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## Forward:

This book is about relationship with our God. The Word of God is its primary source of reference. In addition, I share personal prophetic insight and experiences to illustrate its content. My wife and I after many years of full time ministry began to encounter God on a level that continues to impact us deeply. During 1995 and 1996 He initiated several encounters with His Presence. He revealed His great intimate love to us through visions and dreams. Subsequent prophetic experiences that He continues to give us have brought direction into our life and ministry. He began to shape us for what He purposed in our destiny. Some of the changes would have been overwhelming had He not prepared us for this new season. He showed us that He would send us to the nations. The title of this book comes from a God given prophetic experience while in prayer. I will share about that early in the book.

As a believer your first priority is not about breakthrough, healing, provision, guidance and the exercising of authority or power. All of these are important in their rightful place. Your first priority is to know God through Christ Jesus in the Presence of the Holy Spirit. (Phil. 3: 7-12) When you desire to know Him above everything else you will experience the intimacy of His heart. It is there, held in the embrace of His arms that you have everything. You are then positioned to know Him and to be greatly blessed by Him.

Within His word God has decreed His plan to bless you through knowledge of Him. This revelation and understanding of Him is bursting forth from the Heavenly realms. You are in a time of favor. Please don't miss out. It is my intention to declare what I feel is flowing from Our Father's heart. He is releasing great grace and mercy to bring restoration. The Bride of Christ is not yet prepared and is in many ways spiritually impoverished in Her relationship with God. However, I am hearing the Father say that His sons and daughters are coming into a season of greatness. It will be a God given opportunity for Believers to take on the glorious image of Christ in an unprecedented way.

To those who are already walking in unprecedented times of renewal and spiritual abundance then I have a word of prophecy for you.

"There is more, and more, and more of Him. God will usher you into seasons of visitation that will take you off your present grid of reference. You are favored by the Lord. He has seen your heart, your hunger and your sacrifice. He refined you, kept you hidden in the secret place and now you are standing so close to the fulfilling of your destiny. Do not quit or slack off. God is a rewarder of those that diligently seek Him. Seek Him for the increase. It is time for the promised season of fruitfulness to overtake all you have planted. Your time to reap the harvest of righteousness is now, for you are living in the days of restoration."

#### Let it be so Lord Jesus.

His abundance will be given to you as a believer so you can know Him and then transfer that knowledge to others. The Bride of Christ will indeed be filled with the power, glory and abundance of Christ. Not only will God prepare the Bride for the return of Christ but the Bride will be used to bring in an immense harvest from every nation and tongue. The Spirit of God is brooding over the face of the earth in great power and the outcome will be glorious.

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# The Spirit of Prophecy: Is the testimony of Jesus.

It is important that you understand prophetic experiences, dreams, visions, angelic visitation and other encounters with the supernatural realm of God. I am writing this book because of experiences that brought revelation and understanding. I have included many of these supernatural elements in the content to encourage you. God is delighted when our knowledge of Him increases in the realm of experiencing and knowing Him. He has released me to boast about Him throughout this book and as a text for this mandate look at what he says in:

Jeremiah 9: 23,24.

Thus saith the Lord, Let not the wise man boast in his wisdom, neither let the mighty man glory in his might, let not the rich man glory in his riches:

But let him that glories glory in this, that he understandeth and knoweth me, that I am the Lord which exercise loving-kindness, judgment and righteousness in the earth: for in these things I delight saith the Lord.

With joy I take this opportunity to write about the wonderful ways of the Lord and to magnify His attributes for you to see and experience in your own life. It brings Him delight to see me declaring His attributes and it also brings Him delight as you begin to experience them. My prayer is that you will begin to experience His Presence and know His loving-kindness, His judgments on your behalf and know His righteousness in a way that totally transforms you into His Image. Amen. Let it be Awesome God.

Prophetic manifestations do occur today as promised in God's word. They are meant to bring us into deeper knowledge of Him. For example, Acts 2: 17 -19 speaks of God pouring out His Spirit on all people and this being demonstrated by supernatural manifestations. Acts 2:39 assures us that this realm of experience in the Holy Spirit would be perpetual in every generation and to every one that the Lord

calls into relationship with Him. I Thess. 5:19-21 tells us to embrace prophecy, to prove it and to hold to those things that are good. Therefore, we must conclude that our relationship with God is intended to be a living, vibrant and supernatural journey. A life of discovery before Him and in Him. Revelation 19:10 tells us that spirit of prophecy is the testimony of Jesus.

In every generation God visits His people. In His faithfulness He has visited you. He speaks to you primarily through His word contained in the Bible. This is your spiritual "Meat" and it is inspired by God to profit you in several ways. (2Tim. 3:16) Prophetic experiences on the other hand are like "Manna" sent by God to nourish you in your journey with Him. The people of Israel traveling to their promised land were sustained by "Manna" physically as they headed to their destiny. Elijah the prophet when fleeing from Queen Jezebel was ministered to by an Angel who prepared food and drink for him on his forty day journey. (1 Kings 19) These examples symbolize the spiritual "Manna" that God wants you to receive from His hand. The "Meat" of His Word is absolutely essential and so is the "Manna" that He gives.

God gives these gifts and does not revoke them. (Romans 11:29) Not always but often, prophetic experiences are released into a child's life early in life or in the womb. They may be dormant for periods of time as the child grows. These God given gifts are awaiting for the awakening of spiritual desire and hunger for a living relationship with God. They blossom forth when that person enters into relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ. Whenever a born again believer becomes filled with the Holy Spirit and walks in relationship with God then their lives become fruitful. This relationship produces the spiritual manifestations of Jesus in and through their life. It is the desire of the Holy Spirit to transform every believer into the image of Jesus and that includes demonstrating His power through their lives.

Unfortunately, these God given prophetic gifts can also be dormant until awakened by the intrusion of the kingdom of darkness into a person's life. If that person does not have the opportunity to come into a born again relationship or neglects that invitation he or she may

fall into deception. This explains why some unsaved people who have a spiritual gift may become involved with the occult and its spiritual realities. The occult becomes the operational mode for them to function in. They recognize the reality of what they are experiencing but become deceived by demonic manipulation of those spiritual gifts. When that person connects with the kingdom of darkness demonic spirits manifest their works through them. These activities in the kingdom of darkness bring oppression, torment and eventual eternal destruction if the person does not turn back to God. God offers mercy and pardon to all who come to Him through faith in the Lord Jesus Christ. While ministering in Africa we have met former witch doctors who now serve Jesus Christ and flow in the gifts of the Holy Spirit. They are evidence of God's great compassion, mercy and grace.

Early in my life I can recall hearing the voice of God. Although I did not know Jesus Christ as my personal Savior these events where expressions of His grace sent to awaken my hunger and desire for Him. I will relate some of these events to you.

One of my favorite past-times as a small boy was to watch the skies. Storms and clouds intrigued me and still do. They reflect the creative nature of God. My family and I lived in the country away from city lights. My Dad kept a neatly piled stack of lumber out behind our house. Mom would often take us kids out there on summer evenings with a blanket to look at the stars. We would lay on our backs waiting for darkness to come. As the heat of the summer days would cool into evening we would begin to gaze up into the heavens. It brought awe to my heart as I looked into the starry skies. On those evenings, a reverence and awareness of God would invade my heart. We would count shooting stars and see the occasional satellite going over. The most spectacular scenes would be the shimmering auroras or Northern Lights. Totally amazing. On these evenings my brother, sister and I would usually fall asleep snuggled in our warm blankets. Then Mom and Dad would quietly carry us to our beds and tuck us in for the night. However, those times of looking into the heavens as a young boy left wonderful memories of seeing God in His creation.

At the age of about 5 or 6 years I heard God speak to me. It was a

hot summer day and I was playing with my brother and cousin outside. I ran into the house to get a cold drink of water. I was in the house less than two minutes and back out through the door. However, while I was inside I overheard my Aunt ask my Mom if she believed in God? My Mom replied, "Oh yes, when I see the beauty of the stars at night I know there is a God who created all this." As I mentioned above, I was in the house for less than two minutes and back outside. As I was walking across our big front yard I heard a voice ask me, "Keith do you believe in God?" I thought for a moment and then replied, "Yes, I do believe in God because I know He created the beautiful stars in the sky." That was the voice of God speaking to me and it filled me with peace.

Occasionally, as I was growing up I would have brief encounters with supernatural revelations. I remember at the age of 10 years I was with my brother and a friend that lived on a farm close to us. We were sitting on the roof of the chicken house..... something country boys do I guess. We were watching a fiery sunset that was very unusual in color. One of the boys asked no one in particular if this fiery sunset could mean anything? Inside I heard the thoughts "someone is going to have a fire tonight." I told my brother and friend this, but that it would not happen to our families. It soon became dark and we eventually went home forgetting the experience. However, that night a farmer about four miles away lost his barn and some animals in a fire that burnt it to the ground. This also was the voice of God speaking to me.

When I was thirteen I had another experience in which God met me. I loved to go for walks in the woods. I enjoyed nature and spent a lot of time rambling around. One afternoon in the fall season right after school I told Mom I was going out for a walk and would be back for supper. Well, that was the plan at time of departure but it turned out differently. I made my way into a very familiar area of heavily covered woods and to a pond. I often would sit hidden along the shore line to watch wild ducks there. On this outing I lost track of the advancing darkness and when I decided to go home I couldn't find my way back out of the woods. I spent seven hours lost in the bush that night. Every attempt to gain direction failed. The tree growth was too dense

to see the stars for direction. At one point I could hear what probably was my uncle's dog barking but it didn't last long enough for me to follow its leading out. He lived a short distance down the road from us. I had no flashlight or compass. Calling for help brought no response. I was probably 1 and 1/2 miles from home and lost. I didn't know that by 7:30 pm. my Dad and Mom were getting very concerned. Dad went out to look for me and call my name. He returned home to blow the car horn in hopes it would help me. I never heard any of this. By 10:00 pm. he had gathered about 20 men that lived nearby to start a search effort. Their fear was that I had fallen or had an accident of some sort and couldn't make it out of the woods.

In the meantime I kept walking confident that I would reach a land mark that I was familiar with. I knew within time I would reach landmarks or the county roads surrounding this area. However, it was a mistake to keep walking because I didn't realize that most of my walking was in circles. Somewhere around mid-night I sat down on a log tired and short of ideas. I began to pray. I told the Lord if He would help me I would serve Him and be a minister some day. Wow.... I don't know where those words came from but in my desperation I meant what I said. At this point I knew I was certainly very late for supper and I prayed that Mom would be understanding for my lateness whatever time it was. During the hours that had passed in spite of knowing that I was lost, I never did panic. However, there was growing fear and worry in my heart. As I sat on that log praying that night something happened. It was there deep in the woods that His presence came to me. I could feel His peace.

In about ten minutes a wonderful answer came. The most beautiful full moon began to rise above the tree line. Moon rays shone down between the trees. It was so beautiful in the darkness to see the woods transformed into light and darkness. I felt His presence and peace with me and now knew which way was east. I got up and began to walk into the east and shortly came to a small lake that I knew well. My brother and I had helped Dad mark out a trail through the spruce trees surrounding this small lake. I found this and turned towards home. Soon I was within hearing distance of men calling my name. I still remember those men hugging me when I met them in the

bush. I choked up with emotion but managed to thank them. We were soon home. In the front yard was a group of men I knew. Another group had gone to another location to begin the search from that direction. A police officer was there co-coordinating the search for me. I was overwhelmed and couldn't speak for emotion. Mom had saved some supper and a piece of pie. It was so good to be warm and at home again. God had met with me in the woods. This too was a God encounter.

I could relate other experiences some of which were premonitions of things going to happen followed by the actual occurrence. At the time I didn't know what to call these things. They were at least the echoes of God working and speaking into my life. Years went by and I finally found my way at the age of eighteen into a born again relationship through faith in Jesus as my personal Lord and Savior. Soon after that I felt His call to go into the ministry.

In my mid-twenties I was seeking the Lord in desperation. I heard His audible voice speaking to me several times during this prayer vigil. It was then that He began to release visions, dreams, words of knowledge and discernment into my life and ministry.

Why am I sharing all this with you? It is for the purpose of validating what God may be doing in your life. God is deeply interested in revealing Himself to you. His heart longs for dialog, fellowship and intimate spiritual communion with you. He desires to have a spiritual exchange on a personal level with you and this comes in experiences that are profound. He is awaiting your invitation. As you receive experiences from Jesus you will enter deeper into relationship with Him.

God given prophetic experiences, visions, trances and God given dreams will give you a deeper knowledge of Him. Don't seek the manifestations, but do seek Him. However, expect Him to reveal Himself to you through these supernatural manifestations. They are promised to you and you can know them. I have also experienced the ministry of Holy Angels coming to me and around me in very tangible ways. I have seen them and felt them placing their hands on me to

impart His grace into my life. This is a very tangible realm. I will share more on these events through the book. Let me assure you that prophetic experiences are accelerating among God's people. If you are receptive in your pursuit for more of God you will know this realm of His Kingdom.

You may ask, How can I experience spiritual intimate encounters with the Lord and His Kingdom? Let me lay this foundation for you so you are positioned to receive from God. These are not in a set order but need to be in place in your relationship with God.

- \* Come to the Lord often to worship Him. Spend time there. Don't rush. Let the Holy Spirit lead you in this time of communion. This is not about bringing prayer lists before Him but about spending time with Him. Get past all the distractions that we are prone to in the mind. Distractions in the mind will subside and you will feel His peace fill your mind.
- \* As I sense worship rising in my spirit, I yield to that. I speak or softly sing in the spirit. Often soft worship playing in the room will set the spiritual atmosphere. This is about ministering to Him not about getting something from Him. This is about love and expressing that love to Him. He is looking for lovers and you can be one by expressing that devotion to Him.
- \* While in His presence I usually have my Bible close at hand because He may bring a passage to mind or lead me to one that He wants to communicate to me about. I follow Him there and receive what He is saying. He may show you sinfulness and when He does Deal with it. Be vulnerable. Drop your guards and let Him examine you. His blood will wash it away immediately if you confess this to Him. Other times He will reveal something that you never saw in those scriptures before.
- \* Be receptive. He uses the same faculties of communication that you use in the natural. Hearing, seeing, smelling, tasting, touching. I have experienced God's presence or what He is communicating on all these levels. If you read the scriptures carefully you will see the precedents there in the experiences of God's people as they encounter God.

Smell? Yes, I have experienced the beautiful fragrance of His

Presence several times. It came as a delightful but heavy sense of mixed spices. Cinnamon is one of them and others I can't exactly identify but are flower extracts. These spices are fragrant spices not spices like curry or garlic or other cooking and preserving spices. Not pungent but sweet and sometimes the scent of Lilies.

Taste? Yes, Ezekiel was told to eat the scroll and it would taste like honey but be bitter in the stomach. Jesus promised to feed those that are hungry. David said "taste and see that the Lord is good." This is not something my tongue has experienced but I have savored His Presence. Eating in His Presence is what He wants you to do. Feast on Him. He wants to come in and eat together with you. (Revelation 3:20)

\* He also uses the mind's capabilities to see images to communicate to us in word and picture forms. So be receptive. Don't seek manifestations. Seek after Him and allow Him to give the prophetic downloads. He invites us to sit together with Him in Heavenly places. (Ephesians 2:6)

When you come before Him to worship He will reveal Himself to you more and more. Keep going before Him to minister to Him. This brings delight to His heart. You will know His favor because of doing this. As you do this He will bring revelation to you.

A word of wisdom about some experiences that may arise in your pursuit of God.

If you encounter demonic distractions or intrusions don't be alarmed. They may come against you to hinder your quest for more of the Lord. Just dismiss them in the Name of Jesus Christ. They will dissipate like fog in the sunshine. Sometimes the Lord is actually showing you the enemies plans so you can render them null and void as you exercise the authority of Jesus Christ over them.

If angels come to you don't do something foolish like try to worship them. Acknowledge them because they are always around you but not often seen. Yours eyes may just be in the process of being opened by the Holy Spirit so you can see into the Kingdom realm. They may not always have a message for you but if they do you will know it. I have experienced the ministry of angels appearing before me and/or to lay hands on me to bless me. On three occasions I have been in closed rooms and winds have briefly entered the closed room. On one occasion this angel (see Hebrews 1: 7) came through the roof like a whirlwind and when it touched me I was instantly saturated with an energy filled with the Father's love. On the two other occasions when angels have come as winds inside of closed rooms the pages of my Bible blew open to passages that were of vital importance for ministry. I have seen them in human forms and in glorious radiating forms. Sometimes they have come into dreams and escorted me away to heavenly sites or encounters with the Lord. Other times I have seen them there just to be with me on guard duty or to do the work of God's Kingdom in response to what the Holy Spirit leads me to pray about. They then go to do what is necessary to complete that prayer. (Psalm 103:20)

The Holy Spirit will cause you to experience different manifestations of His presence. I have experienced power that caused me to shake, caused me to laugh, brought tears, jolted me with electrical-like surges, caused me to leave my body in vision form to visit other earthly places or heavenly realms. At times I have felt such heat that I felt I was going to melt away. His grace and compassion has enabled me to minister in situations that normally where beyond human ability. His power and anointing always comes in greater measure than the need before us. I have experienced power flowing through me into those demon possessed so they could be set free. Anointing to heal the sick and to prophecy, all of these have flowed through my life when needed. Embrace what He gives and ask Him to reveal Jesus Christ to you. Seek to know Jesus Christ, the Father and the Holy Spirit.

I have seen the Presence of the Lord Jesus Christ several times. Some of those appearances have been brilliant images so intense that I could hardly see the image. Other times He has revealed Himself in earth form so that we could talk and share together. His eyes are like deep pools capable of expressing fierce righteous anger, deep compassion and such intense sorrow that it breaks your heart. They penetrate deeply into the marrow of the bone exposing

the inward parts and their thoughts. (Hebrews 4:12) I have seen Him laugh with such deep, profound and intense joy because of His delight in all the Father has created. This delight is also because of seeing the Father's will being accomplished in earth. When He prayed Father let Your will be done on earth as it is in Heaven He prayed it with great joy. He earnestly pursues this because it brings delight to the Triune God.

Let me share a prophetic encounter that the Lord gave me before we move on:

Recently, in the early morning hours I had a dream as I was awakening from deep sleep. I saw Jesus standing before me robed in white with blue and red sashes. The atmosphere around Him was energized with living streams of light. He initiated a question in thought form to me that personally I had stored in my mind. It was addressing what to do with visions/dreams and prophetic experiences that often occur personally and within the Body of Christ. He has already given operational mandate to us to witness/proclaim him. Let me explain in the context of this vision.

As I looked upon Jesus He immediately began communicating to me in thought form. He spoke about this dilemma within me and within the Body of Christ. He said "I want my people to in wisdom report and witness about their prophetic experiences with me. When they do it releases a hunger into the listener's heart to have real encounters with me. It brings them into the present moment and away from yesterday's memories. Yesterday can be remembered but today can be so full of relationship with me. When you share your experiences about revelations it is like manna that imparts My Presence to them."

As He said this His appearance changed into a Glory Filled Cloud that increasingly intensified until I could no longer see it. It passed beyond my visual spectrum. In thought form He said "This is how I am able to transfer My Presence into My people. When I enter this



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level/form I am able to pass into and through you because these attributes operate in this invisible form. This form is another level/form of My Presence just as real as what you first saw in the vision. When my disciples saw me in the room of hiding after my resurrection I stepped back into the seeing level to confirm my resurrection. They could touch me and I ate with them. When I disappeared from their visual spectrum I didn't leave. I stepped into this invisible form so I could pass into them and out of them into others. This is the Operation of Transference that I operate in through My Kingdom. You saw the same spiritual reality in the Healing Parts room in another prophetic experience. (Note: A personal note of explanation. This was an earlier experience that I had when the Lord showed me a place within God where healing provisions are awaiting for believers to release them for the sick, diseased and wounded.) You saw the Human Body parts in spirit form. They are in spirit form so they can be transferred through time and space to the sick in response to prayer and faith. I operate in the same manner so my people can carry My Presence and impart me to others. This is what Resurrection revelation is about: My Victory, My Completed Atonement and My Transference/Impartation. I will bring the Church into a place where they will also operate in these forms. I have mandated the Church to manifest my Presence. I am giving you this understanding so you can bring me to others in Resurrection Presence and Power, It will culminate when I initiate the Glory Filled state as I translate Her into My eternal realms to be with me forever."

Waiting in His Presence to minister to Him is what you were created for. When you are released to leave that place of intimacy then you are empowered to do what He gives you to do. He will bring on the visions, the prophetic experiences and the dreams if you set your heart on capturing Him so you can love Him. Read the Song of Solomon again. It is about the Bridegroom longing for the Bride. The Bride is you my brother or sister. Let Him captivate you. He is longing for you to come into His embrace. Do it through worship and pouring out your love on Him.

For many in the church world their merit is measured among the ranks as to how well they perform and what they have accomplished. It has been about what they do for the Lord. This is where men place the emphasis. You are successful in the eyes of men if you can perform learned skills. Unfortunately, we can go through the motions of service and have inner hearts that are spiritually dry and out of relationship with Him. This is soon to be changed because the Lord is calling us all back to where our love for Him is first, above everything else including ministry. Yes, He will continue to call, commission and send workers for the fields are ripe for harvest. However, He is looking for Bridal relationship not servant/master relationship. When the Bride is in love with the Bridegroom she will follow Him everywhere and in partnership with Him bring forth children into the Kingdom. We teach what we know but we reproduce who we are.

You must wait in His Presence and minister to Him that's When and How the supernatural manifestations and prophetic experiences flow from Heaven into your core. Go for it man of God. Pursue this daughter of the Holy One. This is Where you find the living, vibrant abundance of God the Great I Am, The Yesterday, The Today and The Forever God. His arms are waiting to embrace you.

I walked into the Heavenly Realms.

Let me share a prophetic experience that God recently gave me. It birthed the title of this book and I made mention of it in the opening section.

As I was praying one evening the Lord gave me a vision. It was a revelatory download to me. Jesus in John 14:26 tells us that the Holy Spirit will teach us all things. He does this primarily through the written word but also through revelatory encounters with Himself. Let me say that whatever is spiritually downloaded from the Lord will always be confirmed by the scriptures and never usurp itself above them. In Acts 2:17 Peter the apostle says in the last days God will pour out His spirit and that people will experience dreams, visions and the release of the prophetic.

On this evening I was sitting in a chair in our living room with my Bible on my lap. As I was communing with the Lord suddenly my spirit entered a very beautiful building. It had a large covered entry way. It had beautiful marble floors with embossed designs in it. Lots of plants grew there. Some were in containers and others grew in gardens bordering the walls. Before me were three openings or portals. The frames of these three portals were ornately carved and overlaid with something like ivory but pure white. The three openings greeted me as I arrived in the entry area. There were also beautiful furnishings there. Lovely chairs, sofas and wall hangings. I only saw one being there and He was angelic in appearance and was sitting in a chair on the left. We didn't communicate at all but his smile was very welcoming. The atmosphere was vibrant and saturated with God's presence. This place brought immediate refreshing. Radiant Glory flowed through this environment and existed in every created thing whether living or in substance form. The floor contained this presence. The columns, the flowers the artwork, absolutely everything there responded to and contained a measure of this glory.

I knew that the three openings directly in front of me were very important. I call these openings portals rather than doors because they didn't have a door on hinges or a handle. They were open entrances with arched Gothic style framing. I could easily see into the realm beyond. I have attempted to portray this scene on the front cover of this book although that graphic work is not in detail. The amazing thing about these portals is that each of them has an intelligent security barrier of energy across the actual opening. Energy like electrical discharges was arcing across the openings. At this point in the vision the Holy Spirit was communicating with me. His voice was very clear and I could hear Him inside of me instructing me. He told me that these three portals were the entrance into The King's Treasury. He assured me that I could go through these portals and retrieve whatever I needed. Through these portals I could see chests overflowing with precious gems, gold, and silver. Let me explain about these specific treasures before going on.

Gold represents purity and the holiness of the Lord. Solomon was instructed to cover many of the articles of the temple with gold. The interior walls, beams, doors and decorations were overlaid with pure gold. See 11 Chronicles 3:1. Many of the temple items were made of gold. Gold also represents Kingly anointing and presence. In some meetings today in various places God is manifesting a gold like substance. It appears at times on people like gold dust or is released as gold fillings for those needing dental restoration. I have personally witnessed this supernatural manifestation of His presence while attending meetings.

Silver represents redemption in the symbolism of the scriptures. It was silver coins that purchased Jesus into the Hands of those who would crucify Him. His ultimate death and resurrection purchased our redemption. Under the Old Covenant the first born son of a Hebrew would be redeemed by the purchase price of five silver shekels presented to the priest in the temple. See Leviticus 27:11 and Numbers 18:15 as references to this redemption truth.

Precious gems and jewels represent all the precious promises of His

word. John the Revelator saw in His heavenly vision the city of God. Its foundations, its walls and its gates were made of these precious gems.

Other treasures that I saw there in The King's Treasury were meant to equip. Others would transform one's character into His Image. They would also be imparted to those who came into this wonderful place so full of His life. The spiritual gifts and attributes of the Holy Spirit are so abundant that there is no end to them. They are eternal in their abundance. There is a profuse extravagance there that is vast and inexhaustible. His anointing and all the provisions of the Kingdom and for the Kingdom are there. The treasures of this place are set aside and reserved for the people of God on the earth so they can fulfill their destiny. There is so much there that it staggers the imagination.

As I gazed into this realm the Holy Spirit drew my attention to inscriptions above each of these three portals. Over each portal is written words that define them. The first portal on my left in the vision was called My Word, the second was My Name and the third had inscribed over it My Power.

Let me explain something fascinating here. This came to me as I stood before these portals in the vision. When I open the scriptures on earth in the spiritual realms of God I am actually standing before this portal called My Word. I can gaze into this treasury and I can also enter it. I can also receive impartation there and bring it back to earth realm.

This is equally true when you invoke the Name of Jesus Christ in prayer. In the spirit realm of God you are standing before this portal called My Name. You can enter for impartation of the things requested so they can be transferred to earth realm.

The same applies to the portal called My Power that I saw there. It will usher you into the realms of where all things are possible. I will explain this one more later on. I need to continue with the vision.

The Holy Spirit could read my thoughts even before I completed them and was responding to them with the answers. As I came close to the center door I was unsure if it was safe because of the energy field arcing up and down the opening. I thought that I would be fried to charcoal dust that's how powerful this energy field was. The Holy Spirit said "these portals are guarded by My Glory so that the enemy cannot steal away The King's Treasures. This Glory also prevents the impurity of man from entering." In the vision I felt such deep and wonderful peace up to this point but began to feel a holy dread arising in me as I stood there before this manifestation of His Glory. The Holy

Spirit however, spoke to me. When He did peace immediately came over me. He then said "All who have faith can enter through these portals into the King's Treasury." Again His words ministered to me. He said "put your hand into the opening and you will see." Immediately the energy shield gave way for me to pass through.

Just a further explanation about His instruction about faith in the vision. In a few moments of revelation there is such great meaning in every word He speaks. His words release knowledge that embrace all creation. When I was in His presence I was made aware of vast wisdom and knowledge however I was only exposed to small trickles of it. Something like a size AA battery connected to a large power supply but only being charged at slow rate.

I will relate this to you in computer and Internet terms. When you are in His presence He can transfer truth at high speed and the bandwidth can be really huge during the download. It usually takes days of prayer afterwards just to assimilate and understand the basics. I continue to get net congestion and buffering problems. Thank you Holy Spirit for your grace.

He reminded me of Hebrews chapter 11 and the importance of faith. He told me that God rewards those that believe Him and seek after Him. He showed me Hebrews 11:6 with specific emphasis on "and he that comes to God must believe that He is....... and that He is a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him." The Holy Spirit told me

we can insert after the words "He is" any of His attributes and promises found in His Word. For example, must believe that He is.... Almighty God, All-Knowing God, Every Where Present God, Eternal God, God of Redemption, God of Healing and He is the God revealed in the fullness of Jesus Christ. Anyone can come who believes that God is...... absolutely anyone. He showed me everyone has been given a measure of faith as indicated in Romans 12: 2. Faith is a gift from the Father. No one can come to the Father without faith but the Father draws us to Himself by giving faith to us.

The totally awesome truth that saturated this vision of The King's Treasury is that it was not a location somewhere in Heaven. This place that the Holy Spirit took me to was within the heart of Jesus Christ our wonderful Lord. By Him and in Him all things exist. He is The King and He is The Treasure.

This is when the vision ended.

Although this vision was a tremendous blessing to me, I believe it is for the Church, the Bride of Christ and for believers everywhere. In a clear prophetic way God is saying to the Bride of Christ:

"I am ready to cloth you with the richness of My Presence. I promised that you would be a Glorious Bride. I have decreed a Divine Law that can not be revoked. I will manifest Myself upon you in majesty and splendor. Come into my Presence and I will place my garments on you. I take great delight in you. Let me embrace you. Let me transform you. You have only begun to taste a little of Who I am. Come to me for I the Eternal God long after you."

Amen, so let it be Awesome God that you are.

It has taken longer to relate this vision to you than the actual time. However, I wanted to share this vision with you because what I experienced in this vision brought fresh understanding to me. It also leads into what I want to present next.

Faith as demonstrated in the scriptures can operate through these

three portals. When these portals are opened by faith it releases God's Supernatural Kingdom. You will see this happening in the scriptures when people received supernatural provision in their life. Let me show you examples of these three portals being opened by faith.

His Word as a Portal

Romans 10:17 Faith comes by hearing the Word of God.

When you place your faith in His Word that operation of faith opens one of the portals in the heavenly places. The releasing of provision comes through this opened portal.

An example of this is found in the request of the Roman centurion who came to Jesus as recorded in Matthew 8:5. He asked Jesus to heal his servant. Jesus told him He would come with him to his house. This man responded by saying that all Jesus had to do was speak the Word of healing and it would be done. He had faith in the Word of Jesus. You can read about the amazement that Jesus expressed because of this man's faith. If you apply what I shared earlier you would then see this man before the Living Word who is Jesus. This man could see the healing provision for his servant. His faith opened this portal and it was imparted to his servant that same hour.

The Name of Jesus Christ as a Portal

Acts 3:16

By faith in the name of Jesus, this man whom you see and know was made strong. It is Jesus' name and the faith that comes through him that has given this complete healing to him, as you can all see.

These are the words of Peter as He declares to the crowd how the crippled beggar was healed.

When you place your faith in the Name of Jesus Christ it opens the resources of Heaven. Grace and provision is released through this portal. The Name of Jesus Christ holds delegated authority. When

you in faith invoke that mighty Name over sickness and spirits of infirmity, restoration is the result. Peter and John understood that authority when they prayed for the crippled man sitting at the temple gate. Their prayer was not a petition to God in Heaven it was a command of authority. Impartation occurred when they gave what they had in the Name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth. Every believer has been authorized by God to invoke the authority that is in the Name of Jesus Christ. When you do this you enter this portal into the King's Treasury and retrieve from the spiritual realm what is necessary in the natural.

His Power as a Portal

Paul the apostle makes this inspired declaration in:

## 1 Corinthians 2: 4,5

My message and my preaching were not with wise and persuasive words, but with a demonstration of the Spirit's power, so that your faith might not rest on men's wisdom but on God's power.

When you place your faith in God's power and ability it opens a portal through which His supernatural provisions flow. An example of this is found in Luke 6:17-19. Here it says that crowds came around Jesus to hear Him and to be healed of their diseases. Those troubled by evil spirits also were delivered. All the people tried to touch Him because there was power coming from Him and healing them all. They had faith in His Power. They knew if they could just touch Him His power would be released into them. Remember, the woman with the issue of blood? She knew this as well. Placing your Faith in His power opens that portal of provision today. Does He have Power to Heal sickness? Yes! He also has the power to provide all your needs. Put your faith in His Power.

The Kingdom of God is manifested when the Power of Faith is operating. The King's Treasury is available for you to enter. His treasures have been laid aside in waiting for you to retrieve them. Activate your faith in His Word, in the mighty Name of Jesus Christ

and in His Power.

## The Father's Love:

Step into His glorious kingdom.

Let me share with you an experience with God that totally changed my life, direction and purpose. As a young boy I had been taken to church by faithful parents and heard about God but never had the opportunity to know Him. By eighteen years of age my life was completely empty. I had pursued sports with a passion trying to find esteem and fulfillment. The minimal success achieved soon faded leaving my soul longing for something more. I began to search spiritually. I sought out spiritual experiences that turned out to be dead ends or in some cases frightening because they were tapping me into the dark kingdom. At this point in my life I only attended church once or twice a year. However, one day a pastor spoke to me about personally inviting Jesus Christ into my life. I promised this pastor that I would "think about it." I had my defenses up but I really meant what I promised because I recognized love and truth coming from this pastor.

The next evening I was in my bedroom doing school work and began to feel a "spiritual presence in my room." Within moments, I saw a vision of Jesus suffering on the cross of crucifixion for me. Tears began to trickle down my face as I realized how much He loved me. I also felt the guilt and shame of my sins. I began to tremble inside as His Holy Presence invaded the atmosphere around me. I told Him I didn't know how to pray, but said, "Lord, please forgive me. I know I am guilty before you. If you will come into my life I will follow the steps you put before me. I give myself to you. Please help me from this moment on."

At that moment, I felt such pure love and power come over me. It was like standing under a warm shower. The most wonderful love and power flowed over my head down my body and into my inner spirit. It was glorious. In that moment I knew without a doubt that He loved

me. I knew He had forgiven me and would be my help from then on. It was a life changing encounter with the eternal God whom I had been searching for. My life would never again be the same. I now had relationship with him. He had become my Savior. I now had a Heavenly Father by experience. I had felt the awesome power of the Holy Spirit. From that moment on He strengthened me and gave me direction for my life.

I share this because the love of God is so great and He also loves you. If you have never experienced Him then you can. It is so important. It is critical that you come into relationship with the Heavenly Father through faith in Jesus Christ His Son. Let me explain this to you.

God the creator of all life placed within you a human spirit. Your human spirit longs to know creator God. The Bible tells us when Adam and Eve sinned in the beginning their disobedience brought mankind into a fallen state far below their original created place with God. The glory of God that covered that first man and woman lifted from them and they experienced spiritual death. They were separated from the very presence of God that they had dwelt in. Genesis 3:9 tells us that God sought after them and provided mercy for them to be restored. The curse that disobedience brought would however remain in some form in the earth until God would in the end restore even creation itself.

Since the fall of mankind every infant born into this world has come with a fallen nature that only God can restore.

Romans 3:23 says

that all have fallen short of the glory of God.

Sin and the fallen nature have been the reason for every kind of corruption and evil plaguing mankind.

Not one person by their own efforts is able to break this devastating power over their lives. Human effort is always commendable but breaking the power of sin in the fallen nature takes a miracle of God. Only God can bring freedom.

## Titus 3:5 tells us

not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to his mercy he saved us.

God put into place a plan of restoration that even shocked the angelic worlds. When God the Father sent His Son, the Lord Jesus Christ into this world it was for the purpose of saving us from the bondage, darkness and separation from God. When Christ Jesus died on the cross His death was a substitution for you and I. His life for ours. He took our punishment on Himself so we could be made righteous. When Christ Jesus rose from the grave three days later it confirmed God's plan and made Heaven available to all who would call upon His name. He came to redeem us from the curse that sin brought.

You are not an exception to His plan. Right now as you are reading this book you can receive a miracle from God.

#### Jesus said:

I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly. John 10:10

All have sinned, and come short of the glory of God. Romans 3:23

But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God. John 1:12

# **Step into His glorious kingdom**

If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. 1 John 1:9

That miracle from God will occur when you come in prayer to ask Him to forgive you of your sins and then put your trust in what He has done on the Cross for you.

If you would repeat the following prayer and say it from your heart God will change your life forever. Heavenly Father, I come to you right now in the name of Jesus Christ your Son. I confess that I have done and said things in my life that are wrong in your sight. My thoughts at times have been very sinful before you. However, right now I ask you to please forgive my sins. I thank you for sending Jesus Christ your son to die on the cross to pay for my sins. I put my trust in what He has done for me. I receive forgiveness and your mercy, not because I deserve it but because you have offered it to all that ask. Help me to serve you from this moment on. I renounce Satan and his works. I repent and turn away from practicing sin. I ask that you Holy Spirit would come and live within me. I commit myself to you as my Lord and Savior. Thank you. In the name of Jesus Christ I pray. Amen.

Congratulations! You have now become a son or daughter of God. He declares you to be forgiven. If you should die this day you would enter into Heaven and spend eternity there. However, in all likelihood God will give you an opportunity to serve Him here on this earth. You need to grow spiritually and let Him use your life to bring others into His kingdom. I would encourage you to attend a church in your area that preaches the Bible and that you begin to read the scriptures daily. Start in the Gospel of St. John. Be obedient to what the scriptures teach you. He will lead you into all the provisions and promises of His word.

You have three enemies that will attempt to hinder your faith. Your own sinful inclinations will tempt you. Circumstances will tend to argue with you that God has forgotten you. Thirdly, there is a kingdom of darkness through which Satan works to deceive you and so rob you of all God has provided for you. However, 1 John 4:4 tells us that "greater is he (Christ) that is in you, than he that is in the world."

He will give you victory over these three enemies because He has already defeated them.

Ask the Lord to fill you with the same power of the Holy Spirit given to the early believers as recorded in Acts chapters one and two. He the Holy Spirit will reveal Jesus to you and lead you into the truth. Jesus spoke of the Holy Spirit's coming and role in the following passages:

#### John 14:26 -

But the Comforter, which is the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, he shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you.

#### John 15:26 -

But when the Comforter is come, whom I will send unto you from the Father, even the Spirit of truth, which proceedeth from the Father, he shall testify of me:

#### Luke 24:49 -

And, behold, I send the promise of my father upon you: but tarry ye in the city of Jerusalem, until ye be endued with power from on high.

This promise is for you also as stated in:

### Acts 2:39 -

For the promise is unto you, and to your children, and to all that are afar off, even as many as the Lord our God shall call.

Now that you have prayed and put your trust in the Lord Jesus Christ you have stepped into His glorious kingdom. Jesus said that the blood that He would shed on the cross was blood for a new covenant that was given for many for the remission of sins. His blood established a new covenant. A covenant that brings every believer into an agreement with God. In this covenant God has promised to bless His people abundantly.

May God bless you in your walk with the Creator and Savior. Your faith that brought you into His kingdom through His Son will also open for you the provisions that are your inheritance.

"If ye are Christ's then are ye Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise." Galatians 3:29

# EL-SHADDAI: HIS INTENT IS TO BRING SHALOM.

I have been a born again Christian for many years. Most of those years I have served the Lord in full time ministry. I have traveled doing itinerant ministry at home and overseas. There have been times when I simply did not understand the purposes of God. Yet, God has been faithful. My family and I have enjoyed good health and other blessings from the Lord. We have also faced trials and difficulties but were lifted up by His Grace during those times. We have also witnessed the provisions of God in the lives of many of His people. In the course of ministry we have seen people miraculously saved, delivered from demonic power, healed, walking in the supernatural and more. I thank the Lord for His faithfulness and divine help that has attended us through the years.

Recently the Lord has been pouring into my spirit fresh revelation from His word about promises He is going to fulfill. God has made wonderful provisions in His word. He wants us to know Him and walk in what He has provided for us as His people. If you are reading this book and were drawn to THE KING'S TREASURY because you have financial, circumstantial or material needs then this chapter will be a blessing to you.

God has revealed His character and attributes through His own word. E1-Shaddai is a Hebrew word which reveals Him as both Almighty God (EI) and the God of Abundance (Shaddai). In other words He is the God of unlimited power Who is absolute in His resolve to bring His people into the fullness of Christ.

He spoke in Genesis chapter one and the world was created. This God that we serve is sovereign in power. There is no other power greater than Him. Christ Jesus in His earthly ministry walked in the

fullness of that power for the Holy Spirit was given to Him without measure. Jesus demonstrated His power to minister to every human need. God has not changed. He is still omnipotent (all powerful). Your condition of sickness or your difficult circumstance is not too difficult for the Almighty God who created the heavens and the earth. I have seen people healed of fatal afflictions that medical doctors were not able to help. God is unlimited in His power to meet the needs of all that will reach out to Him with faith. His word proclaims this as fact. However, some of even God's precious people put more time, attention and trust into the local newspapers than into the word of the Lord.

Shaddai means God of Abundance. Its meaning is derived from One who nourishes, supplies, satisfies, all sufficiency, and all bountiful. Do you realize that your greatest need cannot deplete His abundance?

"But my God shall supply all your need according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus." Philippians 4:19.

Abundance is not only promised in His word but is His very nature.

He has what you need and He wants you to have it. Now some of God's precious saints will respond to this truth by saying "well, doesn't the Bible say that money is the root of all evil?" No. It does not say that. It does say "For the <u>love of money</u> is the root of all evil." 1 Timothy 6:10

If our heart is filled with selfish reasons and we covet after money or the material things it will bring, then we are drifting into idolatry: which is, the worship and pursuit of things instead of keeping our first love directed towards our God. When this occurs we have sinned against God's first commandment, "Thou shalt have not other gods before me." Exodus 20:3

In Genesis 22:1-18 we see Abraham taking his son of promise to a mountain called Moriah to lay him on an altar of sacrifice. This was not done in despair. It was done in faith and obedience. He had

already instructed the servants to wait for their return and so he knew that God would provide for them. You will notice that Abraham uses "Jehovah-Jireh" which means God our provider. The ram that God provided was the forerunner of the Lamb. Abraham passed the test of obedience on that remote mountain. To obtain the blessing of the Lord we must reverence him to the point of complete obedience. Interestingly, this word Moriah in the Hebrew means "seen by God." It is identified in 2 Chronicles 3:1 as the location where Solomon built the temple in Jerusalem. This of course, is where Jesus the Lamb of God was also sacrificed as redemption for our sins.

We could have so much Lord'. Are we willing to pay the price of obedience? The test of obedience always follows the pronouncement of promises on the believer. This may seem unnecessary but God is unwilling to lay the precious and holy provisions of His kingdom into the lap of someone who will not be accountable. This is something we need to settle before the Lord.

# CAUTION caution

It is absolutely essential that you guard your desires in this area. Many of God's precious people have been enslaved by their own lusts and when the abundance has come it mastered them. Things can become our gods. Seduction will occur, unless you resolve to put coveting to death at the foot of the cross. There is need for a thorough heart check in this area of God's promise of abundance. Crucifixion of selfishness and surrender to His Lordship will protect the believer in every area including this one. Some in Christian circles have denounced the scriptural promise of prosperity. However, we must apply stewardship to all that God has given or it can be corrupted by the sinful nature or the devil, to bring ruin instead of blessing. Concerning finances, some dear Christians will condemn scriptural teaching on financial provision. Sadly, I've seen some of the same ones enslaved to food to the degree that their health is at risk. The answer is not to denounce God's provisions but to accept the stewardship of what He gives and use it for His glory in the

kingdom. When God gives promise of clothing the Believer with the glorious riches of Christ that also requires accountability. Someone whom God has raised up with leadership gifts can easily misuse those talents if the heart is filled with impure motives.

Jesus does caution about desiring riches because it can bring many woes. Yet God desires to meet our needs and delights in the Shalom of His servants.

### Psalm 35:27

Let the Lord be magnified, which hath pleasure in the prosperity (shalom) of his servant.

When you look up this verse in your Bible it may place one of the following words into the text in place of Shalom. As follows:

health
peace
safety
well-being or prosperity.

We will look briefly at each of these in this chapter. I want you to understand the sense of what God is saying so you can apply it yourself.

These words are the full meaning of the one Hebrew word "shalom." The Hebrew text in Psalm 35:27 uses the word "shalom" and there it is conveying the delight of the Lord in seeing His servant blessed in fullness. I suppose by way of comparison this one word "shalom" is similar to an English word "abundance. "For example, I might say I have been experiencing abundant health or abundant peace etc. The Lord is saying that He delights in the health, peace, safety, well-being and prosperity of His servant. Now if God delights in these blessings in the life of His servant then it must surely mean that He wants His servants to have these blessings.

"For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, saith the Lord, thoughts of peace (Shalom in the Hebrew text), and not of evil, to

give you an expected end. Then shall ye call upon me, and ye shall go and pray unto me, and I will hearken unto you. And ye shall seek me, and find me, when ye shall search for me with all your heart." Jeremiah 29:11,12,13.

When the Lord Jesus in John 14:27 said, "My peace I give unto you," He meant more than a tranquil state of mind although He will provide that. The Greek language literally means this, but also implies prosperity as well. You see Christ Jesus always puts substance with every promise.

Let me talk about Divine healing for a moment. It is also a provision that God wants to fully restore to the church. You will notice that when God brought the nation of Israel out of slavery in Egypt that not one them was feeble or lame. Psalm 105:37. God is going to restore that kind of experience totally to the Church.

Healing for every sickness and disease was provided for when Christ suffered for us on the cross. Christ demonstrated His power to heal all sickness and disease.

## Matthew 4:23,24 states

And Jesus went about Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, and preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing all manner of sickness and all manner of disease among the people.

And his fame went through-out 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 lunatic, and those that had the palsy; and he healed them.

# Matthew 8: 16,17 declares

When the even was come, they brought unto Him many that were possessed with devils: and he cast Out the spirits with His word, and healed all that were sick:

That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Isaiah the prophet, saying, Himself took our infirmities, and bare our sicknesses.

## I Peter 1: 24 states

By His stripes ye were healed.

## Mark 9:23 says

If thou canst believe, all things are possible to him that believeth.

My dear friend the scriptures are clear. He has already provided healing for you. If you will meditate on His word and promises so that hope (expectation) arises within you it will become the vehicle for your faith to operate in those same promises. Your faith in His ability to heal will bring the substance of what you have expected from His word.

There are also wonderful passages of scriptures that confirm God's plan of protection and safety for those that will put their trust in Him. Psalm 91, Psalm 23, Psalm 34 and many others need to be part of your survival plan while in this life on earth. Exercise your faith in the God who has made these provisions. He is faithful.

Times of refreshing are ordained by the Lord. He has placed before all that call upon Him the opportunity to be in the place of blessing.

I would like to direct your attention to the phrase "acceptable year of the Lord "or "year of the Lord's favor. "This phrase has deep roots throughout the word of God and resurfaces to bring blessing again and again.

## In Leviticus 25:10 God said

And ye shall hallow the fiftieth year, and proclaim liberty throughout all the land unto all the inhabitants thereof: it shall be a jubilee unto you; and ye shall return every man unto his possession, and ye shall return every man unto his family.

This passage and it's surrounding verses demonstrate a number of truths. It shows that God wants burdens to be removed from the people of the Lord. It's practical application to real circumstances as listed in this chapter, goes deeper than a political and economic model for recovery. It's spiritual use will have profound results in those who receive what the Lord is saying.

I believe the recovery in both spiritual and natural realm is part of God's plan. There will, also be an end time restoration of all things. The scriptures declare that God will universally restore all things to their perfect state when Christ establishes His earthly rule.

However, there is His provision for this current age that is clear in His word.

Prosperity in the Hebrew language means " to spread forward " or "to be successful."

## **Psalm 1:1-3**

Blessed is the man that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor standeth in the way of sinners, nor sitteth in the seat of the scornful.

But his delight is in the law of the Lord; and in his law doth he meditate day and night.

And he shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water, that bringeth forth his fruit in his season; his leaf also shall not wither; and whatsoever he doeth shall prosper.

We see then that God delights in the prosperity of His servants and gives the promise that they will prosper. He wants us to be free of bondage, oppression, poverty and lack. He wants our lives to reflect His presence to the degree that others see and experience the impartation of Jesus around us. God desires for us to be so saturated with Him that we become known as carriers His Presence. Pursue Him. He wants to enrich you. He wants to weigh us down with the heaviness of His presence. He wants us to be successful at whatever good and honorable work that we put our hands to work at. With that

success comes financial increase and the responsibility of stewardship.

The following are very similar passages that parallel this truth. Psalm 102:20, Psalm 103:6, Isaiah 42:7, Isaiah 49:8,9 and Isaiah 61:1,2. Read them for your edification.

## Psalm 102:20

To hear the groaning of the prisoner; to loose those that are appointed to death;

## Psalm 103:6

The Lord executeth righteousness and judgment for all that are oppressed.

## Isaiah 42:7

To open the blind eyes, to bring out the prisoners from the prison, and them that sit in darkness out of the prison house.

## Isaiah 49:8,9,10

Thus saith the Lord, in an acceptable time have I heard thee, and in a day of salvation have I helped thee: and I will preserve thee and give thee for a covenant of the people, to establish the earth, to cause to inherit the desolate heritages; That thou mayest say to the prisoners, Go forth; to them that are in darkness, Shew yourselves. They shall feed in the ways, and their pastures shall be in all high places. They shall not hunger nor thirst;

## Isaiah 61:1,2

The Spirit of the Lord God is upon me; because the Lord hath anointed me to preach good tidings unto the meek; he hath sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and the opening of the prison to them that are bound; To proclaim the acceptable year of the Lord, and the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort all that mourn;

# All of the above passages echo the same theme from the Lord's heart

to bless His people. The Lord Jesus states this as well, in Luke 4:18,19. In doing this, He indicates that it is a continuing provision. You will note again the importance of the phrase " the acceptable year of the Lord." It ties in then, to the earlier passages. All of his divine providence, blessings and abundance come to us through Christ.

Take your Bible and open it to some of the scripture references that you have read in this chapter. Let His truth build expectation within your spirit. He wants to bring you into Shalom. All of this is found in the King's Treasury.

**Joint - Heirs:** 

The believer's inheritance.

The inheritance that the Lord has deemed to us through Son ship is an incredible provision. A Will is a complete legal document and statement. It defines the estate and inheritance. It directs the benefits of that inheritance to those who are named in the Will. It is possible however, that the person named as beneficiary can miss what was deemed to him through misappropriation, misinformation or failure to take ownership.

This means we need to understand what God has documented in His word to avoid the above from occurring in our lives. There are forces at work that will contravene what God has promised.

John 10:10

The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy. I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly.

Hosea 4:6

My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge:

#### Hebrews 11:6

But without faith it is impossible to please him: for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him.

Christ finished the work of redemption laid out for Him before the foundation of the world. The plan of Creator God is to bring every believer into spiritual fullness through their faith in Christ Jesus and all He provided. He became the door to enter into spiritual fullness. Many of the old testament prophets saw this and longed after it. Isaiah 25:6.7.8

And in this mountain shall the Lord of hosts make unto all people a feast of fat things, a feast of wines on the lees, of fat things full of marrow, of wines on the lees well refined. And he will destroy in this mountain the face of the covering cast over all people, and the veil that is spread over all nations. He will swallow up death in victory, and the Lord God will wipe away tears from off all faces; and the rebuke of his people shall he take away from off all the earth: for the Lord hath spoken it..

I like what Isaiah says about a feast. What the Lord was showing him was the provision of spiritual fullness. Many of the Lord's people are still eating the crumbs that the woman Jesus met one day spoke of in the gospels. Oh, my friend the Lord has abundance for you. Didn't He say this in John 10:10. The thief has an agenda that is filled with destruction. Not so with Christ Jesus. He opened the door for spiritual fullness.

Joel 2:23,24,25

Be glad then, ye children of Zion, and rejoice in the Lord your God: for he hath given you the former rain moderately, and he will cause to come down for you the rain, the former rain, and the latter rain in the first month.

And the floors shall be full of wheat, and the vats shall overflow with wine and oil.

And I will restore to you the years that the locust hath eaten, the canker worm, and the caterpillar, and the palmer worm, my great army which I sent among you.

These men of old were moved upon by the Spirit of God and prophesied restoration of abundance of provisions and spiritual fullness. Today, every one, regardless of age, race or background is united with Christ Jesus and is a joint-heir with Him. If you are a believer then you have an inheritance in Him. We will never see Heaven on earth until God completes His time schedule for planet earth. There is coming a time when He will bring Heaven to this earth. It needs that. Creation groans out in anguish for that wonderful time of restoration. I believe the earth is on the very threshold of that reign of Christ.

However, there is a precious truth in the word of God that tells us about the spiritual fullness that Christ made available for us. I believe it goes beyond our ability to comprehend. I believe it brings promise right now, to every believer, of abundance far beyond what we dared to think. This is what I saw in the vision I shared about The King's Treasury. There is more and more and more. Abundance in Him that staggers the sanctified imagination. Dream big. Soar high. Fall in love with the King of Kings. Walk in love struck humility with Him. You will see Him in His beauty. He will clothe you with Himself.

There are Divine laws that God has established that govern the natural world. The law of gravity will always cause an object held in the hand to fall to the ground when you let go of it. Science has diligently studied the natural laws and invented many useful things to help us in this world. God established these natural laws and man has put them to use. God has also established spiritual laws that can effect our natural environment, our circumstances and our future. One of these spiritual laws is prayer offered in faith and in agreement with the will of the Lord. God answers prayer by providing our needs and if necessary will supersede a natural law to bring the provision forth. He reveals these spiritual laws in his word.

# 1 Corinthians 2:9.10,12 says

Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love him. But God hath revealed them unto us by his Spirit: for the Spirit searcheth all things, yea, the deep things of God. Now we have received, not the spirit of the world, but the spirit which is of God; that we might know the things that are freely given to us of God.

He really does want us to understand Him and what He has provided. As I said earlier, His first priority is to see you come into His kingdom through faith in His Son the Lord Jesus Christ. He went to great effort to reveal this plan and purpose to you.

The believer's inheritance is one of abundance. It is one of fullness in Christ.

#### Colossians 1:27

To whom God would make known what is the riches of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory.

## Colossians 2:9,10

For in him dwelleth all the fullness of the Godhead bodily. And ye are complete in him, which is the head of all principality and power.

The fullness of Christ is within you because of His presence within you. Are we living below our destiny? Are we living short of what He has provided for us? I believe we all are, without any doubt. But all of us can press in faith, humility and intensity towards that fullness in Christ Jesus. He has given you the title deed to your inheritance. John 15:7

If ye abide in me, and my words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you.

## Galatians 3:9

So then they which be of faith are blessed with faithful Abraham.

## Galatians 3:29

And if ye be Christ's, then are ye Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise.

There is spiritual fullness in Christ. Spiritually, He has made all the provisions necessary for you to receive all there is in Him. Pray to Him. Seek Him. He will fill the thirsty heart with His fullness. Step into the "River" of the Spirit and soak until you are totally renewed. My wife and I have spent many days soaking in the "River". I thank God for all He is doing at the "River" churches. May His work flood the nations through them.

This fullness in Christ also includes provisions in tangible ways. His desire is to bring you into your inheritance. It does include material blessings and abundance.

What about this earth and its kingdoms? Will what the Lord provides contribute to establishing earthly kingdoms ruled by men? There appears to be little indication in the Word of God that He has interest in establishing earthly kingdoms exclusively for the purposes of men. until He comes to rule and reign as Lord on the earth. It is at that precious time in the future that the believers from all generations will rule and reign with Christ Jesus here on this earth. Few men in their present state can be trusted with the responsibility that comes with absolute dominion. However, He does work out His purposes through earthly kingdoms. He rules over the nations. When the disciples asked this question: Will you at this time establish your Kingdom? In Acts chapter one Jesus Christ gave them a startling answer. These disciples definitely had in mind a restoration of an earthly reign similar to the earthly kingdom of David or Solomon. In His response Jesus directed their attention to a spiritual kingdom that would be eternal. I repeat what was said earlier that a future Kingdom established by Christ Jesus will some day literally occur on planet earth, but don't confuse that with God's plan for now.

## Acts 1:7,8

It is not for you to know the times or the seasons, which the Father hath put in his own power. But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth.

Many dear brothers and sisters in the Lord have become side tracked by trying to build earthly kingdoms even in the name of ministry and have lost sight of the eternal. Great caution needs to be taken in the pursuit of ministry so that earthly focus does not take precedence over what Christ is intending to do for eternity.

Psalm 2 tells us that the nations are the Lord's inheritance. He is looking for ministries and people to bring in that harvest. He is preparing the church now for a massive end-time harvest that will far surpass all spiritual awakenings in previous history. Momentum in the Kingdom of God is building. The Holy Spirit is healing and restoring the wounded bride of Christ. The nations of the world are experiencing the restoration of the Lord. The Bride is beginning to give birth. In many locations of the world a mighty harvest is occurring.

In the Name of Jesus Christ I make this prophetic declaration:

New life and vibrancy on a deep spiritual level is now flowing, If you haven't received this yet, then seek after Him. Lay your religious molds aside and step into the river that is flowing. It is the Holy Spirit's time. He will restore all that wait in His presence. Those that don't seek the Lord will miss out on His restoration and the opportunity to labor for Him in the harvest. The glory of the Lord, His anointing on His servants and the open doors will bring multitudes into the Kingdom. Turn your eyes on Him, gaze upon Him, be saturated with Him and then look towards the harvest fields. This is where your focus should be. That's what is in the Father's heart. When you catch His vision, He will provide all that is necessary to complete His work.

We are traveling through this world, so don't build for time alone. However, to do the work of the ministry it takes finances, buildings, equipment and people to do the ministry God calls us to do. We will look at the anointing as well, in the following chapter but the Lord always provides the resources to enable His work to be accomplished.

Let's talk specifically about finances for a moment. My focus in this book is not on finances although they are necessary to conduct the work of ministry. Financial blessings are promised by the Lord for personal provisions and the work of the ministry. Let's look at a wonderful passage found in God's word.

## 2 Corinthians 9: 6,7,8 and 10,11

But I say this, He which soweth sparingly shall reap also sparingly; and he which soweth bountifully shall reap also bountifully. Every man according as he purposed in his heart, so let him give; not grudgingly, or of necessity: for God loveth a cheerful giver. And God is able to make all grace abound toward you; that ye always having all sufficiency in all things, may abound to every good work:

Now he that ministereth seed to the sower both minister bread for your food, and multiply your seed sown, and increase the fruits of your righteousness; Being enriched in every thing to all bountifulness, which causeth through us thanksgiving to God.

If God can get the finances to flow through you He will bring the finances to you. Likewise, If you will impart the spiritual gifts of the Holy Spirit you will see an increase in the measure of His Presence. Your inheritance in Christ includes great and wonderful spiritual blessings. It also includes great and wonderful financial and material blessings.

#### **Ecclesiastes 2:26**

For God gives to a man that is good in his sight wisdom, and knowledge, and joy: but to the sinner he gives travail, to gather and to heap up, that he may give it to him that is good before God.

## Proverbs 10:22

The blessing of the Lord, it makes rich, and he added no sorrow with it.

## Proverbs 13:22

A good man leaves an inheritance to his children's children: and the wealth of the sinner is laid up for the just.

# Philippians 4:19

But my God shall supply all your need according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus.

These financial, material and spiritual blessings are not to be hoarded away but used to meet your family's needs as well as given towards ministry so the gospel can be preached to the world and the needs of others can be met. Be a good Stewart. The Lord Jesus will expect an account of what we received and how we used it. Will He say, "well done you good and faithful servant. You have been faithful over a little and now I will give you more?" Don't expect the Lord to send an armored truck filled with cash to you some fine morning unless He has prepared you for it. He always gives us a measure that He knows we can handle first. If we are faithful with that, He will increase it. He will bless that and then increase the measure. Some people are asking for great increase and they aren't even tithing or giving on what He has already given to them. IT JUST WON'T CUT IT WITH GOD.

Some want to be on the cutting edge of healing ministry or prophetic ministry or evangelism and that is commendable. Often God gives the vision for that. We all must start where we are at and allow Him to use what He has given. Increase comes as we are faithful to what He given us to do. Obedience follows promise and faithfulness must follow His provision.

God honors the principle of giving. In fact, He loves a cheerful giver and rewards them for their generosity.

## Luke 6:38

Give, and it shall be given unto you; good measure, pressed down, and shaken together, and running over, shall men give into your bosom. For with the same measure that ye mete withal it shall be measured to you again. If you apply this verse to the gifts of the Holy Spirit which you can freely receive and also freely give, then you are on your way to living out the life of Jesus.

I feel such a prophetic anointing over this word. This is not to manipulate you but to build up faith and to encourage you. I declare this over you in the precious Name of Jesus:

God is ready to open the flood gates of blessing so that His work can be accomplished through those he can trust with the resources to get the work of the ministry done. There is a precious harvest of souls ready to be brought into the Kingdom of God. The harvest that is reaped is part of your inheritance as you faithfully sow into his Kingdom. His Divine law of sowing and reaping will be productive in your life. Dare to trust Him. He will indeed pour out His presence through you. You have been chosen. He has placed His garments of righteousness on you and now is the time to move forward. Follow the leading of your heart for I have put my purposes there. I Am your God and I will lead you into your destiny.

Knowledge about the principle of Receiving and Giving is often forgotten in the church. However, this is so important because it will determine spiritual poverty or spiritual abundance. Read about the importance of this in Matthew 10: 7,8, 9 and in Matthew 25: 14 to 30. Jesus calls us to be faithful Stewarts.

You must understand that coming into His Presence is not only about you. It is more about Him, His Presence, His gifts, His attributes and what you do to impart those treasures to others. He is looking for carriers of His Presence who will freely impart those treasures upon, into and through others.

- ·Upon is for those in need.
- ·Into is for those who will receive and then release.
- •Through is for those commissioned and anointed for five fold ministry.

God also honors the principle of working for your substance. If you are a godly man or woman He will bless the work of your hands and bring increase to your earnings. He will give you favor and wisdom to do the best that can be done. His anointing will be with you if you take Him to work with you. If you will acknowledge Him in all you do, He will cause success to come. God doesn't honor laziness. Put to use what God has given you. He will bring opportunities to produce wealth through your work or business. What has God placed in your hand to do? Whatever it is, do it with all your might. Keep God first through it and He will bless your labor by bringing increase. God wants us to have things to enjoy as long as they don't captivate us.

## **Deuteronomy 8:18 says**

But you shall remember the Lord thy God: for it is he that gives thee power to get wealth, that he may establish his covenant which he swore unto thy fathers, as it is this day.

Some of God's promises are detailed in Deuteronomy 28:1-14. The following are for the people of God:

- -Exaltation
- -Reproductiveness
- -Health
- -Prosperity, success
- -Victory
- -That we are the Head and not the tail
- -That we are above and not beneath.

The downside of the last section of this chapter is curses. A curse is the result of being in disobedience to the law or having failed it unknowingly. The law was given to reveal sin. While in the land of Egypt, as recorded in Exodus 12:13 God said "When I see the blood, I will pass over you." The destroyer could not touch the people of God. "Accordingly, Christ has redeemed us from the curse of the law." Galatians 3:13,14 These curses do not belong to the bornagain believer.

It would do you good to read over these curses to see what doesn't

belong to you. In Christ, you are exempt from these. Don't let the devil try to bring them upon you. Your inheritance falls into the seven areas of blessing as listed above.

If we fail or walk in sin, we remove ourselves from the protective covering of His blood. There is a time of grace given by the Lord for repentance and covering with His blood. Praise the Lord for His mercy. For Christians, unconfessed sin places us in a very vulnerable position where the enemy from the kingdom of darkness can attack. We overcome his forces by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of our testimony according to Revelation 12:11 Confession is indeed, good for the soul. The righteous in Christ are entitled to a glorious inheritance. Don't be robbed of what Christ has deemed to you.

The believer's inheritance is available because every believer is a Joint-heir with Christ.

His Anointing:

It is for you too.

Every born again believer is a part of a glorious Kingdom. Christ has brought to us some precious promises. These promises are already given and are available in The King's Treasury. What He provided through His sacrificial death, His resurrection and victorious return to the Father on high goes beyond human words. These provisions are real and they are for now. You are not an exception to what Christ the Anointed One provided. If you will dare to believe His word and walk in what He has provided, your life will be released into great fullness. Fullness that will completely change you into His image. Others will see Christ in you. This promise is for you.

#### Luke 24:49

Behold, I send the promise of my Father upon you: but tarry ye in the city of Jerusalem, until ye be endued with power from on high.

The Greek word "endued" means "to be clothed." Jesus is saying that when the Holy Spirit, which was promised by the Father comes upon you; you also will be clothed with supernatural power from Heaven. This is what every servant of God was clothed with in the Old and New Testaments.

I experienced a vision of Jesus Christ a few years ago. He appeared clothed in brilliant white with radiating light beams shining around Him. He was elevated above everything else that existed. In this vision I saw that all His attributes were in His very Presence. By that I mean for instance, that healing is within Him not something that He has to go to the supply room to retrieve so He can give it to someone in need. In the same way every other provision needed by believers was not an item on the shelf awaiting for delivery but all these were in Him. Not separate, but in Him and part of Him.

The source of your anointing is Christ but is delivered by the Holy Ghost within you. The name of Christ means Anointed One. Every place in scripture where His Name is used, it is a reminder of

His great office and power. He is also Jesus (Savior) and Lord (Master) Jesus stills asks the question of His followers today: Who do you say I am? Your answer to this question could well determine your place in eternity. It is that important. The answer to this vital question will also dictate as to how you live this life on earth. Are you a " Christ-One?" (Christian?)

If we are a Christian then we should be like him, for Christ is in us and the Holy Spirit will exalt Christ through us.

This promise of the anointing coming upon you is for today. It is so precious. Once touched by the Holy Spirit's presence as He comes upon you, nothing else will ever fulfill the cry of your inner spirit. Peter the apostle, under the power of the Holy Spirit said that this anointing was for all that the Lord would call. Acts 2:39 Are you part of the Body of Christ? Yes you are! Do you have a ministry function or role in His Body? Yes you do!

Every person as a born again believer has purpose, calling and function and is a member of Christ's church. The anointing of the Holy Spirit on your life will take you into a dimension of supernatural power that will empower you to fulfill your role as if Christ Himself were doing it with the abilities He has. Think of this for a moment. Let this become the inner image of who you are in Christ and what this anointing can do through you.

The anointing will lift burdens from you and destroy yokes of oppression that are over you. Every work of the enemy will be destroyed by this power from the Holy Ghost. Isaiah 10:27 tells us about the effect of this anointing to do this very thing. Yes, where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty from everything that oppresses. What victory there is in this anointing.

#### Acts 10:38

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. Jesus Christ (the anointed One) knew how to operate in that anointing. We must also learn how to operate in the anointing that the Holy Ghost has for us. As you yield yourself to the leading of the Holy Spirit he will empower you for the task in front of you.

Recently, the Lord has given us opportunity to minister in Brazil. Some of those meetings were so saturated with His anointing. Spiritual hunger draws the anointing of the Lord into meetings. In some of those meetings people were overwhelmed by His power and collapsed to the ground. These were definitely not courtesy falls. They were laying all over the ground in the tent completely overpowered by the Holy Spirit. Those trying to get up staggered like drunken sailors only to fall again. Laughter was everywhere. People were shaking under His power. Ushers were carrying people to the sides so others could come forward. We prayed for more than 500 people that night. Some of these people looked like they were being violently electrocuted by the Lord. They of course were fine but experienced great deliverances and impartations of power. Many were healed. Some were stuck to the floor and couldn't get up. Many had visions. Some sobbed and others danced in His Presence. Young people got saved and delivered from drugs. This is what the anointing does. It releases Heaven into earth. It is glorious and wonderful.

In another location in Brazil when I gave a prophetic word about God releasing an anointing for intercession before the interpreter could translate my words, twenty or so people were violently knocked out of their chairs down to the floor and began to weep, scream and pray earnestly for God's will to be done on earth. It was like a hand grenade had been thrown into the meeting. Folding chairs scattered everywhere when these people were taken into intercession by the Holy Spirit. The Lord did incredible things in those meetings. The Holy Spirit is powerful. When He works we call it His anointing. This is what I am talking about in this chapter.

In Africa I have talked with one pastor who was raised from the dead. Many others have experienced the same resurrections. God is doing great and mighty works. Blind eyes are being opened, deaf ears hear and lame people are walking. This is real stuff. Not fabricated lies. His anointing is as real today as it was when Jesus was anointed with the Holy Spirit's power and went about doing good. It is for today and available for today. May the Lord impart His anointing even now into you.

This anointing brought boldness to the disciples. It also brought great wisdom. In fact, all the Holy Spirit's fruit and spiritual manifestations listed in Galatians chapter five and 1 Corinthians chapter twelve will come forth as He directs and as need for ministry requires them. In other words, if someone requests prayer because they are struggling with disease, then through you the anointing of healing will flow to meet that need. Expect it my brother. You can stand upon the word of God and his faithfulness and also yield yourself to the anointing of God so His power can be released.

The anointing will increase as you spend time with the Lord in prayer, exercising faith in His word and being obedient to what the Lord instructs you to do. Spirit-led fasting for the purpose of seeing greater anointing released through your life is scriptural. Some dear people use fasting to lose weight and it does have that result. However, Spirit-led fasting is for a different purpose. It sets youapart as a vessel for deeper preparation for what God wants to do in your life. Take those times and soak yourself with the word of God so that he can speak to you. Hearing His word will also increase your measure of faith.

## 1 John 3:8

For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that he might destroy the works of the devil.

The anointing that Jesus operated in will do the same in you and through you as you reach out to others. In Matthew 10, Mark 6 and Luke 9 Jesus sent the disciples forth with an anointing to minister to people. They went forth as He instructed and came back rejoicing. They healed the sick, cleansed the lepers, raised the dead and cast out demons. The anointing will do that. You are a candidate for the Holy Spirit's anointing to flow through. Seek Him so that the anointing will be released through you.

#### 1 John 2:20

But ye have an unction (anointing) from the Holy One, and ye know all things.

## 1 John 2:27

But the anointing which ye have received of him abides in you,

The above passages tell us that the anointing is very close to all those that are born-again believers. This is true because the Holy Spirit already is in the life of the Christian and works in a measure, in many ways. But there are greater things in store. Don't settle for only attending church, warming the pew and giving offerings. God has more for you.

I speak the following by prophetic decree because it is birthed in my spirit by prophetic revelation from the heart of Jesus whom I love:

The Lord is preparing an army of believers right now who have been called into prayer and fasting. The intercession that the Holy Spirit is doing through them is birthing a new outpouring of God's kingdom. The Lord is equipping a people who will not fail to move forward into His promises. Many fervent evangelical groups have begun to show the signs of a spiritual cool down. Many Bible believing organizations must continually press forward in their relationship with the Lord or fall into spiritual backsliding. Conservative and traditional views have become the norm for many full-gospel Pentecostal and charismatic churches but the Lord will uproot these conditions and set these groups free again. The anointing of the Lord will change these conditions as the people of God repent and turn their hearts to Him. Regular fasting and prayer will become a part of every church's operational thrust. A smooth running church program or service is completely possible through human resources but if it lacks the anointing of God it will fall short and grumble. God's letters to the seven churches in the book of Revelation will again come to the forefront and call believers back to where they should be. All will give an account to the Lord for what He requires, not what was presumed

about their spiritual condition.

This army of believers will emerge with a holy presence of God upon their countenance. They will deeply love the Lord and through this love will flow the ministry gifts of the Spirit. There will be great wonders and miraculous signs done through these vessels. The kingdom of darkness will stir up religious opposition in the form of false accusation and slander to attack those anointed by the Lord. These lying spirits will even accuse those being used by the Lord of operating under demonic power. They accused Jesus of doing the same. The anointing of God will prevail however, and multitudes will be brought into the kingdom of God. There will be a great harvest of souls brought in. The challenge to the Christian today is, will you be part of what the Lord is doing or will you be bypassed because you have chosen to stay in a safe conservative religious mode? The Holy Spirit is calling to the believer to rise and follow after Him. The same tears that Jesus shed over Jerusalem are falling on the empty altars and comfortable pews of many churches today. However, I hear the Lord saying that He will bring change. That He will do a new thing and it will come forth quickly.

When you taste the precious anointing, nothing else matters.

Absolutely, nothing else will do what His power can do in and through the vessel yielded to Him.

Look at two wonderful passages of scripture. Isaiah 11:2

And the spirit of the Lord shall rest upon him, (Jesus) the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the Lord.

## Isaiah 61:1-2

The Spirit of the Lord God is upon me, because the Lord hath anointed me (Jesus) to preach good tidings unto the meek, he hath sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and the opening of the prison to them that are bound;

## To proclaim the acceptable year of the Lord.

These passages prophesied the anointing that would rest upon the ministry of Jesus. These words also serve as an example for us to pursue.

After all: "Christ is in you the hope of glory." Colossians 1:27

There are many examples of anointing in the scriptures. Stephen in Acts chapter 6:3 was a man known to be full of the Holy Ghost and wisdom. In verse 5 he was a man full of faith and the Holy Ghost. In verse 8 he was a man full of God's grace and power doing great wonders and miraculous signs. This man was anointed with Holy Ghost power from on high.

#### Acts 4:33

And with great power gave the apostles witness of the resurrection of the Lord Jesus: and great grace was upon them all

This remarkable testimony is impossible without the anointing of God's spirit. But with the anointing of the Holy Spirit there was a great demonstration of God's power through their lives. This is the precious presence and work of the Holy Spirit. He will make a difference in any life filled with Him.

This anointing is for you, my brother and sister in the Lord. It was purchased by the blood of Jesus, promised by the Father and delivered in the Holy Ghost. It is for you. It is part of your inheritance. It is part of God's intent to bring you into His Shalom. El-Shaddai has given the gifts and the fruit of the Holy Spirit abundantly. Rise up in faith and possess these provisions. Let Him possess you as well.

# IGNORANCE: IT CAN DESTROY YOU.

I grew up in the country close to the small village of Haliburton, Ontario Canada. It is a picturesque area abundant in lakes, forests and hills. Tourism has become a thriving industry in the area because of the beautiful scenery. My grandfather owned a farm and we as family lived close to his homestead. Much of life's activities were influenced by the seasons. Late summer and fall brought harvest time. Crops and garden produce needed to be brought in. In favorable summers there were also wild berry crops. Blue berry, blackberry, raspberry and occasionally, cranberry crops brought something extra to the table. These made delicious desserts enjoyed by all.

It didn't take much prodding from mother for us children to take a berry pail and head for the blackberry patch to pick berries in the summer. I recall once as a boy of about five years of age putting my hands to work at this task. You know, some in the pail and some in the mouth. I remember one day, as the morning sun warmed the day I went back to the house to get a drink of water. While there, I decided to change into a short pair of pants and then return to the berry patch. This change of clothes necessitated very careful walking among the berry canes because of their thorns which could badly scratch bare legs. I was doing just fine, but was soon to be in quite a dilemma. If I only had known what lay ahead with the next step fall, I would have avoided it at all costs. Unknowingly, and with my focus completely on the berries waiting within arm's reach, I placed my foot directly on top of a nest of ground wasps. Now to them this meant a life or death intrusion so they went immediately into red alert. I can remember running in full panic towards the house with wasps in hot pursuit stinging bare legs and anywhere else that they could attack. I even had one wasp up inside my short pants when mother grabbed me and pulled me into safety through the back door. Well, I did recover from the stings and scratches. With that experience behind me, I became much more cautious in my adventures into the berry

patch. What we know can keep us in good standing.

Now, if it is not obvious what ignorance can do to you, I hope the little story I have shared with you will make it very clear. Ignorance is not a word invented so someone can add it to their arsenal of critical words, when discussing politics, religion or the latest increase in taxes. It really means for one to lack information and knowledge. It can also include one's inability to apply that knowledge intentionally or unintentionally; these being a reflection of either attitude or ability.

It is vitally important in our Christian growth and in the application of God's truth to understand the tactics of Satan. He deals heavily in deception, lies and the twisting of truth. In doing so, he is able to hold people in captivity.

The term "wicked" comes from a root word meaning "to twist". His intention, through the kingdom of darkness is to pervert truth so as to corrupt mankind through sin and thereby prevent salvation and victory.

It is critical then, to see the great importance of knowing the truth of God's word and how to apply it as we serve the Lord. If we do not know that it is God's plan to bless and provide all our needs; or if we do not know how to apply faith to His truth so it benefits us, then we have fallen victim to ignorance.

I am speaking the truth in love and out of concern for your future and what God has for you. He wants to pour out His Presence on you and into you. He wants to saturate you with Himself. If you desire that then you can have that increase. Don't let the devils of darkness rob you of it with their tactics of deception and lies.

John 8:31,31

If ye continue in my word, then ye are my disciples indeed; and ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.

Hosea 4:6

My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge: because thou hast rejected knowledge, I will also reject thee,

#### Proverbs 29:18

Where there is no vision the people perish: but he that keepeth the law, happy is he.

I mentioned earlier in this chapter the connection that the application of faith has in bringing the promises of His word into reality.

## John 15:7

If ye abide in me, and my words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you.

Knowing His truth brings hope and this expectancy causes faith to operate. The Lord declares that faith will come when we hear His word. In other words, when you hear the truth spoken or read to you an inner vision begins to form within your spirit. That vision should be based on what the Lord will do for you or your circumstances. It is at this point that you can be robbed of His provision. If you let your natural mind or someone else hinder that inner vision from being established, you will lose out. However, when that inner vision (hope, expectancy) is meditated on, prayed over and believed in, it is then that faith is ready to be released. Faith is released through an action or words spoken.

For instance, Jesus commended many in the gospels for their actions that were expressions of faith.

In 2 Corinthians 4:13 the word also says;

We having the same spirit of faith, according as it is written, I believed, and therefore have I spoken; we also believe, and therefore speak;

Begin to speak confidently and with assurance based on His word, what God will provide for you. I will go one step further and say that our words need to be in agreement with what God has already provided. For He has already established the provision and we need to see it as such. Speak accordingly as well, for you will be in accord with Him when you do.

Don't deny your circumstances or need but deny them the place to stay. Fix your expectancy (hope) in God's ability to provide and release your faith in what He can do.

## 1 Corinthians 2:4,5

And my speech and my preaching was not with enticing words of man's wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power: That your faith should not stand in the wisdom of men, but in the power of God.

Your faith will operate when it is fixed on the ability and power of God to do what He has promised to do in His word. He still saves from sin, delivers from evil, heals the sick and provides for the needs of those trusting in Him. Intentional rejection of these truths or unintentional ignorance will rob you of His provisions. Be careful that no one robs you of His truth through anti-scriptural ideas, even if they come from very religious people. All of us have blind spots concerning His truth. We may be completely walking in the truth in one area of His word and yet, be right off target in another.

Thank the Lord for His undeserved mercy and help that does bail us out of many of our difficulties, but He wants us to learn how to develop our faith to higher levels. What we do learn will take us forward in His kingdom.

#### Hebrews 11:6

But without faith it is impossible to please him: for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him.

A true incident comes to mind that occurred a few years ago in ministry. As a pastor, I had a dear Christian lady come to me deeply broken and distressed. She had been saved for approximately thirty years but was under deep condemnation. Although having confessed countless times her one incidence of adultery as a young wife many years previous, she felt unforgiven over the course of nearly a quarter century.

Twenty five years is far too long to carry that kind of torment in the heart. She was desperate for help. Ignorance, the devil's weapon had nearly destroyed her, literally. As she opened her heart, the intensity of her despair, hopelessness and pain flowed out. This dear woman found complete restoration and healing when she saw that the mercy of Christ is bigger than her sin. When she saw that He had already forgiven her absolutely, the first time she had confessed her sin, she could also forgive herself.

Oh, what wonderful blessings are found in the Lord. You too, can be set free when you accept His truth and walk in His provisions. Break the strangle-hold of ignorance by letting the Holy Spirit teach you these life changing truths.

The Holy Spirit has been sent to lead us out of the quagmire of ignorance so we can stand on the firm foundation of truth found in Christ Jesus. He is the way, the truth and the life. In Him we find the liberating truth of who God is and who we are. He is the door leading into knowledge. You can ask for wisdom and understanding from Him, for He has already promised it to those willing to seek after these precious treasures. Start where you are and ask the Holy Spirit to instruct you in the things of God. When we turn to the Lord, veils are removed from us so that we begin to see Christ. The transformation into His image occurs when we behold Him. We literally are changed into what we gaze upon through the eyes of the inner spirit.

#### 2 Corinthians 3:16-18

Nevertheless, when it (Israel) shall turn to the Lord, the veil shall be taken away. Now the Lord is that Spirit: and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty. But we all, with open face beholding as in a glass the glory of the Lord, are changed in the same image from glory to glory, even as by the Spirit of the Lord.

The Holy Spirit in revealing truth to us, will do so in a profound way within our spirit. Our spirit has the ability to duplicate what it receives. When we are given Holy Spirit revelation of Christ on the spirit level, it

not only absorbs the information but takes on the characteristics of the revealed truth. This is not difficult to understand when we accept what Jesus said about His word. He likened it to seed. Seed has life potential in it and under the right conditions will produce whatever it was genetically programmed by the Lord to grow into. Likewise, the word revealed by the Holy Spirit will change us into the image of the Creator Designer, Christ Jesus.

## Ephesians 5:17

Wherefore be ye not unwise, but understanding what the will of the Lord is.

## Psalm 1:1-3

Blessed is the man that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor standeth in the way of sinners, nor sitteth in the seat of the scornful. But his delight is in the law of the Lord; and in his law doth he meditate day and night. And he shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water, that bringeth forth his fruit in his season; his leaf also shall not wither; and whatsoever he doeth shall prosper.

His word dispels the shadows of ignorance and brings the sunshine of His countenance into our lives. Fruitfulness is a result of the blessing found through walking in His truth and in relationship with Him.

Truth is what God has given to all born-again believers. It breaks the deception of ignorance. It escorts you into the vast treasure rooms within Christ Jesus and grants these riches to you. The King's Treasury is open to those who walk in His truth. His truth brings great blessing and it's abundance is available today.

## **Your Part:**

## Walk in the Covenant.

The power represented in a covenant is based exclusively on the resolve of the covenant makers to keep it. That resolve will tap into the integrity, the resource and the ability of the covenant partners. A flaw in these elements could jeopardize all aspects of the agreement when put to the test. However, the conditions of a covenant bring the strength of one partner to aid the weakness of the other. The commitment that God has made with His people is mighty. Although, we are imperfect creatures He is absolutely perfect in all aspects of power, resolve, integrity, resource and ability. He lacks nothing and has established an eternal covenant for His people.

We need to understand the greatness of our God, if we are to appreciate the covenant He has established with His people.

## Isaiah 9:6,7 -

For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counselor, The Mighty God, The Everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace.

Of the increase of his government and peace there shall be no end, upon the throne of David, and upon his kingdom, to order it, and to establish it with judgment and with justice from henceforth even for ever. The zeal of the Lord of hosts will perform this.

All opposition to the kingdom of God will be subdued before Him. His awesome power cannot be stopped or deterred. The age of grace has held the catastrophic judgment of God in abeyance because of His everlasting mercy on the sinner. However, His purpose and plan will perfectly unfold. There is no contradiction between God's attributes, although we as finite minds seldom understand the full qualities that they comprise. It takes supernatural disclosure to bring

us into knowledge. We can ask for that wisdom from Him so we can perceive Who we are in covenant with.

#### Matthew 28:18

And Jesus came and spoke unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth,

## Ephesians 1:22

And hath put all things under his feet, and gave him to be the head over all things to the church,

## 1 Peter 3:22

Who is gone into heaven and is on the right hand of God; angels and authorities and powers being made subject unto him.

We need to understand Who He is. We are often so bankrupt in our natural state. The knowledge of Our God is vital to comprehending the strength of His covenant with us. The Holy Spirit is removing the darkness from us so we can see. We are now in a time in God's kingdom when knowledge of Him is accelerating at incredible pace. The knowledge of the glory of the Lord is destined to cover the earth even as the waters cover the seabed of earth's oceans. The people of God in this age are going to see the fulfillment of this prophecy before He comes again. Habakkuk 2:14.

The covenant that He established was sealed with the blood of His Son. It is that precious.

## Matthew 26:28 -

For this is my blood of the new testament (covenant) which is shed for many for the remission of sins.

## Hebrews 12:24 -

And to Jesus the mediator of the new covenant,

There is so much more that comes into this matter. I feel that we are only standing on the shoreline of a vast truth that is limitless and has

## no parameters.

Lord bring us into knowledge of WHO You are. When we begin to see You, there will be no room for doubt or fear regarding your part in keeping the covenant laid out for us.

## What is our part in honoring this covenant?

He has given everything necessary to guarantee and perform His side of the covenant and so He is asking you to give Him everything in return. All that you are. All that you have. All that the future will bring. Everything! In this complete abandonment to Him there is absolute fulfillment. There is no fear of being defrauded or betrayed. None, whatsoever. You will enter into all He created you to be and all He purposed to do through you. Are you willing? Any hesitancy or refusal on your part is in turn defrauding God. Will you rise to fulfill your part of the covenant?

We are responsible for what we do with this covenant. Sometimes we pray, "Lord give me more of You" and He responds by saying "Give me more of you and then you will experience more of Me."

# 1 Corinthians 6:19,20

What? Know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost which is in you, which ye have of God, and ye are not your own? For ye are brought with a price: therefore glorify God in your body, and in your spirit, which are God's.

God's grace and mercy has made provision for our shortcomings. For we all have broken our covenant with Him. Thank the Lord for mercy. However, His grace and mercy is not an excuse for us to trivialize our commitment to Him.

Move on in Him. If you will be a partner in good faith with Him, His grace will indeed be sufficient to carry you through. He will enable you to conduct your life in fulfillment of all His expectations for you will

be empowered by His Spirit to fully discharge all that His calling brings to you.

## Philippians 4:13

I can do all things through Christ which strengthened me.

## Ephesians 3:20

Now unto Him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worked in us.

## Philippians 1:6 -

Being confident of this very thing, that he which hath begun a good work in you will perform it until the day of Jesus Christ.

When we surrender to Him an increase comes of His Presence, Authority and Power into and through our lives. Death to self releases the life of Christ through the empty vessel. His presence becomes pre-eminent in all areas. His thoughts prevail over our mind. His words flow through our mouths. His countenance is emitted through our emotions and actions. When this happens my brother and sister Christ will be living in you, the hope of glory. It is then that your life will demonstrate the supernatural qualities of Christ. Persevere in this. You will not regret paying the price on earth when you stand in eternity.

Keep your part of the covenant relationship. Enrich your relationship by making room for more of Him. The King of Kings wants to pour into you the treasures of His Heart. The King has opened His Treasury and you are invited to come in. There He has provided all that you need to become like Him. Do you desire this? If your answer is yes, then all of Him can be yours.

# **Unlocking Doors:**

Faith still moves mountains.

The testimony of Joshua serves as evidence of God's faithfulness to His people. A man and a people that walked in faith and obedience found their God to be true. In the book of Joshua chapter twenty three, the commander and leader of God's people Israel is giving the nation a final briefing before his nearing death. He recounts for them God's great power in bringing them into the land of promise. The Lord fought alongside them as they subdued strong enemy strongholds. Joshua commands them to remain faithful.

Faith and obedience is a must in God's kingdom to not only possess the promises but to keep them after they become yours. A doubleminded man or woman is unstable in all ways. A wayward, wandering, on again, off again relationship with the Lord places all that He has given and all we receive in jeopardy.

In spite of our faithlessness God's great faithfulness stands far above our need. His faithfulness is never depleted. Thank you Lord.

Faith comes from hearing the word of God. Following are some characteristics of God's promises:

Unfailing - 1 Kings 8:56

**Grounded in Christ - 2 Corinthians 1:20** 

**Assured by Divine Ability -Romans 4:21, Isaiah 55:11, Jeremiah 1:12** 

None biased - Acts 10:34, Mark 9:23

Irrevocable - Romans 3:3

Forever established - Mark 13:31, Isaiah 40:8

Who are you when you are a born-again believer?

The devil will say you are: a sinner, guilty, condemned, shameful, unworthy, defeated, unable, weak, bound, ineffective, rejected by God, stupid, unloved, void of faith, ugly or anything nasty so he can rob you of what God has provided for you. But remember the devil is a liar and can't be trusted.

In ourselves, we are nothing, nor are we good enough. But the inheritance title tells us who we are in Christ and what belongs to us because of Christ. We once belonged to a sinful race doomed to eternal destruction but every born-again Christian is now part of Christ and has a full part in what Christ has provided. You are a member of the Blood-washed, the Redeemed, the Righteous Ones, the Forgiven, the Bride of Christ and Joint-Heirs. The Word of God declares this firmly and whatever men or devils say will not change it.

This is where you must see yourself. If you are not at that level of faith then this chapter will help you to rise from where you are to greater things in God.

Faith is the catalyst that opens doors to The King's Treasury. Those that have been redeemed entered that place through The Door. Christ Jesus is The Door and it was your faith in Him that brought you into redemption.

# **Ephesians 2: 8,9,10**

For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: Not of works, lest any man should boast. For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them.

It is also faith that unlocks every other door.

Some would say that they do not have faith. Those that make statements like this are arguing against what God has said. However, we either have active or dead faith. It is important for all of us to settle this issue before the Lord. In other words, will you receive what God says you have been given or will you make your own conclusions, even though contradictory with His word?...... What is your response to this eminent question?

God says He has given to every man a measure of faith. (Romans 12:3) A man can either activate that measure of faith through acceptance of what God's word says or he can leave it in a dormant stage within his spirit by neglect.

#### **Hebrews 11:6 -**

But without faith it is impossible to please him: for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him.

However, when faith is put into action all things are possible to the one that believes in the ability of God to perform all He has promised in His word to do.

There are two important steps in activating faith. One is to know what God has provided for you in His word. The other is to know how to exercise faith in what God has already provided.

His word is the source through which we learn about God's provisions. It gives the details of His heavenly supply. As we read and meditate on His word it builds hope and enables us to exercise faith for the needs that come to us.

Hope means confident expectation. When you read the word of God it builds a confident expectation within you that God is able to do what He has promised. You will begin to actually see the provision

becoming yours. You will see God handing it to you. You will see that provision within your own hands. You will see it as though it was already done. Confidence is there. Expectation is there. When you experience this in your spirit you have hope. Hope can only come when you soak your spirit with the word of God. This is so much deeper than when natural hope operates. Natural hope always operates in subjection to naturally occurring circumstances or in the realm of man's own resources. A man might say "I hope I can finish cutting the grass before it begins to rain." Well, the outcome depends completely on natural factors. He might in fact, finish mowing the grass if he walks fast and the clouds hold back the rain. We use natural hope all the time. Natural hope in some cases, might be little more than wishful thinking. At other times it might prompt you to do something to bring the desired results. History is full of true life stories of people or individuals who have prevailed over extreme hardships because of natural hope. When it comes to obtaining the provisions of God; you must place your confident expectation in God and then exercise faith.

Faith means being persuaded of the things you are confidently expecting. When your faith is released in God's ability to provide for your need, then it becomes the evidence of what you were longing for.

Now stay with me on this line of thought, lest you miss an important step. When hope is nurtured and faith develops, you must know how to exercise that faith. Jesus gives us the way to exercise faith. You need to listen to what He says about this important tool.

# Mark 1I: 22,23,24

Have faith in God. For verily I say unto you, That whosoever shall say unto this mountain, Be thou removed, and be thou cast into the sea; and shall not doubt in his heart, but shall believe that those things which he saith shall come to pass; he shall

have whatsoever he saith. Therefore I say unto you, What t hings sever ye desire, when ye pray, believe that ye receive them, and ye shall have them.

### Matthew 21:21,22

Verily I say unto you, If ye have faith, and doubt not, ye shall not only do this which is done to the fig tree, but also if ye shall say unto this mountain, Be thou removed, and be thou cast into the sea; it shall be done, And all things, whatsoever ye shall ask in prayer, believing, ye shall receive.

### **Proverbs 18:20,2**

A man's belly shall be satisfied with the fruit of his mouth; and with the increase of his lips shall he be filled. Death and life are in the power of the tongue: and they that love it shall eat the fruit thereof.

These scriptures show us that our words release the faith that hope cultivated within the spirit. Asking in prayer is more than communication. It is also the releasing of faith. Our words can be a destructive force released or our words can release a creative force.

For a little over eight years the Lord placed me as a Chaplain in a maternity home. In many of the women in care, I observed the devastation of words spoken over their lives. Insecurity, anger, rejection, lack of love, bitterness, unforgiveness, violence and self-abuse were common results of destructive words spoken over them by others. Many prostitutes on city streets are the product of emotional and verbal abuse heaped on them when young girls. Other factors then began to take control of their lives as well, including wrong choices that brought addictions and a destructive lifestyle. While in that ministry we saw many saved, healed and delivered but the process of change was sparked through words of restoration

found in Christ. When anyone accepts the truth of the gospel it brings them into a saving experience where old things pass away and the life becomes new. Thank God for His wonderful work of restoration. Knowing the truth of God's word and acting upon it, will restore the damage done in the most tragic of cases.

Life and death are in the power of the tongue. Your faith can bring blessing when released through the spoken word. People in the occult use the same spiritual law to practice wickedness through witchcraft and the casting of a hex or curse. This practice is forbidden by God because it gives the powers of hell opportunity to destroy.

You will notice that God spoke when He created the universe in Genesis. He was releasing the God-kind of faith through the words He spoke. Jesus told us to have this God-like faith in Mark 11:22. However, God has not designed us to be self-contained and omnipotent through our faith. Our faith is not to be in our abilities, only in God's abilities. You can have confidence in natural abilities that God has given you. Praise the Lord for the God given ability to think, function and expand our skills. But when you are faced with a need that only a supernatural breakthrough from God can meet; then this is more than natural abilities can produce. Not so with hope and faith. These open the door for miracles.

Our faith must rest in Him and be expressed in His ability to do the thing that we are requesting. Some dear saints have been alarmed because they thought this teaching on faith was placing men in the place of God. Others thought this teaching of faith was placing God in the position of being some kind of cosmic servant to men. Perhaps in some people it has created that scenario.

Please understand this important distinction. Our faith and the expression of it must be totally towards God, His provisions and His ability to do what He has already promised and in accordance to His Will.

Joshua and Caleb didn't see the promised land filled only with giants, walled strongholds and impossibilities. They saw that God was well able to bring them into their inheritance. Why? Although they did see the challenges, they saw through eyes of faith that God's promise and power was greater. Therefore, they gave a faith-filled report to the assembly. It was with this, they were counted faithful and enabled to possess the promised land.

What will your report be? Hope and faith will lead you beyond the natural confinements of natural thinking and natural possibilities into the supernatural provisions of God. Most of us are tempted to abandon hope and faith prematurely and miss God's blessing.

Some have said in their hearts," I know of a dear Christian brother who loved the Lord but didn't receive what He asked God for, or my Christian mother died of cancer. Faith didn't help these dear people."

## Romans 3:3,4 -

For what if some did not believe? Shall their unbelief make the faith (faithfulness) of God without effect? God forbid: yea, let God be true, but every man a liar;

We all need to walk in the promises of God and stay in the place of faith not doubt.

Jude: 20 -

But ye, beloved, building up yourselves on your most holy faith, praying in the Holy Ghost,

#### Romans 10:17 -

So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.

Soak your spirit in His word. Read it aloud, memorize it, play it on an audio player! It will change you. Some might say. " that sounds like work." Well, yes it is work. Do you want victory or not? If you want to

be a man or woman of faith then that's how to become one. Go for it. Please, don't let the pastor do all your homework for you. He or she might feed you the best spiritual feast in town but if you don't do something for yourself you will remain an infant spiritually and never get off the milk.

Releasing your faith is done through your words and/or actions which must be in agreement with His Word. Stand on God's side of things, no matter what your need. He has laid down the divine law of faith. If you exercise faith your need will be met; for God is faithful.

I will say of the Lord, He is my:

Savior, Healer, Deliverer, Helper, Provider, Protector, Comforter and He is all I need. In the face of every need I will proclaim by my confession of faith, that He will provide all my needs according to His glorious riches in Christ Jesus. For my sickness, He has provided healing. For my poverty, He has provided abundance. The Lord is my shepherd and I shall not want. When you exercise your faith in this manner, all things are possible to him that believes.

I can say these statements because God has already said them. You can release your faith by doing the same.

Amen and so let it be.

Your faith will open the door to the abundance of The King and His Treasury.

The Guarantee:

God does not lie.

#### Numbers 23:19-23

God is not a man, that he should lie; neither the son of man, that he should repent: hath he said, and shall he not do it? or hath he spoken, and shall he not make it good? Behold, I have received commandment to bless: and he hath blessed; and I cannot reverse it.

We need to settle in our minds that it is impossible for God to lie. He is absolute, final and complete in His truthfulness.

The shortfall on knowledge, understanding and application is always on the human end of exchange; never is it on God's. I said in the forward of this book that the contents were about relationship with God. As we know Him intimately we also will know His wisdom and understanding. We will begin to see what the Father is doing and work along with Him because of that intimate relationship.

Now, when we know that God does not lie, it will allow us to build a foundation that will lead to mighty things in His Kingdom. If you don't settle this truth in your spirit, then you will continue to build your life on sand that will shift and collapse in this earth. Serious mistakes will be made that will have profound consequences. The most disastrous may be when you enter eternity. Your works as a Christian may end up burnt like wood, hay and stubble.

All of us must admit that we don't understand all that God has spoken in His word. Thank God, we will enter into that knowledge as eternity unfolds. However, we must not denounce it or sway from His word. Instead, stand on it. It is the whole truth and nothing but the truth.

Satan will try to prevent us from knowing the truth and once learned, he will try to seduce us away from it through any means. He is the father of lies and cares less about how he attempts to do this in the life of the believer. Stand firm in the word.

I remember a man who came for ministry several years ago. I noticed him when he entered the building. He was a man of slight build, feeling his way forward with a white cane. After some introductory chit chat, he shared a deep and painful need in his life. After listening to his story, I could literally see great torment etched on his face. This man was shaking with the emotions that hung on every word that came from his mouth. His life up to a definite point in time had been an average life without Christ. However, on a trip overseas he had, by his own confession, indulged in a binge of unrestrained and uncensored sexual sin with multiple partners. According to his account, on the return trip home he began to lose his eyesight. Within a few days his eyes would only detect light or darkness. After numerous examinations no physical or medical reason could be found to explain the dilemma. He was declared to be legally blind and had remained this way for approximately two years before coming for ministry.

He felt he was under a curse. He was right. Sin will always bring a curse. Due to his extreme willful exposure to sin, demonic forces had afflicted him with physical blindness and bound him with deep torment.

### 1 Corinthians 6:18

Flee fornication. Every sin that a man doeth is without the body; but he that committed fornication sinneth against his own body.

This man had sinned against his own body and the Lord. He was paying the price of his sin to a terrible taskmaster, the devil. This turned out to be the case because of what followed. We are told in the word of God not to give any place to the devil. He had opened wide the door and the enemy came in.

After an hour or so, this man received Christ and was released from the great torment of guilt that was on him. As we continued to minister the truth to him, he was completely delivered from demonic powers. The last thing to leave was his blindness. It was truly marvelous to see this man begin to see shapes and then detail in the room, where he was sitting with us. The work was so complete that he could see everything in the room. At one point, as his sight was returning he saw a clock on the wall and read it. He then checked it's time by reading his own Braille watch. His full sight was restored and he rejoiced in the Lord.

Praise the Lord, His truth does set us free. In stark contrast, the devil brings darkness to all his victims. The word of God is a powerful weapon against the kingdom of darkness. God is absolute in His truth. His promises will never fail. It is impossible for the Lord to lie.

#### Isaiah 54:10 -

For the mountains shall depart, and the hills be removed; but my kindness shall not depart from thee, neither shall the covenant of my peace (shalom) be removed, saith the Lord that hath mercy on thee.

You may feel, it is too good to be true. You may feel, you are unworthy. You may be too weak to try or even care. However, when you come to God the Father, in the name of Jesus Christ the son and ask for His grace to help you in your time of need, He will bring you into what He has provided. He has helped all those who have called out to Him. All those He helps are undeserving, except for His grace and mercy.

His covenant of peace (shalom) shall not be removed and because of that, every born-again Christian can enter into the fullness of that covenant. Embrace it. Walk in it. Ask the Holy Spirit to bring understanding about it. It is yours. It belongs to you.

#### Jesus said in Mark 12:24

Do ye not therefore err; because ye know not the scriptures, neither the power of God?

It is easy for us to be deceived if we don't know His word. When we put it in our hearts it removes question, doubt and confusion. It brings us into a certain knowledge of God's will.

Paul the apostle prays the following in:

## Ephesians 1:17

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:

God can not lie. His promises are for you. Dare to believe that He is able to do the impossible and will fulfill all He has spoken. Reach out to Him in faith.

## **CONCLUSION:**

His Nearness.

This brings us to the final chapter of The King's Treasury. Here I want to share some concluding remarks and emphasize that God is very close to you. You see if a King and His Treasury is very far off then you may feel it is so remote that He and His Treasures are beyond reach.

However, His Presence and His Provision is as close as the air you just inhaled. I am totally convinced of that. His Word declares that clearly. God has shown me that truth again and again.

I once was taken by vision into a large room in the heavens. This room contained volumes of books on shelves that went from the floor to the ceiling. As I passed these books they released information. Books of every kind were transmitting information. All you had to do was listen to their knowledge. He knows all and perceives all things. Nothing is hidden from Him. You are not hidden from Him.

On that occasion when I came before the Lord, He talked with me about my destiny. This experience and others like it have convinced me of His nearness. There have been many occasions in which I have encountered the Lord through visions or dreams and prophetic experiences. I have had angels minister to me many times and felt them laying their hands on me to impart grace into my life.

One time either The Lord or an angel came to minister to me so powerfully that I could not preach. I was so overwhelmed by the presence of the Lord that I physically could not stand, sit or kneel. I laid on the platform before a congregation completely aware of everything going on in the service. I could hear the songs being sung but at the same time as I lay on the floor someone unseen held my hands and released such power into me. My head, arms and whole body were being energized by pure, love filled power. It was a buzzing electric like substance that coursed through my whole body. I could squeeze this unseen minister's hands in mine. After approximately an hour I was able to stand up and minister to others.

Heaven is so close. My friend He is so near. Let me say again that you can know the Lord Jesus Christ in an intimate spiritual relationship. Pursue The King. In Him there is Treasure and in Him you will find all you long for and need.

## **Epilogue:**

Keith and LaQueta Paul entered into full time ministry in 1973. The Lord has used them in the pastoral setting for a number of years. They have served in four full-gospel churches in Ontario and Alberta, Canada. They have served in Chaplaincy ministry at a Christian maternity home bringing restoration to many broken lives. They hosted and co-produced a television outreach that was viewed through-out North America. Two years of on-air phone ministry to callers gave sensitivity to human needs and to the heart of the Savior. In addition, the Lord has given the opportunity to host on-air radio ministry. God has allowed them to minister in several countries overseas. Many have been saved, healed and blessed. They are now ministering the love of Jesus to the poor, the orphans and those desperate for His Presence in Mozambique, Africa under the leadership of Heidi and Rolland Baker.

Their current preaching and prayer ministry brings evidence of the power ministry gifts and fruit of the Holy Spirit around the altars as people are lead into the fullness of God's renewal. The healing and saving message of Jesus is being proclaimed through their outreach. They believe the message of victory and faith preached with love from the uncompromising word of God will impact the church and the unsaved. They have experienced the intimate love of the Father and of the Bridegroom. They are in the "River" with the Holy Spirit. They believe God's heart yearns after the harvest. He will use the church, the body of Christ to bring in an abundant harvest. To God Be the Glory and Praise.

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#### Back Cover:

These are days of restoration. God is bringing His Church the Body of Christ into His fullness so that it can give birth to the greatest harvest that history will record. His provisions are being poured out to equip believers for this great task. Every member, every part of the Body of Christ is being called into the fullness of His restoration. Should a part fail to produce its fruit, it will be pruned and nurtured. God is removing the deadness and bringing life. The King has opened His Treasury and is ready to pour out His fullness on you so come into His embrace.

Lord Jesus, I deeply appreciate You. My heart is full of admiration for You. You are my Joy, my Help, my Strength, my Friend, my Protector, my Love, my Bridegroom and my All in all. Yes, it is true You have captured me. It is with deep delight that I surrender to You. Take me away with You into the Secret Places of your Heart. I long for You My Lord. Your Friend ......

We are a generation that will see His glory return to His Church, the body of Christ.

Personal Notes and Comments Section:
Key Scriptures to Remember:
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My Prayer Request to the Lord so that I can Know Him Deeper:
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