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Brent Nordan***

felt the strain of pastoring a church, caring for their own children, and running a daycare. Hoping for things to get better, they only got worse. Then, Brent stumbled into a KCM meeting that changed their lives for the good—forever!

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# Editor's Letter



## Do the Right Thing!

Decisions. We face them every day. And every day we must choose whether to say or do the right thing or the wrong thing.

Being a Christian doesn't exempt us from having to deal with life's problems, nor does it relieve us of our responsibility to choose between right and wrong. But because we are believers, when we're confronted with challenges, God expects us to know how to respond.

I believe that's the point Jesus was making when He invited His disciples to get to know Him so they could learn His ways. In John 15:4, Jesus told them to "Abide in me." And in Matthew 11:29, He encouraged them to "learn of me." *The Message* says, "Walk with me and work with me—watch how I do it."

Watch how He does it!

That's what the disciples did when it came to prayer. They watched to see what Jesus did and knew it was His habit to get away and pray. So, they went to Him and said, "Lord, teach us to pray" (Luke 11:1). That's what God expects of us regarding the decisions we make. Why? Because how we conduct ourselves reflects who we are. The decisions we make not only affect our daily lives and shape our futures, but they affect others. As believers, we have God's Spirit on the inside to empower, teach and guide us. That means our thoughts, words and actions should always line up with God and His Word.

Whenever you face a decision, don't act hastily. Count the cost. Ask yourself: Will what I do help or hurt? Will it build up, or will it tear down? Will it glorify God?

Pray and ask Him what you should do.

Proverbs 16:25 says, "There is a way that seemeth right unto a man, but the end thereof are the ways of death." Your decision may seem like the right one, but only God knows what's best. Trust Him to show you what to do. He's always right and He'll never mislead you. God expects us to know right from wrong, and He is counting on us to always do what is right, do it because it's right, and then do it right!

Speaking of right decisions, I'm glad you decided to read this month's issue of the *BVOV* magazine. You're about to be blessed!

Ronald C. Jordan  
Managing Editor



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**"We lived at the end of a dead-end dirt road, but we asked God to send us worshippers and laborers, and they came."**

—Hollie Nordan

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For 48 years it has been our joy to bring you good news through the teachings of ministers who write out of living contact with God, and the testimonies of believers who took God at His WORD and experienced His victory in everyday life.

—Kenneth & Gloria Copeland

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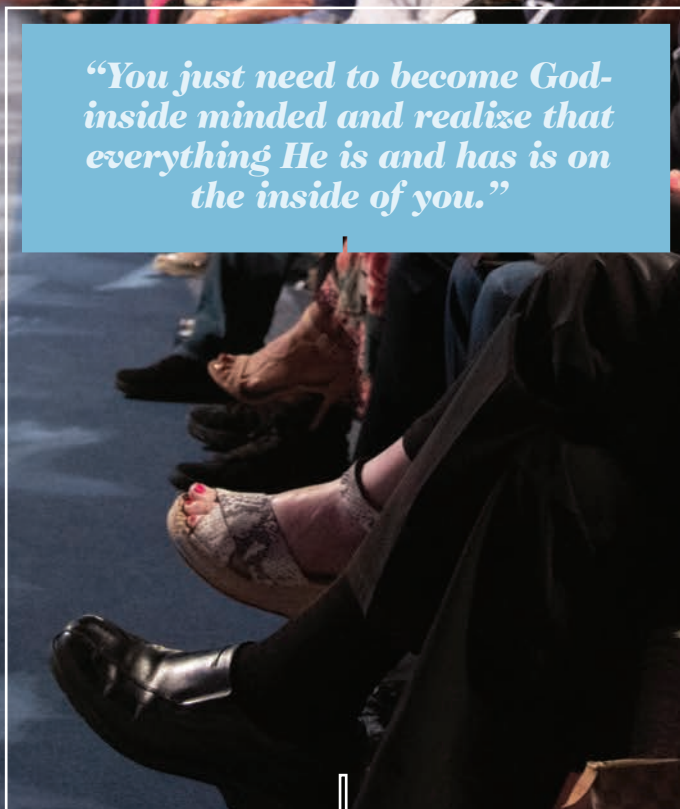
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# THE SPIRIT OF POWER

*“You just need to become God-inside minded and realize that everything He is and has is on the inside of you.”*







by Kenneth Copeland

## SOME CONVERSATIONS WITH THE LORD YOU NEVER FORGET, AND FOR ME THIS WAS ONE OF THEM. ALTHOUGH IT WAS YEARS AGO, I REMEMBER EXACTLY HOW IT STARTED.

I'd been praying about our ministry, and in my desire to see God move more mightily through it I began to say, "LORD, send the power! Send the power! Oh LORD, I've got to have more power!"

I'd gone on like this for some time when suddenly on the inside of me I heard the authoritative voice of God.

*Kenneth, where am I going to get it?* He asked. *Where am I going to get more power?*

His question really set me back.

"What are You talking about?" I asked.

*Kenneth, I could have filled you with an angel,* He said. *You know it's possible for a human being to be filled with an angel because that's what demon possession is. It's satan, a fallen angel, coming into somebody and taking them over.*

*But I didn't fill you with an angel. I wouldn't trust you to anyone but Me, so I filled you with Myself. My own power is on the inside of you, son. Wake up!*

I've been awake to that revelation ever since. I've also been preaching it because every one of us, as believers, need to

increasingly wake up and become more God-inside minded. Every one of us needs to come to know more about the Spirit of Power who is living on the inside of us.

Who is the Spirit of Power?

He's the One who created the universe!

He's the Spirit of God who in Genesis 1:2 when "darkness was upon the face of the deep...moved upon the face of the waters" and, at God's WORD ("Light be!") caused light to explode in every direction at 186,000 miles per second, creating more than 16,070,400,000 miles of universe within 24 hours.

Who is the Spirit of Power?

He's the One who Isaiah 40:12 says, "measured the waters in the hollow of His hand, measured heaven with a span and calculated the dust of the earth in a measure [and] weighed the mountains in scales and the hills in a balance" (*New King James Version*). He's the One who computed the construction of the earth so perfectly that no matter what happens on it, it remains stable.



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Think about the upheaval this planet has endured. For years, people have been digging around on it. Moving great piles of dirt from one place to the other. Blowing up mountains. Dropping bombs. Think about all the earthquakes this planet has weathered. Yet, it's never gotten out of balance. It's still traveling through space at 1,000 mph in one direction, 10,000 mph in another—just moving right along.

Who is this Spirit of Power?

He's the One behind every supernatural event recorded in the Old Testament. He's the One who miraculously empowered 100-year-old Abraham and his 90-year-old barren wife to give birth to a son. The One who split the Red Sea, knocked down the walls of Jericho, enabled David to kill Goliath, raised up the widow of Zarephath's dead son, and did all kinds of other divine exploits.

In the New Testament, He's the One behind all Jesus' mighty works. Even Jesus didn't have the power on His own to do miracles, signs and wonders, when He was on earth. He laid aside all His divine powers when He took on flesh and blood and became a man. So, although He was the Son of God from the moment He was born, His supernatural ministry didn't begin until, at 30 years old, when He was being baptized in the Jordan River, the Holy Spirit came on Him and He was endued with the Spirit of Power!

### A Living, Breathing Miracle of God

The Spirit of Power is the Spirit of the Father. "I am in the Father, and the Father in me," Jesus said. "The words that I speak unto you I speak not of myself: but the Father that dwelleth in me, he doeth the works" (John 14:10).

Jesus also said that after His death and resurrection, we'd do those same works the same way. "He that believeth on me," He said, "the works that I do shall he do also; and greater works than these shall he do; because I go unto my Father" (verse 12). He continued, "And He will give you another Helper, that He may abide with you forever—the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees Him nor knows Him; but you know Him, for He dwells with you and will be in you.... He who has My commandments and keeps them, it is he who loves Me. And he who loves Me will be loved by My Father, and I will love him and manifest

Myself to him" (verses 16-17, 21, *NKJV*).

Have you ever wondered how Jesus is going to manifest Himself to you now that He's no longer here on earth?

By the Spirit of Power! That's how. By the Holy Spirit, the Helper whom He has sent to be in you and with you forever!

The Holy Spirit is the One who manifests Jesus to you, in you and through you. You're in Him; He's in you; and He does the works!

"But Brother Copeland, I'm not sure I'm really called to do the works of Jesus," someone might say. "I'm not a full-time minister like He was or like you're called to be. I'm just an ordinary believer."

There's no such thing as an "ordinary" believer! As a believer you're a living, breathing miracle of God. You have dwelling on the inside of you the same Spirit of Power Jesus had. You've received the same Spirit the first disciples did when, after Jesus' resurrection, He "breathed on them, and saith unto them, Receive ye the Holy Ghost" (John 20:22).

In that moment, the disciples were born again. Just as you did when you received Jesus as your LORD, they underwent a miraculous change. Their spirits were re-created by the Holy Spirit, He came to live in them, and immediately they began producing the fruit of the spirit.

They went from being depressed to full of joy. To being huddled up together in fear, not knowing what to do, to marching off boldly to Jerusalem to wait for the "Promise of the Father"—the outpouring of the Holy Spirit *upon* them in His fullness and power—that Jesus told them was coming.

If you've read Acts 2 you know the rest of the story: "When the day of Pentecost was fully come, they were all with one accord in one place. And suddenly there came a sound from heaven as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting. And there appeared unto them cloven tongues like as of fire, and it sat upon each of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance."

Talk about an extraordinary event! God hadn't been able to physically touch His people for 4,000 years when this happened. He'd had to keep from even getting close to them because His absolute purity and holiness coming into contact with their sin would burn them to a crisp.

But now He had a new race of people. They'd been born again. They'd been made new creatures in Christ Jesus. So, able at last to safely embrace





them, God rushed into the room where they were waiting on Him and SAT DOWN on them. He engulfed them with the fire of His presence, and instead of getting burned up they were filled up to overflowing with Him, the Almighty Spirit of Power.

If you've received the Baptism in the Holy Spirit, the same happened to you. You may not have heard a rushing wind or seen tongues of fire, but nevertheless the Holy Spirit came on you, and filled you to overflowing. You were baptized in the same Spirit of Power that was outpoured in Acts 2 and the gateway to the supernatural was thrown open to you.

### Inside-Out People

"But Brother Copeland, I'm so unworthy."

No, you're not! God didn't make any new unworthy creatures. He said, when you became a new creation in Christ, "old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new. Now all things are of God" (2 Corinthians 5:17-18, *NKJV*). He said you've been "born again, not of corruptible seed, but of incorruptible, by the word of God, which liveth and abideth for ever" (1 Peter 1:23).

Where is God living and abiding forever? In you! So, clearly, He's made you worthy. You just need to renew your mind to it. You just need to become God-inside minded and realize that



POINTS  
TO GET  
YOU  
THERE:

1

**The Spirit of Power who is dwelling in you exploded light into the darkness and created 16,070,400,000 miles of universe in 24 hours.**  
(Gen. 1:2-3)

2

**The Spirit of Power in you is the Spirit of the Father who was behind all the mighty works of Jesus.**  
(John 14:10)

3

**Jesus said the Spirit of Power will do the same works Jesus did through you too.**  
(John 14:12)

4

**Rather than thinking that God is "out there" somewhere, become God-inside minded.**  
(1 Cor. 6:17)

5

**When you were baptized in the Holy Spirit, the gateway to the supernatural was opened to you.**  
(Acts 1:8)



# “YOU’RE IN HEAVEN RIGHT NOW IF YOU ONLY KNEW IT.”

everything He is and has is on the inside of you, ready for you to tap into by faith and draw out.

In the natural, that’s not how most of us, as believers, were raised to think. Like everyone else in the world, we were raised to think that everything we needed was on the outside of us somewhere. That someone else out there had it, and we needed to get it. We even had that idea about God. He’s out there, and I need what He has. (“God, send more power.”)

In other words, we were raised to be *outside-in* people. But really, as Christians, we are *inside-out* people. Nothing we need is “out there.” It’s all “in here,” because God is in us, His power is in us, and His provision is in us. Even His kingdom is in us!

You’re in heaven right now if you only knew

it. Your spirit has been raised up and made to sit together in heavenly places with Christ, where He sits at the right hand of the Father on the throne of grace. You can come boldly to that throne anytime you want. You can pray and receive by faith whatever you need whenever you need it.

“Well, I pray all right, but it seems like my prayers don’t get any higher than the ceiling,” you might say.

They don’t need to get any higher than your nose!

“Ye are the temple of the living God; as God hath said, I will dwell in them, and walk in them; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people” (2 Corinthians 6:16).

I remember after I caught sight of this back in the early 1970s, I was preaching a series of meetings in Lubbock, Texas. We’d been there for 21 days and had planned the last Saturday we were there to have a healing service. I asked The LORD for a plan and He directed us to go out in pairs the day before the meeting into the poorest neighborhoods in Lubbock. He told us to knock on doors and, when someone answered, to say, “We’re people who know how to pray. Is there anyone in this house who needs prayer?”

We were not to mention anything about the service until after we prayed for people. Then, we were simply to tell them we’d be ministering healing on Saturday and leave.

I partnered up with one of the men on our team and we went to a house and knocked on the door. A woman opened it and when she heard we were there to pray she said, “You boys Pentecost?”

“Yes, ma’am,” we replied.

“Praise the Lord!” she said, “We’re going to Sister’s house.”

Instead of inviting us in, she came out and

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## Put On Your Spiritual

# TRACK SHOES



AS YOU READ  
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TO CHANGE.

led us around the backyard to a little house behind hers, talking to us the whole way. She told us her sister's mind had gone (looking back now, I realize Sister probably had Alzheimer's dementia) and that the neighborhood had gotten so bad she couldn't get out to church anymore.

"I've been praying someone would come help me pray for Sister," she said. "I'm so glad you boys are here!"

We all went into Sister's house and found her sitting in a rocking chair, just staring. I laid hands on her in the Name of Jesus, and the moment I did she looked up at us. "Glory to God!" she said, "Where did you boys come from?" The other woman looked shocked.

"Sister, can you *see* them?" she asked.

"Of course, I can see them," Sister replied.

That's when we found out that not only had Sister lost her mind, diabetes had taken her eyesight. She was totally blind. But that was no problem for the Spirit of Power. We prayed in Jesus' Name, He did the work, and—just that quick!—Sister received her healing and began praying in the spirit. The rest of us all chimed in with her, praising and thanking God.

Those kinds of things happened that day to everyone on the team. At house after house, people opened doors, asked for prayer and, because our team members knew who was on the inside of them and ministered boldly, God's power flowed.

On Saturday, the parking lot where we held the healing service was full. What a prayer line we had that day! People were born again and healed of all kinds of things. One especially sick woman came for prayer, and without thinking I picked up my little bottle of anointing oil and poured it on her. It didn't occur to me how hot that oil had to be, given it had been sitting in the sunshine on a 106-degree day.

But apparently, it didn't matter. The moment the oil hit that precious woman, she took off dancing and shouting, "I'm healed. I'm healed. I'm healed."

Who healed her? It wasn't Kenneth Copeland. It was the Spirit of Power.

It was the same Spirit who right now, if you're a born-again, Holy-Spirit baptized believer, is dwelling in and ready to flow through *you!* 🙏

I believe He is saying some things vital for this hour.

We read in 2 Peter 1:10 that you are to "give *diligence* to make your calling and election sure: for if ye do these things, ye shall never fall."

This will only happen, however, when the Church decides not to be caught up in the world's corruption any longer. We must consider the calling of God and the work of the Lord more important and valuable than the things of this world.

We must be willing to win the lost by getting the Word out into the world and bringing people into the Kingdom. God's ways must be more important than the jobs we hold, the vacations we take, the fine homes we have—more important than anything else in our lives!

The Church of the Lord Jesus Christ must become single-minded, understanding that she is called and anointed by God for a mission. This mission is nearing its finest hour, and it will require diligence. The Lord is getting His Church





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ready, preparing us for the time when things in the natural realm will get worse and worse.

### Be in a Hurry for God!

Look at 2 Corinthians 8:7: "Therefore, as ye abound in every thing, in faith, and utterance, and knowledge, and in all diligence..." The Greek word for *diligence* means "eagerness, earnestness" or "haste" (*Strong's Exhaustive Concordance of the Bible*). You are to grow in diligence—in earnestness, zeal and haste.

When something you want has gone on sale, for example, that sale may only last a few hours. There is a deadline. You have to get to the store before everything is sold. That's when you become diligent and hasty. You might even put off a meal for a while. There may be only a few items left at the sale price, so you make a beeline straight to the store.

You need to be just as diligent regarding the things of God. The "sale" is about to end. There is enough for everyone, but the Word of God tells us only a few will be diligent to take advantage of it. Jesus said: "Enter ye in at the strait gate: for wide is the gate, and broad is the way, that leadeth to destruction, and many there be which go in thereat: Because strait is the gate, and narrow is the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it" (Matthew 7:13-14).

There will be those who decide to get in line in a hurry. They will make a beeline for God, forgetting about everything else. They will want to do the work of the Lord.

### Be Diligent To Do God's Work

As Paul said, we are to abound in all diligence. So shake yourself! Get up and start moving in a hurry! Stop lying in "Delilah's lap," allowing your head to be stroked by the world, feeling good because everything is OK with you right now.

Things might be OK with you, but is everything in your life OK with God?

God sees a world of people who need His Word—people who need what you have found in Jesus. God wants those who know the truth, who have been called to share that truth with others, to be diligent about doing His work right now.

Proverbs 12:24 says, "The hand of the diligent

*"The time is coming when hearing from God will be the dividing line between making it and not making it."*

shall bear rule: but the slothful shall be under tribute."

The diligent are the ones who ride the high places. There are saints of God who ride the low places and live beneath their privileges, but that is not the will of God. That choice rests in the hands of every believer.

The people who ride the high places with God will be eager to know His perfect will for them and walk in it. They will want to flow in the power of the Holy Ghost, and worldly things will not matter to them.

### The Diligent Receive From God

"The soul of the sluggard desireth, and hath nothing: but the soul of the diligent shall be made fat" (Proverbs 13:4).

The soul of a lazy person wants everything he sees and everything others have.

You might say, "I want to flow in the Spirit and have the love of God flowing through me." But it will not happen unless you take the proper time and are diligent to receive what God has for you.

The soul of the diligent will have everything that belongs to him—everything God has promised. He will have protection, resources, anointing, vision by the Holy Ghost and knowledge—the exact knowledge—of the Lord.

The time is coming when hearing from God will be the dividing line between making it and not making it. It may not be in a week, a month, a year or even a decade, but it's coming in our lifetime.

The Spirit of the Lord is warning the Church of the Lord Jesus Christ about all that is coming. He is spreading this message all around. He has taught us about faith so that we will be able to take the shield of faith and stand. And He is turning up the anointing which breaks every yoke (Isaiah 10:27).

Make the quality decision in these last days to stand up and be counted among those who give diligence to make their calling and election sure. "For if ye do these things, ye shall never fall."



Adapted from *Success Strategies From Heaven* by Keith A. Butler.





“But I say unto you, Love your enemies, bless them that curse you, do good to them that hate you, and pray for them which despitefully use you, and persecute you; that ye may be the children of your Father which is in heaven....”

Matthew 5:44-45

## TWO REASONS TO FORGIVE

One of the most common obstacles the devil uses to block the pathway of love is the hurt that comes when other people mistreat us. He'll tempt us to keep an account of those suffered wrongs. He'll pressure us to become bitter, resentful and unforgiving. But when he does, we must tell him *no*. We must choose to drop our offenses, forgive everyone who has harmed us, and let bitterness go.

If you've suffered serious abuse, you may think that's impossible to do. But it's not. The power to forgive is an awesome power. God has it and He has given it to you! His power within you will enable you to do it.

When you do, no matter how terrible the pain of those experiences may have been, you'll find the love of God is more powerful. And as you begin to walk in love and forgiveness, giving up the resentment you've harbored against those who have hurt you, the love of God will overcome the damage that abuse caused in your life.


“But Gloria,” you may say, “the people who mistreated me did something very wrong. I've been miserable for years because of them. Why should I just drop my resentment and let them go free?”

You should do it, first of all, because Jesus did that for


you. Even before you repented and asked Him to be your Savior, Jesus went to the cross and shed His own blood, so you wouldn't have to pay the penalty for your own sin. Even though you were guilty, He dropped the charges against you so you could go free. That alone is reason enough for you to forgive others.

But there's another reason. You should forgive those who have done you wrong because if you don't, you're the one who is going to suffer for it—not the people who hurt you. Unforgiveness is like drinking poison and expecting someone else to die. It really doesn't affect the other person at all.

On the other hand, if you forgive and let the love of God flow into that area of your life, it will restore you—spirit, soul and body.

What's more, as you continue to yield to love, you'll continually live in victory. So when the devil comes back and tries to bring hurt to you again, that hurt will not be able to gain a place in you. The love of God will completely protect you and keep you free, free, free! 



A photograph of an older man and a woman standing outdoors. The man, on the left, has white hair and is wearing a light purple patterned button-down shirt and dark navy trousers. He has his arms crossed and is wearing a gold watch and a ring. The woman, on the right, has long brown hair and is wearing a mustard-colored short-sleeved dress. She is smiling and holding a pair of glasses in her hands. They are standing in front of a modern building with large glass windows that reflect the surrounding greenery. To the left of the man, there is a white speech bubble containing text.

**“One thing  
that makes it so  
joyful is that we  
experience miracles  
on a regular basis.  
People are healed.  
Relationships are  
mended.”**



# No One's Laughing Now!

● BRENT NORDAN'S CAR COUGHED AS HE WEAVED THROUGH RUSH-HOUR TRAFFIC. HE HATED THE DRIVE FROM SOUTH FORT WORTH TO THE NORTHWEST SUBURB OF SAGINAW, TEXAS. HE DESPISED DRIVING HIS BEATER CAR TO PICK UP HIS CHILDREN FOR THE WEEKEND.

He hated the separation. He hated not seeing Hollie's face across the breakfast table. He hated not being able to kiss his children's faces and tuck them in each night.

How could everything have been so wonderful at one point, only to crumble and fall apart?

Raised in West Monroe, La., Brent was the son of pastors. Following high school, he'd attended Jackson College of Ministries in Jackson, MS. Afterward, he became a youth pastor, worked on staff at his home church in West Monroe, and traveled as an evangelist.

He had ended up in Stockton, Calif., where he

worked on staff at Christian Life Center.

That's where Brent met Hollie.

She was a senior in college when Brent had a dream that the two would marry.

Things hadn't gone well.

Telling Hollie about the dream and that they should marry, hadn't been any woman's dream proposal. It took months to correct that mistake.

Being seven years older than Hollie, and on staff, he had to ask permission to date her. Permission was granted with one provision: They had to have a chaperone.

In time Brent got dating and the proposal

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Wed	6	Isa. 37:33-40:26	2 Tim. 3
Thu	7	Isa. 40:27-43:7	2 Tim. 4
Fri	8	Isa. 43:8-45:13	Titus 1
Sat	9	Isa. 45:14-48:22	
Sun	10	Ps. 115-118; Prov. 25:1-20	
Mon	11	Isa. 49-51	Titus 2
Tue	12	Isa. 52:1-56:8	Titus 3
Wed	13	Isa. 56:9-59:21	Philem.
Thu	14	Isa. 60-63	Heb. 1
Fri	15	Isa. 64-66	Heb. 2
Sat	16	Jer. 1:1-3:5	
Sun	17	Ps. 119:1-48; Prov. 25:21-26:12	
Mon	18	Jer. 3:6-5:13	Heb. 3
Tue	19	Jer. 5:14-7:15	Heb. 4
Wed	20	Jer. 7:16-9:26	Heb. 5
Thu	21	Jer. 10-12	Heb. 6
Fri	22	Jer. 13:1-15:9	Heb. 7
Sat	23	Jer. 15:10-17:27	
Sun	24	Ps. 119:49-88; Prov. 26:13-28	
Mon	25	Jer. 18:1-21:10	Heb. 8
Tue	26	Jer. 21:11-23:29	Heb. 9
Wed	27	Jer. 23:30-26:6	Heb. 10
Thu	28	Jer. 26:7-28:17	Heb. 11
Fri	29	Jer. 29:1-31:9	Heb. 12
Sat	30	Jer. 31:10-32:44	
Sun	31	Ps. 119:89-136; Prov. 27:1-22	

right. He and Hollie were married and ended up moving to south Fort Worth as pastors of Bethel Family Church. Everything had been good. The church was growing, and so was their family.

Although they didn't have much money, Brent and Hollie decided to start a day care. The payments on the building seemed astronomical. It was open from 6 a.m. until 6 p.m., five days a week.

Hollie drove her children to the day care on dark wintry mornings, and through the sweltering summer heat, where she worked long hours. After closing, the facility had to be cleaned and restocked for the next day. She arrived at home weary, only to cook and clean again before putting the children to bed.

If the hours weren't bad enough, something always needed fixing. The buses needed repairs. The air conditioning went out. They didn't have the money or resources they needed, much less the help. The marriage was deteriorating. So many things began to unravel, and Hollie decided to move out.

### One Word From God

During one of Brent's weekends with his children, they were in a church meeting when his 5-year-old daughter stood and gave a prayer request.

"I want you all to pray that my mommy and daddy get back together."

Everyone just wept.

"There was no question that Hollie and I were headed to divorce," Brent admits. "I didn't want that, and I didn't want to leave the church. Yet my friends were telling me I needed to divorce my wife and leave my church.

"Everything looked bleak, and I didn't have any answers. But I knew God had told me not to do either of those things. I loved Hollie, but we weren't speaking. I would have begged her to come home, but I didn't want to say anything to make her angrier. I'd prayed everything I knew to pray. I knew God was able, but I didn't see an answer. Things continued getting harder and darker."

Hollie and the children were attending church in Irving, Texas, where Tudor

Bismark, a visiting minister from Africa, was preaching. Andrew, their 9-year-old son, loved Bismark.

Andrew had a growth on the side of his nose that was affecting his vision.

Calling his father, Andrew said, "Dad, there's this man from Africa who's preaching tonight. I'm going to have him pray for me, and I believe God's going to heal this growth. I want you to be there. Would you, please?"

"Of course!"

Brent found a seat on the same pew as his family. The children sat between Hollie and him. When Andrew went forward for prayer, God healed him from the tumor.

After service, as Brent talked with his children, Bismark introduced himself to Hollie, then sat down beside her.

"Hollie," he said, "you need to go home. Your husband loves you very much, and you need to go home."

Hollie burst into tears.

"How did you even know that?"

"Listen, God is going to give you everything—double for your struggles. I know *that*," he said.

### A Supernatural Connection

Wiping her eyes, Hollie walked up to Brent.

"This is the hardest thing I've ever done," she said. "I'm going to obey God by faith. Let's get back together and make this marriage work. We'll do it by faith."

That night, Brent followed Hollie home in his car to her house in Saginaw. The next day, he put the house in south Fort Worth up for sale, so the kids could stay in their school.

Later, Hollie's mother moved from New Hampshire to Texas. In January 1999, while talking with Brent and Hollie, she said, "You guys live close to KCM, and I really want to see the property. I watch Brother Copeland on television."

On Tuesday, Brent loaded Aaron into his car seat and drove Hollie and her mother out to Eagle Mountain, north of Fort Worth, where Kenneth Copeland Ministries was located. They were surprised to find the parking lot full of vehicles.

"I wonder what's going on," Brent said. "I'm



going to find out.”

Inside, Brent approached one of the people in charge and asked what was going on. The man explained that the meeting was a ministers’ conference, but that it was by invitation only. When Brent asked if he could stay, he was given permission.

Brent jogged back to the car and explained to his wife and mother-in-law that he would be staying for the meeting.

Once back inside, he was led to a seat on the front row.

#### Out With the Old

Brent recalled hearing one of the speakers explain how people have to “get the prosperity message out of necessity.”

“Those words were embedded in my heart. I was blown away. I didn’t have two nickels to rub together. I’d heard Kenneth Copeland on the radio years before, but I’d never been in one of his meetings. During the entire meeting I felt as though I was being hit in the chest by a spiritual battering ram. Everything I thought I knew was being knocked out of me.”

Later, when he spoke with the man who had allowed him to stay, the man gave Brent a bunch of KCM teaching materials.

At first, Hollie thought Brent must be having a nervous breakdown. That’s the only explanation she had for what was happening to him.

The man she married had a short attention span. He’d never once been able to sit still through an entire movie. He always had to be doing something. Always moving on to the next thing. Now, Brent Nordan sat patiently at the kitchen table for hours at a time—listening to Kenneth Copeland teach. He would pause to look up every scripture and filled several notebooks.

*Who is this man?* Hollie wondered.

Brent still worked two jobs to support the family. When he wasn’t working, he sat at the kitchen table listening and taking notes.

“I started quoting scriptures about wealth and riches being in my house,” Brent recalls. “I didn’t start believing out of greed. I believed



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“I said in my heart: *I will prosper. I will be a millionaire. I will be blessed. Our ministry will be blessed.* I realized that God was the only One who could move me into my next place.

“I talked about it to some of my friends. I told them that prosperity had been included in the blessing. They laughed at me. They mocked me. They told me that I’d never have a car without a payment. I insisted that I would and lost a lot of friends.”

#### Another Supernatural Connection

By March 2004, Brent and Hollie’s son Andrew had become an accomplished musician. He played in the jazz band at Boswell High School. They were performing at a chamber of commerce banquet at the Texas Motor Speedway. During the banquet, Brent and Hollie struck up a conversation with a couple who were in the insurance business. When the husband, Gary Stewart, asked what kind of work Brent did, Brent explained that he pastored a church of about 30 people, and that they were currently meeting in an elementary school.

“I’ve got a place where you can have church,” Stewart told Brent.

The next morning, they met to look at the property.

Sitting on 12 acres was a building that was a large bed-and-breakfast, and a barn that had been converted for use as a dinner theater.

“You could have church here,” Stewart said as they stood in the barn.

While touring the house, which was 6,000 square feet, Stewart asked Hollie how she liked it.

“I don’t know if I can live in this house,” she responded. “It’s so big and beautiful.”

“Girl, your faith is too small,” Stewart told her. “You can bring your kids and move into the house. I want you both to meet me back here in a week and tell me what you can do. And don’t exaggerate.”

The next week when they met again,



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Stewart offered to finance the sale at a fraction of the property’s worth and cutting down the payments to half. The house came furnished with everything they needed, including furniture, bedding, towels, sheets, cookware and decorations. Hollie and Brent sold everything they owned in a yard sale. They moved in with their children and their clothes.

#### Growing Room

“I was overwhelmed,” Hollie remembers. “By now we had four children: Andrew, Allison, Aaron and Alana. Each child had their own bedroom and bathroom. Our kids ran and played all over those 12 acres. We had so much space that we could have 15 or 16 people spend the night with no problem.

“Some people are blessed in the city, but we were blessed in the field. We live in a house that we did not build, one for the family and one for the church. We drink from a well that we did not dig. It’s got a beautiful spring well. We are so blessed!

“The first thing we did was clean out the barn and turn it into a church. For the first time in years, our church had a physical home. We renamed it North Point Church. We lived at the end of a dead-end dirt road, but we asked God to send us worshippers and laborers, and they came.

“Mr. Stewart visited on a regular basis to see how things were going. Scratching his head at all the cars, he asked if we were advertising. I said, ‘No, Mr. Stewart, we’re just calling them in.’

“We’d only been here a couple of weeks when I met Annette Taylor at a ladies’ meeting. Annette, who works at KCM, is a great woman of faith who worked for Gloria Copeland. Her husband, who wasn’t saved, became friends with Brent. He was saved and filled with the Holy Spirit, and they came to our church.

“Brent really connected with the faith message through the Ministers’ Conference. Although I attended the conferences and meetings, God knew I needed to come in another way. Through Annette, God taught me faith and its application

in a woman’s life. She has remained a faithful friend. Watching her and learning from her was a game-changer for me. I’ve also loved reading the Copelands’ devotional *From Faith to Faith* every morning for years.”

#### A Word From God

Stewart was a wonderful Methodist man who didn’t attend church on a regular basis.

“One reason God put me on this earth was to get this property to you,” he told Brent and Hollie. “I have to tell you this: God is going to take all your coins—your pennies, nickels, dimes and quarters—and turn them into dollar bills.”

When their congregation outgrew three Sunday services each week, Brent and Hollie built a new church on the property. They transformed the barn into a day-care center, then they built a 19,000-square-foot event center.

During the pandemic, they called the mayor of Saginaw and asked permission to feed people who didn’t have food. After receiving permission, volunteers from the church began delivering cooked meals to thousands of people. Later, the church began supplying other necessary essentials to those who needed them, including some who had previously mocked them.

“When we first became Partners with KCM, we often had to choose between sending in our tithe or paying the water bill,” Brent recalls. “We figured the water bill could wait. Through the years, KCM has provided Bibles and a lot of resources when we needed them. We attend the ministers’ conferences and the conventions. We’ve developed strong relationships. We needed faith to get where God wanted us to be.

“We’ve been here now for 17 years. We work, but it’s not hard. The work we did before was so hard, but now we’ve added faith to our efforts. One thing that makes it so joyful is that we experience miracles on a regular basis. People are healed. Relationships are mended. Finances are released.”

No one’s laughing now. 🙌





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**“I was going straight to the ultimate business manual—the Word of God!”**

YEARS AGO, WHILE BUILDING JESSE DUPLANTIS MINISTRIES, I MADE UP MY MIND THAT I WOULDN'T USE BANKS TO DO IT. PEOPLE THOUGHT I'D LOST MY EVER-LOVING MIND BECAUSE THEY KNEW HOW LITTLE MONEY I HAD AT THE TIME.

Three banks in my area told me I couldn't do it.

“The Bible says I can,” I'd say.

They didn't like that. They wanted me to “talk business” instead. They didn't understand that when I said, “The Bible says I can,” I was *absolutely* talking business. I was going straight to

the ultimate business manual—the Word of God!

They thought I was being arrogant and cocky, but I wasn't. I was in acquisition mode. I had made up my mind that I wasn't paying one red dime in interest to any bank.

They didn't believe me then, but

# ***“Prosperity comes from the mouth of God. It’s right there in His Word.”***

now they know.

They watched my staff and me build the ministry headquarters debt free and under budget. More than that, we acquired land all around us.

In the 40-plus years I’ve been in ministry, I’ve continued to refuse to go into debt. Praise God! We’ve always been debt free. Why? Because while I knew that what God had given me to do was unbelievable and impossible, it was also totally doable—because it was totally of Him.

Like Joshua getting ready to enter the Promised Land, I was ready to take Him at His word and walk on untrodden ground.

## **Joshua—Untrodden Ground**

When the children of Israel reached the Jordan River, they were on the verge of entering the Promised Land. God had raised a new generation, and Joshua was leading it. At the end of his life, after the children of Israel had, in fact, entered and acquired much of the Promised Land, Joshua 13:1 says, “Now Joshua was old and stricken in years; and the LORD said unto him, Thou art old and stricken in years, and there remaineth yet very much land to be possessed.”

I believe that’s the same message God has for us today. There’s still land to be taken. There’s still work to do for the kingdom of God, and it’s time for this generation to do it. The first nine verses of Joshua contain a powerful lesson on what it means to take the land.

Now after the death of Moses the servant of the LORD it came to pass, that the LORD spake unto Joshua the son of Nun, Moses’ minister, saying, Moses my servant is dead; now therefore arise, go over this Jordan, thou, and all this people, unto the land which I do give to them, even to the children of Israel. Every place that the sole of your foot shall tread upon, that have I given unto you, as I said unto Moses (Joshua 1:1-3).

God told Joshua to walk on untrodden ground, places he’d never been before. He’s got the same message for us. It’s time to walk in places we’ve never walked before—spiritually, physically,

financially. Of course, we must understand that whatever the Lord has given us to do in the natural, He’s already done in the spirit. We don’t have to wait for everything to come wrapped up with a bow. We simply need to walk. That’s what the Lord said to Joshua and the children of Israel: “Arise, go over this Jordan” (verse 2).

It didn’t matter that they were getting ready to face the Hittites, Ammorites, Malekites or all the other “ites.” It didn’t matter that it seemed unbelievable and impossible. God was in it, so it was doable; they just needed to start walking. It’s the same for you and me today. Remember, you’re not walking for yourself. You’re doing it for the kingdom of the Lord Jesus Christ.



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## **Where Haven’t You Walked Yet?**

The enemy meant this recent season of upheaval we’ve all faced for bad—but God is turning it for good. He’s causing an explosion of people to be saved and healed all over the world. The believers and ministers and churches that are prospering right now are the ones preaching the Word. They’re conquering the whole world for the Lord. That’s their responsibility—and ours too. God is giving it to us because He believes in acquisition just as He did in Joshua’s time.

Joshua 1 continues...

From the wilderness and this Lebanon even unto the great river, the river Euphrates, all the land of the Hittites, and unto the great sea toward the going down of the sun, shall be your coast. There shall not any man be able to stand before thee all the days of thy life; as I was with Moses, so I will be with thee; I will not fail thee, nor forsake thee. Be strong and of a good courage: for unto this people shalt thou divide for an inheritance the land, which I swear unto their fathers to give them. Only be thou strong and very courageous, that thou mayest observe to do according to all the law, which Moses my servant commanded thee: turn not from it to the right hand or to the left, that thou mayest prosper whithersoever thou





goest (verses 4-7).

Isn't that a beautiful passage? God promised to prosper Joshua and the children of Israel as they set out acquiring the Promised Land. Religious people may get upset about the idea of prosperity being connected to the Body of Christ, but prosperity comes from the mouth of God. It's right there in His Word. God didn't proclaim poverty; Satan did. The Lord promised prosperity. It's what He promised the children of Israel, and it's what He's promised us today as we do His will.

Psalms 115:16 says, "The heaven, even the heavens, are the LORD's: but the earth hath he given to the children of men." Don't tell me we can't take the whole world for Jesus. We can, and *we are*.

### Walk by Faith

Finally, Joshua 1:8-9 gives us the foundation for everything we do as we're fulfilling the Lord's plans:

This book of the law shall not depart out of thy mouth; but thou shalt meditate therein day and night, that thou mayest observe to do according to all that is written therein: for then thou shalt make thy way prosperous, and then thou shalt have good success. Have not I commanded thee? Be strong and of a good courage; be not afraid, neither be thou dismayed: for the LORD thy God is with thee whithersoever thou goest.

We've got to meditate on the Word of God day and night until it consumes us, until we're so familiar with it that we know the ethics of Scripture. Then, when something comes up, we can say, "Oh, this is what the Word says, so this is what we're going to do." That's part of renewing our minds with the Word of God. The end result is that we walk by faith.

That's the goal: to walk by faith. I can tell you, though, it takes a lot of faith to do something God tells you to do. Every morning I get up and pray, "Lord, what will You have me do today?"

This is what comes back: *Command ye Me*

*concerning My Word. What does My Word say to do today? Now command Me.*

That doesn't mean I snap my fingers at God. That would be a good way to lose my snappers! He demands me to do what He's *already* given me to do, whether it's spiritual, physical or financial.

We walk by faith because it takes faith to walk in God's plans, and God's Word is the foundation for every step we take.



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### God Is Showing Up

Does that mean acquiring the land is going to be easy? No! As I said earlier, I've learned over the years that if the vision I'm fulfilling is, in fact, from God, then it's totally unbelievable and totally impossible. But it's also totally *doable* because it's *totally of Him*.

We're a generation on the verge of doing the unbelievable and receiving the impossible because God said to do it. God wants this world, and He wants it quicker than we've been giving it to Him. We've got 7.5 billion people on the earth, and only 2.3 billion are Christians. We're behind schedule. It's time for us to do what the Lord said to do, so we can hasten His return.

We're walking and we're acquiring untrodden ground. We're going places we never thought we'd go, doing things we never thought we'd do, and accomplishing things we never thought we'd accomplish. Mark my words, it will be done! God is showing up and showing out.

He's in it, so let's do it! 📌

When God calls you to do like Joshua and "arise, go" (Joshua 1:2), you must first have faith in three people or things:

#### Faith in GOD

You must have faith in who He is—the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End. He's the Creator of this world and what He says He'll do, He'll do.

#### Faith in THE WORK

Whatever He's called you to do is important, and you can do it.

#### Faith in YOURSELF

God thinks you can do it, otherwise He wouldn't ask you to do it. So, believe you can.

Each of those is necessary for acquisition of untrodden ground. Whatever God has told you to do, do it. Don't get distracted by what other people say. It has nothing to do with their opinions and everything to do with your obedience to the vision God has placed in your life. Walk the walk!



# TESTIMONIES OF REAL-LIFE VICTORY

## ‘Encouraged and Strengthened’

I cannot tell you how much the show *FlashPoint* and others have meant to me. I always come away encouraged and strengthened. There’s very little news out there I can trust. Please, more, more, more of the same. I would like to see my seed go to that end.

G.S. | Wisconsin

## Debt-Free Partners

We’ve been Partners with Kenneth and Gloria since 1983. We got married using Brother Copeland’s *A Ceremony of Marriage* book. We followed his debt-free principles and have lived debt free since 1989! Praise God.

D. and J.B. | Nevada

## Grateful Partner

I thank the Lord for KCM Africa, happy to be part of this family that prays for me every day. December 2020 I was admitted in hospital due to COVID-19, but it came to my mind that KCM Africa is praying for me. Because I am a Partner all fears went away. On Jan. 3, 2021, I was discharged. GLORY TO GOD—grateful to be a Partner.

M.M. | South Africa

## Miraculous Connection

Right after we found out our house was in foreclosure, I was at work at Six Flags St. Louis. A family that worked for KCM was driving home from Indiana and felt led to come to Six Flags instead of driving straight home. They didn’t know why, because now they had to drive all night to be at work on time. I miraculously met them. They agreed our house would not be foreclosed upon.

There were many times God stopped the foreclosure. All of a sudden a different

finance company bought our loan, saying if we paid three years of payments on time, they would forgive the amount we hadn’t paid—six years of payments.

Now a new finance company has refinanced our home at the lowest interest rate we’ve ever had. Thank you for prayerful, Spirit-filled employees standing in faith with us. We are BLESSED. Jesus is Lord.

B.J. | Fenton, Mo.

## Useful Gift

**Dear Mr. and Mrs. Copeland and all the staff at KCM, thank you for the card and scripture cards. What a good idea—they are much needed and will be greatly used!** K.M. | Colorado

*“Pray and be led of the Holy Spirit.... Do something by faith.”*

—Kenneth Copeland



## Healing Confirmed

I received confirmation of healing of atrial fibrillation. I received a word of knowledge years ago, but a recent hospital visit reported that I had an irregular heartbeat. The word tonight from Billy Burke confirmed my healing. No Afib lives in my body.

R.C. | Rock Hill, S.C.

## Kept in the Midst of the Storm

During the freezing storm in Texas, we told the Lord that our trust was in Him to keep us. And He did—we never lost electricity the entire time.

We woke up to frozen pipes, but we prayed and my husband used a hairdryer on the pipes. All the water came back on except in our kitchen. I laid hands on the kitchen faucet and commanded the pipes to thaw without bursting, and praised God for the good results. The next day a pastor from EMIC called to check on us and agreed with us that the water would come back on with no burst pipes or damage.

The next day we were watching VICTORY Channel® and heard water dripping—the water in the kitchen had started running with no damage. Praise God! The Lord kept us in the midst of the storm. We are so thankful we are members of EMIC!

S.C. | Cleburne, Texas

## Unusual Provision

I especially love the broadcast sessions with George and Gloria, and have been watching all the videos and podcasts I can find.

We needed money for a truck part in our business, so I claimed the money needed, rebuked the devil, then released the ministering spirits to minister for us. The very next morning I received a call from the bank; they had a check waiting for us for a loan I had paid off but then was forgiven—unheard of and from such an unexpected place! All the glory goes to God.

Thank you for your ministry.

A.C. | Missouri

## ‘Better Every Day’

I was watching “A Night of Healing and Miracles.” Pastor George, Pastor Gene, Billy Burke and the team were praying for us all. Praise the Lord, He healed me of

diverticulosis and healed my mouth. I’m growing better and better every day in the Name of the Lord!

Thank you so much for

your obedience to the Lord. You are such a blessing to our entire family and friends.

M.A. | Tennessee



## SALVATION PRAYER

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

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

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

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# The Extraordinary Goodness of God

Have you ever known someone you consider to be a truly good person? Someone whose motives are pure with no hidden agendas. Who never seems to think about himself and whose only desire is to do good for others. A person who continually displays the heart of God's love, compassion and goodness.

Several years ago, The LORD led me to read Gloria Copeland's book *Blessed Beyond Measure—Experience the Extraordinary Goodness of God*. As a result, I taught a three-week study based on it in church. "The Goodness of God" is also one of the topics Gloria and I taught in March 2012 as part of our *Believer's Voice of Victory* broadcast series—*10 Marvelous Days of Prosperity*.

In her book, Gloria describes a man she considered to be "a good person"—her grandfather Alger Neece.





## "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, *New International Version-84*).

She writes, "Often, when I think of how good-natured God is, I am reminded of my grandfather. All of his grandchildren called him 'Pop.'"

"Pop was a truly good, kindhearted man, and he loved to do good things for everyone—especially his grandchildren. We quickly figured out that he would say yes to almost anything we asked him to do. I never remember him saying no.

"Even before I had my driver license, he let me drive his pickup around the Arkansas countryside. I remember times he even let me take it to the movies in a nearby town. If my grandmother had not been there to stop him, I think Pop would have given us anything we wanted. Although it has been many years since he passed over, every time our family gets together, we talk about Pop. It makes us happy just to remember how good he was to us."

The goodness of Pop is a picture of the goodness of God.

God's motives are pure. He has no hidden agendas. He never thinks about Himself. His only desire is to do good for His children. He continually displays His love, compassion and goodness.

### **Just How Good Is God?**

God is absolute good.

He is good to the furthest extreme possible.

There is no bad in Him.

The Hebrew for *goodness* is "good in the widest sense of the word." *Good* is who God is and *good* is what God does. As Gloria states in her book, God could be called "Jehovah the

Good"—for that is who He is.

While preparing for my first Wednesday night service on this subject, I was meditating on how to define the magnitude of God's goodness. I wanted to communicate how good God is in the simplest phrase possible. At that moment, the phone rang. It was my daughter, Aubrey. I asked her how she would define the goodness of God. Without hesitation she said, "The goodness of God is the greatest good man could ever think of—only greater!"

I immediately responded with Ephesians 3:20, *Amplified Bible, Classic Edition*: "Now to Him Who, by (in consequence of) the [action of His] power that is at work within us, is able to [carry out His purpose and] do superabundantly, far over and above all that we [dare] ask or think [infinitely beyond our highest prayers, desires, thoughts, hopes, or dreams]."

Think about the greatest good God could do for you. Don't hold back.

Picture the most wonderful thing that could happen in your life. Do you have that image in your mind? Now, think about this—His goodness is greater still! No matter what we desire, the goodness of God will always "do superabundantly, far over and above all that we dare ask or think infinitely beyond our highest prayers, desires, thoughts or dreams." That is how good God is to us. The goodness of God is meant to overwhelm us because He is good all the time!

### **No Limit to His Goodness**

The goodness of God covers the entire spectrum of whatever we need. There is no limit to all He has and no limit to all He wants to do.

God showed His goodness to Moses in



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Exodus 33:18-19. "And he said, I beseech thee, show me thy glory. And he said, I will make all my goodness pass before thee." At that moment, all of God's goodness—the glory of God, the presence of God heavy with everything good—passed by Moses. Exodus 34:6 says, "The LORD passed by before him, and proclaimed, The LORD, The LORD God, merciful and gracious, longsuffering, and abundant in goodness and truth." God is "abundant in goodness."

God's protection comes from His goodness.

Psalms 31:19-20, *NIV*-84, says, "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. In the shelter of your presence you hide them from the intrigues of men; in your dwelling you keep them safe from accusing tongues."

God's provision comes from His goodness.

Psalms 107:8-9 says, "Oh that men would praise the LORD for his goodness, and for his wonderful works to the children of men! For he satisfieth the longing soul, and filleth the hungry soul with goodness." Psalm 34:8 says we are to "taste and see that the LORD is good." It goes on to say, "The young lions do lack, and suffer hunger: but they that seek the LORD shall not want any good thing" (verse 10). The word *goodness* in Hebrew also means, "prosperity, good things, goods and property." Psalm 65:11 tells us that God crowns our year with His goodness. Another translation states, "You crown the year with your bounty, and your carts overflow with abundance" (*NIV*).

God's forgiveness comes from His goodness.

Psalms 86:5 (*AMPC*) says, "You, O Lord, are good, and ready to forgive [our trespasses, sending them away, letting them go completely and forever]; and You are abundant in mercy and loving-kindness to all those who call upon You." Romans 2:4 also tells us the goodness of God leads us to repentance.

God's redemption comes from His goodness.

Psalms 107:1-2 says for us to "give thanks unto the LORD, for he is good: for his mercy endureth for ever. Let the redeemed of the LORD say so, whom he hath redeemed from the hand of the enemy." Because of His goodness, we have been redeemed from the curse of the law. For instance, sickness is a curse. God, in His goodness, sent His WORD and healed us and delivered us from our destructions (verse 20).

God's power comes from His goodness.

Psalms 107:15-16 reveals, "Oh that men would

praise the LORD for his goodness, and for his wonderful works to the children of men! For he hath broken the gates of brass, and cut the bars of iron in sunder." The weapons of our warfare and the armor of God are all part of His goodness. The goodness of God has provided us with Jesus' Name and the blood of the Lamb to overcome the kingdom of darkness.

Fellowship with God comes from His goodness.

James 1:18 (*New Living Translation*-96) says, "In his goodness he chose to make us his own children by giving us his true word. And we, out of all creation, became his choice possession."

Everything we need comes from His goodness.

James 1:17, *AMPC*, tells us, "Every good gift and every perfect (free, large, full) gift is from above; it comes down from the Father of all [that gives] light." There is no limit to His goodness!

## God's Goodness Through Us

The goodness of God does not stop with us. We are not the only beneficiaries of His goodness. You and I are to demonstrate the goodness of God to others in the same way Pop showed goodness to Gloria and her brothers and sisters.

First Peter 2:9 proclaims, "You are a kingdom of priests, God's holy nation, his very own possession. This is so you can show others the goodness of God, for he called you out of the darkness into his wonderful light" (*NLT*-96). The Apostle Paul told the Romans, "I myself also am persuaded of you, my brethren, that ye also are full of goodness" (Romans 15:14). The *AMPC* says, "Personally I am satisfied about you, my brethren, that you yourselves are rich in goodness."

Acts 10:38 reveals "how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Ghost and with power: who went about doing good, and healing all that were oppressed of the devil; for God was with him." The goodness of God should flow through us to others in the same way it flowed through Jesus, "because as he is, so are we in this world" (1 John 4:17).

Receive the goodness of God. Receive from Him all He wants to do and all He has provided. And then, take His goodness one step further. Be determined to allow His goodness to flow through you to others.

Become a receiver and a distributor of the extraordinary goodness of God.





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# The Devil's Worst Nightmare

“As we continue in the Word, it causes our faith to continue to increase. It enables us to keep growing in our ability to believe God for prosperity.”





## YEARS AGO THE LORD TOLD KEN, I'M GOING TO HOLD YOU RESPONSIBLE FOR MY MESSAGE OF PROSPERITY IN THIS EARTH.

He said that He'd held Oral Roberts responsible for ministering healing and Kenneth E. Hagin for teaching faith. In the same way, He was going to hold this ministry responsible for teaching His people that it's His will for them to prosper financially, and for showing them, from His Word, how to do it.

In case you've ever wondered, that's why Ken and I continue to preach to you about prosperity. It's why, despite the criticism we get from the world and even from some Christians, we're preaching it stronger now than ever. God gave us this assignment and we understand how important it is in our day.

We're the only generation of believers ever to have so many ways to reach people all over the world with the gospel!

Think about it for a moment: Less than 100 years ago, when the British evangelist Smith Wigglesworth wanted to come preach in America, he had to travel for a month just to get here. These days, we can get on an airplane and be on the other side of the world preaching in a matter of hours.

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All the technology necessary to tell the world about Jesus is available now. All we need, to make the most of it, is the money to put it all to work.

It's no wonder the devil keeps fighting the prosperity message like he does. His worst nightmare, in the time we're living in, is believers who know the Word, walk by faith and can afford to do whatever God tells them.

Jesus said, "This gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations; and then shall the end come" (Matthew 24:14). The devil knows that the end is going to be bad for him. So, desperate to choke off the financial resources the Church needs to



POINTS  
TO GET  
YOU  
THERE:

1

There are no limits to how much God can prosper you. (2 Cor. 9:8, AMPC)

2

Old ways of thinking may try to limit you, but the Word of God can set you free from those limits. (John 8:31-32)

3

The Word of God is the key to living on this earth in liberty. (Josh. 1:8)

4

Financial lack is part of the curse. Jesus has redeemed you from it. (Gal. 3:13)

5

In Christ you're BLESSED with every spiritual BLESSING, so it's normal for you to be rich. (Prov. 10:22)

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**The more we walk in the light of God's Word, the freer we get and the more independent we become of this world's system.”**

[resources for] sowing and increase the fruits of your righteousness.... Thus you will be enriched in all things and in every way, so that you can be generous, and...bring forth thanksgiving to God” (verses 10-11, *AMPC*).

“But Gloria, believing God for finances just doesn't come that easily to me. I grew up in a situation where money was hard to come by.”

I understand. Money was tight in my family when I was growing up as well. So when Ken and I first started learning to live by faith, my thinking in that area was very limited. For years I'd thought in terms of not having enough, so my natural tendency was to hold on tight to every dollar we got.

Ken, on the other hand, seemed to have been born with a different mindset. To him money wasn't good for anything except to be used, and he was always eager to use it. So once we learned what the Word says about financial sowing and reaping, Ken would give every dollar we had in a heartbeat if God told him to. He wouldn't worry about it at all. He'd just trust God to BLESS us in return.

It didn't take me long, back then, to realize that if I wanted to keep up with Ken, I had to break out of my old, financial-lack mindset. I had to get free from the mental limitations that had been imposed on me by my past and adjust my thinking. So, I set myself to do it.

How?

By following God's instructions. He said in the Bible, if we continue in His Word, the truth in that Word will make us free (John 8:32). He said if we attend to His Word, believe it and act on it, then we shall make our way “prosperous, and then [we] will have good success” (Joshua 1:8, *NKJV*).

God also warned us that if we don't pay attention to His Word, we'll stay in bondage. Rather than enjoying all the benefits of THE BLESSING of

get its job done, he continually persecutes those of us who believe in and preach biblical prosperity.

But then, who cares about persecution?

It doesn't really hurt us. Especially when we consider the sources the devil uses to deliver it. For the most part, the people who say bad things about us are either ignorant or they've been misled by false reports about us carried by the secular media.

Talk about ridiculous! Sometimes I'm amazed at secular reporters' inability to even get basic facts straight. One described Ken as being 5'3" and weighing 130 pounds. (Bless that reporter's heart! Maybe he just couldn't see very well, because what would be the point in lying about someone's height and weight?)

Another report we saw recently that was carried by an online encyclopedia said that Ken and I personally have a net worth of \$300 million. When Ken read that, he said, “I sure don't know where that \$300 million has been hiding!” If we sold everything we own and all the ministry's property and equipment, we wouldn't come close to having anywhere near that amount.

Rather than getting upset over the inaccuracy of the report though, we decided to rejoice and just agree with it by faith. “Hallelujah, we receive it!” we said. “Just think about the impact that \$300 million put to work preaching the gospel could have for the kingdom of God.”

### No Limits

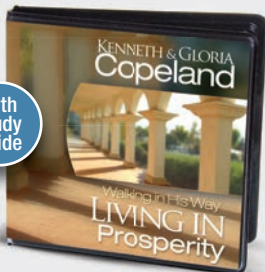
We don't care what people say about us, we're not backing off where prosperity is concerned. On the contrary, our faith in that area is growing exceedingly, and we want yours to keep growing too. We want you to keep believing for the Lord to “increase you more and more, you and your children” (Psalm 115:14).

After all, there is no limit to God's ability to prosper you. As 2 Corinthians 9:8 says: “God is able to make all grace (every favor and earthly blessing) come to you in abundance, so that you may always and under all circumstances and whatever the need be self-sufficient [possessing enough to require no aid or support and furnished in abundance for every good work and charitable donation]” (*Amplified Bible, Classic Edition*).

Even if you start out in a place where you can't pay your own bills, according to the Word, “[God] Who provides seed for the sower and bread for eating will also provide and multiply your

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God, we'll find ourselves living like the world does, in subjection to the curse.

That's not how we, as believers, were born to live! In Christ we've been redeemed from the curse and have inherited THE BLESSING of Abraham (Galatians 3:13-14).

Our inheritance doesn't just fall on us automatically, however, like a ripe apple off a tree. Because we live in a world where the curse is operating, and we have an enemy that's roaming around seeking to steal from us and destroy our lives, if we want to live the way we were born to live, we must continually stay in God's Word.

His Word is what teaches us how to operate in victory over the world and the devil. It's what gives us the faith and the know-how we need to rise above the darkness that surrounds us and walk in the light.

### **Normal Life in the Kingdom of God**

The Word of God is the key to living on this earth in liberty! The more we walk in the light of God's Word, the freer we get and the more independent we become of this world's system—which is wonderful, because this world's system is messed up!

The world teaches people that lack and debt are normal. It tells them they should never expect to be able to buy something as expensive as a house outright. In the world's system, having maxed-out credit cards and a 30-year mortgage is just a normal way of life.

For us, as citizens of God's kingdom, however, such a life is abnormal! What's normal for us is:

To always have more than enough, not only to enjoy, but to give.

To be debt free, have enough to lend, and not have to borrow. (Romans 13:8; Deuteronomy 28:12)

To have God open the windows of heaven over us and pour out such abundance that we don't have room enough to receive it. (Malachi 3:10)

To believe God's Word, do what He says and enjoy "days of heaven upon the earth." (Deuteronomy 11:21)

The only thing that stops us from living that kind of normal lifestyle is an untrained soul! Our

Luke 4:18

1 Corinthians 2:7-10

Amos 9:13-15

Acts 17:26

Deuteronomy 6:10-11

Proverbs 9:1

Proverbs 10:22

Proverbs 12:7

Proverbs 15:6

Proverbs 22:4

Proverbs 24:3-4

Proverbs 24:27

Isaiah 32:17-18

Jeremiah 29:4-7

Jeremiah 31:12-14

Psalms 16:5-6

Psalms 31:19-20

Psalms 66:12

Psalms 68:6, 10, 19

Psalms 107:7-9

Psalms 107:29-32

Psalms 107:35-38

Psalms 107:41-43

Psalms 112

Psalms 118:5, 23

Thou hast caused men to ride over our heads; we went through fire and through water: but thou broughtest us out into a wealthy place.  
Psalms 66:12

Through wisdom is an house builded; and by understanding it is established: And by knowledge shall the chambers be filled with all precious and pleasant riches.  
Proverbs 24:3-4

By humility and the fear of the Lord are riches, and honour, and life.  
Proverbs 22:4

The Lord is the portion of mine inheritance and of my cup: thou maintainest my lot. The lines are fallen unto me in pleasant places; yea, I have a goodly heritage.  
Psalms 16:5-6

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soul is made up of our mind, will and emotions. Unlike our spirit, it wasn't transformed into the image of Jesus the instant we were born again. Our soul must be transformed over time, and the power that transforms it is the Word of God.

As we put His Word first place in our lives, it brings our mind, will and emotions in line with God's mind and will. It changes our thinking, so we increasingly think like He does.

If, for example, we come from a background of lack that has limited us where prosperity is concerned, God's Word will remove those limitations. It will renew our minds so we can leave the past behind and increasingly move forward into a life of divine abundance. A life like Proverbs 10:22 describes, where "the blessing of the LORD, it maketh rich, and he addeth no sorrow with it."

What's more, as we continue in the Word, it causes our faith to continue to increase. It enables us to keep growing in our ability to believe God for prosperity.

Ken and I can testify to this. When we first got born again, we had to stretch our faith just to believe God for enough money to put food on the table. I had to pray in tongues the entire time I was grocery shopping to push away the fear I wouldn't have enough money to pay for what I'd bought.

When Ken said he had signed us up to become partners of Oral Roberts' ministry and give \$10 a month, I staggered at the thought. "Where are we going to get \$10?" I asked. But I stayed in the Word, stretched my faith a little further and joined Ken in believing for the extra money and, sure enough, it came in.

When, after we had been in ministry for a while, the Lord led us to buy our first little single-engine airplane, we realized our faith had grown bigger. Ken found the one he wanted, and although we were \$3500 short of having enough money to pay for it, he took the money we had to the man who was selling the plane.

"Go ahead and take the plane now," the owner said. "You can pay it off over time. I trust you." But because Ken and I had agreed before God not to borrow money, he said by faith, "No, I'll pay for the plane in full. You just hold it for me, and I'll be back with the full amount."

Later that same day, we got a call from Olin Creach, Carolyn Savelle's father. He was one of our ministry board members at the time. "I have

\$3500 I want to give you," he said.

Back then, \$3500 might as well have been \$35 million. We didn't have any way in the world to get it. But God already had it—and because we'd kept growing in faith, when we needed that plane to get the gospel to people, God was able to get the money for it into our hands!

"But I'm not in full-time ministry like you and Brother Copeland," you might say. "I don't have any board members calling to give me money. How can God prosper me?"

There are all kinds of ways He can do it. He's an expert at prospering His people supernaturally. He's been doing it for thousands of years.

He told the Israelites, if they believed and obeyed Him, He'd give them "houses full of all good things, which you did not fill, hewn-out wells which you did not dig, vineyards and olive trees which you did not plant" (Deuteronomy 6:11, NKJV). He also said to them, "If ye shall diligently keep all these commandments which I command you...then will the LORD drive out all these nations from before you, and ye shall possess greater nations and mightier than yourselves" (Deuteronomy 11:22-23).

Don't look at natural circumstances to see what God can do in your life! Look past the natural things and look into the Word of God. He says He can use even your enemies—sinners who might appear to be greater and mightier than you in the natural—to prosper you.

He's done it for the Partners of this ministry, time and again. One of them wrote us a few years back about some land God BLESSED them with. It had been owned by a notorious sinner and used for ungodly purposes. When our Partners offered to buy it, the owner initially rejected their offer because it was far below his asking price. But then he got himself into some legal trouble and needed money quickly, so he decided to sell the land to them after all, for just a fraction of what it was worth.

God can do the same kind of thing for you. As Rufus Mosely once wrote, "God can put the move on anybody!" If you'll just stick with the Word, He'll BLESS you financially above what you can ask or think.

He'll turn you into one of those believers who knows His Word, walks by faith and can afford to do whatever He says, so that you too can become one of the devil's worst nightmares! 🙌



What To Do When...

# Something GREAT Happens

Commander  
Kellie's Corner

**At first I thought, Everyone knows what to do when something great happens. You jump up and down and run around the room, right?**

If not, your natural excitement will generally decide for you how to respond and what to do. So why write about it? Because as I was thinking about what to help you with, that title came to my heart. I, too, had to stop and ask why. So, let's learn about this important "What to do when..." together.



First, go ahead and get excited about the good thing that has happened for you! Sometimes you may be embarrassed about showing how you feel, but don't worry—it is good for your soul to be expressive. Your soul is your mind, will and emotions. Or you could say your thinker, chooser and feeler. Let it be joyful!

Next, no matter how the exciting thing happened or came to you, remember this scripture: "Every good gift, every perfect gift, comes from above. These gifts come down from the Father, the creator of the heavenly lights, in whose character there is no change at all" James 1:17, *Common English Bible*.

If it is good, it came from our heavenly Father! He is the Master gift-giver (remember His all-time gift, JESUS!). *The Passion Translation* says, "Every gift God freely gives us is good and perfect, streaming down from the Father of lights, who shines from the heavens with no hidden shadow or darkness and is never subject to change. God was delighted to give us birth by the truth of his infallible Word so that we would fulfill his chosen destiny for us and become the favorite ones out of all his creation!" James 1:17-18.

I like the part that says, "so that we would

fulfill his chosen destiny for us and become the favorite ones out of all his creation!" When something great happens, let it remind you that God put you here on earth so He could bless you. Receive every good gift as a message of His love for you AND that you are one of His very favorites out of all He created.

So, the next step is pretty obvious after realizing where the gift originated (started from). Be grateful to the Lord. Tell Him, "Thank You!" Even as you are jumping up and down, excited, express your excitement and gratitude to Him. "Give thanks to the Lord and pray to him. Tell the nations what he has done" Psalm 105:1, *International Children's Bible*.

When you give thanks to the Lord, it blesses Him. It opens the door for Him to bless you even more! There is another great thing that happens when you thank the Lord. Your friends hear you praise Him! When you give God praise, you testify of His goodness. Your gratefulness may cause them to turn their hearts to Him too. Part of being thankful when you receive money is to tithe on it, or give 10 cents out of every dollar to the Lord. That's super important.

Wait! We aren't done with our thanks just yet. Don't forget to thank the person or people who God brought the blessing through. If Mom or Dad gave you a gift, thank them. Even if the great thing wasn't a gift but you achieved a great accomplishment. Think about anyone who helped you, inspired you or made it possible. Give them a huge thank-you!

Lastly, remember how excited you are about your big blessing when it's time to take care of it or follow through with responsibility later. Huh? Allow me to illustrate: Did you get that cute puppy you wanted? Remember to keep the gratitude when it's time to feed it or pick up the poo. You got the best part in your school musical? YAY you! Remember how

amazing that is when you have to rehearse on Saturday instead of play with your friends. You got a new bike? That's awesome. Show your appreciation by putting it away at night instead of leaving it in the front yard.

There are many ways our hearts can respond when something great happens, and there's not enough space or time to think of them all. But I must add one more. Superkid, when we are blessed, let's be ready to share and sow out of our blessings into others. Let's be generous and give others a big break or cause them to rejoice at their blessing. If we are open to His leading, the Lord will let us be part of someone else's big moment of greatness.

YOU are part of my great life, Superkid. I love you and I am grateful for YOU!

Thankfully,  
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