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Let's celebrate Jesus! And as we do, let's always remember that Jesus' coming into the earth was God's plan from before the foundation of the world (Ephesians 1:4). Remember, too, that you and I were God's plan all along. He has had Jesus and us in His heart since before Creation began. He has loved us and destined us to be His children. All He ever needs from us is our faith in His love and His plan for us. Glory to God!

When we say yes to God, He sets His Holy Spirit inside us—the source of our being able to love God, and to love the people He places in our lives. His Spirit guides us every day and in every way into our heavenly Father's plan for our lives—giving us His ears and eyes, and telling and showing us all God is saying and doing in our lives and in our world.

In our lives and in our world.

The Spirit within you and me will lead us in the important days ahead in every decision we make for the direction of our lives, and for the leadership of our nation. Our job is to ask Him to tell us and show us, then hear and obey Him. What marvelous things we have to look forward to, knowing He is truly the One in command!

As we step into the year 2016, we remember 2015. We can see how every step of faith and love on our part has demonstrated and manifested His love and His plan in our world. I believe as we go forward, and stay on the side of faith and love, the world will be in continual awe of God, and thousands upon thousands will be brought into His kingdom. What a marvelous year of celebration we face, even as we celebrate Jesus in this season!

This Christmas issue of *Believer's Voice of Victory* will bless you, we are sure. Our family has prepared articles in full faith that you will fall more in love with God, even as He loves you, and you will seek to know your role in His kingdom because it is vital to His plan being fulfilled! The days and months ahead are sure to be some of the most glorious we have ever known, as we anticipate Jesus' return to the earth. It's been in God's plan since before time began!

You know you are in our hearts and prayers every time our family gathers to celebrate Christmas. You are our family! As we join together and thank our Father for His love and plan for us all, we will be thanking Him for you, our worldwide family of Partners and Friends. Our love, faith and prayers are always with you.... We love you!

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NO MATTER WHAT'S GOING ON IN THE WORLD—WHETHER THE ECONOMY IS UP OR DOWN, WHETHER THINGS LOOK SUNNY OR STORMY ON THE NATIONAL HORIZON—HERE'S A FACT YOU AND I, AS BELIEVERS, CAN ALWAYS DEPEND ON:

GOD HAS A PLAN FOR OUR LIVES.

STEP ACROSS THE FAITH LINE

by Kenneth Copeland

It's a plan that is far more fabulous than we can imagine. A plan that's filled with God's BLESSING and backed by His power.

It's a plan that can't be thwarted by the devil or by circumstances in this fallen world because it was created before they ever existed. It was formed in the heart and mind of our heavenly Father "before the foundation of the world" (Ephesians 1:4).

Talk about planning ahead! God didn't wait for us to show up on planet Earth to figure out what to do with us. He looked down through the ages, before time began, chose us "in

him...that we should be holy and without blame before him in love" (verse 4) and planned for us accordingly.

It's no wonder God's plans for us are so good! When He made them, He didn't see us as sinners; all fouled up, messed up and bummed out. He saw us *in Him*—holy and without blame, born again in His exact likeness, identical twins to Jesus Christ of Nazareth.



He sees us the same way today. That's why the devil can't alter His divine plan for us, or change the way God sees us! As the Alpha and the Omega, God sees us before the foundation of the world and after the Resurrection. He sees us in Him—in the beginning and the end!

"Yeah, but I'm in the middle somewhere, Brother Copeland, and things aren't looking very good for me right now. I've goofed things up, gotten off track and I can't find my way back."

Sure you can. All you have to do is love Jesus and obey His commands. He said, "He that hath my commandments, and

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No matter what's happening in the world, God's plan never changes. It's the best possible

God created a plan for you before the foundation of the world. Ephesians 1:4 All you have to do to walk in that plan is love Jesus and obey His commands. John 14:21 Once you step across the faith line and commit to obey Him, He will BLESS you on credit like He did Abraham and you'll be immediately in His plan. Romans 4:16

When you miss it, just repent, get your eyes back on Jesus, and keep walking by faith. 1 John 1:9

Since love is Jesus' foremost command, make walking in love your top priority. Matthew 22:37-39



keepeth them, he it is that loveth me: and he that loveth me shall be loved of my Father, and I will love him, and will manifest myself to him" (John 14:21). When Jesus manifests Himself to you it's not hard at all to get back in the plan of God. You simply follow wherever He leads you and do whatever He tells you to do. The moment you start doing that, you're right back on track.

"But you don't know what kind of sins I've committed and what kind of mistakes I've made! They're BIG! It would take years to overcome them and get back into the place of God's BLESSING."

That would be true if you had to do it yourself, but you don't. Jesus has done it for you. When He went to the cross, He wiped out every sinful act of disobedience and every dumb mistake you ever made. He

redeemed you and me and everyone else in the world from the curse so that, with one step of faith, we can receive Him as LORD of our lives, inherit His BLESSING, and start walking out the plan He designed for us before the foundation of the world.

BLESSED on Credit

I know what you might be thinking. That sounds too good to be true!

I agree. From a natural, human perspective, it does sound that way. But it's true nevertheless. No matter what blunders you might have made or how far away from God you may have wandered, you can get right back in God's will by simply putting your faith in Jesus and making a commitment to obey Him. You can change the course of your life from this time forward just by praying this

simple prayer every day:

"LORD Jesus, I commit myself to love You and keep Your commands. Today, all day long, I will attend to both Your written WORD and the voice of Your Spirit within me. I open my ears, Sir, to hear Your instructions. Whatever I hear You tell me to do, I will do. I trust You to manifest Yourself to me and I thank You for it. Amen."

The instant you step over the line of faith by praying that prayer, what you did five minutes ago, or five years ago, is in the past. It's gone. You're immediately BLESSED and in the plan of God.

"But Brother Copeland, doesn't God require me to go through some kind of probationary period before He starts BLESSING me? Doesn't He wait for me to prove to Him for a while that I'm going to keep my commitment?"

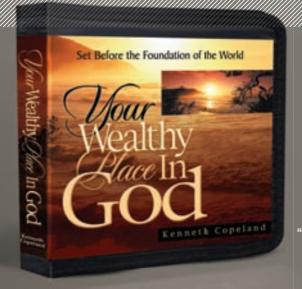
No, He doesn't. He does for you the same thing He did for Abraham. God BLESSED Abraham on credit! The moment Abraham believed God, "it was accounted to him for righteousness" (Galatians 3:6). God didn't say to him, "You act righteous long enough and then I'll BLESS you." He BLESSED Abraham as soon as he believed; then Abraham acted on his faith and did what God said.

Some of us, as believers, have twisted it around the other way. We've thought that if we hear God's commands and keep them, eventually He'll see how well we're behaving and BLESS us. But that's not what the Bible teaches. It says in Romans 4:16, that "it is of faith, [so] that it might be by grace; to the end the promise [of THE BLESSING] might be sure to all the seed...which is of the faith of Abraham; who is the father of us all."

Notice, according to that verse, you don't earn God's BLESSING by doing good works. Nor do you get it by just waiting for it to fall on you by grace like an apple off a tree.

"Before the foundation of the world, God made man wealthy beyond his wildest imagination."

—Kenneth Copeland



Before sin. sickness, debt and lack ever came into this world, God designed a place for you where the answers to your every need are provided in abundance. Psalm 66:12 calls it your "wealthy place."

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You receive God's grace by faith. The split second you step across the faith line, by grace God treats you like you never sinned. In other words, He treats you just like He treats Jesus.

This doesn't mean, however, that you'll always act just like Jesus. Sometimes, even though you're committed to obeying Him, you'll mess up. I know, because I've done it myself. There've been mornings when, as soon as I told The LORD, "I'll do whatever You say today," He responded by giving me a more challenging assignment than I expected. I reacted by saying, "Oh God, I can't!" and fouled things up within 20 seconds.

What should you do when you miss it like that?

Don't waste time condemning yourself. Just repent and get your eyes back on Jesus. Receive His forgiveness and keep walking by faith. Instead of dwelling on your missteps, focus on the next step He is telling you to take. Keep listening for and obeying His commands.

Make Love Your Top Priority

One thing I can guarantee He'll tell you to do, is to walk in love. As He said in Matthew 22:37-39, loving God with all your heart, soul and mind, is the first and great commandment; and the second is love your neighbor as yourself. When it comes to keeping Jesus' commands, walking in love is job No. 1. Because "faith...worketh by love" (Galatians 5:6), the minute you step out of love, you step out of God's plan and into Babylonian territory. You step away from your divine protection and into the world where satan has plans for you that you're not going to like.

That's serious business. Personally, I want nothing to do with satan's plans. So I've made love my life's highest priority. Gloria has too. We're both in agreement about this: Our finances aren't our priority.



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Getting our way is not our priority. Even our family is not our priority. Walking the love line is the most important thing in our existence.

Every morning when we get up we make a fresh commitment to it. We start our day by committing to walk in love all day long and to do anything else Jesus commands us. That's been our practice for years and it always will be, because we've learned from experience that obeying Him keeps us in the plan of God and leads to the exceeding, abundantly beyond all we can ask or think!

On the other hand, ignoring The LORD's commands leads to just the opposite. It leads to trouble. I found that out the hard way early in my walk with The LORD.

charge of his music department. This should work fine, I thought. Brother Sutton is a man of God. I'm sure I can learn just as much from him as I could at ORU.

After accepting the offer, on Halloween night I was driving back from Houston with Gloria and the kids. My plan was to go by way of Arkansas so we could spend the night there with Gloria's parents and then go home and start preparing to move. But on the highway, just outside of Marshall, Texas, we had a terrible wreck. Another car drove across the highway right in front of us, and we hit with such force that if it hadn't been for the mercy of God, we all would have been killed.

knew how it had happened and what I had to do.

"LORD, I repent, Sir," I prayed. "I'm Jonah and the whale got me. But, thanks to Your mercy, he didn't destroy me. My family and I are alive!"

As I sat there rocking, praising The LORD in other tongues and thanking Him for His goodness, all of a sudden I heard two more people praying in the spirit along with me. I opened my eyes and saw two pajamaclad men standing beside me. One was wearing house slippers, the other was barefoot, and they both put their hands on my shoulders as they prayed.

I found out later that one of them, a born-again, spirit-filled truck

YOU DON'T EARN GOD'S BLESSING BY DOING GOOD WORKS. NOR DO YOU GET IT BY JUST WAITING FOR IT TO FALL ON YOU BY GRACE LIKE AN APPLE OFF A TREE. YOU RECEIVE GOD'S GRACE BY FAITH.

The year was 1963. I'd recently been born again and baptized in the Holy Spirit. I knew I was called to ministry and The LORD had already given me the first step—enroll as a student at Oral Roberts University.

The problem was I didn't want to do it. In fact, I didn't even want to think about it. Every time it came to mind, I thought, No! I'm not going back to school. I hated school for years as a kid and I'm not going back!

Hoping to find another path into the plan of God, I watched for other possibilities. Sure enough, I found one. In 1966, while attending some meetings at Hilton Sutton's church in Houston, he asked me to take Gloria, who was sick with the flu, was thrown forward so hard that her head carved a half-moon in the dashboard. Two-month-old John, who'd been lying on a pillow between the two front seats, broke his arm and tore four ribs loose from his backbone. Kellie, who'd been riding in the back seat, was in borderline shock.

When we finally got to the hospital, Gloria and Kellie tried to rest in bed while I sat in a rocking chair, holding John on my chest, trying to rock him to sleep. Every time he'd start to drift off, the pain would wake him and he'd cry. It was a heart-wrenching situation, and as I prayed in the spirit over it, I

driver, had been admitted to the hospital a few days earlier. He, too, had been in a wreck and, though he hadn't been hurt, for insurance purposes he had to be hospitalized for a few days. Determined to use the time wisely, he shared the gospel with the other fellow, got him saved and they'd been going around the hospital together praying for people. The nurse had ordered them to stop, but that night The LORD woke them up and told them to pray for me anyway.

As they did, a strong presence of The LORD flowed down over me like warm honey. It was so sweet I could almost taste it. It started at my head and when it got to my chest, where John was lying, his little head tipped over and he went sound asleep. At the same time, my arm and chest stopped hurting, and both Gloria and Kellie went to sleep. For 45 minutes or so I just basked in the Anointing and in the presence of God, knowing everything was all right.

The next day my dad and mother came and picked us up. As we were riding with them to Fort Worth, my dad said, "What are you doing this coming week?"

"Sir, I don't know," I said. "I don't have any plans."

"Well, your mother and I are going up to ORU for a partner meeting and they sent us some extra invitations. Would you like to go with us?"

"Yes, sir! Oh, glory to God, yes!"

Long story short, I was instantly back in the plan of God. The next week, during Brother Roberts' meetings I went up for prayer, he laid hands on me, and the anointing for this ministry was imparted to me. A few minutes later I had a vision from The LORD that changed the course of my life. Trying to describe it to Gloria, I wept and wept. "I can't leave here," I said. "ORU is where I'm supposed to be."

She agreed and we stepped across the faith line. Since then, we've never turned back. We've made some mistakes and missed it sometimes, but we didn't let that stop us. We just repented, got back on our faith feet, and kept following Jesus. He's kept us in the plan of God now for almost 49 years and we can tell you without a doubt—it's the most wonderful place to be.



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by Kenneth Copeland

Break the Cycle of Doubt

"We walk by faith, "not by sight."

2 Corinthians 5:7, New American Standard Many people find out about God's love for them and then let the revelation of it slip away. They lose their grip on it because of what they feel and what they see. On Sunday, they're shouting and singing about how God loves them and will take care of their every need...but on Monday when the bill collector calls, they're crying and wringing their hands, saying, "I just don't know what's going to happen to me!"

If you find yourself caught in that cycle of believing God's love for you one day and doubting it the next, there's something you can do to help break the cycle, once and for all. I've done it many times myself when I've needed to make significant changes in my life. Get the elements of Communion. Take the time to sit down at the table with them, and go through the scriptures that deal with the problem you're facing. Write down all the verses, for example, that particularly speak to you about God's love.

Then go before The LORD and settle that truth once and for all in your heart. Pray about it. Say, "Father, You've told me through Your WORD that You love me. You've promised that You'll never leave me nor forsake me. You've given

me Your
WORD
that if I'll
just put You
first place
in my life,
everything
else I need will
be added to
me. Today, I
am making the

commitment to believe and trust in Your love for me. From now on I will walk by faith and not by sight. From here on out, I will refuse to doubt Your love, no matter what I feel or see. I will continue to believe, speak and act as if You love me, protect me and provide for me in every area of life. In Jesus' Name."

Then, take Communion over that commitment. Mark your thinking with the Communion elements that represent the covenant of love God has with you. Let them remind you that His love for you is so great that He sent Jesus to be the sacrifice for you. Let the sign of His body and His blood be an unforgettable symbol to you that God's love for you has been forever established in the broken body and shed blood of Jesus.

The next time you run into some circumstance that makes it look like God doesn't love you or that He isn't taking care of you, instead of just flying apart and spouting unbelief in every direction, remember that commitment you made before The LORD. Think about those Communion elements and how the very body and blood of Jesus testify of God's love for you.

When you do, faith will rise up within you and instead of letting the revelation of God's love slip away, you'll stand steadfast in it. Instead of rejoicing in God's love on Sunday and wringing your hands on Monday, you'll be shouting and singing every day of the week!



Keep that in mind this Christmas as you pray for loved ones....
Don't be moved by their outward appearance.

I clearly remember the day I was born again. I was 19 years old. While attending art school in Boston, strangers were continually witnessing to me on the streets. The WORD preached finally took root, and one day I simply said, "Jesus, come into my life." At that moment, I could sense a wind blowing through me. I literally felt lighter. What happened to me? I became a new creation in Him (2 Corinthians 5:17). I

became the righteousness of God in Christ (2 Corinthians 5:21). That was in 1972. My life has been completely transformed since that time. I am one very grateful pastor!

Jesus was born to transform our lives into something good, wonderful and magnificent. Looking back, I can tell that Jesus was chasing after me. He loved me so much, He sent people to share the gospel with me. He was doing what He was born into this earth to do. Luke 19:10 in the *New Living Translation* says, "The Son of Man came to seek and save those who are lost." I was lost. He loved me and sought after me. He saved me and He totally transformed my life.

He has sought after and transformed so many people, including one I didn't know about until very recently.

Steve McQueen was a huge movie star. His popularity during the '60s and '70s was unparalleled. He was "The King of Cool." In 1974, he became the highest-paid actor in the world. He was sought after by the best directors. Little did he know at the time he was also being sought after by the Director of the Universe, Jesus Himself.

An Inflated Ego

Fame began to take its toll. McQueen became a "big shot" with an inflated ego and he knew it. He answered to no one. When asked if he believed in God, he said, "I believe in me. God will be No. 1 as long as I am No. 1." However, in the midst of that fame, one director observed that McQueen was "a loner... troubled and looking for a father."

He didn't realize his Father God was looking for him.

By the late 1970s, his career was failing. He was aging and quality roles just weren't coming his way. He felt empty and dissatisfied. He became a recluse. To fill the time, he bought an airplane and learned to fly. McQueen could tell there was something different about his instructor. One day, they finally talked and he discovered the difference was Jesus. The transformation had begun.

McQueen began attending church and became a close friend of the pastor. In conversation one day, he told the pastor he had recently answered an altar call at

church and made Jesus The LORD of his life. He finally found his Father. The change began and everyone was taking notice. His flight instructor called the transformation "dramatic." A friend said it was "stunning." McQueen was no longer chasing after fame and prestige. His greatest desire was to serve God with all his heart. Truly, this was a life transformed by the power of God.

A New Man

Evangelist Billy Graham was one of the last to speak to the actor before he passed away. McQueen shared his testimony. He told Graham that God had made him a new man. During the visit, he somehow had misplaced his Bible, so Graham gave him his. When McQueen went to heaven, Billy Graham's Bible was laying open on his chest, turned to his favorite scripture: John 3:16.

This testimony really touched my heart. It is a demonstration of Jesus' love and His passion to seek and save the lost, no matter how lost they may be. According to Ephesians 2:6, Jesus raised us up together with Him in heavenly places. You could put it this way: He transformed us and increased our value. Why? Verse 7 in the New International Version tells us: "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."

Keep that in mind this Christmas as you pray for loved ones who do not know Jesus. Don't be moved by their outward appearance. Deep in their hearts, they are searching for their Father God. Even more than that, their Father is searching for them. All you need to do is trust The LORD. Pray that He will send laborers across their path to minister the good news of God's unfailing love and grace. I believe with you right now for their salvation and transformation. Iesus was born to seek and save the lost. He is doing that with your family right now.

And, if you are reading this and you have never made Jesus The LORD of your life, you can simply pray what I prayed so many years ago: "Jesus, come into my life." Romans 10:9-10

(New King James Version) says, "If you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you will be saved. For with the heart one believes unto righteousness, and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation."

Now, let's pray this together: "Thank You, LORD, for the birth of Your Son. Thank You for sending Him to seek and save the lost. Thank You for saving me and redeeming me from the curse of sickness, lack and fear. Thank You for delivering me from the power of darkness and translating me into the Kingdom of Your love. At this Christmas season, I thank You once again for transforming my life and the lives of those around me. Amen."

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All the busyness of Christmas fades into the darkness as we gather close to our families and listen to that glorious song. My daughter, Aubrey Oaks, usually leads, making it even more special to me. The words of O Holy Night have always stood out to me, even as a preteen. I recall a songbook that came with the new family piano. After thumbing through for a song I might be able to play, it was O Holy Night that caught my attention. I studied the

O Holy Night.
The stars are
brightly shining.
It is the night of
our dear Savior's
birth. Long lay
the world in
sin and error
pining, 'til He
appeared and
the soul felt
its worth.

words carefully: "And the soul felt its worth." I was uncertain what that meant, but it seemed the writer was describing a sense of self-worth that did not exist before the birth of Jesus. Somehow His birth placed a value on men's souls that could be felt. What warmth came through that phrase!

What is the value of the soul? In fact, what is the soul? Most people use the word *soul* interchangeably with *spirit*, but there is a difference. "And the very God of peace

sanctify you wholly: and I pray God your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ" (1 Thessalonians 5:23).

This verse indicates that there is a difference by naming them separately. While the "real you" is the spirit man, the soul is the mind, the will and the emotions; it's the personality part of you. Both spirit and soul are housed in the body. Your spirit was breathed out of God's very being, with a plan for your life that is whole—nothing missing, nothing broken.

God's Will Is Prosperity and Well-Being

Third John 2 says, "Beloved, I wish above all things that thou mayest prosper and be in health, even as thy soul prospereth." It's like God is saying, "I want this more than anything else. All I have done, everything I created was for your wellbeing. I want your prosperity to be a reflection of how well your soul is doing. I also want your health to be a reflection of how strong your soul is. I want everything in your life to reflect a soul that is whole." But many things can happen to our souls, just like things can happen to our bodies. Hurts, disappointments and rejection come to all of us. For some, rejection begins even before they are born. Without knowing the Father's love, these hurts can delay, distract or even destroy the plan God has for our lives.

We often go to Isaiah 53:4-5 to see what Jesus did for us on the cross. We know that our sins and our sicknesses were borne on that cursed tree. But Isaiah also tells us that (paraphrased) "surely He has borne our griefs. He carried our sorrows. We thought He was stricken by God but He was wounded for our sakes. He was wounded because of our transgressions. He was bruised for our iniquities. The chastisement needful for us to obtain peace was upon Him and with His stripes we are healed." He bore *any and all* pain that robs our

peace. He bore the pains of rejection, grief, sorrow and disappointment. Think about the disappointments He faced. All of His family rejected Him, His disciples abandoned Him during His darkest hour. It was so intense He said it brought Him near death. Had He yielded to it, He could have died in the garden of Gethsemane. But He went through it all to deliver us. "With His stripes, we are healed." The wholeness that we need in spirit, soul and body is provided by His death and triumphant resurrection.

What *is* your soul worth to God? The life and blood of Jesus!

Soul vs. Body

So how do we take possession of soul well-being? In John 5:6, Jesus said to the lame man at the pool, "Wilt thou be made whole?" Notice Jesus did not ask if he wanted to be well. Of course he did, but Jesus required the man to make a choice to let go of his lifestyle of being sick. Sometimes hurts seem too painful to confront, but we must determine that we are going to give all of our soul to Jesus, and let the work of the cross do what it was designed to do. In Matthew 9, the woman with the issue of blood said, "If I can but touch the hem of His garment, I will be made whole." She was determined to be whole. The Bible says she had lost everything. Given the disorder she had, we can assume she had lost everything from finances to social standing, all possibility of a family and the shame of medical experimentation. It may have been years since she had felt human touch. What kind of condition would her soul have been in? Her determined faith reached out for Jesus and put a demand on His healing love. Jesus recognized the touch of faith and pronounced to her that her faith had made her whole. Not only did her issue of blood dry up, but all of her beingspirit, soul and body—was made completely whole. What freedom!

Soul health requires an ongoing process of staying close to Jesus. There will always be challenges in this life

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that hurt. But walking with Him who IS wholeness can bring you to a place where it takes a lot more to hurt you than before. When hurts do come, they heal so fast you hardly notice they were even there. God wants you to be in such peace in your soul that you make no record of pain so it has no opportunity to grip your life and redirect your thoughts, your decision-making or your outlook on life.

Through fellowship with Jesus, around His Word and in prayer, we can allow Him to minister to us and finally allow Him to lovingly show us just what our souls are truly worth.

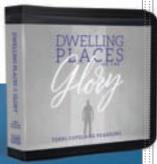
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Restoring the Glory

by Marty Copeland

Don't you just love Christmas? It's my favorite time of year! :: When Jesus was born, it was not only the glorious birth of God's Son, but it was the birth of God's eternal plan to restore the glory and covering Adam and Eve had walked in. From the beginning, God's strategy was to undo the effects of

man's fall from glory and grace by redeeming us from the curse that had come on man in the Garden of Eden. Imagine the excitement in heaven when God's plan was being set forth on the earth. Straight from the throne, the angel of the Lord announced the good news to a few shepherds, and declared Jesus' birth was to be great joy to all. Not just joy, but *great* joy! The heavenly host joined in to praise God and release the powerful words from heaven—"on earth peace, good will toward men" (Luke 2:14). This was a monumental time in history. Everything was about to change!

Jesus' life and message demonstrated the love of a heavenly Father whose grace, mercy and forgiveness offered fallen man a way out from under the burdensome Law. He is such a God of freedom! Through His ministry, Jesus revealed a new covenant and how God wanted to relate with mankind as a loving Father. It was and is a brilliant plan to restore the fellowship God had enjoyed in the Garden with Adam and Eve.

This new covenant of love brought hope and a plan for restoration and

reconciliation with God. While the old covenant was all about "the law of doing," and brought condemnation, the new covenant, with the "law of grace," removed all burdens and condemnation.

By accepting Jesus as Savior, and His life of love, hope and peace, we have been translated from the kingdom of darkness and empowered to live a new life in His kingdom of light. Accepting Jesus allows us to live in supernatural peace and to firmly shut the door to Satan's torment. Our past is forgiven and we are each given a clean slate on which God's plan can be written.

I love how Paul describes us now as "new creatures." What an awesome plan God set in motion for us to become born-again believers!

Therefore if anyone is in Christ [that is, grafted in, joined to Him by faith in Him as Savior], he is a new creature [reborn and renewed by the Holy Spirit]; the old things [the previous moral and spiritual condition] have passed away.

Behold, new things have come [because spiritual awakening brings a new life]. But all these things are from God, who reconciled us to Himself through Christ [making us acceptable to Him] and gave us the ministry of reconciliation [so that by our example we might bring others to Him] (2 Corinthians 5:17-18, *The Amplified Bible*).

Full of God and His Glory

Jesus' love of the Father was revealed in such a powerful way that Paul was inspired to pray that we would be able to comprehend the magnitude of that endless love, in order for us to be filled with the fullness of God Himself. In Ephesians 3:17-19, New King James Version, Paul prayed: "That Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith; that you, being rooted and grounded in love, may be able to comprehend with all the saints what is the width and length and depth and height-to know the love of Christ which passes knowledge; that you may be filled with all the fullness of God."

What an amazing statement! Just think about that. What would it look like to be filled with the fullness of God-to be full of His love and His glory? We know that glory is defined as "heavy with everything good," and we find scriptures all through the Bible about God's glory and God being the King of glory. Remember in the Old Testament, for instance, where there were times when the priests were unable to stand in the Temple because the atmosphere was so heavy with God's glory and His goodness. As New Testament believers, our bodies are temples of the Holy Spirit... the Lord Himself, and filled with His glory and goodness. I often read and meditate on the prayer Jesus prayed in John 17, particularly verse 22: "And the glory which You gave Me I have given them, that they may be one just as We are one" (NKIV).

Jesus' prayer affirmed that He had finished all the Father had given Him to do, including filling us with His glory! Jesus most definitely fulfilled God's plan of redemption—for us to be saved, restored and filled with His glory once again, in order to be one with Him. Selah!

I am so grateful His redemption plan always included restoring the glory that was lost because of sin. Knowing this, we should all be shouting with the angels saying, "Glory to God in the highest!"

As the Christmas season is upon us, my heartfelt desire is for all of us to walk in a much higher degree of God's love and glory—filled with His peace and great joy! Please pray with me:

Heavenly Father, we join together in prayer to express the thankfulness and joy in our hearts throughout this Christmas season! We are in awe of Your great love in giving us Your Son, the Savior of the world, as a means to gather Your family together again. Thank You for the fullness of Your plan of redemption and reconciliation. Thank You so much, Father, that You empower us to demonstrate Your love and giving heart to our family and friends, and continue to show us ways to reconcile others to the abundant and glorious life that we are able to have in Christ. Father, we love You so much, and we celebrate the gift You gave! In Jesus' mighty Name, Amen!

This very moment, choose to be strong, and be encouraged to purposefully celebrate this month with great peace and joy! Let's make sharing God's love with others our primary goal as we spend time with family and friends, revealing the goodness of God and His glory. God loves you more than you know! Be blessed and have a very Merry Christmas!

- About -

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"It is an honor to return to Uganda for our fourth camp. When we return to a location, we get to actually SEE the harvest of seeds that were planted the year before—and water them! Five hundred youth will be with us this year to worship, learn, compete and, most importantly, hear from The Father. Be praying for us as we prepare to depart on December 3!!"

~Courtney Copeland



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has something those living in the world don't have. They have something their neighbors and other family members want. How do I know? Well, I know it by the Word of God. But I also know it because I see or hear about it nearly every day.

I see it in their eyes and hear about it in the lives of Partners I meet at our Believers' Conventions and Victory Campaigns. I read it in the many testimony letters we receive. I hear about the Partners who call in with praise reports.

People who let God's uncompromised Word have full access to their hearts are just different. God is working in their lives—He is blessing them!

Now, I know you may look at certain areas of your life today and say, "Yes, but the work seems far from complete." And you're probably right. But can I tell you something? We're all in the same boat. We're all still growing. We all have needs.

That's why God has given us to each other in partnership. We need the ministry gifts of called men and women like Dad

Gabby's mom called the KCM prayer line and requested prayer for her daughter. It was no surprise that after all of the hard work...Gabby emerged

as the overall winner.

and Mom. We need that undiluted Word challenging us, stretching us, prodding us to be all God created us to be. And we also need to know others are praying for us.

Our Partners Are Covered in Prayer

Dad says it often, and I want to remind you of it as well: If you are a Partner with Kenneth Copeland Ministries you are never without prayer. Think about it. Every morning, Dad and Mom are bringing you before the throne room of God. They are standing in agreement for the fulfillment of every promise God has given to those who will believe His Word and partner with Him in the ministry of that Word on earth.

Not only that, but every day of the workweek, you are right in the middle of a prayer meeting of more than 500 people—employees of Kenneth Copeland Ministries worldwide. We start our day by praying for

you. Among other things, we pray for you to fulfill your calling and destiny in God, and for you to experience favor and increase in your life. We gratefully remember that it is you who stand with us and enable us to

reach out to a world that is otherwise without hope.

There is also another prayer group you are a vital part of—more than

323,267 Partners. Imagine the power of agreement as we consistently pray and stand with each other for the manifestation of God's fullness and overflow in our lives. You are partnered not just with KCM, but with all our other Partners who have answered God's call to support this ministry with their prayers, their Goddirected and God-supplied giving and other acts of faith.

Now that's a lot of prayer, a lot of fellowship in the gospel and a lot of agreement concerning the promises of God coming to pass in your life! That's the fellowship in the ministry that the Apostle Paul wrote about to his partners at Philippi (Philippians 1:3-6). And that's what we are committed to at Kenneth Copeland Ministries.

Partnership Is About Relationship

Supporting you in faith, in prayer and with Bible resources is why we're here. We're committed to more than just praying with you when you're going through a challenge in your body, finances or relationships. We're here to give you the teaching resources you need



"Partnership with KCM is a lifeline for me.... It's a spiritual connection I don't think I can do without."



to build yourself up in God's Word so that you can stand in faith through any storm of life. And now, with our new online Partner Community, you can connect with other Partners to share and support each other, knowing you have a common foundation of faith. In addition, the new Believer's Voice of Victory Network (BVOVN) offers 24/7 teaching to immerse vourself in the word of faith anytime you like.

The greatest report we could receive from you, our Partners, is to hear that when the trial came—symptoms showed up, the economy faltered, a misunderstanding occurred-God's Word rose up in your spirit and rolled out of your mouth in boldness and authority before you even had time to think about it!

The opportunity to serve you is our highest honor. We will do whatever God has equipped us to do to provide you with the teaching and encouragement you need to be strong in faith and love in every area of your life.

We are working together, standing together, supporting one another and growing together into the stature of the fullness of Christ (Ephesians 4:13).

The difference between you and this confused and terrified world?

It's night and day. (1)

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Ps. 23:6

"Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever."

Ps. 91:9-10

"Because thou hast made the Lord, which is my refuge, even the most High, thy habitation; there shall no evil befall thee. neither shall any plague come nigh thy dwelling."

Ps. 103:5

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

Ps. 112:2-3

"His seed shall be mighty upon earth: the generation of the upright shall be blessed. Wealth and riches shall be in his house: and his righteousness endureth for ever."

Isa. 54:17a

"No weapon that is formed against thee shall prosper; and every tongue that shall rise against thee in judament thou shalt condemn."

Zech. 9:11-12 (AMP)

"As for you also, because of the blood of Mv covenant with you [My chosen people, the covenant that was sealed with blood] I have freed your prisoners from the waterless pit. Return to the stronghold [of security and prosperity], O prisoners who have the hope; Even today I am declaring that I will restore double [your former prosperity] to you las firstborn among nationsl."

John 14:21

"He that hath my commandments, and keepeth them, he it is that loveth me: and he that loveth me shall be loved of my Father, and I will love him, and will manifest myself to him."

Rom. 15:13 (AMP)

"May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing [through the experience of your faith] that by the power of the Holv Spirit you will abound in hope and overflow with confidence in His promises."

Rom. 15:29

"And I am sure that, when I come unto you, I shall come in the fulness of the blessing of the gospel of Christ."

Eph. 1:17-18

"That the God of our Lord Jesus Christ. the Father of glory, may give unto you the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of him: The eyes of your understanding being enlightened; that ye may know what is the hope of his calling, and what the riches of the glory of his inheritance in the saints."

Eph. 3:16-17

"That he would grant you, according to the riches of his glory, to be strengthened with might by his Spirit in the inner man; that Christ may dwell in your hearts by faith; that ye, being rooted and grounded in love."

Col. 1:9

"For this cause we also, since the day we heard it, do not cease to pray for you, and to desire that ye might be filled with the knowledge of his will in all wisdom and spiritual understanding."

1 Cor. 15:57

"But thanks be to God. which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ."

1 Thess. 5:23

"And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly; and I pray God your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ."

Partnership is more than just commitment it's a covenant relationship.

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The whole basis for us being in this ministry and on this earth is to teach people, primarily born-again Christians, how to live a victorious life in Christ Jesus. That's our calling. The mission is to help people realize who they are in Christ and understand the authority they've been given. Our goal is to love people—to meet their needs. Love is what makes the difference. We

believe God can change someone's life through faith and love.





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The Gift That Keeps On Giving

"It is more blessed to give than to receive."

Jesus said these words, so you know they're right. :: Some, though, have heard this and taken it to mean that we shouldn't receive anything, but that's plain crazy.

Jesus just wanted you to know that, as great a blessing as it is to receive something, it's an even bigger blessing to give something. I think it's safe to say that Jesus said this out of His own personal experience. He knows firsthand the blessing that it is to give. Has anyone ever given more than He has? Never. But Jesus has a unique place in our lives. Not only is He the One who gives, He is also the gift itself.

Gifts come in every shape and size, and they range in price from very little to, "You really shouldn't have spent this much!" We all have been given gifts that made us think, It was definitely more

blessed to give than it was for me to receive this thing. Those are usually the ones that, upon opening, cause us to say, "Oh, thank you. What is it?"

On the other hand, you know what it's like to get something truly great. It could've been something you wanted, something you needed or something that just made you smile. But the best gifts are the ones that you find yourself using and enjoying long past Christmas. They're the ones you've hung on to for years, because you're using and enjoying them as much today as the day you got them. The very best gifts are the ones that keep on giving. It's almost as though the people who gave them to you were able to look into your future, see that you would need and enjoy these things for years and years, and become your personal heroes by blessing you with what you'd one day call "the best gifts ever!"





The Greatest Gift!

Humanity has been given a gift—Jesus.

God so loved us that He proved it by giving us this gift. And this gift falls into the "very expensive" category. As a matter of fact, this gift cost God everything He had. But He gave it to us because He *did* look into our future and saw exactly what we would need, not only for our lifetimes but for all of eternity.

When Adam sinned, God went to work on this gift. He could see we were going to need a Savior. He knew that this gift would have to redeem us, heal us, clothe us and feed us. He knew He was going to have to give us something that we could use far beyond the day we first got it.

Jesus is the gift that keeps on giving.

When God gave you Jesus, He gave you the gift of salvation—salvation from hell on earth and hell in eternity. Not only have we been saved, we are being saved every day by that same salvation. You may have been filled with the Holy Ghost years ago, but you are "being filled" again today. This gift is still giving! Ephesians 1:3 in the New King James Version says, "Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places in Christ." When God gave us Jesus, He gave us everything heaven had to offer. He put heaven in Iesus and then sent Him to us as the complete and total package.

"He who did not spare His

own Son, but delivered Him up for us all, how shall He not with Him also freely give us all things?" (Romans 8:32, *NKIV*).

If God were willing to give you Jesus, why on earth would He withhold your healing, your provision, your deliverance or any other good thing? My friend, He's not withholding any good thing from you. If there is something you need, then all you must do is go to the original gift He gave you, because that gift is still giving to you today. There is nothing you need that He hasn't already given you. It's all in Jesus.

Never think that you are asking or expecting too much from God. He Himself told you that it is more blessed to give than to receive. This must mean that it blesses Him more to give to you than it does to receive from you. But as you live life enjoying this gift that won't stop giving to you, your response will be to give to Him and others.

This Christmas season, give BIG to the kingdom of God and to the people He has put in your life. Get addicted to the blessing

of giving. Once you do, you'll know how Jesus feels when He gives. He will never quit giving to you.



- About -

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"For there is one God, and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus; who gave himself a ransom for all."

1 Timothy 2:5-6

'Learning to

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God Is Blessing in Sydney I attended the KCM 2014 Australia Connect Meeting in Sydney, and I sowed into the miracle offering. God has totally blessed me since that day when Kellie prayed for us over Skype. I have stepped into a new level

of service in God's kingdom,

and have been helping with [other ministries] and at our local Care Centre in Sydney. I'm closer to Iesus and more humble. I have prayed over some people and Jesus healed them! I am so grateful for your letter. Thank you!

C.B. | New South Wales

Forgiveness and the Unity of the Faith

I read the article in the BVOV magazine depicting the historic visit from Brother Copeland to Pope Francis in June 2014. I'm a committed Catholic who received Jesus as Savior through the Catholic charismatic renewal 19 years ago.



Due to verbal mistreatment from some Protestant brethren, I let a bitter seed grow in my heart, which produced fruits of hatred toward them. My

husband has fervently prayed for my deliverance, and for years, I cried out to God for forgiveness and restoration. God then blessed us to attend a book-table meeting in Bogota, organized by a Christian bookseller.

I arrived at the meeting ready for a fight, determined to answer in the meanest of ways any negative comment against Catholics. But after a devotional time led by a Protestant missionary, God allowed me to address an audience of over 150 Protestants, I asked for their forgiveness for my hatred and burst into tears, as did they!

After my deliverance, God inspired a Catholic prayer warrior and friend, who

was arriving from the U.S., to bless me with BVOV magazines, which have been a marvelous blessing! They have been a tool for sharing with Catholics and Protestants, with a special emphasis on "diversity is divine. division is diabolical" and "the unity of the faith, not of the doctrines." Our doctrines surely differ, but our faith is founded in Jesus Christ of Nazareth. the Son of the living God!

I give Him thanks for using individuals like the Rt. Rev. Tony Palmer to build THE BRIDGE. and all the people like Pope Francis and Kenneth Copeland, who vield to Him for the ultimate objective of our fellowship. Glory to God!

Birthday Blessings

I watched George Pearsons and Gloria Copeland on "Supernatural Provision." It was awesome! It was a week before my birthday and God supernaturally blessed my family to be able to take me out and get caught up on our bills. God just opened so many doors for us, my faith and my husband's faith Increased, c.B. I Washington, D.C.

God Answered Quickly!

September 2013, our van couldn't be fixed. I told my husband we're getting a new vehicle or the money to buy one. We had no money. We had prayer at our church on Sunday, and on Tuesday, I phoned KCM and a lady prayed for money or a vehicle. Then on Wednesday, a friend phoned and asked my husband if we had gotten our van fixed. He said no. The friend said, "Don't worry about it, I just bought you a 2010 Dodge Caravan," He also paid our bill at the garage and what we had put on the credit card for the van. We received our vehicle on Friday! Praise the Lord! Linda P. | Ontario, Canada

Recovered From Drugs and Serving God

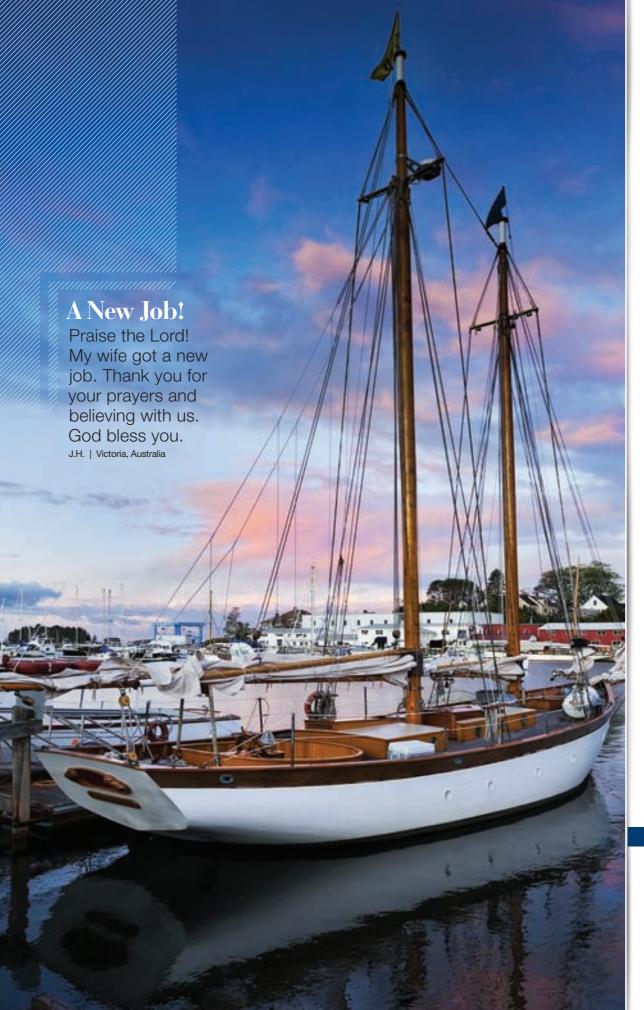
My granddaughter Laura has recovered from drugs and is serving the Lord! She drives me to church every Sunday and is also writing spiritual poems and taking care of her 5-year-old daughter. She received unexpected money and bought a car for us to get to church and doctor appointments. Praise our wonderful Provider! Since I became a Partner with Kenneth Copeland Ministries, I have experienced a number of miracles, this is just one of them.

Kathleen H. | Ontario, Canada

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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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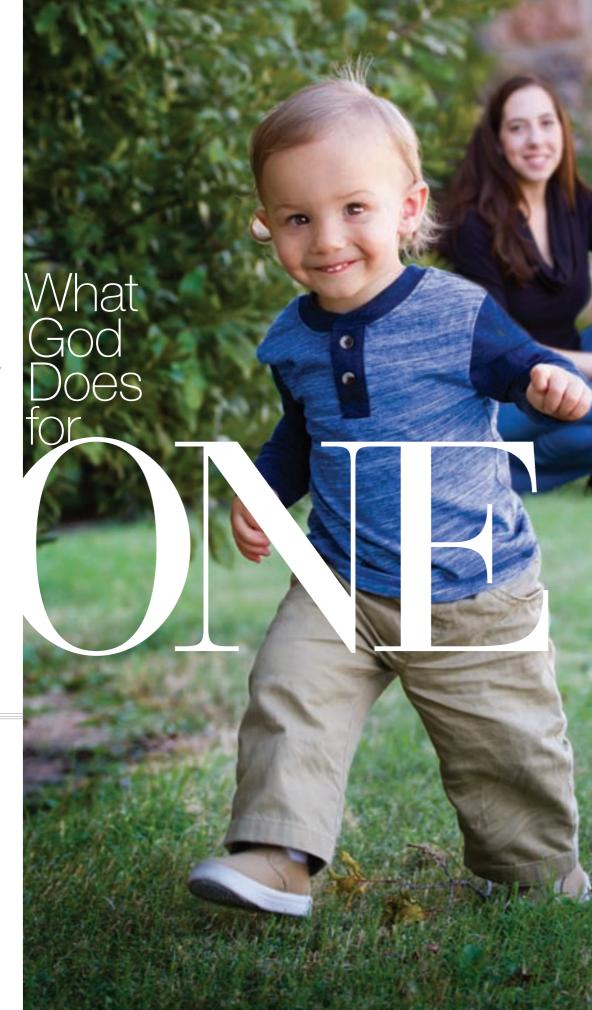
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is a boy." soon enough!"

Jennifer Adams shivered with excitement as she prepared for the sonogram that would reveal her baby's gender. "Before we begin," Jennifer said, "I want to go on record as saying that, in spite of the fact that everyone keeps telling me I'm having a girl, I believe the baby

Her husband, David, laughed. "We'll know

Two months earlier, Jennifer and David had watched in awe as their baby's heartbeat raced inside a body that looked like a tiny gummy bear. They could hardly wait to see how much he'd grown.







During the sonogram, Jennifer reflected back on the long journey that had brought her to this place. At the tender age of 10, she'd started watching the *Believer's Voice of Victory* broadcast. By 12, she was a Partner with Kenneth Copeland Ministries. From the age of 14, her dream had been to work at KCM.

Jennifer was 23 when she flew from her home in Wisconsin to Fort Worth to interview for a job at KCM. Once she had been hired, she packed her belongings and left her family, friends and the only life she'd ever known and moved to Texas. Now, at age 35, she worked as a producer in the television department and was married to KCM's head chef, David Adams.

Early in her pregnancy, Jennifer was sitting at her desk in the studio one day when Kenneth Copeland walked in and she shared with him that she was expecting a child. His face lit with joy, Jennifer recalls, and then his voice dropped low and serious. His piercing blue eyes seemed to look into her soul as he spoke: "Perfect pregnancy. Perfect delivery. Perfect baby."

"That sounds wonderful!" Jennifer said as Brother Copeland left the building.

Looking at the sonogram, her obstetrician's brows furrowed into a frown and Jennifer felt a hum of alarm.

"Well, you were right. It's a boy," the doctor said. "But there's something wrong. The baby isn't growing properly. He's two weeks behind. In addition, you've got placenta previa, which means the placenta has attached low over your cervix. If you go into labor with the placenta located where it is now, both

you and your baby could bleed to death. Unless the placenta moves, we'll schedule you for a cesarean section. Meanwhile, I'm transferring you to the care of a specialist."

Jennifer knew all about placenta previa. Her sister had had it and she'd been on hospital bedrest for several weeks. But the thing that had caused the hum of alarm to grow into something that resounded in her head like a fire alarm wasn't about the placenta, says Jennifer. It was that the baby wasn't growing properly.

Suddenly, all those years of watching the TV broadcast, and all the months of reading the *Believer's Voice of Victory* magazine from cover to cover kicked in. Jennifer knew that life and death were in the power of the tongue—her

spite of that, my blood sugar stayed stable and I felt great. Although I didn't suffer morning sickness, I was very fatigued. When I got home from work each day I fell asleep and slept all evening and through the night.

"At 22 weeks we saw the specialist, who did another sonogram. Instead of being better, the news was worse. She said the baby was showing signs of Down syndrome. If that weren't bad enough, it appeared that something was wrong with the blood flow from me to the placenta and to the baby.

"We kept all that news to ourselves. The only people who knew what we were dealing with were Pastors George and Terri Pearsons, my sister, and two friends.

I'VE BEEN A PARTNER WITH KCM FOR 25 YEARS.... IF NOT FOR WHAT WE'D LEARNED ABOUT FAITH, AUSTIN AND I MIGHT HAVE DIED.

tongue and David's!

She met David's gaze. There was no need for discussion. They both knew that God had already prepared them for this moment. He'd even given them the words to speak. They were on the same page. At the exact same time they each spoke the same words in unison. "Our baby is perfect."

High Risk

"My pregnancy was labeled high risk from the first time I saw my doctor," Jennifer says. "I was over the age of 35, which put me in the high-risk category. In addition, I was an insulin-dependent diabetic, which also created risks. In When people asked how things were going we said, 'All is well! Our baby is perfect!'

"One of our friends told Brother Copeland. The next time he was in the studio, he prayed over me and the baby. He prayed specifically over any problems with the blood flow. The next sonogram showed that the blood flow was perfect, but the baby was still behind in growth."

Jennifer and David were seeing the specialist every two to three weeks, and the negative reports were wearing them down. Now, sonogram reports indicated that the baby might have been suffering from other abnormalities in

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		Testament	Psalms
Tue	1	Dan. 9-10	Ps. 119:73-96
Wed	2	Dan. 11-12	Ps. 119:97-120
Thu	3	Hos. 1-3	Ps. 119:121-144
Fri	4	Hos. 4-5	Ps. 119:145-176
Sat	5	Hos. 6-7	Ps. 120
Sun	6	Hos. 8-9	Ps. 121
Mon	7	Hos. 10-11	Ps. 122
Tue	8	Hos. 12-13	Ps. 123
Wed	9	Hos. 14; Joel 1	Ps. 124
Thu	10	Joel 2-3; Amos 1	Ps. 125-126
Fri	11	Amos 2-3	Ps. 127
Sat	12	Amos 4-5	Ps. 128
Sun	13	Amos 6-7	Ps. 129
Mon	14	Amos 8-9	Ps. 130
Tue	15	Obad.; Jon. 1	Ps. 131
Wed	16	Jon. 2-3	Ps. 132
Thu	17	Jon. 4; Mic. 1-2	Ps. 133-134
Fri	18	Mic. 3-4	Ps. 135
Sat	19	Mic. 5-6	Ps. 136
Sun	20	Mic. 7; Nah. 1-3	Ps. 137
Mon	21	Hab. 1-3	Ps. 138
Tue	22	Zeph. 1-3	Ps. 139
Wed	23	Hag. 1-2	Ps. 140
Thu	24	Zech. 1-3	Ps. 141-142
Fri	25	Zech. 4-5	Ps. 143
Sat	26	Zech. 6-7	Ps. 144
Sun	27	Zech. 8-9	Ps. 145
Mon	28	Zech. 10-11	Ps. 146
Tue	29	Zech. 12-13	Ps. 147
Wed	30	Zech. 14; Mal. 1	Ps. 148
Thu	31	Mal. 2-4	Ps. 149-150

addition to Down syndrome.

"I want to schedule you for an amniocentesis specifically to check for Down syndrome," the doctor explained.

"No," David and Jennifer said in unison, "our baby is perfect."

The doctor looked at them as though they were crazy.

No Fear Here

Dozens of times each day Jennifer declared, "Perfect pregnancy. Perfect delivery. Perfect baby." She understood that those were the words with which they were to war. While she spoke words of faith all day, sometimes she awoke at night in a cold sweat. Whenever that happened, she would open her Bible to the verses that she and David had chosen for their stand. She paraphrased Psalm 112:7 saying, "I will not be afraid of evil tidings. My heart is steadfast, trusting in the Lord." Other times, she meditated on Psalm 112:2. Paraphrasing it she said, "My seed shall be mighty upon the earth; the generation of the upright will be blessed."

Physically and emotionally fatigued, David and Jennifer took a two-week vacation. Spending quality time together, they rested and meditated on God's Word. Together, they quoted Acts 20:24: "None of these things move me; nor do I count my life dear to myself, so that I may finish my race with joy, and the ministry which I received from the Lord Jesus, to testify to the gospel of the grace of God" (New King James Version).

They confessed Romans 4:20-21, declaring, "We will not waver at the promise of God through unbelief, but will be strengthened in faith, giving glory to God, and being fully convinced that what He promised He is able to perform."

Back from vacation, Jennifer and David went to see the specialist. Studying the sonogram, the doctor looked surprised. "Oh! He's only one week behind now!"

"Help me understand," Jennifer said. "Does that mean he grew as much in two weeks as he should have in three? He almost doubled his expected weight gain?"

"That's right," the doctor said. "I don't need to see you for four weeks."

Pure Perfection

A month later, when Jennifer and David returned, the specialist they had been seeing was off duty. A different doctor performed the sonogram, asking Jennifer to summarize the problems. Jennifer explained the situation and ended by saying that the baby was now only one week behind in size.

"No, your baby is perfect!" the doctor declared. "He's not behind at all. I'm referring you back to your regular doctor. You don't need to see a specialist any longer."

On July 28, 2014, Austin Adams was born by C-section weighing in at 8 pounds, 3 ounces. "He's bigger than we thought!" the doctor said. "He's perfect!"

Jennifer wrapped her arms around her son, kissing his fuzzy head. A few minutes later, without warning, she started shaking and felt so weak she couldn't hold him any longer. About that time the nurse noticed that Austin's breathing was a little off. She took him to the nursery and David followed.

In recovery, the nurses noticed that Jennifer's uterus wasn't contracting strong enough to stop the bleeding. They gave her powerful intravenous and oral drugs to increase contractions. Instead of an hour, it took three hours to stabilize her.

Finally moved into a regular room, Jennifer still didn't feel quite right. Something felt off as the nurse massaged her uterus. Just then a river of blood flooded the bed. As Jennifer lost consciousness, she hemorrhaged half the blood in her body as doctors fought to save her.

Lives in the Balance

"I don't remember much about what happened after that," Jennifer recalls. "I was in and out of consciousness as they stopped the bleeding and started blood transfusions. David stayed with me all night. The next morning, Austin's pediatrician came to talk to us.

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Because of the placenta previa, they had taken Austin early. In addition, I had diabetes and it had slowed the development of his lungs. He wasn't just having trouble breathing, he couldn't breathe on his own. They'd decided to move him to a hospital in Lewisville which had more sophisticated breathing equipment."

When the doctor left, David and Jennifer reaffirmed their stand. They would not be afraid of evil tidings. They said, "None of these things move us. Our baby is perfect."

Jennifer was determined to see her son before they transferred him, even though she was so weak it took her half an hour to make it out of bed and into a wheelchair. Looking white as an Alaskan winter, she was wheeled to the nursery. She was too weak to hold him, but nurses propped the baby on pillows in her lap.

"You are perfect," Jennifer said. "You are healed and whole; nothing missing, nothing broken and nothing lacking. I'll see you soon." Kissing his head to say goodbye, she felt like her emotions had been knocked out by a prize fighter. She took another hit when her doctor told her, "You've suffered so much trauma, I don't recommend that you have any more children."

David split his time between being with his wife at a hospital in Denton and visiting hours at the NICU in Lewisville where a breathing machine forced air into his son's lungs.

"Don't expect him to leave this unit in less than 14 days," the doctor in charge of Austin's care told David.

A Child Is Born

The next morning, when he returned for the first visiting time, David found Austin on oxygen, breathing on his own. The machine was gone. The pediatrician said, "We're amazed!"

The following morning, David called Jennifer from the NICU. "He's off oxygen!" he reported.

That same morning, Jennifer was discharged from the hospital and a friend drove her to Lewisville. "I was prepared to sleep in the waiting room," Jennifer remembers. "But when I arrived, they put David and me in a room so we could be close to Austin. The next morning, on Friday, Austin was discharged from the NICU and brought to stay with us. For the next few days he stayed in a hospital room with us. We took care of him except for visits back to the NICU for his medication. On Monday, one week from the day he was born, we took him home."

Six weeks after Austin's birth, Jennifer went back to see her doctor. After a full examination the doctor smiled at Jennifer. "I perform C-sections all the time and I've never seen anyone heal this fast. Your incision shouldn't look like this now. Your healing has accelerated by at least

six months. I take back what I said. I suggest you wait a year, but if you want more children, go ahead."

Today, Austin Adams is a healthy, happy 1-year-old.

"Austin was born six days before my 36th birthday," Jennifer explains. "I've been a Partner with KCM for 25 years and David has been a Partner for 15. If not for what we'd learned about faith, Austin and I might have died. All those years of reading people's stories in the magazine built our faith. We knew that what God did for them, He would do for us."

What God did for David, Jennifer and Austin Adams, He'll do for you. *That's* good news.





Better Than a Pickle

Merry Christmas, Superkid!

I am excited that it's
Christmas, and I am fairly
certain you are too. I have
seen many Christmases
come and go; each one
special, each spent with
family and friends being
mindful of how much Jesus
loves us and how much we
love Him. This year, however,
I have a new expectation of
Christmas. I think this one
will be different. :: I am going
to look for the pickle.



Let me explain by telling you about one of our family traditions.

Decorating the Christmas tree is one of my favorite things to do. We have about a thousand ornaments, most of them are blown glass from Germany that I spent years collecting. They are very fragile. But, I'm not so sure my kids enjoyed hanging them, because almost every year at least one would get broken as we decorated. And because there were so many, I'd often lose my decorating crew as they grew tired. So, I'd end up hanging ornaments until well into the night. But I didn't mind.

As I brought out each one, I'd recall who gave it to me or where I had gotten it. Often, the last ornament left to hang was a pickle. Yes, that's right. A pickle. It was not a pretty ornament, and sometimes I wondered why I would even hang it on my tree. I once heard a story about people in Germany hanging a pickle on their Christmas tree. The first child to find the pickle would get an extra present.

became a well-loved tradition in our house.

Today it has taken on a different meaning for me. Every year, we fill up the space beneath, beside and around our tree with gifts. In fact the entire living room seems filled with gifts—wonderful and fun things we found to make our loved ones feel special and well loved. We open them in sort of an organized frenzy as we laugh, joke and express thanks and love.

When all is said and done, cleaned up and put away, it isn't the "things" we walk away with that matter. It's the things we walk away with in our hearts that are the real gifts. What would happen if those were the gifts we were actually looking for when we woke up Christmas morning? Like my children who ran downstairs, not looking to find the many gifts under the tree but were looking for the ugly pickle in the tree. We could face Christmas, not with thoughts of what we might find under the tree, but what we might find in our friends

I have decided that this Christmas, I will look for the gifts that are hidden, the ones that are not under the tree.

So when my kids were small, we started our own tradition: Whoever found the pickle on Christmas morning got to open the first present. On Christmas morning, down the stairs they would come, sleepyeyed, but ready to peer through the branches and around the one thousand ornaments—looking for the pickle.

It's a funny thing about traditions and where they start. I have since learned that Germans don't even do that! But we did! And today, the kids even have their own pickle ornaments.

So, where did that tradition really come from? No one seems to know. Perhaps some ornament salesman came up with that story because he had a lot of pickles to sell. Or maybe a mother decorating her tree looked at that pickle ornament and thought, That sure is an ugly ornament. How can I hang it, but not have to see its green, bumpy presence all season long. I know, I'll hide it!

However it originally started, it

and family. Not with thoughts of what stuff we want to give to others, but how we can give of ourselves to the ones we love. The hidden things are the precious things.

We have a wonderful Savior—Jesus. He *is* Christmas! The wonderful gift from the Father. The King of kings and Lord of lords. But He didn't come to us as a king, or a wonder or a spectacular warrior to defeat the enemies of God's people. He was hidden. A small baby born in a stable. Wise men and shepherds had to go looking for Him. He *is* the gift. He can be searched for and found. He can be found by others in us, and found by us in others. We just have to look for Him.

Are you looking for Him? He's looking for you.

In Jeremiah 29:14 (New Living Translation) God told His people, "I will be found by you." Luke 11:9 says, "And so I tell you, keep on asking, and you will receive what you ask for. Keep

on seeking, and you will find. Keep on knocking, and the door will be opened to you" (*NLT*).

I have decided that this Christmas, I will look for the gifts that are hidden, the ones that are not under the tree.

When you are looking for Jesus you will find Him.

A green pickle in a green tree is not going to stick out if you are not looking. But it is amazing how quickly, amidst a thousand other things, my kids could find that hidden ornament. It's because they were looking. And they were looking because it had extra value.

That was just a pickle. Jesus is EVERYTHING! Meeting Him face to face is not just asking Him into your heart and learning about Him on Sunday. Superkid, He is EVERYTHING! He is worth the extra effort to find Him—in everything, in every situation.

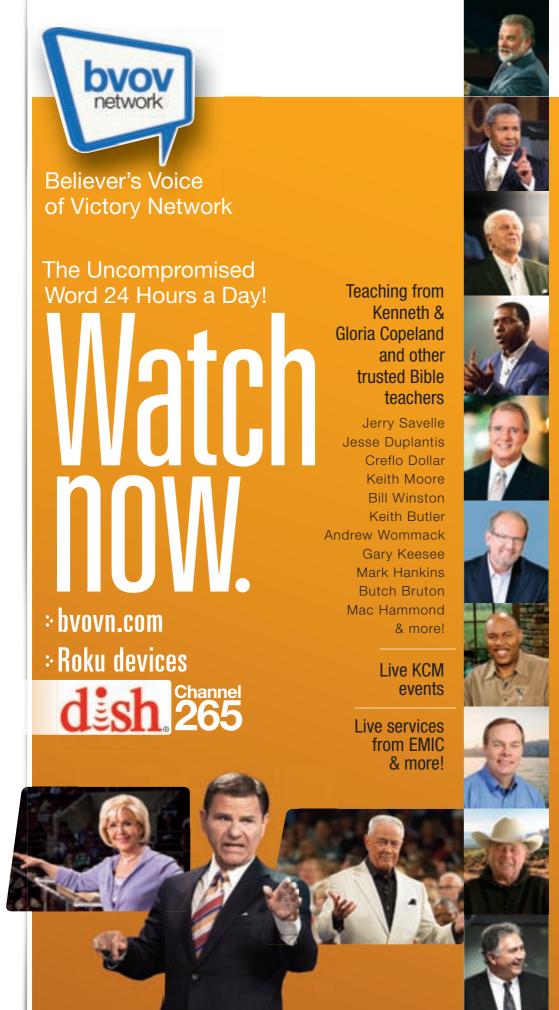
This Christmas don't look for the obvious gifts under the tree—look for Jesus. Look for Him in the times you have with family, and you will find Him. Look for Him in the many ways you can give Him away to others. You will find Him. Like the shepherds, look for Him as the One to bring you peace and favor and grace. You will find Him.

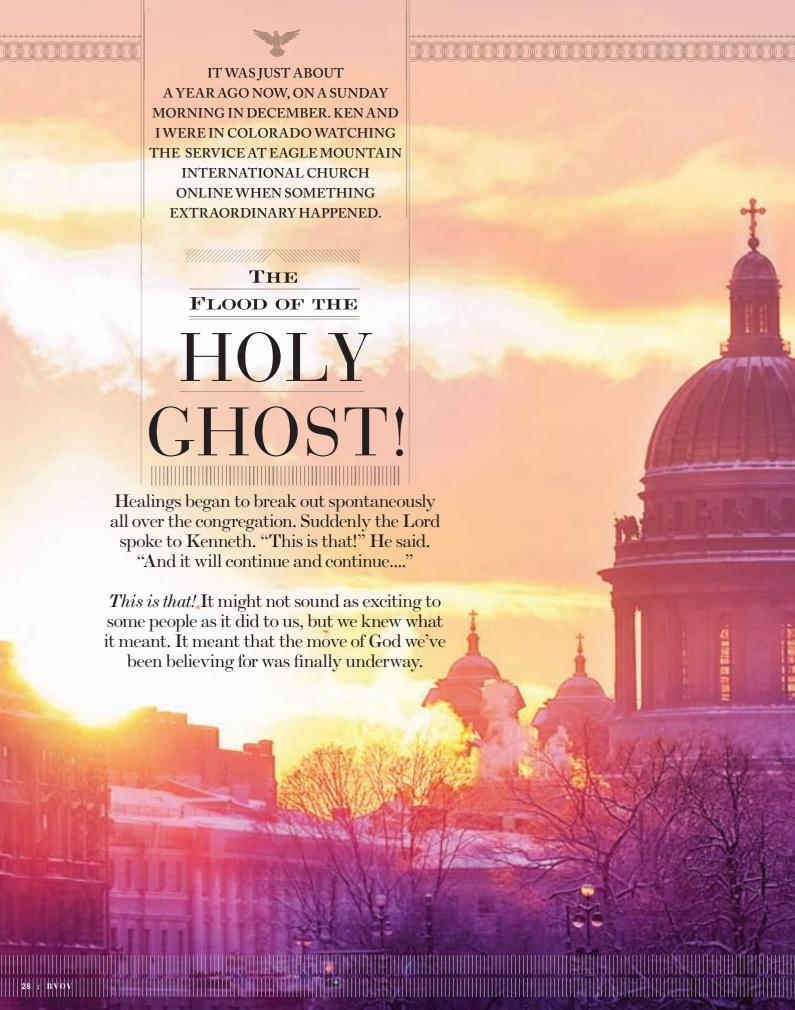
Say this out loud: "Jesus, I seek Your face. I am looking for You today and I know You are looking for me. I will be found by You. And I will help others find You by giving You away. I will let them see You in me, in the way that I talk, play, help and love. Thank You for coming to the earth that Christmas so long ago. Thank You for not staying hidden from us."

Find the pickle this year. Find the hidden gifts in each other. Find the grace and love that Jesus gives. I love you, Superkid. You are a gift from Jesus to me. You are better than a pickle!

- About

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"Healing is the dinner bell of the gospel!"
As it continues to sound, louder and louder in this last-days outpouring, not only will the sick be healed, the maimed will be made whole.

DAYS outpouring of the Holy Spirit that's been prophesied about for many years is now in progress and it's not going to stop. The Church—not just EMIC, but the entire Body of Christ—is stepping into the grand finale of what began in the upper room in the second chapter of Acts.

You remember what happened there, don't you?

The Holy Ghost roared in with the sound of a rushing mighty wind. Tongues of spiritual fire engulfed the early believers and they were endued with power from on high. They hit the streets of Jerusalem, praising and glorifying God in other tongues and it caused such a stir that people on the streets were asking, "What meaneth this?" (Acts 2:12).

"This is that which was spoken by the prophet Joel," answered the Apostle Peter. "And it shall come to pass in the last days, saith God, I will pour out of my Spirit upon all flesh: and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams: And on my servants and on my handmaidens I will pour out in those days of my Spirit; and they shall prophesy: And I will show wonders in heaven above, and signs in

the earth beneath..." (verses 16-19).

I like how *The Amplified Bible* puts the first verse of that passage. It says that what happened at Pentecost was "the beginning" of what God promised. Now, the Church is coming into the culmination. We're in the last of the last days. The return of Jesus is at hand and God is pouring out an unprecedented flood of Holy Ghost power to usher in His coming.

Over this past year especially, the waters of that flood have been rising and God has been encouraging all of us to jump in. He doesn't want a single person to miss out on what He's doing in our day. He wants every one of us to be expectant and ready to receive.

"But Gloria," you might say, "what should I be expecting to receive?"

One of the primary things—and one of the most wonderful—is healing!

Healing has always been a hallmark of the move of the Holy Spirit in this dispensation. You can see it throughout the New Testament, starting with Jesus. When God anointed Him with the Holy Ghost and with power, healing became an inseparable part of His ministry. As Matthew 4:23-24 says, He "went about all Galilee...preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing all manner of

sickness and all manner of disease among the people. And his fame went throughout all Syria: and they brought unto him all sick people that were taken with divers diseases and torments, and those which were possessed with devils, and those which were lunatick, and those that had the palsy; and he healed them."

Notice, it's actually healing that made Jesus

famous. It's what drew people to Him from all around. They came to hear Him because when He preached He ministered to them in the power of God. He worked miracles and healed them.

As Ken likes to say, "Healing is the dinner bell of the gospel!" It started ringing 2,000 years ago, and because Jesus never changes it's still ringing today. As it continues to sound, louder and louder in this last-days outpouring, not only will the sick be healed, the maimed will be made whole, just like they were in Jesus' ministry.

Unleash the Healing Power of God

I know what you might be thinking: If the ministry of healing is a dinner bell designed to draw unsaved people to the gospel, what does it have to do with those of us who are already believers?

It has a lot to do with us! Healing is a part of THE BLESSING of the New Covenant. It belongs to us because we're God's children. We can receive it by faith whenever we need it, but in times like these we can receive it with special ease through the ministers of God.

Read Luke 13 sometime and you'll see what I mean. It tells about a godly Jewish woman who received healing through the ministry of Jesus.

After being bowed over by a crippling condition for 18 years, she encountered Him in the synagogue one day and He simply said to her, "Woman, thou art loosed from thine infirmity. And he laid his hands on her: and immediately she was made straight, and glorified God" (verses 12-13).

When the ruler of the synagogue got upset with Him for healing on the Sabbath, Jesus called him a hypocrite and told him it was the right thing to do. "Ought not this woman, being a daughter of Abraham, whom Satan hath bound, lo, these eighteen years, be loosed from this bond on the sabbath day?" (verse 16).

The word *ought* indicates this woman already had a right to healing. As a daughter of Abraham, it was hers under the Old Covenant. But she didn't know how to act on that covenant and get free, so Jesus helped her.

He'll do the same for us today! As believers we have as much right to be healed as that woman in the synagogue did. Satan doesn't have any authority to bind us. We're born-again children of the Most High God and we ought to be loosed. If we're struggling with sickness, we ought to be able to go someplace where the anointing is flowing, let someone pray for us and receive our healing!

"Well, I tried that," someone might say, "but I didn't get anything."

Then you might want to make sure you have the right attitude about it. In Jesus' ministry, everyone who received Him as an anointed minister sent from God got healed. The only people who didn't get healed were the people who refused to receive Him that way.

The same was true when His disciples went out to minister. When Jesus sent them out He said, "He that receiveth you receiveth me, and he that receiveth me receiveth him that sent me" (Matthew 10:40).

This is one of the secrets to getting healed when you're in a prayer line or when a man or woman of God is praying for you: Receive their ministry as if it were Jesus Himself ministering to you. When you receive them as one that Jesus has sent, great power can be released to you from God.

I've seen it proven over and over again. One time many years ago, for instance, a woman came to one of our meetings who had been badly crippled in a car accident. She had braces on her legs and was barely able to walk. Ken started praying for people to be healed and she came up in the prayer line. She didn't really expect to be healed herself, she just came to bring someone else. But while she was there Ken laid hands on her.

Initially, nothing appeared to happen. But as she turned to go back to her seat Ken said something like, "Jesus has healed you! You're healed!"

Well now, he's a man of God, she thought. If he said I'm healed I must be healed. So she responded to his words as if they'd come straight from Jesus Himself. Even though she didn't feel anything different in her body, she sat down on the floor and began to pull off her braces.

The first few steps she took after removing the braces were pretty wobbly. But after stumbling into a wall and staggering around a little, she began to get stronger. The more she walked, the better her steps became. The next time we saw her she was not only walking normally, she was wearing high heels! (To watch this testimony, go to



http://bit.ly/Kathy_Bruce_Testimony.)

The Lord said to me a long time ago, "If the people will receive the ones I send as they would receive Me, it would unleash the power of God in your midst." I encourage you to believe that and act on it. Whenever a minister is about to pray for you and lay hands on you, say, "Lord Jesus, I want You to know I'm receiving this minister's prayer with the same expectation and faith as I would if You were laying hands on me Yourself." Then release your faith and unleash the power of God.

Freely Receive, Freely Give

Don't just stop with receiving healing, either. Go on and take the next step. Jump right into the middle of this last-days outpouring and let God's healing power flow through you to someone else. Do what Jesus told His disciples to do in Matthew 10:8: "Freely ye have received, freely give"!

"But Gloria, I can't do that! I'm not called to the healing ministry. I'm just a believer."

Being a believer is all that's necessary. Jesus said so in the Great Commission. After instructing His disciples to go into all the world and preach the gospel, He said, "These signs shall follow them that believe; In my name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues...they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover" (Mark 16:17-18).

Jesus didn't say that only apostles, prophets, pastors, teachers and evangelists would lay hands on the sick and minister healing to them. He said the whole Church would do it. He said believers would share the good news and heal the sick.

That's always been God's plan under the New Covenant. He's always intended healing to accompany the preaching of the gospel. That was His will in Jesus' ministry. It was His will for the first disciples and in the early Church. And it's still His will today.

All He needs is for us to believe His Word and act on it, to be devoted to Him and do what He says. We're not waiting on God, He's waiting on



us! He's waiting for us to trust Him and start acting like His representatives in the earth—because that's what we are. We're the ones sent by Him in this hour to undo the works of the devil. We're the ones Jesus was talking about when He said, "He that believeth on me, the works that I do shall he do also; and greater works

than these shall he do; because I go unto my Father. And whatsoever ye shall ask in my name, that will I do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son" (John 14:12-13).

For believers, getting people healed isn't supposed to be a hard thing! You can see that by looking at the first disciples. They didn't have any trouble with it. When Jesus sent them out



doing it in His. Just as the Father did the works through Jesus when He ministered on earth, now He is working through us to get the job done.

We need to stop giving sickness more credit than it deserves. It doesn't have any power to stand against Jesus. He's the Greater One. He's greater than any kind of infirmity or disease

that will ever exist. He could pray for a multitude and they would all be healed if they would receive Him.

Now He's inside us and He's said to us, "You go in My Name. I'm giving My power to you. You take My place and carry on My ministry."

Sickness can't stand before us any more than it could stand before Jesus!

It's time for us to rise up and believe

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they just did what He said in Luke 10:8-9: "Into whatsoever city ye enter, and they receive you...heal the sick that are therein, and say unto them, The kingdom of God is come nigh unto you." Sure enough, everyone who received them got healed.

Now it's our turn to follow their example. Jesus has sent us out in His Name and said to us, "All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth... and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world" (Matthew 28:18, 20). Obviously, if Jesus is with us and all power is His, getting people healed should be easy. After all, we're not doing it by our own power, we're

that. It's time for us to step out by faith in the Name of Jesus and in His Anointing and reveal His glory. When He was on earth He was the light of the world. Now, we're the light of the world. But people can't see Him if we just keep Him locked up on the inside of us. We have to let Him out. He has to shine through us.

Right now, the Holy Spirit is pouring out His power like never before. This is that! So don't miss out on a minute of it. Freely receive...and freely give. Let your light shine brighter and brighter every day and the world will see Jesus through you!

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