2:12 NIV

May you be *richly rewarded* by the Lord, the God of Israel, under whose wings you have come to take refuge.

1 Samuel 2:30

Those who honor me, *I will honor*.

2 Chronicles 15:7

But as for you, be strong and do not give up, for *your work will be rewarded*.

Psalms 16:6

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*.

Psalms 16:11

You have made known to me the *path of life*; you will fill me with *joy in your presence*, with *eternal pleasures at your right hand*.

Psalms 17:15

And I—in righteousness I will *see your face*; when I awake, I will *be satisfied with seeing your likeness*.

Psalms 19:11

By them [ordinances of the Lord] is your servant warned; in keeping them there is *great reward*.

Psalms 37:4

Delight yourself in the Lord and he will *give you the desires of your heart*.

Psalms 37:5

Commit thy way unto the Lord; trust in him and he will do this: He will *make your righteousness shine like the dawn, the justice of your cause like the noonday sun*.

Psalms 37:18

The days of the blameless are known to the Lord, and *their inheritance will endure forever*.

Psalms 65:4a

What *joy* for those you choose to bring near, those who *live in your holy courts*.

Psalms 112:1,3

Blessed is the man who fears the Lord, who finds great delight in his commands....*Wealth and riches* are in his house, and *his righteousness endures forever*.

Psalm 128:1-2

Blessed are all who fear the Lord, who walk in his ways. You will *eat the fruit of your labor; blessings and prosperity will be yours.*

Proverbs 2:1-8

My son, if you accept my words and store up my commands within you, turning your ear to wisdom and applying your heart to understanding, and if you call out for insight and cry aloud for understanding, and if you look for it as for silver and search for it as for hidden treasure, then you *will understand the fear of the Lord and find the knowledge of God*. For the Lord gives *wisdom*, and from his mouth come *knowledge and understanding*. He holds *victory* in store for the upright, he is a *shield* to those whose walk is blameless, for he *guards the course of the just and protects the way of his faithful ones*.

Proverbs 3:16-18

Long life is in her (Wisdom's) right hand; in her left hand are *riches and honor*. Her ways are *pleasant ways*, and all her paths are *peace*. She is the *tree of life* to those who embrace her; those who lay hold of her *will be blessed*.

Proverbs 3:32

The Lord ... *takes the upright into his confidence*.

Proverbs 3:32 KJV

His secret is with the righteous.

Proverbs 8:17-21

I love those who love me, and those who seek me find me. With me are *riches and honor, enduring wealth and prosperity*. My fruit is *better than fine gold*; what I yield *surpasses choice silver*. I walk in the way of righteousness, along the paths of justice, bestowing *wealth* on those who love me and making *their treasures full*.

Proverbs 8:34

Blessed is the man who listens to me, watching daily at my doors, waiting at my doorway. For whoever finds me finds *life*, and receives *favor from the Lord*.

Proverbs 10:6

Blessings crown the head of the righteous

Proverbs 10:22

The *blessing* of the Lord brings *wealth*, and he adds *no trouble* to it.

Proverbs 10:24

What the righteous desire will be granted.

Proverbs 11:18

He who sows righteousness reaps *a sure reward*.

Proverbs 13:9

The *light of the righteous shines brightly*.

Proverbs 13:13b

He who respects a command is *rewarded*.

Proverbs 13:21

Prosperity is the reward of the righteous.

Proverbs 21:21

He who pursues righteousness and love finds *life, prosperity and honor*.

Proverbs 22:4

Humility and the fear of the Lord bring *wealth and honor and life*.

Proverbs 25:21-22

If your enemy is hungry, give him food to eat; if he is thirsty, give him water to drink. In doing this, you will heap burning coals on his head, and the Lord will *reward you*.

Proverbs 28:20

A faithful man shall *abound with blessings*.

Isaiah 3:10

Tell the righteous it will be well with them, for they will *enjoy the fruit of their deeds*.

Isaiah 51:11

The ransomed of the Lord will return. They will enter Zion with singing; *everlasting joy* will crown their heads. *Gladness and joy* will overtake them, and *sorrow and sighing will flee away*.

Isaiah 62:3

You will be a *crown of splendor* in the Lord's hand, a *royal diadem* in the hand of your God.

Malachi 3:16-17

Then those who feared the Lord talked with each other, and the Lord listened and heard. *A scroll of remembrance* was written in his presence concerning those who feared the Lord and honored his name. "*They will be mine*," says the Lord Almighty, "in the day when I make up *my treasured possession (jewels)*."

Malachi 4:1-2

Surely the day is coming; it will burn like a furnace...But for you who reverence my name, the *sun of righteousness will rise with healing in its wings*. And you will *go out and leap* like calves released from the stall.

Matthew 5:12

Blessed are you when people insult you, persecute you and falsely say all kinds of evil against you because of me. Rejoice and be glad, because *great is your reward in heaven*, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

Matthew 6:1-4

Be careful not to do your acts of righteousness before men, to be seen by them. If you do, you will have no reward from your Father in heaven. So when you give to the needy, do not announce it with trumpets, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and on the streets, to be honored by men. I tell you the truth, they have received their reward in full. But when you give to the needy, do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing, so that your giving may be in secret. Then *your Father, who sees what is done in secret, will reward you*.

Matthew 6:6

But you, when you pray, go into your room, and when you have shut your door, pray to your Father who is in the secret place; and *your Father who sees in secret will reward you openly*.

Matthew 6:17-18

But when you fast, put oil on your head and wash your face, so that it will not be obvious to men that you are fasting, but only to your Father, who is unseen; and *your Father, who sees what is done in secret, will reward you*.

Matthew 6:19-21

Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy, and where thieves break in and steal. But *store up for yourselves treasures in heaven*, where moth and rust do not destroy, and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

Matthew 10:41-42

Anyone who receives a prophet because he is a prophet will receive *a prophet's reward*, and anyone who receives a righteous man because he is a righteous man will receive *a righteous man's reward*. And if anyone gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones because he is my disciple, I tell you the truth, he *will certainly not lose his reward*.

Matthew 16:27

For the Son of Man will come in the glory of His Father with His angels, and then *He will reward each according to his works*.

Matthew 6:33

Therefore do not worry, saying, “What shall we eat?” Or “What shall we drink?” or “What shall we wear?”....But seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and *all these things shall be added to you.*

Matthew 19:29

And everyone who has left houses or brothers or sisters or father or mother or wife or children or lands, for My name’s sake, *shall receive a hundredfold, and inherit eternal life.*

Matthew 19:30

But many who are first will be last, and the last *first.*

Matthew 25:23

His lord said to him, “Well done, good and faithful servant; you have been faithful over a few things, I will make you *ruler over many things.* Enter into *the joy of your lord.*”

Mark 9:41

For whoever gives you a cup of water to drink in My name, because you belong to Christ, assuredly, I say to you, *he will by no means lose his reward.*

Luke 6:22-23

Blessed are you when men hate you, and when they exclude you, and revile you, and cast out your name as evil, for the Son of Man’s sake. Rejoice in that day and leap for joy! For indeed *your reward is great in heaven.*

Luke 6:35

But love your enemies, do good, and lend, hoping for nothing in return; and *your reward will be great,* and you will be *sons of the Most High.* For He is kind to the unthankful and evil.

Luke 6:38

Give, and *it will be given to you.* A good measure, pressed down, shaken together and running over, will be poured into your lap. For *with the measure you use, it will be measured to you.*

Luke 14:12-14

Then He also said to him who invited Him, “When you give a dinner or a supper, do not ask your friends, your brothers, your relatives, nor rich neighbors, lest they also invite you back, and you be repaid. But when you give a feast, invite the poor, the maimed, the lame, the blind. And you will *be blessed,* because they cannot repay you, for you shall *be repaid at the resurrection of the just.*”

John 4:36

Even now the reaper *draws his wages*, even now he harvests the crop for eternal life, so that the sower and the reaper may *be glad together*.

John 5:28-29

Do not marvel at this; for the hour is coming in which all who are in the graves will hear His voice and come forth—those who have done good, to the *resurrection of life*, and those who have done evil, to the resurrection of condemnation.

John 12:26

Whoever serves me must follow me; and where I am, my servant also will be. *My Father will honor the one who serves me.*

John 14:2-3

In My Father's house are many mansions; if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to *prepare a place for you*. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and *receive you to Myself*; that *where I am, there you may be also*.

Romans 4:4, 5, 16

Now when a man works, his wages are not credited to him as a gift, but as an obligation. However, to the man who does not work but trusts God who justifies the wicked, his *faith is credited as righteousness*...Therefore, the *promise* comes by faith, so that it may be by *grace* and may be *guaranteed* to all Abraham's offspring—not only to those who are of the law but also to those who are of the faith of Abraham.

1 Corinthians 4:5

Therefore judge nothing before the time, until the Lord comes, who will both bring to light the hidden things of darkness and reveal the counsels of the hearts. Then each one's *praise will come from God*.

1 Corinthians 2:9

Eye has not seen, nor ear heard, nor have entered into the heart of man *the things which God has prepared for those who love Him*.

1 Corinthians 3:8

Now he who plants and he who waters are one, and each one will receive *his own reward according to his own labor*.

1 Corinthians 3:12

If any man builds on this foundation [Jesus Christ] using gold, silver, costly stones, wood, hay or straw, *his work will be shown for what it is*, because the Day will bring it to light. It will be revealed with fire, and the fire will test the quality of each man's work. If what he has built survives, he will receive *his*

reward. If it is burned up, he will suffer loss; he himself will be saved, but only as one escaping through the flames.

1 Corinthians 9:25

Everyone who competes in the games goes into strict training. They do it to get a crown that will not last; but we do it to get *a crown that will last forever*.

1 Corinthians 15:58 NIV

Therefore, my dear brothers, stand firm. Let nothing move you. Always give yourselves fully to the work of the Lord, because you know that *your labor in the Lord is not in vain*.

2 Corinthians 4:17

For our present troubles are small and won't last very long. Yet they produce for us a *glory* that vastly outweighs them and *will last forever!*

2 Corinthians 9:6, 10

Remember this: Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously...Now he who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will also *supply and increase your store of seed* and will *enlarge the harvest of your righteousness*.

Galatians 6:7-9

Do not be deceived, God is not mocked; for whatever a man sows, that he will also reap. For he who sows to his flesh will of the flesh reap corruption, but he who sows to the Spirit *will of the Spirit reap everlasting life*. And let us not grow weary while doing good, for in due season we shall reap if we do not lose heart.

Philippians 3:14-16

Do everything without complaining or arguing, so that you may become *blameless and pure*, children of God without fault in a crooked and depraved generation, in which *you shine like stars in the universe* as you hold out the word of life.

Philippians 3:20-21

For our citizenship is in heaven, from which we also eagerly wait for the Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ, who will *transform our lowly body that it may be conformed to His glorious body*, according to the working by which he is able even to subdue all things to Himself.

Colossians 3:23, 24

Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for men, since you know that you will receive *an inheritance from the Lord as a reward*. It is the Lord Christ you are serving.

1 Thessalonians 2:19

For what is our hope, our joy, or *the crown in which we will glory in the presence of our Lord Jesus* when he comes? Is it not you? Indeed, you are our glory and joy.

1 Timothy 6:17-19

Command those who are rich in this present age...Let them do good, that they be rich in good works, ready to give, willing to share, storing up for themselves *a good foundation for the time to come*, that they may *lay hold on eternal life*.

2 Timothy 2:5

Similarly, if anyone competes as an athlete, he does not receive *the victor's crown* unless he competes according to the rules.

2 Timothy 4:8

Finally, there is laid up for me the *crown of righteousness*, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will give to me on the Day, and not to me only but also to all who have loved His appearing.

Hebrews 11:6

And without faith it is impossible to please God, because anyone who comes to him must believe that he exists and that *he rewards those who earnestly seek him*.

James 1:12

Blessed is the man who perseveres under trial, because when he has stood the test, he will receive *the crown of life* that God has promised to those who love him.

James 4:8

Come near to God and *he will come near to you*.

1 Peter 5:2-4

Shepherd the flock of God which is among you, serving as overseers, not by compulsion but willingly, not for dishonest gain but eagerly; nor as being lords over those entrusted to you, but being examples to the flock; and when the Chief Shepherd appears, you *will receive the crown of glory* that does not fade away.

2 John 8

Look to yourselves, that we do not lose those *things we worked for*, but that we may receive a *full reward*.

Revelation 2:7

To him who overcomes, I will give *the right to eat from the tree of life*, which is in the paradise of God.

Revelation 2:10

Be faithful, even to the point of death, and I will give you the *crown of life*.

Revelation 2:11

He who overcomes *will not be hurt at all by the second death*.

Revelation 2:17

To him who overcomes, I will give *some of the hidden manna*. I will also give him a *white stone with a new name written on it*, known only to him who receives it.

Revelation 2:26, 28

To him who overcomes and does my will to the end, I will *give authority over the nations*...I will also give him *the morning star*.

Revelation 3:4

Yet you have a few people in Sardis who have not soiled their clothes. They will *walk with me, dressed in white*, for they are worthy.

Revelation 3:5

He who overcomes will, like them, be dressed in white. I will *never blot out his name from the book of life*, but will *acknowledge his name before my Father and his angels*.

Revelation 3:8

I know your deeds. See, I have *placed before you an open door* that no one can shut.

Revelation 3:10

Since you have kept my command to endure patiently, I will also *keep you from the hour of trial* that is going to come upon the whole world to test those who live on the earth.

Revelation 3:12

Him who overcomes I will *make a pillar in the temple of my God*. Never again will he leave it. I will write on him *the name of the city of my God*, the new Jerusalem, which is coming down out of heaven from my God; and I will also *write on him my new name*.

Revelation 3:20

Here I am! I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, *I will come in and eat with him, and he with me*.

Revelation 3:21

To him who overcomes, I will give the *right to sit with me on my throne*, just as I over came and sat down with my Father on his throne.

Revelation 11:18

The time has come for judging the dead, and for *rewarding your servants the prophets and your saints and those who reverence your name*, both great and small—and for destroying those who destroy the earth.

Revelation 22:3b, 4, 5b

His servants shall *serve Him*. They shall *see His face*, and *His name shall be on their foreheads*. They shall *reign forever and ever*.

Revelation 22:12

Behold, I am coming quickly, and *My reward is with Me, to give to every one according to his work*.

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HE WILL DIRECT YOUR PATHS

I asked the Lord for help regarding an issue I was dealing with.

The Scripture He gave me was:

Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your understanding. In all your ways acknowledge Him, and He will direct your paths. (Proverbs 3:5-6)

Do I have this right now, Lord?

You have this right.

Thank You, Lord!

You're welcome, My daughter. I am your Father, and I love you, and I look after you. I will always "instruct you and teach you in the way you should go, counsel you and watch over you."

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I AM THE GOD OF PROMISES

I AM the God of promises. I make great and wonderful promises and I keep every one of them. I am faithful to fulfill My promises. So I want you to know this, Joan, and I want you to study and understand My promises. They are in My Word, so study My Word, and you will come to know Me better and better.

God said: "I have watched over you and have seen what has been done to you in Egypt. And I have promised to bring you out of your misery in Egypt into...a land flowing with milk and honey. "(Exodus 3:17)

And the Lord has declared this day that you are his people, his treasured possession as he promised, and that you are to keep all his commands. He has declared that he will set you in praise, fame and honor high above all the nations he has made and that you will be a people holy to the Lord your God, as he promised. (Deuteronomy 26:18-19)

Not one of all the Lord's good promises to the house of Israel failed; every one was fulfilled. (Joshua 21:45)

His faithful promises are your armor and protection. (Psalm 91:4 NLT)

Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. And you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. The promise is for your children and for all who are far off - for all whom the Lord our God will call. (Acts 2:39)

Yet he (Abraham) did not waver through unbelief regarding the promise of God, but was strengthened in his faith and gave glory to God, being fully persuaded that God had power to do what he had promised. (Romans 4:21)

He redeemed us in order that the blessing given to Abraham might come to the Gentiles through Christ Jesus, so that by faith we might receive the promise of the Spirit. (Galatians 3:14)

Paul, a servant of God and an apostle of Jesus Christ for the faith of God's elect and the knowledge of the truth that leads to godliness - a faith and knowledge resting on the hope of eternal life, which God, who does not lie, promised before the beginning of time. (Titus 1:2)

Therefore, since the promise of entering his rest still stands, let us be careful that none of you be found to have fallen short of it. (Hebrews 4:1)

Let us hold unswervingly to the hope we profess, for he who promised is faithful. (Hebrews 10:23)

Through these he has given us his very great and precious promises, so that through them you may participate in the divine nature and escape the corruption in the world caused by evil desires. (2 Peter 1:4)

The Lord is not slow in keeping his promise, as some understand slowness. He is patient with you, not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance. (2 Peter 3:9)

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THE HEBREW MINDSET

Recently, a book by Chuck Pierce called *A Time To Advance*, was given to me. I looked at it this morning and it looks interesting. It basically teaches about the Hebrew tribes, the order they marched in, the Hebrew feasts and what they mean, how to align yourself rightly with them, and how to pray through their seasons. Since Rosh Hashanah begins soon this is very timely.

As I read some of it, I realized it leads one to understand the Hebrew mindset (as opposed to the Greek mindset and the Barbarian mindset). As I meditate on what I have read so far (through chapter 2) I believe the Lord wants me to type a portion (p. 20-28) about the three different mindsets in the world into *Notes And Quotes Book 6*.

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I AM THE FIRST FRUITS OF THOSE RAISED FROM THE DEAD

I, Jesus, am the first fruits of those raised from the dead. And you are also called first fruits when you, My people, are those who are raised from the dead from all I created.

You are to bring your first fruits to Me to honor Me. Do you know what it means to give Me your first fruits, Joan? It means to bring Me your very best, and the first of all you produce.

That can mean give Me the first part of your day when your energy is best. That can mean bring Me the first of what you create when you write. That can mean bring Me the first of your crops if you grow crops, or the first of your pay for the work you do to earn a living.

The Lord said to Moses, "Speak to the Israelites and say to them: 'When you enter the land I am going to give you and you reap its harvest, bring to the priest a sheaf of the first grain you harvest. He is to wave the sheaf before the Lord so it will be accepted on your behalf. (Leviticus 23:9-11)

Bring the best of the firstfruits of your soil to the house of the Lord your God. (Exodus 34:26)

Do not hold back offerings from your granaries or your vats. You must give me the first-born of your sons. Do the same with your cattle and your sheep. (Exodus 22:29-30)

When you have entered the land the Lord your God is giving you as an inheritance and have taken possession of it and settled in it, take some of the firstfruits of all that you produce from the soil of the land the Lord your God is giving you and put them in a basket. Then go to the place the Lord your God will chose as a dwelling for his Name and say to the priest in office at the time, "I declare today to the Lord your God that I have come to the land the Lord swore to our forefathers to give us." Then you shall declare before the Lord your God...and now I bring the first fruits of the soil that you, O Lord, have given me." (Deuteronomy 26:3-10)

Honor the Lord with your wealth, with the firstfruits of all your crops; then your barns will be filled to overflowing, and your vats will brim over with new wine. (Proverbs 3:9-10)

But Christ has indeed been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. For since death came through a man, the resurrection of the dead comes also through a man. For as in Adam all die, so in Christ all will be made alive. But each in his own turn: Christ the firstfruits; then, when he comes, those who belong to him. (1 Corinthians 15:20-23)

If the part of the dough offered as firstfruits is holy, then the whole batch is holy; if the root is holy, so are the branches. (Romans 11:16)

Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of the heavenly lights, who does not change like shifting shadows. He chose to give us birth through the word of truth, that we might be a kind of firstfruits of all he created. (James 1:17-18)

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WHAT JESUS IS LIKE: RESURRECTION POWER

What am I like? Look up Philippians 3:11

I want to know Christ - yes, to know the power of his resurrection and participation in his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, and so, somehow, attaining to the resurrection from the dead. (Philippians 3:10-11)

I am resurrected from the dead. What does that mean? How does that show you what I am like?

It means I am He who purchased you with My life and death. I am He who has resurrection power now and I can give that resurrection power to whomever I choose.

I am in an eternal position before God that no one else is in or ever can be in. I am above all, and King and Ruler of the Universe.

AND it means I love with a greater love than you have ever experienced or can ever understand while on earth. That shows you some of what I am like.

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I AM THE MANNA THAT CAME DOWN FROM HEAVEN

I am the manna that came down from heaven, Joan. I gave Myself on the cross so that all people who believed in Me would be saved and live with Me eternally in heaven. Just as the manna was given to the Israelites in the desert to test them to see if they would follow My instructions, so I was given to mankind to test them to see if they would follow My instructions.

Those who listen to Me, and believe Me, and eat/partake of Me get to live, just like the Israelites in the desert ate of the manna from heaven and lived. Their manna was temporary and had to be gathered and eaten on a regular basis. I am permanent and give life to those who choose Me. But they also need to feed on Me and My Word on a daily basis. This will keep them alive and growing in My way.

The Lord said to Moses, "I will rain down bread from heaven for you. The people are to go out each day and gather enough for that day. In this way I will test them and see whether they will follow my instructions." (Exodus 16:4)

While Aaron was speaking to the whole Israelite community, they looked toward the desert, and there was the glory of the Lord appearing in the cloud. The Lord said to Moses, "I have heard the grumbling of the Israelites. Tell them, 'At twilight you will eat meat, and in the morning you will be filled with bread. Then you will know that I am the Lord your God.'" (Exodus 16:10-12)

That evening quail came and covered the camp, and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. When the dew was gone, thin flakes like frost on

the ground appeared on the desert floor. When the Israelites saw it, they said to each other, "What is it?" For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, "It is the bread the Lord has given you to eat." The people of Israel called the bread manna. (Exodus 16:13-15, 31)

He rained down manna for the people to eat, he gave them the grain of heaven. Men ate the bread of angels; he sent them all the food they could eat. (Psalm 78:24-25)

The manna was like coriander seed and looked like resin. The people went around gathering it, and then ground it in a handmill or crushed it in a mortar. They cooked it in a pot or made it into cakes. And it tasted like something made with olive oil. When the dew settled on the camp at night, the manna also came down. (Numbers 11:7-9)

So they asked him (Jesus), "What miraculous sign then will you give that we may see it and believe you? What will you do? Our forefathers ate the manna in the desert; as it is written: 'He gave them bread from heaven to eat.'" Jesus said to them, "I tell you the truth, it is not Moses who has given you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is he who comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." (John 6:30-33)

Then Jesus declared, "I am the bread of life. He who comes to me will never go hungry, and he who believes in me will never be thirsty. But as I told you, you have seen me and still you do not believe. All that the Father gives me will come to me, and whoever comes to me I will never drive away. For I have come down from heaven not to do my will but to do the will of him who sent me. And this is the will of him who sent me, that I shall lose none of all that he has given me, but raise them up at the last day. For my Father's will is that everyone who looks to the Son and believes in him shall have eternal life, and I will raise him up at the last day." (John 6:35-40)

I am the bread of life. Your forefathers ate the manna in the desert, yet they died. But here is the bread that comes down from heaven, which a man may eat and not die. I am the living bread that came down from heaven. If anyone eats of this bread, he will live forever. This bread is my flesh, which I will give for the life of the world. (John 6:48-51)

He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches. To him who overcomes, I will give some of the hidden manna. (Revelation 2:17)

THE INTERESTS OF JESUS

Philippians 2:21 says :

For everyone looks out for his own interests, not those of Jesus Christ.

Lord, I want to look out for Your interests too. What is Your interest that You want me to look out for, Lord?

Yes, My child. I do have things I want you to seek for Me and do for Me. First of all, seek to know Me better.

Ok, Lord. Please tell me how to do that. How do I know You better?

Ask Me to tell you what I am like. Ask Me to explain how I think and what I desire and what My hopes and dreams are.

Oh, Lord, I ask You to tell me what You are like!

I will, and I will give you scriptures to look up that will also tell you. This will be fun, Joan. I am looking forward to this. We'll keep working on this project until I say it is enough. Then I will take you to another project that I want you to do. Is that ok with you?

Oh, yes! I like this too. Thank You, Lord! This brings tears to my eyes as I talk with You about this, so I know You are in this and anointing this.

I ask You to tell me, Lord, what you are like. I ask You to tell me what You think and desire, and what are Your hopes and dreams.

I AM THE LORD WHO IS HUMBLE IN HEART

I am gentle and humble in heart, Joan, and I want you to be like Me. I humbled Myself and became a servant, and I want you to be like Me. I did not come to be served, but to serve, and I want you to be like Me.

Christ Jesus: Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be grasped, but made himself nothing, taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness. And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself and became obedient to death - even death on a cross! (Philippians 2:6-8)

Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy and my burden is light. (Matthew 11:28-30)

Whoever wants to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wants to be first must be your slave - just as the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many. (Matthew 20:26-28)

You call me 'Teacher' and 'Lord,' and rightly so, for that is what I am. Now that I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also should wash one another's feet. I have set you an example that you should do as I have done for you. (John 13:13-15)

The reason my Father loves me is that I lay down my life - only to take it up again. No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have authority to lay it down and authority to take it up again. (John 10:17-18)

For who is greater, the one who is at the table or the one who serves? Is it not the one who is at the table? But I am among you as one who serves. (Luke 22:27)

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DOUBLE SPECIAL DAY

I feel so much better today! I have energy to do my housework and have much more peace. It's like a burden has been lifted off me that was oppressing me. PTL! Life is interesting and pleasant again!

I am praying for J and E today as a tropical storm is expected to blow across the FL state right about Tampa area, just north of Bradenton where they live. The Lord tells me they will be all right, and their house and property too. I also asked for protection for their subdivision and church.

Today is a super special day. I am telling you ahead of time because I tell My prophets what is coming ahead of time, and you are one of My prophets. You don't hold the "office" of a prophet, but have prophetic gifting - for the times and places I want to use you that way.

So today is a special, special (double special) day. I told you that earlier before breakfast, and I am repeating it again so you will have it written down.

I am who I say I am, and I do what I say I will do.

I AM THE IMAGE OF GOD

I am in the Father and the Father is in Me. We are One. I am the exact image of the Father. When you have seen Me you have seen the Father. I and My Father are One.

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was with God in the beginning. Through him all things were made; without him nothing was made that has been made. In him was life, and that life was the light of men. The light shines in the darkness, but the darkness has not understood it. (John 1:1-5)

The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. No one has ever seen God, but God the One and Only, who is at the Father's side, has made him known. (John 1:14, 18)

He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. For by him all things were created: things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities; all things were created by him and for him. He is before all things, and in him all things hold together. (Colossians 1:15-17)

For God was pleased to have all his fullness dwell in him, and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether things on earth or things in heaven, by making peace through his blood, shed on the cross. (Colossians 1:19-20)

For in Christ all the fullness of the Deity lives in bodily form, and you have been given fullness in Christ, who is the head over every power and authority. (Colossians 2:9-10)

The god of this age has blinded the minds of unbelievers, so that they cannot see the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. (2 Corinthians 4:4)

Philip said, "Lord, show us the Father and that will be enough for us." Jesus answered, "Don't you know me, Philip, even after I have been among you such a long time? Anyone who has seen me has seen the Father. Believe me when I say that I am in the Father and the Father is in me. (John 14:8-9, 11)

My prayer is not for them alone. I pray also for those who will believe in me through their message, that all of them may be one, Father, just as you are in

me and I am in you. May they also be in us so that the world may believe that you have sent me. (John 17:20-21)

The Son is the radiance of God's glory and the exact representation of his being, sustaining all things by his powerful word. After he had provided purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty in heaven. (Hebrews 1:3)

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THE RIVER OF LIFE

I got the idea a few days ago to have Beth switch the paintings in the living room so the aqua painting with flowing river-like currents on it would be positioned over my computer. That way I could look at it when sitting there.

Today, as I looked at it, I felt it represented the "river of life" to me.

Today it also reminded me of the time when I watched a leaf floating in the water in Shelter Garden in Columbia, and the Lord told me He wanted me to be like that leaf and let Him take me where He wanted to take me. Then this song came back to my memory:

(A song)

I've got a river of life flowing out of me
It -----, sets the captives free,

I've got a river of life flowing out of me.
Spring up, O well, within my soul,
Spring up, O well, and make me whole,
Spring up, O well, and give to me,
Thy life abundantly.

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I, THE LORD, AM THE ROCK

I am the Rock, Joan, the Rock of your salvation. I am the strong One on whom you can stand and depend. I give you strength. I make your way perfect. I keep you safe in My dwelling. Come to Me. Count on Me. I am secure and dependable. I never change.

The Lord is my rock, my fortress and my deliverer; my God is my rock, in whom I take refuge. (Psalm 18:2)

Who is God besides the Lord? And who is our rock, except our God? It is God who arms me with strength and makes my way perfect. (Psalm 18:31-32)

For in the day of trouble he will keep me safe in his dwelling; he will hide me in the shelter of his tabernacle and set me high upon a rock. Then my head will be exalted above the enemies who surround me. (Psalm 27:5-6)

To you I call, O Lord, my Rock; do not turn a deaf ear to me. (Psalm 28:1)

He lifted me out of the slimy pit, out of the mud and mire; he set my feet on a rock and gave me a firm place to stand. (Psalm 40:2)

He only is my rock and my salvation, he is my fortress, I will not be shaken. My salvation and my honor depend on God; he is my mighty rock, my refuge. (Psalm 62:6)

Everyone who hears these words of mine and puts them into practice is like a wise man who built his house on the rock. The rain came down, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house; yet it did not fall, because it had its foundation on the rock. But everyone who hears these words of mine and does not put them into practice is like a foolish man who built his house on sand. The rain came down, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house, and it fell with a great crash. (Matthew 7:24-27)

Trust in the Lord forever, for the Lord, the Lord himself, is the Rock eternal. (Isaiah 26:4)

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HEALING LIGHT

Last night during the wee hours of the morning. I saw my birthday numbers on the clock. I asked about what the Lord wanted to give me for my birthday, and He said healing. Then He said these words which I texted to myself to remind me later:

You keep praying the way you are. I'm going to heal you. I'm going to heal you.

The way He has had me praying is what I learned through Agnes Sanford in her book *The Healing Light*. I am to pray 3x a day for healing for my eyes and ears. But my praying is to focus on His light coming into my eyes and ears and healing them, and I am to picture them perfect and totally healed.

I, THE LORD, REQUIRE SELF-CONTROL IN THOSE WHO FOLLOW ME

I desire self-control in all My people, Joan. It is a requirement in order to grow into maturity in Me. And it is My desire for all My people to grow into maturity and become like Me, doing the things I did, and saying the things I said. So work on this every day.

But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. (Galatians 5:23)

It was he who gave some to be apostles, some to be prophets, some to be evangelists, and some to be pastors and teachers, to prepare God's people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ. (Ephesians 4:11-13)

So then, let us not be like others, who are asleep, but let us be alert and self-controlled...But since we belong to the day, let us be self-controlled, putting on faith and love as a breastplate, and the hope of salvation as a helmet. (1 Thessalonians 5:6)

Teach the older men to be temperate, worthy of respect, self-controlled, and sound in faith, in love and in endurance. (Titus 2:2)

Likewise, teach the older women to be reverent in the way they live, not to be slanderers or addicted to much wine, but to teach what is good. Then they can train the younger women to love their husbands and children, to be self-controlled and pure, to be busy at home, to be kind, and to be subject to their husbands, so that no one will malign the word of God. (Titus 2:3-5)

Similarly, encourage the young men to be self-controlled. (Titus 2:6)

For the grace of God that brings salvation has appeared to all men. It teaches us to say "No" to ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright and godly lives in this present age, while we wait for the blessed hope—the glorious appearing of our great God and Savior, Jesus Christ. (Titus 2:11-13)

Therefore, prepare your minds for action; be self-controlled; set your hope fully on the grace to be given you when Jesus Christ is revealed. (1 Peter 1:13)

The end of all things is near. Therefore be clear minded and self-controlled so that you can pray. (1 Peter 4:7)

Be self-controlled and alert. Your enemy the devil prowls around like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour. (1 Peter 5:8)

For this very reason, make every effort to add to your faith goodness; and to goodness, knowledge; and to knowledge, self-control; and to self-control, perseverance; and to perseverance, godliness; and to godliness, brotherly kindness; and to brotherly kindness, love. For if you possess these qualities in increasing measure, they will keep you from being ineffective and unproductive in your knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. (2 Peter 5-8)

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SAMMY

Ask Me to give you all I need to give you today.

Now ask Me to do that for MF.

Now ask Me to do that for B.

Yes, it's a beautiful day today. It's a beautiful day in many ways, not just in the weather, although that is wonderful.

Do You want to tell me how it's beautiful in many ways?

Yes. It's beautiful because of all the marvelous things I am now free to do today in your three lives. You will see them develop today and in the coming days, and you will agree with Me that they are beautiful and wonderful.

Now I want you to work on Notes And Quotes.

He had me type in the *Notes and Quotes* book a story from the book *the Healing Light* by Agnes Sanford, p 20-24 about Sammy (who was in the hospital with an injury that wasn't healing well) and how she taught him to pray for healing for himself. An excerpt:

For those who, like Sammy, have not been introduced to God, I will sum up the prayer of faith:

1. Choose the same time and the same place every day, make yourself comfortable and relax.
2. Remind yourself of the reality of a life outside yourself.
3. Ask that life to come in and increase life in your body.
4. Make a picture in your mind of your body well.

Think especially of the part of the body that most needs to be well. See it well and perfect and shining with God's light. And give thanks that this is being accomplished.

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I AM THE LORD WHO CALLS YOU TO CONFESSION

I am calling you unto confession, Joan, and all who belong to Me or want to belong to Me. And there are two kinds of confession I call you to.

One is confession of your sins and asking Me to forgive those sins, and receiving forgiveness from Me.

The other confession is confession of WHO I AM and confession of My Word and My promises. Today look at Scriptures that tell you about these two types of confession, starting with confession of WHO I AM.

Confession of who Jesus is

The word is near you; it is in your mouth and in your heart, that is, the word of faith we are proclaiming: That if you confess with your mouth, "Jesus is Lord," and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you confess and are saved. (Romans 10:8-10)

If anyone acknowledges that Jesus is the Son of God, God lives in him and he in God. (1 John 4:15)

Whoever acknowledges me before men, I will also acknowledge him before my Father in heaven. But whoever disowns me before men, I will disown him before my Father in heaven. (Matthew 10:32-33)

Therefore I tell you that no one who is speaking by the Spirit of God says, "Jesus be cursed," and no one can say, "Jesus is Lord," except by the Holy Spirit. (1 Corinthians 12:3)

Who is the liar? It is the man who denies that Jesus is the Christ. Such a man is the antichrist - he denies the Father and the Son. No one who denies the Son has the Father; whoever acknowledges the Son has the Father also. (1 John 2:22-23)

This is how you can recognize the Spirit of God: Every spirit that acknowledges that Jesus Christ has come in the flesh is from God, but every spirit that does not acknowledge Jesus is not from God. This is the spirit of the antichrist, which you have heard is coming, and even now is already in the world. (1 John 4:2-3)

Therefore God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. (Philippians 2:11)

Confession of His Word - wonderful Scriptures to confess

Call to Me and I will answer you, and I will tell you great and mighty things, which you do not know. (Jeremiah 33:3)

I keep asking that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the glorious Father, may give you the Spirit of wisdom and revelation, so that you may know him better. I pray also that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened in order that you may know the hope to which he has called you, the riches of his glorious inheritance in the saints, and his incomparably great power for us who believe. (Ephesians 1:17-19)

And this is my prayer: that your love may abound more and more in knowledge and depth of insight, so that you may be able to discern what is best and may be pure and blameless until the day of Christ, filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ - to the glory and praise of God. (Philippians 1:9-11)

This I declare about the Lord: he alone is my refuge, my place of safety; he is my God, and I trust him. (Psalm 91:2)

The Lord says, "I will rescue those who love me. I will protect those who trust in my name. When they call on me, I will answer; I will be with them in trouble. I will rescue and honor them. I will reward them with a long life and give them my salvation." (Psalm 91:14-16)

In repentance and rest is your salvation, in quietness and trust is your strength. (Isaiah 30:15)

I have been crucified with Christ and I no longer live, but Christ lives in me. The life I live in the body, I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me. (Galatians 2:20)

Set a guard, O Lord, over my mouth; keep watch over the door of my lips. (Psalm 141:3)

Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in Your sight, O Lord, my strength and my Redeemer. (Psalm 19:14)

Search me, O God, and know my heart; test me and know my anxious thoughts. See if there is any offensive way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting. (Psalm 139:23-24)

Confession of sin

Cleanse me with hyssop, and I will be clean; wash me, and I will be whiter than snow. Create in me a pure heart, O God, and renew a steadfast spirit within me. (Psalm 51:7, 10)

While I was speaking and praying, confessing my sin and the sin of my people...while I was still in prayer, Gabriel, came to me. (Daniel 9:20-21)

If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness. (1 John 1:9)

Have mercy on me, O God, according to your unfailing love; according to your great compassion blot out my transgressions. Wash away all my iniquity and cleanse me from my sin. Against you, you only, have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight. (Psalm 51:1-2, 4)

I confess my iniquity; I am troubled by my sin. (Psalm 38:18)

Blessed is he whose transgressions are forgiven, whose sins are covered. Blessed is the man whose sin the Lord does not count against him and in whose spirit is no deceit. When I kept silent, my bones wasted away through my groaning all day long. For day and night your hand was heavy upon me; my strength was sapped as in the heat of summer. Then I acknowledged my sin to you and did not cover up my iniquity. I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the Lord" - and you forgave the guilt of my sin. (Psalm 32:1-5)

He who conceals his sins does not prosper, but whoever confesses and renounces them finds mercy. (Proverbs 28:13)

When Simon Peter saw this, he fell at Jesus' knees and said, "Go away from me, Lord; I am a sinful man!" (Luke 5:8)

Confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. (James 5:16)

Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. And you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. (Acts 2:38)

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A "TO DO" LIST

As I lay in bed this morning after awakening the thoughts began forming in my mind as to what love is. I thought about the story of Sammy that I wrote in *Notes And Quotes Book 7* yesterday, and that the lady who taught Sammy how to seek God for healing was offering him hope and love, and how his faith grew through that experience.

I thought about how Paul says that faith, hope, and love remain (eternally) and the greatest of these is love. But I realized how important hope was also, as she gave Sammy hope for healing from God, a hope he didn't have before.

Then the Lord gave me the idea for an entry in the *Notes And Quotes Book 7* book. The idea started out being called "directives" which God gives us, and then the thought came to call it a "To Do" List - By God. In it I can list the things God teaches us "to do" in the Bible. So I got up to prepare this entry for the book.

"TO DO" LIST - BY GOD

- Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind (Matthew 22:37)
- Love one another (John 13:34; 15:17)
- Love your neighbor as yourself (Matthew 19:19; 22:39; Romans 13:9)
- Do everything in love (1 Corinthians 16:14)
- Serve one another in love (Galatians 5:13)
- Love your wives (Ephesians 5:25)
- Love the brotherhood of believers (1 Peter 2:17)
- Love your enemies and pray for them (Matthew 5:44)
- Do not love the world or anything in the world (1 John 2:15)
- Be perfect as your heavenly Father is perfect (Matthew 5:48)
- Have no other gods before the Lord your God (Exodus 20:3)
- Do not make for yourself an idol and worship it (Exodus 20:4)
- Do not misuse the name of the Lord your God. (Exodus 20:7)
- Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy. (Exodus 20:8)
- Honor your father and mother (Exodus 20:7)
- Do not murder (Exodus 20:13)
- Do not commit adultery (Exodus 20:14)
- Do not steal (Exodus 20:15)

- Do not give false testimony against your neighbor (Exodus 20:16)
- Do not covet your neighbor's house, wife, servants, animals, or belongings (Exodus 20:17)
- Worship the Lord in the splendor of His holiness (1 Chronicles 16:29)
- Praise the Lord (Psalm 106:1)
- Ascribe to the Lord glory and strength (1 Chronicles 16:28)
- Bless the Lord (Psalm 103:1)
- Declare the Lord's glory and His marvelous deeds (1 Chronicles 16:24)
- Bring an offering and come before the Lord (1 Chronicles 16:29)
- Tremble before the Lord (1 Chronicles 16:30)
- Give thanks to the Lord for He is good (1 Chronicles 16:34)
- Call on the Lord's name (1 Chronicles 16:8)
- Make known among the nations what the Lord has done (1 Chronicles 16:8)
- Sing to the Lord, sing praise to Him (1 Chronicles 16:9)
- Glory in the Lord's name and rejoice (1 Chronicles 16:10)
- Look to the Lord and His strength (1 Chronicles 16:11)
- Seek the Lord's face always (1 Chronicles 16:11)
- Remember the wonders, miracles the Lord has done, and the judgments the Lord has pronounced (1 Chronicles 16:12)
- Proclaim the Lord's salvation day after day. (1 Chronicles 16:23)
- Look after widows and orphans (James 1:27)
- Fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith (Hebrews 12:2)
- Throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles (Hebrews 12:1)
- Run with perseverance the race marked out for us (Hebrews 12:1)
- Consider Him (Jesus) who endured such opposition from sinful men, so that you will not grow weary and lose heart (Hebrews 12:3)
- Do not be wise in your own eyes (Proverbs 3:7)
- Repent and believe the good news (Mark 1:15)
- Believe all that the prophets gave spoken (Luke 24:25)
- Believe in the Lord Jesus Christ and you will be saved - you and your household (Acts 16:31)
- Stop doubting and believe (John 20:27)
- Believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead (Romans 10:9)
- Believe that God exists (Hebrews 11:6)
- Believe God rewards those who earnestly seek him (Hebrews 11:6)
- Trust in the Lord with all your heart (Proverbs 3:5)
- Don't lean on your own understanding (Proverbs 3:5)
- In all your ways acknowledge the Lord (Proverbs 3:6)
- Offer your bodies as living sacrifices, holy and pleasing to God (Romans 12:1)
- Do not conform to this world (Romans 12:2)
- Be transformed by the renewing of your mind (Romans 12:2)
- Be patient until the Lord's coming (James 5:7)
- Do not swear by heaven or earth or anything else (James 5:12)
- Let your yes be yes and your no be no. (James 5:12)
- If you lack wisdom, ask God for it (James 1:5)
- When you ask for wisdom, believe and not doubt (James 1:5)

- Give a cup of cold water in Jesus' name (Matthew 10:42)
- Feed the hungry (Matthew 25:35)
- Invite in strangers (Matthew 25:35)
- Give clothes to those in need (Matthew 25:35)
- Help the needy (Proverbs 14:21, 31)
- Visit those in prison (Matthew 25:35)
- Look after the sick (Matthew 25:35)
- Fear the Lord your God and serve Him (Deuteronomy 10:20)
- Hold fast the Lord your God and take your oaths in His name (Deuteronomy 10:20)
- Watch because you do not know the day or hour of His return (Matthew 25:13)
- Feed My lambs (John 21:15)
- Feed My sheep (John 21:17)

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I AM THE GOOD SHEPHERD

As a shepherd looks after his sheep, I look after you, My child. I take you to places where you feed and drink and prosper. I protect you from harm and from things that are unknown as dangers to you. I watch over you by night and by day. I am the Good Shepherd.

See, the Sovereign Lord comes with power, and his arm rules for him. See, his reward is with him, and his recompense accompanies him. He tends his flock like a shepherd; He gathers the lambs in his arms and carries them close to his heart; he gently leads those that have young. (Isaiah 40:10-11)

This is what the Sovereign Lord says: I myself will search for my sheep and look after them. As a shepherd looks after his scattered flock when he is with them, so will I look after my sheep. I myself will tend my sheep and have them lie down. You, my sheep, the sheep of my pasture, are people, and I am your God. (Ezekiel 34:11, 15, 31)

The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not be in want. He makes me lie down in green pastures, he leads me beside quiet waters, he restores my soul. (Psalm 23:1-3)

I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. I am the good shepherd; I know my sheep and my sheep know me. (John 10:11, 14)

PRAISE, PEACE AND REST ARE WEAPONS

What a night I just had! The diverticulitis became painful again and gave me lots of pain off and on during the night. The Lord let me begin the aspirin regimen at 8 pm, 12 midnight, 4 am, and 8 am this morning. But He stayed right with me throughout the night and "covered" me with His manifest presence. Yesterday He told me to read Malachi chapter 4, and it tells about this:

But for you who revere my name, the Sun of Righteousness will rise with healing in its wings. And you will go out and leap like calves released from the stall. (Malachi 4:2)

He kept bringing that to my memory, and I kept seeing Him covering me with His wings as the Sun (Son) of Righteousness bringing righteousness (right body health) to me. He kept telling me not to fear, but to relax as the waves of pain came, and that helped a lot. He told me to praise Him, and that helped. He gave me peace and that helped. He said praise, peace, and rest are weapons of our warfare - in that order - and to relax and not fear.

I AM THE LORD IN WHOM YOU MUST REST

Resting is very important, for if you rest in Me, then you don't try to make things happen yourself. Resting in Me means waiting on Me to accomplish something. This is the right way to walk - by resting in Me. It includes being at peace with Me and with yourself. Resting is essential for your kingdom walk/journey. Rest in Me, Joan, and things will go well with you.

Stand at the crossroads and look; ask for the ancient paths, ask where the good way is, and walk in it, and you will find rest for your souls. (Jeremiah 6:16)

He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High will rest in the shadow of the Almighty. (Psalm 91:1)

The Lord has made the Sabbath a day of rest for you. So on the sixth day he will give you enough food for two days, but on the seventh day each of you must stay where you are. Do not go anywhere." (Exodus 16:29 NCV)

But the seventh day is a day of rest to honor the Lord your God. On that day no one may do any work: not you, your son or daughter, your male or female slaves, your animals, or the foreigners living in your cities. (Exodus 20:10 NCV)

**The LORD replied, "My Presence will go with you, and I will give you rest."
(Exodus 33:14)**

Praise be to the LORD, who has given rest to his people Israel just as he promised. Not one word has failed of all the good promises he gave through his servant Moses. (1 Kings 8:56)

Rest in the Lord, and wait patiently for him; fret not yourself because of him who prospers in his way. (Psalm 37:7)

Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy and my burden is light. (Matthew 11:28-30)

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FOR UNTO US A CHILD IS BORN

I had a dream about writing words and music about Isaiah 9:6 "For unto us a child is born"

For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders. And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. Of the increase of his government and peace there will be no end. (Isaiah 9:6)

He will reign on David's throne and over his kingdom, establishing and upholding it with justice and righteousness from that time on and forever. The zeal of the Lord Almighty will accomplish this. (Isaiah 9:7)

Lord, what does this dream mean?

Listen, My child, and I will tell you.

This is a very important dream. That's why I told you to come and write it down, and why I kept it in your memory all this time. It involves your part in the process that is coming next in the world and in your life, and what your part is in that process.

It involves seeing that I came as a child, but now the end part of that scripture is about to be fulfilled too. I AM the Wonderful Counselor, the Prince of Peace, the Everlasting Father, and the Mighty God. I AM the ruler who comes to the earth and sets up My kingdom, My everlasting kingdom. And the increase of My government will NEVER end.

And your part in this dream is to announce the truth of that Scripture to the world through what you write down, and what is sung forth and spoken forth after you write it down. And there will be a reward involved in this process - for you who writes it, and for those who sing and speak it forth.

So, keep writing as I lead you. Keep sounding forth My words to you through what you write down, and I will raise up the choir director, the choir, and the speaker who will send forth these words - My Scripture words. Do it today, and every day of your life.

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I AM THE LORD WHO WANTS YOU TO WALK IN FAITH

Faith is the foundation of believing in Me, Joan. Without faith it is impossible to believe in Me. It must be by faith to please Me. It is the only way for My people to live - by faith. You will understand more about faith when you come up to heaven and learn from Me here. But for now, just know that faith exists, and that it is important.

(Romans 1:17) For in the gospel a righteousness from God is revealed, a righteousness that is by faith from first to last, just as it is written: "The righteous will live by faith."

(Romans 14:23 AMP) For whatever does not originate and proceed from faith is sin [whatever is done without a conviction of its approval by God is sinful].

(2 Chronicles 20:20) As they set out, Jehoshaphat stood and said, "Listen to me, Judah and people of Jerusalem! Have faith in the Lord your God and you will be upheld; have faith in his prophets and you will be successful."

(Isaiah 7:9) If you do not stand firm in your faith, you will not stand at all.

(Habakkuk 2:4) The righteous will live by his faith.

(Matthew 9:29) Then he touched their eyes and said, "According to your faith will it be done to you"; and their sight was restored.

(Matthew 17:20) He replied, "Because you have so little faith. I tell you the truth, if you have faith as small as a mustard seed, you can say to this mountain, 'Move from here to there' and it will move. Nothing will be impossible for you."

(Mark 11:22-24) "Have faith in God," Jesus answered. "I tell you the truth, if anyone says to this mountain, 'Go, throw yourself into the sea,' and does not doubt in his heart but believes that what he says will happen, it will be done for

him. Therefore I tell you, whatever you ask for in prayer, believe that you have received it, and it will be yours.”

(Luke 17:5-6) The apostles said to the Lord, “Increase our faith!” He replied, “If you have faith as small as a mustard seed, you can say to this mulberry tree, ‘Be uprooted and planted in the sea,’ and it will obey you.”

(Romans 3:21-22) But now a righteousness from God, apart from law, has been made known, to which the Law and the Prophets testify. This righteousness from God comes through faith in Jesus Christ to all who believe.

(Romans 4:5) To a man who does not work but trusts God who justifies the wicked, his faith is credited as righteousness.

(Romans 10:17) Faith comes from hearing the message, and the message is heard through the word of Christ.

(1 Corinthians 13:13) And now these three remain (NLT – three things will last forever): faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love.

(1 Corinthians 16:13) Be on your guard; stand firm in the faith; be men of courage; be strong. Do everything in love.

(2 Corinthians 5:7) We live by faith and not by sight.

(Galatians 2:20) I have been crucified with Christ and I no longer live, but Christ lives in me. The life I live in the body, I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.

(Galatians 3:11) Clearly no one is justified before God by the law, because, “The righteous will live by faith.”

(Ephesians 2:8) For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this not from yourselves, it is the gift of God—not by works, so that no one can boast.

(Ephesians 6:16) In addition to all this, take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one.

(Colossians 1:23) ...if you continue in your faith, established and firm, not moved from the hope held out in the gospel.

(1 Thessalonians 5:8) But since we belong to the day, let us be self-controlled, putting on faith and love as a breastplate, and the hope of salvation as a helmet.

(1 Timothy 6:12) Fight the good fight of the faith. Take hold of the eternal life to which you were called when you made your good confession in the presence of many witnesses.

(Hebrews 11:1 NIV) Now faith is being sure of what we hope for and certain of what we do not see.

(Hebrews 11:1 NLT) Faith is the confidence that what we hope for will actually happen; it gives us assurance about things we cannot see.

(Hebrews 11:6) Without faith it is impossible to please God; because anyone who comes to him must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who earnestly seek him.

(Hebrews 12:2) Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith.

(1 John 5:4-5) For everyone born of God overcomes the world. This is the victory that has overcome the world, even our faith. Who is it that overcomes the world? Only he who believes that Jesus is the Son of God.

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HOPE AND A FUTURE

The Lord led me to go to Jeremiah 29:11 and quickened the words to me personally, with tears.

"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future. Then you will call upon me and come and pray to me, and I will listen to you. You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all your heart. I will be found by you," declares the Lord. (Jeremiah 29:11-14)

You've given me hope and a future.

That's what I did yesterday.

I believe that's a reference to what You will do with my writings, and how You will use them for Your kingdom work. Is that correct?

Yes, Joan, that is correct.

Thank You, Lord. That warms my heart and gives me joy.

You're welcome.

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I AM THE LORD WHO GIVES MY PEOPLE AN INHERITANCE

I have an inheritance for My people, for those who are Mine. It is a glorious inheritance, Joan, and it is stored up for you in heaven, and for all those who belong to Me. This inheritance is immeasurably more than you can ask or imagine, and it is marvelous beyond words. It includes your eternal salvation and your place in My earthly kingdom and My heavenly kingdom. You will be amazed. Look forward to this.

For evil men will be cut off, but those who hope in the Lord will inherit the land. (Psalm 37:11)

The righteous will inherit the land and dwell in it forever. (Psalm 37:29)

But as for you, the Lord took you and brought you out of the iron-smelting furnace, out of Egypt, to be the people of his inheritance, as you now are. (Deuteronomy 4:20)

A good man leaves an inheritance for his children's children, but a sinner's wealth is stored up for the righteous. (Proverbs 13:22)

Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth. (Matthew 5:5)

As Jesus started on his way, a man ran up to him and fell on his knees before him. "Good teacher," he asked, "what must I do to inherit eternal life?" (Mark 10:17)

I declare to you, brothers, that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God, nor does the perishable inherit the imperishable. (1 Corinthians 15:50)

Having believed, you were marked in him with a seal, the promised Holy Spirit, who is a deposit guaranteeing our inheritance until the redemption of those who are God's possession—to the praise of his glory. (Ephesians 1:13b-14)

I pray also that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened in order that you may know the hope to which he has called you, the riches of his glorious inheritance in the saints, and his incomparably great power for us who believe. (Ephesians 1:18)

For of this you can be sure: No immoral, impure or greedy person—such a man is an idolater—has any inheritance in the kingdom of Christ and of God. (Ephesians 5:5)

For this reason Christ is the mediator of a new covenant, that those who are called may receive the promised eternal inheritance—now that he has died as a ransom to set them free from the sins committed under the first covenant. (Hebrews 9:15)

In his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and into an inheritance that can never perish, spoil or fade—kept in heaven for you, who through faith are shielded by God's power until the coming of the salvation that is ready to be revealed in the last time. (1 Peter 1:4)

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A BETTER RESURRECTION

I'm doing you a favor, Joan.

You're doing me a favor?

By letting you have all these aches and pains. It is for your benefit and not to harm you.

It doesn't mean I'm mad at you, or that you have done something terribly wrong. It is to benefit you - in the long run...the long run being - in the everlasting life you will come into when you leave the earth.

In THAT life you will have great benefits for having gone through the things you have suffered on the earth - ALL the things.

Remember Paul talked about having a "better resurrection"? That is what I am referring to.

For to me, to live is Christ and to die is gain. If I am to go on living in the body, this will mean fruitful labor for me. Yet what shall I choose? I do not know! I am torn between the two: I desire to depart and be with Christ, which is better by far; But it is more necessary for you that I remain in the body. Convinced of this, I know that I will remain. (Philippians 1:21-25)

I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the fellowship of sharing in his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, and so, somehow, to attain to the resurrection from the dead. (Philippians 3:10-11)

For we who are alive are always being given over to death for Jesus' sake, so that his life may be revealed in our mortal body. (2 Corinthians 4:11)

Though outwardly we are wasting away, yet inwardly we are being renewed day by day. For our light and momentary troubles are achieving for us an eternal glory that far outweighs them all. (2 Corinthians 4:16-17)

Others were tortured and refused to be released, so that they might gain a better resurrection. (Hebrews 11:35)

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I AM THE LORD OF YOUR RELATIONSHIP WITH ME AS BELIEVERS

You are My children. You are My sons. You are My temple. You are My glory and My joy. And you are My bride. I chose you, My children, before the creation of the World to belong to Me and follow Me. I live in you.

“On that day you will realize that I am in my Father, and you are in me, and I am in you.” (John 14:20)

The Spirit himself testifies with our spirit that we are God’s children. (Romans 8:16)

Don’t you know that you yourselves are God’s temple and that God’s Spirit lives in you? (1 Corinthians 3:16)

I have been crucified with Christ and I no longer live, but Christ lives in me. (Galatians 2:20)

For he chose us in him before the creation of the world to be holy and blameless in his sight. (Ephesians 1:4)

In love he predestined us to be adopted as his sons through Jesus Christ, in accordance with his pleasure and will... (Ephesians 1:5)

The bride belongs to the bridegroom. The friend who attends the bridegroom waits and listens for him, and is full of joy when he hears the bridegroom's voice. (John 3:29)

Let us rejoice and be glad and give him glory! For the wedding of the Lamb has come, and his bride has made herself ready. (Revelation 19:7)

And God raised us up with Christ and seated us with him in the heavenly realms in Christ Jesus. (Ephesians 2:6)

And Lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. (Matthew 28:20)

I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go; I will counsel you and watch over you. (Psalm 8:32)

Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and lean not on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will direct your paths. (Proverbs 3:5-6)

Praise the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits - Who forgives all your sins and heals all your diseases. (Psalm 103:2-3)

I will bring health and healing to it; I will heal my people and will let them enjoy abundant peace and security. (Jeremiah 33:6)

But for you who revere my name, the sun of righteousness will rise with healing in its wings. And you will go out and leap like calves released from the stall. (Malachi 4:2)

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SEASONS OF LIFE

My words today are about the various seasons of life we go through. Each season of life has its joys and its difficulties. It is important to thank God and praise Him through the joys of life and enjoy those precious times with friends and loved ones and with the Lord.

But it is also important what we do with the difficult times. Those times can be used for great benefit in your relationship with the Lord as you praise and thank Him through those times too, trusting that He will use them for your good.

To him who overcomes, I will give the right to eat from the tree of life, which is in the paradise of God. (Revelation 2:7)

He who overcomes will, like them, be dressed in white. I will never blot out his name from the book of life, but will acknowledge his name before my Father and his angels. (Revelation 3:5)

And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose. For those God foreknew he also

predestined to be conformed to the likeness of his Son, that he might be the firstborn among many brothers. (Romans 8:28-29)

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I, THE LORD, HAVE ALL AUTHORITY IN HEAVEN AND ON EARTH

I have ALL AUTHORITY in heaven and on earth, Joan. It was given to Me by My Father who also has all authority. Nothing is hidden from us. Everything is under our power. When I speak, it happens. My words do not return to Me empty. They complete what they were sent out to do. Know this, and trust in this, and believe in Me.

All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age. (Matthew 28:18-20)

Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen. (Ephesians 3:20)

When Jesus had finished saying these things, the crowds were amazed at his teaching, because he taught as one who had authority, and not as their teachers of the law. (Matthew 7:28-29)

"So that you may know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins..." Then he said to the paralytic, "Get up, take your mat and go home." And the man got up and went home. When the crowd saw this, they were filled with awe; and they praised God, who had given such authority to men. (Matthew 9:6)

It saves you by the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has gone into heaven and is at God's right hand - with angels, authorities and powers in submission to him. (1 Peter 3:21-22)

Surely he took up our infirmities and carried our sorrows...But he was pierced for our transgressions, he was crushed for our iniquities; the punishment that brought us peace was upon him, and by his wounds we are healed. (Isaiah 53:4-5)

For the word of God is living and active. Sharper than any double-edged sword, it penetrates even to dividing soul and spirit, joints and marrow; it

judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart. Nothing in all creation is hidden from God's sight. Everything is uncovered and laid bare before the eyes of him to whom we must give account. (Hebrews 4:12-13)

As the rain and the snow come down from heaven, and do not return to it without watering the earth and making it bud and flourish, so that it yields seed for the sower and bread for the eater, so is my word that goes out from my mouth; It will not return to me empty but will accomplish what I desire and achieve the purpose for which I sent it. (Isaiah 55:10-11)

...how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and power, and how he went around doing good and healing all who were under the power of the devil, because God was with him. (Acts 10:38)

Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever. (Hebrews 13:8)

He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, so that we might die to sins and live for righteousness; by his wounds you have been healed. (1 Peter 2:24)

Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, preaching the good news of the kingdom, and healing every disease and sickness among the people. News about him spread all over Syria, and people brought to him all who were ill with various diseases, those suffering severe pain, the demon-possessed, those having seizures, and the paralyzed, and he healed them. (Matthew 4:23-24)

The words that I say to you are not just my own. Rather, it is the Father living in me, who is doing his work. Believe me when I say that I am in the Father and the Father is in me. (John 14:10b)

I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. (John 14:8)

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STARTING YOUR DAY

An important word I want to share with you today is this: start your day, every day, by drawing near to God. Greet Him first thing in the morning (*I say good morning Heavenly Father, good morning Lord Jesus, good morning Holy Spirit*). Then keep drawing near to Him throughout the day and ask His guidance and ask His advice on what you do and decisions you make.

Talk to Him as your best Friend, for that is truly who He is. Take communion each morning and "remember Him."

As you do this daily it accumulates and grows into a deep, trusting, and abiding wonderful friendship with the Lord. When you are old you will understand and see how important this has been, and be very grateful for it.

Come near to God and he will come near to you. (James 4:8)

He took the bread, gave thanks and broke it, and gave it to them saying, "This is my body given for you; do this in remembrance of me." (Luke 22:19)

The righteous will flourish like a palm tree, they will grow like a cedar of Lebanon; planted in the house of the Lord, they will flourish in the courts of our God. They will still bear fruit in old age, they will stay fresh and green, proclaiming, "The Lord is upright; he is my Rock." (Psalm 92:12-15)

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I, THE LORD, GIVE AUTHORITY TO MY DISCIPLES

I want you to see and know that I have given you, My people, great authority and the commission to do many things for Me while you are in the world. I have sent you into the whole world to take My gospel, the good news, to all people. I have given you power to forgive sins, drive out evil spirits, heal every disease and sickness, speak in new tongues, and abound in every good work.

I tell you to ask in My name and it will be given you. I have told you that you have the mind of Christ and you are being transformed into My likeness, that you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people belonging to God. So go in My name.

Freely you have received; freely give.

Go into all the world and preach the good news to all creation. Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved, but whoever does not believe will be condemned. And these signs will accompany those who believe: In my name they will drive out demons; they will speak in new tongues; they will pick up snakes with their hands; and when they drink deadly poison, it will not hurt them at all; they will place their hands on sick people, and they will get well. (Mark 16:15-19)

As you go, preach this message: The kingdom of heaven is near. Heal the sick, raise the dead, cleanse those who have leprosy, drive out demons. Freely you have received, freely give. (Matthew 10:7-8)

If you remain in me and my words remain in you, ask whatever you wish and it will be given you. (John 15:7)

If you hold to my teaching, you are really my disciples. Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free. (John 8:31-32 NIV)

So I say to you: Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. For everyone who asks receives; he who seeks finds; and to him who knocks, the door will be opened. (Luke 11:9-10)

And I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Son may bring glory to the Father. You may ask me for anything in my name, and I will do it. (John 14:13-14)

We have different gifts, according to the grace given us. (Romans 12:6)

Therefore you do not lack any spiritual gift as you eagerly wait for our Lord Jesus Christ to be revealed. (1 Corinthians 1:7)

But we have the mind of Christ. (1 Corinthians 2:16)

And we, who with unveiled faces all reflect the Lord's glory, are being transformed into his likeness with ever increasing glory, which comes from the Lord, who is the Spirit. (2 Corinthians 3:18)

We live by faith, not by sight. (2 Corinthians 5:7)

And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work. (2 Corinthians 9:8)

Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in the heavenly realms with every spiritual blessing in Christ. (Ephesians 1:3)

He who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus. (Philippians 1:6)

It is God who works in you to will and to act according to his good purpose. (Philippians 2:13)

I can do everything through him who gives me strength. (Philippians 4:13)

God will meet all your needs according to his glorious riches in Christ Jesus. (Philippians 4:19)

God has said, "Never will I leave you; never will I forsake you." (Hebrews 13:5)

But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people belonging to God, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light. (1 Peter 2:9)

You, dear children, are from God and have overcome them, because the one who is in you is greater than the one who is in the world. (1 John 4:4)

This is the confidence we have in approaching God: that if we ask anything according to his will, he hears us. And if we know that he hears us--whatever we ask--we know that we have what we asked of him. (1 John 5:14-15)

For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future. Then you will call upon me and come and pray to me, and I will listen to you. You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all your heart. I will be found by you," declares the Lord. (Jeremiah 29:11-14)

He called his twelve disciples to him and gave them authority to drive out evil spirits and to heal every disease and sickness. (Matthew 10:1)

"Have faith in God," Jesus answered. "I tell you the truth, if anyone says to this mountain, 'Go, throw yourself into the sea' and does not doubt in his heart but believes that what he says will happen, it will be done for him. Therefore I tell you, whatever you ask for in prayer, believe that you have received it, and it will be yours." (Mark 11:22-24)

I tell you the truth, anyone who has faith in me will do what I have been doing. He will do even greater things than these, because I am going to the Father. And I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Son may bring glory to the Father. You may ask me for anything in my name, and I will do it. (John 14:12-14)

I am coming to you now, but I say these things while I am still in the world, so that they may have the full measure of my joy within them. I have given them your word and the world has hated them, for they are not of the world any more than I am of the world. My prayer is not that you take them out of the world but that you protect them from the evil one. They are not of the world, even as I am not of it. Sanctify them by the truth; your word is truth. As you sent me into the world, I have sent them into the world. For them I sanctify myself, that they too may be truly sanctified. (John 17:13-19)

My prayer is not for them alone. I pray also for those who will believe in me through their message, that all of them may be one, Father, just as you are in me and I am in you. May they also be in us so that the world may believe that you have sent me. (John 17:20-21)

I have given them the glory that you gave me... (John 17:22)

Peace be with you! As the Father has sent me, I am sending you. Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive anyone his sins, they are forgiven; if you do not forgive them, they are not forgiven. (John 18:36-20:23)

Do not leave Jerusalem, but wait for the gift my Father promised, which you have heard me speak about. For John baptized with water, but in a few days you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit...But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth. (Acts 1:4-5, 8)

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THE REFLECTION

The quieter the water
the more perfect
the reflection.

The more you know
who you are in Me,
the quieter your soul
is before Me,
the more perfectly
you reflect Me!

And we, who with unveiled faces all reflect the Lord's glory, are being transformed into his likeness with ever-increasing glory. (2 Corinthians 3:18)

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I, THE LORD, AM WITH YOU AS YOU MINISTER FOR ME

When you minister for Me, Joan, I want you to walk in the words I have given you about that ministry. I want you to know that I am with you, and will enable you to be and do all I have called you to be and do. I want you to trust in Me and know I am leading you.

I am to trust in the name of the Lord

Some trust in chariots and some in horses, but we trust in the name of the Lord our God. (Psalm 20:7)

I am to keep in perfect peace

Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace whose mind is stayed on Thee, because he trusts in Thee. (Isaiah 26:3 KJV)

I am to rest in God in quietness and trust.

In returning and rest is your salvation, in quietness and trust is your strength. (Isaiah 30:15)

I am to know the Lord has plans for me.

I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future." (Jeremiah 29:11)

I am to know God is gracious to me

Yet the Lord longs to be gracious to you; he rises to show you compassion. For the Lord is a God of justice. (Isaiah 30:18)

I am instructed by the Lord

I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go; I will counsel you and watch over you.

I am to listen to the Lord

My sheep listen to my voice; I know them, and they follow me. (John 10:27)

The Lord will listen to me

You will call upon me and come and pray to me, and I will listen to you. (Jeremiah 29:12)

I am not to fear

Fear not, for I have redeemed you; I have summoned (called) you by name; you are mine. When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and when you pass through the rivers, they will not sweep over you. When you walk through the fire, you will not be burned; the flames will not set you ablaze. For I am the Lord, your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Savior. (Isaiah 43:1-3b)

I am a witness

You are my witnesses, declares the Lord, and my servant whom I have chosen, so that you may know and believe me and understand that I am he. (Isaiah 43:10)

I can depend on the Lord

I the Lord do not change. (Malachi 3:6)

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NO ONE COMES TO THE FATHER EXCEPT THROUGH ME

This is My word to you today, Joan...I am the Way, the Truth, and the Life. No one comes to the Father except through Me.

There are many on earth who think they can come to the Father in other ways, but that is a lie. It is NOT the truth. I am the truth. What I speak is the truth. And the ONLY way to the Father is through Me.

That is because it MUST be through the forgiveness of your sins, and that comes ONLY through Me and My sacrifice on the cross of My life for your sins.

Jesus answered, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. (John 14:6)

For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him. Whoever believes in him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe stands condemned already because he has not believed in the name of God's one and only Son. (John 3:16-18)

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I, THE LORD, HAVE MANY NAMES

I, the Lord, have many names, Joan, as I have many facets to My character. I am known to different people in different ways. I come to meet individual needs for each person.

Some know Me as a Lamb. Some know Me as Savior. Some know Me as their Advocate. Some know Me as Judge.

Here are names given to Me in the Scriptures.

Adam (the second) – 1 Corinthians 15:45

Advocate – 1 John 2:1
Alpha and Omega – Revelation 1:8; 22:13
Amen – Revelation 3:14
Angel of the Lord – Exodus 3:2; Judges 13:15-18
Branch – Jeremiah 23:5
Bread of Life – John 6:35, 48
Chief cornerstone – Ephesians 2:20; 1 Peter 2:6
Chief Shepherd – 1 Peter 5:4
Counselor – Isaiah 9:6
Dayspring – Luke 1:78
Deliverer – Romans 11:26
Door – John 10:7
Immanuel – Isaiah 7:14; Matthew 1:23
Eternal Life – 1 John 1:2; 5:20
Everlasting Father – Isaiah 9:6
Faithful Witness – Revelation 1:5; 3:14
First and Last – Revelation 1:17; 2:8
God – Isaiah 40:9; John 20:28
Good Shepherd – John 10:14
Great High Priest – Hebrews 4:14
Holy One – Psalm 16:10; Acts 2:27; 3:14
I Am – Exodus 3:14; John 8:58
Jehovah – Isaiah 26:4 (KJV)
Jesus – Matthew 1:21; 1 Thessalonians 1:10
Just One – Acts 7:52
King – Zechariah 9:9; Matthew 21:5
Lamb of God – John 1:29, 36
Life – John 14:6; Colossians 3:4
Light of the Word – John 8:12
Lion of Judah – Revelation 5:5
Lord God Almighty – Revelation 15:3
Lord of Glory – 1 Corinthians 2:8
Messiah – Daniel 9:25; John 1:41
Mighty God – Isaiah 9:6
Morning Star – Revelation 22:16
Nazarene – Matthew 2:23
Our Passover – 1 Corinthians 5:7
Prince of Life – Acts 3:15
Prince of Peace – Isaiah 9:6
Prophet – Luke 24:19; John 7:40
Redeemer – Isaiah 59:20; 60:16
Resurrection and Life – John 11:25
Rock – 1 Corinthians 10:4
Savior – 2 Peter 2:20; 3:18
Servant – Isaiah 42:1; 52:13
Son of God – Luke 1:35; John 1:49

Son of Man – John 5:27; 6:27
Sun of Righteousness – Malachi 4:2
True God – 1 John 5:20
True Light – John 1:9
True Vine – John 15:1
Truth – John 14:6
Way – John 14:6
Witness – Isaiah 55:4
Wonderful – Isaiah 28:29; 9:6
Word – John 1:1
Word of God – Revelation 19:13
Word of Life – 1 John 1:1

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WHEN THE ROLL I CALLED UP YONDER, I'LL BE THERE

This is the song in my head as I got up this morning:

When the trumpet of the Lord shall sound
And time shall be no more

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And the roll is called up yonder, I'll be there.

When the roll is called up yonder
When the roll is called up yonder
When the roll is called up yonder
When the roll is called up yonder, I'll be there.

You see that rain outside today, Joan? That symbolizes My rain (of My Spirit) pouring down upon your head and the heads of your loved ones. And notice, it isn't coming slowly, it is coming fast and steadily...not just a sprinkle.

I love you, My daughter. I love you with an everlasting love, a love that will NEVER end. You will come up here to be with Me soon, and you will be with Me forever. And you will love it here!

This is a week for writing your thoughts and My thoughts every day during your Quiet Time. This is a day/a week for writing just for you and Me. I am going to introduce you to the heavenlies.

I'll be with you this week in a closer way than I've ever been before. What that means is that you will "feel" Me closer than I've been before. I have been just as close, but you could not "feel" it as much.

The Lord told me to read His Word. I asked what He wanted me to read and He answered: Psalm 27:1. So I read that whole Psalm. These are my favorite parts of that Psalm:

The Lord is my light and my salvation--whom shall I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life--of whom shall I be afraid?

One thing I ask of the Lord, this is what I seek: That I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, To gaze upon the beauty of the Lord and to seek him in his temple.

For in the day of trouble he will keep me safe in his dwelling; He will hide me in the shelter of his tabernacle and set me high upon a rock.

My heart says of you, "Seek his face!" Your face, Lord, I will seek.

Teach me your way, O Lord; lead me in a straight path.

I am still confident of this: I will see the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living.

Wait for the Lord; be strong and take heart and wait for the Lord.

(Psalm 27:1, 4-5, 8, 11, 13-14)

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I, THE LORD, SAY, "NOTHING WILL HARM YOU"

I am your God who will watch over you and keep you safe from harm. This is My promise for all who belong to Me and follow Me. That does not mean you will not have trials, for in this world you will have trials. But I will go with you through all trials and difficulties if you will keep your eyes on Me.

"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future." (Jeremiah 29:11)

The seventy-two returned with joy and said, "Lord, even the demons submit to us in your name." He replied, "I saw Satan fall like lightning from heaven. I have given you authority to trample on snakes and scorpions and to overcome all the power of the enemy; nothing will harm you. Luke 10:17-19)

The Lord watches over you—the Lord is your shade at your right hand; the sun will not harm you by day, nor the moon by night. The Lord will keep you

from all harm—he will watch over your life; the Lord will watch over your coming and going both now and forevermore. (Psalm 121:5-7)

We know that anyone born of God does not continue to sin; the one who was born of God keeps him safe, and the evil one cannot harm him. (1 John 5:18)

They will pick up snakes with their hands; and when they drink deadly poison, it will not hurt them at all. (Mark 16:18)

He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches. He who overcomes will not be hurt at all by the second death. (Revelation 2:11)

The Lord will rescue me from every evil attack and will bring me safely to his heavenly kingdom. (2 Timothy 4:18)

Do not be afraid, for I am with you. (Genesis 26:24)

Do not be afraid. Stand firm and you will see the deliverance the Lord will bring you today. The Egyptians you see today you will never see again. The Lord will fight for you; you need only to be still. (Exodus 14:11-14)

Do not be afraid of them; the Lord your God himself will fight for you. (Deuteronomy 3:22)

Never will I leave you; never will I forsake you. (Deut. 4:24)

Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be terrified; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go. (Joshua 1:9)

This is what the Lord says to you: “Do not be afraid or discouraged because of this vast army. For the battle is not yours, but God’s...You will not have to fight this battle. Take up your positions; stand firm and see the deliverance the Lord will give you...do not be afraid; do not be discouraged. Go out to face them tomorrow, and the Lord will be with you.” (2 Chronicles 20:15, 17)

To the Lord I cry aloud, and he answers me from his holy hill. I lie down and sleep; I wake again, because the Lord sustains me. (Psalm 3:4-5)

Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff they comfort me. You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies. You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows. (Psalm 23:4-5)

The Lord is my light and my salvation—whom shall I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life—of whom shall I be afraid? ... Though an army besiege

me, my heart will not fear; though war break out against me, even then will I be confident. (Psalm 27:1, 3)

I sought the Lord, and he answered me; he delivered me from all my fears. (Psalm 34:4)

God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble. (Psalm 46:1)

He will cover you with his feathers, and under his wings you will find refuge; his faithfulness will be your shield and rampart. You will not fear the terror of night, nor the arrow that flies by day, nor the pestilence that stalks in the darkness, nor the plague that destroys at midday. (Psalm 91:4-6)

But whoever listens to me will live in safety and be at ease, without fear of harm. (Proverbs 1:33)

Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways acknowledge him, and he will direct your paths. (Proverbs 3:5-6)

When you lie down, you will not be afraid; when you lie down, your sleep will be sweet. (Proverbs 3:24)

Have no fear of sudden disaster or of the ruin that overtakes the wicked, for the Lord will be your confidence and will keep your foot from being snared. (Proverbs 3:25-26)

Fear of man will prove to be a snare, but whoever trusts in the Lord is kept safe. (Proverbs 29:25)

So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with my righteous right hand. (Isaiah 41:10)

For I am the Lord, your God, who takes hold of your right hand and says to you, Do not fear; I will help you. (Isaiah 41:13)

But now, this is what the Lord says—he who created you, O Jacob, he who formed you, O Israel: Fear not, for I have redeemed you; I have summoned you by name; you are mine. When you pass through the waters I will be with you; and when you pass through the rivers, they will not sweep over you. When you walk through the fire, you will not be burned; the flames will not set you ablaze. (Isaiah 43:1-2)

Do not be afraid; you will not suffer shame. Do not fear disgrace; you will not be humiliated. (Isaiah 54:4)

In righteousness you will be established; tyranny will be far from you; you will have nothing to fear. Terror will be far removed; it will not come near you. (Isaiah 54:14)

Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you and will rescue you. (Jeremiah 1:8)

And lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the age. (Matthew 28:20)

Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid. (John 14:27)

No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord. (Romans 8:37-39)

But the Lord is faithful, and he will strengthen and protect you from the evil one. (2 Thessalonians 3:3)

God has said, "Never will I leave you; never will I forsake you." So we say with confidence, "The Lord is my helper; I will not be afraid. What can man do to me?" (Hebrews 13:5-6)

For the eyes of the Lord are on the righteous and his ears are attentive to their prayer, but the face of the Lord is against those who do evil. Who is going to harm you if you are eager to do good? But even if you should suffer for what is right, you are blessed. Do not fear what they fear; do not be frightened. (1 Peter 3:12-14)

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PSALM 91

I asked the Lord if He wanted me to read His Word. He said Psalm 91. Here are some of my favorite parts of that Psalm:

He who dwells in the shelter (Secret Place) of the Most High will rest (abide) in the shadow of the Almighty.

I will say of the Lord, "He is my refuge and my fortress, my God, in whom I trust."

He will cover you with his feathers, and under his wings you will find refuge; his faithfulness will be your shield and rampart.

If you make the Most High your dwelling--even the Lord, who is my refuge--then no harm will befall you, no disaster will come near your tent. For he will command his angels concerning you to guard you in all your ways.

"Because he loves me," says the Lord, "I will rescue him; I will protect him for he acknowledges my name. He will call upon me and I will answer him; I will be with him in trouble, I will deliver him and honor him, With long life will I satisfy him and show him my salvation." (Psalm 91:1-2,4, 9-11, 14-16)

Many times, when I read Psalm 91, I would notice this verse of Psalm 92 on the next page. It became meaningful to me also as I felt the Lord did this mighty work in my life:

The righteous will flourish like a palm tree, they will grow like a cedar of Lebanon; planted in the house of the Lord, they will flourish in the courts of our God. They will still bear fruit in old age, they will stay fresh and green, proclaiming, "The Lord is upright; he is my Rock." (Psalm 92:12-15)

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I, THE LORD, MADE SOME FOR MERCY AND SOME FOR DESTRUCTION

I have made some for mercy and some for destruction, Joan. I have chosen those whom I knew would respond to Me and believe in Me. I knew this before the foundation of the world. I am watching over those who are Mine and will rescue them and save them.

(Proverbs 16:4)

The Lord has made everything for his own purposes, even the wicked for a day of disaster.

(Isaiah 43:1-7)

But now, O Jacob, listen to the Lord who created you. O Israel, the one who formed you says, "Do not be afraid, for I have ransomed you. I have called you by name; you are mine. When you go through deep waters, I will be with you. When you go through rivers of difficulty, you will not drown. When you walk through the fire of oppression, you will not be burned up; the flames will not consume you. For I am the Lord, your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Savior.

I gave Egypt as a ransom for your freedom; I gave Ethiopia and Seba in your place. Others were given in exchange for you. I traded their lives for yours because you are precious to me. You are honored, and I love you.

Do not be afraid, for I am with you. I will gather you and your children from east and west. I will say to the north and south, "Bring my sons and daughters back to Israel from the distant corners of the earth. Bring all who claim me as their God, for I have made them for my glory. It was I who created them."

(Isaiah 43:10-13)

"But you are my witnesses, O Israel!" says the Lord. "You are my servant. You have been chosen to know me, believe in me, and understand that I alone am God. There is no other God—there never has been, and there never will be. I, yes I, am the Lord, and there is no other Savior.

"First I predicted your rescue, then I saved you and proclaimed it to the world. No foreign god has ever done this. You are witnesses that I am the only God," says the Lord. "From eternity to eternity I am God. No one can snatch anyone out of my hand. No one can undo what I have done."

(Romans 9:22)

In the same way, even though God has the right to show his anger and his power, he is very patient with those on whom his anger falls, who are destined for destruction.

(Matthew 13:24-30, 37-43)

The Kingdom of Heaven is like a farmer who planted good seed in his field. But that night as the workers slept, his enemy came and planted weeds among the wheat, then slipped away.

When the crop began to grow and produce grain, the weeds also grew. "The farmer's workers went to him and said, "Sir, the field where you planted that good seed is full of weeds! Where did they come from?"

"An enemy has done this!" the farmer exclaimed.

"Should we pull out the weeds?" they asked. "No," he replied, "you'll uproot the wheat if you do. Let both grow together until the harvest. Then I will tell the harvesters to sort out the weeds, tie them into bundles, and burn them, and to put the wheat in the barn."

... Jesus replied, "The Son of Man is the farmer who plants the good seed. The field is the world, and the good seed represents the people of the Kingdom. The weeds are the people who belong to the evil one. The enemy who planted the weeds among the wheat is the devil. The harvest is the end of the world, and the harvesters are the angels.

"Just as the weeds are sorted out and burned in the fire, so it will be at the end of the world. The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will remove from his Kingdom everything that causes sin and all who do evil. And the angels will throw them into the fiery furnace, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. Then the righteous will shine like the sun in their Father's Kingdom. Anyone with ears to hear should listen and understand!"

(Ephesians 1:3-14)

All praise to God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly realms because we are united with Christ. Even before he made the world, God loved us and chose us in Christ to be holy and without fault in his eyes. God decided in advance to adopt us into his own family by bringing us to himself through Jesus Christ. This is what he wanted to do, and it gave him great pleasure.

(2 Timothy 2:20-21)

In a wealthy home some utensils are made of gold and silver, and some are made of wood and clay. The expensive utensils are used for special occasions, and the cheap ones are for everyday use. If you keep yourself pure, you will be a special utensil for honorable use. Your life will be clean, and you will be ready for the Master to use you for every good work.

(Romans 8:28-30)

And we know that God causes everything to work together for the good of those who love God and are called according to his purpose for them. For God knew his people in advance, and he chose them to become like his Son, so that his Son would be the firstborn among many brothers and sisters. And having chosen them, he called them to come to him. And having called them, he gave them right standing with himself. And having given them right standing, he gave them his glory.

(Romans 9:20-24)

No, don't say that. Who are you, a mere human being, to argue with God? Should the thing that was created say to the one who created it, "Why have you made me like this?"

When a potter makes jars out of clay, doesn't he have a right to use the same lump of clay to make one jar for decoration and another to throw garbage into? In the same way, even though God has the right to show his anger and his power, he is very patient with those on whom his anger falls, who are destined for destruction.

He does this to make the riches of his glory shine even brighter on those to whom he shows mercy, who were prepared in advance for glory. And we are among those whom he selected, both from the Jews and from the Gentiles.

(Romans 9:10-16)

This son was our ancestor Isaac. When he married Rebekah, she gave birth to twins. But before they were born, before they had done anything good or bad, she received a message from God. (This message shows that God chooses people according to his own purposes; he calls people, but not according to their good or bad works.) She was told, "Your older son will serve your younger son." In the words of the Scriptures, "I loved Jacob, but I rejected Esau."

Are we saying, then, that God was unfair? Of course not! For God said to Moses,

“I will show mercy to anyone I choose, and I will show compassion to anyone I choose.”

So it is God who decides to show mercy. We can neither choose it nor work for it.

(Romans 11:2, 5-6)

God did not reject his people, whom he foreknew....At the present time there is a remnant chosen by grace. And if by grace, then it is no longer by works; if it were, grace would no longer be grace.

(Romans 11:7)

So this is the situation: Most of the people of Israel have not found the favor of God they are looking for so earnestly. A few have—the ones God has chosen—but the hearts of the rest were hardened.

(Romans 11:22)

Notice how God is both kind and severe. He is severe toward those who disobeyed, but kind to you if you continue to trust in his kindness.

(John 6:44-45)

For no one can come to me unless the Father who sent me draws them to me, and at the last day I will raise them up. As it is written in the Scriptures, ‘They will all be taught by God.’ Everyone who listens to the Father and learns from him comes to me.

(Acts 2:38-39)

Peter replied, “Each of you must repent of your sins and turn to God, and be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. Then you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. This promise is to you, and to your children, and even to the Gentiles—all who have been called by the Lord our God.”

(2 Peter 1:10)

So, dear brothers and sisters, work hard to prove that you really are among those God has called and chosen. Do these things, and you will never fall away.

(Mark 13:20)

In fact, unless the Lord shortens that time of calamity, not a single person will survive. But for the sake of his chosen ones he has shortened those days.

(Acts 13:48)

When the Gentiles heard this, they were very glad and thanked the Lord for his message; and all who were chosen for eternal life became believers.

(Romans 11:5)

So too, at the present time there is a remnant chosen by grace.

(1 Thessalonians 1:4)

For we know, brothers loved by God, that he has chosen you.

(John 6:37:40)

However, those the Father has given me will come to me, and I will never reject them. For I have come down from heaven to do the will of God who sent me, not to do my own will. And this is the will of God, that I should not lose even one of all those he has given me, but that I should raise them up at the last day. For it is my Father's will that all who see his Son and believe in him should have eternal life. I will raise them up at the last day.

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TRUST AND OBEY

This one has been like a "life Scripture" for me: Proverbs 3:5-6

**Trust in the Lord with all your heart
And lean not on your own understanding.
In all your ways acknowledge Him,
And He will direct your paths. (Proverbs 3:5-6)**

I will include several of my favorite songs, which have meant a lot to me during my lifetime.

And this has been one of my "life songs" - (Trust and Obey)

(A song)

Trust and obey, for there's no other way
To be happy in Jesus, but to trust and obey.

Another life song has been - (In The Garden)

(A song)

I come to the garden alone, while the dew is still on the roses,
And the voice I hear sounding round my ear, the Son of God discloses.
And He walks with me and He talks with me
And He tells me I am His own
And the joy we share as we tarry there,
None other has ever known.

Also - (What A Friend We Have In Jesus)

(A song)
What a friend we have in Jesus
All our sins and griefs to bear
What a privilege to carry
Everything to God in prayer
Oh what peace we often forfeit
Oh what needless pain we bear
All because we do not carry
Everything to God in prayer.

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I AM THE SON OF GOD WHO WAS OBEDIENT TO MY FATHER

Obedience is the key, Joan. Without obedience there is no salvation for you. I had to be obedient to My Father. And you have to be obedient to Me.

I talk about obedience in many of My Scriptures. Read them and meditate on them and let them sink into your heart and fill your heart.

Come, My daughter, and be in complete obedience to Me, just as I was to My Father. That is the way to joy unspeakable and full of glory. That is the way to peace. That is the way to work out your salvation for eternal life. You are on the right path when you listen to Me and are obedient to Me and My Word.

I desire to do your will, O my God; your law is within my heart. (Psalm 40:8)

"My food," said Jesus, "is to do the will of him who sent me and to finish his work." (John 4:34)

If you obey my commands, you will remain in my love, just as I have obeyed my Father's commands and remain in his love. I have told you this so that my joy may be in you and that your joy may be complete. (John 15:10-11)

Just as through the disobedience of the one man the many were made sinners, so also through the obedience of the one man the many will be made righteous. (Romans 5:19)

And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself and became obedient to death - even death on a cross! (Philippians 2:8)

Although he was a son, he learned obedience from what he suffered, and, once made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him. (Hebrews 5:8)

Peter and the other apostles replied: "We must obey God rather than men!" (Acts 5:29)

Now if you obey me fully and keep my covenant, then out of all nations you will be my treasured possession. (Exodus 19:5)

See, I am sending an angel ahead of you to guard you along the way and to bring you to the place I have prepared. Pay attention to him and listen to what he says. Do not rebel against him; he will not forgive your rebellion, since my Name is in him. If you listen carefully to what he says and do all that I say, I will be an enemy to your enemies and will oppose those who oppose you. (Exodus 23:20-22)

Obey me, and I will be your God and you will be my people. Walk in all the ways I command you, that it may go well with you. (Jeremiah 7:23)

Does the Lord delight in burnt offerings and sacrifices as much as in obeying the voice of the Lord? To obey is better than sacrifice, and to heed is better than the fat of rams. (1 Samuel 15:22)

He has showed you, O man, what is good. And what does the Lord require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God. (Micah 6:8)

Do not merely listen to the word, and so deceive yourselves. Do what it says. Anyone who listens to the word but does not do what it says is like a man who looks at his face in a mirror and, after looking at himself, goes away and immediately forgets what he looks like. But the man who looks intently into the perfect law that gives freedom, and continues to do this, not forgetting what he has heard, but doing it - he will be blessed in what he does. (James 1:22-25)

To God's elect, strangers in the world...who have been chosen according to the foreknowledge of God the Father, through the sanctifying work of the Spirit, for obedience to Jesus Christ and sprinkling by his blood: Grace and peace be yours in abundance. (1 Peter 1:1-2)

(A song)

I love to tell the story of unseen things above
Of Jesus and His glory, of Jesus and His love
I love to tell the story because I know 'tis true
It satisfies my longing as nothing else can do.

I love to tell the story
'Twill be my theme in glory
To tell the old, old story
Of Jesus and His love.

This is the song that keeps going through my head last night and this morning. And it speaks of what is in my heart - to tell the story of Jesus and what He did for me and for us. And it IS like a longing in me, or a continuous desire in me, to tell others the story of Jesus and His love. This is done through the books He has given me to write for Him. My desire is that He leads just the right people to these books and uses them to tell His story and bring Him glory.

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I AM THE GOD WHO IS COMPASSIONATE

Yes, I am compassionate, Joan, for you and for others. I am compassionate because I created mankind, and I know and understand what you deal with and go through. I know how you feel. I understand every care and burden in your heart.

I know what you are thinking and why. I understand all things in a way you do not comprehend. I want you to know I love you, and care about you in everything you go through and feel.

For The Weary And Burdened

Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy and my burden is light. (Matthew 11:28-30)

For The Weak In Faith

He tends his flock like a shepherd; He gathers the lambs in his arms and carries them close to his heart; he gently leads those that have young. (Isaiah 40:11)

A bruised reed he will not break, and a smoldering wick he will not snuff out, till he leads justice to victory. (Matthew 12:20)

For The Tempted

Because he himself suffered when he was tempted, he is able to help those who are being tempted. (Hebrews 2:18)

For The Afflicted

When the Lord saw her, his heart went out to her and he said, "Don't cry." (Luke 7:13)

When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who had come along with her also weeping, he was deeply moved in spirit and troubled. (John 11:33)

For The Diseased

When Jesus landed and saw a large crowd, he had compassion on them and healed their sick. (Matthew 14:14)

Filled with compassion, Jesus reached out his hand and touched the man. "I am willing," he said, "Be clean!" (Mark 1:41)

For The Poor

Jesus called his disciples to him and said, "I have compassion for these people; they have already been with me three days and have nothing to eat. If I send them home hungry, they will collapse on the way, because some of them have come a long distance." (Mark 8:2)

For The Perishing Sinners

When he saw the crowds, he had compassion on them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. (Matthew 9:36)

As he approached Jerusalem and saw the city, he wept over it and said, "If you, even you, had only known on this day what would bring you peace - but now it is hidden from your eyes." (Luke 19:41)

For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him. Whoever believes in him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe stands condemned already because he has not believed in the name of God's one and only Son. (John 3:16-18)

MY STARLIGHT THEATER

This is what God told me at night and I put it on my cell phone:

*I am the God of ordinary miracles
I put My hand upon you and gave you this book
I walk with you
I talk with you
I reason with you
I protect you
I created you - Psalm 139
I tell you what to do
I tell you what to think
I am your Friend
I gave you the trees, the grass, the sun, moon and stars
I gave you the air you breathe
I answer you when you call to Me
I help you find Me when you seek Me
When you are in trouble I help you
I give you legs to walk and eyes to see and ears to hear
I give you a heart to understand
I show you the way to go, to walk
I give you creative plans (like I did for David for the temple)
I give you sleep
I wake you up
I give you gifts - good gifts and perfect gifts
I am with you all the time and wherever you go, even in old age*

*(Where can I go from your presence?
On the other side of the ocean You are there.
What is man that You should do all this for him?)*

*Love is an attitude first and then an action. Out of the attitude comes the action
(obedience, listening, gratefulness, worship)*

*This is your "starlight theater." You come here at night and sit under My portal and watch
to see what I show you. You don't mind missing your sleep because we are creating
together.*

I AM THE LORD WHO WILL DO ALL THAT I PLEASE AND PURPOSE

It is My way. I will do all that I will, and please, and purpose. I tell you this in My Word, and it is true. My way will stand. It will be accomplished. Not man's will, or the devil's will, but My will.

I want you to understand that, and agree with Me about that. It is important. I know what I am doing, and you don't. So accept My way as best and right and good.

I say: My purpose will stand, and I will do all that I please. (Isaiah 46:10)

For it is God who works in you to will and to act according to his good purpose. (Philippians 2:13)

What I have said, that will I bring about; what I have planned that will I do. (Isaiah 46:11)

And by your will they were created. (Revelation 4:11)

Yet it was the Lord's will to crush him and cause him to suffer, and though the Lord makes his life a guilt offering, he will see his offspring and prolong his days, and the will of the Lord will prosper in his hand. (Isaiah 53:10)

The angel answered, "I am Gabriel. I stand in the presence of God, and I have been sent to speak to you and to tell you this good news. And now you will be silent and not able to speak until the day this happens, because you did not believe my words, which will come true at their proper time. (Luke 1:21-22)

The decision is announced by messengers, the holy ones declare the verdict, so that the living may know that the Most High is sovereign over the kingdoms of men and gives them to anyone he wishes and sets over them the lowliest of men. (Daniel 4:17)

All the peoples of the earth are regarded as nothing. He does as he pleases with the powers of heaven and the peoples of the earth. No one can hold back his hand or say to him: "What have you done?" (Daniel 4:35)

One of you will say to me: "Then why does God still blame us? For who resists his will?" But who are you, O man, to talk back to God? Shall what is formed say to him who formed it, "Why did you make me like this?" Does not the potter have the right to make out of the same lump of clay some pottery for noble purposes and some for common use? (Romans 9:19-21)

For he chose us in him before the creation of the world to be holy and blameless in his sight. In love he predestined us to be adopted as his sons through Jesus Christ, in accordance with his pleasure and will. (Ephesians 1:5)

He chose to give us birth through the word of truth, that we might be a kind of firstfruits of all he created. (James 1:18)

You do not even know what will happen tomorrow. What is your life? You are a mist that appears for a little while and then vanishes. Instead, you ought to say, "If it is the Lord's will, we will live and do this or that." (James 4:14-15)

Your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as it is in heaven. (Matthew 6:10)

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PLANTING MY WORD AND KINGDOM ON THE INTERNET

Believe Me, there are many who have been planting My word and My kingdom on the internet, just like you have. It is on YouTube and in many places/web sights. I have been preparing them, through My people, for what's coming.

Beth is part of that preparation as she works with your books and website and gives out cards with that information to others. She is spreading My word and My kingdom for Me. I am propelling her to do that. It is My work and My guidance she is following. And it is GOOD.

I've been spreading My kingdom, and spreading My kingdom, and spreading My kingdom, and getting ready for this great "bursting forth" you call the great harvest.

She will get to experience this great harvest and you will know of it from heaven's perspective - but you both will participate in the ways I have used each of you. And this is for MF too. He will be a major part of this great harvest. That is what I have been strengthening him for and preparing him for. He will perceive this more later.

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I AM THE LORD WHO REWARDS YOU FOR OVERCOMING

Rest in the Lord, and wait patiently for him...Those that wait upon the Lord, they shall inherit the earth. (Psalm 37:7, 9)

The Holy Spirit says I have now “inherited the earth.” He says that the manifestation of what that means is a process, which has now begun. I will see it come into being gradually as this process continues. It means that through waiting on the Lord and trusting in Him, a process of “overcoming” has taken place.

I’m being led to write down here the fruits or consequences of overcoming as mentioned in Revelation.

Consequences of Overcoming

Eat from the tree of life

To him who overcomes, I will give the right to eat from the tree of life, which is in the paradise of God. (Revelation 2:7)

On each side of the river stood the tree of life, bearing twelve crops of fruit, yielding its fruit every month. And the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. (Revelation 22:2)

The fruit of the Spirit = love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self control. Leaves = healing. He has said He will use me for healing.

Blessed are those who wash their robes, that they may have the right to the tree of life and may go through the gates into the city. (Revelation 22:14)

Not be hurt by the second death

He who overcomes will not be hurt at all by the second death. (Revelation 2:11b)

Hidden manna, white stone with a new name

To him who overcomes, I will give some of the hidden manna. I will also give him a white stone with a new name written on it, known only to him who receives it. (Revelation 2:17)

Manna = Jesus, the Bread of Life (John 6:49-51). Hidden = only overcomers get to know. He says you will become like what you eat from, what you look at, and what you behold. Eat from the manna of Jesus and become like Him. Jesus is Life, so eating from this tree gives me Him, His Life. The new name is what I will be - as He created me to be.

Authority, morning star

To him who overcomes and does my will to the end, I will give authority over the nations--just as I have received authority from my Father. I will also give him the morning star. (Revelation 2:26-28)

I will give you authority in the kingdom because you are an overcomer, and I will give you understanding about that authority. The Morning Star is Myself. I give you Myself! And that Star is brightly shining - so you will shine brightly in My kingdom - you already do.

Dressed in white, name in book of life, acknowledged before Father and angels

He who overcomes will, like them, be dressed in white. I will never blot out his name from the book of life, and will acknowledge his name before my Father and his angels. (Revelation 3:5)

Pillar, God's name on me, name of His city on me, Jesus' new name on me

Him who overcomes I will make a pillar in the temple of my God. Never again will he leave it. I will write on him the name of my God and the name of the city of my God, the new Jerusalem, which is coming down out of heaven from my God; and I will also write on him my new name. (Revelation 3:12)

Sit with Jesus on His throne

To him who overcomes, I will give the right to sit with me on my throne, just as I overcame and sat down with my Father on his throne. (Revelation 3:21)

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YOM KIPPUR

Yesterday I flipped on the TV and found it was on TBN. The speaker was a Jewish man who was teaching about Yom Kippur, so I wanted to hear what he taught. When he said it would begin the evening of the 11th at sundown and go through until sundown on the 12th, those numbers were displayed on the screen. I looked at the 11 number and recalled that this would happen on October 11, or 10-11 (2016). Then it hit me that I had had that set of numbers come to me as significant numbers some time back and had recorded it in my journal.

So I told MF about Yom Kippur and how the trumpets are blowing now during Rosh Hashanah to alert us to these 10 days of "Awe" coming which lead up to the Day of Atonement (Yom Kippur). That is the day the High Priest went into the Holy of Holies once a year and placed the blood of the sacrifice on the mercy seat to cover the sins of the people for another year. It was the foreshadowing of Jesus' sacrifice and Jesus taking His own blood and putting it on the mercy seat in the tabernacle in heaven - to free us from our sins.

I AM THE LORD WHO CALLS YOU TO BE PATIENT

You must have patience, Joan, in order to follow Me rightly and correctly. You do not know My timing and you do not know what is best for you. But I do. I will keep you in perfect peace if you keep your mind fixed on Me. When your mind is fixed on Me, then you will be patient. I am your patience, just as I am everything you need.

Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast. It is not proud. It is not rude, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres. Love never fails. (1 Corinthians 13:4-8)

A man's wisdom gives him patience; it is to his glory to overlook an offense. (Proverbs 19:11)

As a prisoner for the Lord, then, I urge you to live a life worthy of the calling you have received. Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love. (Ephesians 4:1-2)

Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience. Bear with each other and forgive whatever grievances you may have against one another. Forgive as the Lord forgave you. And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity. (Colossians 3:12-14)

As servants of God we commend ourselves in every way: in great endurance; in troubles, hardships and distresses; in beatings, imprisonments and riots; in hard work, sleepless nights and hunger; in purity, understanding, patience and kindness; in the Holy Spirit and in sincere love. (2 Corinthians 6:6)

The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law. Those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the sinful nature with its passions and desires. (Galatians 5:22-24)

We pray this in order that you may live a life worthy of the Lord and may please him in every way: bearing fruit in every good work, growing in the knowledge of God; being strengthened with all power according to his glorious might so that you may have great endurance and patience. (Colossians 1:10-11)

**A hot-tempered man stirs up dissension, but a patient man calms a quarrel.
(Proverbs 15:18)**

Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer. (Romans 12:12)

We urge you, brothers, warn those who are idle, encourage the timid, help the weak, be patient with everyone. Make sure that nobody pays back wrong for wrong, but always try to be kind to each other and to everyone else. (1 Thessalonians 5:14-15)

I waited patiently for the Lord; he turned to me and heard my cry. He lifted me out of the slimy pit, out of the mud and mire; he set my feet on a rock and gave me a firm place to stand. He put a new song in my mouth, a hymn of praise to our God. Many will see and fear and put their trust in the Lord. (Psalm 40:1-3)

Hope that is seen is no hope at all. Who hopes for what he already has? But if we hope for what we do not yet have, we wait for it patiently. (Romans 8:25)

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I TRUST IN YOU TO DELIVER ME, LORD

This is the song going over and over in my head this morning. It is from Handel's *Messiah*. In this oratorio it is sung by the low men's voices.

He trusted in Him that He
Would deliver him.
Let Him deliver him.
Let him delight in Him.

I am trusting in You, dear Lord, to deliver me from this earthly body into the glorious body You have prepared for me in heaven with You. And take me to be with You in heaven at the perfect time You have set for that. You know the exact number of my days on earth. It says so in the Bible...I think in Psalm 139.

All the days ordained for me were written in your book before one of them came to be. (Psalm 139:16)

For I have come down from heaven not to do my will, but to do the will of him who sent me. And this is the will of him who sent me, that I shall lose none of all that he has given me, but raise them up at the last day. For my Father's will is that everyone who looks to the Son and believes in him shall have eternal life, and I will raise him up at the last day. (John 6: 38-40)

In my Father's house are many rooms; if it were not so, I would have told you. I am going there to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am. (John 14:2)

Instead, they were longing for a better country--a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God, for he has prepared a city for them. (Hebrews 11:16)

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I AM A MIGHTY WARRIOR AND CAPTAIN OF THE HOSTS

I am a Mighty Warrior, Joan. I fight. I fight justly. I fight rightly. I always win.

I am also Captain of the Hosts. I lead them in all they do. Learn from My Word about these topics.

Now when Joshua was near Jericho, he looked up and saw a man standing in front of him with a drawn sword in his hand. Joshua went up to him and asked, "Are you for us or for our enemies?"

"Neither," he replied, "but as commander of the army (host) of the Lord I have now come." Then Joshua fell facedown to the ground in reverence and asked him, "What message does my Lord have for his servant?"

The commander of the Lord's army (host) replied, "Take off your sandals, for the place where you are standing is holy." And Joshua did so. (Joshua 5:13-15)

In the year that King Uzziah died I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up; and his train filled the temple. Above him stood the seraphim...and one called to another and said: "Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory." And I said: "Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts!" (Isaiah 6:1-3, 5)

And behold, God himself is with us for our captain. (2 Chronicles 13:12)

For it became him, for whom are all things, and by whom are all things, in bringing many sons into glory, to make the captain of their salvation perfect through sufferings. (Hebrews 2:10)

Ezra said: "Thou art the Lord, thou alone; thou hast made heaven, the heaven of heavens, with all their host, the earth and all that is on it, the seas and all

that is in them; and thou preservest all of them; and the host of heaven worships thee. (Nehemiah 9:6 KJV)

Micaiah continued, "Therefore hear the word of the Lord: I saw the Lord sitting on his throne with all the host of heaven standing around him on his right and on his left. (1 Kings 22:19)

Then David said to the Philistine, "You come to me with a sword and with a spear and with a javelin; but I come to you in the name of the Lord of hosts, the God of the armies of Israel, whom you have defied." (1 Samuel 17:45)

So the Lord of hosts will come down to fight upon Mount Zion and upon its hill. (Isaiah 31:4)

And he (Jacob) dreamed that there was a ladder set up on the earth, and the top of it reached to heaven; and behold, the angels of God were ascending and descending on it! And behold, the Lord stood above it and said, "I am the Lord, the God of Abraham your father and the God of Isaac." (Genesis 28:12-13)

He strove with the angel and prevailed, he wept and sought his favor, He met God at Bethel, and there God spoke with him - The Lord the God of hosts, the Lord is his name. (Hosea 12:4-5)

For who in the skies can be compared to the Lord? Who among the heavenly beings is like the Lord, a God feared in the council of the holy ones, great and terrible above all that are round about him? O Lord God of hosts, who is mighty as thou art, O Lord, with thy faithfulness round about thee? (Psalm 89:6-8)

And in that region there were shepherds out in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night. And an angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were filled with fear... And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying, "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace among men with whom he is pleased!" (Luke 2:8-9, 13-14)

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IN EVERYTHING GIVE THANKS

This is the day the Lord has made; I will rejoice and be glad in it. (Psalm 118:24)

Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, in everything give thanks for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus. (1 Thessalonians 5:16)

These are the scriptures I thought about after waking up this morning. I greeted Father, Jesus, and Holy Spirit and sat down to record what He might say to me.

Thank You for this day, Lord. Thank You for this day You have made. I am expecting great things from You this day - in my life, in B's life, and in MF's life.

I know you are My daughter, and I won't disappoint you. I already know what this day holds for you, and it is ALL good. I know what this day holds for MF, and it is ALL good. I know what this day holds for B, and it is ALL good. So you can rejoice in that.

Right now I want you to pray through your Daily Prayers portion that I show you, and we will go from there.

The Lord talked to me about how I will be one of those returning along with Him, riding white horses, when He comes back to rule and reign on the earth, and how this will begin when He takes authority over all the evil ones on the earth and destroys them. Then He will set up His ruler-ship in Jerusalem and we, His bride, will rule and reign with Him all over the earth.

He talked about how there will still be rebellion in some people's hearts even during His reign in the Millennium, as they will not want to give up their own wills for His will. And how that rebellion will be exposed and dealt with at the end of the Millennium.

Then He will destroy this current earth and create a New Heaven and New Earth where we will live in the New Jerusalem. Our New Jerusalem home (the place He has prepared for each of us who belong to Him) will be ours even during the Millennium, and we can go back and forth from the earth to there, but we will primarily be working on the earth during that time.

After the New Heaven and New Earth are created, He wouldn't say what we will be doing. I am not to know that at this time. That will come later.

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I AM THE LORD WHO WANTS YOU TO PERSEVERE

Perseverance is very important, Joan. Without it you cannot endure to the end. With it you can. I give you lots of tests in perseverance because it is so very important.

It means continuing on in spite of what you see and hear. It means standing on the truth, standing on My word.

Perseverance brings great rewards. So, persevere, My child. That is My word to you today.

You need to persevere so that when you have done the will of God, you will receive what he has promised. (Hebrews 10:36)

Not only so, but we also rejoice in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance; perseverance, character; and character, hope. And hope does not disappoint us, because God has poured out his love into our hearts by the Holy Spirit, whom he has given us. (Romans 5:3-4)

Love always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres. (1 Corinthians 13:7)

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)

Watch your life and doctrine closely. Persevere in them, because if you do, you will save both yourself and your hearers. (1 Timothy 4:16)

Consider it pure joy, my brothers, whenever you face trials of many kinds, because you know that the testing of your faith develops perseverance. Perseverance must finish its work so that you may be mature and complete, not lacking anything. (James 1:2-4)

For this very reason, make every effort to add to your faith goodness; and to goodness, knowledge; and to knowledge, self-control; and to self-control, perseverance; and to perseverance, godliness, and to godliness, brotherly kindness; and to brotherly kindness, love. For if you possess these qualities in increasing measure, they will keep you from being ineffective and unproductive in your knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. (2 Peter 1:5-8)

Blessed is the man who perseveres under trial, because when he has stood the test, he will receive the crown of life that God has promised to those who love him. (James 1:12)

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SEARCHING FOR THE PLACE WHERE MY TREASURE IS

I had a dream about losing my purse. I think that refers to losing my identity.

I talked with the Lord about this as I rested in bed before getting up. The thoughts that came to me were - that I have "lost" my identity with my family (since I haven't seen them for a long time - except J and E) and with my old friends in Columbia, and with my previous friends at CTC and OCF, and LWF.

They don't know who I am any more since I don't go places now except as absolutely necessary due to my age. And, I believe He is saying to me that that isn't a bad thing - losing my identity with the people on earth that I used to have identity with. It is part of preparing me to go on to heaven.

Purse = identity, losing your purse means losing or searching for your identity

As I read this meaning for purse in the dream symbol book, I felt my dream meant I am now searching for my new identity.

Purse also means treasure. I feel I am now searching for the place where my treasure is, which is in heaven.

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I AM THE LORD WHO CALLS YOU TO PRAISE

I am the Lord who calls you to praise, Joan, because praise brings great things into your life that you are unaware of. Praise changes you inside also, and sometimes that is very important.

Listen to the words of these Scriptures about praise and let them sink deeply into your heart and spirit.

Psalm 100

Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth. Worship the Lord with gladness; come before him with joyful songs. Know that the Lord is God. It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, the sheep of his pasture. Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name. For the Lord is good and his love endures forever; his faithfulness continues through all generations.

Psalm 9:1-2

I will praise you, O Lord, with all my heart; I will tell of all your wonders.

Psalm 29:1-2

Ascribe to the Lord, O mighty ones, ascribe to the Lord glory and strength. Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his name; worship the Lord in the splendor of his holiness.

Deuteronomy 10:17-21

For the Lord your God is God of gods and Lord of lords, the great God, mighty and awesome, who shows no partiality and accepts no bribes. He defends the cause of the fatherless and the widow, and loves the alien, giving him food and clothing. And you are to love those who are aliens, for you yourselves were aliens in Egypt. Fear the Lord your God and serve him. Hold fast to him and take your oaths in his name. He is your praise; he is your God, who performed for you those great and awesome wonders you saw with your own eyes.

Psalms 33:1-5

Sing joyfully to the Lord, you righteous; it is fitting for the upright to praise him. Praise the Lord with the harp; make music to him on the ten-stringed lyre. Sing to him a new song; play skillfully, and shout for joy. For the word of the Lord is right and true; he is faithful in all he does. The Lord loves righteousness and justice; the earth is full of his unfailing love.

Psalms 34:1, 3

I will extol the Lord at all times; his praise will always be on my lips...Glorify the Lord with me; let us exalt his name together.

Daniel 2:20-23

Praise be to the name of God for ever and ever; wisdom and power are his. He changes times and seasons; he sets up kings and deposes them. He gives wisdom to the wise and knowledge to the discerning. He reveals deep and hidden things; he knows what lies in darkness, and light dwells with him. I thank and praise you, O God of my fathers; you have made known to me what we asked of you, you have made known to us the dream of the king.

Psalms 95:1-7

Come, let us sing for joy to the Lord; let us shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation. Let us come before him with thanksgiving and extol him with music and song. For the Lord is the great God; the great King above all gods. In his hand are the depths of the earth, and the mountain peaks belong to him. The sea is his, for he made it, and his hands formed the dry land. Come, let us bow down in worship, let us kneel before the Lord our Maker; for he is our God and we are the people of his pasture, the flock under his care.

Habakkuk 3:3-4

His glory covered the heavens and his praise filled the earth. His splendor was like the sunrise; rays flashed from his hand, where his power was hidden.

Psalms 96:1-4

Sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the Lord, all the earth. Sing to the Lord, praise his name; proclaim his salvation day after day. Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous deeds among all peoples. For great is the Lord and most worthy of praise; he is to be feared above all gods.

Luke 1:46-50

And Mary said: My soul glorifies the Lord and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior, for he has been mindful of the humble state of his servant. From now on all generations will call me blessed, for the Mighty One has done great things for me - holy is his name.

Psalm 96:7-10

Ascribe to the Lord, O families of nations, ascribe to the Lord glory and strength. Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his name; bring an offering and come into his courts. Worship the Lord in the splendor of his holiness; tremble before him, all the earth. Say among the nations, "The Lord reigns." The world is firmly established, it cannot be moved; he will judge the peoples with equity.

Ephesians 1:3-6

Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in the heavenly realms with every spiritual blessing in Christ. For he chose us in him before the creation of the world to be holy and blameless in his sight. In love he predestined us to be adopted as his sons through Jesus Christ, in accordance with his pleasure and will - to the praise of his glorious grace, which he has freely given us in the One he loves.

Psalm 101:1

I will sing of your love and justice; to you, O Lord, I will sing praise.

Psalm 103:1-5

Praise the Lord, O my soul; all my inmost being, praise his holy name. Praise the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits - who forgives all your sins, and heals all your diseases, who redeems your life from the pit, and crowns you with love and compassion, who satisfies your desires with good things so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.

Luke 1:68-69

Praise be to the Lord, the God of Israel, because he has come and has redeemed his people. He has raised up a horn of salvation for us in the house of his servant David.

Psalm 104:33-34

I will sing to the Lord all my life; I will sing praise to my God as long as I live. May my meditation be pleasing to him, as I rejoice in the Lord.

Psalm 105:1-5

Give thanks to the Lord, call on his name; make known among the nations what he has done. Sing to him, sing praise to him; tell of all his wonderful acts. Glory in his holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice. Look

to the Lord and his strength; seek his face always. Remember the wonders he has done, his miracles, and the judgments he pronounced

1 Chronicles 16:23-29

Sing to the Lord, all the earth; proclaim his salvation day after day. Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous deeds among all peoples. For great is the Lord and most worthy of praise; he is to be feared above all gods. For all the gods of the nations are idols, but the Lord made the heavens. Splendor and majesty are before him; strength and joy in his dwelling place. Ascribe to the Lord, O families of nations, ascribe to the Lord glory and strength, ascribe to the Lord the glory due his name.

Ephesians 1:7-12

In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, in accordance with the riches of God's grace that he lavished on us with all wisdom and understanding. And he made known to us the mystery of his will according to his good pleasure, which he purposed in Christ, to be put into effect when the times will have reached their fulfillment - to bring all things in heaven and on earth together under one head, even Christ. In him we were also chosen, having been predestined according to the plan of him who works out everything in conformity with the purpose of his will, in order that we, who were the first to hope in Christ, might be for the praise of his glory.

Revelation 19:5-8

Then a voice came from the throne, saying: "Praise our God, all you his servants, you who fear him, both small and great!" Then I heard what sounded like a great multitude, like the roar of rushing waters and like loud peals of thunder, shouting: "Hallelujah! For our Lord God Almighty reigns. Let us rejoice and be glad and give him glory! For the wedding of the Lamb has come, and his bride has made herself ready. Fine linen, bright and clean, was given her to wear." (Fine linen stands for the righteous acts of the saints.)

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THE SEED

I wondered about my experience of accepting the Lord into my life around the age of 10 and making a public profession of faith on Palm Sunday, and being baptized on Easter Sunday.

The Lord began to talk to me about the "seed" He had implanted in me and how that seed grew and grew and how that helped cause my seeking time - mainly from the time when I returned from Japan, to the summer when I made a recommitment of my life to Jesus while at CFO camp.

Nothing else would have satisfied you, because My seed was in you. Even though the way L chose was presented to you over and over, it didn't satisfy you. And the way J chose and shared with you DID satisfy you.

That's because My seed was in you, and it was growing, and seeking to break forth into your life and bear fruit - from when you encountered ME at the CFO camp.

Yes, I met you there and revealed Myself to you there, and you immediately chose Me. You know why? Because I was what you had been looking for all your life up to that time. I matched what was already inside you, in your soul and in your spirit. And we matched perfectly together. So you "knew" that it was right and it was what you wanted and had been looking for. Therefore you gave up all other pursuits. You had found your "treasure."

And you helped put that seed, My seed, into K and B when you brought them up to know I existed and to believe in Me. They each have My seed in them, and (remember) I said I was not to lose even one of those the Father has given to Me. And Father has given Me K and B, and I will not lose either of them. That is My promise to you.

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I AM KING OF KINGS AND LORD OF LORDS

I am King of kings and Lord of lords. I am above all rulers on earth or in heaven. I am above all. That is what this means. So honor Me as the One who is above all.

God, the blessed and only Ruler, the King of kings and Lord of lords, who alone is immortal and who lives in unapproachable light, whom no one has seen or can see. To him be honor and might forever. (1 Timothy 6:15)

I saw the Lord seated on a throne, high and exalted, and the train of his robe filled the temple. Above him were seraphs...And they were calling to one another: "Holy, holy, holy is the Lord Almighty; the whole earth is full of his glory"...My eyes have seen the King, the Lord Almighty. (Isaiah 6:1-5)

The word is near you; it is in your mouth and in your heart, that is, the word of faith we are proclaiming: That if you confess with your mouth, "Jesus is Lord," and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. (Romans 10:8-9)

I tell you that no one who is speaking by the Spirit of God says, "Jesus be cursed," and no one can say, "Jesus is Lord," except by the Holy Spirit. (1 Corinthians 12:3)

Therefore God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. (Philippians 2:9)

They will make war against the Lamb, but the Lamb will overcome them because he is Lord of lords and King of kings - and with him will be his called, chosen, and faithful followers. (Revelation 17:14)

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DENYING MYSELF

The Lord has been talking to me about denying myself. Sometimes I get irritated by interruptions when I am in the middle of doing something, and I don't want to be disturbed. I then need to deal with my feelings about that.

So, He has been teaching me this idea: that while in this human body there is the tendency to be self-centered all the time. And to counter that, to overcome that, I must deny myself. He reminded me that He said this in Luke 9:23:

If anyone would come after me, he must deny himself, take up his cross daily, and follow me. (Luke 9:23)

He said that He DIDN'T say "forget yourself", as we can't very well do that. So He said "deny yourself" because that is what I must do to get past that "self" in me that wants its own way.

Then, after I deny what my "self" wants to do, I am to take up my cross daily. In this case, I believe my "cross" means the ministry the Lord has given me to do for and with others.

And, after this, I will be in the right position to follow Him. He also has been telling me to treat a person like Him (Jesus) whenever someone interrupts me.

Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did for me. (Matthew 25:40)

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FORTY

Today the Lord had me to finish preparing the new book He had me begin called: *About Aging And Leaving The Earth*. It was exciting to see that it ended with 40 segments in it, and 40 pages. He said that was not coincidence.

Forty was the number of days Jesus spent in the wilderness when He was tempted of the devil. Forty is the number of years the Israelites were in the wilderness before going into the Promised Land.

From the dream symbol book:

40 = Generation and completed rule, symbol of testing, trial, closing in victory or defeat

It is symbolic of my finished work now.

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IT IS A GOOD DAY

This is a new day, Joan, and it is a good day. Count on that. Believe in that. No matter what comes this day, believe it is good because I make it good. I work all things together for good to you because you are called according to My purpose and you love Me.

Forty, Joan. That is the number for completion of your trials and testing on the earth. That is the number of pages in yesterday's book you finished. It symbolizes the completion of your time and work on earth. I wanted you to notice this, and you did.

Thank you for loving Me, Joan. I will be with you throughout this whole day, even with people coming and going in your house.

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DAILY PRAYERS AND BIBLE READING

As I prayed through my Daily Prayers, He said to do that every day from now on as He leads me. I am to do that to start my Quiet Time. Today, as I came to the place where He says He wants me to be an intercessor as He leads me, He had me pray in tongues.

As I did, He reminded me of Maurice Sklar who says he reads a section of scripture over and over, about 50 times, and the Lord reveals many things to him as he does.

Then the Lord said He wants me to do that with the book of John which I am just about to begin reading daily. He said to read a chapter over several times (2-3 at least) until He tells me to stop. Then He will show me things that I might not have noticed or understood before from that chapter. I am to do 1 chapter a day like this. I read part of John chapter 1 today, in small sections.

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A NEW IDENTITY

(A song)

Trust in the Lord with all your heart
And lean not on your own understanding
In all your ways acknowledge Him
And He will direct, will direct your path.

Seek ye first the kingdom of God
And His righteousness
And all these things will be added unto you
Hallelu, hallelujah.

Don't worry about losing your identity (as you have been dreaming about losing your purse many times). I have a place for you in heaven...a new identity. It is the perfect place for you. You will not desire more nor less. You will know it is just right and rejoice in that. You will not only have a new identity, you will have a new name, just as I said I would give overcomers.

Relax and enjoy this knowing. I am revealing it to you as a blessing over you. It is already declared here in heaven, and you will know and experience it shortly.

Remember the picture you saw of Me at CFO camp? I was blessing the people as they were worshipping Me, and I was looking at you and you were looking at Me. We bonded then; we came together in fellowship then, and I showed you a revelation - the angels along the wall holding trumpets. First the trumpets were low, then middle, then high.

You are now in the stage of the high trumpets, Joan. The trumpets of the Lord are blowing, blowing, blowing - hard. It is a time to look up, for I will return soon. That (vision picture) was in the 1970's or 80's. It is now about 40 years later. Forty is the number for completion of a testing or trial, and that is finishing now for you.

And you have been true to Me and loved Me and been obedient to Me and followed Me - all the days of your life. And I am pleased, and you must also be pleased. For it is GOOD.

WE HAVE A BUILDING FROM GOD

When I read this portion from the book *Streams In The Desert* by L. B. Cowman, I felt it fit my situation so well. I heard Him tell me to put it in my book *Encouraging Words* that I am working on now, and in my journal for today.

For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, an eternal house in heaven, not built by human hands. (2 Corinthians 5:1)

The owner of the house I have lived in for many years has notified me that he will do little or nothing to keep it in repair. He also advised me to be ready to move.

At first this was not very welcome news. In many respects the surrounding area is quite pleasant, and if not for the evidence of a somewhat declining condition, the house seems rather nice. Yet a closer look reveals that even a light wind causes it to shake and sway, and its foundation is not sufficient to make it secure. Therefore I am getting ready to move.

As I consider the move, it is strange how quickly my interest is transferred to my prospective new home in another country. I have been consulting maps and studying accounts of its inhabitants. And someone who has come from there to visit has told me that it is beautiful beyond description and that language is inadequate to fully describe what he heard while there. He said that in order to make an investment there, he has suffered the loss of everything he wanted here, yet rejoices in what others would call a sacrifice. Another person, whose love for me has been proved by the greatest possible test, now lives there. He has sent me several clusters of the most delicious grapes I have ever eaten, and after tasting them everything here tastes very bland.

Several times I have gone to the edge of the river that forms the boundary between here and there and have longed to be with those singing praises to the King on the other side. Many of my friends have moved across that river, but before leaving here they spoke of my following them later. I have seen the smile on their faces as they passed from my sight. So each time I am asked to make some new investment here, I now respond, "I am getting ready to move."

(*Streams In The Desert* by L. B. Cowman, p.406)

FELLOWSHIP TOGETHER

As I greeted Father, Son, and Holy Spirit this morning, the Holy Spirit began to talk to me. He said He was the Spirit of Father, and of Jesus, and that He was the SAME Spirit who was IN me, and in all who belonged to Father, and was WITH all who were yet to belong to Father.

He is the power of the Godhead. He is the Head and the Boss of me - of my body, soul, and spirit. He said we are all one with Father and Jesus and Him, as He is in all of us. He said that is why we all have fellowship together.

We proclaim to you what we have seen and heard, so that you also may have fellowship with us. And our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son, Jesus Christ. (1 John 1:3)

~ 80 ~

A BEAUTIFUL WORLD

I was prompted to go outside on the deck this morning and it was SUCH a beautiful day! The temperature was perfect, and the sky was glowing with pink clouds as the sun was just below the horizon. I could see three trees that had gorgeous fall leaves. And there were two people on a deck two houses west of ours who were also outside enjoying the weather. They waved at me and I waved at them. It was a precious time and moment. I felt such gratitude to God for that moment in time.

And that is why I got you up this early on a Saturday morning, Joan. I knew you would enjoy that precious moment in time when the sky was beautiful and the trees were beautiful, and the temperature was perfect. It was My timing. And My timing is perfect. I gave you a world to live in that has beautiful moments, and I gave you that moment this morning as a gift.

Thank You for the gift, Lord!

I like it when My children enjoy My gifts, and give Me credit for it, and thank Me. I really did create a beautiful world - I wouldn't do it any other way - and there are still beautiful times and moments available to enjoy. You do well to enjoy them with Me, for I AM there with you as you do that.

I noticed many birds up in the sky flying around so freely. I wondered what it must be like to have all that space to fly around in. It was like they like to get up in the morning and just fly around and exercise a bit to start their day.

~ 81 ~

SPIRIT BEARERS

(This quote is from James Goll's book *The Seer*, p. 40)

"There are some people who seem to have an anointing to catch that wind (Spirit) more than others....they may appear flighty or even slightly crazy, but they don't care because they are caught up in following the wind of the Holy Spirit in their lives...Through a love-walk with the Lord they practice the presence of Jesus. God uses these prophetic Spirit-bearers to release unusual manifestations of the Holy Spirit in the midst of a corporate people. There may be people falling in the Spirit, quaking, shaking, ecstatic speech, power encounters, or kingdom clashes of angelic and demonic warfare. Sometimes they will move in the realm of the angelic presence, even perhaps in a realm where they simply blow on people and an activity of God occurs....Spirit-bearers' main purpose is to be with Jesus and to get up in front of people and say, 'Come, Holy Spirit!'

~ 82 ~

SEATED AND STILL

Because of his great love for us, God, who is rich in mercy, made us alive with Christ even when we were dead in transgressions...And God raised us up with Christ and seated us with him in the heavenly realms in Christ Jesus. (Ephesians 2:4-6)

This is our rightful place - "Seated...with Him in the heavenly realms in Christ Jesus," yet seated and still. (Hannah Whitall Smith, Streams In The Desert, by L. B. Cowman, p 416)

~ 83 ~

DEEP LISTENING AND SHALLOW LISTENING

Today the Lord talked to me about listening. He said there is deep listening and there is shallow listening. I believe sometimes I am experiencing deep listening, especially during my quiet time where I set myself apart to listen carefully to Him. This is the time when I get the best and most accurate and quickest answers to questions I have.

I believe I have more shallow listening when I am doing other things, especially when listening to TV, and other things which capture my attention.

I want you to ask Me for DEEP listening each day as you come before Me in Quiet Time and in prayer. Put this in your daily prayer list. . Shallow listening is good, but deep listening is better.

~ 84 ~

A DREAM ABOUT FLYING LOW WITH EACH STEP

I had a dream in which I would take a step and then "fly" low, about a foot off the ground, for a long way. Then I would take another step, and do the same thing. That way I could cover a lot of distance in a short time with little effort.

That dream piece has stuck in my mind since I had it. Today I felt the Lord tell me it meant I could go a long way now in a short time and with little physical effort of my part - compared to what I used to be able to do. I believe He is referring to things spiritually and possibly in my writing and prayer life.

~ 85 ~

ANGELS

Today MF and I talked about angels, which he saw in a dream last night. I felt led to tell him the following story:

(Walking in the neighborhood)

I was out taking a walk around my neighborhood for exercise. As I neared my home this beautiful miniature collie, my favorite type of dog, came along beside me and ran along at my pace, accompanying me on my walk. I talked to him and he just trotted along happily. Two other dogs came near but didn't come any closer. Hmmm. I wondered about all this. This had never happened to me before in all my neighborhood walks, and didn't after that day...just this one time. The beautiful collie walked me all the way home. After going into my apartment, I watched out the front window and saw that he was sitting quietly on the front walk. Hmmm. What was this? Could this have been a gift sent from God to delight me and protect me during that particular time - protect me from a danger I wasn't even aware of? I have remembered this event for many years as one of *His Marvelous Deeds*. A most unusual event for me! Thank You, Lord.

Later, while I was resting, I felt the Lord wanted me to recall times when I may have been affected by an angel from Him. Then He had me write those times down to put in my journal:

(3 months old)

My aunt Fern was taking care of me while my family went on a vacation to Niagara Falls. She told me later, at the funeral dinner for my mom, about what happened during that time. She placed me on a table for bathing, thinking I was not yet able to roll over. But I did roll over and rolled off the table and fell to the floor. It must have frightened her terribly. I never knew of this event until she

mentioned it to me at the funeral dinner at West Creighton Christian Church. I knew I had a fear of heights, but didn't know why. This explained it. I realized as I pondered this that an angel must have helped me during that fall to keep me from breaking my neck, or back or something.

(As a child)

One day Mom, Bob and I were riding in our car along the highway. I was in the back seat. Somehow the car door jerked open and I must have had my hand on it because the wind caught the door and it started to pull me out. This was during the days before car doors opened in such a way so this couldn't happen. My brother Bob reached back from the front seat and caught a hold on me and held me until Mom got the car stopped. I could have been badly injured or killed. The Lord now shows me an angel helped keep me safe during that incident.

(With my sister)

My sister and I were involved in a car accident along the highway going from CFO camp to Ft. Wayne in which the car turned over, and hit a pole knocking wires down near the car. The Lord says His angel protected us at that time.

(Twin engine plane fire)

My husband and I were flying in a twin engine plane into Marion, IN to pick up our two daughters who had been staying with J and E. Our right engine caught on fire and conked out so we had to fly in carefully. We made it in to the airport without the rest of the plane catching on fire. I realized later that it was a blessing it didn't happen earlier over some city or countryside where there wasn't a good place to land, and we would be stuck there.

(Plane engine fire)

After a trip in a small plane my husband had the plane engine inspected and learned there had been a fire in it during the trip. The inspector said he didn't understand how we could have kept flying in that situation.

(Asleep flying)

My husband and I were flying late at night back to Columbia. We both fell asleep. Suddenly I awoke and realized we were sleeping. I woke him up and we discovered we had dropped 1000 ft. I believe an angel woke me up.

(Farmer)

On the day C H was born I drove an old car from Marion, IN, to New Haven. The engine overheated, and water spouted out along with steam, and the car stopped running. A farmer came to help me. He brought a new fan belt, and fixed it, along with adding water to the radiator. He wouldn't take any money for his help. Later I realized how he just showed up beside my car and realized he must have been an angel.

(Slipping off road)

When my husband and I wanted to fly to Columbia for his interview for a job there, I drove our two daughters to Marion to stay with J and E while we were gone. The weather was bad, and the roads became icy. On the return trip by myself, I lost control of my car on the slippery road and cried, "God, help me!" Then I closed my eyes and felt the car bump around and finally come to a stop. It had gone off the road, into a field, around a tree, and driven itself almost back up onto the ditch beside the road again, but got stuck there. I walked to a farmhouse and called AAA. They came and pulled me out and got me on my way back to Indianapolis. I knew I had not driven the car during that accident. An angel did.

(On trip back from Japan)

I had to return to the U. S. by myself from Tokyo, Japan. I flew to HI, stayed overnight with friends, then flew the next morning to LA. I had a lot of carry-on luggage with me and was carrying it in the LA airport when this kind man came up and helped me carry it. I was amazed at the kindness when I needed help so much and was so tired and stressed out from the trip. Later I believe the Lord showed me he was an angel sent by the Lord to help me.

(Driving to doctor with burning eye)

One day I accidentally put detergent drops in my eye thinking I had saline solution. It burned instantly and badly. I couldn't find anyone around my apartment area to help me, so I got into my car and drove to the hospital one handed while covering my eye with the other hand. The Lord informs me now that His angel was helping me steer that car while I drove through Indianapolis that day to the hospital.

(Riding with D and M)

My husband and I were riding in the back seat of the D and M's car. It was bad weather and slippery. The car went out of control and we slid turning completely around on the road. I prayed as we slid around on the road, thinking we might be hit at any moment. But we weren't, and eventually gained control of the car again. The Lord shows me today He was protecting us with His angels at that time.

~ 86 ~

CREATIVE IDEAS

The Lord keeps giving me good ideas - creative ideas. He is the Master of creative ideas. It is fun to see what new creative idea He gives me next. He even cares about such small things as which shoes or slippers to place where so they work out best for me. I so appreciate this from Him! Thank You, Lord!

I HAVE COME TO SEEK A WIFE - SHE'S THE JOY OF MY LIFE

When I woke up today the song that kept coming into my mind was Billy Boy. It has come to me many, many times and I have often wondered why. It didn't seem to apply in a spiritual way. Well, today the Lord explained how it DID apply to my life spiritually.

(A song)

Oh where have you been, Billy boy, Billy boy?
Oh where have you been, charming Billy?
I have been to seek a wife, she's the joy of my life.
She's a young thing and cannot leave her mother.

The Lord revealed to me that I can consider Him like Billy, and He has come to seek a wife (bride) who is the joy of His life. She is young and needs to be with her mother. Her mother is the one who created her and gave her birth and life - and that is God Himself.

So He has come to seek me, His bride, His wife, and I am the joy of His life - the joy that was set before Him. I need to be with the One who is my Mother, the One who created me and birthed me and gave me life.

So that song means He is seeking me!

And why am I seeking you, Joan. Ask Me.

Why are You seeking me, Lord?

I am seeking you so that I can turn your attention on Me, so that I can talk to you, and you can write down what I am saying to you.

- *You are the one I love.*
- *I came to seek you and save you.*
- *I came to give My life for you so I can have you for My very own, My bride, My wife.*
- *I came to declare My plans and purposes for you.*
- *I came to not only declare those plans and purposes, but to bring them about, to fulfill them.*

For you it is writing the words I give you. That is My plan and purpose for you, and you are doing it.

But part of My purpose for you is also to take these words out to others and use them to teach and bless others. And that is My part of our together plan.

I am doing My part. And I want you to KNOW that I am doing My part. You have been wondering about My part - whether what you are writing is really being read and used by others to minister to them. Yes it is. And I want you to know that, and believe that, and pursue that, and pray for that. Pray for that, Joan, daily as I remind you and lead you. Pray for that to help Me fulfill that prophetic word to you.

~ 88 ~

BIRTH PAINS

There will be famines and earthquakes in various places. All these are the beginning of birth pains. (Matthew 24:7-8)

There was a 6.9 earthquake in Japan yesterday. Jim Bakker talked on his TV show recently about 31 things the Lord showed him in 1999 that were coming. That included reference to the 2001 plane attacks on 9/11. He also mentioned there would be another great earthquake in Japan similar to the previous one with the great tsunami, and he mentioned next an earthquake in CA. So it makes me wonder if we will soon see an earthquake in CA and how that might affect the people there.

~ 89 ~

AN INNER NEED TO HEAR MUSIC

The Lord told me to put on music CD's this morning. I have been thinking about that a number of times lately. I think I just have an inner need to hear music that needs to be filled occasionally. I put on mostly CD's by Phil Coulter and Norman Luboff Choir singing folk songs of the south, west, and sea.

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THE GREATEST BLESSING IS THE LORD HIMSELF

Happy Thanksgiving Day, Joan. You have a LOT to be thankful for today.

Yes, I do, Lord. Thanks to YOU. I thank You for the abundant blessings You pour out on me every day of my life. And I thank You for the hope of life with You in heaven to come when it's time for me to leave this earth.

Yes, Joan, and this is all good. But the greatest blessing is Me. My presence with you every day providing redemption and salvation every day. THAT is the greatest blessing.

I agree, Lord. Thank You for so great a redemption and salvation!

~ 91 ~

A DREAM ABOUT BEING THE LAST IN LINE TO EAT

In the dream several of us were at this big conference. We were walking to where we could get into line for eating dinner. We could see a long line but couldn't see where the end of the line was. Then we discovered the end of the line after opening a door. We got at the end of that line and went through it to get our food. We realized eventually that we were the last ones - that no one else came to join that line.

Lord, what do this dream mean?

In the dream - being at the end of the line to receive food represents being the last among the people in the world to freely get food from what is openly provided and available. That refers to the last of the End Times people.

You realized in the dream that it had taken a long time for all the people to go through the food line and wanted to figure out how long it had taken.

Even so you had to search for the end of the line and open a door to find it. That represents the search for Me and finding Me and joining Me. It represents opening a door of revelation of Me and forming an intimate relationship with Me.

~ 92 ~

A DREAM ABOUT SPRAYING THE INSIDE OF OUR COATS

In this dream I was in a room with a group of women. We were to spray the inside of our coats with some spray we had. When we did, any bad places would turn to a spot which became blue, raised, and sort of fuzzy. That would make us aware of a place that needed cleansing.

Coat: covering: to cover someone's sin or to hide one's own sin. If dirty: To be clothed in unrighteousness or self righteousness. filthy garments: unsaved; walking in sin; trying to obtain right standing on one's own works

Blue: spiritual, blessing, healing

Spot: Flawed

Sprinkling: Washing for cleansing; consecrating; to be made pure

Women church

What this dream seems to me to be symbolizing is a group of women (the church), taking off their coats (that which covers them and hides things hidden under it), sprinkling it inside with Jesus' blood (the only thing that really cleanses us), and having it turn spiritually clean, blue, heavenly.

Lord, was this dream from You?

Yes.

What does it mean?

It means I am uncovering and cleansing what has previously been hidden in the church, and making it heavenly, cleansed, and pure...so it will be without spot or wrinkle.

~ 93 ~

ABIDING

(Quote from *Drawing Near* by John Bevere, p. 122)

It is so important that we understand there is a difference between His abiding presence and His presence that accompanies ministry.

This is what the Spirit spoke to me about this quote/idea:

It's My abiding presence you will minister through, and not my gifting presence.

That's why I told you in 2000 to develop intimacy with Me. It was and is My plan to minister through you to others through My abiding (all the time) presence.

That's why I tell you your mornings are to be Mine - to keep this abiding fresh and new and renewed day by day.

It's in My abiding presence you will go forth, in the mealtimes and afternoons and evenings. This will be a great experiment and experience for you - something different than you've done before.

~ 94 ~

A HEART ONLY HOUSE

In my dream I saw a round house, red brick, standing up on its side like a Ferris wheel. I knew it represented a spiritual house even though it was in that position and even though I didn't see any doors or windows or roof, just a round circle of red brick.

The round house DOES represent a spiritual house/home, Joan. It is the picture of the place where you live spiritually even though naturally you live in your current house.

It is red brick in the dream because that shows it is the most fortified and long lasting house you can picture. It has no windows or doors because no one and nothing can enter it from outside.

It can only be entered from INSIDE - from the heart, not the soul. It is an assurance that such a place exists for you and someday you will come and live in that spiritual house - with Me. It is a "heart only" house.

~ 95 ~

THE BOOKS

In a dream I was carrying around a baby, but it was old enough to hold its head upright as I carried it around in my arms, and it could recognize when we came toward its home.

The baby represents your books that you are carrying around all the time. They are seen as awake, aware, and recognizing their "home" - which represents the place they are supposed to be and stay and live.

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A DREAM ABOUT BEAUTIFUL CLOTHES TO WEAR

In a dream last night I was in a room with a number of other women. We were looking through shelves and tables of beautiful clothes, dresses, made of lovely fabrics with designs, flowers, and shining places on them. I was pulling out a number of pretty things to take home with me and try them out to see if they fit or could be adapted to wear. They were much, much prettier than things I usually wear.

Clothing: anointing, mantle, what going to be doing, covering: righteousness, spirit (attitude), clean covering of right standing in Christ; garment signifies various things the Lord is clothed in and thus provides for us;

You are trying out various things I have provided for you to see what fits you.

You are delighting in new things I am doing for you and in you.

You are enjoying trying new things and wondering where you are to wear those new things.

The "where" you will wear these delightful new clothes represents your coming trip to heaven and the delightful variety and abundance provided for you there.

The "women" represent the church.

~ 97 ~

IN MY HEART THERE RINGS A MELODY

In the dream, as I looked for a seat, I went to a single seat available and sat down. It turned out to be right beside the music leader. She seemed to be trying to find one more song to lead us in singing. I suggested she might want to ask for a favorite song of the people there. Then I thought of the favorite song I would offer as a suggestion. It was the song "In my heart there rings a melody". I woke up with that song going through my head over and over.

What do You say about this dream, Lord?

I want to tell you that the dream WAS from Me. And the main idea is letting Me lead the way to wherever you are going, and letting me teach you the new things you need to know. AND you are to keep singing whatever song I give you - of love.

(song)

I have a song that Jesus gave me
It was sent from heaven above
There never was a sweeter melody
It's a melody of love.

In my heart there rings a melody
There rings a melody of heaven's harmony
In my heart there rings a melody
There rings a melody of love.

~ 98 ~

YOU GAVE UP ALL TO PURCHASE ME, AND I GAVE UP ALL TO PURCHASE YOU

This is something I put in *Encouraging Words Book 8* yesterday, which I am asking the Lord to explain more to me today:

Today the Spirit showed me that previous to the time around 1971 (when He told me to go to CFO camp where I made a deeper commitment to Him), I was not a "full" Christian. He called me an "immature Christian," or a "baby Christian." Until that time I was not fully committed to Him.

I was intrigued by it, but I was also intrigued by other things. Therefore I made decisions regarding my relationships that I would not have made later when I became a full Christian. Somewhere along that spiritual journey I became born again by the Spirit. But previous to that time I was still being drawn and led by the Spirit into seeking Him, the Truth.

As I read this I wondered if I would have gone to heaven if I had died as a child after making my profession of faith about the age of 10.

The answer is yes, Joan. Because you believed in Me and spoke with your mouth telling others of your belief.

Whoever believes in him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe stands condemned already because he has not believed in the name of God's one and only Son. (John 3:18)

I tell you the truth, whoever hears my word and believes him who sent me has eternal life and will not be condemned; he has crossed over from death to life. (John 5:24)

If you confess with your mouth, "Jesus is Lord," and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified and it is with your mouth that you confess and are saved. (Romans 10:9-10)

Just as Moses lifted up the snake in the desert, so the Son of Man must be lifted up, that everyone who believes in him may have eternal life. (John 3:14)

Is being "born again of the Spirit" different than "believing in You, Jesus"?

Yes. Nicodemus believed in Me, but he wasn't born again of the Spirit. (John 3:1-21)

I tell you the truth, no one can see the kingdom of God unless he is born again. (John 3:3)

I tell you the truth, no one can enter the kingdom of God unless he is born of water and the Spirit. (John 3:5)

Flesh gives birth to flesh, but the Spirit gives birth to spirit. (John 3:6)

The wind blows wherever it pleases. You hear its sound, but you cannot tell where it comes from or where it is going. So it is with everyone born of the Spirit. (John 3:8)

But when the kindness and love of God our Savior appeared, he saved us, not because of righteous things we had done, but because of his mercy. He saved us through the washing of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit, whom he poured out on us generously through Jesus Christ our Savior, so that, having been justified by his grace, we might become heirs having the hope of eternal life. (Titus 3:4-7)

He chose to give us birth through the word of truth, that we might be a kind of firstfruits of all he created. (James 1:18)

For you have been born again, not of perishable seed, but of imperishable, through the living and enduring word of God. (1 Peter 1:23)

But thanks be to God that, though you used to be slaves to sin, you wholeheartedly obeyed the form of teaching to which you were entrusted. You have been set free from sin and have become slaves to righteousness. (Romans 6:17-18)

Fruits of:

Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has gone, the new has come! (2 Corinthians 5:17)

We were therefore buried with him through baptism into death in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life.

If we have been united with him like this in his death, we will certainly also be united with him in his resurrection. For we know that our old self was crucified

with him so that the body of sin might be done away with, that we should no longer be slaves to sin - because anyone who has died has been freed from sin.

Now if we died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. For we know that since Christ was raised from the dead, he cannot die again; death no longer has mastery over him. The death he died, he died to sin once for all, but the life he lives, he lives to God.

In the same way, count yourselves dead to sin but alive to God in Christ Jesus. (Romans 6:4-11)

No one who is born of God will continue to sin, because God's seed remains in him; he cannot go on sinning, because he has been born of God. This is how we know who the children of God are and who the children of the devil are: Anyone who does not do what is right is not a child of God, nor is anyone who does not love his brother. (1 John 3:9, 10)

If you know that he is righteous, you know that everyone who does what is right has been born of him. (1 John 2:29)

For everyone born of God overcomes the world. This is the victory that has overcome the world, even our faith. Who is it that overcomes the world? Only he who believes that Jesus is the Son of God. (1 John 5:4-5)

Children/babes

Brothers, I could not address you as spiritual but as worldly - mere infants in Christ. I gave you milk, not solid food, for you were not yet ready for it. (1 Corinthians 3:1-2)

In fact, though by this time you ought to be teachers, you need someone to teach you the elementary truths of God's word all over again. Anyone who lives on milk, being still an infant, is not acquainted with the teaching about righteousness. But solid food is for the mature, who by constant use have trained themselves to distinguish good from evil. (Hebrews 5:12-14)

Like newborn babies, crave pure spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow up in your salvation, now that you have tasted that the Lord is good. (1 Peter 2:2)

There are lots of people who believe in Me, that I existed, was born as a baby in Bethlehem, and lived life on earth, but have not made a confession of that belief, and have not chosen to give their lives to Me. They did not ask Me to be their Savior or Lord. They therefore do not have My seed in them

You see, you could have heard that message over and over when you were a child at church and still never made the decision to ask Me to come into your life and be your Savior and Lord. But you did that, and I became that - but the Lordship part came later in your life - at the CFO camp time.

Then there are people who have made a confession of faith in Me and have accepted Me as their Savior, but have not made Me Lord of their lives so that I have the first say or first place in their thinking. That is where you were after you confessed Me as your Savior as a child. You always believed in Me, but you didn't know My Word. You had My seed in you, and therefore you grew up eventually into Me and let Me become Lord of your life - a little at a time.

You were "born again of My Spirit" when you gave your life to Me at CFO camp. Previous to that you had My Spirit in you, inside of you, because you belonged to Me. But to be "born again" you needed to make a life commitment to let Me rule and reign in your life - and you started that commitment at CFO camp. Therefore I led you to be re-baptized. It was the start of a new life in you - My life, even though you had My seed in you previous to that. Your born again life was a lifelong process including all of this.

You couldn't "see" My kingdom until you were born again. "Entering My kingdom" came along with "seeing My kingdom" when you were born again. Previous to that you knew there was such a thing but didn't seek it or adhere to it. I put the "seeking" inside of you with My seed in you, and I brought about that seeking at just the right time in your life. It was of My choosing.

The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field. When a man found it, he hid it again, and then in his joy went and sold all he had and bought that field. (Matthew 13:44)

And you found that treasure in 1971 through the books you read and the tapes you listened to. You asked Me what to do about it, and I told you to go to CFO camp. I knew that was one thing you could do to follow Me and be away from home. It would be ok.

Then, you made a complete commitment to Me at CFO and gained more of My Kingdom. From then on you have kept gaining more and more of My Kingdom...first by putting Me ahead of your husband, then your finances, and then even your children. It has been first in your life ever since then in 1971.

I am now your everything...your all in all. You "sold all that you had" and "bought that field." I am that field. I am the Kingdom of Heaven, Joan.

You gave up all to purchase Me, and I gave up all to purchase you.

~ 99 ~

WATCHING

This scripture caught my attention because watching is part of my daily prayer list.

Be dressed ready for service and keep your lamps burning, like men waiting for their master to return from a wedding banquet, so that when he comes and knocks they can immediately open the door for him. It will be good for those servants whose master finds them watching when he comes. (Luke 12:35-37 NIV)

~ 100 ~

THANKING GOD BEFORE SEEING THE HEALING MANIFESTED

Things that caught my attention while watching Che Ahn speak:

He told about one time seeing a demonic spirit, almost like a monkey, which was wrapping itself around the head of someone with migraine headaches. He had to tell it to leave that person.

He told a testimony regarding TMJ healing he experienced. But previous to that healing he thanked God for that healing each time he looked at himself in the mirror - for a long period of time. Then, one day, the healing came.

It reminded me of the lady who went through a similar experience with getting healed from breast cancer. She thanked God for healing her for a long time before the healing was manifested.

~ 101 ~

BEAUTIFUL STAR

The Lord led me to put on Christmas music during my Quiet Time this morning. It is the first time to listen this season to the CD of the Century Men called "Beautiful Star" led by Beryl Red - my favorite Christmas CD. It is so delightful! I so enjoy listening to a good men's choir. And they ARE good!

~ 102 ~

NEW THINGS/SECRETS YOU HAVE NOT YET HEARD

The Lord guided me to stop reading the scriptures in the pattern I have been for years (a portion of OT, Psalms/Proverbs, NT, etc) and just read what He guides me to read. He wants me now to read

Isaiah only straight through. So I began that today. I was already reading in it so I read today in Isaiah 48. He highlighted verses for me to put here in my Quiet Time notes.

Now I will tell you new things, secrets you have not yet heard. They are brand new, not things from the past. (Isaiah 48: 6b NLT)

Yes I will tell you of things that are entirely new, things you never heard of before. (Isaiah 48:8 NLT)

I have refined you, but not as silver is refined. Rather, I have refined you in the furnace of suffering. (Isaiah 48:10 NLT)

~ 103 ~

MERRY CHRISTMAS, MY DAUGHTER

Merry Christmas, My daughter. Thank you for celebrating My birthday, no matter WHEN I was born.

Thank you for singing to Me the Christmas songs just special for this season of celebrating. I like seasons of celebrating - that's why I gave My people Israel several festival seasons to celebrate.

I like to celebrate too. Enjoy your day of celebrating with Me.

~ 104 ~

SIT HERE

(From *Streams In The Desert*, by L. B. Cowman, p. 496-497)

"Sit here while I go over there and pray."

Matthew 26:36

In the Garden of Gethsemane, eight of the eleven remaining disciples were left behind to do nothing. When Jesus went ahead to pray, Peter, James, and John went with Him to watch, but the rest sat down to wait...

Be still, dear soul - things are not what they seem! You are *not* excluded from any part of the Christian life. Do you believe that the garden of the Lord only has places for those who walk or those who stand? No! It also has a place set apart for those who are compelled to *sit*. Just as there

are three voices in a verb - active, passive, and neuter - there are three voices in Christ's verb "live." There are active people, who go straight to the battle, and struggle till the setting of the sun. There are passive people, who stand in the middle and simply report the progress of the fight. Yet there are also neuter people - those who can neither fight nor be spectators of the fight but must simply lie down and wait.

When this experience comes, do not think that you have been turned aside. Remember, it is *Christ himself* who says to you, "Sit here." *Your* place in the garden has *also* been set apart. God has selected it especially for you, and it is not simply a place of waiting. There are some lives He brings into this world neither to do great work nor to bear great burdens. Their job is simply to be - they are the neuter verbs, or the flowers in the garden that have no active mission. They have won no major victories and have never been honored with the best seats at a banquet.

However, *Jesus* is delighted by the sight of them, for through their mere fragrance and beauty, they have brought Him joy. And just their existence and the preservation of their loveliness in the valley has lifted the Master's heart. So you need not complain if you are one of these flowers!

~ 105 ~

SEVERAL "LAYERS" OF MEANINGS

(Excerpt from *Encouraging Words* book 9 #1)

I saw an 8 sided window and saw rain coming down on the outside of it.
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The window shows a revelation, the eight refers to a new beginning, and the rain refers to revival.

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Today, as I began writing Book 9 of *Encouraging Words*, I started out with this impression of the 8-sided window. At first I passed by the journal note of several years ago about this impression, but the Lord had me go back and copy it to put in this book 9 - and to copy it into today's journal.

*I want to talk to you about this, Joan. This is revelation about what is coming, and it is to encourage you, so put it in your book of Encouraging Words. Ponder what it means: a revelation about a new beginning and revival. I have more to say to you as you ponder this.*

The words from Him came today; they were not in the previous journal entry of several years ago. So I will ponder this and wait to see if He has more to say about it.

I have come to realize that the Lord may have several "layers" of meaning for a dream, vision, or impression from Him. I can seek Him for each layer (usually 3) of meaning.

I have learned there may be several "layers" of meanings for Bible scriptures too.

~ 106 ~

### I AM TO INITIATE; HE WILL RESPOND

**Come near to God and he will come near to you. (James 4:8)**

This morning as I sat waiting on the Lord for awhile, He impressed on me that if I wanted to be closer to Him, I was to "draw near to Him". He reminded me that His Word says that if I draw near to Him, He will draw near to me.

I am to initiate it. He will respond.

It means I am to take special "moments" throughout the day to quietly sit and wait on Him and "draw near to Him", and then He will draw near to me - something I want very much.

~ 107 ~

### LIES PRODUCE DISCORDANCE INSIDE OF YOU

As I saw "check out what you hear with Me" in my daily prayer list, the Lord began to reveal this to me:

*Check out what you hear with Me.*

*You will know when what you hear is not from Me. It will give you a check in your spirit. That check will feel like an uncertainty, like a hesitation to agree with it, like a holding back on accepting it. It will come with a feeling the opposite of peace, but unrest.*

*All things you hear are not for you to accept - because Satan is the father of lies, and there are many lies flying around in this world.*

*Lies are those things that are not the truth, and the truth is who I am, so lies are the opposite of truth. They are in discord with the truth. That discord is what you perceive when lies are spoken. It produces discordance inside of you and you perceive that as a check in your spirit. It is the opposite of peace.*

*What do you do with discord?*

- 1. You, first of all, **don't agree** with it.*
- 2. Secondly, you **rebuke it**.*
- 3. Thirdly, you **speak forth the truth** into the situation.*

~ 108 ~

### TELL YOUR STORY

(Quote from "A Voice In The Dark" *Mysterious Ways Magazine*, p. 24, by Jeff Cling)

Then, out of nowhere, I heard the softest, sweetest voice in my right ear, a voice I'd never heard before but yet sounded so familiar. "Jeff, the reason why you're here is because I want to talk to you."

"I want you to do three things," the voice continued. "Love me with all your heart and soul. Love everyone here on earth. And tell your story."

"Who's going to believe me?" I said. I wasn't sure I believed it.

"Just tell the story exactly the way it happened. I'll take care of how it affects people and who believes it."

That last line is what caught my attention, because I felt it also applied to me and my putting my writing on the web - telling of things the Lord has told me. The Lord has also told me He will take my writings to those whom He wants to read them.

~ 109 ~

### I NEED THEE EVERY HOUR

This is the song repeating over and over in my head when I got up this morning:

(A song)

I need Thee every hour  
Most gracious Lord  
No tender voice like Thine  
Can peace afford.  
I need Thee, oh, I need Thee  
Every hour I need Thee  
O bless me now, my Savior  
I come to Thee.

~ 110 ~

### NEW THINGS IN THIS NEW YEAR

It is absolutely amazing to me that it is 2017 and I am still alive on this earth. I surely did not expect to be here this long. I really expected to be raptured before this - but here I am. Thank You, Lord, for sustaining my life and health for all of my days and for my whole life. Thank You for a new year and all that You have planned for me for this new year. I expect it to be marvelous.

*I AM here, Joan, and I will ALWAYS be here for you - no matter how long you remain on the earth. You can count on that every day of your life.*

*There will be new things in this new year, things you know not of, but I know all about. I will walk with you through them all. This is to honor Me. Your daily walk along with Me is to honor Me. Every day of your life is to honor Me.*

~ 111 ~

### RETURN WITH SONGS OF JOY

This is a Scripture for this new year:

**He who goes out weeping, carrying seed to sow, will return with songs of joy, carrying sheaves with him. (Psalm 126:6 NIV)**

(A song)

There were twelve disciples Jesus called to help Him  
Simon Peter, Andrew, James, his brother John,  
Philip, Thomas, Matthew, James the son of Alphaeus,  
Thaddeus, Simon, Judas, and Bartholomew.

He has called us too, He has called us too  
We are His disciples; I am one, are you?  
He has called us too, He has called us too  
We are His disciples; We His work must do.

~ 112 ~

### PRAY UNTIL YOU BELIEVE GOD

I liked this from *Streams In The Desert* by L. B. Cowman, pg 5 today:

Pray until you believe God. Then you can thank Him.

~ 113 ~

### HE TOOK OUR PAIN

Recently the Lord has been drawing my attention to Isaiah 53:4-5 and helping me understand that *He took my sins, He took my iniquities, He took my sicknesses.*

Since He took them and was bruised and beaten for them, and He took ALL the punishment for them, then I am free from them - IF I UNDERSTAND THIS AND RECEIVE IT.

Isaiah 53:4-5 (NIV)

**Surely he took up our pain and bore our suffering, yet we considered him punished by God, stricken by him, and afflicted. But he was pierced for our transgressions, he was crushed for our iniquities; the punishment that brought us peace was on him, and by his wounds we are healed.**

Isaiah 53:4-5 (NLT)

**Yet it was our weaknesses he carried. It was our sorrows that weighed him down. And we thought his troubles were a punishment from God, a punishment for his own sins! But he was pierced for our rebellion, crushed for our sins. He was beaten so we could be whole. He was whipped so we could be healed.**

Isaiah 53:4-5 (RSV)

**Surely he has borne our griefs (sicknesses) and carried our sorrows (pains); yet we esteemed him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted. But he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities; upon him was the chastisement that made us whole, and with his stripes we are healed.**

~ 114 ~

### WORLD PRAYER CENTER

I went online to the WorldPrayerCenter.org and looked around their web site. I had heard of it, but had not explored it before. Chuck Pierce mentioned it in his book (*The Future War of the Church*).

He says:

(p. 27)

Another method God is raising up to maintain connections is through organizations like the World Prayer Center in Colorado Springs. The World Prayer Center uses state-of-the-art communications technology to both gather and disseminate information to praying people throughout the world on urgent matters that require immediate, fervent prayer. This is one way God is connecting the Body of Christ in order to secure the future harvest.

~ 115 ~

### **AN AVALANCHE OF HEALINGS**

I discovered the folder of mine called An Avalanche Of Healings, which I started writing previously, and looked at it today. Then the Lord had me write a record there of the healing of my right arm gradually over a couple of years time. He reminded me that an avalanche starts out very tiny and slowly, but gradually increases in size and speed - and to expect the healings to do that too. Here are some of those reports.

#### **THE HEALING OF L'S SON FROM PNEUMONIA**

On Easter Sunday morning during the worship service L went forward and gave this testimony. She said that her son got sick and was diagnosed with pneumonia. The doctor prescribed some medicine, but she didn't have the money to pay for that. So, she asked God to heal her son from the illness. Then she said, "Now he is fine!" She gave praise to God for the healing and thanked the congregation for helping and supporting her and praying for her.

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#### **E'S BACK WAS HEALED**

I went to the thrift store on 3<sup>rd</sup> Street today because the Lord guided me to do that. Just as I drove up and parked, E drove up right beside me. He asked me what was going on with me, and we walked into the store together. After chatting a bit, I asked him what was going on with him, and he said his back was healed. So, I asked him where it was healed, and he related that it was healed at the Heartland Healing Room. I think the Lord guided me to go to that particular store today just to hear about this from E so I could record the healing in this book.

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#### **B'S BACK WAS HEALED**

B gave a testimony at church on Sunday morning that her back was healed when K prayed for her at the healing meeting the previous Thursday evening.

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#### D'S NECK PAIN WAS SIGNIFICANTLY LOWERED

D gave the testimony at church on Sunday morning that in January his neck started hurting badly. He said he had been taking shots and pain killers for it. His back pain lowered significantly when prayed for at the healing meeting last Thursday night by K.

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#### C WAS HEALED IN FOUR PLACES IN HER BODY

C testified to Pastor that there were four different places in her body healed as she was prayed for by K last Thursday night at the healing meeting at church.

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#### S RECEIVED PEACE AND STRENGTH THROUGH PRAYER

S said she received impartation from prayer by K at the church healing prayer meeting, and also received peace and strength.

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#### K SHARED ABOUT ARTHRITIS PAIN DRASTICALLY REDUCED

On Sunday morning K participated in the worship service at church. She said that her arthritis pain went from a level of 10 to level 0 during worship time. She later told Pastor that she had been taking 8 strong pain pills each day. He told us that she said she took her last pain pill last Thursday.

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#### HEALING REPORT TO PASTOR ABOUT A FRIEND WHO VISITED CHURCH

Pastor said he had a praise report about a friend of his who visited church Sunday for the first time. That Sunday, after he had some people share about healing they received, his friend mentioned the need for some healing himself. He took him to L, who prayed for him.

His friend said that one of his two physical issues is better. It no longer hurts constantly and 'feels different'. He acknowledged that it must be getting better gradually. Pastor didn't know if he'd ever been taught about healing, so it was significant that he could recognize a gradual healing as still being a healing.

He also said that L picked up on his friend's need to forgive himself about something. He hadn't told her that he had struggled for a long time with (whatever it is) and didn't understand why he couldn't get past it. So, when L suggested that he forgive himself, that was the key. He said that he could already see a difference in how he looks at (whatever it is) and he seemed pleased.

Pastor said he is encouraged by his healing and thought we might be encouraged as well. He thinks it really helped his friend to hear testimonies about other healings, before going forward for prayer himself.

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### C TESTIFIES ABOUT PAIN IN HIS RIBS AND BACK

On Sunday morning C told us at church that the pain in his ribs and back had faded out as they prayed for him at church that day.

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### L CAN NOW DO DEEP KNEE BENDS

L told us she went to the IHOP (International House of Prayer) revival meeting during this last week. She went up close to the stage (where she said the anointing was heavier). She said God began doing things with her body, and soon she found she was doing deep knee bends. She had not been able to do deep knee bends, due to arthritis, for a long time. She demonstrated for us at church the knee bends she could now do.

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### N HEALING AFTER DEEP CUT IN HAND

N had cut her hand badly and came to church the week before with a bandage around it. They prayed for her, and it got gradually better and better so she could begin to bend her fingers. It still needs more healing, so they plan to continue the prayer, but it significantly improved.

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### G. RECEIVED HEALING PRAYER FOR MANY BODILY AILMENTS



After church today, G, who was visiting, mentioned to B about knee pain, so B offered to pray for her. Then she mentioned upper arm and shoulder pain and B prayed for that. V came up and sat down and took hold of G's feet and prayed for her ankles (although G hadn't mentioned needing that). Then E and T (T's first time there) joined the prayer group around G. Later C joined, and Pastor. Different people mentioned different things they felt led to pray for G. Pastor prayed a "father's blessing" over her and that especially touched her. Then she told us about having bi-polar disease, so we prayed for that. She was greatly blessed and said she had never had such an experience before!

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### A'S HEARTBEAT RETURNS TO NORMAL AFTER PRAYER

A gave a testimony of healing in the service. She told the story of what happened to her one day this last week. She said her heart suddenly started beating very, very hard and fast. She got up and went into her living room and told the Lord she really needed his help. She began to speak to her body and heart to beat rightly and normally in Jesus' name. She kept doing that until suddenly she said she could feel her heart return to normal beating. She told me later how she could really feel the change as her heartbeat changed back to normal. She told the Lord if she was to tell this testimony at church today, then Pastor was to be at the door when she came. And when she came to church this morning, there he was right at the door! So, she shared her testimony.

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### |C HAD A MIRACULOUS TURN AROUND

We heard that |C was to go into the hospital last Sunday due to complications from a recent auto accident. People at the church had been praying for her healing. Then we got this in the church newsletter on Tuesday of this week:

**|C had a miraculous turn around after prayer that her doctors cannot explain.**

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### L's HEALING OF HER TMJ

L shared this morning at church that her TMJ had been out of place, so she had a hard time chewing. She chewed mostly sideways. This seemed to have happened due to arthritis. So she was delightfully surprised when she felt something different one day when she started chewing. Then she realized that she was chewing rightly - up and down - and that her teeth were hitting together rightly!

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## S HEALED DURING WORSHIP

S gave testimony to something that took place during worship this morning. The Lord guided her to lie down on the floor, then He had her get up on her knees. She has had a knee so painful that she couldn't do that. But as He had her move around under His direction, she realized her knee was healed of the pain.

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## ○ WAS HEALED OF PAIN IN HER ARM

○ was prayed for today by the healing ministry team regarding pain she still had from having broken her arm. It had not thoroughly healed yet, and she couldn't do "signing" with that arm without pain. After prayer she said she could do that "signing" and there was no more pain.

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## J'S RIGHT ARM HEALED OF PAIN

J's right arm was quite painful to move, so it was difficult to do everyday activities without pain. She prayed for healing in that arm. Slowly but surely the pain receded, but gradually over a period of a couple of years. By now the pain is almost totally gone. It went from being on a pain level (on a scale of 10 being the highest level) from about level 7, to about level 1.

~ 116 ~

## HE TOOK THE PUNISHMENT THAT BROUGHT US PEACE

The Lord is teaching me day after day during this week that HE TOOK OUR SICKNESSES, INFIRMITIES, PAINS, TRANSGRESSIONS, AND INIQUITIES, and He took the punishment (that brought us peace) for all of them. And by His stripes we ARE healed because He already took the punishment for them.

So today He gave me the thought to "apply His stripes" to myself, Beth, and MF, just the same as I "apply His blood" to us. So I did that.

He had me read again all of Psalm 91 and Isaiah 53:4ff regarding what He did for us. It's a revelation I want to receive and understand more and more, and for the rest of my life on earth to apply it to us. Thank You, Lord, for this revelation!

~ 117 ~

### SECRETS OF THE KINGDOM

This morning the Lord was telling me that He reveals to me the secrets of the Kingdom. He says I know some of them and they appear in my writings, but not everybody knows them. I don't recognize that at times.

This morning He was talking about the secret or mystery of His taking the punishment for our sorrows, sicknesses, iniquities, and transgressions so we don't have to take those. We are to receive freedom from those, and the resulting healing from being free from those, by faith - just like we receive by faith His blood shed for the remission of our sins which frees us from paying the penalty of those sins and cancels them.

~ 118 ~

### WATCH

*A new day, a new week. What will you discover this week, Joan? I have surprises for you - and you will like them. Watch and see what these are. Plural. They. Multiple ones.*

*Oh, it will be a good week, so anticipate that. New things are coming - for sure - this week. I want them ALL recorded here in your journal. Watch.*

~ 119 ~

### A DREAM ABOUT SEEING TWO HUGE MOONS IN THE NORTH

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| In this dream I was at my childhood home looking out at the sky from the front yard. B was with me it seemed. I saw first a brilliant light display in the sky to the northeast. It was like a flash picture of what I can best describe as a window. Then I saw in the north two moons. They were huge! They were about 3-4x the size of the regular moon. They were lit up in yellow. I exclaimed |
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about there being TWO MOONS! I awoke having this song repeating over and over in my mind: "His power and glory evermore proclaim".

**Moon**--church: [symbol of light in darkness](#), sign of the Son of Man, the body of Christ; things that are eternal; God's faithfulness; [indication of end times](#), church shining in the darkness

**Light**: Unveiled or uncovered; no longer hidden; to show forth; the appearing of the Lord; leading of the Word. power of God, [manifest](#): revealed; exposed.

**Lightning**: empowerment, [God's grandness and glory](#); intense, sudden power; miracle that interrupts time; the judgment of God.

**Window**: [Revelation knowledge](#); heavenly favor; revealed or laid open; seeing truth; understanding; exposed; truth; avenue of blessing; blessings of heaven, openness, vision, lets light in

**Two**: Multiplication, division, testimony, or unity, judge, witnessing; separation; discernment; [dividing light and darkness](#); co-laboring with Holy Spirit, matter is firmly decided by God (Bible)

**North**: [Great power](#); exalted and majestic; where heaven is; [the throne of God](#), spiritual, judgment, Heaven or heavenly

**East**: beginning, birth, first, anticipate, light, [God's glory](#); the sun rising

**Song**: [His power and glory evermore proclaim](#)

*As you can see, Joan, this dream sequence is a visual picture of this:*

- 1. It is a revelation*
- 2. It is a revelation of God's grandness and glory*
- 3. It speaks of that grandness and glory being manifest*
- 4. This manifestation includes dividing light and darkness*
- 5. It is an indication of the end times*
- 6. It is being shown with great power from the throne of God*
- 7. It is to be proclaimed by those who belong to God eternally/evermore*
- 8. It is a vision of what's coming.*
- 9. It is imminent*

This really caught my attention today. It is especially interesting because B and I were reading this morning about how Jesus fed the 5000 from 5 loaves and 2 fish. And I told her how He takes something that is already there and multiplies it.

Then I read this today and realized it could even be stones that Jesus could turn into bread. I thought about how He could change metal rods surgically planted inside a person. I also thought about how He can change the implant in me into something else if and when He desires to do that.

*You see, I could have lived on earth without anyone giving Me food or water because I had the power to create it (like turning the water into wine and multiplying the bread and fish when I fed the 5000).*

*With that kind of supernatural power those who belong to Me during the tribulation will be able to live.*

*Remember that Satan knew this when he said that if I was the Son of God then I should turn that stone into bread. He knew I had the power to do that. But I didn't have to prove Myself to him.*

*What I have, My people will have in those final days of this age.*

*That's what it means by "eating from the tree of life." I am Life, and he who eats My body and drinks My blood is "eating from the tree of Life." That's why I have you take communion every day - to build up this fullness of Life/power in you.*

~ 121 ~

### **AS NATURALLY AS TO ANY HUMAN FRIEND**

As I read this today, I felt this man was describing a relationship with Jesus similar to mine, so I wanted to put it in today's journal.

*(Streams In the Desert, by L. B Cowman, p. 27)*

"One day I came to know Dr. John Douglas Adam," wrote Charles Gallandet Trumbull. "I learned he considered his greatest spiritual asset to be his *unwavering awareness of the actual presence of Jesus*. Nothing sustained him as much, he said, as the realization that Jesus was *always* actually present with him. This realization was totally independent of his own feelings, his worthiness, and his perceptions as to how Jesus would demonstrate His presence.

"Furthermore, he said Christ was the center of his thoughts. Whenever his mind was free from other matters, it would turn to Christ. Whenever he was alone, and no matter where he was, he would talk aloud to Christ as easily and as naturally as to any human friend. That is how very real Jesus' *actual presence* was to him."

## THE MOUNTAIN OF THE LORD

### A DREAM ABOUT SIGNING UP FOR THE GRAND TETON PROJECT

In my dream I was in a building like a school. I had in my hand a paper (which I had already signed) to sign up to be part of a project, which I called the "Teton" or "grand Teton" project. I was looking for a 3<sup>rd</sup> grade teacher to sign the paper, but I didn't know her name. I watched several teachers and was looking for the opportunity to ask which 3<sup>rd</sup> grade teacher was part of the Teton project. I think it referred to the Teton mountains.

**Mountain--exalted:** kingdom (nation), permanence, Great power and strength; place of protection; grandeur and glory; wholeness and solidity; [kingdom built by God](#); place of prophecy

*That is what you are part of, Joan, a kingdom built by God, God's kingdom. In this dream I call it the "Grand Teton" project. You have signed the paper to belong to that project, and you are looking for a (Godhead) 3rd grade teacher to sign it too. I (We) are that 3rd grade teacher.*

*What is the Grand Teton project? It is called the Mountain of the Lord in the Word. Look up those scriptures and see what they say.*

**In the last days the mountain of the Lord's temple will be established as chief among the mountains; it will be raised above the hills, and peoples will stream to it. Many nations will come and say, "Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of the God of Jacob. He will teach us his ways, so that we may walk in his paths." (Micah 4:1-2)**

*In the last days - did you see that? We are "in the last days" right now, and I am establishing My Mountain during these days. No matter WHAT it looks like or sounds like, that is what I am doing - right now - during your life span.*

*And you have signed up to be part of that project of establishing My Mountain. I want you to SEE THIS as you walk through the rest of your life - that you are working with Me to ESTABLISH the Mountain of the Lord with Me. I gave you this dream to show you this. From now on that is to be your paradigm. You will rule and reign with Me as I rule from the Mountain of the Lord.*

## THE PEOPLE WILL NOT KNOW HIS WAYS

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This scripture (Micah 4:1-2) indicates that in the "last days" the people will not know "his ways" and will need to learn them. They will need to be taught His ways so that they may walk in His paths. They will WANT to learn this; they will SEEK to learn this.

*Yes, Joan, and we are in these "last days" and there are many who don't know Me who are truly seeking to know Me during these days. You thought of this Scripture as taking place during the millennium, and it will.*

*But it applies secretly to many now who want to know Me, who live in places where they are not taught about Me as you were as a child and as an adult. There are many seeking Me in their hearts now, and I am reaching out to them and touching them with My presence...Especially to many in the Muslim world.*

~ 124 ~

## THEY ARE READY TO BE HARVESTED

While I was reading Jeremiah chapters 8-9 regarding the judgment of Israel, the Lord began to tell me about the wickedness in the world at the time of Noah's flood, and at this time in Israel's life when wickedness came into its fullness.

*It is time now to judge the whole world. The wickedness has matured, and the righteousness has matured. There are pockets of wickedness, pockets of righteousness, and pockets of in-betweens. They are ready to be harvested. It is time, My daughter. First, I will take out My Bride, and then I will glean off all those who belong to Me but are not My Bride.*

*My Bride people are the pure and spotless ones who are cleansed by My blood. They are ready to be harvested. The in-betweens are all those who think or say they belong to Me, but are not pure and spotless, and are not ready to go to heaven. They still have further cleansing to be done in them. This will now have to be done the hard way, through tribulation.*

## THE JUDGMENTS OF GOD

By Rick Joyner  
Week 38, 2011

One of the six basic doctrines of Christianity listed in **Hebrews 6:1-2** is “**eternal judgment**.” One very revealing factor that was illuminated by the responses from our West Coast prophecies were the teachings and comments some made about God’s judgment. It is hard not to question if some of these Christians, especially those in ministry, had actually ever studied the Scriptures on this important subject. This compelled me to start asking believers when was the last time they heard a sermon on God’s judgment, and to date I have not found a single one who remembers hearing even one sermon on this important and basic Christian doctrine.

I cannot remember the last time that I taught on this subject either. I did study it in some depth for about two years when I was a new believer. I have taught on it some in the past, but with the exception of a few references, I have not taught on this important subject in depth for more than twenty-five years. So I am not pointing fingers at others in this any more than I am considering myself guilty of overlooking this important matter too. However, I do have enough of a foundation to recognize how much, if not most, of what is being taught about God’s judgment is not biblical, but is sometimes in basic conflict with what the Bible reveals on it. Some comments or opinions I’ve heard lately were in direct conflict with even the teachings of Jesus Himself. That is revealing.

I was expecting some of this because of previous experience, but I think this time it has revealed a much deeper level of how far from sound biblical doctrine much of the church in America has received. It is true that “**the kindness of God leads to repentance**” (see **Romans 2:4**), and we never want to forget this. However, like the basis of many false teachings, if we take this one slice of a verse out of context we can be led astray by it, as many are. Understanding the judgments of God are crucial for understanding what God is doing, and even God Himself, so let’s care enough to read this in its whole context.

**Therefore you have no excuse, every one of you who passes judgment, for in that which you judge another, you condemn yourself; for you who judge practice the same things.**

**But we know that the judgment of God rightly falls upon those who practice such things.**

**And do you suppose this, O man, when you pass judgment upon those who practice such things and do the same *yourself*, that you will escape the judgment of God?**

**Or do you think lightly of the riches of His kindness and tolerance and patience, not knowing that the kindness of God leads you to repentance?**

**But because of your stubbornness and unrepentant heart you are storing up wrath for**



**yourself in the day of wrath and revelation of the righteous judgment of God, who WILL RENDER TO EVERY PERSON ACCORDING TO HIS DEEDS:**

**to those who by perseverance in doing good seek for glory and honor and immortality, eternal life;**

**but to those who are selfishly ambitious and do not obey the truth, but obey unrighteousness, wrath and indignation.**

***There will be* tribulation and distress for every soul of man who does evil, of the Jew first and also of the Greek, but glory and honor and peace to every man who does good, to the Jew first and also to the Greek.**

**For there is no partiality with God (Romans 2:1-11).**

It is the kindness of God that leads to repentance, but as we see here, if we do not repent because of His kindness we can surely expect wrath. The Jews who were in such pursuit of righteousness in those times were so sure that they were exempt from the wrath of God that they were recipients of some of the most intense. Their righteousness had become self-righteousness, which caused them to even persecute the Righteous One Himself. Even so, the Lord exclusively reached out to them for years before sending His apostles to the Gentiles. It was God's kindness that kept reaching out so that they would not have to endure His wrath, but a time came when wrath was inevitable.

It is in His kindness that He has been sending warnings to the U.S. that would cause the repentance so that His judgments will not have to come on us. This does not mean that His judgments will never come to all who do evil because it is made very clear in the Scriptures above.

The judgment of God has been coming upon America, and it will intensify if we do not recognize the evil that has been taking over and repent of it. We have already paid a terrible price for not hearing, and I for one pray for the grace to be as clear as possible about what is happening and why, so that it will not have to continue. It will continue without repentance and without revival and returning to the Lord. As the saying goes, "If you do not change your direction, you will end up where you are headed," and America is now headed for increasingly serious discipline. The disasters coming upon us are a message, and if we would listen they can be stopped.

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### **IT'S NOT FOR MAN TO DIRECT HIS STEPS**

**As the time approached for him to be taken up to heaven, Jesus resolutely set out for Jerusalem. (Luke 9:51)**

*I want you to set out resolutely to finish up your course set for you on this earth too, Joan.  
Will you do that? No matter what comes?*

Yes, Lord, I commit to do that...I will set out resolutely to finish up my course set for me on this earth - as You did, and as You enable me to.

*Ok, I will enable you to.*

**I know, O Lord, that a man's life is not his own; it's not for man to direct his steps. (Jeremiah 10:23)**

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### **I AM - A CHILD OF GOD**

Today I finished reading the book *Finding Friendship with God* by Floyd McClung (Executive Director of YWAM - Youth With A Mission). In the book he gives this list which we can read to remind ourselves who we really are.

***I am...***

1. I am a *child* of God (Rom. 8:16).
2. I am *redeemed* from the hand of the enemy (Psalm 107:2).
3. I am *forgiven* (Col. 1:13, 14).
4. I am *saved* by grace through faith (Eph. 2:8).
5. I am *justified* (Rom. 5:11).
6. I am *sanctified* (1 Cor. 5:17).
7. I am a *new creation* (2 Cor. 5:17).
8. I am a *partaker* of his divine nature (2 Peter 1:4).
9. I am *redeemed* from the curse of the law (Gal. 3:13).
10. I am *delivered* from the powers of darkness (Col. 1:13).
11. I am *led* by the Spirit of God (Rom. 8:14).
12. I am a *son or daughter* of God (Rom. 8:14).
13. I am *kept* under his wings wherever I go (Psalm 91:11).
14. I am *cared for* by Jesus (1 Peter 5:7).
15. I am *strong* in the Lord and the power of his might (Eph. 6:10).
16. I am *able* to do all things through Christ who strengthens me (Phil. 4:13).
17. I am an *heir* of God and a *joint heir* with Jesus (Rom. 8:17).
18. I am *empowered* to do all the Lord's commandments (Dt. 28:12).
19. I am *blessed* in my coming in and my going out (Dt. 28:6).
20. I am *blessed* with all spiritual blessings (Eph. 1:3).
21. I am *saved* by Jesus' wounds (1 Peter 2:24).
22. I am more than a *conqueror* (Rom. 8:37).
23. I am an *overcomer* by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of my testimony (Rev. 12:11).

- 24. I am *empowered* to cast down vain imaginations (2 Cor. 10:4-5).
- 25. I am *able* to bring every thought into captivity (2 Cor. 10:5).
- 26. I am being *transformed* by the renewing of my mind (Rom. 12:1,2).
- 27. I am a *co-laborer* together with God (1 Cor. 5:21).
- 28. I am *a friend of God* (John 15:15).

(*Finding Friendship With God*; Floyd McClung, Servant Publications, Ann Arbor, MI, 1992, pg. 111-112)

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### IN ME

**In returning [to Me] and rest [in Me] is your salvation; in quietness [in your mind and heart] and trust [in Me - with your mind and heart] is your strength. (Isaiah 30:15)**

**He who dwells [rests, lives and trusts] in the secret place [the shelter] of the Most High shall abide [rest and live] under the shadow of the Almighty. (Psalm 91:1)**

That's where I am - under the shadow of the Almighty.

*Yes, you are. Every day you are. And nothing can touch you there without My permission. So be in quietness and confidence/trust. Be in My strength.*

*Trust in Me, for I am ALL MIGHTY. I will quietly and confidently keep you protected under My wings, which means under My care. I am with you ALWAYS. ALWAYS. ALWAYS. This is My daily promise to you - I am with you ALWAYS.*

*Know this, and trust in this, and walk in this, My daughter, for you belong to Me. I love you and I care about you, and you are under My protection. Know this and feel this and think about it, ponder it, and trust in it - IN ME. There - that's My word to you today.*

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### GET READY AND WATCH FOR ME

As I was reading about the "Bay of the Holy Spirit Revival" I started speaking forth about how 2010 was such a significant year. I had really thought the Lord was coming during that year, on Rosh Hashanah, to take up His Bride to heaven in the Rapture. And I was saying that He delayed

that due to the prayers of His people asking for more time...so millions more could come to Him. And He did delay, and millions more did come to Him. Then He began to speak this to me:

*But I will delay no longer. It is time for Me to come and take up My Bride to heaven and continue My plan for My kingdom to come on earth as it is in heaven. Write this down. I will delay no longer. I will delay no longer. It is time for Me to return. The time is short.*

*Send forth My word to all the earth on the web. I will delay no longer. Get ready, get ready My people. I am coming for you very, very soon. Get ready and watch for Me. I am coming for you. I am coming for you. You are My joy and My crown. I look forward to this, and I want you to look forward to it too. Soon. Soon.*

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## SEVEN - THE NUMBER OF COMPLETION AND REST

I awoke with the words from this song going through my mind, and I knew He was calling me to come and be with Him - alone, "in the garden"...

(A song)

I come to the garden alone  
While the dew is still on the roses...

He said He wanted me to work on our books we are writing this whole day, knowing that it is Saturday, and Beth will be here, and there will be various times to interact with her.

At His prompting I put *Book 12 of Encouraging Words* on the flash drive which has my books on it, so Beth can put that on the web today. I started *Book 13* yesterday using material from my 2010 journals. 2010 seemed to be such a significant year! I am amazed as I re-read it to see how many references to the Lord's coming soon are in it. And this year, 2017 is 7 years later. That seems significant to me as 7 is the number of completion and rest.

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## BE TRANSFORMED BY THE RENEWING OF YOUR MIND

I was drawn to this Scripture to ponder:

**Therefore, I urge you brothers, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as living sacrifices, holy and pleasing to God - this is your spiritual act of worship.**

**Do not conform any longer to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is - his good, pleasing and perfect will. (Romans 12:1-2)**

He especially brought the thought to me to offer my body to Him as a living sacrifice, and be transformed by the renewing of my mind. Then I can discern what God's will is - and His will is good and pleasing (to Him and to me) and perfect.

The Lord Jesus said that He was interceding for me. He said that His will was the same as the Father's will. And He brought to my attention the scripture (1 John 5:14-15) that if I pray according to His will, I have what I ask of Him.

**This is the confidence we have in approaching God: that if we ask anything according to his will, he hears us. And if we know that he hears us - whatever we ask - we know that we have what we asked of him. (1 John 5:14-15)**

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## **PRIEST AND KING**

**You are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's special possession, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light. (1 Peter 2:9)**

**You have made them to be a kingdom and priests to serve our God, and they will reign on the earth. (Revelation 5:10)**

*You are a priest and a king, Joan, but primarily priest more than king. What I mean is you function/operate on earth primarily as a priest ministering to Me (and to others through Me through intercession). But you ARE both. And you DO have authority, which can be discerned (by those with discernment) when you speak. It is revealed in your voice.*

*In heaven this will all be uncovered/exposed/revealed to everyone around you because all people there will have discernment. Discernment is part of what you are when you are in heaven. Remember I said in My Word that everything will be exposed and uncovered. And that refers to the good as well as the bad.*

*When you hear from Me, I want you to know - that we are now co-mingled, together, we are one, I in you and you in Me. Therefore, what you "hear" from Me will be linked together by what you "hear" from you. As long as we are one, and your thoughts are aligned with My thoughts, they will come to you together as one thought.*

*But I know you want to know when you hear things that ARE NOT from Me, so I commit to showing you that. I will alert you to words or thoughts that are not from Me that may "seem like" they are from Me.*

*So just trust in Me for this "knowing". It is a "knowing" from My mind into your mind, from My thoughts into your thoughts. This will work as long as you keep yourself pure before Me as you do each morning in our communion time.*

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### THE GREAT SHAKING

(As I prayed "Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven").

*It is coming, Joan. It is coming more and more each day and each hour of each day. The world is going through shaking. You see some of it on the everyday news: floods, fires, tornadoes, ice storms, blizzards, airplane difficulties, riots, marches, protests. These are all shakings in America and in the world. They are especially bad in the Muslim countries with refugees seeking to leave due to all the difficulties/shakings going on there.*

*It's the GREAT SHAKING.*

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### MY SUNSHINE

This is the song that kept running through my thoughts when I got up this morning:

(A song)

You are my sunshine, my only sunshine  
You make me happy when skies are gray  
You'll never know dear how much I love you  
Please don't take my sunshine away.

I sang this song to Him, but I changed to words to say that He *does* know how much I love Him, and that He will *never* take my Sunshine (Himself, He is my Sunshine, He will never leave me or forsake me) away. He is my Light. He takes the darkness away.

**His (God's) splendor was like the sunrise, rays flashed from his hand where his power was hidden. (Habakkuk 3:4)**

## AS IT WAS IN THE DAYS OF NOAH

Today I spent a long time typing scriptures into the file called - *Scriptures on unclean spirit, evil spirit, giants, Nephilim*. Then the Lord had me read through them all. I especially noticed the Revelation scripture, which talks about Babylon in which there were unclean animals, birds, spirits.

### **Revelation 18:2 NIV**

**With a mighty voice he shouted: "Fallen! Fallen is Babylon the Great! She has become a dwelling for demons and a haunt for every impure spirit, a haunt for every unclean bird, a haunt for every unclean and detestable animal.**

It reminds me of when Paul Keith Davis talked about witchdoctors in Africa, turning themselves into animals. He said those sorts of things seem to have been kept from our country, but that they may be coming eventually.

Paul Keith also said that "as it was in the days of Noah, so it will be at the end of the age." (Matthew 24:37) He was referring to the giants, Nephilim, whom he believes now come in the form of the evil spirits who try to possess people. So, the Lord guided me to do a study on evil spirits, unclean spirits, giants, and Nephilim.

This also reminds me of the "hybrid" animals being created by scientists now by mixing stem cells, etc. of humans and animals to use for implants.

## SCRIPTURES ON UNCLEAN SPIRIT, EVIL SPIRIT, GIANTS, AND NEPHILIM

### **Genesis 6:4 NIV**

**The Nephilim were on the earth in those days - and also afterward - when the sons of God went to the daughters of humans and had children by them. There were the heroes of old, men of renown.**

### **Genesis 6:4 NKJV**

**There were giants on the earth in those days, and also afterward, when the sons of God came in to the daughters of men and they bore children to them. Those were the mighty men who were of old, men of renown.**

### **Genesis 6:4 NLT**

**In those days, and for some time after, giant Nephilites lived on the earth, for whenever the sons of God had intercourse with women, they gave birth to children who became the heroes and famous warriors of ancient times.**

### **Numbers 13:28 NLT**

**But the people living there are powerful, and their towns are large and fortified. We even saw giants there, the descendants of Anak!**

**Numbers 13:33 NIV**

**We saw the Nephilim there (the descendants of Anak come from the Nephilim). We seemed like grasshoppers in our own eyes, and we looked the same to them."**

**Numbers 13:33 NKJV**

**There we saw the giants (the descendants of Anak came from the giants); and we were like grasshoppers in our own sight, and so we were in their sight.**

**Deuteronomy 1:28 NLT**

**Where can we go? Our brothers have demoralized us with their report. They tell us, "The people of the land are taller and more powerful than we are, and their towns are large, with walls rising high into the sky! We even saw giants there - the descendants of Anak!"**

**Deuteronomy 2:10 NLT**

**A race of giants called the Emites had once lived in the area of Ar. They were as strong and numerous and tall as the Anakites, another race of giants.**

**Deuteronomy 2:11 NKJV**

**They were also regarded as giants, like the Anakim, but the Moabites call them Emim.**

**Deuteronomy 2:20 NKJV**

**That was also regarded as a land of giants; giants formerly dwelt there.**

**Deuteronomy 3:11 NKJV**

**For only Og king of Bashan remained of the remnant of the giants. Indeed his bedstead was an iron bedstead. (Is it not in Rabbah of the people of Ammon?) Nine cubits is its length and four cubits its width, according to the standard cubit.**

**Deuteronomy 3:13 NKJV**

**The rest of Gilead, and all Bashan, the kingdom of Og, I gave to half the tribe of Manasseh. (All the region of Argob, with all Bashan, was called the land of the giants.)**

**Deuteronomy 9:2 NLT**

**There people are strong and tall - descendants of the famous Anakite giants. You've heard the saying, "Who can stand up to the Anakites?"**

**Joshua 13:12 NKJV**



**All the kingdom of Og in Bashan, who reigned in Astaroth and Edrei, who remained of the remnant of the giants; for Moses had defeated and cast out these.**

**Joshua 17:15 NKJV**

**So Joshua answered them, "If you are a great people, then go up to the forest country and clear a place for yourself there in the land of the Perizzites and the giants, since the mountains of Ephraim are too confined for you."**

**1 Samuel 16:14 NIV**

**Now the Spirit of the Lord had departed from Saul, and an evil spirit from the Lord tormented him.**

**1 Samuel 16:15 NIV**

**Saul's attendants said to him, "See, an evil spirit from God is tormenting you."**

**1 Samuel 16:16 NIV**

**Let our lord command his servants here to search for someone who can play the lyre. He will play when the evil spirit from God comes on you, and you will feel better.**

**1 Samuel 16:23 NIV**

**Whenever the spirit from God came on Saul, David would take up his lyre and play. Then relief would come to Saul; he would feel better, and the evil spirit would leave him.**

**1 Samuel 18:10 NIV**

**The next day an evil spirit from God came forcefully on Saul. He was prophesying in his house, while David was playing the lyre, as he usually did. Saul had a spear in his hand.**

**1 Samuel 19:9 NIV**

**But an evil spirit from the Lord came on Saul as he was sitting in his house with his spear in his hand. While David was playing the lyre...**

**2 Samuel 21:15 NLT**

**[Battles against Philistine Giants] Once again the Philistines were at war with Israel. And when David and his men were in the thick of battle, David became weak and exhausted.**

**2 Samuel 21:16 NLT**

**Ishbi-benob was a descendant of the giants; his bronze spearhead weighed more than seven pounds, and he was armed with a new sword. He had cornered David and was about to kill him.**

**2 Samuel 21:18 NLT**

**After this, there was another battle against the Philistines at Gob. As they fought, Sibbecai from Hushah killed Saph, another descendant of the giants.**

**2 Samuel 21:20 NLT**

**In another battle with the Philistines at Gath, they encountered a huge man with six fingers on each hand and six toes on each foot, twenty-four in all, who was also a descendant of the giants.**

**2 Samuel 21:22 NLT**

**These four Philistines were descendants of the giants of Gath, but David and his warriors killed them.**

**1 Chronicles 20:4 NLT**

**After this, war broke out with the Philistines at Gezer. As they fought, Sibbecai from Hushah killed Saph, a descendant of the giants, and so the Philistines were subdued.**

**Zechariah 13:2 NKJV**

**"It shall be in that day," says the Lord of hosts, "that I will cut off the names of the idols from the land, and they shall no longer be remembered. I will also cause the prophets and the unclean spirit to depart from the land.**

**Matthew 10:1 NKJV**

**And when He had called His twelve disciples to Him, He gave them power over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to heal all kinds of sickness and all kinds of disease.**

**Matthew 12:43 NKJV**

**When an unclean spirit goes out of a man, he goes through dry places, seeking rest, and finds none.**

**Mark 1:21, 23, 26 NKJV**

**Then they went into Capernaum, and immediately on the Sabbath He entered the synagogue and taught....Now there was a man in the synagogue with an unclean spirit. And he cried out...And when the unclean spirit had convulsed him and cried out with a loud voice, he came out of him.**

**Mark 1:27 NKJV**

**Then they were all amazed, so that they questioned among themselves, saying, "What is this? What new doctrine is this? For with authority He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey Him"**

**Mark 3:11 NKJV**

**And the unclean spirits, whenever they saw Him, fell down before Him and cried out, saying, "You are the Son of God."**

**Mark 5:2 NKJV**

**And when He had come out of the boat, immediately there met Him out of the tombs a man with an unclean spirit.**

**Mark 5:1-3 NIV**

**[Jesus restores a demon-possessed man] They went across the lake to the region of the Gerasenes. When Jesus got out of the boat, a man with an impure spirit came from the tombs to meet him. This man lived in the tombs, and no one could bind him anymore, not even with a chain...**

**Mark 5:8 NKJV**

**For He said to him, "Come out of the man, unclean spirit!"**

**Mark 5:13 NKJV**

**And at once Jesus gave them permission. Then the unclean spirits went out and entered the swine (there were about two thousand); and the herd ran violently down the steep place into the sea, and drowned in the sea.**

**Mark 6:7 NKJV**

**And He called the twelve to Himself, and began to send them out two by two, and gave them power over unclean spirits.**

**Mark 7:25 NKJV**

**For a woman whose young daughter had an unclean spirit heard about Him, and she came and fell at His feet.**

**Mark 9:25 NKJV**

**When Jesus saw that the people came running together, He rebuked the unclean spirit, saying to it: "Deaf and dumb spirit, I command you, come out of him and enter him no more!"**

**Luke 4:31, 33 NKJV**

**Then He went down to Capernaum, a city of Galilee, and was teaching them on the Sabbaths...Now in the synagogue there was a man who had a spirit of an unclean demon. And he cried out with a loud voice...**

**Luke 4:36 NKJV**

**Then they were all amazed and spoke among themselves, saying, "What a word this is! For with authority and power He commands the unclean spirits, and they come out.**

**Luke 6:18 NKJV**

**...as well as those who were tormented with unclean spirits. And they were healed.**

**Luke 7:21 NIV**

**At that very time Jesus cured many who had diseases, sicknesses and evil spirits, and gave sight to many who were blind.**

**Luke 8:2 NIV**

**And also some women who had been cured of evil spirits and diseases; Mary (called Magdalene) from whom seven demons had come out.**

**Luke 8:29 NKJV**

**For He commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. For it had often seized him, and he was kept under guard, bound with chains and shackles; and he broke the bonds and was driven by the demon into the wilderness.**

**Luke 9:42 NKJV**

**And as he was still coming, the demon threw him down and convulsed him. Then Jesus rebuked the unclean spirit, healed the child, and gave him back to his father.**

**Luke 11:24 NKJV**

**When an unclean spirit goes out of a man, he goes through dry places, seeking rest; and finding none, he says, "I will return to my house from which I came."**

**Acts 5:16 NKJV**

**Also a multitude gathered from the surrounding cities to Jerusalem, bringing sick people and those who were tormented by unclean spirits, and they were all healed.**

**Acts 8:7 NKJV**

**For unclean spirits, crying with a loud voice, came out of many who were possessed; and many who were paralyzed and lame were healed.**

**Acts 19:12 NIV**

**So that even handkerchiefs and aprons that had touched him were taken to the sick, and their illnesses were cured and the evil spirits left them.**

**Acts 19:13 NIV**

**Some Jews who went around driving out evil spirits tried to invoke the name of the Lord Jesus over those who were demon-possessed. They would say, "In the name of the Jesus whom Paul preaches, I command you to come out."**

**Acts 19:15 NIV**

**One day the evil spirit answered them, "Jesus I know, and Paul I know about, but who are you?"**

**Acts 19:16 NIV**

**Then the man who had the evil spirit jumped on them and overpowered them all. He gave them such a beating that they ran out of the house naked and bleeding.**

**Ephesians 6:12 NIV**

**For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms.**

**Revelation 16:13 NKJV**

**And I saw three unclean spirits like frogs coming out of the mouth of the dragon, out of the mouth of the beast, and out of the mouth of the false prophet.**

**Revelation 18:2 NIV**

**With a mighty voice he shouted: "Fallen! Fallen is Babylon the Great! She has become a dwelling for demons and a haunt for every impure spirit, a haunt for every unclean bird, a haunt for every unclean and detestable animal.**

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## **THE POWERS OF THE AGE TO COME**

As I read this book, the Lord gave me instructions, which I have written here:

(From Rick Joyner's book *The final Quest*)

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It was on this level [the Galatians Two Twenty level of the mountain] I caught up to Faith, Hope and Love...Love then said, "Those who reach this level are entrusted with the powers of the age to come." Then, turning to me with a seriousness that was very sobering, he said, "*I still must teach you how to use them.*"

*How do you use the "powers of the age to come" Joan? That is what I will teach you and am teaching you as we continue on through this book together. Watch for it.*

(32)

Again the voice of the Lord spoke, saying: "A second time you have chosen wisdom. You cannot win if you try to fight the enemy on his own ground, but you must remain on My Holy mountain."

*This is one of the powers of the age to come, Joan. It is to "remain on My Holy mountain." - to remain with Me and be in Me all the time. There you are supernaturally protected, even though arrows are shot toward you.*

(33)

I had come very close to falling off the mountain. I looked again into the eyes of Wisdom, and he said with the utmost seriousness, *"Take heed when you think you stand, lest you fall. In this life you can fall from any level."*

*This is another one of the powers of the age to come: take heed. Watch for. Be aware of. Take heed when you think you stand. That is an especially important time to take heed - when you think you stand. Be aware that this can be a time where you really can fall because you are not as cautious as you were, because you THINK you stand. So take heed, Joan. Put this on your list of the powers of the age to come.*

### THE POWERS OF THE AGE TO COME

- It was on the level of Galatians Two Twenty
  - It was when he caught up to Faith, Hope and Love...
  - Those who reach this level are entrusted with the powers of the age to come
  - You must be taught how to use those powers
1. **Do not fight the enemy on his own ground.** Remain on My Holy mountain - to remain with Me and be in Me all the time. There you are supernaturally protected, even though arrows are shot toward you
  2. **Take heed when you think you stand.** Take heed. Watch for. Be aware of. That is an especially important time to take heed - when you think you stand. Be aware that this can be a time where you really can fall because you are not as cautious as you were, because you THINK you stand. So take heed, Joan. Put this on your list of the powers of the age to come.

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### SEEK ME AND YOU WILL FIND ME

**Then you will call on me, and I will listen to you. You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all your heart. I will be found by you. (Jeremiah 29:12-14)**

*What you need, you seek Me for, and then it's pulled from Me. Salvation, wisdom, revelation, protection, understanding. I am the Source of all things right and good and true. Seek Me and you WILL find Me.*

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## BEYOND THIS UNIVERSE

*I created time.*

*I want to have millions of people to do all the things I have planned that are yet to come. You don't know what all My extensive plan is, but I do. So I am preparing My group of people, people dedicated to Me, to work all those marvelous works I have planned that are yet to come. It will include this Universe, and beyond.*

There is a "beyond" this Universe, Lord?

*Yes, there is. You will learn more about this when you come up here. I am much greater than you can ask or imagine. Remember?*

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## A DREAM OF A MATTRESS, A GOLDEN DOG, AND MY SISTER IN A VAN

(A song)

We give You all the glory

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We give You all the glory

Christ, the Lord.

(to the tune of the chorus of "O Come All Ye Faithful")

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| I had a dream about a mattress, a golden dog, and my sister in a van. |
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Lord, is this dream from You?

*Yes, it's from Me. Ask Me what it means...to interpret it.*

Lord, what does it mean? Will You interpret it please?

*This is what it means:*

*A mattress signifies a place of rest. In this dream I had you checking to be sure you had an extra measure of comfort material in your place of rest. That is an agreement between us that you will continue to rest in Me for the rest of your life. Not just small comfort, but great comfort.*

Bed: intimacy, rest, privacy; peace; to commit in the form of a covenant; intimacy; slumbering; salvation, meditation, peace, covenant

*Walking, then running, along the street means you will continue your journey while watching for your ride home to arrive. When you see that vehicle it is large to hold 8 people. (How many people were in your family, Joan?)*

Eight. So does that indicate all 8 of my family members will be saved?

*What does eight mean? Look it up.*

8: Eight: New beginnings, put off (as in putting off the old man, i.e. the works of the flesh), sanctify, manifest, reveal, die, death, by implication new beginnings, Circumcision of the flesh; liberty; salvation; resurrection life; die to self, super-abound, regeneration, **the beginning of a new era or order**

*That's it...the beginning of a new era or order. This dream is all about showing you the rest of your life and what comes next for you. It is a good dream; a dream to give you hope and peace. That's why it immediately ended with a worship and praise song pulling you into grateful thanksgiving to Me.*

*Here is the sequence of events:*

- You rest in Me during the rest of your earth life*
- You walk and run on your journey (notice it is by yourself)*
- You notice it is semi-dark, not sunny and bright*
- You see a golden dog (look up dog and gold)*
- You see a large van waiting to take you home*
- You see your sister, a Christian, sitting in the driver's seat*
- You worship Me in song - giving ME the glory*

Dog: (the positive meaning) friend; Dog as personal pet: something precious, a friend. If a personal pet: **something or someone dear to your heart**

Gold: hallowed, holy, purity, **glory**, great value; wisdom, truth, something precious, righteousness, **glory of God, the riches of the glory of God**; unchanging holiness; kingship, kingdom glory, reward

Van: family, **natural or church family**, family ministry, fellowship, **small church ministry**

*So the dog represents something or someone dear to your heart that carries the glory of God. It is resting on the vehicle that is waiting to take you "home."*

*And your "sister" represents Me, or My angel, who will drive you home, carry you home.*



*The large van represents a large ministry for you. But notice, you don't see who is in that van. That's because the people you reach are unknown to you; you don't see them until you "get in the vehicle" or go home.*

**The Lord is my strength and my song. (Exodus 15:2 Song of Moses)**

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### **WAITING AND LISTENING TOGETHER**

*Here we are, waiting and listening together. I'm listening to you, and you're listening to Me. I DO have things I want to share with you today, so keep listening throughout the day...no matter who comes, or what you do.*