DAILY MIGHT 1

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It's a New Year and a new day with new ways! Let's ring out the old and ring in the new!

As we make progress, we have to do new things and new ways as each year goes by, as each month goes by. -- If you can't keep thinking up **better** ways of doing it, then you're dead -- like the churches! They got in such a rut that they never got out of it. -- Like the old eagle that had been chained so long to a stake in the ground that he'd worn a rut in the ground from walking round and round. When his master finally decided to liberate and set him free, he took the metal ring off and tossed the eagle up into the air. But it just flip-flopped right back down to the ground, walked back over to the old rut and started walking around the rut again! -- No chain! No bird band! Just the old habit!

"Because they have no changes, therefore they fear not God!" (Ps.55:19). Changes help you trust God! -- Amen? And every change He gives us is a revolution for the better! -- So **damn** the way we **used** to do it! -- How do we need to do it **now**?

Help us, Lord, to "lay aside every weight, and the sin which doth so easily beset us, so we can run the race set before us!" (Heb.12:1). -- Help us, Lord, to change the things that need to be changed, and not to change the things that don't need to be changed, and especially, Lord, help us to know the difference! Amen? -- Happy New Year in His Service!

God's only law is love!

The laws of Moses were too difficult to keep and couldn't save us! -- It's the liberating law of love that gives life -- not the enslaving "letter of the law that killeth." -- This is why Jesus had to come with the love and the mercy and the grace and forgiveness of God which we could accept freely without any works or any law except love!

Jesus said the first and greatest commandment is to <u>love</u> -- to "love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind ... and the second is like unto it," it's almost equal -- almost the same, "thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself." -- "On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets." "For all the law is fulfilled in one word, even this: thou shalt <u>love</u>." -- "No greater love hath any man than this: that a man lay down his life for his friends!" This is love, real love, true love ... supernatural Love, divine Love, God's Love, more than human! -- Against this pure Love, the unselfish sacrificial Love of God and your fellow man, there is no law!

Are you so ruled by His Love that He can liberate you from the rules? The answer is up to you!

... But love found a way!

If you're too busy to heed the cry of those in need, you're busier than God Himself! -- You can't just pass by the poor man on the road to Jericho! You take action like the Samaritan did! That's the difference between pity and compassion: pity just feels sorry. Compassion does something about it! - The compassionate ... put feet to their prayers and kind deeds to their words.

Remember, love never fails -- because God is Love and it is impossible for Him to fail! This is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith, but it is faith which worketh by love. Only God's Love will make you strong enough -- Christ in you, the hope of Glory! Then you can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth you! -- His Spirit in us will cause us to do the humanly impossible.

Love is not blind, it has an extra spiritual eye which sees the good and possibilities that others cannot see! -- Love has creative power, because God is Love and He is the creator! -- And with His help our faith can also create!

Someone is passing under the window of your life right now! Has your love found a way to help them? Has His Love showed you how you can help them? He will if you want Him to, no matter what the conditions or your limitations!

You can never be too bad for Jesus!

Did God make a mistake when he let David fall for Bathsheba? Did David really fall downward -- or was this a fall upward? Sometimes God's way up is down -- usually, in fact! From that squeezing and twisting of David's life came forth the sweet honey of the Psalms and the fragrance of his praises to the Lord for His Mercy! -- His human failures, sins and shortcomings gave God a chance to get all the Glory!

Though King David's was a great sin, his was also a great repentance, a great humbling and breaking; therefore there was also a great forgiveness for him, and a final exaltation even far above his former glory! -- Because he loved the Lord and knew what he was and obtained mercy, God counted it unto righteousness and he was pure in heart. -- Because he was forgiven so much he had a greater love for the Lord. -- "To whom much hath been forgiven, the same loveth much." David sinned a lot, but God called him a man after His own heart -- He was after God's heart!

God's dandy bad examples offer hope for those who feel lost and hopeless! Like King David of old; how often we have clung to him for hope, saying, "If God could forgive him, surely He could forgive me!"

Be a sample, not a sermon!

Jesus not only <u>preached</u> His message, but He <u>lived</u> it. He was not only the Living <u>Word</u>, the Sermon, but He was also the Living <u>Work</u>, the Sample!

The greatest guide is the one that shows the way! -- The greatest proof of the pudding is not the sermon, but the sample -- to see the fruit. -- There's no better ad than a satisfied customer! We're the most satisfied, happiest customers in the world, because we've all partaken of the best possible product! -- Jesus!

In winning people, you have to inspire their faith in you, before they can believe God. You are their link with God. You are a priest of God to them and their mediator. -- If in the faith of God you really love them, they cannot understand it or believe it unless you really show them by some visible tangible work that puts your words into action and puts your faith into effect and makes it fact and not fiction, a sample, not just a sermon. -- People can only see God as we reflect Him. So, "let your light so shine before men that they may see your good works and glorify your Father which is in Heaven." -- Show them His real Love and manifest it by genuine proving action!

The world knows enough Hell! Let's show them a little more Heaven!

You've got all the promises in the whole Bible on your side now!

God has made promises in His Word. When you pray, bring those promises with you to remind Him. When you remind God of His Word, it shows you have faith in it. It's a positive declaration of your faith and your knowledge of the Word which pleases God.

Faith is a kind of drawing power! It's kind of like a bank account: the money is there, and the Father has put it there in your name -- in the Bank of Heaven, but you'll never get it ... unless you're willing to go to the Bank and sign the check by faith, and draw on it! -- You have to follow through and obey in whatever you put your faith in. If it's the Lord, you quote and claim Scriptures just like Jesus did. You stand on the Word. -- You must constantly put your faith in the Bible, in the Word, that it's a promise. That is how faith is born!

He never fails in one of all His great promises -- if we keep the conditions and obey and are faithful. "Heaven and earth shall pass away, but God's Word will never pass away!" -- The whole world can fail, but God's Word will never fail! -- God's Word goes on forever!

How much do you claim the promises?

How wonderful are the ways of the Lord -- but they're not past finding out, if you ask Him!

The spirit world is much more real, more beautiful, and more lasting than the one which you can now see! "For eye hath not seen, and ear hath not heard, neither hath it entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for those that love Him! But the Spirit hath revealed them unto us!" You personally can experience their thrilling and ecstatic joys right now, and even take a trip into that world with Jesus' Holy Spirit as your Guide!

Do you really want to see those things? Well, you can see them if you'll just believe! -- Jesus speaks any time, any where, if you believe! -- Any time you believe! -- It's easy to get things from the Lord. You just have to have faith. -- With faith, believing is seeing! -- Just stretch out your faith and look!

Why piddle around in puddles when there are oceans to swim in and all space to revel in? -- Ask God to enlarge your vision -- to show you how much more He has -- beyond what you have ever seen, or felt, or heard, or known! -- If you really believe and ask the Lord, and you want to see or hear, you won't be disappointed! -- He'll always answer the hungry heart!

Our Salvation is only by grace, never by works.

We cannot save ourselves by our own works, your own goodness, even our own attempts to keep His laws and to love Him. We cannot be good enough, we cannot be perfect enough, to earn, merit or deserve the Heavenly perfection of His own Holy Salvation by His own Grace, Love and Mercy! -- It is impossible for anyone to be saved without the miracleworking power of God!

Accepting Salvation through His Word is a work of God's Grace. It's free; it can only be received. It's the gift of God -- you can't work for it. You can't <u>earn</u> a gift or else it wouldn't be a gift. -- You haven't got anybody's righteousness except Christ's, and He's the only One that can give it to you!

God can't help you save yourself, since He does not help those who think they can save themselves but only those who know they can't. -- God's idea of goodness is Godliness -- a sinner who knows he needs God and depends on Him for Salvation. -- God's idea of saintliness is not sinless perfection, self-righteousness. It's a sinner saved by grace, a sinner who has no perfection, no righteousness of his own, but is totally dependent on the grace and the Love and the mercy of God by faith. Those are the only saints there are -- there are no others!

You can't always win! ... But witness!

You must needs be a witness, not a winner -- but a witness! -- Prophets of God, the Messengers of God, the Apostles of God, those sent with a message! -- We owe the message of God and His life of love to every man ... even though all will not listen nor respond nor be saved. -- We'll win very few compared to the millions to whom we'll witness. Even God can't win them all, but He wants to give them all a chance.

The prophets didn't prophesy for audience reaction! They just spoke the words of God, come what may, live or die, sink or swim, rise or fall, and that was that, flat! -- If you were to judge Jeremiah by his success, he was a flat failure ... but he was faithful and delivered his soul! --

Speak the Truth! -- Even if it kills! The results are God's business! -- As Kipling said, "If you can meet success and failure, and treat these two impostors the same ... then you'll be a man, my son!" -- Simply because you have the satisfaction of knowing you're doing the Will of God -- that you were made for the job -- that you can't help it -- you have to do it! He expects it of you! -- "Well done, thou good and <u>faithful</u> servant." Jesus didn't say <u>failure</u> servant and He didn't say <u>successful</u> servant, but He just said faithful servant!

He doesn't fit second place!

Jesus comes first! The first commandment is to love God! "For I the Lord, thy God, am a jealous God, and I will have no other gods before Me." -- Anything you serve or work for more than God is putting other gods before Him, and He doesn't like it! -- If you put ... desires of the flesh first above God and others and the needs of your spirit, then you'll find that nothing ever satisfies, not even the most total indulgence in the flesh! -- If you love the material world more than the spiritual, then it becomes a form of worship of the creation more than the Creator, and God and His spiritual world refuse to take second place. -- God can't protect you, prosper or bless you when you are out of His Will and running around outside of the Secret Place and from under His Shadow -- His Wings -- and His fortress of perfect fellowship with Him.

There are no exceptions to His admonition: "Set your affection on things Above, not on things on the earth!" -- He still has the same old formula: "Seek ye first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness, then all these things shall be added unto you."

Put business, God's business, before pleasure! -- You'll never lose by seeking first the Kingdom!

Never doubt for a moment!

The Devil was ordained to see if he could get you ... to doubt God's Word. -- Doubts are the Devil's thoughts and Satan's words! When you're doubting in your own mind, you're thinking the Enemy's thoughts! When you're voicing your doubts to others, you're spreading Satan's propaganda! -- That's his kind of witnessing! It has just the opposite effect of witnessing the truth of God and the Word of God! -- Doubts are monsters that devour and destroy! -- Beware of the Enemy who goeth about as a roaring lion seeking whom he may devour! Don't <u>you</u> be his next meal!

The best cure for doubts is the Word! "Faith cometh by hearing the Word of God!" -- If you are weak in faith it's because you're weak in the Word! -- The answer's always there if you're willing to receive it. -- His Word and the Letters will show you!

Get full of the Spirit and the Word! Let the Light in! -- And the darkness will flee of itself! -- "I believe" means "I drink in; I swallow." It's the Greek word "pisteuo" that's used throughout the New Testament for "I believe; I drink in." -- Fill your mind and heart with positive, encouraging, strengthening, faith-building thoughts from His Word. Memorize Scriptures and resist the Devil!

The outlook may not always be easy, but the uplook is great!

You can't just be God's fair-weather friend! If you are only going to be willing to believe and obey the Lord as long as everything goes all right, you won't be believing or obeying very much because ... "Many are the afflictions of the righteous!" -- When you hit bottom, that's when you can start on your way up! -- If you let God!

When things look darkest, don't look down! -- Look up! Start praising the Lord, and you will often praise your way right out of the pit into which the Devil is trying to cast you! -- When the Devil tempts you to get down and discouraged -- fight! Don't even listen to him, much less surrender! -- It all depends on which way you point your antenna. If you're downhearted and cast down, it's because ... you've got your antenna pointed down towards Hell instead of up toward Heaven! -- Doubt, fear, discouragement, and murmuring kill! But faith, trust, courage, and praising the Lord, maketh alive! -- Look to Jesus and live!

Just open up your heart and let the sunshine in! -- When you look up, the sky is the limit! -- Up there the Sun is always shining! The light is always shining at the end of the tunnel, always!

Brainwashing is our business -- not only brainwashing, but heartwashing, too!

You cannot change the world of man without changing his mind, and you cannot change his mind unless you change his heart, and you cannot change his heart without the inspiration of God's Spirit. -- We can only save the world by letting God destroy the evil in our own hearts. -- God's Kingdom of Heaven comes only through Spiritual change -- in fact, total spiritual rebirth -- a new man, a new heart -- old things are passed away, all things become new.

Jesus takes us, dirty as we are with sin, and He washes away our sins with His blood -- and washes our minds from ... the evil mental conditioning of this world by the pure water of God's Word. -- "The blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanseth us from all our sins!" What a wonderful promise for all these poor people, dirtied and contaminated and infected and shamed and controlled by the System!

When you take a bath, you put on clean clothes. When you take a spiritual bath, you have a clean new heart and mind -- with new good clean appetites for clean healthful things, a joyful re-Creation of a healthy funloving living with a good sound body, clean heart and pure mind.

Brainwashing should be everybody's job!

We're the impossible people of today!

God specializes in using little things, weak things, foolish things -- those most likely <u>not</u> to succeed! Yet by the miraculous power and grace of God, they become shining lights to the children of men -- rays of hope for despairing and desperate men! They are God's only hope for those who feel lost and helpless!

God only makes great people out of little people -- to show His greatness! -- He has taken the weak things to confound the mighty, and the things which are not as though they were! He has made something out of nothing -- you and me! -- The Lord is our strength: our power is only in Him. -- "Not by might, nor by power, but by My Spirit!" "Not of works" but "by grace through faith."

God can use anything if you let Him! -- Even a fool like you! Dare to trust Him in spite of yourself and give Him all the glory! -- If you can believe in God, everything is possible, because He makes everything out of nothing! We're nothing, and we're impossible except for God. He's like the Circle around the nothing that makes it something! With God all around you, even your nothing can be something! -- In fact, you can be almost anything!

God's Creation is the greatest proof of His existence!

As it is with the spiritual, so it is with the physical. -- Nearly all of the natural things which the Lord has created, or man-made inventions that He has allowed man to discover, are visible illustrations of the unseen spiritual realities of the spirit world to help us to try to understand it and grasp its truth -- so we can know God better and love Him more! -- God's whole creation is a work of art and continually portrays His message to all of us ... pictures which tell the story, portraits which portray the truth! "For the invisible things of Him from the Creation of the world are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even His eternal power and Godhead, so that they are without excuse!" --

Everything is an illustration of something, everything says something.
-- How marvelous are the ways of the Lord, yet how simple and childlike are
His graphic little pictures which make them so clear to us and so easy to
understand!

As Dr. Robert Millikan said, "Behind every watch there had to be a watchmaker, and so behind the intricate precision of this great Universe, there had to be a Divine Designer and Creator!"

Think of it! -- God needs us!

Light itself is invisible! What you see when you see the flame of a candle is not the fire itself, but the tiny little, glowing particles of dust in the air made white-hot by the heat. If the dust weren't there, you couldn't see the light; and if the light weren't there, you couldn't see the dust! It takes both!

You and God are using each other just like two people who love each other! It's a two-way street. You're both giving and receiving at the same time. -- God needs us as tools for the job, or He could have done without us long ago and done the job all by Himself without any help from any of us!

We each are a part of God's Plan, each is a thread in the tapestry, a cog in the machinery, a piece in the jigsaw puzzle of God's great work of art, His Church, without any one of which, something would be missing! -- Christ described us as His Body, the Church, with Himself as the Head. We cannot even say we have no need of one little member! We even need every fingernail, every cell as well as every organ and every limb, and we all need to work together for the glory of God!

We're nothing, nobody! -- But in God's sight we're everything!

As you pour out, He'll pour in, and you can never outpour Him!

God has promised that, if we obey Him, and open the windows of our lives upon others, He "will open the windows of Heaven, and pour out such a blessing, there will not be room enough to hold it." -- "Give and it shall be given unto you." That's a law of God, more than the law of gravity! -- If you will continue to overflow, God will continue to overflow upon you ... and out of your innermost parts shall flow rivers of living water!

But if you don't give, you're not going to receive. -- The only way you can stay fresh and full is to keep overflowing on others, as He pours in! -- You have to be willing to take what He gives, and give it! -- Like Mary's alabaster box of sweet-smelling ointment couldn't do any good until broken open to release the fragrance, so the words do no good unless our hearts are broken open with His Love to let the healing balm overflow on the wounded hearts of the world.

He has begun to pour! Where are we going to put it all? How are we going to pour out fast enough, so He can pour more in? -- There's always plenty more of Jesus! He never runs out!

Love is a hole that needs to be filled plus something to fill it with! -- Like you and me and Jesus!

So many people are always seeking genuine love, but seldom, if ever, finding it. -- Only God and His eternal Love can ever fill that aching spiritual void of every man's heart which He created for Himself alone! -- You've got something they've been searching for all their lives and they need desperately!

You can always drop a little love into the hearts of those you pass by, even if only with a word, a smile, or a look of sympathy, and they will know that God has loved them that day! His Spirit will tell them so! -- A little bit of love goes such a long way!

Drop that little seed of the truth of God's Word into that empty hole of an empty heart, then cover it up with the loving warmth of God's Love, and trust God's Spirit, God's great warm loving sunshine of His Love and the water of His Word to bring forth the miracle of new life! It may seem only a tiny little bud at first, just one insignificant little green shoot. What is that to the forest that's needed? Well, it's a beginning. It's the beginning of the miracle of new life!

You do what you can, and God will do what you can't!

Yes, God does help those who help themselves, but He also helps those who <u>can't</u> help themselves! He helps you if you do your part and obey and help yourself as much as you can. Your obedience in doing what God tells you to do shows your faith that God is going to do the rest, what you can't do.

The blessings don't precede obedience! -- He made the people roll the stone away. He made the man go wash in the Pool of Siloam. Then He did what they <u>couldn't</u> do. With God's children who know Him personally and know His Will and His Word, God expects them to touch Him personally. God requires them to make the decision of faith themselves! -- <u>We</u> have to make the decision. He'll do everything else for us -- give us strength, power, wisdom, life, love. If you do your part, the Lord will do His, and inspire you with His Spirit so you can bear fruit.

Are you equal to the task? -- No, but God is! -- And He will help you if you try! -- He'll never fail! He'll always do His part faster than you can do yours! "When He putteth forth His sheep, He goeth before them!" -- He will lead, if you'll follow. -- He never fails if we obey!

"I, God, am at the controls."

Nothing happens by accident! God has a purpose in everything. -- All the powers that be are of God; whether a blessing or a curse, they are sent by God to do His Will and accomplish His purpose! -- All are forces He has allowed to be set in motion, or has directly set in motion Himself. It's all in His hands, and He's in control.

Everything that is going to happen is under the control of God -perfect control! -- Grandmother said it was as though she saw the Lord in a
great control center from which everything was being controlled in heaven
and on earth. -- God's behind-the-scene labors are almost totally invisible -the work of creation that produced the universe and keeps it running, His
constant care for His creations from the realm of the Spirit. What's
happening on the surface is nothing but a little physical manifestation of the
real action ... in the spirit world and it is in full control. You don't have to
worry. Everything is under control.

If you keep your mind stayed on the Lord, you'll have perfect peace. -Put it in the hands of the heavenly HQ to take care of as only He can! -There is nothing too small for the Lord or too hard for Him. Why do you
worry? God is going to take care of every little detail!

Thank You, Jesus! Lover of my soul! He's the lover of my soul!

We are His Body, His Wife, His Lover, His Spiritual Sex Partner, in whom He revels with delight, and with whom we can experience orgasm after orgasm of spiritual ecstasy unending and eternal! -- We can have instant, continual, endless, intercourse in the Spirit! -- the blissful ecstasies of eternal love that shall never fade away! -- the Love of all Loves, of the Lover of all Lovers, Who alone can satisfy that deepest yearning of every human soul for total love and complete understanding.

The Devil can't get you back once you're saved -- you're the Lord's forever! -- Stay close to Him and He'll never fail you. He'll never forsake you! He'll never let you down! -- How many times that verse encouraged me -- me for whom I saw no hope, no value, no worth! How many times I clung to that word, "Him that cometh to me I will in no wise cast out!"

All things change, but Jesus never! -- When everything else is passed away you'll still have Jesus! When everything else is gone, there will still be Jesus! When all others forsake you there will still be Jesus! When you haven't got anything left there will still be Jesus! When the world has nothing left you'll still have Jesus!

May we be servants of the flock, Lord, slaves of Thy children, in honor preferring one another.

Moses verily was faithful in all his house, as a servant! -- The Son of Man came not to be ministered unto, but to minister -- to be a servant! -- Jesus refused the crown of Judea and the Jews. He refused to be the "King of the Jews." He only wanted to be their <u>Savior!</u>

The literal meaning of the Greek word "servus," translated in the Bible, was "slave." So when the Lord's talking about servants, He's talking about slaves. We're love slaves! -- What is a mother but a slave to her child? What is a shepherd but a servant to his flock? The leader is servant to the follower! -- The greatest Shepherds called their sheep to follow where they themselves were going. Share the load, bear the burdens, lift up the downtrodden, help the weak, wash their feet and lead by example! -- You are our Servant, Lord, waiting upon us all. You are the greatest ... of all Samples of Humility and Mercy!

Though Jesus was rich, yet He became poor, that ye, through His poverty, might become rich in Spirit and the Love of God! "Who ... made Himself of no reputation and took upon Him the form of a servant." -- Jesus was willing to do it for you!

We are the living stones of His Kingdom and are being put into place!

God has been trying to build His Plan throughout the ages, but because of the sins of man He has had to allow the Enemy to frustrate or delay the building of His Temple -- a brand new building of "new and living stones." -- We are both the tools and the stones. God Himself, the Master Builder, built the foundation, but man covered it and buried it. It takes a lot of hard work and a lot of digging and clearing away the rubble of centuries, all the false teaching and false systems, to uncover the basic Foundation and the real Plan. -- Delusion must be destroyed to build a firm foundation of Truth! -- First of all, we must build on the right Foundation -- the Man Christ Jesus -- the Cornerstone! Second, we must build the building He wants! -- A building of young and living stones, made alive by His Spirit, founded on His Truth, and melted together in His Love!

Set ... your affections on the things ... which are Above, in the realms of the Spirit and the hearts of men -- the Kingdom of God whose building are ye, living stones, living organisms in a spiritual house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens. -- Living stones, living jewelry of God! It's a crystal palace, built of you and me!

Heaven is watching!

We are surrounded by the angels of God, for the "Angel of the Lord encampeth around about them that fear Him." -- If you're in the Lord, then He hallows you 'round about and gives His angels charge over you. -- Thank God for His angels, who are watching over us continually, even your personal angel, whose job is you!

Thank You, Lord, for Thy Spirit, for all Thy ministering spirits, all Thy angels and all our fellow laborers and fellow servants who are in the spirit world helping us -- the multitudes Thou hast given us at our disposal and our command. -- "Wherefore seeing we also are compassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses!" A cloud is composed of billions of tiny particles of moisture. Every little droplet, every little tiny particle of moisture is like a different spirit of those who are departed. Now they're witnessing our activities. They're watching -- witnessing! This great cloud! - Imagine how they must jump up and down and shout when you do the right thing! Every time you win, every time you make a goal, every time you win a soul.

"Oh, behold how they watch with joy the words and the deeds of thy father and his children!" -- Rejoice, and know that the Lord looks down with shining face!

The Lord hath brought you out that He might bring you in.

God's plan for His church has always been "ecclesia" -- the called-out ones. -- God is in the business of breaking up selfish little private worldly families to make of their yielded broken pieces a larger unit -- one Family! -- "God setteth the solitary in families: He bringeth out those which were bound with chains." What rightfully belonged to Him, He has taken back. We were captives of the Devil! Now God has recaptured us-we who were His children before the foundations of the world! -- Before the earth was created ... our names were written in the Book of Life! We were foreordained or predestined because of the choice God knew we were going to make, because we were the Children of Light ... already children of God in God's mind! -- God created for His people a "people which were no people" ... by the transforming power of the truth -- children unto Abraham by faith -- children of God by grace!

"Sanctified" means to be cleansed and separated and set aside for further use ... whatever use He sees fit to make of you!

We belong to the greatest family in the world, the family of God's Love. -- Surely God must think you worthy to give you such a priceless privilege to be a member of His Family!

Let go and let God!

Sometimes you don't know what to believe: somebody says, "Hang on!" and somebody else says, "Let go!" If you put each in the right connotation, they're both right! Let go of those damn doubts and fears and discouragements and devilish burdens put there by the Enemy and hang on to the Lord! Hang on to His Word and let Him hang on to you!

If the yoke gets too hard and the burden too heavy, it's not <u>His</u> yoke nor <u>His</u> burden. He Himself will never suffer us to be tempted above that which we are able! -- "Cast thy burden upon the Lord and He shall sustain thee." Let go and let God! Let Jesus do it! Maybe you're trying too hard instead of letting God do it by His power, His Love, His grace, and His strength. Just let the Lord do it through you! Quit working so hard in your own strength! -- "Not by (thy) might nor by (thy) power, but by My Spirit!" saith the Lord. -- If we would just let the Lord do it, the Lord <u>would</u> do it!

You can't get the victory! It's impossible for you to get the victory! Only Christ can! -- It's wonderful, it's thrilling when you realize that you don't have to do it!

We are God's expendables! ...

Created to wear out on the altar of sacrifice -- made to wear out as His tools of design -- to die, that they might live. For "no greater love hath any man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends." -- They said of Jesus: "He saved others, but Himself He could not save! "This is true: "Except a grain of wheat fall into the ground and die, it abideth alone: but if it die it bringeth forth much fruit." -- Daily dying is the hardest kind because you do it a thousand times ... dying a little each day! -- We "die daily." We can only offer you an invitation to come and die with us -- to die to the flesh that ye may live in the Spirit!

Jesus bought and paid for us, we're His property, we belong to Him now. He can do whatever He wants to with us. We're His soldiers, He can send us into any battle He wants to. <u>He's</u> the One that has to <u>understand</u>, ... <u>we just obey!</u>

Let God use you to the limit! -- Be "ready to go, ready to stay -- ready your place to fill; ready for service, lowly or great -- ready to do His Will!" -- "Ready to fight -- ready to die -- for Fatherland!" "Here I stand by the grace of God! -- I can do no other!" -- I'm going to burn up fast and bright for Jesus!

Jesus is our Defense Attorney before God, our Judge, defending us from all the fiery darts of the Evil One, that Prosecuting Attorney, the Accuser of the Saints, Satan Himself.

The first purpose of the Devil is to condemn. -- He'll tempt you to sin, then accuse you for sinning. -- The Devil is God's prosecutor and quite frequently he condemns you for things you do, sometimes justly, sometimes unjustly. You're not convicted of a sin until the Judge, God, has made a decision. But frequently the Enemy will come and accuse you of sins or accuse you of some things which aren't even sins and condemn you for it. -- He will accuse you to God and tell Him not to listen to you. He tries to make God stick to the letter of the law. -- The legalists say that nothing can supersede the law -- not even the love, mercy or the grace of God! This is the justice of the Devil, the righteousness of Satan! This is what he advocates all the time! "They have broken the law! -- Judge them!"

If Jesus is in our hearts, He's on our side, He's our Intercessor, He's our High Priest. He defends us, He intercedes for us and He begs God for mercy! -- The Devil is the prosecuting attorney who is constantly reminding the Judge of the law. But the Judge will look at the grace and the sacrifice of our Defense Attorney!

We must have a world vision of universal Salvation of all mankind.

The Salvation of man must be for all if it is for any and must include everyone if all are to be happy. -- What Jesus said is still true, regardless of nationality, country, color or creed: "If I be lifted up, I will draw all men unto me!" The heart of man is the same the world over, and ... the same message, the same love, the same Salvation, the same Jesus and the same God work just as well in any language or in any land with any people! -- Our vision has expanded beyond national boundaries of human origin to that of His worldwide universal church.

How ... fair and just and righteous and merciful for God to save the lost of all generations and restore the lost of all ages in the final restitution of all things by God Himself in a Heavenly Kingdom on Earth and throughout the Universe which will eventually right all wrongs and save all the lost who trust in Him, and restore the faithful of all generations in one great and final Kingdom of God of Heaven on Earth of those that trust in Him!

I'm looking forward to the day ... when everybody or at least almost everybody will be saved -- at least there won't be many left in Hell if any, and I think that's when God will be satisfied too!

God always takes care of His own!

He has promised that, if you'll prove Him by trusting and obeying Him, He'll pour out such a blessing that there will not be room enough to hold it! He says, "Give and it shall be given unto you, pressed down, shaken together and running over!" "Seek ye first the Kingdom, and all these things shall be added!" If He has to drop the money out of Heaven to feed you He'll do it, if you'll obey Him and get out the message, the Word!

Where God guides, He provides! -- With every need, God will supply! -- God will feed you, protect you, clothe you and take care of you no matter what happens! -- God cannot only do it, He wants to do it! He's more willing to give than we are to receive! -- There's no limit to what God can supply, it's better than a salary, and God knows exactly what you need!

"All things are yours in Christ Jesus!" -- "According to His riches in Glory!" He'll supply all your need! The key word is <u>supply</u>, not <u>need!</u> -- God not only gives you everything you need, but even everything you want if you really please Him! -- You're His Children, and He's your Father, and He's bound to take care of you! He has never failed in one of His good promises!

Little is much if God is in it!

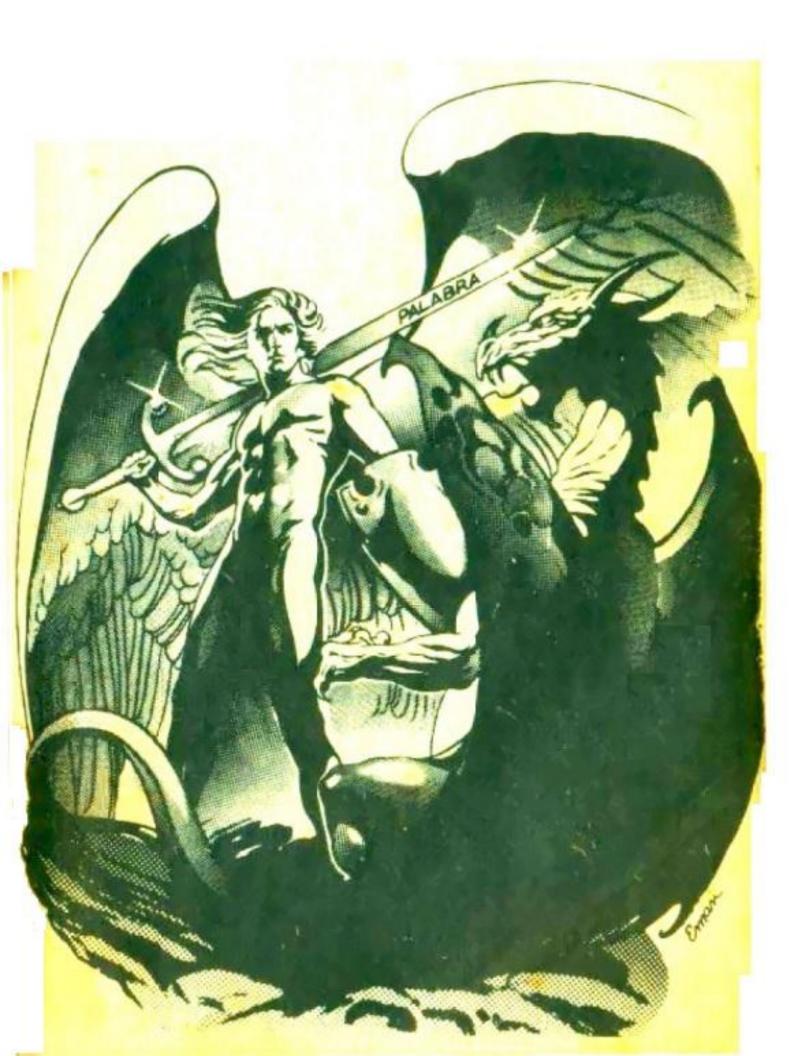
God doesn't go very much for bigness after the manner of this world! He's seldom for the strong but almost always for the weak!

If you've got God with you, you're unbeatable, no matter how small you are! One man against the world, with God, is more than a match for the Devil! Like little David with Goliath: one little guerrilla defied a whole army; like Jonathan and his armor bearer -- our Almighty God is not limited by many or by few!

"'Despise not the day of small things" -- even one talent, or five loaves and two fishes. A handful of meal, and a few drops of oil kept God's prophet and his hostess and her son alive through three years of famine, when mixed with obedience. Even a little faith, no bigger than a grain of mustard seed can remove a mountain.

Don't ever think because there is so much darkness that it's no use to have just a little light, because even one candle can be seen a mile away when it's dark!

God doesn't have to have anything to begin on! He made the world out of nothing. -- Pretty good old world, isn't it? He hung it on nothing. -- Hangs pretty good, doesn't it? And He can make something out of nothing -- even you, if you'll listen, trust, and obey!



February 1

We don't believe in religion! We have <u>Jesus!</u> We <u>know</u> He's real!

Because of their lack of actual experience in the spiritual, most established religions are totally unreal and irrelevant! -- Not a matter of experience whatsoever, just a matter of theoretical "pie in the sky"! -- With most of the churches, about the only thing they can hope for is that maybe they'll miss Hell by all their works and duties and ceremonies and hocuspocus.

But we have personally received the Spirit of Jesus Christ Himself into our own hearts! We've got God's Love and His happiness here in our hearts right now! -- We have found Jesus! -- The most precious One in our lives, our closest Friend and Companion.

So we must build on this Foundation -- the only Foundation which can last -- the Personality, Power and Truth of Jesus Christ! -- Not the shibboleths of the Sanhedrin, nor the empty ceremonialism and ungodly traditions of a religious system that has not only lost its meaning, but its God! -- "My hope is built on nothing less, than Jesus' blood and righteousness; I dare not trust the sweetest frame, but wholly lean on Jesus' name. On **Christ** the solid Rock, I stand; all other ground is sinking sand!"

So thank the Lord for the Lord! -- "The Way, the Truth and the Life!" (Jn.14:6). Amen?

Jesus is the best trip of all!

Do you sometimes wish you could leave it all behind and enter the world of the spirit? You **can**! -- In the **spirit**! -- You can travel in the spirit from the moon to distant Mars, you can travel by the spirit, hitch your wagon to the stars! -- "For eye hath not seen, and ear hath not heard, neither hath it entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for those that love Him! But the Spirit hath revealed them unto us!" (1Cor.2:9,10). Hallelujah!

We've hitched our wagon to a Star, the Bright and Morning Star, Jesus Christ Himself, and we're really going places faster than the speed of light into realms beyond natural human ken! We're exploring unknown worlds of the spirit known only to God and His Heavenly Kingdom! -- So why piddle around with puddles, when there are oceans to swim in, and all space to revel in! -- The vast and boundless universe of the Spirit!

In the Spirit, in the Spirit, I can travel far and wide. In the Spirit, in the Spirit, I'm not bound by time or tide! Thru' the Spirit, thru' the Spirit, I can see the other side. By the Spirit, by the Spirit, I am able there to hide! -- He can take you anywhere you want to go! -- To worlds of happiness forever! C'mon! Come with me where moonbeams light Eternal skies! -- And the sparkling stardust lingers in your eyes!

"His Banner over me is Love!" (SoS.2:4).

The Bible says, "God is Love, Love is God" (1Jn.4:8). The greatest commandment is to love. -- This is what we teach and preach and this is our message, our life, our goal, our love, our **everything**: To love God and our neighbors as ourselves! -- And love is an **emotion**. An emotion. Something which causes you to move out into something good -- love -- an emotion. -- Then you can move others -- from one place to the other, one life to another, one spirit to another! -- Emoting them into motion or emotion by the Spirit! -- **Love!**

So step out by faith and talk to someone today about love and try to make them happy! There are wonders of love that you yourself can enjoy along with some other lonely soul -- if you will only try! If you give love, you'll get love! It multiplies and grows like the bread and the fish and the cruise of oil and the barrel of meal! The more you give, the more you get, and you give and give and give, and you get and get and get. (See Mt.14:15-21; 1Kng.17:11-16; 2Kng.4:2-6.)

In Jesus' name, give us love today, Lord. -- That we may bring the peace and happiness and joy of the Love of Jesus Christ in our hearts to this old weary world! Thank You Jesus!

Love wasn't put in your heart to stay. Love isn't love till you give it away!

"Tho' they stumble, they will not fall." (It's as though every stumble is a fall upward. -- We learn lessons from it.)

The greatest men in the Bible were guys that made terrible mistakes and realized they were sinners and needed God. -- They were just ordinary men like you and me. They made their big boners just like you and I do. -- All things truly work together for good to them that love the Lord. -- No matter **what** it is. It may not always seem like it, but God often gets His greatest victories out of seeming defeat. -- For example, when God let King David fall for Bathsheba, and fall from grace in the eyes of the kingdom, did David really fall downward? -- Or was this a fall **upward**? -- Sometimes God's way up is down -- usually, in fact!

So don't worry, even if you make a lot of mistakes. -- Your mistakes are part of your training! -- And one way God has of keeping us humble. And if you have truly learned your lessons and been humbled and broken by the Lord through it, He will usually use your humiliating experience to make of you a **better** vessel in the Potter's hands, better fit for the Master's use!

So let us learn something even from our mistakes! -- May the birds with the broken pinions, having learned their lessons from the snares of the Enemy, now learn to fly even higher than before!

My Lord, my God, how patient You are, how loving, how tender, how kind You are!

O Jesus, You're so patient and loving with us all. -- You have dealt with us in great love. -- As a brand snatched from the burning and lifted up from the dust and nothing. -- We just thank You for Your Love, Lord, how much You loved us. You didn't fail us, Lord, You didn't give up on us, even though we looked like a hopeless case.

"For a little while I have forsaken thee, but with loving kindness and tender mercies have I gathered thee" (Isa.54:7,8). -- "For My mercy is from everlasting to everlasting and so will I have mercy upon thee." -- "Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts: and let him return unto the Lord, and He will have mercy upon him; and to our God, for He will abundantly pardon" (Isa.55:7). -- "For though thy sins be as scarlet they shall be as wool, and though they be red like crimson, they shall be white as snow!"

"Behold, He speaketh unto thee Words of Love and comfort that He may lift up thy heart -- that He may feed thy soul -- that He may encourage thy spirit -- that thou may serve Him continually both by day and night!" -- "Jesus paid it all, all to Him I owe! Sin had left a crimson stain, He washed it white as snow!" -- God's mercy seems to be unlimited. His Love is boundless. Praise God!

The Devil flees when he sees the weakest saint upon his knees!

Prayer is powerful! When we pray, things will happen and things will be different. God will answer prayer. -- So when you feel oppressed or attacked by the Enemy, pray and ask God to deliver you in Jesus' name. -- Praise the Lord and quote Scriptures! -- The Devil can't stand the Word, nor the Name of Jesus. -- He turns tail and runs! -- Remember, Jonah got out of the belly of the whale when he said, "Salvation is of the Lord!" (Jonah 2:9).

If you keep your mind stayed on the Lord, you'll have perfect peace (Isa.26:3). You don't have to worry about the Enemy or the Devil or his power or anything else. -- You can always call on the Lord and through Him have power over **everything!** -- So praise God for His power which is able to destroy the works of the Enemy!

"Be not afraid, for I am thy God! -- I will strengthen thee, yea, I will help thee; yea, I will uphold thee with the right hand of My righteousness! Therefore, heed not the devices which come of that little punk Satan! -- But rather, listen unto Me!" -- "For God hath not given us a spirit of fear, but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind!" (2Tim.1:7). So in nothing be terrified by your adversary, the Devil! -- Thanks be unto God Who giveth victory!

Winter's over! -- Spring is here!

It's a pity to live in unhappiness, when just around the corner, your life can be thrilling and filling and wonderful beyond all expectation! -- "Beyond the blue horizon waits a beautiful day! Goodbye to things that bore me, joy is waiting for me! I've found a **new horizon**, my life has only begun! Beyond the blue horizon, waits a rising sun!" For all of you who've found the Lord, that certainly is true! Your life is constantly new horizons, behind which the rising Son of **Jesus** is always rising, and always brightening each new day, giving you new experiences and new excitement, new thrills, a new wonderful life in Jesus. Hallelujah!

He came "that we might have **life**, and have it more **abundantly**" (Jn.10:10), and enjoy His joy to the fullest, **here** and **now**! -- Not just "pie in the sky" and "Heaven hereafter," but "an hundredfold in **this** life, and in the world to come life eternal!" (Mk.10:30). -- All this and Heaven too! -- Heaven on Earth and Heaven hereafter! -- It's like the end of a cold, hard Winter and the beginning of a beautiful new Spring-like awakening of the Spirit of Life! Hallelujah! -- We have a Heaven on Earth in our hearts! -- In the peaceful sunny beauty of God's bright Spring sunshine.

For Truth and Spring our God can bring, and happy you can be! Take Jesus' Joy right here and now, and live a life that's free!

Why doesn't God put a stop to all the world's atrocities and man's inhumanity to man? Why does He allow it?

God didn't stop Adam and Eve in the Garden when **they** made the wrong choice. He let them do it. But He punished them, He rewarded them accordingly. -- The whole idea of the whole Bible from the Garden of Eden to the Book of Revelation is free choice, **your** choice! -- This is why man was put here: To make a choice between good and evil, to do right or wrong, to serve God or himself and the Devil.

It's almost like a great experiment that God is conducting to show the rest of the universe what happens if anyone is allowed to have their **own** way and go without God. -- Perhaps it's a **great lesson** to all the spirit world and all the gods and goddesses and the good spirits and evil spirits -- to give them all a good sample of what is right and what is wrong, and how that right pays off and wrong pays off too! -- This is why God is now allowing man, by his own hand, to bring the Earth from the Heaven on Earth that He created, to literally a state of the horrors of Hell -- to be a **demonstration** to the whole universe and all Heaven what a horrible mess man is without God.

So God has a reason for it all -- and one of the main reasons is to give us a chance to make a choice. -- Are you choosing God's way? -- Or your own! -- Go God's way! Amen?

Thank You, Lord, for tears: They help wash our eyes and our heart, and they wash our mind and clear our thoughts.

The Greeks call it catharsis, a purging or a purifying. Sorrow was purifying and edifying and brought out the real motives and the real values. Thank God He and His service are not all sorrow and tragedy, but He gives you a few trials and a few testings and a few hard things to go through to bring out the sweetness and the best in you.

Like a beautiful flower pressed and crushed, but out comes the perfume! -- We learn a lot of lessons through sorrow. -- And some of the most precious lessons you learn from the Lord come out of deep dark experiences. -- "Now you don't know, and thou canst never find such joy until thou hast found such heartache and thou hast found such deep, deep sorrow! Only from such deep sorrow can spring forth such light, such satisfaction! Only from such pain can suddenly come forth such surcease and relief! Only from such death can life be born anew!"

"He gives me joy in place of sorrow. He gives me love that casts out fear. He gives me sunshine for my shadow, and beauty for ashes dear!" -- "O Joy that seekest me through pain, I cannot close my heart to Thee; I trace the rainbow thru' the rain, and feel the promise not in vain, that morn shall tearless be."

The last message that Jesus gave to His Disciples was "Lovest thou Me?" They said, "Well of course, Lord, You know we love You!" He said, "Then feed My sheep!" (John 21:15-17).

What can you do for Jesus? -- You can feed His sheep, you can love His little ones, you can save the lost. -- That's what He wants you to do. -- He said, "Lovest thou Me? Feed My sheep!" -- It's not always easy, but the Lord will be with you and help and guide you. -- This is the greatest job we have to do, the greatest work in the world -- to feed His sheep, to witness the Words of God, to preach the Gospel, to tell people about God's Love, to show them the Love of Jesus!

"Look how they look to thy hand, to thee to feed them!" -- "Many shall beg of thee: 'Speak unto us the Word of the Lord, for we have a famine in the land! Only thou hast the Living Waters of Eternal Life and we would seek of thee that which brings life and breath! Give unto us, for we ask of thee, for it is the commandment of the Lord! Give bread and living water unto us, for we seek it of thee, and thou must give us life, for the Lord hath commanded thee to feed that which is hungry and give drink to that which is athirst!"

So keep on loving Jesus and His dear little sheep and continue to search them out and love them into His fold, till the Great Shepherd returns for His Own on that Great Day! Hallelujah!

Deliver us, Lord, from the spirit of "busyness"! Too busy for You and too busy for Your Word!

To learn from the Lord, you have to stop -- and look -- and listen -- or you'll get run over by all the cares of this life, instead of running over with His Truth, His Love, and His Joy! -- If you drive yourself too hard and fast, you may never get there! -- Because there's such a thing as trying to go too fast. You get out of touch with the Lord and Headquarters. -- Like the little girl said about the kitty, "O Mama, the kitty's gone to sleep and left its engine running!" -- You may run around but still be asleep spiritually, and you may not be getting anywhere -- "as one that beateth the air!" (1Cor.9:26).

"You cannot do the Master's Work without the Master's Power!" -- And to get it, you must spend **time** with the Master! -- The Lord said but one thing is needful: To sit at His feet and learn of Him the Words He gives and pass them on to the world! Those who have chosen this good part, it shall never be taken away from them! -- So if You're too busy to pray, you're too busy! If you're too busy to get alone with God and pray, you're too busy!

So "take time to be holy!" -- Wholly His and whole in body, mind and spirit! -- "Be still, and know that I am God." "In quietness and confidence shall your strength be!" (Psa.46:10; Isa.30:15).

Thank God He is going to take over some day!

The world is such a mess and there are such messers running it! -- The only answer is the Lord and His Coming to restore law and order and Christian civilization. -- For only God Himself in the Person of Jesus Christ, with His angelic helpers and angelized saints, is going to be able to run such a world government well, with true justice, liberty, peace, plenty and happiness for all!

No more big powers and oppressed poor! -- Only the Kingdom of Jesus Christ, Heaven on Earth! It will be the ultimate in the restoration of God's ultimate Creation, man -- bringing final order out of the chaotic condition of Man! -- This is our only hope: The Love of God, His mercy, Jesus, and His return to rescue His own and the world and the people of the world and restore light and life and love again! -- Then that which is eternal shall descend and be established and rule and reign forever, praise the Lord! And His dominion shall be an everlasting dominion, which shall rule and reign over all kingdoms of the Earth (Dan.2:44; Isa.2:2-4; Rev.5:19).

"How righteous shall be that which shall cover the Earth, and how shalt thou rule and reign with Me, in My throne!" -- "For the darkness shall turn to dawning, and the dawning to noonday bright; And Christ's great Kingdom shall come on Earth, the Kingdom of Love and Light!"

"Behold, the lame take the prey!" (Isa.33:23).

Why did Jesus deliberately pick a bunch of stinking, long-haired fishermen and a hated tax collector for His disciples? Why didn't He choose them from the learned Sanhedrin -- the local Bible college -- with the approval of the synagogues, and the permission of the high priests, and a license from Rome through the governor? -- Because God's ways are not our ways and His thoughts are not our thoughts, and He takes the weakest things to confound the mighty and the foolish things to bring to nought the wisdom of the wise! (Isa.55:8; 1Cor.1:27).

God specializes in using **little** things -- **weak** things -- **foolish** things! -- And He has not revealed these things unto the vase and prudent, but unto us mere babes! -- We're only His little vessels, fit for the Master's use, His tiny children, with nothing to cling to but Him. -- Without Him, we're nothing! But with Him, why we're everything and can do anything!

Look at us! -- Thinking we can save the world with no theological education, no seminary degrees in theology and philosophy, no big fine church buildings, no billions of dollars in church Property, no influential big wheels no powerful denominational organization and no millions of churchgoers every Sunday! -- But we're doing it! -- Because <u>He's</u> doing it!

The Lord knows everything you don't know. So it sure pays to pray!

How wonderful are the ways of the Lord -- but they're not past finding out, if you ask Him!

So whenever you can't find the answer or solution for a specific situation in His Word, all you have to do is call Heaven, and they'll let you know what to do!

"Ask, and it shall be given unto thee; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto thee!" (Mt.7:7). -- "For the pain of uncertainty shall be relieved, and Thy ways shall become settled as never before!" -- "Listen unto Me and I will lead thee and I will guide thee."

Thank You, Lord, for the answers. -- We know nothing, except what **You** show us. All we have to do is ask and You promised we'd receive. As soon as we start praying, You begin to reveal to us, Lord, You confirm to us. Thank You, Lord, for giving us leading and guidance and wisdom. We can't do it in our own strength. -- So we just ask You, Lord, to lead us and guide us, and open our hearts and our minds to Thy truth, and help us to understand it, Lord, and to follow it. -- You're the only One Who really knows what's best, so help us to follow You, in Jesus' name! -- Amen.

He knows the right answers to **everything**! So keep in touch with Heaven! Jesus never fails!

Don't worry, children, the Lord will supply!

God is good to us because He knows we love Him and we're trying to do the best we can, and we ask Him for it, we expect it, and we pray for it. -- In fact, He is trying to be as good to us as possible! -- He gives us "exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think" -- providing we give Him <u>all!</u> (Eph.3:20).

The Lord says, "Command thou Me." "He shall give thee the desires of thine heart." "No good thing will He withhold from them that walk uprightly." "And my God shall supply all your needs!" (Isa.45:11; Psa.37:4; 84:11; Phil.4:19). "Therefore, whatsoever thou shalt ask, it shall be given thee, and all things shall be thine in Christ Jesus because thou hast loved Me with an everlasting Love and thou knowest thou art nothing and I have given thee all things." Hallelujah!

He will solve every problem, He will meet every need, He will even give you your every desire if you please Him -- He's promised it! -- He'll give you what you ask for, and certainly what you have the faith for! -- Our God is a God of miracles and He can supply from some of the most unexpected sources and through what seem to be the most inopportune occasions. -- And if you **really** please Him, He not only gives you everything you **need**, but even everything you **want**! So obey the Lord and stay in the center of His Will! -- And He will take care of you! -- Amen?

You don't have to worry about anything, all you have to do is obey!

Your happiness and your health and your blessings in this life depend on your obedience to God. -- If you are obeying the Lord and are faithful and loyal and trusting and believing, then God's **got** to bless you. But if He's not blessing you, it's not **His** fault. -- Something's wrong somewhere.

Sometimes you just have to have the faith to trust God, that He knows best. -- Just like a child has to trust a parent, even though he doesn't always understand why he must do this or that or not do it. He just has to "do it because Daddy says so!" -- Because Daddy knows best, and he'll probably find out Daddy was right in the long run! -- The smartest thing any little child can do is to obey and follow his parents and do as they do, and as they tell him to do, if he wants to stay out of trouble and survive! -- So, help us Lord! -- Help us to just trust Thee and obey, Lord, whether we understand it or not.

"To obey is better than sacrifice, and to hearken than the fat of rams!" (1Sam.15:22). -- The only thing that counts is faith in God and His Word and obedience to the Lord. -- So God bless you and help you! And He will if you obey Him! "Trust and obey, for there's no other way, to be happy in Jesus, but to trust and obey!" -- Amen?

You can do <u>anything</u> if you have the faith and the will to work, vision, courage and initiative!

"According to your faith be it done unto you" (Mt.9:29). -- If you've got the faith for something, God will do it! -- This is why Jesus said," If you have faith as a grain of mustard seed, you can move a whole mountain" (Mt.17:20). It's really amazing what faith can accomplish if you're really in tune with the Lord and you've got not only faith, but a lot of gumption and getup -- and -- go! -- You have to take steps of faith. Faith is really being willing to be a pioneer and to have the faith to believe the vision God gives you and to have the courage to take the initiative and try it, even if you think, "Well, for all I know it's going to sink the whole ship!" -- You have to take a step in the direction He said to go, to find out what He's going to do.

And if you know you're doing your best to please Him and obeying Him, you can expect almost **anything**. God will do almost anything for you and some of the most amazing things you could possibly imagine! -- Where there's a will there's a way -- with God's help! "Nothing is impossible with God, and all things are possible to him that believeth!" (Lk.1:37; Mk.9:23). - Are you ready? God is waiting for you, and more willing to give than we are to receive. Little is much if God is in it, and He's not limited by few or many! -- With **Him** you can do **anything**!

"Happy Birthday, Dear Family!"

Jesus' birth was the Birthday of **all** Christianity, as He said, "I am the **Vine**, ye are the branches!" (Jn.15:5). But when was **our** special individual **branch** of the great Christian family born? When did it begin to bud? Well, the Lord showed me it really began with **me** when I was born 'way back yonder many years ago on February 18th. -- As the Lord once told me, "By the obedience of one man, many have been made righteous." Because I obeyed the Lord, the Family is here today. -- Of course, it's only the **Lord** that has done everything that has been done. **He** gave the ideas and I just passed them on.

"The breath of My Spirit hath created many! The breath of My Spirit hath raised up as though it were stones from the dead! And that which was not have I made into that which is, that it shall live unto Me and serve Me for My glory!" -- "Therefore, lift up thy voice and sing!" -- "Praise the Lord with thy mouth, and offer the sacrifices of praise with thy lips, and lift thy heart to the Lord in praise for the mighty works He has done for thee and hath given thee this day!"

Let's especially rejoice in this day that the Lord hath created us for His glory! Let's have a Happy Birthday **love feast**! Everybody kiss and hug and love everybody, and tell them how much you love them, and make up and make out! Have a Happy Birthday! -- Amen? **Happy Birthday**!

I am Aquarius -- this is my age!

... I'm the Water Bearer. Jesus told me so, because I'm bringing the water of life to this generation. Out of the mountain flows the bright crystal stream of the beautiful royal purple waters of life, His Words of life. All I do is stand there and dip it out and pour it into little tiny crystal letter forms. God originates the water. It is only the King's job to see to it that the water is channeled ... and flows where it can be useful.

These are His Streams of Living Water, ever fresh and new, provided for our thirst and strength, the Words of God, the truths of His Spirit and His spirit world. Living water that is multiplied and poured out again and again and again! Remember that picture of Aquarius, where he is pouring out his water urn? ... his vessel never runs out of water! *God* helps us to take these despised vessels and He remakes them through us and makes more Aquarians, more little Davids, more little Moses's, all pouring out the living water.

Glorify Me (God) in all things. Then shall ... thy vase flow freely with the Water of Life. For I am He that filleth all things, to pour out upon the thirsty ground.

We're perfectly safe in You, Jesus.

The Lord has really shown us that there are troublesome times ahead. How soon we don't know, but we don't have to worry about them. The Lord knows and He will see us through -- or out -- one or the other. -- He promises, "I will keep thee from the hour of temptation which shall come upon all the world, to try them that dwell upon the Earth" (Rev.3:10). -- He is faithful, and never fails to keep those who trust Him! -- And even if you have to go through it, in some way He's going to keep you.

The Lord and prayer are your best protection and your greatest security! -- He is able to keep us through anything, everything, and I'm certain that He wants to spare us to minister to others, to help and encourage and inspire faith and glorify Him.

Only You can really protect us, Lord. -- We just don't know how to thank You enough for keeping us safe, for miracles of Thy protection! How marvelously You have protected us through many dangers and many trials and tribulations in many ways! -- Just give us the faith to remember You'll never leave nor forsake us even to the end of the world! -- Help us to stay close to You and Your Word and each other, Lord, and we know You'll bring us through somehow. Thank You Jesus!

Help us to stay close to You, and to each other, Lord.

God always seems to bless **harmony**, people living at peace with each other and loving each other and helping each other and showing a large measure of love. -- His dynamics of the spirit really operate amazingly. The Lord says, "When one can only chase a thousand, two can put ten thousand to flight!" (Deut.32:30). In other words it doesn't just double your power, but **quintuples** it! -- So there is tremendous strength in unity. -- This was Jesus' last prayer: "That they may be one, even as We are one" (Jn.17:21-23).

We all love the Lord and we're trying to work together for the best of His Kingdom. -- Not in competition with each other, but yoked together in love, pulling the load together. -- "Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love! The fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above."

"l, Jesus, am thy King and I have come that I might bring peace to your hearts and a sword unto others; but **within**, thou shalt have **unity** and thou shalt have **peace** rather than confusion." Thank You Jesus! -- "We are not divided! -- All one body we! -- One in hope, in doctrine, one in charity (love!)." -- Lord help us to have Thy peace -- peace with each other, peace with Thee and peace of mind! -- Amen.

It's a sacrifice to witness!

Like the lady said, "Oh, this just **kills** me!" when she had to go out witnessing. Well, that's exactly what it should do -- it should kill your pride, your self, your selfishness, your egotism, and may even cause some considerable physical sacrifice and strain. -- As Jesus said, "Except a grain of wheat fall into the ground and die, it abideth alone. But if it **die**, it bringeth forth **much fruit**" (Jn.12:24).

It's **dangerous** to witness! -- You're bound to get some persecution. But we still have to do it! All the early Apostles died as martyrs, and lots of the early Christians, but they continued to be faithful witnesses just the same! -- But when the church left the arena and started sitting in the grandstands in order to avoid death by braving the lions, she died of old age in the stands! -- I think I'd rather die as a witness in the jaws of the lions than of old age in the grandstand! How about you? -- Jesus Himself promised you that if you would suffer with Him you should also reign with Him! (2Tim.2:12). So are you going to reign now a little while and suffer a lot later? -- Or are you going to suffer a little now and reign forever? May God bless and help you to be a blessing with the Word to the world!

"These faithful ones shall be raised to everlasting glory, and shall shine as the stars -- as they that turn many to righteousness!" (Dan.12:3).

Just keep your eyes on Jesus, and He'll show you what to do.

"Jesus calls me o'er the tumult of this life's wild, restless sea; Day by day His sweet voice soundeth, saying, 'Christian, follow Me!" -- But to do this, you have to keep in touch with Him, keep your spiritual radio on, and follow His directions! -- You cannot look to your own wisdom, you cannot rest in your own understanding. "Lean not to your own understanding; but in all your ways acknowledge Him and He shall direct your paths" (Prov.3:5,6).

So keep your eyes <u>off</u> man and <u>on</u> the Lord, or you're going to fail! But Jesus never fails! And if you follow Him you'll never go wrong. He's right out there with you, and He knows exactly what to do, and all you've got to do is ask Him. -- Get your instructions from the Lord, and you'll never go wrong! His plans never fail!

"Keep your eyes on Jesus! Do not watch the waves! Keep your eyes on Jesus! It's faith in Him that saves! Keep your eyes on Jesus! His promises avail! Keep your eyes on Jesus! His Word can never fail!" Praise God! -- So help us, Lord, to keep our eyes on You, Jesus. Help us to keep our minds and our hearts and our faith stayed on You, in Jesus' name, we ask for Thy glory. Amen?

"God is a Spirit" (John 4:24).

God is the Spirit of **Love**! He's the Great Spirit, the Creator. -- He's not some old bearded gentleman way off somewhere -- or some kind of ferocious monster that you can't understand. -- But He is the genuine Basic Power and Guiding Light of the Universe. -- The all-powerful, omnipresent, omniscient, omnipotent Spirit that pervades all things. He is everything and everything is God, in a sense. -- He is **everywhere**!

But the organized churches of today have tried to put Him in a little box (the church building). -- And though they don't know it, He doesn't live there! (It would be too lonesome, being in there all alone all week long, and only seeing your family once or twice a week for an hour or two.) -- "For the Most High dwelleth **not** in Temples made with hands!" (Ac.7:48). -- "And they that worship Him must worship Him in **Spirit** and in **Truth**" (Jn.4:23,24).

He is the very Spirit of Love in your heart! He's inside of you -- so close. He is Love! -- His power is there wherever you ask for it! -- "If I'm up in Heaven, Thou art there! If I descend into the depths of Hell, Thou art there! **Wherever** I am, Thou art with me! I can never depart from Thy Spirit!" (Psa.139:7-12). Hallelujah!

Isn't it wonderful to have God in your heart? Thank You Jesus!

Never underestimate the power of the Word!

"Knowest thou that the Word is mightier than the sword?" -- "Heaven and Earth shall pass away, but God's Words shall never pass away!" (Mt.24:35). They are settled forever in Heaven, and none can deny or defy them! -- So **use** them and **spread** them and His Love through every means at your command to give the people light, hope and life, love, peace and plenty, and contentment with Heavenly happiness forever!

"Faith cometh by hearing the Word!" (Rom.10:17). That's the most important thing. -- There's **power** in the Word of God -- if you'll just use the Word! -- For only the Sword of God's Word is sharp enough to pierce the hard shell of defensiveness that some may have, and let the warmth of His Spirit of Love flow into their soft warm hearts that hunger for it.

I love the Word! When you preach the Word, you know you're right! When you preach Jesus, you know you're right! You don't have to worry about whether they're accepting it or not. When you're giving them the Word, sharing the Scripture, preaching the Word, let me tell you, you're really getting out something that cannot fail. "Not one Word shall fall to the ground, it shall not return unto Him void!" (Isa.55:10,11). -- There's nothing like the Scripture! -- Sock it to them with the Sword of the Word of God! And it'll live in their hearts forever!

You've gotta follow Him to find out what to do.

God has **already** told us: "Go ye into all the world, and preach the Gospel to every creature!" (Mk.16:15). -- But if you don't know **where** to go or **how** to do it, just get out and start, and He'll lead you! -- The boat has to be in motion before the rudder can take effect. -- If you obey what you know God wants you to do, then He will show you <u>more</u> truth; and when you obey that, He'll give you a little <u>more</u>. -- And step by step, as you follow Him, He shows you more and more. -- But if you don't go, He can't show! If you don't obey, He can't make a way!

So follow the Lord as though everything depended on Him -- which it does! -- Remember to do what His Holy Spirit leads you to do so you'll be sure to stay on the right track, know where you're going, and get there. Amen?

Keep us close to you, Lord. Help us to stay close to You in Thy will, obedient, following moment by moment. -- Help us to follow the leadings and checks of Thy Spirit in every step we make, Lord. -- If we follow You, we'll never go wrong!

"He leadeth me! -- O blessed thought! O words with Heav'nly comfort fraught! Whate'er I do, where'er I be, still 'tis God's hand that leadeth me! He leadeth me, He leadeth me, by His Own hand He leadeth me! His faithful follower I will be, for by His hand He leadeth me!"

The most uncomfortable place for a Christian is a comfortable place!

The minute anybody comes to the conclusion that he has arrived and he's satisfied and he's gone as far as he wants to go, watch out! -- The minute you get the feeling of, "Ah, I've made it!" -- And you're satisfied with what you've accomplished, that's as far as you get! You never get any further. -- God's law of progress is: If you don't keep on getting more, you'll lose what You've got! -- The minute you think you have it and you sit down to enjoy it, that's when you lose it!

This is where most great movements first began to decline: They eased into a false sense of security and complacency, lost sight of their goal - or lost the faith to attain it -- stopped moving and stopped changing things. -- When you come to the point that you want to stand still, you're going to backslide! -- It is impossible to stand still in Christian life! You are either making progress, going ahead, climbing upward everyday a little further, accomplishing more, serving more faithfully, giving more -- or you are slipping backward the other direction and you are on your way down.

Are you alive and going, or dead and settling? Don't settle down and vegetate and become like the rest of the bumps on the logs! -- Rise and live! -- Move <u>now</u> with the life of God, or you'll be left behind in the death of this world!

Being a child of God is supposed to make a difference!

Salvation is a free gift, it can only be received -- but your **works** will **show** it! -- It will result in an eventual **change**, as you "show your faith by your works: for faith, if it hath not works, is **dead**, being alone!" (Ja.2:17,18).

But some people say you can be a Christian without being a disciple and serving Jesus. But "discipulos" means a "follower of the teaching," so how can you be a Christian and not a follower of the teaching? -- How can they really be saved and claim to believe in Christ and yet not obey Him? -- Jesus said, "If you love Me, keep My commandments" (Jn.14:15). "How say ye unto Me, 'Lord, Lord,' and do not the things which I ask?" (Lk.6:46). -- The Revolution of Jesus Christ in the hearts of men is not the kind that just so-called changes your heart because you say "I take Jesus," and then you go on living and working the same -- living like you did before! -- You should be a new creature in Christ Jesus!" (2Cor.5:17).

So if you **love** Him, **act** like it! -- In everything we do we have to have a **purpose** -- not just to think of ourselves, but to glorify the Lord and love others into His Kingdom!

Winners never quit, but quitters never win!

When things get tough, you've got to **fight** all the harder! -- And if you do, you'll **win**, and get higher victories! When the going's tough, the tough get going! -- Like John Paul Jones: When his ship was sinking, his crew slaughtered, and his own arm nearly torn off, the enemy asked him if he was ready to surrender, and he screamed back, "**Hell, no!** -- We haven't even **begun** to fight yet!" -- And he was right! He hadn't -- but he did! -- And he went on to **win** the battle.

Maybe you haven't even begun to fight the ol' Devil yet! Maybe "ye have not yet resisted unto blood, striving against sin" (Heb.12:4) -- Like Jesus did -- but even though it killed Him, only three days later He rose in **triumph** from the tomb! That's the kind of soldiers that win victories, the ones who refuse to quit fighting! -- So "be not weary in well-doing, for in due season ye shall reap if ye faint not" (Gal.6:9). -- "Endure hardness as a good soldier of Jesus Christ, that you may please Him Who hath chosen you to be a soldier!" (2Tim.2:3). -- Fight the good fight, keep the faith, and finish the course! -- And there'll be a crown laid up for you! (2Tim.4:7,8).

So may God help you to be faithful to the end! "Be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life!" (Rev.2:10). Hallelujah!



Praise God for His precious faithfulness!

He loves us and talks to us and is concerned about every little thing! -- There's nothing too small for the Lord or too hard for Him. God takes care of every little detail! -- "Oh yes, He cares, I know He cares! His heart is touched with my grief. When the days grow dreary, the long nights weary, I know my Savior cares!"

You are His and He loves you and is doing His best for you. -- Stay close to Him and He'll never fail you. He'll never forsake you. He'll never let you down. -- Even though **we** are faithless, yet **He remaineth faithful**, for He cannot deny Himself, and He cannot break His Word. He Who hath begun a good work in you is going to perform it unto the End! (2Tim.2:13; Phil.1:6).

You've cast our lines in pleasant places, Lord, and given us exceeding abundantly above all that we could ask or think! -- Such little things You do, Lord, just to show Your Love and Your precious comforting Spirit and your faithfulness. We thank You, Lord, You're so good to us! -- Merciful in spite of all our shortcomings, sins, mistakes, failures and weaknesses. You're still good to us, take care of us, protect us and supply for us. -- "Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life!" (Ps.23:6). How much goodness and mercy He shows us!

Thank You, Lord, for Thy faithfulness!

"Beware lest ye be led away from the simplicity of the Gospel!" (2Cor.11:3).

The first temptation of man by the Devil was something to make you supposedly wise! -- **Knowledge**! Likewise today, many books are written with the demonic Satanic wisdom of the Devil himself! -- Cunningly devised to deceive and lead you astray, to pervert, warp and twist you spiritually to where you don't know what is true!

But the "**Lord** is **not** the author of **confusion**" (1Cor.14:33). He likes things very **simple**. That's why it's wonderful to have the **Bible** as a guide. -- Then you **know** what's perverted and what's normal, what's right and what's wrong. But "the wisdom of this world is foolishness to God" (1Cor.3:19). -- And you cannot fill your mind and heart with worldly wisdom, the foolishness of Man, without it affecting your spirit. -- Just like you can't wade through the garbage and the gutter without getting besmirched.

So for God's sake be satisfied with Christ's Kingdom of Light and don't go poking around in the Kingdom of Darkness, or you may fall back in again and be sorry! -- Why waste time on complicated confused theories and thoughts of man, when the Bible is right there, so simple, direct and to the point? -- Stick to the refreshing Water of the Word that feeds your soul, renews your mind, lifts your spirit, encourages your heart and purifies your whole being! Amen?

God will give you the spiritual solutions while alone with Him that will just make the mountains melt away!

You are going to get more done if you will spend more time in "the closet," alone with God. -- Unless you get quiet and try to seek the Lord, how are you ever going to get anything **from** the Lord? I am fully convinced that I've gotten more from the Lord **alone** and **quiet** than ever any other way. -- Because He can talk to you alone, and you can give Him your full attention and the reverence due Him -- and you're listening. -- Even **Jesus** had to get up at the break of day before His disciples, and walk out across the hills or up in the mountain to get alone with God and get His orders from His Father. My Lord, if Jesus Himself had to do it, how much more **we** need to do it!

You're going to have to get quiet by yourself -- somewhere, somehow, sometime -- if you're going to hear from the Lord! You've got to know you can't do it, and be desperate for God's answer, and stop everything else, and listen! -- So help us, Jesus, to remember that we can't go on without the Heavenly vision You give. -- We all need more quiet time alone with Thee, to rest and nestle in Thy arms and partake of Thee, to just have Thee alone to think about and pray about, and to get close to Thee without all the other distractions. Thank You Jesus.

"He that withholdeth it tendeth to poverty, but he that scattereth abroad it increaseth! (Proverbs 11:24).

That's the way God is: He **loves** to outgive you, and He'll never let you outgive Him! He always gives you much, much more than you ever give! The more you give, the more He'll give you back. -- But if you are not willing to give it, God's apt to take it. -- If you won't give Him an **offering** when you can, He will take a **collection** which will far outweigh what you could have given! -- Like with the rich man that had such a big harvest and so many riches: Instead of deciding to share with others, he decided to build **bigger barns** to hold more for **himself** (Lk.12). It wasn't the big crop which God gave him that was his sin. -- His biggest problem was the "barniness" of his own soul. -- And all that junk that he didn't want to share with others, he couldn't take with him! -- That's the way with selfishness: They want it **all**, so they don't get **any**! That's the way God does it. You want it all, so you don't get any. -- That's selfishness and its reward. -- But if you are willing to **give** your <u>all</u>, God will more than reward and repay and bless you so much you won't even be able to hold it all! He's promised that! (Mal.3:10).

Which are you doing? Withholding? -- Or scattering! "With the same measure that ye mete withal it shall be measured to you again" (Lk.6:38).

The only <u>difference</u> between us and the so -- called "wicked" is that we're saved sinners because we <u>believe</u>, because we've received Christ.

It is not man's fault that he is born in sin, a sinner. This is the fault of the ones who brought sin into the world through their sin, Adam and Eve (Rom.5:12-21). -- All mankind, let's face it, is wicked and sinful. "We've all sinned and come short of the glory of God" (Rom.3:23). We're all sinners. -- But God is not so angry at the sinner for breaking the rules. -- He knows the sinner is a sinner and can't keep the rules! -- So the great condemnation is not that we're already sinful, which God can forgive and does forgive if we receive His pardon through Jesus Christ. "But this is the condemnation: That Light is come into the world, but men loved darkness rather than Light, because their deeds were evil" (Jn.3:19).

The only "unpardonable sin" is a lack of faith in Jesus, or rejection of Him as your Savior. He'll forgive you for **every** sin in the Book: **except** for **rejecting Jesus** -- this is blasphemy against the Holy Ghost -- the Spirit of Truth, which is Jesus! (Mk.3:28,29).

So you either belong to Jesus or you don't! **That's** the only difference God sees! God sees nothing but the blood of Jesus Christ and the bloodwashed soul! -- All glory and praise to the Lamb that was slain, Who hath borne all our sins and hath cleansed every stain! -- **Jesus**! Hallelujah!

The best ability is availability.

Most of the greatest saints I knew were little people who just did what they thought should be done -- without you hearing about it or even knowing they were around! But they were always there when you needed them, always willing to see the need and respond. -- But the trouble with some people is that they don't find anything to do because they're not even looking!

But if you have real love for the Lord and each other, you will do whatever **needs** to be done. We should all be willing to do whatever needs to be done. -- And if God finds you will obey when He tells you to wash the dishes or wash the clothes or vacuum the floor, and you keep busy doing something, then He knows He can trust you to tell you what's next! -- But He won't force you! It depends upon you and your **yieldedness** and willingness to be made willing, total humility, which is synonymous with total love, so that you're willing to go anywhere, anytime, and do anything, for anybody, and be nobody, to please Him and help others!

Are you ready for anything? -- Anything God wants you to do? -- "I beseech you therefore, brethren, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service" (Rom.12:1). Amen? Lord, give us the grace, the love, and the unselfishness to be willing.

We have no unemployment in our Kingdom, thank God, and we have more work than we know what to do with!

We have a job to do and it's a **big** one! "For the **harvest** truly is **plenteous**, but the **laborers** are **few**." -- That means people who really want to **work**. There's never a shortage of loafers, but the laborers are few (Mt.9:37).

So we believe in working more than ever before! -- But <u>now</u>, not just for ourselves and our own living, but for others, to give them a better life, and for God, to obey His commandments. -- This is the major difference between us and the churches! We are not mere members -- we're full-time fighters! -- Jesus said, "Ye cannot serve God and Mammon" (Mt.6:24), but He did not say, "Ye cannot **serve**!" "He that shall not work shall not eat!" (2Thes.3:10). So if you're **not** working, you'd better **get** to work -- for **God**! -- And when you're serving God, investing in God's service, in His Kingdom, and giving to the Lord, then you know you're doing something good! You know it's something worthwhile with eternal values. -- You can then look forward to eternal rewards and everlasting glory, and can die with a feeling of genuine permanent accomplishment from a lifetime of investment in His Work, that will reap eternal dividends hereafter!

So let's all work together and each do his part and carry his share of the load, as well as receive his share of the benefits! Amen?

"The fool hath said in his heart, 'There is no God'" (Psalm 14:1).

If you really haven't got enough sense to believe in God, then you can just look at His **Creation** and **know** that there **is** a God! Just logically and reasonably, anybody in their right mind should know there's a God! -- How anybody could say it all happened by accident, they're fools! It's **ridiculous**! All you have to do is sit outside and look at the trees and the birds and watch the squirrels and you'll know that it wasn't an accident. -- Too much planning went into all that. -- God's entire glorious Creation is a constant testimony of the existence of a Divine Designer and Creator. (See Romans 1:20-28.)

And although the whole Creation testifies of the existence of the invisible God, many today refuse to receive the testimony, because they choose to be ignorant! -- Thus they've cooked up the ridiculous, idiotic scheme of **evolution**! -- To try to get rid of God and the knowledge of God, "as they did not like to retain God in their education" (Rom.1:28). -- They don't want to know Him, and they don't want to confess that He exists.

But we marvel at the work of God's hands, and see Him in His handiwork, understood by the things that are made, so that we know God, and glorify Him as God, and are thankful! -- Thank You, Jesus, for the beauties of Thy Creation!

Watch out about compromise!

The Devil will do everything he can to tempt you to forsake God's way. -- And if he can't get you to **stop**, he tries to get you to **compromise**. He tempts you with half-truths that make you doubt your convictions or not live up to them fully.

Most people don't realize that if they hold one little thing back from the Lord, one little compromise, they're on their way to backsliding! -- Because one little disobedience leads to another, one little refusal and denial leads to another, and one bit of selfishness leads to more. -- So let this be a warning to you! You may think, "Oh, just this one little tiny sin, just this little thing -- it's not important!" But that little crack in your armor is where the Devil begins to seep in, and then his gas of deceit begins to poison your mind because you disobeyed, and pretty soon you're totally off the track! -- And if you don't really repent and stop, you'll eventually go all the way back on the Lord.

Don't let it happen to you! -- Be faithful to the Lord. Be faithful to the Voice of God. Be faithful to His Work, the particular ministry He's called you to. -- Be loyal! -- "Resist the Enemy and he will flee from you!" (Ja.4:7). Don't give him an inch or he'll take a mile -- or more, and everything you've got! "Give **no place** to the Evil One!" (Eph.4:27). Amen? Hallelujah!

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We are the most powerful force of God and bear His Truth, and Satan hateth it, but he cannot help it!

We have told the truth, and the Devil hates he truth and he hates to be exposed and he hates to have his people exposed! We have reached and influenced more people with the Truth than almost any group in history! We have saturated the Earth with our doctrine.

Truth is the God-given duty of every child of God and his prophets! Therefore, we consider it our Godly and prophetic duty to expose the evils of man, society, some governments, Godless education, Christless churches, etc. -- It's the prophet's job to tell the people whatever God tells him to tell them! -- We must simply speak what we believe is the truth in the way that we feel it should be said, regardless of whether it is always easy for others to take or not. -- We must tell them that they may be held responsible.

So help us, O God, to be faithful unto Thy Word and to deliver our souls. -- Do help us, Lord, to be faithful mouthpieces of Thy Words, Thy Truth, to show the world what's happening and where it's really going and why. -- And to present to them a **decision**, make them to **choose**, Lord, between Thy message and the lies of the Devil. Thank You, Lord, for the opportunity to be faithful servants and faithful stewards of the oracles of God, and to give the world Your message!

"There shall be no more curse!" (Rev.22:3).

One of these days soon, in the Millennium, it's going to be like the Garden of Eden again! It'll be like Heaven on Earth, because the curse will be removed. -- There won't be any big smoky smoke-belching factories, there won't be any of these stinking automobiles belching fumes. And the horrible pollution will be purged and purified, and things are going to be a lot better with the curse removed. It's going to be like Adam and Eve in the Garden again! Beautiful! With only the beautiful Creation of God around us and the wonderful creatures of God to help us plow and power and transport what little we have to have to supply our meager needs.

"Then the lion shall lie down with the lamb, and the bear shall eat grass like the ox, and the child shall play on the hole of the asp, and nothing shall hurt nor destroy in all My Holy Mountain!" -- And "the Word of the Lord shall come forth from the Government of God through His people," and "no man shall need say, 'Know the Lord,' for all shall know Him!" -- All wars shall cease and men shall "beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruninghooks" and "neither shall they study war any more!" (Isa.2:2-4; 11:1-9; 66:17-25; Mic.4:1-4).

Personally, I'm looking forward to those days, aren't you? -- We'll have Paradise regained!

Be sure you got your personal directions straight from the Lord!

God alone can show us what to do, how to do it, and protect us in doing it, supply the needs, and lead and guide us every step of the way. So don't try to figure things out for yourself! -- Seek His face about **everything** -- every problem, every decision. -- Don't lean to your own understanding or forget to acknowledge the Lord in all your ways, lest you go astray.

And though the first place to find the Will of God is in His written Word, another indication of His Will is direct revelations -- dreams, visions, voices, messages, prophecies, interpretations. So don't knock God's **direct revelations** -- He may have one for **you!** Pray and ask Him for it! Remember how Paul had planned to go to a certain place, but had a dream in the middle of the night of a man of Macedonia, Greece, who begged him to "Come over to Macedonia and help us!" -- So he completely changed his plans and took a boat to Greece instead! (Ac.16:9,10). -- So be sure to look for the supernatural, miraculous and powerful leading and guidance of the Holy Spirit.

If you're led of the Lord, I know He can help you to make it. --Everything God shows you always works out! -- So thank You for how You lead us, Lord, You never fail. You continually give us guidance, direction, revelations, visions, everything that we need, Lord. Thank You Jesus!

Look at us! -- We're all a miracle!

God has called Himself out a people. He's created for Himself "a people that were no people" -- by the transforming power of the Truth (1Pet.2:10). -- He's taken the things which are not as though they were! He's made something out of nothing -- you and me! "Not by might nor by power, but by My Spirit!" (Zec.4:6). -- We're nothing, but God has increased, strengthened, and prospered us, and given us many souls.

This work is such a miracle, Lord, it couldn't be of man! It **had** to be of God, or it would have come to nought. But because it has been of You, Lord, no man has been able to stand against it, in spite of many trying. Thank You Lord! (Ac.5:38,39). "Except the **Lord** build the house, they labor in **vain** that build it" (Ps.127:1). So, Lord, we're laboring with You, but not in vain because we believe **You're** building the house.

We thank Thee for how mightily Thou hast blessed us -- from nothing to still nothing, Lord, but You have rallied many others together with us. -- We thank You, Lord, that You care for us. You're the Great Shepherd Who never fails us, and we know that it's nothing but miraculous and supernatural, Lord, by Thy divine power, that we have been kept and kept going like we have in spite of all the Enemy can do. -- Nothing can stop us, Lord, as long as You're with us! So keep us with You, Lord. In Jesus' name!

"Said I not unto thee that I would show thee the mysteries of the life of the spirit?"

Although the spirit world, that mysterious dimension of eternal realities, is largely unseen by us in mortal flesh, God, in His mercy, can give us glimpses of it through the window of the spirit. -- "But thou **askest** not, neither **seekest**, nor **knockest** at the door that God would open! There is a great and effectual door opened unto thee, and thou perceivest it not! For thou art like a little child who has stumbled onto the secret of the Universe and comprehendest it not! It is **given** unto thee to know the mysteries of the Kingdom of God, but thou dost not even ask!"

Why don't you just stretch out your faith and look? -- "Seek and ye shall find, knock and it shall be opened unto you, ask and ye shall receive" (Mt.7:7,81). -- "For whatsoever thou askest thou shalt receive, and whatsoever thou seekest thou shalt find, and wheresoever thou knockest it shall be opened unto thee, even unto the whole of the Kingdom!"

Ask God to enlarge your vision -- to show you how much **more** He has -- beyond what you have ever seen, or felt, or heard, or known! It's there -- but He's waiting for you! "Eye hath not seen, neither hath 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!**" (1Cor.2:9,10).

Don't underestimate the power that God has given each of us! According to your faith be it unto you!

God's Word tells His children, "Greater is He that is in you, than he that is in the world" (1Jn.4:4). In other words, God is saying, "My power in you is much greater than the Devil's power in the world's children, his children. -- Much greater!" -- In fact, their power is so puny compared to ours and is so weak and ridiculous compared to the power of God, that they're like little kids playing with matches while we've got lightning bolts! - The power of God's Holy Spirit of Love is the greatest power on Earth!

If you totally yield yourself to the Lord in submission and humility, then He will empower you and fill you with His Spirit! -- You then become a **powerhouse**, a **generator** of the Spirit of God! -- It's like you have a big electric power cable in your hand, but you're so in tune with it yourself that you can hold the cable and use its power to create, to mend, to heal and to love. -- "For with God nothing shall be impossible, and all things are possible to him that believeth!" (Lk.1:37; Mk.9:23).

So "fear not the things which rise against thee, for all the forces of the Devil shall be as chaff which shall be blown away by the Spirit of God! For I am with thee and none shall stand against the power I have given thee!"

"He shall turn the heart of the fathers to the children, and the heart of the children to their fathers" (Mal.4:6).

God has turned the hearts of His children toward their **real** fathers, their fathers in the **Lord**, their **fore**fathers, the **Ancients**, the **Patriarchs**. -- And how is He turning the hearts of the fathers toward the children? It must be that the Patriarchs have a **special love** for **this generation**! It must be that those old Patriarchs are really flipping out over you kids! -- They're all trying to help us in this last dispensation, in this last age. Because they're so interested in what we're doing, they're trying to help us wind things up. -- "We are compassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses!" (Heb.12:1). -- They're working for us and with us in this mighty Crusade! Thank You, Lord, for Thy many counselors and the multitudes Thou hast given us at our disposal and our command.

"These all died in faith, not having received the promises, which are being **fulfilled** in **us**." Evidently they saw us coming afar off! Hallelujah! -- "For indeed **this is that Age** of which I spake, to which all prophets gave heed and all My servants would have had. They would all have loved to enjoy this generation. For this is the fulfillment of all generations to prepare the way of the Lord and make His paths straight for His coming!"

You get what you ask for, and what you have faith for!

The Lord is trying to be as good to us as possible! -- He will give you whatever you want that's good for you, because He loves you, and "No good thing will He withhold from them that walk uprightly!" (Ps.84:11).

But sometimes we have not because we ask not (Ja.4:2). -- So if you really need something, pray it in! -- Pray for it! -- Just be careful what you ask the Lord to do, because He'll take you **literally**! -- The Lord will take you exactly at your word and your faith!

One preacher I knew said, "Lord, give me a car, I need a car, I'm desperate for a car, Lord -- any old car!" And that's exactly what he got, exactly what he asked for -- a real clunker! He said, "Next time I prayed for a **good** car, and I got it!" God is very definite, so be definite with Him! He says, "Commend ye Me!" (Isa.45:11). He'll give you what you ask for, and certainly what you have the faith for! That's the way the Lord blesses if you trust Him, if you please Him, if you follow Him, if you obey Him, if you're getting the work accomplished that He wants you to accomplish.

God will give you what you have faith for, and you should have faith for what you need. -- If the need is there, the answer must be there too, so just look around and pray it in! Amen?

The one who is willing to seemingly lose is going to be the gainer!

Our Family is serving God! We are investing in God's service, in His Kingdom, and giving to the **Lord!** -- And no matter **how** much we sacrifice, I will say with the great pioneer missionary, dear Dr. David Livingstone, that "You cannot outgive God!" -- Although he gave his life, he'll reap eternal life and dividends of immortal souls, thousands saved forever!

"He is no fool who gives what he cannot keep to gain what he cannot lose!" "For he that saveth his life shall lose it, but he that loseth his life for My sake and the Gospel's, the same shall save it!" (Lk.9:24). -- And a lot of others besides! You may temporarily look like you're losing something or sacrificing a little bit, but look at later! -- You'll share forever in the eternal rewards of the souls won as a result of your giving!

So invest your life and your all in the Rock Christ Jesus, and in God's work! You'll have eternal dividends from investment in His work that you will never lose, but reap forever! -- And God will bless you for it and see that you don't suffer for it and see that you get good returns on it -- the best!: **Souls!** -- Thank You, Lord, for the tens of thousands of decisions which have been made and the many souls we'll see in Thy Kingdom! We're all going to be thrilled when we someday see all the results!

"He maketh the wrath of man to praise Him!" (Psalm 76:10).

Our enemies are a **laugh!** -- They're so foolish to think that they can defeat God or His children! -- No matter how much they lie about us or try to fight us, they can never win, for we are an unbeatable foe of their treacherous tyranny! -- "For if this work be of **man** it will come to **nought!** -- But if it be of **God**, **no man** can stand against it!" No matter how hard they try! (Ac.5:38,39).

Their very enmity and wrath brings praise to the Lord, news to the nations, and spreads the Gospel even through their contention -- and nevertheless Christ is preached! -- This is what the enemy's attacks are for: To publicize us and God's message all the more, as well as to keep scattering it and us further and further abroad! -- Through this God is also bringing everyone to a **decision** to accept either the Truth or the lie, so He can judge them accordingly!

Their attacks upon us only increase our fire and fervor! Their lies about us only raise up new friends in our defense! The furious controversies they have aroused over us only serve to publicize our message the more! Hallelujah! He causeth the wrath of Man to praise Him! And all things are working together for our **good**, because we love Him and He loves us! It's impossible for us to fail, for **He** is with us!

I shall redeem all men through thee and thy children, for thou art the saviors of this earth."

Jesus said, "Even as My Father hath sent **Me**, so send I **you**" (Jn.20:21). He says this still to His disciples, His followers of today, calling them to give their lives daily in loving concern and care for others, to share His heart and love with those who are seeking for "the Way, the Truth, and the Life" (Jn.14:6). -- That's all we're in this business for: For preaching the truth of His Word and reaching the world with the Gospel of His Love! -- For getting His Message of Love to the people who need it, to liberate the captives, save the lost, heal the sick, and preach the Gospel to the whole world!

Help us to find them, Lord! So many need You, Jesus! Deliver them, lift them onto the Rock, Christ Jesus, cleanse and purify by the sweet pure water of Thy Word, delivered by the Rock, cleansed by the Word!

"I have had mercy on this generation, and I have had this mercy through thee, My David, sending out **searchers** -- hunting them out of the hills and the rocks and the crags and the dens and the caves of the Earth" (Jer.16:16). -- "For thou must fulfill the mission I have given thee on this Earth, until thou hast gathered My children into one fold."

Lord, help us to find the ones You've sent us to help!

You think you have "forsaken all"? -- Ha!

I've never found anybody yet who'd forsaken all forever -- until they forsook their life! -- But, you say, "We've **already** forsaken all -- What have we left to give?" Jesus' Disciples also had forsaken all, yet He still said unto them: "Freely ye have received -- also freely give!" (Mt.10:8). -- And when you're giving, you never stop giving and start just telling everybody else how to give. You have to **keep on giving** and giving and showing others how to give and keep on learning how to give yourself.

You have to keep forsaking all **every day**! If you don't keep forsaking every day, you keep accumulating every day because stuff is constantly piling up in your life and if you don't constantly get rid of it, you'll be up to your neck in clutter! -- And if you're not willing to "**die daily**" right **now** in order to get the job done, you'll never be able to die **someday** as a **martyr**. And if you're not willing to deny yourself in all the little ways every day to reach the lost, you'll never be able to deny yourself in the end by a martyr's death! -- You can't just be a martyr one day -- you're a martyr all your life! -- And the more you give, the more you get, and you give and give and give and you get and get and get! For "except a grain of wheat fall into the ground and die, it abideth alone: But if it **die** it bringeth forth **much fruit**!" (Jn.12:24). Hallelujah!

The Lord engineers everything!

He's got the whole world to think about and all the things that He's working on and all the keys He's playing and all the information He's feeding into His computer and everything working up to a certain point, the direction He wants it to go! -- Everything is planned, everything is ordered, "in decency and order!" (1Cor.14:40). Everything is controlled -- under perfect control -- and nothing can happen without His orders, without His Will! He's in control! -- **Whatever** happens is what **ought** to happen or what God **allows** to happen for a reason! There's some **reason** for it!

The Lord has purposes for everything, and reasons behind even our trials and afflictions, and "all things work together for good to them that love the Lord!" (Rom.8:28). -- So everything that happens is God's will in some way or the other! Everything's in His hands and nothing happens without His will, especially to His child whom He loves and to whom He wants to be good and take care of.

Thank You, Lord! You've always worked everything out for our good, because we love You and You love us, and You've promised to, Lord, so we thank You for it. -- Oftentimes You turn things that **seem** to be evil into good and it works out. So no matter **what** happens, Lord, it's going to be for our good and Thy good and good for Thy children around the world! Hallelujah!

"See me, feel me, touch me, heal Me!" -- This is the heartcry of the world!

There are so many people searching for love! People everywhere are looking around for some little ray of hope, some Salvation, some kind of bright spot somewhere! -- A little love, a little mercy, someplace where they can find some relief! -- And if you can show them that **love** exists, then they can believe that **God** exists, because "God **is** Love!" (1Jn.4:8).

So the first and most important thing to show others is that you love them. -- Like Jesus, Who came to love the world and calls us to do likewise in every facet of life, in every way, to give them love in Jesus' name.

Even the little things you do can mean a lot: A little bit of love goes such a long way! -- The light of your smile, the kindness of your face, the influence of your life can shed light on many, and have an amazing effect among some of the people you sometimes think might be the least likely to be impressed. -- When they feel your love and you tell them it's God's Love, they kind of feel like, "Maybe Somebody Up There **does** love me!" -- It changes their whole outlook and gives them a real uplook!

So we just thank You for Your Love, Lord, how much You loved us. Your Love didn't fail us, Lord, help our love not to fail others!

What a difference the Spirit makes!

I was a very shy timid little boy until Jesus took me over. -- I could hardly do anything, I was so shy and timid! But after I received the powerful complete Baptism of the Holy Spirit, **then** I became bold as a **lion**! -- Even the Apostle Peter, before he was filled with the Spirit, almost everything he did was a mistake -- just to show that whatever got accomplished was not of him, but **Christ** that lived first **with** him and then **in** him. -- So we **all** certainly need the Baptism of God's Love and power -- to be filled to overflowing with His precious Holy Spirit in order to have the strength to pull through!

Only the Spirit brings life! "Not by might, nor by power of your own, but by My Spirit, saith the Lord!" (Zec.4:6). Without the Spirit, you're dead! -- It's the breath of God, the anointing and the power of God, that makes the difference. -- It's not of yourself. -- It comes from God. Accept it and it'll be so beautiful!

We thank You, Lord, for Your miracle-working power, Your greatness, that is far surpassing anything any of us have. -- Keep us filled with **You**, Jesus, so that we shall not go astray. -- Give us the divine anointing of Thy Spirit, the mantle of Thy power, then we know we'll always be on the right track led by Thy Spirit, protected, supplied, blessed and prospered by Thee. Thank You Jesus!

If you don't got the credit here, you'll get the credit there.

What a surprise we're going to get when the Lord hands out the rewards! -- As to who was **really** greatest. -- Some people serve unselfishly, sacrificially, utterly giving themselves to the utmost, and yet never getting the credit for it, and are virtually unknown! -- But **God** has a great big Book, and it's known to **Him**, and He's writing it all down! And He'll reward everyone according to his works -- whether they be good, or whether they be evil. (See Heb.6:10.) -- "Then they that feared the Lord spake often one to another: And the Lord hearkened, and heard it, and a **Book of Remembrance** was written before Him for them that feared the Lord and that thought upon His Name."

At the Judgment Seat of Christ and the Marriage Supper of the Lamb someday soon, the Lord will reward all those that had the faith and perseverance to stay in His school till the bell rang. -- So don't let someone else get your reward. -- Be **faithful** unto the **End**. -- Be sure you're doing a good work so that when you go to be with the Lord, you will know you have done your job the best you can. -- Then you can "rejoice and be exceeding glad for great is your reward in **Heaven!**" (Mt.5:12). -- Not **here** always. For "**this** time is but for a moment, and **afterwards** there is exceeding great reward!"

There's no limit to what we can do -- with God!

The things of the Lord can still happen today!

He can have the same kind of disciples, who can do the same things, and even greater works, which can again shake up the world and spread the news abroad. -- The population today is greater, the need is greater, the opportunities are greater, and the hour is greater, even the means are greater, with the printed word, radio, television, air travel, etc.! We've got all the means and the greatest opportunities in history at our disposal. -- Our time is **now**!

"This Fire shall light the world!" (Claps hands violently several times.)
"For this is he which doth ignite nations and causeth the countries to
explode!" -- It's time we shook the world, rocked the nations, and made
Heaven reverberate! Now's our hour! Our time has come! Attack!
"Therefore, how shalt thou fail, for I am with thee and shall be with thee
unto the End! So fear not, but go forth and fight thou the battles of the Lord,
for it is impossible that thou shalt lose or that thou shouldst fail!" -- "For no
weapon that is formed against thee shall prosper, none shall be able to stand
against thee, and I will give thee a mouth and wisdom that no man shall be
able to gainsay, and thou shalt overcome by the blood of the Lamb and the
Word of your testimony, and love not your lives to the death! Forward! -March! It's the hour of your destiny!"

"Blessed are they which are called unto the Marriage Supper of the Lamb" (Rev.19:9).

"They shall enter into the Marriage Feast of My Beloved. For I rejoice in her, delight in her -- My **New Bride**, who hath oiled her lamps burning brightly and who doth lighten this world in its lost dark hour." Hallelujah!

So I don't care what the Hell anyone calls me as long as **He** calls me to that last great Wedding Feast. We used to say, "I don't care what you call me, as long as you call me to supper!" -- Well, that's the way we feel! I don't care what they call us, as long as we're called to that last great Supper of the Lamb as His Brides. -- When He will take us out of this old world for a little while, to a great Wedding Feast, the Grand Homecoming Party, the celebration of the victory, as we then prepare to return for the battle to take over this world. Thank You Jesus! (1Th.4:16-18; Rev.1:7; Mt.24:29-31; Rev.19:7-9).

God bless you all and keep you busy for Him until we celebrate our Wedding with Him, when He comes to take us, His Bride, to our Marriage Feast of the Lamb in Heaven! -- "When we all get to Heaven, what a day of rejoicing that will be! When we all see Jesus, we'll sing and shout the victory!" -- "Let us be glad and rejoice, for the Marriage of the Lamb is come, and His wife hath made herself ready!" (Rev.19:6,7).

"Lo, the Rebellion of David echoes 'round the world!"

You don't realize what you're watching, but I can feel it by the Spirit of God! It's an absolute Revolution! -- A Revolution! -- And things will never be the same again! -- God said our little pebble would roll and gather momentum until it snowballed into a mountain! -- Our little flame would be fanned into a forest fire that would sweep the nations! -- Our wave would wash the shores of the world! -- And it's **happening!** -- It's a lightning war of the soul for the souls of men! And we're **winning** it, praise His Name! And we've hardly begun to fight yet! -- God has filled us with the dynamite of His Spirit and lit the fuse and blown us clear around the world in an explosion that's being heard everywhere and is going to keep Christian zealots on fire till Jesus comes!

We're the mighty army of Christian soldiers fighting a relentless war for the Truth and Love of God, against the confusion of Babylon, the anti-God, anti-Christ Systems of this world! We are the main religious bomb of the century, and probably for the end of the world! -- It's an explosion that's gonna shock this world off its Hell-bent course, and let 'em know there's some real Christians left in this Universe, just like Christ and His disciples! - And even more so, for "greater works than these shall ye do!" (Jn.14:12). Hallelujah!

No one can continue to keep pouring out to others without spending some time alone with the Lord getting filled up again!

Every great man and woman of God I ever knew had to get away from the mob in order to get alone with God, to be inspired, to receive the revelation of His plans, and to be both spiritually and physically refreshed, so they could continue their ministry to others! -- Even the Lord Himself frequently had to get away from it all and take His disciples up into the mountains or out to sea or on a private visit to friends, for a spiritual retreat, rest, recuperation and inspiration -- sometimes even all alone!

(Vision:) Everybody under the dome, they are all looking up like they expect something. People are running around out in the wings, like they're busy in the **service** of the King; but the people here under the central dome just stand there **quietly** and **look up**, bathed in that beautiful golden glow from above. -- If you don't move in here and get a little of His light, you're not going to reflect much, or catch more of it to pass on to others.

I'm all empty like a bottle that's all poured out, but He keeps filling me up again! You know, the bottle has to hold still and be real quiet to get filled up! -- Help us, Lord, to be filled to overflowing by Thy Spirit, so that we may have not only enough for ourselves, but enough for many others as well.

"Anywhere with <u>Jesus</u> you can safely go, anywhere <u>He</u> leads you, in this world of woe!"

The Lord promised He would be with us to the ends of the Earth -"even unto the end of the world!" (Mt.28:20). -- But before you go anywhere,
be sure you pray desperately and find God's will for yourself! -- Only God
knows the best place for you. -- Ask the Lord to guide every step, every
move, every direction. -- And He will never fail! He'll always do His part
faster than you can do yours! He'll always be ten jumps ahead of you!
"When He putteth forth His sheep, He goeth before them" (Jn.10:4). He
knows what's ahead, and He's leading! All we have to do is follow!

God may give you your choice, but He alone knows what's best, so you'd better ask Him to find out where He wants you! -- Then follow His leadings -- as He is the One Who can do the miracles, and use us to perform His will. -- Are you ready? Are you able? God is waiting for you, and more willing to give than we are to receive! He'll provide, and make away.

"If Jesus goes with me I'll go anywhere. 'Tis Heaven to me where e're I may be, if He is there! I count it a privilege here, my cross to bear; If Jesus goes with me I'll go anywhere!" -- If **Jesus** goes with you, you can go **anywhere**! -- He always makes a way, if we'll obey and do it His way! Hallelujah!

Isn't it wonderful to trust the Lord!

Faith in God, trust in God, gives you a feeling rest of body, peace of mind, contentment of heart and spiritual well-being. -- When we know that God loves us, we know everything is going to be okay, including His taking care of everything! -- Then you have peace of mind and you can just rest in the Lord.

But worry can kill you. "Fear hath torment" (1Jn.4:18). -- Fear is the killer! You can worry yourself sick, worry yourself to death! -- This is why faith in Christ and His Word is the greatest cure that you could possibly have. Faith is the opposite of fear, and when you have faith, you cannot fear. -- You either have one or the other, and if fear displaces faith, then you've got problems. But if you cling to God and the Lord and His Word, and replace fear with faith, then you've got solutions! -- So rest your case with Him -- He never fails, and if you truly trust Him, He'll see you through.

Help us not to worry, Lord, because we trust <u>You</u>, and we keep our mind stayed on <u>You</u>, and <u>You</u> keep us in perfect peace. We know You're going to handle everything, Lord, and You know what's best to do, and we know that You're in control, Lord. -- "Safe in the arms of Jesus, safe on His gentle breast. Here no fears alarm me, here can my soul find rest."



Thou shalt treasure the seeds in thy secret parts that they may bring forth fruit in thee from Me!

Isn't it wonderful to have God's Word for it, for our encouragement! I hope you are brainwashing yourselves with it constantly and absorbing it into the very fiber of your being, for it is His Word by His Spirit in His Love that makes you strong! Please do not neglect it, for it is food for your soul and gives you strength for the battle! Even getting <u>out</u> the lit is not as important as getting <u>into</u> the lit yourself first! We need to get the Words <u>in</u> as well as <u>out</u>! You'll never have the spiritual strength and stamina nor even the spirit that will sustain your bodily strength ... unless you yourself are drinking in the Word and being spiritually nourished and strengthened by it yourself first.

Even so with these epistles from me: if you are reading them, studying them, sharing them, praying over them and following the light of their truth, you will be melted together in His Love, blended together in His Truth, joined together as one body, fitly joined together according to His Word.

He is bound by His Word.

All things change except for Jesus: "I am the Lord: I change not." Except for His Word: "Forever oh Lord, Thy Word is settled in Heaven." And except for the future -- His promises to His Children. *These are* just as definite and certain as ... the law ... of gravity. He hath never failed us in one of all His good promises! Even though we are faithless, yet He remaineth faithful, He cannot deny Himself, and He cannot break His Word. Remind Him of it, cling to His Promises, memorize and quote them continually, and never doubt for a moment.

You have to quote the terms of the contract (the Bible) to the contract maker (God) and hold Him to it! The main thing is to know the Word; that's the contract and the Law. That's why you can claim it and command the Lord to fulfill His promises. "Prove me now herewith, saith the Lord, and see if I will not pour out such a blessing that there will not be room enough to hold it." You've only got His Word for it -- you've got to prove Him! You have to literally test it, you have to challenge God. The future is as bright as the promises of God!

God only uses broken men and women -- no others will do!

God has to break them, melt them, and mold them again in the hands of the Potter, to make them a better vessel ... so *they are* willing to go anywhere, anytime, and do anything, for anybody and be nobody, to please Him, and help others! Why don't we have more leaders. ... God can't break them fast enough! If you're willing to be what God wants you to be, not what you are, but what God wants you to be, then He can mightily use you! By the time God's ready to make you really great, He makes absolutely nothing out of you, so ... it's only Jesus! When He can get you out of the way, then He has a chance! When you become nothing but a tool and a channel -- nothing but a little diamond of dust, then God can really use you! He has to break you and humble you ... so that Jesus can live and think and move in you! The heart of stone had to be broken before the water could flow out to refresh the people.

Unless you have been broken, humbled, humiliated, and come to the end of yourself and have nothing left but God, God will never be able to use you as greatly as He would like. Did God make a mistake? -- Or is all this necessary to make us what we ought to be?

We may lose a few battles, but we're winning the war and the world will soon be ours for God and His Kingdom!

As in every war, there may be hazards and pitfalls and traps of the Enemy ... but we are going to be the final and glorious victors. The Devil can never win. We are an unbeatable foe. The Enemy just can't win for losing, and we just can't lose for winning no matter how hard either of us try, because God is on our side! Nothing can stop God or His Reign or all of His messengers, prophets and holy Children who are here to stay forever!

Stand strong in the power of His Spirit wielding accurately the Sword of His Spirit which is the Word of God, mighty to the tearing down of strongholds. This is why the Children of God are so much stronger than the children of this world: You know the Word, and none can stand against It! You have but to utter the Name of Jesus to fell all the demons of Hell, Oplexicon and Satan himself! All the forces of both heaven and Hell are in favor of David and his children!

We're getting the victory all the time ... we just have to keep fighting!

"For they that partake of these things have strength that ye know not of!"

You cannot do the Master's work without the Master's power! -- and to get it, you must spend time with the Master! We all need more quiet time alone with the Lord in rest and refilling, drinking at the Living Water of His Word and fellowshipping with Him in the Communion of prayer and the sweet lovemaking of the Spirit! "Take time to be holy" -- Wholly His and whole in body, mind and spirit! He can wipe away all your fears and tears with just one ... little restful moment in the peace, that perfect peace He gives when your mind is stayed on Him.

Rest in the Lord! Patience takes faith. Getting quiet before the Lord shows you have faith that God is going to handle the situation. That sweet rest is a sign of real faith, which brings patience. Cast thy burden upon the Lord and He shall sustain thee! Just roll it over on Jesus ... His shoulders are broad enough to carry any load. It's wonderful, it's thrilling when you realize that <u>you</u> don't have to do it!

Praise, all ye His children! Praise the Lord for His promises unto His Servant David.

They are better than gold and better than silver, the Words of Love that I speak to thee thru thy Father! For the Word, I have spoken it; and the Word, -- I have performed it; and the Word, -- I have fulfilled it; and I shall fulfill all the promises I have promised unto My Servant David if thou shalt be faithful. Not one thing shall fail from all of the good promises that I have given unto My Servant David! Not one word shall fail nor fall to the ground. For I am the Lord thy God, and true and faithful. Even so shall it be done unto thy Servant David ... and thou shalt share with him the Kingdom, and sit with him upon thrones judging all the tribes of Israel!

Take thy rest, because all ... that I have promised shall be thine ... according to the Word that I sware unto David. Be thou therefore encouraged and rest in the arms of David and all these things shall be brought to pass. Behold, I am Thy Father! I love My children! -- And thou shalt rest in Me and all these things shall be fulfilled!

Lord, inspire us to catch the vision of the great things You have in store for us because we are going to obey You.

The time is coming when we shall see Jesus face to face. The Sun is getting closer and closer and closer! It shines so brightly and so brilliantly we can hardly stand it! Till we're all suddenly ... all of a sudden ... we're like the Son! We're like the light, and we live in it! We become one with it! We're all part of the Light ... all part of the Light! "Oh what a day that shall be when thou shalt join with Me in My Kingdom to reign with Me forevermore. Thou shalt have such joy that thou hast never known and thou shalt see such glories that thou hast never seen, and thou shalt know that it has been worth it all." It just takes one little glimpse of Jesus to make it worth it all. O God, my eyes to behold Thy glory and my heart to receive Thy beauty and my body to know thy truth and my soul to feel Thy Love forever and ever and ever!

"O Jesus, Jesus, I want to go! But there are a whole lot of others we have to get first!

The real believers get excited and praise the Lord!

When Jesus said, "Roll ye away the stone," they said, "Wow! He's going to do what we can't do. He's going to raise the dead! We believe it, so let's get that stone out of the way quick! Let's make a way for the Lord, He's going to start working!" Praise is the voice of faith!

Don't just stand there: do something -- sing, shout, praise the Lord, quote scriptures! Hit him back -- the Devil that is! Keep your eyes upon the goal, and the victory in your soul. Always shout, never doubt!

Be excited with delight and the strength of the Lord and the almighty irresistible power of our God Who is with you and in Whose strength you stand unshakable, "unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord and in the power of His might!"

It's the fiery anointing that counts! If you'll just get on fire for God, the world will come out to see you burn! Burn free, beloved, burn free! Let nothing quench His fire and nothing shall!

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You're the only face He's got!

We're showing God to the world! They don't know what He's like! The only way they're going to know is by seeing God in <u>you</u>. People can only see God as we reflect Him. They can't look at God, 'cause He's too bright. People have got to see you, but they've got to see Jesus coming through you!

We have to show it in the flesh to illustrate it in the Spirit! The way to one's spirit is in a sense through his body, and we must manifest or show the love physically, so that they will know that we love their spirit -- that the Lord loves them! The Lord wants us to practice and demonstrate our love. I will show you my faith by my works. The works are the visible realm. The only Love of God they can see is the love they see in you, and if you don't show them the love they can see and feel, they're going to have a hard time believing that there is someone up there whom they don't know, and that He really loves them.

He has no hands but your hands and He has no lips but yours and He has no eyes but your eyes and no body but your own, for you are His Body, His Bride for whom He died that you might live and love others as He did ... for you.

<u>April 10</u>

It's free; it can only be received; but your works will show it!

Faith is a kind of drawing power! It is <u>you</u> drawing power from <u>God</u>! Faith is the hand of the Spirit which reaches out and receives. It is the part that <u>you</u> do -- <u>your</u> spiritual effort. Faith is something that is built by faithful study of God's Word. Faith comes -- it grows by hearing the Word of God. Faith is knowing! You're positive. You're certain. Faith <u>knows</u> God will do it! -- And He does! With faith, believing is seeing! Faith works on blind obedience. Those of faith resist the enemy, and he flees from them.

If you have it, you won't quit ... you won't doubt ... you won't fear ... you won't quail ... you won't retreat ... you won't surrender! Great faith still chooses God in spite of the other possibilities. Real faith endures the storm, real faith stands his ground when all else fails. Real faith never quits! Real faith will pay any price, suffer any sacrifice, die any death! Real faith can stand the test and go through -- the fire and still come out better than ever. Faith praises no matter what. Accepting faith through His Word is a work of God's Grace. So thank You Lord for faith, amen?

Man's extremity is God's opportunity!

God loves to do things contrary to natural expectation, because that takes a miracle, and that shows it's God, and not man! It takes an impossible situation for God to do a miracle! Like the three Children of God who went into the fiery furnace in Daniel 3 ... It looked like the end because into the furnace they went, but because of their faith and obedience, God was with them there too, and they came out without even the smell of smoke on them! Man says, "It's impossible! Tie up in port!" God says, "Launch out into the deep!" Man says, "Look at the waves! Look at the wind!" God says, "Look at Me! With Man it is impossible; with God, nothing shall be impossible!"

"Put thy hand in Mine, and trust Me, and believe Me for that which thy heart desirest!" When we obey the Lord, God will not fail us! He'll stick out His Hands a little further and we'll make the next trapeze!

Do you feel defeated and at wits' end corner? Turn to God! Are you at the end of your rope? -- Let go and let God! -- Just can't cope? Take God's dope! Your extremity is God's opportunity!

Let's keep the connection strong ...

The power's always on. The message is always there. God's Spirit is like a broadcasting station broadcasting all the time. You must learn to contact His power through prayer, a spiritual seeking of contact with His Spirit through obedience to the laws of His Word. The hand of faith turns the knob which makes the contact and throws the switch which turns on what little power you have. The hand of hope tunes with expectancy, feeling for the frequency upon which God is broadcasting, and suddenly His great broadcasting station booms in with tremendous positive volume and power and certainty -- and the messages come through loud and clear! If you've got an open channel and tune in, the Lord will fill you -- your mind, your heart, your ears, your eyes!

Without vision the people perish. How do you lose the vision? -- Somewhere there's been a break in the contact with the Source of Power ... direct personal contact, intimate contact with God, that direct personal hot line to God ... and/ or ... God's man. May God forbid that this should ever happen to any of us. Let's keep the connection strong with His Word and His Spirit, His Truth and His Love, in humility and obedience.

This world is not our home.

We're Gospel Gypsies, having here no certain resting place! We are Pilgrims and Strangers here in many strange lands! We're only here to sow the seed and reap the harvest and then be on our way! We're justa passin' through! We're on our way somewhere! All God's Children of faith since the beginning of time have been looking for an unseen world, "a City which hath foundations," Eternal Foundations, "whose Builder and Maker is God!"

"Lift up thine eyes and raise thine heart and cling to thy faith and thou shalt live forever with Me in My Father's House in which there are many mansions. I shall be with thee always, world without end!" I'm going home to be with Jesus. I'm going home forever! You can only stay at His home forever. Heaven is my home! Earth is my footstool, a mere stepping stone to all the glories of God!

So don't let all these nagging little details get your minds and hearts off the end of the road! We'll hit the road again and keep on rolling and nothing can stop us till we've reached the End and that Heavenly City with its Space King Who makes it worth it all!

The family that prays together stays together!

Remember: One can chase a thousand, but <u>two</u> can put ten thousand to flight. "Where <u>two</u> or three are gathered together in My Name, there am I in the midst of them." And, "That if any <u>two</u> of you shall agree on earth as touching anything that they shall ask, it shall be done for them of my Father which is in Heaven." So there is great power in united prayer together.

When you pray together as a group *it is* a time to unite your hearts together before the Lord. Getting our hearts together in unity *shows that* ... we believe as one. Everybody has to be united and pulling together! The Lord said they had to <u>all</u> be there on Pentecost! There's just some. thing about unity! It's like lovemaking: The more you pump together in the Power of the Spirit, the more you are freed from the impotency and frigidity and deadness of Darkness; and the final spurts of the Spirit in the Power of the Pillar make you one! -- And this causes you to bear fruit: The Children of Light!

If you've missed a trip into the temple of His Spirit today in fellowship with all the other crystals, you really missed something!

<u>April 15</u>

They that bear the cross shall wear the crown and Thou shalt be their reward.

The job God has given you to do for Him is your cross. The crown is your reward, given only to winners. Though many run the race, only a few can win the glory for the most excellent service to attain an imperishable crown and eternal rewards! The greatest crowns will ... go to those who are the most ... loyal, faithful and obedient.

The martyr expects and wants to die for the cause as a witness. He'll pay any price, go any length, suffer any agony, make any sacrifice, "till death do us part" to obtain the crown. But some people weaken just before that final hour. They quit too soon. That was Esau's sin -- he gave up too easy. He despised his birthright and settled for something he could see and easily believe, rather than something he couldn't see and had to have great faith for.

He's coming soon! Hang on! Don't let someone else get your reward! Be faithful unto the End. If you will help win the battle, you'll strengthen and help hold up others in the Temple of His Body -- The True Church! He that endureth to the end -- to him will I give a Crown of Life!

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

We know that God does not fail and will never let us down if we are trusting and obeying Him and operating according to His Will and what He knows is best. If you obey what God wants you to do, then He will show you more truth ... and step by step, as you follow Him, He shows you more and more. Your obedience in doing what God tells you to do shows your faith that God is going to do the rest, what you can't do. You can't obey without trusting and you can't trust without obeying, it's a two -- way street. God likes the kind of faith that when there is a choice, when there is a decision, when there is an alternative, the great faith still chooses God in spite of the other possibilities. Faith and obedience come first, then God answers prayer.

That's the walk of faith. No matter how dark the night, even if you can't see ahead, just put your hand into the Hand of God -- "Put thy hand into the Hand of God, and He shall be more to thee than a light and better than a known way! "

<u>April 17</u>

Fill up your heart and you won't have any trouble knowing what to say -- or what to do.

Out of the fullness of the heart, the mouth speaketh. Stop -- and look -- and listen -- or you'll get run over by all the cares of this life -- instead of running over with His Truth, His Love and His Joy! Fill your mind and heart with positive, encouraging, strengthening and faith -- building thoughts from His Word. Come from the very presence of God speaking as the oracles of God, from a full heart.

You've got to have it in before you can give it out! You gotta make a hole before you can fill it up! He likes to fill every place that's made for Him -- every place where you open up your heart, your spirit ... His Spirit will flow in, in all his Power! The Lord will fill you -- your mind, your heart, your ears, your eyes!

For I am He that filleth all things, to pour out upon the thirsty ground, to beautify the lowly life, to heal the ragged wounds, to enlighten the darkened minds, to bring Grace and Beauty and Wisdom. Without Me ye can do nothing!

<u>April 18</u>

Out of what seems like defeat come some of Thy greatest victories!

It's a lie that Adam and Eve were closer to God when they were living in the Garden! They weren't driven <u>from</u> the presence of the Lord, they were driven <u>into</u> the presence of God to know Him in a way they'd never known Him before! They were driven out of the <u>Garden</u> into a position where they had to get closer to the <u>Lord</u>. God's way <u>up</u> is <u>down</u>!

Tho' they stumble, they will not fall. (As though every stumble is a fall upward. We learn lessons from it.) Some of the most precious lessons you learn from the Lord come out of deep dark experiences. Tribulation worketh patience because it compels you to trust the Lord -- to have faith in God for the outcome!

The bird whose pinion was once broken, by the grace of God, will fly even higher than before, and the straying sheep whose leg had to be broken will have to remain in the Shepherd's bosom so long he will never stray again! So who knows the will of God? All we can do is believe His Promises and pray, and expect some kind of an answer. Sometimes these things happen to draw us much closer to the Lord to keep us humble and more dependent on Him.

<u>April 19</u>

Help us to be willing to do anything to lead thy people to victory!

We're sure not saved by our works, but if we're saved, we'll sure work like everything to give it to others, and it'll cost you everything! Everything that's worth anything costs something. If something's not worth dying for, it's not worth living for.

The martyr expects and wants to die for the cause. ... He dies daily and loves it. He suffers and rejoices in it. He'll ... pay any price, go any length, suffer any agony, make any sacrifice, "till death do us part" to obtain the crown. As King David once said, "I will not give unto the Lord that which hath cost me nothing!" It doesn't really count until it costs you something to give, and you give until it hurts, you are really sacrificing to give, and when you can say, "The Love of Christ constraineth me!" -- Jesus didn't go halfway to the cross for you, or almost all the way, but He went <u>all</u> the way and gave all His life for you! How much are you willing to give for others?

Thank you, Lord, for forgiving us for all our sins and being such a loving Father!

"I have loved thee with an everlasting love that shall never be taken away from thee." For though thy sins be as scarlet they shall be as wool and though they be red like crimson, they shall be white as snow! (The picture is of bloodstains in the snow -- and on the wool of a little lamb there was a bloodstain. The Lord heals the wounds and makes white again. He sends fresh snow to cover the bloodstains on the ground and new wool to cover the scars. It is not that the wound was never there, but He helps and covers it.) "The blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanseth us from all our sins!" ... purges us from all our iniquities. God sees nothing but the blood of Jesus Christ and the blood washed soul. Thank you Lord that your blood cleanses us from all sin. Past sin, Lord, sin now and sin hereafter -- all sin, by faith.

Your kisses, Jesus ... kiss away their hurts and their diseases! Kiss them all away, Jesus! Cleanse and purify by the sweet pure water of Thy Word, delivered by the Rock, cleansed by the Word!

That Heavenly sound, can you hear it? Do you know what such ecstasy means?

Stop for a while ... and hear their music! -- Up there where all is perfection, perfect order and harmony and peace! It's as though it were all in perfect beautiful total silence -- but almost musical silence -- everything in absolute harmony! Tune in, turn on, and receive His dropouts ... His messages dropped out of the Heavens! The most beautiful music you've ever heard. You'll dance to His tunes ... and you'll know you're fulfilling His will -- the purpose for which you were created. It just totally renews you ... and gives you new vision, and fresh inspiration, new strength, rest and peace and joy!

Listen! You hear the music? Can you hear them? Singing and dancing, so pretty! The whole temple is dancing! The pillars are dancing, the people are dancing and singing. They clap their hands for joy! They shout to all the people and they sing unto God! In all my life there's nothing so pretty! Everything jumps in tune, flows in rhythm! There's a big shout of rejoicing ... a really, really big praise meeting! Everybody's happy, jumping up and down and dancing and whirling and singing and praising the Lord! What are they praising about? It's finished! It's all done, it's the victory!

<u>April 22</u>

The Lord cautions us that we're not to fear, constantly tells us not to fear but to have faith.

Fear is the opposite of faith, just as murmuring is the opposite of praise! Fear murmurs no matter what happens. Faith praises no matter what happens! Fear is the opposite of faith and without faith you can have no power. Almost the Devil's total power is in fear.

But the moment the Lord's children are tempted to fear, we immediately think of God and the fears vanish! Anything that is not of the Lord just vanishes! Let the light in! -- And the darkness will flee of itself! He can wipe away all your fears and tears with just one little restful moment in the peace, that perfect peace He gives when your mind is stayed on Him and Him alone because you trust Him. Both love and faith cast out all fear. You don't have to worry about the Enemy, or the Devil, or his power or anything else because he can't touch us because we have and love the Lord. We don't have to worry or fear Satan's power because we are protected by the power of the Holy Spirit, which is far greater than the power of the Enemy.

Faithful little one! How great is thy reward in Heaven!

Some people ... serve unselfishly, sacrificially, utterly giving themselves to the utmost and yet never getting the credit for it, and are virtually unknown! But God has a great big book, and it's known to Him, and He's writing it all down! And He'll reward everyone according to his works. What a surprise we're going to get when the Lord hands out the rewards -- as to who was really greatest. Many of these little ones ... are going to be so rewarded and shine so brightly with the purity of their humility. Most of your sufferings, your sacrifices, and your years of labor will never be appreciated in this life nor realized by others until the rewards are handed out in Heaven and the medals are pinned on at the Marriage Feast of the Lamb and the cities are distributed in the Millennium.

The low places shall be exalted -- he that is of a humble and contrite heart, in due time shall be highly exalted. Therefore "cast not away your confidence, which hath great recompense of reward. For ye have need of patience, that, after ye have done the will of God, ye might receive the promise."

The course of nations shall rest in thy hands.

One by one the prophets of God have exploded throughout the ages! Some were heeded and others ignored, but the blessings and cursings of God hinged on the people's reactions to them. His-story makes history! His Word and Man's reaction to it decide the course of world events. To some we are a cloud of refreshing and blessing; to others, a storm of destruction and cursing! We are ministering unto some, salvation, to others, damnation! "For thou art the peacemakers of the earth, and except they recognize Me as their King and their Prince of Peace, they shall have no peace!" Loss of faith by the people brings all this gloom and doom upon themselves for ignoring God and His warning words! Whether they will listen or not now, some day they'll remember that we warned them of their fate.

We are the time-keepers of this world and all Thy operations are geared to us, Lord. So, Lord, in a way You're really kind of waiting on us! So help us to do the job and get it done as soon as possible so You can wind things up.

<u>April 25</u>

You are no fool to give a life you cannot keep for a love you will never lose!

The gift of God is eternal life, but it cost Jesus His to give it to you and it'll probably cost you yours to live it! It costs us our life to mine the gold. We have to give our lives to Jesus to save them. We have to give our lives for Jesus to save them -- "And from the ground there blossoms red, Life that shall endless be!" From the blood of the martyrs and the blood of the witnesses there springs new life and new lives to live for God.

The bottle does not say unto its maker nor unto its drinker, it is enough! But the bottle gives and gives of its spirit until it's gone! Oh, so few have so much love for the Children of David to take half their life and give for those who never hear, like Pandita!

Are you a ... martyr, looking for a way up? God's way up is down! -- Down to self! -- Up to the victory of the cross and death to self for others! What greater witness can you give than to both live and die for Jesus?

We are in a war of the worlds!

Ours is a war of the universe between the good spirits of Heaven and the evil spirits of Hell contending for our souls as well as our bodies, not only on this earth but also in the spirit world. Ours is a war of the spirit in faith and love to win the minds and hearts and spirits and save the souls as well as the bodies of men!

The most important battles and cataclysmic changes occur behind the scenes, in the spirit world. What's happening on the surface is nothing but a little physical manifestation of the real action. Where the real action is is in the spirit world. They cannot destroy the LIE by destroying what the LIE has created, because the LIE is the spirit of Antichrist -- a spiritual force of evil that is invisible, but which has created the visible evil System. We have to shoot down the LIE by God's Spirit!

Love and Salvation are God's weapons to create life and save life. Destroy the lies with the flame of His mouth and the Words of His Truth! You have but to utter the name of Jesus to fell all the demons of Hell, Oplexicon and Satan himself!

Thank God for the rod of His correction!

God is a very just God and very merciful and loving. -- He deals with His children in such love and such longsuffering and such patience, but nevertheless firmly and sometimes drastically to humble them. -- He is a loving God, but He's also a very good Father and He knows how to give us chastisement for our mistakes. So He lowers the shepherd's rod on us that both saves and directs the sheep, and sometimes He may have to give us a whack with it to keep us on the right path or to turn us off of the wrong path.

And although God's spankings are sometimes hard to take, they're a token of His Love, His "intolerable compliment," and are good for us if we learn our lesson thereby and are thus brought into harmony and happiness with Him and each other. -- He often spanks us to make us really yield, to humble us and make us more obedient and more contrite and more yielded to His will.

"Therefore, forget not the exhortation which speaketh unto you as unto children, 'My son, despise not thou the chastening of the Lord, nor faint when thou art rebuked of Him,' for whom the Lord **loveth** He chasteneth and scourgeth every **son** whom He receiveth" (Heb.12:5,6) God's spankings are proofs He loves you! -- So thank the Lord for His chastening rod which we have all felt if we're sons. Thank You Lord! It's such a compliment to know that we're His children!

We're showing God to the world!

In a sense, God is not going to communicate with the world. Instead He'll communicate with His own children, and it's **our** job to communicate to the world, to reflect that Light to them, the Gospel. -- In winning people to the Lord, you have to inspire their faith in <u>you</u>, before they can believe <u>God</u>. <u>You</u> are their link with <u>God</u>. You are a priest of God to them and their mediator. -- A witness is the connector between God and the people. -- People must learn to love <u>you</u> first before they can learn to love your <u>God</u>!

They don't know what He's like. The only way they're going to know is by seeing God in you -- and that's not you! -- You are just to go there as an example of His Love, to show them a picture of the Love of God, like Jesus did. That was the main thing: Jesus' main message was His sample of Love! If you can show people that <u>love</u> exists, then they can believe that <u>God</u> exists, because God is Love! Praise the Lord! -- You must win their heart first before you can win their soul. -- You have to win them first, and then win them to the **Lord**.

So we must do whatever we do for the glory of God. Whether it be in word or in deed, it must glorify the Lord and His Love and show them that love, amen?

How wonderful He's been to me!

Because I truly hungered and thirsted after righteousness, He filled me -- and thrilled me -- and has set me up upon a rock, that I shall not be moved, and has put a song in my heart, and praise on my lips, and shown me a wonderful, wonderful vision of His world, and His Plan, and His Love!

How wonderful it is if you're the Lord's child! You see the good and you feel the good and you praise the Lord and are thankful. -- We have got more to be happy about than anybody else in the world! We have the happy Love of Jesus who takes all our burdens, carries all our cares, even lightens our sorrows; and even of our service to Him, He says that His yoke is easy and His burden is light. -- Thank God for the Family, thank God for the love, thank God for Salvation, thank God for His protection, thank God for His provision, thank God for everything, whatever God sends or lets the Devil bring! "All things work together for good to them that love the Lord!" -- We've got a lot to be thankful for, but we've still got a lot to do!

Having once met the Man who went about everywhere doing good ... how could we ever live selfishly again? "Freely ye have received, also freely give" ... and "unto whom much hath been given, of the same shall much be required!"

"Thou shalt be the source of everlasting bread and living water and those that seek thee shall find thee!"

I've got something that feeds my soul and strengthens my body and renews my mind and lifts my spirit and encourages my heart and purifies my whole being -- the refreshing water of the Word of God! -- How can I not comfort others with the comfort wherewith I myself am comforted?

The bottle asks only to be consumed, never to be replenished. It only asks to live its life that it may be poured out to others. That's all that I ask. For myself I ask nothing. But I want to give. I shall give and give until I am gone like an emptied bottle. -- I'm all empty like a bottle that's all poured out, but He keeps filling me up again!

"O Jesus! May I live and give my soul to them that are athirst and hunger after Thee. Would that they might know the love of their Father, and would that they would drink of the Words of His bosom as I have, that their thirst may be slaked and content! -- This is the desire of the heart of this one that loveth Thy Servant David -- the greatest desire: that I may pour forth the living waters in a voluble stream, that I may feed the hungry and quench them that are athirst!"



<u>May 1</u>

Take up that white-hot sword of the Spirit, which is the Word of God, and cut the Devil to the heart!

It's impossible to win a defensive warfare! To win a war you have to launch an attack -- you have to go on the offensive! You have to be positive! The attacking initiative is what wins a war! -- Let's declare war on the Evil One! Let's declare war on the Old Boy himself! Hit 'im back -- the Devil that is! Sock it to him with the Word! That's the way Jesus did it! He just quoted scriptures: "It is written!" The Devil ... can't take the Word! -- We're wielding the most powerful weapons the world has ever known ... love and the Spirit and the Word, and these three are one! -- The ultimate weapon!

Stand strong in the power of His Spirit wielding accurately the Sword of His Spirit which is the Word of God, mighty to the tearing down of strongholds! -- The Devil's spiritual stronghold in the hearts of men! That's our Battle! That's our Revolution! And it's one we can't lose! We're destined to win!

My God, give us fighters who like to fight for the Lord with the weapon of His Word ... conquering heroes that like to live and fight and die for Jesus and their brethren and the truth!

<u>May 2</u>

Thou shalt now be free from this former yoke of bondage and liberated to do My Will!

Just as God has His children, the Devil has his captives! -- They are slaves of the chains of conformity forged by their own hands! -- They are miserable, brokenhearted, wounded, bound, captives of their own passions and prisoners of their own shattered hopes and desires and limited human frailties. -- The Lord has to break the chains. They can't deliver themselves.

Forget not thy King, for He doth unlock thy bracelets and hath dropped the chains off thee. Forsake not His ways, for He hath the key, even the key of David! I have used the spirit of My David to unlock the prisons that have them bound. -- We enter a new world of freedom from the shackles of the flesh, into the vast and boundless universe of the Spirit! We are free, free, free! Thank God! Hallelujah! -- Free to do His Will, free to follow Him withersoever He leadeth, to abandon the boundaries of man for the boundless abundance of God! -- "For where the Spirit of the Lord is there is liberty" -- total and complete freedom from the bondage of the law into total and complete freedom of life and liberty through love!

David and his men are not bound, but free!

<u>May 3</u>

Give God all the credit all the time ... and He will never fail!

God hath chosen the foolish things of the world ... the weak things ... that no flesh should glory in His presence. -- That **He** might get all the glory! -- God is the only One who can do it. Then He wants you to praise and thank Him and glorify Him because He did it. 'Cause if you could do it, you could pat yourself on the back for it, and say, "Look how great we are!"

Don't for one moment give yourself the credit for one little thing you've done! -- One of the greatest dangers you have is to begin thinking it's you! -- "What hast thou that thou hast not received? Every good and perfect gift comes down from above." -- What makes you really great is the greatness <u>God</u> gives you -- the Spirit, the inspiration! -- Not by works that we have done, but by Thy mercy that all glory and praises be to Thy Name! -- It is God that gives us the strength and God that has done it all! Give Him all the glory!

Give Him all the glory for anything good about you, and yourself all the blame for anything bad! That's a pretty good rule, because it's usually right! -- Expect a miracle for the Glory of God!

<u>May 4</u>

This is why He put us here, this is what we're here to learn:

How to make the right decisions through our personal contact with Him, our knowledge of His Word and His Will, and our love for Him and others! -- Some of God's future is set, but within the range of that future God has many options, some of which we can change by our decisions. -- This is one of the mysteries of His Will and His Plan: that He hath bestowed upon each of us the immortal majesty of personal choice to do either good or evil.

Whatsoever you do in word or in deed, do all to the glory of God, and whatever glorifies God, that's what's right! Whatever's best for God and His Family is what's right! -- Does it bring forth good fruit? Is it good for you, others and His Kingdom, and does it bring forth good fruit for all? -- The rule of thumb is very simple..."Jesus and others, then you!"

God always chooses the best and what's best for us, the unbeatable choice! When you have learned ... to get His answer, you will have learned how to make decisions ... and you will have become truly one of God's leaders. "He gives the very best to them who leave the choices up to Him!"

<u>May 5</u>

Get out of yourself and into others!

Love prefers the happiness of others to your own. -- True happiness comes not in your personal pursuit for selfish pleasure and satisfaction, but in finding God and giving His life to others and bringing them happiness! Then happiness pursues and overtakes and overwhelms you personally without even seeking it for yourself! Look for someone to make them happy and then happiness will find you! -- Get so busy trying to make somebody else happy you can't help but be happy! -- Show them ... unselfish love and concern ... and they'll love you more than they ever loved anybody.

Let's get positive! Let's talk about the needs of others! -- Help us, Lord, to quit thinking about ourselves ... not to weep for ourselves but to weep for Thee and Thy work, Thy Children, and to get our eyes off ourselves!

The insane seldom think of others, they're usually only thinking of themselves ... and interested only in satisfying themselves. -- How insane are you?

(JOY) -- "Jesus and others, then you!

By the grace of God, we're going to put Him and His Family first!

<u>May 6</u>

Get out of yourself and get in the Spirit!

When Peter started looking at himself -- he started to sink! If you're down hearted and down cast, it's because you're looking down too much at the waves. -- It's 'cause you get your eyes on yourself instead of the Lord -- introspection instead of Heaven-spection! -- All the introspection, analyzing and agonizing are merely works of the flesh which will have to be repeated next week! -- You gotta keep your eyes on Jesus, because there's no other way to look but down and that's the Pit -- the dismal abyss of horrible nothingness. Hitch your wagon to His star and there'll be no stopping you! Weigh down the wagon with all the rocks the Devil would like to pile on -- and you'll sink for sure! Just roll 'em overboard and let 'em fall behind and you go on with the Lord!

Help us, Lord, to quit thinking about ourselves, but to get our eyes on You. None of us can stand the sight of ourselves. We're a mess and nothing without You, and only You can do it, if we just yield to You! -- Let's get positive! Let's talk about the Word! -- Let's take a look at Jesus! Look and live! Life for a look!

<u>May 7</u>

Look, and behold thou these days of Heaven upon earth and be thankful.

Even now, His invisible Heavenly Kingdom is already in operation and existence! It not only surrounds us, but it is within us. -- Jesus Himself preached that the Kingdom of God was already at hand even in His day, and ... taught that we were to seek it first, and pray that it should be on earth as it is in Heaven. -- Those of you looking for the Kingdom of God on earth will only find it within your own hearts and fellowship of the saints, the children of God -- Heaven on earth! -- His Kingdom's already here and you're it! -- It has already entered you, if you have Jesus and are filled with His Holy Spirit.

This is like a little bit of Heaven on earth, this sweet fellowship we have in love one for another right here. We are already enjoying a foretaste of Heaven on earth! We are living the way people are going to live, in love and sharing and sweetness and light and joy and praise and song and worship, during the Millennium. All this and Heaven too!

We have a Heaven on earth in our hearts, the Promised Land of His Kingdom within! Let's spread its glories abroad in the hearts of all children of men!

<u>May 8</u>

Hitch your wagon to His star and there will be no stopping you!

Somebody ... once said to an insignificant shoe clerk that he had led to the Lord, "Dwight L. Moody, there is no limit to what God can do with a man who is yielded and willing to do His Will!" Moody replied, "By the Grace of God ... I am determined to be that man!" And he was! He became one of the world's greatest evangelists, with tens of thousands of souls won for his crown. -- You cannot stop the man of faith!

The Lord really leaves a lot up to us and our concern and prayer. -- He gives us what we want and have faith for. -- He's more willing to give than we are to receive! -- God has unlimited capacity to give, and what you get is only limited by your own capacity to receive. -- There are an infinite variety of opportunities in God's Work: It only remains for a man to find and make them work!

I'm shooting for the stars and I want to hit the heights! I want God to do with us the most He can possibly do! -- What do you have a vision for? What do you yourself really expect God to do? What do you personally plan to do about it?

<u>May 9</u>

The Shepherd must feed of the elements of the earth to be satisfied and to satisfy His flock!

When I was little, it seemed like God talked to me through everything; the sky and the clouds and the stars; the sun, grass, flowers and the trees! I wanted to know what it meant; and God always told me! -- The Lord showed me so many spiritual truths about them ... I listened to the still small voice of God. -- Think how much God can show you from even a little beam of light, if you're just simple and child-like enough to appreciate it -- to look -- and listen!

Think of the years Abraham spent out in the fields watching flocks. No wonder he heard from the Lord; he had time to listen. Where did John the Baptist show up from -- the big city of Jerusalem? -- No, he came out of the desert -- out of the woods -- out of the wilderness! So he'd have time to get away from the mob and hear the Lord! -- On the mount alone you feel so close to the Lord!

What do you hear on the mountain? You hear things that are going to change the world. What do you hear in the stillness? Whispers that are going to change the course of history!

<u>May 10</u>

The Lashes of Love!

Chastisements are part of God's difficult compliments of His loving care and concern.

If there is a little sheep who is always straying away and being somewhat independent and rebellious, the shepherd often takes it and deliberately breaks one of its legs. Then he will have to give it extra care and carry it until the leg is healed. And after that, the lamb will never leave the shepherd's side!

Many are the afflictions of the righteous, but the Lord delivereth him out of them <u>all</u>, because this is one thing that helps keep us so righteous: our many afflictions. -- Sometimes these things happen to draw us closer to the Lord -- to keep us humble and more dependent on Him. -- But He says in Hebrews 12: "No chastening for the present seemeth to be joyous, but grievous: nevertheless afterward it yieldeth the peaceable fruit of righteousness unto them which are exercised thereby." -- Most of God's merciful judgments ... turn out to be blessings of chastisement to purge and purify His Children and bring a change for the better!

Whatever God does, He does it in love. He can give it or take it away, but whichever, He always does both in love. He never takes one thing away from you without giving you something better.

God always begins at the top with a man, a voice, somebody He can work through, a messenger.

He's always looking for a man to turn the hearts of the people ... a man to call them back up onto the wall of His work. -- Throughout all time, God has always required His People to follow and obey His chosen Mouthpiece, His Prophet, His man of God, His chosen Leader, Shepherd or King. -- God has always had His men of power for the hour -- His anointed one. Without them, God's work can't go on!

God has so seen fit and chosen for you a Voice and a Man through whom He speaks to give you the message which gives you the vision which creates the faith that gives you the courage ... *to* take the initiative.

I didn't choose to be your leader: <u>God</u> chose me! -- I merely obeyed! I said, "Lord, I'll follow -- show me the way! -- And He did, and it led straight into your hearts and you took me in! You opened your hearts and you took me in and received me as your Friend, and more, as your own beloved Father in the Lord, your Shepherd, whose voice you suddenly knew was yours, and followed, for it was the Lord's voice through me! -- They that love me most, follow closest!

You can pioneer something new every day if you pray!

God's law of progress is: If you don't keep on getting more you'll lose what you've got!

Have that driving motivation which makes you feel like you cannot stop, that you've got to keep on going even if it kills you! -- Ask God for His Love! ... That irresistible compassion which should motivate every child of God in everything they do. ... "The Love of Christ constraineth us!" -- Keep on doing more and more every day and progressing. Sit down at the end of the day and sum up and keep books with your soul and weigh up the accounts and say, "Now what did I do today that I won't have to do tomorrow ... what progress ... what more have I done than the usual things?"

You take care of what you have to take care of today, because He has given you the faith for today. -- It's today that you have to have faith for! -- Let's not worry about tomorrow, but let's do what we can do today, right now, today! Because look what God's going to do tomorrow! God's going to do mighty miracles tomorrow! He's going to do greater things than we ever imagined!

Today is the tomorrow we dreamed of yesterday!

<u>May 13</u>

We know what is true or false by the standards of God's Word.

The Word is our foundation, our guide, our standard, and the rod of measurement whereby we measure all things, even the words that God gives us today. It's the Bureau of Standards by which we measure all truth and all error!

When you begin to think and pray about God's answer ... what is the first thing the Holy Spirit always reminds you of? He always reminds you to look back to His Word! -- When I get a revelation, it comes like a quick flash -- a picture or something, and then I have to confirm it and see if it fits and if there is a precedent where such a thing could have happened before. -- Look for a similar situation in the Word, always look to the Word first. -- Check it with the Word ... measure it with the yardstick of the Scriptures ... weigh it in the balances ... check it out with the Department of Weights and Measures, the Bible. -- God can use Scripture any way He wants ... to apply it. -- You have to balance Scripture with Scripture.

In God's Word, you can find the answer to every question, every problem you will ever have in life. -- There's nothing like the Word!

Heaven is not the end: It's only the beginning!

In fact, according to the Bible, for us there isn't going to be an End! -- Eternity has no end! -- We shall rule and reign with Him ... eternally -- "I shall be with thee always, world without end!"

We are going to cover the earth with Crystals of God's Light as it slowly turns and enlightens the whole Universe with the Light of the Lord, until it enlightens even the Darkness! -- We'll circle the Globe in nothing flat and even visit other planets and stars and ride the whole range of the Universe -- And it won't take days or weeks or months or years, not even light years, but with the speed of thought! -- God only knows how much more we'll have to conquer after we've conquered the Earth and all the souls who have ever lived on it and all the problems! Who knows what other worlds we may have to conquer, what other universes we may yet have to learn to rule! -- And we'll enjoy every minute of it if we're faithful servants!

... till death do ye part! No, not even then will we part! Then we will be truly united! -- And we'll shake up the whole Universe with the praises of God! -- Like the angels, we'll fight on!

Prayer is powerful!

When we pray, things will happen and things will be different. God will answer prayer. You've got to get not only in prayer, but you've got to get in the Spirit. -- When you're strong in the Spirit, God will do anything for you! You're one with Him, and when this happens, you can command Him to do anything! -- If you are in tune, the Holy Spirit directs your prayer. If ... the Holy Spirit is absolutely in control, then it's automatically tuned in just right -- power, beam, direction, everything -- by the Lord's own computer, and it can't miss!

The whole structure of any house ... rests on these two key pillars: the will of God and the will of man. As long as they coordinate and are in line with each other ... it will stand firm. -- We pray in the Spirit and our prayers have more effect because we pray by the Spirit Himself, by His power, which is exactly what God wants in His Will in His own Spirit ... and God Himself gets the desired effect. -- Delight yourself in the Lord and want to do His Will. When we do, it is His delight to also give us the desires of our own hearts, because He's the One who puts them there when we're pleasing Him!

Please Him by praising Him!

God likes you to give Him a little honor. Praise is the voice of faith. The Lord loves praise: the High and the Holy One dwelleth in the praises of His people. The fragrance of the Lord is in the perfume of the praises of His children. -- As sweet smelling savor rise the prayers of the saints in the House of the Lord. He likes it. It's beautiful! He likes to smell our prayers like the fragrance of flowers. He takes a deep breath. Jesus smells our prayers like we smell flowers. He inhales them all! He just breathes them right in -- they're like His breath! -- "My soul hungereth after thee!" (Think of it! -- God needs us!) -- The Lord's trying to show us what we could be and what we ought to be like, and how beautiful we are to Him, and how smoothly and beautifully He'd like to see us operate, with that perfume ascending, and perfect communication!

Lift thy hearts unto Him in praise, and thank the Lord! Kiss the Son's mouth! Love Him with all thy heart! Love the words of His mouth unto thy utmost, even the Word that He hath sworn unto David!

Are you a hole full of praise? -- Are you a bottle of sweet prayers to Jesus?

The only way we are going to win this war is to fight it together!

Our spiritual Enemy is always looking for a weakness, a way to enter our defenses, and is casting fiery darts into the city of our fellowship trying to sow dissension, jealousy, covetousness, bickering and internal discord so we'll get so busy fighting among ourselves we won't even notice our walls of spiritual strength from the Lord are crumbling. -- "Divide and conquer!" is the Devil's own slogan!

Only in the folly of this world do men fight each other for fickle fame and fortune. -- We love the Lord and we're trying to work together for the best of His Kingdom. -- Not in competition with each other, but yoked together in love, pulling the load together. -- We are all in a Holy War together! -- Let's win it together so we can shout the victory together and greet God together in the end!

Only The Letters and the Lord can keep us unified and united in ideals, actions, spirit and goals! -- Only the cool winds and rains of God's purifying chastisements and the waters of His Word can smother the flames of disunity in His Love ... so we can unite against the Foe, save His own and fill the Earth with God's Light!

Our job is to reach the ends of the earth with the Gospel -- to get the Message of Love across. That's our job!

Our main motive should be to obey God and get the Message out, the Wonder Working Words to the waiting world! -- Witnessing His Wonder Working Words is our major task! -- We owe the Message of God and His life of Love to every man, but especially to them that will believe and receive it. -- We're more responsible to give them all God's Message than we are to win them, for only His Spirit can win them.

Let's roll that gold till we've "rolled gold" to all the world ... and we will reap an eternal golden harvest from the gold that rolled!

I have this faith, beloved, that what we are doing is obeying God and His commandment: "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature" and "forsake all" to do it, and God is going to bless us for it! -- Going is not an option! -- It's a commandment! -- By means of obedience ... we are conquering the world with love and shall continue to do so till Jesus comes, according to His own promises!

This is The End! We're their last chance, and we'd better make good what God has given! -- This year the world!

The music of the harp of David is going to bring the answer.

The Jesus Revolution was waged and souls won with our Music! -- Our songs of the Revolution are the outcry of youth today! Our songs are like the key of love which unlocks hearts to find a responsive chord that longs to harmonize with you! -- Music is the language of this generation and we speak it! -- Our music is the miracle which attracts so many to our message about the Man. -- Music to me is the miracle of this generation! It's the magic that heals their souls and wounded spirits and proves our messiahship that we are their saviors! -- The day of miracles is not past! Our God is still a God of miracles!

The new children sing a new song with a new hope in a new place! We shall sing our bright songs of the music that never dies but shall live in our hearts forever! They may live, too, if they will but listen and sing with us. -- "How oft have I told thee that the harp of David shall touch the heartstrings of many with thy love -- the love of the father for his children."

Music is our message! Music is our ministry! It'll live in their hearts forever -- by His Spirit!

Only God knows what He wants done, and only God can do it!

Only God is way out there in front and knows what's going to happen and is able to lead you. -- It's His business, His program, and His plan. We're His people, it's His world, it's His idea, and it's gotta be His whole leading, His decision. -- God works in mysterious ways, His wonders to perform -- and sometimes we're just swept along by His current!

Don't try to reason around with your own understanding. -- The worst thing in the world you can do is to keep on going when you don't know what to do. That was Saul's mistake. It absolutely lost him the Kingdom! Saul ... tried to do things in his own strength, and he found he wasn't strong enough! David learned you have to let God do everything -- and wait for Him! -- May we never make a move without hearing from God. Those who succeed are those who wait upon His Word, and those that fail are those who go ahead without it! -- The greatest things we can teach our new disciples and children -- and each new generation has to learn it for itself -- is to follow God and hear from Him fresh everyday!

There's no better way than God's way: Hear ye Him!

Love, Humility and Prayer solve all problems!

<u>LOVE</u>: God's answer ... has always been so simple, so childlike, so easy, that many could not even believe it! -- That the Love of God and each other could solve all of our problems. -- Love is not blind. -- It has an extra spiritual eye which sees the good and possibilities that others cannot see. God's Love is the answer to everything!

<u>HUMILITY</u>: The hardest words in the English language ... are "I was wrong." -- If I had not come to the place where I was willing to admit I was wrong ... and confess I needed help, that I needed an answer and solution to my problem, God would never have had the opportunity to do the miracle. That takes humility of the kind only God can give.

<u>PRAYER</u>: Take time to hear from God and He will take time to straighten out the problem. He can solve all your problems in one little glimpse! Everything God shows you always works out. -- God will give you the spiritual solutions while alone with Him that will just make the mountains melt away!

We thank You, Jesus! You solve everything!

In this whole world there is not a more thrilling sight than to see a soul saved!

Jesus walked miles out of His way in the heat of the day to love and win one wicked woman at a well! -- Though ninety-and-nine were in the fold, the Shepherd was not content until the last lost one was found and saved and rescued. -- "One immortal soul is worth all my love -- my body, my money, everything! I'd give her my life, you know? -- If I could just win her to Jesus -- and help her to know how much Jesus loves her!" -- If only once in our life we are life and joy to someone, it's worth it!

There was always a glorious presentation of gifts before the conquering king. We, God's victorious army, will lay at His feet -- the feet of the Conquering King -- gifts that the Lord is most pleased with -- the lives and hearts of men -- the souls that we have recaptured from the Enemy. -- You're going to reap ... eternal dividends in souls which are going to far surpass any sacrifice you could possibly make! -- Souls you help win to the Lord ... who will therefore be your friends forever in Heaven! -- There's only one thing from this life you can take with you -- the souls you win to the Lord!

Souls, not diamonds, are forever!

God's delays are not denials!

God ... answers prayer, but not always our way. -- It takes Him time to make a baby, a flower, a tree, a sunset -- or even a blade of grass. -- You can't rush God. You've got to wait till it's God's time -- until you have learned the lesson God is trying to teach you, or the conditions are ready for the result that God wants to bring. -- Like the man in the Bible who was blind from birth ... who had had to be blind all his life, so that everybody would know it, and so that Jesus could come along some day and marvelously heal him, that God might be glorified. It may take years before you know why, but the time will come, and you'll know God was right! -- Give God a chance! Give Him time! Wait on the Lord!

The greatest darkness is just before dawn, the greatest desperation is just before Salvation! The greatest hopelessness attacks just before rescue! If you can hold on one more breath, one more step, one more hour, one more day, you can have glorious victory! -- Never doubt for a moment that God is going to answer -- and He will! He has to! He wants to! Trust Him! And thank Him for the answer -- even if you don't see it immediately! -- You'll be glad you trusted Him tomorrow!

The Love Revolution has got to keep turning and changing and moving every minute with something new!

All things change, but they don't change once and for all! You may be the same person basically, but you've got to keep moving to stay alive and get anywhere! It may be the same message, but it's varied every day to suit the need and adapt to the situation ... day by day and moment by moment to have RPM -- movement! There must be this continual change; otherwise there would be stagnation.

Times and things and methods and we and God's new plans and ways are constantly changing and revoluting like a wheel speeding toward the goal of the new and leaving the old far behind. It's ... the ever -- revoluting revolution of God's Kingdom with its same basic rim of certain limitations and rules supported by us, the spokes, firmly embedded in the central Hub of God Himself and eternally turning on the axis of His Will, geared to the power of His Spirit through the transmission of His Son!

Are you moving with the white-hot fires of the Spirit of God? Keep moving, turning, changing, and revoluting every single day! And you will if you pray and ask God what to do today! There's plenty to keep us alive and moving until the Lord comes!

Faith praises no matter what happens!

Job ... had obviously lived a Godly life for many years, but it took the implosion of the power of God from without to put the pressure on by means of the afflictions of the Devil, before the power that was within exploded into a mighty atomic chain reaction of some of the most beautiful poetry in the Bible -- the Song of Suffering which has echoed down through the ages to encourage countless millions with its reverberations of faith, patience and praise in the midst of adversity. -- When everything goes wrong and seems contrary to the Word and the usual -- only those with great faith can say with Job, "even though He slay me, yet will I trust Him." -- Real gold -- no matter how hot the fire or how long the fire, how hot the test or how long it lasts -- will still come out gold -- even finer gold!

God has a purpose in everything, even if it is only to force us to exercise our faith ... and to demonstrate it for the encouragement of others ... to inspire the faith of others and to encourage their trust in the Lord. How can we be more than conquerors? -- By being good losers! -- and even praising God in our affliction. -- God gets His greatest victories out of seeming defeat, and He often brings them along the neglected path of praise! -- Praise is the Voice of Faith!

You never lose by giving!

God doesn't judge you by how much you give. He judges you by how much you've got left. -- Hoarded gold, withheld gold will make you poor! "He that withholdeth it tendeth to poverty, but he that scattereth abroad it increaseth!" -- The only way to keep the blessings flowing is to keep them pouring out as fast as you can!

The good Samaritan was really the Lord, and the innkeeper is His steward like you and me. And whatever we spend to rescue these people and save souls, He will more than repay! -- Let go and let God give through you and you'll soon find He'll give you more through others!

With us, it's not "your money or your life!" -- but both! -- everything you've got! That's what God expects! That's what He gave! And that's what He expects of you and all of us! And for which He gives everything in return and a whole lot more! All this and Heaven too! 100-fold in this life and in the world to come, Life Eternal! You can't outgive God! It's impossible to make a sacrifice for Him! He'll top it in return every time!

The richest people in the world in God's Kingdom are going to be those who share the most, and He will heap on them more than they can hold!

Beloved, pray for His children!

You'd be surprised how much God depends on your prayers, how concerned you are and how interested you are. -- The Lord leaves a lot up to us: If we stir ourselves then God will stir Himself. An awful lot depends on us, our faith and our prayers. -- When we pray, things will happen and things will be different. God will answer prayer.

But there must be them which cry out unto Him in agony of supplication for those that are in need. The prophets of God must pray the word of the Lord for them which are in need. The children of God must agonize for His little ones! They must pray! They must pray ... that God will save them -- that Jesus will love and take to His bosom and forgive for their sins and have mercy on them and give them a new life, another chance.

I've wept for presidents, I've wept for kings, I've wept for this Family, I've wept for other people. -- I shed my tears for them like Jesus shed His blood. I cry for them and Jesus sees my tears and helps them. My tears reach God's ears in the big hall ... in Heaven! Will you pray for all the souls? They need our prayers!

True repentance is not just being sorry:

It is "metanoia," Greek for a complete change of mind and heart and direction -- a whole new man -- a new personality -- a new creature in Christ Jesus -- born again! Only God can do it, but we must be willing and yielded to Him and make the decision that we want to be delivered without reservations!

We must put forth the effort of a believing will. That spark of faith fans the flame. It's like God blowing on the little ember and bringing it back to life again! It comes so much through hearing the Word! As you begin to obey and follow God, and confess your sins and obey and with your last breath praise the Lord, God begins to strengthen and do His part! If you cry unto the Lord in this time of trial, in this time of Gethsemane, followed by this crucifixion, God will answer, and it will result in glorious resurrection which can surpass all your wildest dreams and is mightier and greater than anything you ever thought of!

The divine supernatural miraculous infinite marvelous Love of God is love enough to forgive! For to forgive is love -- divine Love! -- You must ask for forgiveness, but you must not dwell on your remorse!

"As they went, God healed." We've got to do the "wenting."

What everybody needs is love:

Love they have never known before, true love, sincere love, genuine love, the truly great love of their life, the Love of all loves, of the Lover of all lovers, who alone can satisfy that deepest yearning of every human soul for total love and complete understanding -- that deep hunger in the heart of Man for his Creator! -- The heart of Man is the same the world over! His longings, loves, hunger for God and His Truth, for joy and happiness and peace of mind are God-created and the same in men the world over! -- Man ... will never be happy with a heavy heart, a troubled mind, a discouraged spirit and an unsaved soul. -- The human soul ... can never be completely satisfied with anything but utter union with the great and loving Spirit that created it. Flesh can satisfy flesh, but only Spirit can satisfy spirit. -- Only Jesus, only Jesus, only He can satisfy.

Do you want the key to every heart? -- Try love! -- It never fails, because God is Love, and it's impossible for Him to fail! "Ah, sweet mystery of life, at last I have found thee! Ah, at last I've found the reason for it all! Ah, 'tis love and love alone the whole world yearns for!" Let's win the world with His Love!

You can have peace in the midst of storm -- calm in the eye of the hurricane.

A good building doesn't get up and run away! It's not blown away by the storm. It just sits tight until it blows over. -- People who live within God's Golden Gates of Faith can survive anything. -- Is yours a strong clean house founded on the Rock Christ Jesus? If so, you have nothing to fear! None of these things can move you! -- Trusting is a picture of complete rest, peace, and quiet of mind, heart and spirit. The secret of that calm and peace and rest and patience and faith is in resting in the Lord!

Those whose faith is only a proud pretense, will ... leap off the boat when they think it's about to sink! But the captives of faith would rather go down with the ship, if such be the Will of God, knowing God is able to raise it again, if need be! -- That's when your faith gets tested: In the midst of the storm! -- Real faith endures the storm:

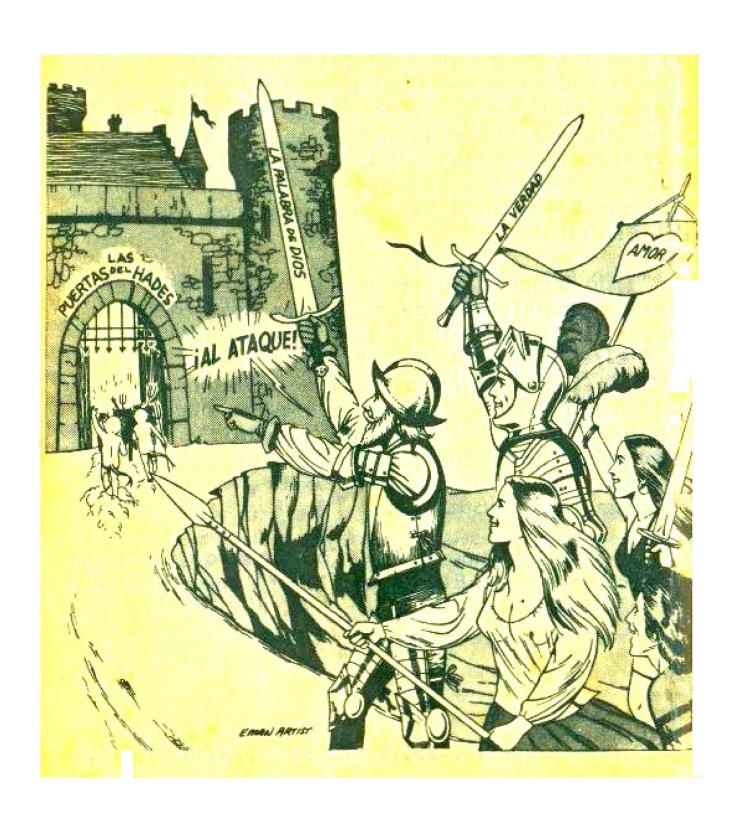
Face the storm unafraid and ride the wind and wave ... bold and brave and unafraid, with faith without fear, knowing that God is with you and the storm cannot overcome you -- knowing God will work it all out in the end because He always has and because He promised to!

If you're Heavenly minded, you'll get precious things out of those Heavenly mines!

The Lord puts them there, but we have to dig them out. He leaves some of the work up to you. -- It is like God owns the safe, but He gives man the combination whereby, if he'll put these numbers together by the hand of faith, he can unlock the treasures that the Lord has already stored there. -- When the Lord gives you something in the Spirit, and definitely applies a certain verse or scripture to you, it's . like a key that unlocks the door to the whole passage ... the corridor that leads to other doors of other Scriptures, which He opens to your view through the eyes of the Spirit!

They are better than gold and better than silver, the Words of Love that I speak to thee through thy father!" -- The Letters, along with the Bible, are ... "treasures both new and old." -- It is His guiding Word to you to help you know what's best. He likes you to seek it out and find it, so you yourself will know it's right when you do it without a doubt! -- Dig the Word!

There's no end to God's good gold! -- The mine is full of it! -- It's there -- but He's waiting for you!



"Receive and believe, and My Words shall take root in thy heart and bring forth fruit unto Me!

The Word, the life-giving seed, if received in your heart ... will bring forth life and fruit and all the things God wants! -- If you have the Word of God in your heart it brings you love and life!

Those who receive His Word will be glad and rejoice and be happy and explode in an orgasm of love! -- The seed of the Word of God, when conceived in responsive hearts, brings forth fruit, newborn babes into the Kingdom of God! Insert the seed in receptive soil, the Body of His Bride ... the true Church ... the genuine believers, receivers, repenters ... and doers of His Words! These are they, conceived by the spirts of the Spirit-filled seeds of His Words in the womb of the Body of His Bride to bear Him children! Drop that little seed of the truth of God's Word into that empty hole of an empty heart, then cover it up with the loving warmth of God's Love and trust God's Spirit, God's great warm loving sunshine of His Love and the water of His Word, to bring forth the miracle of new life!

Are you loving and sharing and wooing and sowing and conceiving with the seed that brings life?

Continue to be faithful -- full of faith and love in Jesus!

The most important thing in our service to the Lord, the most important thing in the world for us, the most important thing to the Lord, is our faithfulness! -- "One thing is required of a servant," as Paul says, "and that is that he be faithful!" -- Faithful, first of all to Jesus and His Work, and to the others to whom you minister.

If you will continue to be faithful to God's Work ... God will be faithful to you. -- The Lord, your employer, may not always pay you in cold cash, but He rewards you in many other ways! -- You can look forward to eternal rewards and everlasting glory ... genuine permanent accomplishment from a lifetime of investment in His Work that will reap eternal dividends hereafter!

If you have real faith you'll keep on going for God even if it kills you!
-- The faithful people are people who are full of faith! -- They have faith and vision, and determination, and the spirit of do or die, and they wouldn't think of wavering! -- These are the ones who are faithful to the end, who attain unto the crown of life!

"Well done, thou good and faithful servant! Enter thou into the joy of thy Lord!" That's the call we all want to hear one of these days! -- And we will hear it if we're faithful!

Keep your eyes on Heaven! Keep your eyes upon the goal!

Moses endured as seeing Him which is invisible. Jesus endured for the Glory that was set before Him -- endured the Cross, seeing the Glory beyond. Abraham looked at his own body as good as dead, yet he staggered not through unbelief, but rather gave Glory to God, knowing that God was able to fulfill the eternal, invisible promises! -- You've got to keep your eyes ahead on the goal. By faith, by faith, by faith -- they looked ahead, they looked forward. Our sufferings aren't even worthy to be compared with the glory we're going to enjoy!

Eye hath not seen, and ear hath not heard, neither hath it entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for those that love Him! -- But the Spirit hath revealed them unto us! -- Only those who see with the eyes of faith in the realm of the Spirit shall see it! -- Set ... therefore your affections on the things ... which are above in the realm of the Spirit and the hearts of men -- the Kingdom of God!

The outlook for us in this world and our future here could hardly be any darker! -- But the uplook could hardly be any brighter or more glorious! -- For this time is but for a moment, and afterwards there is exceeding great reward!

"Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us."

Lord help us to be more loving, more forgiving, more patient, more kind to each other -- to have mercy as we want mercy, and to treat others in their errors as we want You to treat us in ours! -- Help us to forgive others the way we ourselves want to be forgiven. -- We're only going to be forgiven the way we forgive others and be shown the mercy that we show others. -- "For if ye forgive not men their trespasses, neither will your Father in Heaven forgive you your trespasses!"

If you can't forgive, you can't possibly have real love or humility ... or mercy, because love is forgiveness and mercy! For to <u>forgive</u> is <u>love</u> -- divine Love! That's all God does all the time -- forgive!

May the Lord help us to have ... such tender love -- to weep with them that weep, and pain with them that pain, and really lay down our lives for each other ... in longsuffering and meekness forgiving one another even as God for Christ's sake forgives us! -- The only way we can be patient with others is to know what a hopeless case we are ourselves! -- Confess what a helluva mess you made along the same line, weep a little, cry a little, sympathize a little, and put your arms around each other, forgive each other, and try again.

Only the Spirit brings life!

Only the miracle-working power of the Holy Spirit of God can ... cause us to be born again as new creatures, new citizens of the Kingdom of God! -- The Spirit is Love -- the power of Love! It brings life when there's death. It even creates life! -- He makes the difference between lifeless clay and the alive, pulsating energetic body of a human being! It's the breath of God, the anointing and power of God,, that makes the difference! -- The spire of His inspiration causes a spiritual orgasm which fills you with His Spirit in spurts of the Word of God! His Spirit gives His Bride the strength to conceive from the seeds of His Word and bear children unto God -- the children of God!

We are His candle -- dead without His Oil of the Spirit ... and the ignition of His Power. The greatest concern of the Heavenly Hands which tend and protect the flame ... is the supply of oil in the candle itself which is constantly in need of replenishing by the Hand of the Candlemaker and Keeper of the flame. -- You can't do it without Him, beloved. You'll never make it without His power! -- Just open up your heart and let the sunshine in! Every place you open your heart, your spirit, <u>His</u> Spirit will flow in in all His Power.

Blessings come from suffering -- beauty for ashes!

Godly hurt, sacrifice and suffering to help others are good for us.

There's no crown without a cross, no testimony without a test, no triumph without a trial, no victory without a battle, no rose without a thorn.
It's going to cost something! As King David once said, "I will not give unto the Lord of that which hath cost me nothing!" You have to put something into it to get something out of it! You have to give to get; pour to receive; sow to reap; invest to profit; die to live; bury to resurrect! -- Having once begun the life of Love ... there is no stopping place, no limit and no end before the death of the cross. -- Jesus got hurt on the cross, but He did it willingly and He did it of His own desire to save us. So it may hurt sometimes, in a way, because it is a sacrifice, but it's a sacrifice of Love!

Sometimes ... we feel we have to harden our hearts in order to bear it! But rather, cast thy burden on the Lord and He shall sustain thee! -- "Blessed are they that mourn, for they shall be comforted." Blessed to mourn? More blessed to have problems and sorrows? Yes, because you will be comforted!

<u>June 7</u>

Why "labor for the meat which perisheth," when you can earn immortal souls that will be your friends forever?

You can't take it with you, these material riches of this Earth. -- They'll be burned along with it!

"Sell all that thou hast and give to the poor, and come follow Me," Jesus said to the rich young ruler, "And thou shalt have riches in Heaven!" True everlasting spiritual riches! Yet when Jesus gave him the answer of life and love and happiness in forsaking all for Jesus and others, he went away still full of the sorrow that riches bring. Rich as he was, he was still unable to pay the price of the joy of giving all!

David Livingstone, the wealthy British missionary who pioneered the jungles of Africa and died there on his knees, said, "I never made a sacrifice." Although he gave his life, he'll reap eternal life and dividends in immortal souls, thousands saved forever! -- You can't outgive God! -- It's impossible to make a sacrifice for Him! -- You're just going to be investing, and the dividends in souls are going to far surpass any sacrifice you could possibly make!

When this life is over and the angels beckon you ... if what you did was right, God will never forget it! You'll shine as the stars forever!

If you're too busy to get alone with God and pray, you're too busy!

There is nothing more important than finding out what God wants to tell you! -- You have to spend time with the Lord if you're going to get what God wants you to give! -- You can't do it without Him, beloved, you'll never make it without His power!

You must learn to make contact, personal contact with the power of God! The Lord wants you to draw on the Word -- not only the recorded Word, but also the Living Word. -- He's a Living God, a speaking God! -- One Who still loves His children, Who still speaks to them. You can hear from God every day. Every day should be a new day, a new experience, a new listening to the Voice of the Lord.

Ask the Lord by the supernatural, miraculous power of the Holy Spirit, to give you downright, outright, upright revelations, Heaven-right, straight from Him, to show you exactly what to do. Hear explicitly, specifically, the very voice of God, and do exactly what He says to do. -- Get your instructions from the Lord ... and you'll never go wrong! His plans never fail!

Are you too busy? Is your work too important to stop for a few minutes ... with the Lord?

<u>June 9</u>

Are you on God's channel?

God's Spirit is like a broadcasting station broadcasting all the time. All you have to do is throw the switch and tune in. -- If you love the Lord, what you receive from Him is good and ministers faith, joy, hope, love and praise. The vibes you get from the Lord are all good things.

But remember that not all voices are of God, and you must "try the spirits" to make sure that what you're hearing is of the Lord. -- The Devil is just like another station.' He deliberately tries to come right in on God's frequency and jam God's station with his false signals and false impulses! -- If it's not according to His Word or causes you to be discontented or bitter, dissatisfied or unhappy or critical of others -- these things are not of the Lord! -- If you're downhearted and cast down, it's because ... you've got your antenna pointed down towards Hell instead of up towards Heaven. If you point your antenna straight up ... all you'll get is God's channel!

You have to play it by ear -- and it better be <u>your</u> ear and the <u>Lord's</u> music! -- You have to keep in touch with Him, keep your spiritual radio on, and follow His directions! -- Stick up your little antenna and get the signals and follow! -- Turn on, tune in, and receive ... His messages dropped out of the Heavens!

Come let's set the world afire for God and enlighten the hearts of men everywhere!

Man's little day is coming to an end. -- Like a dying candle ... the lights of the world are soon to flicker out "and there shall be great darkness throughout the earth."

We're like little rays of light in this world that's so dark. -- We must keep on shining and lighting the world in the darkness. -- Don't ever think because there's so much darkness that it's no use to have just a little light, because even one candle can be seen a mile away when it's dark! The greater the darkness, the brighter the light! -- If you'll just get on fire for God, the world will come out to see you burn!

The darkness is all around and seems much larger than the light, yet it cannot overcome the light! It cannot put out the light because the darkness itself is destroyed by the light! -- Even if the Enemy shall pour water upon our fire, nothing can quench the fire of the Spirit of God, for it shall cause it to burn even more brightly -- until it enlightens even the darkness!

We shall set the world on fire by the power of His Spirit to burn away the wood, hay and stubble, the dross and the chaff, leaving only the gold and silver and precious jewels for His crown!

<u>June 11</u>

Our wave is going to wash the shores of every continent, and keep on rollin' till Jesus comes!

The Love Revolution has risen like a mighty ocean swell to a giant wave of witnessing which is sweeping the world like a gigantic ocean breaker, rolling across the countries and continents of the world until it thunders upon every shore ... and floods the world with the Gospel. -- The flood of the water of God's Truth rises -- mounting higher day by day, thundering in a mighty crescendo -- and shall cover the earth as the waters cover the seas.

Our little splash has started a tidal wave. We are with it! And the whole world is under it! The Glory of God surrounds us and all Heaven and Earth lie before us! -- Let the waves lift you up on your surfboard and ride right on top! -- The surfboard ... is the buoyant, exuberant, power of God that carries us high above the surface of the waters beneath, clearly visible to all, a living sample of the power of God and His ability ... to lift you on high in a thrilling joyous existence that can carry you to the very shores of Eternity! Let's hold hands till we reach the shore! Don't let anybody falter or fail! Hold His Hand and don't look at the waves!

Praise His Name forever! Aren't you glad you're riding it?

<u>June 12</u>

Your happiness and your health and your blessings in this life depend on your obedience to God!

When you obey the Lord, God will not fail you! -- But God tests you first to see if you'll obey, and then He can bless you! -- He helps you if you do your part and obey. -- Here's the connection between obedience and faith: it's virtually impossible to believe God for anything if you're disobedient. But if you know you're doing your best to please Him and obey Him you can expect almost anything! Obedience ... brings down the blessings and power of God.

But without obedience it's impossible to have faith. -- You can't have faith for God to bless you when you know you're not obeying Him. How can God bless disobedience? -- Salvation is your right, and you can demand it, but the special privileges of His service and these other things are a privilege, a blessing, and a reward and can be withdrawn from you at any time by the Lord. -- Blessings are ... not necessarily permanent unless you obey.

Obey the Lord and stay in the center of His Will and do what He wants you to do. -- He never fails in one of all His great promises -- if we keep the conditions and obey and are faithful! -- He always has a happy ending if we obey Him and do His Will!

If you do it the right way, the Devil will fight you!

You can be almost as sure as shootin' that the Enemy doesn't start shooting until you start charging into his territory and attacking him! Then he really starts socking you back! -- By the time the Enemy starts persecuting, it shows you have really gotten the message out! -- This proves you are prophets. You have attained the ranks of prophets when you receive persecution for your prophesying.

It's the <u>witness</u> the Devil fears! -- The Devil can't get you back once you're saved ... but he tries hard to keep you from serving God. -- If the Devil can't keep you from being a Christian, he'll try to keep you from being a Revolutionary Christian! -- If he can't destroy you, he'll try to destroy your testimony. -- And the more important you are to the Lord's service, the harder the battles are! -- The greater the Devil fights you!

We must really be accomplishing a lot for the Lord, or the Enemy wouldn't be fighting so hard! We must really be doing God's Will or the Devil wouldn't be so mad! -- We are the most powerful force of God and bear His truth, and Satan hates it but he cannot stop it. -- Let's keep him trembling! Keep praying and obeying and you'll shake him clear out of his boots one of these days!

Make a temple of your heart!

Jesus said, "The hour cometh and now is when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeketh such to worship Him." God wants people to worship Him ... right where they're at all the time, in their own hearts and their own spirits in the truth of God and His Word. -- You don't have to be in a church building or cathedral or some gorgeous material temple. All you have to do is get alone with the Lord! Ye are the temple of the Holy Ghost!

When you feel like you need to get closer to the Lord ... retreat ... into your heart or into the Word. -- Just open up your heart and let the sunshine in. -- He likes to whisper like a lover in your ear in soft, sweet tones. He likes to woo you ... with His tender, gentle, loving Voice, whispering in your heart.

If you live in the continual Heaven of His peace and joy, you get a lot of reward right now. You're already in Heaven in Spirit. The Kingdom of Heaven is within you, so great is that reward of Heaven in your heart!

Oh, how beautiful it is to dwell in the house of the Lord and to enjoy the pleasures of His chambers forever!

He is our sun! We are His moon! We merely inflect His Light!

Christ Himself ... is likened unto the sun and His Bride the Church unto the moon, only reflecting His glory. -- Jesus is the Light of the world! Only in Him is there Light. -- Without the light of the sun we'd be in total darkness except for starlight, because even the moon wouldn't shine then! So ... without the Lord we would be in almost total spiritual darkness.

People ... can't look at God, 'cause He's too bright: He blinds them! They have to look at us to see God in our reflection of Him. -- The church reflects God's light over the entire earth like the moon reflects the light of the sun over the Earth. -- It gives the message. In a sense, God is not going to communicate with the world. Instead, He'll communicate with His own children, and it's our job to communicate to the world, to reflect that light to them, the Gospel.

Where should we reflect the light the most? When does the moon shine brightest? -- At night when the sun is out of sight and the world can't see the sun, we must keep on shining and lighting the world in the darkness, reflecting His light! -- So, "Let your light so shine before men that they may see your good works and glorify your Father which is in Heaven."

That's why we have so many victories: We have so many battles.

God ... in the refining fires of His trials and testings ... puts you under the fire and He brings you to a boil. -- He puts you through the fire to burn out the dross; and through the storm, to blow away the chaff; and through deep waters, so you can learn to swim. -- The Lord keeps testing you with bigger battles, so that you grow and get stronger with every battle, and you win bigger victories all the time! -- As thy day, so shall thy strength be! God gives you power for the hour, grace for the trial! -- The more you win, the easier it gets, with His help.

You have to have a constant battle to have constant victory! -- It's a battle every day. The only way to get the victory is ... to keep fighting! -- There's no crown without a cross, there's no testimony without a test, there's no triumph without a trial and no victory without a battle. -- So keep fighting!

The only way we can be conquered is if we stop attacking. -- Keep fighting the enemy with the Word of God and your faith. Keep resisting the Enemy, keep raising up the standard of the Spirit, keep wielding the weapon of the Word, and you cannot lose if you keep fighting!

"All the prophets dreamed of your day!"

Now is the Endtime of which all the prophets spake! -- God has been working through the centuries preparing us for this day! -- We are God's last Church, the last step in God's progress toward total freedom for His Church. -- It is given unto you to enter into this final and glorious promised land of spiritual victory over the world and the possessing of the total Kingdom -- the Final Kingdom. -- You are His children upon whom the ends of the earth are come, and the heirs of these promises!

It is Christ that is working in you, and He is the same yesterday, today and forever and has only promised to do greater works in these Last Days through you because they will be needed to stem the tide of iniquity which is rising against His children. -- This is the fulfillment of all generations to prepare the way of the Lord and to make His paths straight for His coming! This task has been reserved for you, that they without you could not be made perfect! You are going to finish the job!

"Oh, how <u>they</u> would have loved to see what <u>thy</u> eyes have seen and to hear what <u>thou</u> hast heard and to know the things that <u>thou</u> wouldst know, and that <u>thou</u> hast heard from My Mouth and My Servant David!"

Pioneers must have vision -- vision to see what no one else can see!

Everyone that God has used throughout the history of the world has been anointed of God with ... that divine spark of inspiration which ignites the fuse that explodes the bomb of their accomplishments -- that special endowment of power from on High -- that special insight, foresight, and divine Wisdom that causes them to stand head and shoulders above their brethren! -- Men and women of ... unlimited vision refuse to believe that God is dead or even sick, and explode into all the world to preach the Gospel to every creature with every method possible!

The possibilities are as limitless as the Kingdom of God, as boundless as the needs of mankind! -- But somebody has to dream of it before it can happen! Somebody has to have the inspiration, the vision. -- There are an infinite variety of opportunities in God's Work: it only remains for a man to find and make them work! On the mountain with God you see the world in its proper perspective with range after range to be conquered and a world beyond the horizon of normal men!

I've got to have something I'm willing to die for -- something that could change the world, no matter what it costs! -- I've got to have a spiritual conviction! I've got to see it in the Spirit! What do you have a vision for?

<u>June 19</u>

Pioneers must have faith -- faith to believe things no one else believes!

Nearly all of the prophets and leaders of God throughout the Bible and past ages were thought to be nuts by the rest of the world. But the captives of faith ... are willing to die for the truth, they're so sure of it. They would rather die than stop trusting! -- Faith never stops trusting! -- When you take that stand of faith, you usually have to take it alone ... with no guarantee but God, no warranty but His Word.

With faith, believing is seeing! -- You're only going to see what you believe. -- A little mustard seed of faith can move mountains, but how many mountains fail to be moved for lack of that tiny seed of faith? -- You must be willing to act by faith on what God has shown you, or it could never happen!

"Faith is the substance of things hoped for." It's knowing God and that God is and that God is going to take care of you somehow, if you obey Him and do His Will and His Work. -- Real faith knows and it happens: it never fails! -- God is still the God of the faithful and the believing, and He's proven that it can still be done, that we can still do what He commanded us to do! God bless us with more faith!

Pioneers must have initiative -- initiative to be the first to try it!

One man's foresight, one man's sacrifice, one man's faithfulness ... can change the world. "Through one man's obedience many were made righteous!" -- But somebody has to decide to trust God. Somebody has to be the pioneer! Somebody has to be willing to take that first step of faith, to take the initiative because of the vision, and to take it alone, if need be, regardless of cost! -- We've got to do the obeying. We've got to do what we know God has told us to do! -- We have to take a step in the direction He said to go, to find out what He's going to do -- If we'll obey, He'll give us the faith! -- When we obey the Lord, God will not fail us!

Dare to be different. Venture to vary from the norm. -- The guys that stay put and never go anywhere, just like everybody else, never change anything, never make history! -- You never hear about the people who wait around to see if it can be done. You only hear about the people who either made it or died trying!

Man says, "It's impossible! Tie up in port!" God says, "Launch out into the deep!" Man says, "Look at the waves! Look at the wind!" God says, "Look at Me! With man it is impossible; with God, nothing shall be impossible!"

<u>- June 21</u>

Pioneers must have courage -- the guts to see it through!

It's amazing what <u>faith</u> can accomplish if you are really in tune with the Lord and you've got not only faith but a lot of gumption and get up and go! -- You've got to put some gumption into it! You've got to put some real "umph" into it! -- Triumph is 10% "try" and 90% "umph!"

Keep going for God! Keep believing and obeying no matter what happens! -- The martyr has ... determination and the spirit of do or die, and he wouldn't think of wavering! He is determined to go blindly on by faith alone, because he has found the truth! He is of one mind, one heart, one soul, one spirit, one purpose, and will not quit until he's made it! -- Maybe you haven't even begun to fight the ol' devil yet! Maybe you haven't yet resisted unto blood like Jesus did, even unto the death of the cross!

Jesus climbed ... Mount Calvary, Golgotha, and died alone for the sins of the world. That was a mountain that only He could climb for you and me - but He <u>made</u> it! -- Even though it killed Him, only three days later He rose in triumph from the tomb! Even death itself couldn't hold Him down!

Thank God for those that make it! -- They're what this Kingdom is made of!

I won't ask God why!

Don't question the ways of God! -- God loves to do things contrary to natural expectation, because that takes a miracle, and that shows it's God, and not man! -- Sometimes God does far-out and unorthodox, unconventional things just to test our faith and see if we'll still believe no matter what, like Job did! -- Whatever He wants to do, like He did with Job, it's our job not to murmur or complain but to just trust the Lord in spite of the tests and trials.

It is the Devil's business to give you these tests and trials to try to convince you that God doesn't love you and He doesn't answer prayer! The Lord lets the Enemy do it in order to test your faith and see how much you really love the Lord and what price you're willing to pay to serve Him!

The Devil can never win: The only way he can possibly get the victory is to persuade you to quit. -- If you have faith you won't quit; you'll be <u>tempted</u> to doubt, but you <u>won't</u> doubt! The Devil will try to scare you, but you won't fear. He'll try to bully you, but you won't surrender!

I will not doubt though all my ships come home with broken sails!

"If thou shalt seek unto Me, the Lord thy God, and Him only shalt thou serve, it shall be revealed unto thee the mysteries of the Kingdom of God!"

Many are called, but few are chosen! -- Because they've chosen to follow Him above all! When Jesus went up into the mountain, the only ones who had the priceless privilege of hearing the world's most famous sermon - the only ones who really heard from Heaven that day were ... the ones who followed Jesus all the way!

God wants your love first of all, He wants you to put Him first! -- The blessings don't precede obedience. -- You have to take a step in the direction He said to go, to find out what He's going to do. Because if you don't go, He can't show! If you don't obey, He can't make a way! If by faith you don't be, you'll never see! -- If you obey what God wants you to do, then He will show you more truth ... and step by step, as you follow Him, He shows you more and more.

"So shalt thou in the ecstasies of My Love see visions and revelations of the things that I have in store for thee, and shall hear the sweet promises of the future of things to come! -- Oh what wonders shalt thou yet behold as thou <u>doest</u> the words that I have given!"

If you really wanna knock the Devil for a loop, just start praising the Lord no matter what's happening!

The Devil can really tell you a lot of truth about yourself that's horrible, not to speak of the lies he tells you. The Devil wants to persuade you to quit by all this barrage of doubt and self pity! If we don't keep our eyes on the Lord and our mind on His Word, we're doomed to defeat, doubt, discouragement and final failure.

When you're discouraged, the Devil makes you mad at the truth because he's about to be defeated by it! -- If you listen to the Devil's lies, you even forget the Words of God! If you spend your time singing his dirges, you forget God's praises.

Rebuke the enemy in Jesus' name when he tempts You with negative thoughts. -- Start praising the Lord, and you'll often praise your way right out of the pit into which the Devil is trying to cast you! -- Don't just stand there: do something -- sing, shout, praise the Lord, quote Scriptures! Sock it to him with the Word! The Devil can't take the Word! He'll turn tail and run! -- The power of our punch is the Words! -- Darkness cannot stand the light and wrong cannot bear the right, and the big lie cannot tolerate the truth! -- It turns tail and runs!

"Behold, thou hast the words of eternal life, and there are no others to whom they can go for peace!"

We are God's one answer to the total Hell on Earth of today! -- We alone have the words of the kind of eternal life that Jesus means for People to live. -- There is a way. There is another life! -- We have the answer, and the only answer: the Love of God! The whole world is desperately waiting for our answer! We have the answer, we have the solution, we have the Truth, we know the way and we know God and only we can give Him to them! -- If they're not going to find it here, where are they going to find it? How can we turn anyone away who comes to us for help? To whom will they go? -- They'll die if we don't get to them first with the Love of Jesus!

"They wait to be kissed of My Spirit and they wait for the words of My David that shall interpret it for them. How many more will die without the words of their father? How many will ye let die without the words of their father? Behold, how many will die without the words of their father!"

"Oh Jesus, that Thou wouldst help them to find the words that Thou hast given unto David, that they may have life!"

There's Power in His Name!

Some people ask, "Why can't you just leave Jesus out of it? Why do you have to use that Name? -- Why can't you just say God, and speak of God's Love and do it in <u>His</u> Name?" "Well," I usually reply, "these are <u>God's</u> conditions!"

Jesus is the One you have to approach God through, our Intercessor, our High Priest. Jesus is the only One who ever rose from the dead and can give you power to do the same! His Name stands for something, and neither is there Salvation in any other Name! We're to pray in His Name, heal in His Name, cast out devils in His Name, baptize in His Name, preach His Name! -- Without that Name there is no power! Everything we have is in Jesus' name! "Whatsoever ye ask the Father in My Name (Jesus), He will give it you!" -- Expect miracles! -- And in Jesus' name you'll get them!

Look how much emphasis the early disciples in the Book of Acts put on the Name of Jesus! That's all they preached and talked about -- Jesus! And that's the Name they did all those miracles in -- Jesus! And that's the Name they won the world in -- Jesus! And that's the only Name we'll win it in too -- Jesus! It's Jesus that counts!

All you have to do is follow Jesus!

God always knows best, even when we don't know what we're doing. As long as we're obeying Him and following Him, He'll lead the way and we'll soon see where we're going, just like the sheep with their shepherd. -- True disciples are the little sheep who hear His Voice and follow Him all the way. -- Stay close to Him and He'll never fail you. -- He knows what's ahead! -- He knows where the green pastures are, and where the mountain passes are, and where the cool waters flow! He knows where the folds are, where you'll be safe and secure. He also knows the danger spots, and you'd better stay close to Him!

You shouldn't make a move unless you follow the guidance of the hand of God. -- You cannot look to your own wisdom, you cannot rest in your own understanding, you must look for the supernatural miraculous and powerful leading and guidance of the hand of God! -- If you follow the Lord, you'll never go wrong. He's right out there with you, and He knows exactly what to do. -- Don't try to rush ahead of Him to show Him the way you want Him to go! -- He's the One Who has got to lead because only He can! So for God's sake, follow God!

Lord, I'll follow -- show me the way!

We abide under the shadow of the Almighty!

What wonderful security God's Kingdom has! -- We can always call on the Lord and through Him have power over everything. -- The Lord's child, if he is in the Spirit, will be in tune with His protective power and under the shelter of His wings. We don't have to worry or fear Satan's power because we are protected by the power of the Holy Spirit, which is far greater than the power of the Enemy. The Lord's protection is just like a force field around us ... like an aura, a special kind of glory that protects us ... and the Enemy cannot penetrate it!

"Abide under the shadow of the Almighty in the secret place! Abide under the brilliance, under the Light underneath." God is overshadowing, but with Light! "Abide under the shadow of the Almighty!" -- "He that dwelleth in the secret place of the Most High, shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty!" No darkness in that shadow! This shadow is Light!

We fly to Thee, Lord, Thou art our shadow in time of trouble. -- We have no other Savior, no other Refuge but Thee! -- We rest in You, Lord, we sleep in Thee, in the hollow of Thy arms, Thy hands, under Thy wings, Thy secret place. We are overshadowed, we are enveloped. -- Your arms are about us, and we are one.

It's the hour of your destiny!

God's chosen vessels fit for the Master's use all have had that divine supernatural fire of genius which burned like a flame, that dynamic force which spurred them on even in spite of themselves. It is a power of God which is almost uncontrollable! You feel you've just got to explode, to somehow fulfill your destiny, that there's something important that you're supposed to do, and You've just got to find it!

After years in the making, preparation, and planning, you may only be a brief flare which lights up the landscape for but a moment in the heat of battle, that the victory may be won! -- But that lifetime of preparation is worth it all even if for only that "moment of truth" and recognition by the Lord -- that moment of usefulness that you were designed for. -- And you'll have the perfect peace of knowing you're in the Will of God -- the kind of peace you can have in the midst of storm -- or even at the stake -- that "joy unspeakable and full of glory," of knowing you're doing the Will of God and accomplishing His purpose.

Watch and pray that ye enter not into temptation that might lead you astray from the straight and narrow way which leads to a higher crown and greater rewards! -- Battle according to His signals -- His directions -- and you'll know you're fulfilling His Will -- the purpose for which you were created!

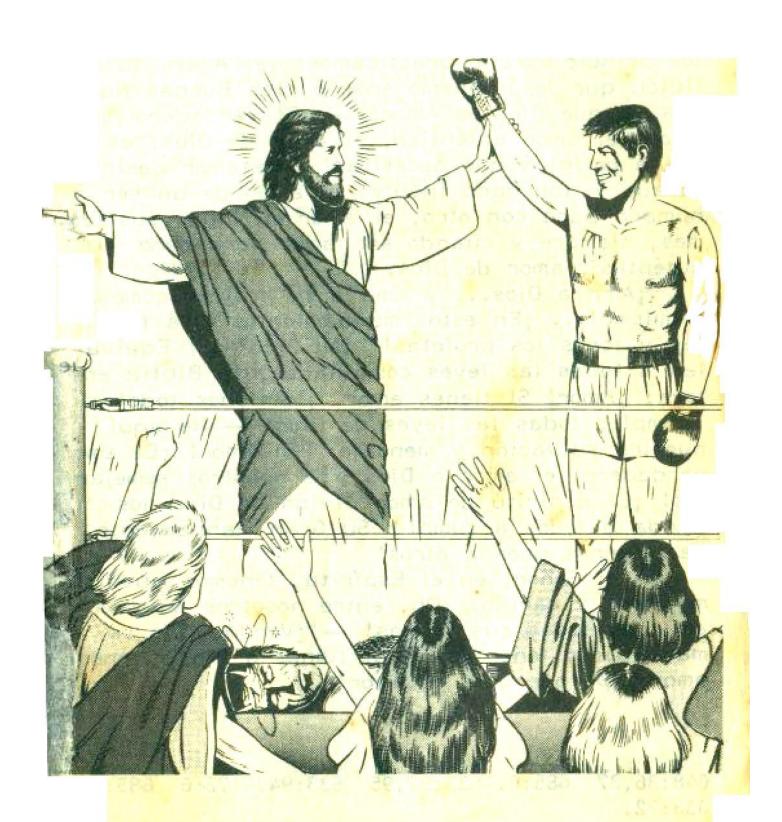
It's a battle of love for love!

Ours is a war of the Spirit in faith and love to free men's minds and hearts and spirits from the bondage of evil and the soul -- slavery of the Devil! -- The only way to win the world is with the Love of Jesus! -- We must free men from fear with faith, we must free them from hatred with love, we must free them from sorrow with joy, we must free them from death with eternal Heavenly happiness!

Love is the greatest force in the world, and the Word of God the most powerful truth on Earth! -- We are armed with the power of the Love of God, the Spirit and His Word, the power of faith which results in works of love, and they cannot resist it! It's an absolutely irresistible power! -- "This is the victory that overcometh the world, even your faith," but it is "faith which worketh by love!" Love conquers all! We can't lose. It's impossible for us to lose, for "love never fails!"

Whatever is done in His Love will not fail. It's going to bear some kind of fruit! -- It doesn't always happen right away: you have to keep loving and helping them. -- And we'll keep on winning if we keep on loving them with His Love!

Your Love didn't fail us, Lord; help our love not to fail others!



Love is the most important thing in our religion!

We believe in free love! -- Free Love of God through Jesus Christ His Son! We have other kinds of love too. It's all important, all of that's important, but **His** is **all-important**! -- This is our specific religion and these are the principles that we practice: Love, the religion which Jesus Himself taught, the Good News that God is Love! -- True Love, real Love, God's Love, is all the religion you need! This unselfish sacrificial love includes the love of one human being for another, love in all forms, as long as it is true Love, real Love, God's Love.

"Love God ... and love thy neighbor as thyself! ... In these are **all** the law and all the prophets!" (Mt.22:37-40). That's **all** the laws put together, the whole Bible -- **Love**! If you have love you've **everything**! -- You are fulfilling all the laws of God! -- Herein is our salvation and message! -- Love! -- True Love, the Love of God and the love of our fellowman! -- The Spirit of God's divine Love which helps us all to fulfill His Great Commandment to love one another!

We have such sweet love in the Lord, love in the Spirit. Oh, we've got all kinds of love in our midst! -- Isn't it wonderful to have love? When you have God you have love, because God is Love!

Isn't it wonderful to know Jesus? Isn't it wonderful to be saved?

"He that is our God is the God of Salvation!" (Psa.68:20). -- **Total** Salvation -- body, mind and spirit. God has rescued us from the very gates of death and Hell. -- The battle for your soul is won and it's a permanent victory of Salvation forever! You'll never have to worry about being saved anymore or going to Hell or whether you're going to go to Heaven or not. -- You have eternal life through Jesus, which is the Gift of God -- and you cannot lose it, for He will keep you! You are His!

God says He's blotted out thy sins as a cloud, and as a thick cloud He's put them behind His back, and will remember them against you no more. -- You're all clean now, not dirty any more, no longer under the power of the Enemy. -- You can start from scratch with the Lord, for you're a new creature in Christ Jesus. -- Old things are passed away and all things are new.

You're born again, a new man, God's new child! -- With a new plan and purpose in living! He'll meet all your needs and solve all your problems! He's just that wonderful. -- He'll give you peace of mind, purity of heart, rest of soul and happiness of spirit now and forever!

"My sins are gone! Thank God for peace at last! The blood of Jesus covers all my past!"

Truth is the God-given duty of every child of God and His Prophets!

God's Word says to preach the **whole** counsel God -- everything they need! -- And one of the main reasons for our success has been our willingness to face the facts and to tell it like it is!

But lots of times we don't tell people the truth or what we really think because we're afraid to hurt them and we want to save their feelings. Whereas it would be better for them if we were honest with them. -- It's half the victory when you've got good communication and you're open and honest about everything, not trying to cover up. -- For if you try to compromise and pull your punches and tone it down, then God's Spirit tones the Voice of God down, and you don't hear it so much any more. Truth resisted loses its power over the mind. A Prophet of God who has the message of God either has to give it, or he no longer hears it or feels it, and he becomes guilty with them!

So, for God's sake, please obey the Lord and tell 'em the Truth, even if it hurts! -- Sock it to 'em with the spear or sword of the Word of Truth! -- Come what may! The results are God's business, according to how they receive and obey it -- or reject and rebel against it! Speak the Truth!

God never gives us burdens greater than we are able to bear.

God is a loving and merciful God. He knows your frame; He remembers that you're but dust and He knows how much you can stand. Even of our service for Him, Jesus said, "My yoke is **easy**, and My burden is **light!** Come unto Me, and I will give you rest!" (Mt.11:28-30).

If the yoke gets too hard and the burden too heavy, it's not <u>His</u> yoke nor <u>His</u> burden, but our own or someone else's which we've unwisely undertaken or permitted to be placed upon us beyond the Lord's knowledge of our strength and abilities! -- Or maybe you're trying to carry too much and pull too hard, instead of letting God do it **through** you by His power, His Love, His grace and His strength! -- "His yoke is easy and His burden is light." -- It's **not** too hard and it's **not** too heavy!

The Devil tries to say, "Well, this is too hard, this is too much, this is too heavy!" He comes along and tempts you to quit, "Oh, that's too much!" - But Jesus said it is not!

His yoke is <u>not</u> too hard and His burden is <u>not</u> too heavy. So if you take it from the Lord and do His will it's not going to be too hard or too heavy. -- He Himself will never suffer us to be tempted above that which we are able! -- He always gives us some way of escape! (1Cor.10:13).

<u>July 5</u>

He wants you to be happy!

We don't have a sad God! -- I have a happy God, Who wants me to be happy too, and you as well! This is the whole point of it all, to relieve us of the suffering, pain, death and tears brought into the world by the Enemy and the sins of Man. -- God is not a monster who's trying to deny you everything and make you miserable. But He loves life and created it for you to love and enjoy! -- He made it all for you to enjoy. It's good, not bad! -- He has made this beautiful world as a home for you, His child, to live in and enjoy! He has lovingly given you a wonderful body, mind and heart with which to enjoy it and each other! -- "Behold, I have made all these things in perfection for thy pleasure!"

He often almost spoils us with such good things that He gives us the desires of our hearts for having delighted ourselves in Him! But God's pretty smart and He knows the happier we are, the more we'll love Him and the more obedient we'll be out of pure love, and so do an even better job for Him in serving others that He loves who need us so! -- So He wants to help and make you happy with His Love, and help you to make others happy, too -- with both His Love and your love! -- This is our main purpose in life, to love God and enjoy Him forever, and to try to help others to do the same!

<u>July 6</u>

"The Kingdom of God is not meat and drink. ..."

It's not fleshly nor earthly. It has very little to do really with what your flesh does or doesn't do or what you drink or don't drink, etc. -- It's a **spiritual** thing! -- It's "righteousness, and peace, and joy in the Holy Ghost!" (Rom.14:17). -- No matter what little things you eat or drink or do.

The only thing that counts is **faith**: Faith in God and His Word and obedience to the Lord. **That's** what counts! Not whether you are circumcised or not. -- It's all in how much faith you have. -- It's all in your own spiritual attitude and in your mental attitude. It's how you approach it and whether you do things by faith in love -- "faith which worketh by love." -- You have to operate the way your faith goes. You cannot operate outside of the limitations of your faith (Rom.14:23).

Are you obeying the Lord? -- That's what counts! -- If you've got the Faith and the Truth and the Word and obey! -- That's what counts!

"Take, eat and partake of the fruits of the Kingdom, for all that I have is thine, and I have given it unto thee! But why stand ye in doubt and with hesitant hands that reach not forth in faith to eat of that which I have set before thee? Take, eat and enjoy the fruits of the Kingdom!"

"Thou art wise that thou art simple. ..."

It's wise to be simple. Knowledge is not it! All these worldly people get all this knowledge, but they'd be wiser if they were just simple. The Lord has to get by all that stuff to get to their heart. -- "Beware lest ye be led away from the simplicity of the Gospel!" "Except ye become as a little child ye shall in no wise enter into the Kingdom of Heaven!" (2Cor.11:3; Mt.18:3). -- If we'll just recognize that we're just little children and we don't know anything and that the **Lord's** the one that knows it all and He's the only one who is really wise and knows what He's doing, and we just follow Him -- that's **really** being smart!

The newborn babe does not try to rationalize his mother and father and brothers and sisters and the new world and life around him. He just accepts and enjoys them and starts learning how to live and enjoy life and loved ones. -- It's just that simple: You don't have to personally know all the answers, the why's and wherefore's, or be able to explain everything or answer all the questions -- just know <u>Him!</u> He brings you love, He makes your life, He gives you happiness and all you ever wanted and more! What else matters?

"Jesus loves me, this I know. For the Bible tells me so. Little ones to Him belong, we are weak, but He is strong!"

If you do your part in the will of God in the place God wants you, God will never fail to do His part, whatever you can't do.

All it takes is a little faith and obedience to start with. The Lord can do all the rest, if we'll just start out and obey. -- You have to take a step in the direction He says to go, to find out what He's going to do. I have faced mountain peaks of decision when I had to take a step of faith, with nothing but thin air between me and the next peak -- but He never let me down, even if He had to pick me up by His hand and lift me across to that next mountain peak, without any visible, natural, normal, logical, reasonable means of help!

Where there's a will, there's a way! -- With God's help. "Nothing is impossible with God, and all things are possible to him that believeth!" -- He'll never fail! He'll always do His part faster than you can do yours. -- As you begin to obey and continue to obey, God will bless you beyond measure for your faithfulness in fulfilling His Word! -- Obey and do your part, what you know you can do -- and then stop worrying about the rest that you can't do: God will take care of that part; God will do what you can't do!

Those that obey have found that God never fails to do His part! -- Do you believe it? Then let's go!

<u>July 9</u>

Let's keep moving for the Lord, spreading the Good News as we go!

From the earliest times, God's people have always been on the move for the Lord: "These all confessed that they were strangers and pilgrims on the earth, declaring plainly that they seek a country -- a better country, that is, an Heavenly: wherefore God is not ashamed to be called their God!" Hallelujah! God is proud of His traveling pilgrims on their constant pilgrimages for Him en route to that Heavenly City "which hath foundations, whose Builder and Maker is God!" (Hebrews 11).

Like Jesus and the Apostles of old, we are pilgrims and strangers here and have no certain dwelling place. -- We know this world is not our home, we're just a passin' through tryin' to get a job done for Jesus on the way!

We must never let our roots grow down so deep that we cannot be uprooted again. -- We must be always prepared to move and will always be on the move if we are to remain His Gospel gypsies, seeking a better city in a better country until at last we find His perfect one! So keep moving for God until righteousness covers the earth as the waters cover the seas! God bless and keep you going into all the world to preach the Good News of His Love to **every** creature! -- He is with you every step of the way, and will never leave nor forsake you!

If you witness you always win!

The number one job we have to do is to preach the Word, and number two, try to win those to whom we preach it. In a way, winning souls is really <u>God's</u> job, but <u>you</u> have to be the channel and the instrument. -- <u>You</u> have to give them the facts and the truth and show them love and show them the Lord, then you've done your part. -- Of course, you **hope** to win them to Christ, but that's really the work of the Holy Spirit. They have to make their own decision.

You may not always win the soul, but you win the favor of God and you obey God; whether it saves them or not, it does the job. And whether you or they like it or not, **God** likes it! -- And they will like it if they receive it.

But even if they don't receive it, it's not wasted, because witnessing is **never** wasted! You accomplish your purpose just by showing the Love of God and witnessing. What they do with it is their responsibility -- "Love never fails," so you just can't lose! We're on God's side and He just doesn't lose -- eventually He always wins somehow. So witnessing and winning souls is no gamble -- you've got a sure winner!

Witnessing is never unsuccessful! Witnessing always pays! Witnessing never fails! We're in a business that cannot fail! Hallelujah! Wanna win with us?

<u>July 11</u>

It's time we wake up to who we are and what we are!

We are the reincarnation of the Early Church, reincarnated by the Holy Ghost of God, possessed with the Holy Spirit -- the fanatics of the Last Church, the radical Christian extremists of the Last Day, the Prophets of God of the Time of the End! This is it!

It's almost like we've picked up where the Lord left off, because there hasn't been any church like us since the Early Church. -- Nothing like this! -- We are totally different from any other kind of church ever born! The closest thing to us is either Moses and the Children of Israel or the Early Church.

We are the main religious bomb of the century, and probably for the end of the world! Such a mighty move of the Church has not occurred since the first century! Who hath heard of such a thing and where hath such a thing been done before? A nation hath exploded in a day and the fall-out is saturating the world with the Gospel!

Are you exploding with us? We're really going places and seeing miracles! Praise God! He's not dead, or even sick, and it can be done, and we're doing it, by the power of His Spirit in obedience to His Word! -- Join the explosion and win the world! See you in the "fall-up!"

It's time we wake up to what we are doing, what we can do, and what we're going to do by the grace of God!

As the enemies arise in ever-increasing numbers to be finally led by the Enemy of all enemies -- the Antichrist -- the Lord promises that "the people that do know their God shall be strong and do exploits, and they that understand among the people shall instruct many!" (Dan.11:32,33). Our major job will be to stand up as God's strongest witnesses before the whole world and to explain to them what's happening and to lead and encourage and feed God's children to the very End! -- We'll be witnessing to the last day, even in the very capital of the Antichrist, who will be trying to exterminate us!

Will **you** know what to do? Will you be prepared to survive? Will you know how to help others to do so as well as to continue to worship God and encourage others in the faith during days not unlike those of the Catacombs Church of martyrs under Roman persecution? -- You're going to have to have the power of God and the wisdom of His Spirit to survive those days!

Our only hope of survival, therefore, is to be prepared spiritually and even practically, with both the personal experience of salvation and a working knowledge of His Word and what it advises us to do under such conditions. -- The End is closer than ever! "Be prepared!"

Let's do it God's way! ...

And not our own damn way, or it will be damned and just a total failure because we looked to our own fleshly mind. -- We cannot lean on man's ideas and wisdom: We have to lean on the Lord and His leadings. -- "Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not unto thy own understanding" (Prov.3:5). -- If you go in your own understanding, you may fall flat on your face like Israel did when she ran ahead of God in Joshua's own wisdom, instead of depending utterly on the Lord's direction (Jos.7:1-5). So don't try to reason around with your own understanding, but get down in prayer and cry out to God and look to Him alone for the answers. The right answer might be just the opposite of what our natural mind thinks.

But as long as we let God run things we're bound to win, even when we look like we're losing! But if you or I try to run things, we're bound to lose, even when we look like we're winning! What looks like success to the world may look like defeat to God, and what even looks like defeat to us sometimes is an actual victory for the Lord, for He gets His greatest victories out of seeming defeats, those impossible situations which it takes to make a miracle!

So keep going God's way and you can't lose -- 'cause He can only win!

"The Earth shall reel to and fro like a drunken man" (Isaiah 24:20).

There shall be a very great shaking in the land, and the earth itself shall tremble, and the high places shall be destroyed and brought low! All those high places! Those towers! And only they which call upon the Name of the Lord shall be saved! -- The whole earth is going to shake, the whole earth is going to tremble before the Lord in the days of His judgments.

When the Lord just shakes Himself a little bit in His wrath, there's **nothing** like it! Even the hydrogen bomb, multiplied many times over, can't equal the power of even one hurricane, one volcanic eruption, or one magnificent earthquake -- mighty judgments of God which can flatten and totally wipe out all of man's puny creations in their path.

Well, when the time comes the Lord will take care of us as He sees fit: He'll either take care of us or take us, one or the other! So we've got it made, we've got nothing to worry about. Even all the whole city of Jericho fell except the part of the wall on which Rahab's house was standing. -- When His judgments fall on the wicked they usually miss His children or His children are spared from them.

"O ye of little faith, wherefore dost thou doubt? Dost thou not think I am able to protect thee also in whatever fate I design for thee?"

While there is life, there is hope!

"Though ye have lain among the pots, yet I shall ye be as the wings of a dove covered with silver, and her feathers with yellow gold" (Psalm 68:13). Though you have been cast on the trash pile by others, God can give you wings to mount to the Heavenlies in a new ministry - glory such as you have never known before - heights of ministry you have never imagined!

When you reach the end of your rope, and are in some great crisis experience of your life, cry out desperately to Him in this time of trial, in this time of Gethsemane, followed by this crucifixion, and God will answer, and it will result in glorious resurrection which can surpass all your wildest dreams and is mightier and greater than anything you ever thought of! Let go and trust God to bear you up on His wings to heights to which the rope of the traditional never could have borne you!

They that trust in the Lord thy God shall be saved and shall rise again like the Phoenix from the ashes of defeat by the miracle working power of God, like a resurrection! -- "I will cause thee to mount up upon the wings of a dove to heights that thou hast never dreamed of, for I myself have made thee wings of gold and silver, and given unto thee the voice of the turtle dove! "

You can't keep the birds from flying over your head, but you can sure keep them from building a nest in your hair!

The Devil will do everything he can to tempt you to forsake God's way. -- Nobody can keep temptation from coming, but you don't have to **yield** to temptation. -- God gives you enough sense by His Spirit to know the difference between what is good and bad, then He gives you a **choice** between good, and evil, Himself and the Devil. -- The Devil cannot prevent us from choosing. That's the one thing we can do no matter what the Devil does -- we can choose! -- You have a will and you can ignore him! "Submit yourself to God, resist the Devil, and he will flee from you!" (Ja.4:7).

It is impossible for the Devil to win over you unless you give in to him. "Greater is He that is in you than he that is in the world" (1Jn.4:4). The only way he can win is if you quit, give up, give in, surrender, stop fighting. If you keep fighting You keep winning! -- So when the Devil tempts you to get down and discouraged, fight! Slam the door in his face and don't even **listen** to him! Much less surrender! -- Then you won't have a chance to listen to or believe his lies!

So don't even let the ol' camel get his nose in or he'll soon have the entire tent! "Give **no** place to the Evil One!" Hallelujah!

<u>July 17</u>

All you have to do is open your flower and let the Light come in! ...

The Light streams down from Heaven into the flower, filling the flower with Light! -- Such brilliance! Open the heart of the flower to the Light, and the Light pours in and fills the whole flower, and you glow with such radiance and color and beauty! All you have to do is open! Let the Light in!

God is able to warm your heart and cause you to be like the white heat of the sun, clear and enlightening and warm and bright, pure, hiding nothing. He's able to shine on us and chase away all the shadows and doubts and fears and the cold.

How do you get rid of darkness? Do you go around trying to beat it out and chase it out and kick it out? No, you just let the light in! -- Heavenly light to fill your soul and set everyone of us on fire with beautiful light! Hallelujah! Thank You Jesus!

"For we have come from the darkness into His glorious light, and that which was darkened has become enlightened, and that which was in darkness has seen a great Light!" -- "Oh how beautiful the light that I have given unto My children!"

<u>July 18</u>

What do you think makes my Letters -- me? ...

No! I'm only the channel. -- I'm so nothing and such a mess that, when God even speaks to me about "David," I'm almost afraid and ashamed to say it because I feel so unworthy! But I know God is trying to show it's only Him. -- It's the Spirit. You're not really thinking about me. You're thinking about the **truth** and the **Lord** and what is being said.

I'm nothing but an instrument of God -- His tool. -- God's Man is nothing but a wirephoto and teletype machine, like the news media use, on which they get the latest news in words and pictures! That's all I am! He sends the pictures and the words by turning on my Key on my wavelength, and I, His little machine, simply rattle it off and pass it on to you It's just that simple and that easy, crazy as it may seem!

I'm not the light! I'm just the lens through which the light shines, like by a projector in the darkness of a theater! -- I'm nothing but a channel, a pipeline, a prophet spouting the Words of God. -- I'm only a messenger boy who delivers His telegrams, and I'm not always responsible for what has been said or revealed. You'll have to blame God for that! -- Or thank Him.

"For I have quickened the heart of David and enlightened his mind and brought forth his waters as honey and sweetness that they might nourish my little ones."

Our only hope is the Coming of the only Prince of Peace -- Christ Jesus.

Only the direct and forceful Second Coming of Jesus Christ to set up His Own Kingdom of totally righteous and authoritarian rule here on Earth will ever bring a reign of perfection, with peace and justice for all! -- This is our only hope, and it will soon be a reality, if we are faithful to Him, His Truth and His Love.

Out of Heaven will come the great hosts of Heaven with Jesus in the lead on a white horse to mete out His violent wrath upon the wrongdoers, to save His Own children from His enemies -- and we take over the Earth! -- It will be like God taking over the world by invading it from outer space!

Then and only then, under the supreme and powerful rule and reign of Christ and God's children, will all wars finally cease and men will "beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruninghooks!" -- All wicked and vengeful men of war shall be stopped at last, and only then shall the men of peace and the God of peace and the Prince of Peace rule and reign and bring "peace on Earth"!

"Lift up therefore thy heads, for thy redemption draweth nigh! Behold, thy King cometh as a mighty Man of power, strong to save and deliver thee!"

"In that Golden Age I shall rule upon the Earth in person with a rod of iron and ye shall rule with Me in mighty power!"

We're going to run the world! -- The pitiful little bands of persecuted Christians and believers in God and His Love are going to inherit the earth and the Kingdom of God on earth to run and govern it by love and the power of God! "The meek shall inherit the earth" (Mt.5:5). Jesus and His Kingdom are going to be the government, and we are going to be His Angels and teachers and enforcers and policemen. -- We'll have supernatural bodies and powers and the authority of Christ's Kingdom on Earth which will really facilitate the job, and God knows we'll need it!

We will have been resurrected, translated and changed, and we will have our eternal bodies, spiritual bodies like the Lord had when He was resurrected. This will be a great advantage in being officers of the law and law enforcers, governors and so on, miraculous supermen, ruling in love over the villagers of this world who live outside of the Heavenly City. -- We're going to be teaching them how to live and how to be honest and how to love God and obey (Isa.2:1-5; 11:1-9).

It is you, **you**, that God is going to use to run the world, and He's getting you ready for it right now!

There are some things that God cannot do! ...

Because He will not do them, because He has bound Himself within certain limitations so as not to interfere with your power of choice. -- Just like Adam and Eve in the Garden, everyone is given a chance to choose to do good or evil. -- In fact, when all is said and done, that's the main reason we're here in the first place: To learn how to make decisions under God's guidance, from the Garden of Eden to the present! -- You have to make the decision, and He's not going to force you to do His Will! "Whosoever will may come!"

God never forces Himself on anyone! -- He just gives them the opportunity to receive His blessings. If they refuse them, it's their loss! "Every man must give an account of himself to God!" We cannot hide behind others when it comes to our majesty of choice. We cannot push the responsibility upon others, when God is dealing with us personally! God wants you to make your own choice by faith according to **your** own faith -- not somebody else's, but yours! He wants you to learn to trust Him personally, not lean on others! -- The decision is up to you and you alone. No one else can make it for you, not even God!

The door is now open! -- Walk in where **you** will, by your own free and loving choice! Your will be done in Him!

To Hell with the proper way! ...

The proper way is of **man**! The unexpected and the improper, the unconventional and untraditional, the unorthodox and unceremonious, contrary to man's natural expectation -- this is the way **God** usually works! "For My thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways My ways, saith the Lord. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are My ways higher than your ways, and My thoughts than your thoughts!" (Isa.55:8,9).

God's way up is often down, and He frequently works contrary to natural expectation, just to show He's God, and the Boss, and can do anything, even the impossible, regardless of the conditions! -- He loves to do things contrary to the way we think He ought to do them! -- And often works in a very mysterious way the wonders of His Love to perform!

Many times in the Bible, the men of God even argued with the Lord, that that just wasn't the way to do it; but when they finally let God have His way, as He will anyhow, they found out God was right -- that God's way is the best way! Praise the Lord!

So don't try to tell God how He ought to do it! -- Just trust Him that He knows what He's doing! -- And go God's way, no matter how crazy it may seem sometimes!

You are God's representative.

The only Bible the world reads is the one bound in shoe leather: You and me! They must see His miracle-working power at work in our own lives, as a genuine living sample and proof that it can happen! -- Your body is the vehicle that His Spirit is traveling in and your tongue is the instrument that gives them the Truth.

But why do we have to tell them? Why doesn't the Lord just send around some ghosts and angels and let them tell them? If instead of us going down to the club one night, the Lord sent down a bunch of angels and ghosts, there wouldn't be any quicker way of emptying that club or anyone left to witness to!

If God had had the angels preaching the Gospel, if people hadn't accepted it right on the spot, they probably would have struck them dead or something! -- Give 'em what they deserve! But instead God uses us fallible, sinful human beings just like them to reach them, because He knows we have more patience, more love and more mercy on them. -- But if we were all so righteous and we didn't have any of these weaknesses, we couldn't help others much, we couldn't be sympathetic or compassionate if we were so self-righteous and perfect.

So can you see God's logic in taking other human beings to be His witnesses? You're the test tube to **prove** it works. You're His proof!

If you'll obey Him, He'll take care of you!

With those of us who really love the Lord and are doing our best to serve Him as best we know how, we know that God loves us and is doing **His** best to help us if we're doing **our** best to help Him. -- God has promised it, God has promised to take care of our needs if we seek His Kingdom first (Mat.6:33). -- So if the need is there, the answer must be there too. Just look around and pray it in! -- There's nothing too small for the Lord or too hard for Him. Every little thing! God's going to take care of every little detail!

Luther used to say when his wife complained that he had too many people living at their house, "Don't worry, dear! For every additional mouth, God will provide!" -- And of course, He always does, praise His Name! -- God has never ever deserted us! He has never left us without our needs! In fact, He has abundantly heaped more than our needs upon us as long as we faithfully serve Him and do His will and preach His Gospel and witness to the world His truth faithfully daily. -- He will supply all our need according to His riches in glory, no matter **what** we need, or how many of us there are, or where we are, or who we are, as long as we're serving Him faithfully!

If we do His work, He will take care of us! He never fails! Hallelujah! -- Don't you fail Him!

Everything must be judged from the standpoint of love.

When Jesus came He abolished all other laws but love! He gave **one** law which fulfills all the laws of the Bible, both old and new, and that is **Love!** -- For God and fellow man! (Mt.22:37-39). -- Jesus' Law of Love frees us from the old law and is all-encompassing, all-absorbing, all fulfilling and completely above and beyond any other law. Therefore God's only law is love, and as long as something is done in love, with real unselfish, even sacrificial love, God's Love, then it is absolutely lawful in God's eyes.

We are not judged by the old law -- we are judged only by love. -- How much love we have and how much we give and how much we share. -- God now only judges us according to whether we have love or no love -- whether we have love or hate -- whether what we do is done for love, or selfishness and lack of love. -- Is it doing good or is it doing evil? Are you helping or hindering?

The only rule we can go by in every case is, "Is it love? Was it done in love?" -- If you know you're acting in love, then you can go ahead by faith according to God's Word and you don't need any other laws to go by, you don't need any other laws to confirm it. -- You're on your own according to God's only law of love. -- So love!

July 26

I will have mercy and not sacrifice" (Mt.9:13).

In other words, "I would rather see you have **love** and not just a dutiful law-keeping offering of sacrifices and duties. I'd rather you'd give love to somebody than to just be so self-righteous."

The drunks and the harlots and the publicans and the sinners came to Jesus for love and mercy, and He treated them tenderly, kindly and forgivingly, and gave them hope and love and strength! They didn't go to the harsh, rigid, self-righteous, unyielding, unforgiving, critical and condemning religious leaders, who told them to be perfect, or go to Hell! But they came to Jesus, for His Love and mercy, forgiveness, encouragement and patience!

"Love throws a veil over countless sins!" But some people are so self-righteous they think they never make mistakes! -- All they can see is a button off the vest, instead of the beautiful necktie -- the hole instead of the doughnut!

But if you yourself realize how much **you** need mercy, you'll be much more merciful to others. -- Remembering continually what sinners **we** are and how many mistakes we've made helps greatly to keep us humble and to avoid that spirit of self-righteous pride which causes us to criticize and condemn others.

"He drew a circle that shut me out. But I drew a circle that brought him in!"

<u>July 27</u>

God's Word tells us to publish the glad tidings, not the sad tidings!

Words are real things! They bless or they curse; they lift up or they knock down; they save or they damn! -- Jesus commanded us to preach the Gospel, which means "good news," not bad news! We love to proclaim God's great goodnesses to us, which are so many! God's Word says that whatsoever things are of **good** report, think on these things! (Phil.4:8).

So count your blessings and think on the positive things! Don't look at all the negative things and trials of the Devil and doubts and fears and woes and troubles and tribulations and afflictions! -- Get so full of the Spirit that all you want to do is talk about Jesus! -- Get your mind off of those negative things and think about all your blessings! -- Dwell on the positive, not the negative! -- Speak evil of no man -- even yourself!

Let's talk about <u>Jesus</u>! Let's talk about Love -- His Love! -- Let's just hear what <u>Jesus</u> has done -- in you and through you and by you and about you and to you and with you and for you -- and all about <u>Jesus</u>!

So help us, Lord, to be positive, help us to be encouraging, loving, faithful, cheerful, praising Thee, always loving Thee and loving each other. Hallelujah!

July 28

You have to have conviction, or you can't live!

And then you have to **do** something about your conviction, or you can't stand to live with yourself! You've got to be convinced that you're right and try to convince everybody else of the same and be willing to fight for what you believe in, or your attitude will be, "Oh, so sorry, please excuse me for living."

God likes whole-hearted, stout-hearted men! Have you got the guts to be one of these? -- If you're going to serve God, for God's sake, know what you're going to believe -- and serve Him no matter **what** anyone says! -- Take a stand of faith like Martin Luther took on Salvation by Faith before the Diet of Worms. He said, "Here I stand; I can do no other" (I'm willing to die for this truth, I'm so sure of it.)

You cannot stop the man of faith. You cannot dissuade him! You cannot divert him! You cannot stop him! He'll go on with or without you, or right over you, if necessary. -- He is determined to go blindly on faith alone, because he has found the truth! He is of one mind, one heart, one soul, one spirit, one purpose, and will not quit until he's made it!

God help us to be soldiers and willing to do anything for You, Lord, in just plain thanks for Your Salvation! -- We must do what we know is right, and be willing to live and to die for what we know is the truth!

July 29

One of the biggest lessons you're gonna have to learn is to wait for the Lord to work!

If you don't know what to do, stop everything! The worst thing in the world you can do is to keep on going when you don't know what to do! That was Saul's mistake and it absolutely lost him the Kingdom! Stop to look before you leap! -- Don't run off on your own! -- Keep in line with His blessings!

Time solves so many problems: A few minutes, a few hours, a few days, and we find that God has solved it without our help! Give God a chance! Give Him time! Wait on the Lord! Take time to hear from God, and He'll take the time to straighten out the problem.

When you don't know where to go, sit still! When you're driving your car through a fog and it becomes so dense you can't see, you don't just keep on driving. -- You pull over to one side and **wait** -- sit still until the fog lifts and you can see your way! -- But if you think you can make decisions on your own and get along without God, watch out! -- That's where you run into a stone wall! That's where you crash!

So slow it down! Stop! Look! Listen! -- And wait! Trying to force the situation and push your way through just won't work! -- "Be still and know that I am God, and I will soon reveal to you what you should do. -- I am even now preparing the way!"

<u>July 30</u>

There's nothing permanent with us except God and His Love and the Family!

We're always open for changes. -- Nothing has to be permanent except the Lord! Only <u>He</u> changes not. But **we** change plenty!

When we stop being open for changes, we've stopped being His Revolution and we've stopped revoluting! -- He said of others: "Because they have no changes, therefore they fear not God!" (Ps.55:19). So changes are sure good for us! There's no such thing as standing still! We're either going ahead or falling behind! -- You cannot stand still! -- And once you've started on **this** road, there is no turning back, or you'll turn into a pillar of salt, solidify and die! (Gen.19:26). "Remember Lot's wife!" (Lk.17:32).

To stay alive, everyone must have change, movement, motion -- and the signs of <u>life</u> are principally manifested by motion and action! It's like breathing: You don't dare quit or you're dead! You don't dare stop! -- So as long as we can continue to change, I have hopes that we will survive! -- But if we solidify and freeze like most of the churches, we're doomed to a tomb like them! -- Don't let it happen to you! God help us to change the things that need to be changed, and not to change the things that don't need to be changed, and especially Lord, help us to know the difference! Amen!

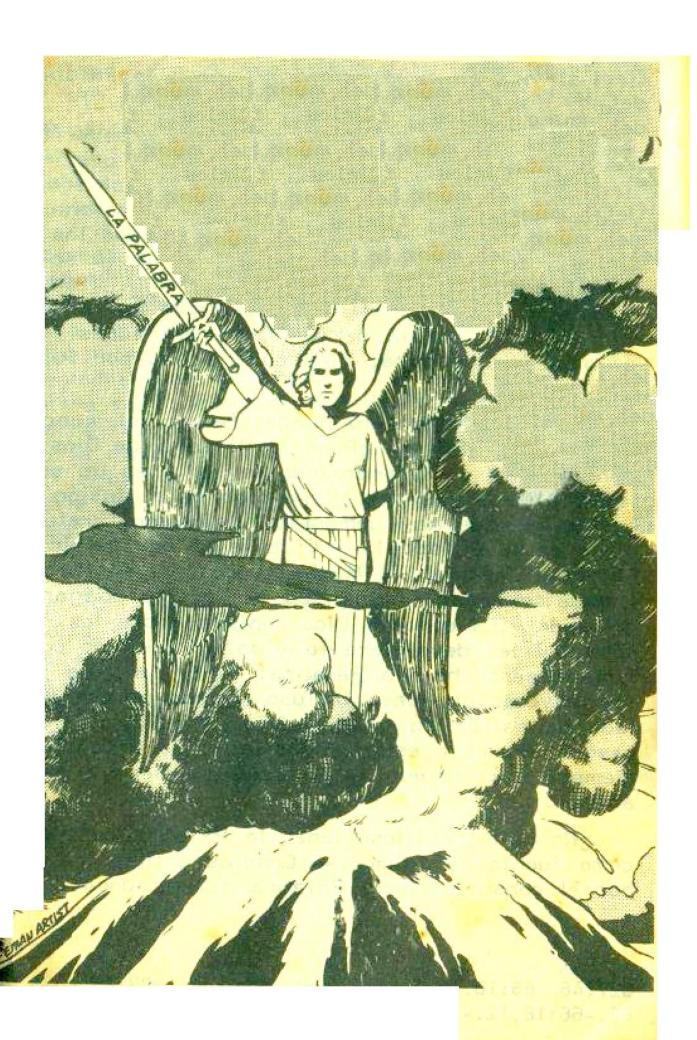
July 31

I refuse to let anyone pour God into a mold for Me!

God can break His Own rules if He wants to -- in order to accomplish His purpose! Don't try to pour God into a mold and say He always has to use the same methods. -- If in this last generation He wants to throw out the whole rule book and give us a whole new set of love rules to go by, God is the One Who makes the rules -- not man! He threw out the whole Mosaic rule book [that had to do with rituals and traditions] when He started the Christian Revolution back in the times of the Apostles! The Christian era was a total change, and it totally outdated, outmoded and overthrew the whole works [regarding the physical temple, senseless traditions and hard regulations].

God is the God of all things, and if He wants to set up new rules for accomplishing His purposes, He is perfectly able to do it! The Mosaic law was only a shadow of realities to come. The law was only our schoolmaster to bring us unto God. Paul says. & to show us His absolute perfection & perfect righteousness which It was Impossible for us to attain! (Gal.3:24) And when Its purpose was fulfilled. Its usefulness was fulfilled, it was finished! Although the law came by Moses, grace, mercy. forgiveness. love & truth came through Jesus Christ, our Salvatlon! (Joh.l:17)

God is now making His Own rules, as long as it's in love! That's the new law, love! Love is now the law! -- God's [Royal] law is love!



"Heaven and Earth shall pass away, but God's Word will never pass away!" (Mt.24:35).

In especially trying times, you should live more in the Word. -- You must put your faith in the Word! It doesn't matter if everybody in the whole world backslides, if everybody in the whole world goes haywire, if the whole Heavens and the whole Earth pass away, you'll still keep going for God if your faith is in the Word! -- No matter **what** happens, you will still stand if you keep on God's firm foundation of faith, balanced firmly with His Words.

I can fail, you can fail, the whole world can fail. But God's Word will **never** fail! -- When everything is in chaos and it seems like all is confusion and stormy, real stormy, retreat into the Word! -- "Faith cometh by hearing the Word!" (Rom.10:17). Often if it were not for that spark of faith, you'd just flicker out! It's like God blowing on the little ember, and bringing it back to life again! It comes so much through hearing the Word! -- His Word is always a comfort and the voice of His Spirit is always an encouragement in the hour of greatest trial, even when everything seems to have gone wrong and you're in danger, trouble or distress.

Isn't it wonderful to have God's Word for our encouragement! -- Thank God for the comfort of His cleansing Word!

"Even more than the milk of the mother to the baby which is thirsty, am I unto thee."

The baby deliberately, when he sucks, creates a vacuum inside his mouth which pulls the milk out of his mother's breast. -- "So shall My bosom satisfy thee with the milk of My Word to the strengthening of thy sinews in the Spirit!" -- But you have to first create a vacuum inside your heart: "Lord, here is this empty space -- You fill it!" -- "For I am He that filleth all things, to pour out upon the thirsty ground, to beautify the lowly life, to enlighten the darkened minds." -- (A picture of very hard, dry ground:) Every crack in the parched earth was one of His children opening wide to drink the Water of His Word. But the water rolled right off the unyielding hard ground which would not receive it, and into the cracks that eagerly accepted it!

"Oh, why dost thou doubt and make thy soul impoverished for lack of faith? Even the little child has more faith. Kiss the Son! **Kiss Me as the breast of thy mother**, that I shall nurse thee, and thou shalt put thy mouth upon Me and My breast and nurse from Me the milk of the truth that I have given unto thee." -- "So shall I satisfy thee, and thy heart shall be filled with righteousness, and thy mouth with good things, and thy soul shall be satisfied, for thy spirit longeth unto Me! For thou shalt be filled to overflowing!"

Learning, learning -- it never ends! I love it!

We'll always be learning until the day we die. -- Every day we learn some new obedience, just like a little child. Every day he learns something new. God's Word even says of Jesus that He "learned obedience through the things which He suffered!" (Heb.5:8). And that "He grew in stature and in wisdom" (Lk.2:52).

We are now, in a sense, rehearsing for what is to come. -- Like little children playing at games, doing what they expect to do when they're older. -- This is the whole purpose of life: To **prepare** us for the next life. -- We are now in our **training period** in this life in preparation for ruling the world in the next! -- In the Millennium we are going to have to learn how to run the whole world. -- And if we do not pass these tests and complete these grades and learn these lessons in **this** life, we shall surely be unfit to rule in the **next**, in the coming Kingdom of God! -- So for God's sake, let's learn our lessons today and get them down pat!

What a glorious day that will be! Even now Thou art preparing us for that day! For he that is now faithful in these things that are least, shall also be faithful in that which is much. -- And he that hath done well with a few talents, Thou shalt make ruler over cities! (Lk.16:10; Mt.25:23).

If you've got God with you, you're unbeatable, no matter how small you are!

The giant Goliath ridiculed the little lad with he slingshot, but when David cut loose with just one honest bit of rock, the Philistine phony fell flat on his face! -- "He is but a little lad in rough attire and of small stature. What can he do? He hath but a sling and five little pebbles. And yet My Spirit was upon him and I did cause him to triumph over Goliath, the giant, where Saul had failed, and My people Israel had failed, and all of their armor had proven to no avail. Even so also with this My New Church -- out of nowhere and from nothing with but a single pebble and a simple sling and none of the armor or entrappings with which the Old Church hath surrounded herself."

"For Jesus is with His children and He will go with them against all their enemies and overcome all evil, and there is **none** that can stand against Him, and He will overcome the gates of Hell!" -- "Therefore how shalt thou fail, for I am with thee and shall never fail and shall be with thee unto the End! So fear not, but go forth and fight thou the battles of the Lord, for it is impossible that thou shalt lose or that thou shouldst fail!" -- "Go forth in the power of My Spirit and the anointing of My Oil and the authority of My Appointment, conquering and to conquer the giants of **this** day!"

Everything in the spirit world seems to move so slowly and so beautifully, almost like in slow motion.

Usually they only move quickly at the judgments of God -- otherwise so slowly, peacefully, like a slow motion dance! -- Everything seems to operate in a kind of silent music -- quiet music -- beautiful -- just like the harmony of the spheres -- the music of the stars! It's so peaceful. -- Everything in absolute harmony -- everything absolutely beautiful! -- There are still animals and birds playing in the garden -- birds flying from tree to tree. Everything is happy. Birds don't sing mournful songs, but happy songs. The animals are playful and happy.

All the people are walking and floating at the same time -- with no effort to it, they do it with ease. There's almost no gravity for them. -- You just float -- It's really wonderful! Even when you're walking, you're kinda floating! It doesn't seem like your feet hardly touch the ground! Nobody's in a hurry -- everybody's happily taking it easy and smiling and talking to each other! Everybody's graceful! Unbelievably beautiful!

It's a beautiful place to be, full of beautiful people having a beautiful time. They are better off, rid of the heavy old flesh and all its problems! -- The spirit world is wonderful!

"Many are the afflictions of the righteous!" (Psalm 34:19).

Afflictions of **whom**? Not of the wicked, but the afflictions of the **righteous**! -- "But the Lord **delivereth** him out of them **all**!" -- The Lord allows these things as tests to strengthen our faith and to get an even greater victory out of seeming defeat. -- Some things happen just to keep you close to the Lord -- sickness, trouble, problems. Sometimes they happen to drive you closer to each other. Sometimes they happen to keep you humble. Sometimes they happen to make you pray -- all kinds of reasons for even having troubles! So even troubles and tribulations are good for us. Thank You Lord!

Whatever God does, He does it in love. -- And "all things work together for good to them that love the Lord" (Rom.8:28). God is not going to let anything happen to you, His child who loves Him, except what is for your good. -- So even though "many are the afflictions of the righteous," the Lord is going to deliver you out of them all, no matter how many or what! A -- L -- L, ALL! -- Not just some or a few or most or many, but all! -- All of them! -- So we can expect God to deliver us according to His Word.

"Now therefore, lift up that which is cast down and strengthen the feeble and encourage that which is turned out of the way. -- And rather let it be healed -- for **this** is the will of God!"

The spirit world is all so real and down to earth!

God's visible creation is an illustration of the things in the spirit, of that which is <u>in</u>visible" (Rom.1:20). Therefore the spirit world is not so terribly different from this present existence that we can't even comprehend or understand it. Otherwise, when we got ushered into it, we would be completely lost! -- It would be just too far out, too totally different, we couldn't even relate!

Some people are going to be surprised to find out that things haven't changed all that much! We are going to be much the same as we are now, except that we're going to have supernatural bodies. We will look like we do now, just as Jesus did after His resurrection. -- You're going to have a lot of the same characteristics. -- It's still going to be **you**. -- But you'll be better off and in more direct communication and obey better because you'll be under more direct control. "To be absent from the body is to be present with the Lord!" (2Cor.5:8). You'll be like in the presence of the Lord all the time!

Are you ready to go? Are you working for Jesus? -- Are you under God's control now? If so, the spirit world will not be too strange for you, and the transition from this life to the next will not be too great a change. You'll still be God's child, in His care, and accustomed to doing His will. -- And you'll **enjoy** it, as now!

- August 8

This is the most wonderful life in the world! -- I love it!

We have found the Truth and a happy new life in Jesus and the living waters of His Word and the fellowship of His children on the bright sunny mountaintop of the Kingdom of God! -- It's like Heaven on earth! -- Our lives overflow with joy, and our satisfaction knows no bounds, and our happiness knows no equal. -- We have everything we've always wanted, including forgiveness of sins, faith in God, love in Christ, something to really live and work for, peace of mind, health of body, and joy and happiness and love and laughter forever after!

We are already enjoying a foretaste of Heaven on Earth! -- This is like a little bit of Heaven on Earth, this sweet fellowship we have in love one for another right here. -- We are living the way people are going to live in love and sharing and sweetness and light and joy and praise and song and worship in the Millennium! -- **Right now** we've got the same love, the same fellowship, the same sweetness in spirit and joy and blessing.

So thank God for the freedom He's given us and the unity He's given us and the joy He's given us and the happiness to enjoy life to the full! -- Every day with Jesus is better than the day before! Hallelujah! Thank You, Jesus! **He's wonderful!**

When you start to decide to serve God, all Hell breaks loose!

If the Devil can just scare you out before you begin, then you'll never even get started and you'll never accomplish what God wants you to do. -- So the Devil pulls out all of his big guns and his big-wigs and everything in his bag of tricks to try to keep you from **starting** to serve God! -- Because if he can just keep you from starting, he figures you'll never serve God!

It's the **witness** the Devil fears! -- Every one that is won is a threat to hundreds of others of his, so he's out to stop each one the best he can. He knows he's going to lose others from his clutches because of you!

In the testing time before the beginning of His ministry, even Jesus was carried out into the desert and tempted by the Devil himself! -- Imagine! The Devil was allowed to carry His physical body around and really test Him, attack Him! (Mt.4:1-11). But under the attack He never yielded but resisted the Enemy with the Word of God and refused to yield, until the Enemy saw Jesus wasn't going to give up, and then he quit. -- So for God's sake and the sake of others and your own sake, don't let the Devil frighten you or bluff you out of what the Lord wants you to do before you even get started! -- "Resist the Enemy and he'll flee from you!" (Jam.4:7).

Start the day off right: Hear from the Lord!

The Lord speaks in a still, small, but very definite, very firm, but very loving voice -- but if you're too noisy you're not going to hear it! You're going to have to get quiet by yourself -- somewhere, somehow, sometime -- if you're going to hear from the Lord! -- He'll solve a lot of your problems before the day even starts if you listen to what He has to say. But if you go plunging into all your problems and troubles and your work without stopping to talk to the Lord and get directions from your Commander-in-Chief, then you're going to be like a soldier who's trying to fight the war all on his own without listening to headquarters. You need to have prayer and listen to the Lord!

If you really want to hear Him, He'll talk to you. -- It doesn't have to be out loud, it doesn't have to be with an audible voice. It can just be in that still small voice that you feel inside of you. Sometimes it's not even words, just an impression that you have. -- If you really believe and ask the Lord, and you want to hear or see, you won't be disappointed! And that thing you see or hear with the eyes or ears of your spirit, that's the Lord -- and it will be such a comfort to you! Expect God to answer!

Everyday should be a new day, a new experience, a new listening to the voice of the Lord, praise the Lord? You can hear from God everyday!

Real love is to fulfill the part that God created you to play.

God said to Saul, "I will make thee another man," and to David too -- God made him another man. He turned him into something he wasn't. -- It's almost like playing a role. But when God has given you a role to play and you can play it with divine anointing and real inspiration of the Lord and by the power of His Spirit, you **become** that creation of God! -- God has His Own plan. God has His Own way. God knows what He's doing. So for God's sake let Him do it and just look to Him to find out what He's doing, and what He wants **you** to do. -- What you don't want to do is miss His best -- the highest and best thing God wants you to do. -- The boat that could get you to where you can really accomplish something. -- God's special place for you in His Kingdom!

If you're willing to be what God wants you to be, not what you are, but what **God** wants you to be, then He can mightily use you!

So are you willing, not to present your program to God for His signature, not even to be presented with God's program for your signature -- but are you willing to sign a blank sheet of paper and let God fill it in without your even knowing what His program is going to be?

Do you want a crown?

The crown is not your salvation! You have Eternal Life through His Son, which is the Gift of God-and you cannot lose it, for He will keep you! This crown is your **reward**, given only to **winners**! Only to those who run and win the race. -- You've got to **earn** your laurels in this fight! -- You must endure hardness, as a good soldier of Jesus Christ, and entangle yourself not again in the affairs of this world, that you may please Him Who hath called you to be a soldier" (2Tim.2:3,4). -- But if you don't, you will lose the reward, miss the fruits of glorious victory, and another will take your crown that God intended for you -- because God's going to get the job done somehow.

So watch and pray that ye enter not into temptation that might lead you astray from the straight and narrow way which leads to a higher crown and greater reward! Amen? -- Fight the good fight! Keep the faith! Finish the course! -- And win the crown! Keep your eyes on the goal and your hand on the plow! Don't look back! -- "Then thou shalt receive a crown of life for thy faithfulness unto the end!"

When this life is over, and the angels beckon you, if what you did was right, God will never forget it! You'll shine as the stars forever! "Well done thou good and faithful servant -- enter thou into the joy of thy Lord!" (Mt.25:21).

There is always a great harvest of new souls waiting for you.

God is more willing to give than we are to receive. He'll always furnish the fields if we'll supply the labor. But He doesn't draft you: You have to volunteer! -- "Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest that He will send forth laborers into His Harvest!" (Mt.9:37,38). -- And the first one He will send will be **you** for others to follow! -- He'll be glad to send you, if you're willing -- but you have to be willing. He likes whole-hearted volunteers!

The harvest truly is plenteous, but the laborers are few: But let me warn you not to say unto yourselves that there are yet four months and then cometh the harvest, but I implore you to "lift up your eyes and behold the fields already white unto harvest" (Jn.4:35). -- "Thou hast seen it. I have shown it unto thee. It is white and ready and falling, and there are so few that are looking!" -- Where are the laborers, and who will go for us, and is it nothing to all ye that pass by? Go now, for **now** is the day of Salvation! The Kingdom of Heaven is at hand!

The fields and the doors are open! -- The prospects are exciting, the experiences will be thrilling, and the results will be glorious! -- So make hay while the sun shines. Gather in the harvest before the storm, for the night is coming when no man can work! (Jn.9:4). -- Amen?

"Whatever thou spendest," He says, "I will repay!" (Lk.10:35).

The more you give, the more He will give you! -- You can never outgive God! -- Even though the poor widow cast in only a mite, it was actually all of her living! (Mk.12:44). -- I'm not even sure the Temple needed it, but God honored her sacrifice just the same. So you can even cast in all your living and still not hurt, because God will bless you for it. If your motive is right and your intentions are good and pure, God will bless you for giving. -- Whatever we spend to rescue these people and save souls, He will more than repay!

God's way to plenty is to give it away, "he that scattereth abroad it increaseth" (Pr.11:24). Many selfish people don't look at it that way. They figure the more they can withhold, the more it's going to increase. But God's Word says: "He that withholdeth it tendeth to poverty" (Pr.11:24). -- God's idea is, the faster you give it away and share it, the more He'll heap it on. -- You're going to find out that you're not going to really be sacrificing at all! You're just going to be investing, and the returns are going to be far beyond anything you have invested! God's going to repay you! -- "If thou wilt give of the portions I have already given unto thee, behold, I shall replenish it many fold!"

We just thank You for Your Love, Lord, how much You loved us.

God gave Jesus an opportunity to quit, gave Him a choice in the Garden! -- And yet He deliberately **chose** to go ahead and suffer for us. Think of that! He said, "Father, if it be Thy will, let this cup pass from me," the cup of suffering. -- "Nevertheless, not My will but Thine be done!" (Mt.26:39). Jesus could have quit and given up, taken the easy way out and refused to suffer so terribly for our sins, but He didn't quit!

"No greater love hath any man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends" (Jn.15:13)., and Jesus was the Friend Who took the punishment for you! -- "God made Jesus to be sin for us, Who knew no sin" (2Cor.5:21). -- To make you clean, Jesus had to get dirty. -- God's Word says so! "He bore your sins in His Own body on the tree" (1Pet.2:24). He had your sins on Him when He died! He even had to let God turn His back on Him, He had to think that God had forsaken Him, think of it! "My God, my God, why hast Thou forsaken Me?" (Mk.15:34).

Jesus in His death suffered not only physically, but also spiritually, such as the unsaved suffer in the afterlife for their sins. -- Three days and three nights in Hell in the fiery heart of the earth! He suffered then for all the sins of all mankind! He died that you might be saved! Isn't that amazing? -- Such love!

Thank God for delivering us from the carnal life of constant materialism and the failures of the flesh!

We own nothing, and nothing owns us -- but the Lord! Praise God! What glorious liberty from the bondage of things! -- "For a man's life consisteth **not** in the abundance of the things which he possesseth!" (Lk.12:15). Living, the <u>real</u> thing, doesn't consist of things at all, because things cannot satisfy! They may temporarily satisfy the body, but they can never satisfy the soul or the spirit of man which cries out to God its Father for the joy and happiness and the eternal fulfillment that only God can give and for which He created it to enjoy!

This world and its glory is dead as a door-nail, there's nothing to it! -- Ask God to show you how much more He has for you -- beyond what you have ever seen, or felt, or heard, or known! It's there -- but He's waiting for you! -- "Turn your eyes upon Jesus, Look full in His wonderful face, And the things of earth shall grow strangely dim, In the Light of His glory and grace." Hallelujah! Thank You Jesus!

Brush aside the dead leaves of past winters! Look for the tender green shoots of real life and love -- Spring! The **real** thing, the living thing! "For He satisfieth the longing soul, and filleth the hungry soul with goodness!" (Ps.107:9).

"The trying of your faith is more precious than gold, yea, than much fine gold!"

God tests our faith to see if it's real gold faith and we'll still believe and obey Him no matter what happens! Real gold -- no matter how hot the test or how long it lasts -- will **still** come out gold -- even **finer** gold! Because the fire burns all the dross and the impurities away! -- If it doesn't go **through** the fire, it's not faith. If it doesn't come out as pure gold, it's not faith! Because real faith stands the test whatever it may be!

Faith in God is the one true coinage of the Realm, which you can exchange one of these days at the Bank of Heaven for the genuine gold of His Kingdom! -- But faith that cannot stand a test is no faith at all! -- So let's try to be able to take our testings and our temptations. -- And we'll enjoy God's really Golden Gates forever after in His really Golden City!

"Behold, I come quickly, and My reward is with Me and My fan is in My hand. Let every man examine himself according to that which is within him -- whether it be of gold and of silver, or of wood, hay or stubble, which shall be burned." -- "For thou shalt suffer many things, many trials, many tribulations and many tests before that day, but I will bring thee forth as pure gold, if thy faith fail not!"

This is where we're headed!

The Heavenly City, which will come down from God out of Heaven and dwell with men! This is the hope of all ages: That now-unseen Eternal World where we shall dwell with Him forever! -- The Heavenly City described in the Grand Finale of the Bible, Revelation, Chapters 21 and 22, the thunderous climax of the symphony of God, a place of such resplendent beauty that it lifts you into the Heavenlies, beyond the imagination of man! - The Heavenly City of our eternal future happiness, our Eternal Home in Paradise! -- "For here have we no continuing city, but we seek one to come!" (Heb.13:14).

The most stupendous things that you have never even dreamed of are already in existence right now, in that way-out Home of His children -- that Heavenly City, "whose Builder and Maker is God" (Heb.11:10)., and which our departed friends and saints are already enjoying! It's just about complete and ready to come down! -- Us and our little mud-bound man never even dreamed of such things!

So keep your eyes ahead on the goal, like those in Hebrews 11, the Faith Chapter. They were willing to go through all the trials and tribulations and be strangers and pilgrims here and people without a country because they knew they had one <u>coming</u>! -- A Heavenly country, a heavenly city, built by the Lord!

"Receive thou wine at the mouth of David!"

If thou wilt open thy mouth wide and receive it, I will not only give thee honey and sweetness from My mouth, but I will give thee wine of My Spirit and thou shalt tingle to the thrill of My ecstasies, if thou wilt receive it. Therefore, open wide thy mouth that thou mayst receive the wine of My Spirit and the thrills of the ecstasies of My Love. For thou shalt be as one that is drunken with Me and one that doth revel in My Love!"

If you can accommodate His new wine without asking why or trying to analyze its ingredients, God has such thrills and intoxications of the Spirit in store for you that you will be glad you drank it without question, and you'll be whisked off into a world which you never dreamed existed, where you'll enjoy the very wonders of total intimacy with God Himself in a wild orgy of the Spirit as His totally surrendered Bride!

"His Words are kisses to satisfy your bosom, My wonderful kisses of My Love!" -- "Therefore, kiss all the words of David and cherish to thy bosom and nourish them in thy heart, and thou shalt be satisfied."

"Receive it, receive it!" -- "Drink of the waters of life which are given unto thee!" -- Dive in! Swim! Revel in the deeps that God has given! Enjoy yourself in the depths of His Word!

You can pray all the time!

You don't have to be down on your hands and knees praying frantically to be heard. Prayer is something you're doing all the time no matter what else you're doing. -- It's like thinking on your feet! -- You can be anointed and Spirit-led in anything you do! If you're thinking and praying about what you're doing and asking God for wisdom, He can inspire you! -- "Pray without ceasing" (1Th.5:17).

Ask the Lord about <u>everything</u> before you do it. Make sure that's what **He** wants you to do. -- "In all thy ways acknowledge Him!" (Prov.3:6). We're all Christians, we love the Lord, this is our whole life -- you mean we have to stop everything and say, "Jesus help us!"? But it reminds you and others and brings a hush to your spirit. -- The Lord wants to be recognized, He wants you to know that you need Him. -- Because lots of things can happen that are totally beyond your control, but not the Lord's! So keep close to the Lord, constantly claiming the protection of the Lord, always asking the Lord to keep you, and bless and protect you.

Keep us close to You and help us to stay close to You in Thy will, Lord, and obedient, following moment by moment. Every moment keep our hearts right with You, Jesus, our motives right, our will right, and everything right with You. Thank You Jesus!

Eternal Salvation by Grace means once saved, always saved!

"He that believeth on the Son hath Everlasting Life" (Jn.3:36). -- Right now! -- No if's, and's, or but's about it. -- You already have it. You don't have to worry about, are you going to have it, or are you going to fall from grace, or are you going to manage to stay saved, or are you going to manage to keep true and then finally be given the reward of salvation for your faithfulness. Salvation is not a reward! -- It's not pay, it's not wages! It is a gift that you don't earn by faithfulness or by any kind of works of your own. -- And that's all there is to that -- nothing else, no other way, no righteousness of your own, none of your own good works. -- None of these can keep you saved any more than they can save you in the first place! Only Jesus can do it! -- "The gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ," His Son" (Rom.6:23).

A works Salvation is no Salvation at all! -- You cannot be good enough! No matter what you do, it won't save you! -- "For by grace are ye saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God" (Eph.2:8,9). -- It's **impossible** to save yourself! -- You have Eternal Life through His Son, which is the Gift of God -- and you cannot lose it, for **He** will keep you! You are His child! -- You're the Lord's **forever**!

It's amazing the power the Lord gives us!

We're saved, we've got God, we have the Lord, we've got the Holy Spirit, we've got the greatest power in the world! We're going to be all right, God's going to take care of us, no matter **what** happens! -- "Behold, I give unto you power," Jesus promised, "over all the power of the Enemy: And nothing shall by any means hurt you!" (Lk.10:19). -- The power that God has given is able to destroy the works of the Enemy. By God's Word, His Truth,. His revelations, He destroys the power of the Enemy! -- The darkness is all around and seems much larger than the light, and yet it can't overcome the Light! -- It thunders and rages, and it storms, but it can't put out the Light, because it is **afraid** of the Light! It can't even get close to it, because the Light destroys it! -- For "God is Light, and in Him is no darkness at all!" (1Jn.1:5).

"Therefore, fear not, for I am thy God and thy testimony and thy peace and thy great fortress round about thee which is in the Heavenlies which no other power can touch, which is above all earthly powers, and none can stand against thee, for I am thy God and thou art My children." -- "Praise be unto God for His mighty wonders, and the great power He has given unto the children of men!" Thank You for Thy power, Lord, that surrounds us, and lights us, and causes us to glow! -- God's power is the mightiest of all!

When you're weak, then you're strong, because His strength comes in!

No matter how young you are, no matter how little you know, no matter how few talents you have, or how poorly you speak, God can use you! -- In fact, God said He takes the foolish things to confound the wise, and the weak things of this world to confound the mighty, and things which are despised and things which are not, to bring to nothing things that are" (1Cor.1:27,28). -- The very fact that you don't feel like **you** can do it and you feel so humble about it and you don't feel capable of it is the best thing possible. Because then you will seek the **Lord**, and **God** will manifest Himself!

So if you feel you are nothing, and you're no good -- then cheer up! -- God can use you! -- But what the Enemy ignores and tries to help you forget so you won't claim the Lord's help is, "When I'm weak, then I'm strong, for His strength is made perfect in weakness" (2Cor.12:9,10). I've known many times when I was weakest in the flesh that I was strongest in the Spirit, because I just had to completely throw myself on the Lord. You don't know how you're going to make it, but **He** can make it for you!

We're nothing and He's everything! We merely "have this treasure in earthen vessels that the excellency of the power may be of God and not of ourselves" (2Cor.4:7). -- His is **all** the glory!

"With His stripes we are healed" (Isaiah 53:5).

Our bodies belong to Jesus. Jesus has bought our **souls** or spirits with His **blood** and we are saved, but He has also bought our **bodies** with His **sufferings**. He <u>died</u> for your <u>salvation</u>, but He <u>suffered</u> for your <u>healing</u>. -- His body was broken for us for the healing of our bodies. There is salvation both for the body and for the spirit!

He's already paid for, not only your salvation, but He has paid for your healing. -- He shed His blood for your salvation, and what did He do for your healing? -- By His stripes ye are healed! -- He suffered for your healing. So we can claim it, even as a part of His atonement. We can claim it as a part of what He paid for. He paid for it, it's yours **already** for the asking.

So if you've been sick and you need healing, take it by faith and it's there for you! -- God cannot only do it, but He **wants** to do it! He's more willing to give than we are to receive! Believe God! He never fails! -- Even when we are faithless! Hold Him to His Word! He says "Command ye Me!" (Isa.45:11). Have desperate prayer, and expect a miracle! You do your part, and the rest is up to God.

"The Great Physician now is near, The sympathizing Jesus; He speaks the drooping heart to cheer, Oh! hear the voice of Jesus!"

It's impossible for you to get the victory! Only Christ can!

You can't get the victory! -- You have to come face-to-face with the facts. -- You can't do it yourself! Only **He** can do it! Just give Him a chance! Let go -- and let God! -- "Not of works, lest any man should boast!" (Eph.2:8,9). Only God can give it! You can't earn it, work for it, work it up, pray it down or pray it through! -- It is the gift of God!

We're not the Christian Endeavor Union! -- In other words, we're not "Christian Triers," but "Lord Letters!" For without Him we are nothing and can of our own selves do nothing! -- Only God can do it. We must simply be willing and yielded to Him, and make the decision that we want it without reservations! -- We can get the victory if we choose to, because God's got it for us and there's oodles of promises on it. If we will do our part and forsake our sins and make the right choice to do God's Will, He'll give it to us. -- The Lord always gets the victory!

So if you're down in the dumps, then dump it on **Jesus**! -- You can do all things through **Christ** which strengtheneth you! -- Call on the Father for help and He'll chase away all the giants of discouragement, doubt, fear, gloom and despair and turn your ashes into lilies to make you all happy again!

The one who trusts really rests in the Lord.

If you know that God loves you and cares for you and is going to take care of you no matter what happens, you can have peace of mind and you can just rest in the Lord knowing He's going to take care of everything. -- But if you're in a big stew, confused and worrying and fretting and fuming, you're not trusting. You don't have the faith you ought to have.

The secret of that calm and peace and rest and patience and faith and love is **resting** in the Lord! -- Getting calm before the Lord and praising the Lord and seeking the Lord first. -- Trusting is a picture of complete rest, peace and quiet of mind, heart and spirit. The body may have to continue working, but your attitude and spirit is calm. -- Jesus said, "Come unto Me, all ye that labor and are heavy-laden, and I will give you rest!" (Mt.11:28).

Help us Lord not to be so pressured that we put off our time with Thee. Help us to put Thee first each day, spiritually to bask in Thy sunshine, rest in Thy arms, drink deeply of Thy Word and inhale of Thy Spirit! Hallelujah!

"There is a place of quiet rest, Near to the heart of God. A place where sin cannot molest, Near to the heart of God. O Jesus, blest Redeemer, Sent from the heart of God, Hold us who wait before Thee, Near to the heart of God."

It takes Thy Spirit to open our eyes and show us Thy Truth!

"Open mine eyes that I may see" -- that's the first requirement" (Ps.119:18). -- I didn't find the truth until I began to heed His Spirit, the Voice of His Spirit in His Word. -- When I began to really dig in the Bible as a young Christian, I found out that I could get more from the Holy Spirit and from the Lord by studying the Word directly myself without the interference and influence of another.

God knows His Own Book better than anybody, and the Holy Ghost is the best Concordance I've got. He keeps popping Scriptures into my mind all the time, right on the button, right on the subject, even some I never dreamed were related to that subject, or never even thought of in connection with it. -- And when the Lord gives you something in the Spirit, and definitely applies a certain verse of Scripture to you, it's like a key that unlocks the door to the whole passage -- the corridor that leads to other doors of other Scriptures, which He opens to your view through the eyes of the Spirit!

There's no end to God's good gold! -- His mine is **full** of it! But you can only get at it all through the **Spirit**. -- You can dig it out just like I do -- right out of the Bible! You need to dig for it and ask God to help you find it! Let Him speak to you through His Word!

With faith, believing is seeing!

"Keep Thou my feet. I do not ask to see the distant scene; one step enough for me." -- That's the walk of faith! Jesus has to lead you. He has to encourage you no matter **how** dark the night, even if you can't see ahead, just put your hand into the hand of God! -- "Look thou, therefore, unto Me and not unto men, and hear thou My Words and not man's words; for behold, I am with thee and I will help thee."

You don't even always have to know what He's going to do. Sometimes even if He didn't show us right away what to do, He went ahead and did it Himself. -- And we didn't even find out what He'd done until after He'd done it! -- So have faith and trust Him that He knows best!

Lord Jesus, we put ourselves in Your hands and trust You to take care of us. -- There are many things yet that we don't understand, but we know that you'll show us in Thy time. In the meantime we have to just trust Thee and obey, Lord, whether we understand or not. Sometimes it's been blind obedience, but you've never failed to bring something that has opened our eyes and shown us that there have been good results in some way, some fruit, some effect. -- So help and strengthen us Lord. Most of all, help us to trust You, Jesus, for everything, Lord. You **never** fail!

I'll take the mountain!

As in every "Pilgrim's Progress," it is sometimes a "rough and a rugged road with a hard and a heavy load, and the people you meet aren't always kind!" -- On the way up. But they're even worse down in the valley, and in the valley they will do everything they can to discourage you from climbing the mountain. -- When you're on the bottom, you have nothing to lose. There's no way but up, and the bottom is the safest place in the world. But when you're getting to the top, there're going to be 10,000 people trying to pull you down and keep you from making it. -- They want to keep you shut in down in the valley and in the mud and in the mire! Take the mountain and you'll leave the multitudes behind!

It's a seemingly insurmountable, mountainous job, but there are no Alps to the men of faith! All things are possible to him that believeth, and with God nothing shall be impossible! Hallelujah! Have faith and start working, climbing! It's gonna be a rugged climb, but the view from the summit is worth it, every rocky step of it. Look forward and up to heights you're soon to attain and views you're soon to thrill to if you keep fighting, climbing, winning and don't quit!

Life is on the mountain! Get out of the valley! -- Head for the high country of heavenly hearts in heavenly lands of the Spirit!

August 30

"The Lord loveth a cheerful giver" (2Cor.9:7).

God wants people who are cheerful givers, who are voluntarily giving because it makes them happy and cheerful, because they know it pleases the Lord and they're helping others. -- But some people say: "The <u>Lord</u> gave me these things! I couldn't give it up now! He certainly wouldn't expect me to forsake it now!" -- But **that's** what He gave it to you for! -- So you could forsake it! -- For His will, or give it to the poor, or let God use it in some way.

But when we don't give willingly, we don't give cheerfully, then we're not really giving. -- And when something isn't freely given, don't think you're going to get credit from the Lord for it, or else you're likely to be like the Scotsman who thought he was throwing a copper penny into the church offering bag, but suddenly noticed as it left his fingers that it was a gold Sovereign! When he suddenly saw what he was losing, he tried to snatch it back, but the usher put his hand over the bag and said, "Oh, no! Sorry. Once in, forever in!" So the rich Scotsman said, "Well, at least I'll get credit for the Sovereign in Heaven!" "No you won't," said the usher. "You'll only get credit for the penny!"

So are you going to give **cheerfully**? Then you get a **lot** of credit for it. Amen?

August 31

We've got a lot to be thankful for!

Isn't it wonderful to know Jesus? Isn't it wonderful to be saved? Isn't it wonderful to have God in your heart? -- "Look, and behold thou these days of Heaven upon Earth and **be thankful** 'ere they perish and shall be no more." -- This is only a little sample. Thank You Jesus for it!

Thank God for your blessings! Thank God for the Family, thank God for the love, thank God for salvation, thank God for His protection, thank God for His provision, thank God for **everything!** -- "In everything give thanks!" (1Th.5:18). -- Thank You so much, Lord, for Thy protection, care and love, and Thy constant guidance and supply of our every need. Thank You, Lord, for how You've helped, blessed and kept us, used us and made us a blessing. -- Thank You for **all** Your blessings, thank You Jesus! Praise the Lord!

"Even as the bottle hath been placed to thy mouth to rejoice and make glad the heart of man, so have I caused thy heart to be made glad because of all the things that I have done for thee and given thee, and all that which I have promised thee! -- Lift thy hearts therefore unto Me in praise, and thank the Lord!" -- "In whatsoever state you're in," whether "abounding or abased," be thankful for your many blessings and that Jesus loves you and your loved ones love you and we all love you! -- Is your heart full of thanksgiving? Thank You Jesus, amen?



It is impossible to have faith unless you have the Word!

If you're weak in **faith** it's because you're weak in the **Word!** -- The best cure of doubts is the Word! "Faith cometh by hearing the Word of God!" (Rom.10:17). -- That's the law of faith. So if you feel like, "Oh, my God, I just don't have much faith!" -- it's because you don't have the Word. -- Because faith comes from the Word! -- Faith comes -- it grows -- by hearing the Word of God. It's not a sudden boom. It is something that is built by faithful study of God's Word.

The only thing **you** have to do is **receive** it. He does the rest. He even gives you faith to believe His Word. -- Faith isn't something you work up, muster up or polish up by your own efforts and strength! Accepting faith through His Word is a work of God's grace.

So please do not neglect His Word, for it is food for your soul and gives you strength for the battle! It is His Word by His Spirit in His Love that makes you strong! -- Lord help us to stay in the Word of God, grounded in the Word of God. It's the Word that will increase your faith. -- The main thing is to know the Word. Faith is built on the Word! -- Read it prayerfully and ask God to guide you! -- He never fails! He'll always answer the hungry heart! God bless you and help you find faith!

"Blessed is he that seeketh My face in the hour of trouble. So shall he be in the hour of triumph, and I will be with him!"

Are you on the spot? -- Turn around and put God on the spot! -- When things look darkest, don't look down! -- Look up! -- "Through tribulations and through trials, keep thy face unto the Lord!" -- O Jesus, Jesus, Jesus! You promised in the day we cry unto You with a whole heart, You would answer and deliver us from our troubles! Before we were afflicted we went astray, but now have we kept Thy Word! -- May we now cry out unto Thee, O Lord, may we seek Thy help, may we know that Thou art with us, O Lord, may we bring out of defeat the victory that shall give Thee the glory!

"Before they call, I will answer, and while they are yet speaking, I will hear!" -- "Thy prayers shall be answered, and thy voice shall be heard. For I have seen thy tears, I have heard thy cry unto Me, and I shall save thee." -- "When thou passest through the waters I will be with thee, and through the rivers they shall not overflow thee, and the fire, it shall not be upon thee, but I shall bring thee forth as gold -- yea, as much fine gold."

"The Lord shall hear thee in the day of thy affliction and shall rise up and save them that cry unto Him."

Yes! -- This movement does follow a Man -- the Son of God, Jesus Christ! Thank You Lord!

If anyone wants to know who started this group, or they ask you to take them to your leader: Tell them to get down on their knees! Take them to **Jesus!** -- Jesus Christ is our leader and each of our Homes is independent and led by the Lord! We can do as we please, however God leads us! -- Our Headquarters is in **Heaven!** Our Ruler is **God!** Our King is **Jesus!** And our communication system is His **Spirit!**

That's the whole idea of the Family: Each one is supposed to find God for himself and be filled with the Holy Spirit and led by the Spirit of God individually so that they find the answers for themselves, their own individual cases! -- God's work is not dependent on **any** man! -- No one in particular, no personality cult, no individual who has to be there but the Lord and by the power of His Holy Spirit! -- It's supposed to break you away from such a man-made attachment and man-made dependence where everybody has to depend on one preacher, one denomination or one pope or whatever! -- So, the more you keep your eyes on God, the better off you'll be, because no matter what happens to any **man**, if your eyes are on the **Lord**, you'll keep on going for Him, because it's Jesus you're following!

"For this indeed is My Kingdom and thou indeed art My children; for, I, Jesus, am thy King!"

We're tied to the Lord with the golden chain of His Love!

We are the Lord's property and possessed by the Lord and His Spirit. We belong to the Lord, we are His possession. -- "Thou art Mine and Mine are thine, and in Me shalt thou find thy salvation!" -- "Oh Love that will not let me go, I rest my weary soul in Thee." (The only love that won't let you go is Jesus' Love and the love of His children!) -- You are His and He loves you. He'll never fail you! He'll never forsake you! He'll never let you down!

"Satan hath asked that he might sift thee, but I have prayed for thee, that thy faith fail not" (Lk.22:31,32). -- "For thou art Mine and I have redeemed thee, and I shall save thee withersoever thou goest. I will be with thee and I shall save thy soul from destruction." -- "So fear thou not, for I am with thee; be not dismayed, for I am thy God! I will strengthen thee, yea, I will help thee, yea, I will uphold thee with the right hand of My righteousness!" (Isa.41:10). -- "For I shall bind thee about the handle of the Ax of My Word with a strong cord of love and faith. I have made thee as **one with Me.**"

"Behold, I have loved thee with an everlasting love, and thou shalt never more depart from Me. For thou shalt be called true and faithful and holy in the House of the King."

Be like Jesus!

If you really have the compassion of the Holy Spirit, the Love of God and the Love of Christ in your heart, you're going to be like Jesus! -- And if you want to know how Jesus is, just read the Gospels! It's beautiful! -- We read His life story in the Bible about the Man Who went about everywhere doing good. -- Striving to lead God's little children back to the worship of the true Father; His little lambs back into the one and only true fold of the Great Shepherd and the way of simple Truth and Love and Peace -- the True Kingdom of God, whose only laws are love.

Study the Gospels and see how Jesus did it. -- Study the Master Teacher! -- Who only taught and lived love and sharing! -- Who came for love and lived in love and died for love that we might live and love forever!

This is why I always liked the words of Jesus better than any other part of the Bible! He was almost always the peacemaker. When they didn't like His message, He didn't force it on them. It was all voluntary, all "whosoever will." -- Jesus was patient, loving, kind, sympathetic and forgiving, always loving, always leading, not pushing or driving, and always feeding and encouraging and strengthening His little lambs.

Lord, You are the greatest Sample of all! -- The greatest of all samples of humility and mercy. Help us to be like You, Lord Jesus!

You are a very necessary part of God's Kingdom!

Nobody else is going to be able to do your job. Somebody else might be able to do **their** job, but God has given **you your** job! -- His special place for you in His Kingdom! -- God has designed each of us for our particular job. We each are a part of God's Plan, each is a thread in the tapestry, a cog in the machinery, a piece in the jig-saw puzzle of God's great work of art, His Church, without any of which something would be missing.

We are all a part of His Body and no member can say to the other, "I have no need of thee" (1Cor.12:21). -- For every member is needed and everyone is important, from the lowliest to the mightiest, from the most insignificant to the most seemingly important, from the most obscure to the most obvious. -- **Whatever** our place is we're all needed and none can really do without the other! -- Everyone is essential, everyone is important, everyone has his job, everyone is needed, and all must work together in unity and harmony and cooperation -- that all parts of the body may be fitly joined together and work together well-coordinated in the Lord's service.

We have come to the Kingdom for such a time as this and our mightiest victories lie ahead if we can continue to work in peace and harmony, trust and unity with each other, that souls may be saved. Amen?

"They shall learn war no more!" (Isa.2:4).

We are peacemakers who try to bring peace to men's hearts and minds and souls and bodies and countries, but we'll never have total peace till we get rid of the God-damned war makers, the evil hearts that make war! -- But thank God He is soon to deliver the Earth from "them that destroy the Earth" with all their wars and waste and wanton destruction and pollution! Only then shall the men of peace and the God of peace and the Prince of peace rule and reign and bring "peace on Earth!" (Lk.2:14). -- Which shall never end under the reign of Jesus Christ, the Son of God and Prince of Peace Himself! -- There'll be no more wars. -- No more horrible havoc and destruction and cruel, senseless, diabolical, murderous loss of life and suffering! -- No more dead and dying, noise and confusion! "For there shall be nothing that shall either hurt or destroy or pollute in all My Holy Mountain (Kingdom)" (Isa.11:9). There shall be no more evil in all God's Kingdom on earth -- only a Heaven-on-Earth rule by the Lord and His children from the Heavenly City! -- Then we'll be free from war, with real peace brought by the Lord and His Kingdom forever, the Kingdom of Love where we all **make love**, **not war!** There'll be love and laughter and peace ever after, tomorrow -- in God's tomorrow -- when the world is free of wars!

He longs for that sweet communion, that union of heart with heart!

"O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, how oft would I have gathered thee under My wings, that thou mayest hear My voice and be comforted by My Words and breathe of My Spirit!" -- "I want you to want Me! ... Listen! Don't you understand that I love and I want you?" -- "My soul hungereth after Thee!" -- "Therefore, desire Me on the mount (-- of intimate fellowship and utter sweet surrender!). Seek Me, find Me, embrace Me on the mountain!" -- The secret place of intimate fellowship with the Lord in prayer and devotion and meditation.

"Be ye not as the Old Church, which doth wear clothes which are for show and to protect herself from Me, but **bare thyself** unto Me, even as unto thy Love in humility and love." -- Have faith in God's Love and obey and come, and strip off the outer garments of appearances, cover-ups, and false fronts, and expose yourself to the Lord, totally yielding yourself to Him in submission and humility. Lie stripped before the Lord and let Him empower you!

"Deep abiding joy fills all my life today! There's a secret reason why I love to pray! There's an inner Wellspring deep within my soul; Jesus, precious Jesus, has at last complete control!"

The Holy Spirit is the power -- He provides the current!

The Spirit is something that is beyond our comprehension, but in a way, it's almost **electrical** -- a kind of energy. -- It's like a flow. It's like a flow of electric current. -- God's great electrical power! -- It's the power of the Spirit of God!

Like a lot of these little tape recorders: They'll run for a while on batteries, but how long will they run on batteries? -- You'll run for awhile, but then you'll have to come back and get hooked up to the current again, or you'll run slower and slower till you have nothing left and are just plumb flat! -- So you must be sure that you have the right power source and are connected to it properly. -- And be sure your battery is well charged by His power, fresh and renewed -- that your contact is good and clean and firm

Only the Spirit brings life! -- Without Him you'll fall flat as a flounder! -- You won't have any power at all unless you're plugged into God's power, the main current, the main line. -- The fire of the Fire-Bird, God's Hot Holy Ghost!

"Not by might, nor by power of your own, but by My Spirit, saith the Lord!" (Zech.4:6). That's all we've got! That's all that keeps us alive! -- He's our Electricity! -- Our power is only in the Spirit! -- Are **you** turned on to His power?

"Majestic Destiny!"

If thou couldst see that which is in store for thee, the things I have prepared for thee, if thou couldst feel that which I feel for thee, the joy thou shouldst know in time to come, thou should be overjoyed for that which is to come!" -- "For thou shalt experience joys which thou hast never known! This shall be a compensation unto thee and a recompense, and thou shalt be rewarded." -- "For it hath not entered into thy mind, neither hath thine eye seen, nor hath thine ear heard, the glories that shall be, that I have laid up for thee, My own, My beloved, My beloved one!"

"For this time is but for a moment, and afterwards there is exceeding great reward!" -- "For I shall give unto thee favor and springs of power, and wells of water shall be opened unto thee for thou shalt be masters of all earth and Heaven and all those things which I have given unto thee for My Name's sake, for thou art pleasing in My sight, and therefore I shall give thee all things whatsoever thou shalt desire within My power, for thou dost please Me and thank Me for all things!"

"Have I not said unto thee that if thou canst believe, thou shouldst see the glory of God?" -- We're going to go on to the light of a brighter day, in a new day, a new land and a new Kingdom! Praise the Lord!

"Thou shalt sweep across the face of the earth and thou shalt proclaim My Name unto all nations, and then shall the End come!"

By means of obedience to His commandments, we are conquering the world and shall continue to do so 'till Jesus comes, according to His own promises! -- "For this Gospel of the Kingdom must be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations before the End can come" (Mt.24:14). -- "For David's mighty men shall do great exploits and instruct many in the Faith of Jesus in many tongues and lands and nations! And they shall teach many little children in every tribe and every nation to be My disciples!"

Then when we've completed our fulfillment of the Lord's commission to go into all the world and preach the Gospel unto every creature, He will come again and reap the great harvest of souls saved from every country on Earth -- to gather us all to that greatest of all feasts and festivals, the Marriage Supper of the Lamb in Heaven, while His wrath is being poured out upon our Enemies upon the Earth, we return with Him to rule the world! (Rev.19-22). -- "And thou shalt see that City which thou dost call 'Space,' and thou shalt bring in many, many children unto that City, not thousands but tens of thousands, for thy seed shall be as innumerable as the sands of the sea without number, and as the stars of the heavens!" Hallelujah!

God waits for us to be humbled and pray for help.

The Holy Spirit gently descends, and can be easily shooed away. It doesn't land where it's not wanted. -- God goes where there are open and receptive hearts that are hungry. He seeks the low and the humble and the contrite heart, but resisteth the proud. He giveth grace to the humble! -- So as long as you're calling, you can expect God to answer; as long as you're seeking, God will show the way; as long as you're empty, you'll be able to be filled! (Luke 1:53).

It's just like salvation: It is not until you recognize you're a sinner that you're desperate enough to seek salvation. But when you break down and confess you're a sinner and recognize you need help, then you cry out to God to save you and God shows you the answer. -- "Ye shall seek Me and find Me when you shall search for Me with all your heart" (Jer.29:13). When you cry out desperately to Him with a hungry, empty heart, asking Him to fill it, He will! -- He's more willing to give than we are to receive! He just keeps sending and broadcasting as long as we are willing to receive. -- But He does not force Himself on anyone; He doesn't push Himself. -- He waits lovingly and meekly for you! -- God puts the responsibility on you! -- So call on Him for help and "He will show thee great and mighty things that thou knowest not of!" (Jer.33:3).

We owe Him everything!

Jesus was willing to die for us to save us, and He wants **us** to be willing to die for **Him** to save **others**! He bought and paid for us, we're His property, we belong to Him now. Jesus saved our souls, saved our lives for eternity. -- So <u>of course</u> we should give our lives and follow Him, amen? <u>Of course</u> we ought to try to win as many as we can.

Jesus didn't go halfway to the cross for you, or almost all the way, but He went **all** the way and gave **all** His life for you! -- The main job He came to do was to die on that cross. And so the main job you've got to do is bear your cross. -- He said, "If any man would come after Me, let him deny himself and take up his cross daily and follow Me!" (Lk.9:23). -- The guy who is willing to seemingly lose is going to be the gainer! "He is no fool who gives what he cannot keep to gain what he cannot lose!" Jesus Himself said, "He that saveth his life shall lose it, but he that loseth his life for My sake and the Gospel's, the same shall save it!" -- And a lot of others besides!

We can only find the fullness of faith that we seek in the path of complete obedience, when we're really willing to take up our cross and deny ourselves and yield our pride and our will and follow Thee; then all the rest will come, because You'll give us the power as we surrender to Thee. Thank You Jesus!

The only hiding place, the only safe place to be, is in the Lord.

You're going to have plenty of storms if you're going to live this kind of a life! -- But if your house is founded on the Rock Christ Jesus, you have nothing to fear, nothing to be afraid of. You can face the winds and waves of adversity fearlessly and challenge all their fury, and none of these things can move you! -- The Lord is your best defense -- so stay close to Him!

"Jesus, Lover of my soul, Let me to Thy bosom fly. While the nearer waters roll, While the tempest still is high." -- Thou art our Deliverer, our strong fortress in whom we hide, our strong tower in which the righteous hide and are delivered from the Enemy. We fly to Thee -- Thou art a shadow in the time of trouble. Thou art our strength! We're nothing, we're weak, but Thou art our strength! -- We're perfectly safe in You, Jesus, because we're Thy children, and You're in us. -- Keep us close to Thee in Thy will, where we know we'll be safe in Thy care.

"Blessed is she, the daughter of peace, that hath found a place within His Kingdom, a safe harbor -- a safe harbor within His arms!" -- "With no mighty fortress but Me, no great castles but My living fellowship!"

"The night is far spent, yea, the day breaks, when the sun of righteousness shall rise again!"

Beloved, the outlook for us in this world and our future here could hardly be darker! -- But the uplook could hardly be brighter or more glorious! -- Things have got to get a little bit worse in some ways, in order to get better, but they are definitely going to get better as a result of getting worse. -- So we've got good things to look forward to! -- Because the End is bound to come -- including our end -- which will be the beginning of the Kingdom of Heaven on Earth, with peace and plenty for all! And we shall rule and reign with Him forever! Hallelujah! -- Then there'll be a "New Earth wherein dwelleth righteousness!" -- A New World of peace and plenty and love and happiness for all who follow Jesus, the King of kings and Lord of lords over all!

For the dawn cometh and the Son of Righteousness ariseth and there shall be a new day, and His Love shall drop down like rain upon the land and there shall spring forth life! -- "How righteous shall be that which shall cover the earth, and how shalt thou rule and reign with Me in My throne, even as I have foretold it and given it unto the prophets of old, and also confirmed it now in the mouth of both Moses and David!" -- "For the hour is late and these things shall soon come to pass! Be thou faithful therefore unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life!"

Our new religion of Love is going to absolutely explode throughout the entire Earth!

We're wielding the most powerful weapons the world has ever known! Phooey on the atom bomb! -- Love is the greatest force in the world, and the Word of God the most powerful truth on Earth! The Spirit of God's Love is the most powerful force in all the world, thank God! -- Just like I saw in my dream of that little pill that the policeman was looking at: I was saying to him, "But it's so small!" -- The little pill of love, the love-power of God! But he said, "Yes, but it's so powerful! It's enough to blow these countries apart!"

(Vision:) **Nothing** could resist the **Elixir of Love**! So beautiful! Whatever it touched it changed, the most powerful thing in the whole world! -- Came down from Heaven like rain. All you have to do is catch it and wash your hands in it and it'll do anything. -- Anything! -- It's an absolutely irresistible power! Thank You Lord! We're armed with the power of the Love of God!

It's God's last chance to show His Love to the world, so He's really spreading it on! -- "For I shall do a new thing, for I shall give such love that it shall **explode** throughout all nations and disrupt all kingdoms, and I shall give such great love that it shall overthrow the kingdoms of this Earth!"

So much depends on prayer!

Although God can do anything, He has committed Himself just to work through <u>you</u> -- and your <u>prayers</u> can do mighty things! -- Jesus said, "If you have faith as a grain of mustard seed, you can move a whole mountain!" (Mt.17:20). -- You get what you ask for, and what you have faith for! -- The Lord will take you exactly at your word and your faith!

It's not how long you pray or how much you pray, it's how much you believe. -- If you really believe, every prayer is heard and answered. But if you don't pray it is not done! An awful lot depends on you. -- God said to Israel one time that bad things were happening because "No man stirreth himself to call upon Me!" (Isa.64:7). -- The Lord really leaves a lot to us and our concern and prayer. If you only cry with half a heart, you only get half an answer. But if you cry with your whole heart, you get a wholehearted strong answer. -- "In the day that you call upon Me with a whole heart, I will answer!"

When you determine you're going to pray more and then desperately cry out to God: Boom, boom, boom! -- The Holy Spirit goes to work right away and you'll begin to see some action! -- He always answers when we stir ourselves to call upon Him with a whole heart. Jesus never fails! -- So pray! -- Amen?

"Ye shall grow up within My bosom near to My heart with great care and great tenderness."

Are you just a tender little seedling or a tiny young sapling just beginning to grow out of the ground? -- You may seem only a tiny little bud at first, just a little sprig, just one insignificant little green shoot. -- But that's the beginning of the miracle of new life and it will thrive and grow and grow and become great and strong, into a whole new tree, a whole new life, and maybe a whole new world! -- "... young saplings which grow unto the Light of My Word that I may shine upon them that they may grow and become mighty in Word and deed as a great forest of trees and shall bear great fruit - and many many shall be called by My Name!" -- "So shall I strengthen thee for My service and I shall do a work in thee."

"And though thou be lowliest among the lilies of the field, I have come and plucked thee forth and set thee upon high in the vessel of My usefulness upon the mantle of the Palace of the King, where thou shalt be an adornment unto My Abode and a thing of beauty and usefulness unto Me!" - So be strong and of a good courage and He shall strengthen thine heart! -- The greatest works of God take a long time. -- "So wait upon the Lord and thou shalt not falter. Fear not, for I the Lord shall do it!"

God will use everything you've got if you'll let Him.

"The gifts and calling of God are without repentance" (Rom.11:29)., meaning God doesn't change His mind when He passes out the talents -- He knows who to give them to. -- And since God was preparing you for His Service even before you were saved, He's undoubtedly going to use your hidden talents at some time or other, sooner or later, if you'll just be patient and faithful! "Be not weary in well-doing, for in due season ye shall reap, if ye faint not!" (Gal.6:9).

The Lord needs you, and could sure use you to help other people. -There's a great work to be done and God needs every ounce of talent that
you have! -- So you're going to have to sit down and say, "Now God, what
do **You** want me to do?" -- Stand back and size up the situation: "This is my
calling, but not that. These are my talents, but not that. This is what God
wants me to do, this, but not that."

Lord, You know what's best. Give each of us the faith and vision we need, to catch a vision for whatever ministry we are best suited, the faith to exercise it and the willingness to take the initiative to do it! In Jesus' name! - God's Will be done! -- And it will, in spite of any of us; but don't miss the blessing by missing your part! -- May you invest your talents well and reap great reward! -- Hallelujah! -- Use all your talents!

"They can't stop our rain!"

In vision I saw a handful of angry little people holding up their hands against Heaven trying to stop the rain. And the words come to me, "They can no more stop us than they can stop the rain!" -- God's Latter Rain! -- "Behold, the drops of water fall from Heaven to bless My land to refresh it! And there are those who will stand up against it! How ridiculous!" -- We're like the rain coming down from Heaven, and our enemies are so foolish! -- To think they could try to raise their hands against the forces of God and the forces of Heaven! -- Ha! -- Very ridiculous! -- Very stupid! "So foolish the forces who rise up against Thy Name and Thine Anointed. So ridiculous of those nincompoops who fight Thy children!" -- Their trying to stop us is as foolish as their trying to stop the rain! What can they do? They can only stop a few drops of God's great shower!

God Himself has promised us that "if this work be of Man, it will come to naught, but if it be of God, **no** man can stand against it!" (Ac.5:38,39). -- Nothing can stop God or His reign or all of His messengers, prophets and holy children who are here to stay forever, even if He has to jerk the world and the wicked out from under them and create a new one in which they'll live in peace, plenty, beauty and harmony forever! -- And He will! -- Then it will be our **reign!** -- "They can't stop our rain!" -- Or reign! Hallelujah!

The Devil can never win!

It is **impossible** for the Devil to win over you unless you give in to him. "Greater is He that is in you (Jesus) than he that is in the world!" (1Jn.4:4). -- He cannot win! He's **already beaten** by Christ on the cross, risen from the tomb!

If you keep fighting, the Devil cannot win! He can only win if you surrender, if you give up, if you chicken out and run -- and wave the white flag of sickening surrender! -- But he can never win as long as you keep fighting. "Resist the Devil and he will flee from you!" (Jam.4:7). As long as you keep resisting, he'll keep fleeing. But if you stop resisting, he uses his lies and temptations and persuasions to win -- to persuade you to quit, that you have a hopeless cause, so you might as well give up and quit and surrender and leave the field to him. -- "It's no use," he says.

But to Hell with the empty lies of the Devil! Get tough and fight back at him! Don't let the Devil say "Boo!" and scare you and make you run! Stand up and fight him and attack him and resist him so he will run and flee from you! -- Put your faith in the Lord and His Word and know you're going to win! -- Put on the whole armor of God. Take the sword of His Truth and destroy the enemy!

The victory is already ours! -- Jesus is the Victor over all!

We open our windows to God!

We need fresh air of God -- not the dark dankness and dimness. We need air and life -- fresh air and light! -- Oh, Lord, for a breath of Thy Heavenly air to refresh us and clear our minds, and inspire our hearts and give us visions that thrill us, that set our heads awhirl for Thee, Jesus! Praise the Lord! -- The blithe breath of Spring full of eternal life, peace and happiness! All you have to do is **open**! Let the light in! -- And God will "open the windows of Heaven, and pour out such a blessing there will not be room enough to hold it" (Mal.3:10). -- Up there the Sun is always shining! -- See how fast it can warm your heart, nourish your soul and make life easier for you!

God will drive away the clouds and the smoke that would obscure your vision -- the dense fog of frustration that would bottle you up. -- "Holy Ghost, with light divine, Shine upon this heart of mine; Chase the shades of night away; Turn my darkness into day." -- Melt away the pride; wash away the fear; drive away all the dark doubts with the light of Thy Spirit!

So help us, Lord, to bask in Thy sunshine and breathe deeply the refreshment of Thy wonderful air! -- "Look! Behold the beauty of the Lord in the days of eternal sunshine and the breath of everlasting Spring!"

What is our excuse for living?

If the whole purpose of our existence is just to get saved, then why doesn't the Lord just take us home to Heaven the minute we get saved? -- Because we have a **job** to do and it's a **big** one. -- There are a lot of other people who need to know Jesus.

So what then is the greatest work in the world? -- To witness the Words of God, to preach the Gospel, to tell people about God's Love, to show them the Love of Jesus! -- That's our business -- witnessing and winning souls! -- His greatest commission is to "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature" (Mk.16:15). -- Preaching the Gospel is our most important job, and winning souls.

Nothing is more important than immortal souls, and we should never let anything overbalance our concern for their Eternal welfare. -- These souls are very precious, they're very fragile and they're very delicate, tender and important, so let's be awful careful with them. -- "Tenderly cherish the little plants out of the dry ground which will grow to the harvest of God."

The only thing God gives you <u>here</u> that you can have <u>There</u> are the souls you win to the Lord to be your brothers and sisters forever! They'll be thankful to you for all Eternity that you told them about Jesus and about His Love!

Be honest with yourself!

We must not only glory in our successes, but also be willing to confess our mistakes and attempt to rectify them. -- But, as they say, the hardest words in any language are: "I was wrong." -- And the hardest one to confess your faults to is yourself! We hate even to admit to ourselves our own mistakes, sins and shortcomings, it is sometimes so discouraging, humbling and humiliating. -- But you'll never get the victory until you face the facts honestly and confess. "He that confesseth his sins," the Word says, "shall be forgiven. But he that covereth his sin shall never prosper!" (Pr.28:13).

Another reason why we really need to confess our sins, is because it really helps keep us humble! It helps you to be honest with yourself and with others and with the Lord. -- This takes humility of the kind only God can give. -- Because it's just the inborn sinful nature of man to want the glory and so be unable to confess.

So may God help us all to be honest with ourselves, others and God! As Shakespeare said, "If thou canst to thine own **self** be true, thou canst not be false to **any** man!" -- Be honest <u>now</u>! It'll solve all your problems and make you happy forever!

"There is no discharge in this war!" (Ecc.8:8).

When we get saved, we've joined God's Army and we've become soldiers, and we're expected to go into battle and fight! And it's a fight to the finish, every inch, till death do us part! -- There's no actual retirement! -- Not even the Apostle Paul counted himself to have attained. -- He said, "I count not myself to have attained" (Ph.3:12,13). -- He never made it till he died! You haven't made it until the Lord relieves you of this life.

It's a battle **every day** -- especially with your besetting sins -- "the weights and the sins that so easily beset you" (Heb.12:1). -- If you think the time's coming when you'll no longer have to fight self and sin and the "old man," you're mistaken! -- You have to fight the Devil and your old self every day! You are a new creature, yes! -- But, boy, how that old self likes to try to pop up again! -- But that's why we have so many victories: We have so many battles, and so much to fight against!

How are you going to have victory if you don't have a fight? -- You have to have constant battle to have constant victory! It's like swimming: You're always fighting to keep your head above the water! -- So God bless and help you to keep on winning battles and greater victories every day! -- You just have to keep fighting, amen?

God will not take second place even to His service.

You know, we get too busy sometimes. We get so busy **serving** Him we forget to **love** Him. -- This is the greatest temptation of workers for the Lord, the greatest danger! -- For if you neglect your fellowship with the King of kings because you're so busy with the affairs of the Kingdom, it can be disastrous to your spiritual life and communion with the Lord!

However sincere and faithful you are to His Work, you must put **Him** first! -- God, that is, not the work, nor even others. Jesus comes first! He doesn't fit second place and He won't take it! "For I the Lord will have no other gods before Me" (Deu.5:7,9). -- That probably is the greatest mistake of sincere Christians: To make a god of God's service.

Your feverish activity is nothing -- your service is nothing, if you don't give the King your attention, your love, your time, your communion. -- He desires your love and for you to love Him first of all and above all. -- You cannot do the Master's work without the Master's power and guidance! -- And to get it you must spend time with the Master! -- So help us, Lord, never to forget that the first place is for You, and that we must drink of Thee and Thy Spirit if we're going to have enough not only for ourselves, but also to overflow upon others!

"Thy rod and Thy staff, they comfort Me!" (Psalm 23:4).

Jesus is a big Shepherd, with a great big stick to protect us -- and when the wolves get too close, He socks 'em! -- with His rod! -- He wallops them! -- And He saves His little sheep! -- It's His rod of authority, the power of the Great Shepherd and His Staff, to resist and bind the Devil, and drive away evil.

Jesus! We're Thy little ones -- Thy sheep in Thy pasture! O Jesus! We are hopeless and helpless without Thee! We don't know anything! We can't do anything, Lord! We're so weak, Lord! We have no strength but **Your** strength -- no life but **Your** life! -- Deliver Thy sheep from the hand of the Enemy and from the wolves that would destroy them and the wild dogs that beset them. Rebuke the Enemy, the Devourer, the lion, Lord, who goes about as a roaring lion seeking whom he may devour! (1Pet.5:8). -- Sic 'em, Jesus! Go get 'em, God! -- Deliver Thy little ones from the cruel and the wrong-doing of the wicked! Rise up and shake Thy mighty arm! "Fear not My little ones, My little flock. Fear not the things which rise against thee, for all the forces of the Devil shall be as chaff which the wind driveth away. For I am with thee and **none** shall stand against the power I have given thee!" -- Hallelujah! Jesus is with us! His rod and His staff, they comfort us! (Psalm 23:4).

If there's anything good about us, it's only <u>You!</u> -- Our only hope: You <u>in</u> us, Lord!

Everyone of us is a Hell of a mess and if we don't keep our eyes on the Lord and our mind on His Word we're doomed to defeat, doubt, disillusionment, and final failure! -- When Peter started looking at himself -- he started to sink! It was no use! You have to keep your eyes on Jesus! -- He's the only One that can keep you from falling! Hold onto His hand, and don't look at the waves -- keep your eyes on Jesus!

God knows you're anything but perfect and can't be perfect and never will be perfect, and usually you're pretty much of a mess, like the rest of us, so the only question, the only standard is: Do you depend on the Lord totally, trust Him and His grace and His Love and His mercy, and give Him all the glory and all the credit? If there's anything good you ever do, do you give Him the glory? Do you say, "Thank Jesus, don't thank me! Thank the Lord, it's all the Lord!" -- All glory and praise to the Lamb that was slain. Who hath borne all our sins, and hath cleansed every stain! -- Jesus! Hallelujah!

So help us to keep our eyes on You, Jesus. Help us to keep our minds and our hearts and our faith stayed on You, in Jesus' name we ask for Thy glory. -- You're the One who really does it all and we're nothing, we just have to depend on You, Jesus. -- And we do, Lord, we do.

The most important job you have is listening to the King: To stop, look and listen!

It's not up to the King to try to go chasing His subjects around, screaming and hollering at them to try to get them to do what He wants. -- He isn't going to go chasing you around trying to beat you over the head with a Bible to get you to listen! -- But you must come to Him with quietness and respect and sincerely and in trembling present your petition, and wait silently to get the answer.

If you're in a roomful of people, and the TV is on -- if they keep raising their voices and drowning out the TV -- no matter how loud the volume is, you won't get what it has to say. And the Lord, unlike the TV, will just shut up if you don't listen! -- When Israel stopped listening to God and ceased believing what He had to say and quit doing what He commanded, He just stopped talking to them for nearly three hundred years between the Testaments! God does not like to talk to either deaf, unbelieving or unheeding ears! So He just shuts up!

But if you **seek** the Lord, you **will hear** from the Lord and be led of the Lord. -- Seek more after the will of your King of kings and He will give you more understanding. -- He wants to be recognized, He wants you to know that you need Him. -- So **listen**, **seek** the Lord and **hear** from the Lord! Amen?

It's Your floodtide ... the stubborn rocks, obstacles and logs that would stop us -- help us around them, Lord, or remove them!

(Vision:) I see a stream flowing. It takes the path of least resistance, and follows and takes the lowest level. -- We're all being swept along with God's mainstream: Some are in the lead, some hovering near the shore, and some clinging to the little rocks of their own personal stand on their own pet doctrines. -- But it's **God's** mighty river. -- "Thou must flow with the current of My Will and where I lead, and avoid the rocks and the ledges and the protuberances and the roots that would ensnare and catch and stop; but thou must flow even as I have led David!"

God will make a way -- He has promised! Where He guides, He always provides! -- And one of the ways to know the will of God is by the open doors. -- So take advantage of the doors which the Lord has already opened for you. -- You don't have to climb the banks or over the rocks. Just flow with it! -- Try to avoid the obstructions and follow the path of least resistance, going where there is the most receptivity, the most openness, always seeking the lowest level! -- Proceed steadily on, in spite of everything, following the refreshing river of God's Will as you seek the driest places of the Earth who need His life-giving Waters of Life!



October 1

"Be strong in the power of His Might!" (Eph.6:10).

Sometimes you don't know how you're going to make it, but **He** can make it for you. -- God can make it through you as long as you depend on Him, His Holy Spirit and His Word. -- "For thou indeed hast little strength, but I Myself have strengthened thee, that thou mayest minister of the strength which the Lord supplieth. As thy days, so shall thy strength be, that the excellency of the power may be of God, and not of man."

"Thy God hath commanded thy strength: strengthen, O God, that which Thou hast wrought for us" (Ps.68:28). It is **God** that gives us the strength and God that has done it all! -- "So be not afraid, but be thou strong in the courage of His might! For when thou art weak, then thou shalt be strong, and **My** strength shall be made perfect in thy weakness. For thy Jesus shall empower thee, and shall make thee as another one, more than thyself." -- "Therefore go forth in the spirit and might of My power and know that I shall be with thee and shall never forsake thee even unto the end of the earth, for I shall prosper thee and give unto thee whatsoever thy hand turneth to."

Amen! God bless and keep you strong in the Lord! -- Not yourself! -- Amen? Praise the Lord! -- The Lord is our strength: Our power is only in the Spirit! -- Only He can do it -- just yield to Him!

October 2

The Lord loves mysteries.

There are a lot of things I wonder about that God doesn't show me. But I suppose if I got serious about it and really got desperate and needed to know or wanted to know bad enough, God would tell me. -- "I could reveal unto thee the secrets of the universe." -- "Only from thy Creator canst thou comprehend the mysteries that I have made, and yet trusteth thou Me not that I have taught thee?"

It's like He's a teacher, and He asks us questions and tries to get us to think. -- The Lord likes to puzzle us sometimes to make us really concentrate and try to think and figure things out. It makes us seek Him more and make a greater effort to get into the spirit and try to get the answers.

"What wouldst thou know? Ask, and it shall be given unto thee! Seek, and ye shall find! Knock, and it shall be opened unto thee!" -- Lord, You have all the answers, and we know nothing except what You show us. All we have to do is ask -- You promised we'd receive. We just knock and the door is opened to us, and we can look in and see what's in Thy heart. If we really seek the answer, we find it!

"If thou shalt seek unto Me, the Lord thy God, it shall be revealed unto thee, the mysteries of the Kingdom of God!" -- He Himself will teach you and reveal to you the greatest of His secrets!

"Thou hast been brought back from the land of the dead!"

He has called Himself out a people. -- "For I will make them a people which were no people, and I will be their God." -- "The breath of My Spirit hath created many! The breath of My Spirit hath raised up as though it were stones from the dead! The breath of My Spirit hath raised up these bones from a dry valley and that which was not have I made into that which is, and many nations shall come forth from Me and I shall raise up even that which was dead that it shall live unto Me and serve Me for My glory!"

"I have kissed thee! I have kissed thee and brought thee into being!" -- It's the breath of God, the anointing and power of God that has done it! -- "I have raised up My David, My New Church, with a new anointing and a fresh Spirit! -- Out of nowhere and from nothing." -- "See now, how I have turned thee about and caused thee to awaken from slumber? -- I have turned thee by My Spirit!"

"For I am the **resurrection** and the **life**, and he that believeth on Me, though he were dead, yet shall he live! And he that believeth in Me shall **never** die, but shall live to life and love and music and hope in a land with children that shall live forever in Me and My House that I have gone to prepare for that which cannot die, but shall live forever! Thank You Jesus!"

Nothing happens to His children but by His will and with His permission!

God always has a reason and nothing happens by accident to one of His children! I have found in my own life, and that of many others, that He always has a purpose for things, although it is not always revealed immediately! -- Everything is in His hands. Nothing happens without His will, especially to His child whom He loves and to whom He wants to be good and take care of. -- But God's ways are not our ways and His thoughts are not our thoughts (Isa.55:8), and He often works in a very mysterious way the wonders of His Love to perform! -- and so often contrary to our natural expectations and desires! But praise the Lord anyhow!

Thank You, Lord, that all things come of Thee. All things work together for good to them that love Thee" (Rom.8:28). Thank You for what You've given us, Jesus! -- Lord, we know all these things are going Your way, whatever way they're going, and that You're behind the scenes, and we know it's all in Your hands, Lord, and You're in control.

"Fear not, therefore, that which shall come upon thee! For I shall turn it unto thy **good!**" -- "For I do all things well, and in Me is no shadow of turning -- and every good and perfect gift cometh down from above!" -- "And nothing shall dare touch thee except by My permission!"

We are all Soul Brothers -- a nation all of one blood, the Blood of Jesus! Hallelujah!

We are all God's children and members of His Kingdom, citizens of His New Nation, where "there is neither Jew nor Greek, bond nor free, male nor female, for ye are **all one** in Christ Jesus!" (Gal.3:28). -- God doesn't see your color, nationality, sex or any other fleshly characteristic! That's downright damnable devilish discrimination! -- "For God looketh on the heart, not on the outward appearance!" (1Sam.16:7).

In the realm of the spirit, you're only a Christian! It doesn't matter what color you are, or what sex you are, or what social status you are, or what father you had! -- **He's** your Father and you're His son, and that's all that matters -- because of Jesus! So to Hell with all the rest of the differences, discriminations and prejudices! -- The worldly, fleshly, Satanic, nationalistic, divisive spirit which has nearly destroyed the Earth with its division and wars!

Thank God we have been **liberated** from the narrow confines of carnal human boundaries and limitations -- into the glorious light and love of His Salvation, and the wonderful fellowship of the Kingdom of God. -- "We are not divided! -- All one body we! -- One in hope, one in doctrine, one in charity!" Hallelujah! -- Thank God for the One True Brotherhood! -- All glory be to Jesus!

We are not alone in this fight!

There's a war going on, a war of the worlds between two worlds -- the world of evil and the Kingdom of God! -- Right now the Lord and the Archangels are fighting for us, battling the devils in a constant great war. -- And we're on God's side, the winning side that cannot lose!

Thank the Lord for His Angels that guard and protect us! -- His mighty defenders, one of which could handle all the arms of the Enemy! Thank God for those who work with us within the veil and the Fifth Dimension! -- His Heavenly spirits, His ministering spirits, His Angels that help us all the time. -- We know, Lord, that Thy "angels encamp 'round about them that fear Thee" (Ps.34:7). But Lord, help us not to give them a hard time! -- They try to counsel, guide and influence us, but they don't make us do things. Only in the most extreme cases does God really step in and intervene. He usually leaves things up to our choice. -- So help us, Lord, to cooperate and follow the leading of Thy Spirit and Thy holy spirits, to do what they know is best. Help us to follow our hunches and feelings and those checks of Thy Spirit and those strange still small voices, Lord, that tell us, "This is the way, walk ye in it!"

"All things are possible to him that believeth! I will give My angels charge over thee to keep thee in all thy ways." -- "Indeed, thou art compassed about with a very great cloud of witnesses!"

"Time shall be no more!" (Rev.10:6).

In the spirit, in the spirit, I'm not bound by time or tide; thru' the spirit, thru' the spirit, I can see the other side! -- There's no time in Eternity! -- The Kingdom of God now is the Kingdom of God later. -- The **Eternal** Kingdom! -- In the Eternal Now there is no past nor future, as Einstein proved.

In the spirit, it's like the past, present and future are all one. -- When the prophets were taken up into the Heavens and saw the future, it hadn't happened yet! But they saw it just like it was happening. -- There isn't going to be any time then. There is for us now though, we're still bound in time. We just don't understand.

(While in the spirit:) Time is foolish, you know? Time is nothing! Then is now, then is now! Then is not anymore. What was is now, and what is to be is now! There's no such thing as time, don't you understand? There's no time, no past, no future! It's all **now**, understand?

"These things are not now presently for you to know. For you must first pass through a long dark tunnel before you reach the other side where you will be given light to understand these things." Thank You Lord! -- "When we've been there ten thousand years, bright shining as the sun, we've no less days to sing God's praise, than when we've first begun!"

What a privilege to be in the Army of the Lord!

There is a path ye have not seen, neither "hath any eye seen, but He hath reserved it for us!" -- And we have **found** it! Hallelujah! -- We're one of the few voices that are raised for the truth. "The voice of one crying in the wilderness!" (Mt.3:3). -- It looks like we're only <u>one</u> in the wilderness compared with the <u>millions</u>! But with <u>God</u> on our side, we're a <u>majority</u>! Praise God! -- Hail, Children, full of grace -- the Lord is with thee! Blessed art thou amongst millions and blessed is the fruit of thy labors!

It's a high privilege to be one of the Twelve, or even one of the Seventy. -- "For many are called, but few are chosen!" (Mt.22:14). -- Because they've chosen to follow Him above all! -- "And straight is the gate and narrow is the way that leadeth unto life eternal, and **few** there be that find it!" (Mt.7:14). -- Thank God you were chosen -- because you answered His call, and **chose** to obey! Praise the Lord!

So we don't, anyone of us, want to account lightly the gifts that God has given us, or the position that God has given us, or the responsibilities that God has given us! -- Help us, Lord, to praise Thee for our blessings and thank Thee for how much You trust us, and how much You're helping us to accomplish! -- It's a wonderful privilege! -- Thank You Jesus!

Nothing is ever going to stop us -- but Jesus!

The forces of evil will never be able to completely destroy God's true children! -- In spite of innumerable major persecutions, they have never stopped them! -- And in spite of all the wrath of bestial atrocious man against God's children during the coming worldwide devilish dictatorship of the Antichrist's regime which will war on God's saints throughout three-and-a-half years of a reign of terror called in the Bible the Great Tribulation, multitudes of us will still be here to joyously welcome Christ's Triumphant Re-entry into the earth's atmosphere! -- He's the only One Who can stop us, and He'll stop us then for a little while to take us home for a party, the Wedding Feast of the Lamb in Heaven! -- Then we'll come back here and stop them! (See Rev.19.)

So praise the Lord, beloved! Don't feel defeated, don't get discouraged and don't worry! No matter what they do, they can never stop us completely! -- Ever! -- As Martin Luther said, "We will not fear, for God hath willed, His truth to triumph through us!" -- We can't fail, Lord, because You're on our side! It's impossible for us to fail, Lord, because You're with us, and there will always be Thy Family somewhere in the world, a witness right up to the End, according to Thy Word! Praise God!

They can never stop us! -- But the day is coming when we will stop them! Thank You, Jesus!

We'll never know full reality, until we are fully in the realm of the Spirit!

Now you only have your salvation by <u>faith</u> and in the <u>spirit</u> -- just a little sample of what eternal salvation and Heaven are going to be like. -- But in the Millennium when Jesus comes, the Kingdom of God, then all things are going to be made clear. -- Our salvation will then become a living, visible, tangible reality, including a new body and a new world -- complete! As Paul said, "Now we see through a glass darkly, but then **face to face**: now I know in part, but then shall I know even as also I am known" (1Cor.13:12). We shall then experience the **fullness** of the realities of God and the world to come! Hallelujah! "The Kingdom of the Spirit is greater than that of the flesh, and thou shalt revel in it, and have ecstasies of it far beyond the orgasms of the flesh!" -- "Therefore, set not your affection on the things which are on the earth" (Col.3:2), but rather set your affection on the things which are in **Heavenly** places -- the realm of the **spiritual** -- for the things which are seen are carnal and temporal and almost disgusting, sickening, compared to the beauties and wonders and ecstasies and the purities of the things which are eternal -- the unseen -- the realm of the spirit -- the Kingdom of Heaven! -- "For the spirit is greater than the flesh. -- For the flesh profiteth nothing, but the Spirit is life eternal!" Hallelujah!

We just can't stop talking about Jesus!

What do we do for others? What's the duty of every Christian? -- To **witness**, to be a testimony, to preach the Gospel of Jesus' Love, right? -- Our main business and God's whole plan is that we get the whole message out. -- Our Family was built on the Word and our faithfulness in proclaiming it.

We will never stop witnessing, even if we have to whisper in their ears and secretly pass them letters or notes, or secretly have them meet with our little families in our homes to study the Bible, as they do in many homes in Russia and many other places in the world today! And as long as we keep talking about the Lord, **somebody** is going to listen, whether they receive Him or not! -- There will **always** be hungry souls thirsty for our water, hungry for our nourishment, eager for our love and help. -- So we're going to keep right on going and preaching the Gospel and loving and wooing and winning souls to Christ wherever we go, in whatever way we can, "until death do us part!" -- Hallelujah!

We cannot deny You, Jesus, we cannot deny the truth! So help us to stand fast, loyal, faithful and diligent. -- And help us, Lord, **never** to stop! -- Never to stop loving You, never to stop talking about You and never to stop loving others, Lord, into Thy Kingdom, in Jesus Name.

Sometimes life's darkest hour is just before dawn!

The greatest darkness is just before dawn, the greatest desperation is just before Salvation! The greatest hopelessness attacks just before rescue! -- So when things get tough, you've got to fight all the harder! And if you do, you'll win, and get higher victories! -- The Lord always gets the victory! The light is always shining at the end of the tunnel, always.

God can work things out. -- He can handle any load you want to give Him! -- Both barrels! -- God is going to carry you through. He has begun a good work in you, and He's going to complete it to the end" (Phil.1:6). -- Rest your case with Him! He never fails, and if you truly trust Him, He'll see you through the way He wants you to go. -- So don't give up!

You've always pulled me through in the long run, Lord. I had to wait a little while sometimes, but You never failed, Lord, eventually You always did the work. -- You've never failed to pull me through sooner or later somehow. -- So help us, Lord, to keep on keeping on, wherever You want us to go, whatever You want us to do, wherever we're needed, Lord, wherever You lead.

"Trust in God, however dark your way! No matter what hard turns the road may take! Hold to His hand until the break of day, when in His likeness we shall then awake!"

"Remember Lot's wife!" (Luke 17:32).

When God told Lot and his family to get out of Sodom and Gomorrah before its destruction, He told them that they shouldn't even look back. -- Not only not to go back, not to even want to go back, but not to even look back! In other words, to look back was a sign, as far as the Lord was concerned, that they were sorry that they had to leave. -- But Lot's wife looked back anyway and immediately turned into a pillar of salt stuck in the mud of Sodom and Gomorrah, hard as a rock and totally immovable!

"Thus shall it be with all them that turn back and look back upon that which was and desire the former things which shall be no more!" -- "For no man having put his hand to the plough and looking back, is fit for the Kingdom of God!" (Lk.9:62).

"Forget, therefore, those things which are behind, and reach forward to the things which are before! Thou must press forward for the prize of the high calling of Me which is in My Son, Christ Jesus" (Phil.3:13,14). -- "So look not back, for the former things shall be no more. But look **up**, for thy redemption draweth nigh that shall be forever and forever and forever!" -- Have patience, faith, determination and perseverance unto the end, so that you may receive that crown of life!

Waiting and learning patience is part of your training.

All the samples in the Bible of patience: Job, Moses, and look at David!

Job lost everything!: His family, his fortune, and finally his health -- everything! But he just **kept on** believing and obeying, saying, "Though He slay me, yet will I trust Him!" (Job 13:15). He hung on and would not give up! -- "The patience of Job!" (Jam.5:11). -- An inspiring example for generations to come!

When Moses was in a hurry to deliver the children of God, he killed the Egyptian and had to flee alone for his own life only. But after **40 years** of patiently, humbly tending sheep in the wilderness, with time to listen to the Voice of God instead of his own impulses, he was ready for the slow, laborious, patient work of the Exodus -- slow, but sure!

David spent **24 years** working under King Saul, and the Lord really taught him from looking at Saul! Saul got all up-tight and tried to do things in his own strength, and he found he wasn't strong enough! David learned you have to let God do everything! -- and wait for Him!

It's all a part of our training! Amen? -- Learning patience -- one of God's most frequent lessons to us all. -- So "let patience have her perfect work, that ye may be perfect and entire, lacking nothing!" (Jam.1:4).

You do your best and God'll do the rest!

God expects us to do all we can, then He will do what you can't! --- When Jesus went to raise Lazarus from the dead, He told the people, "Roll ye away the stone!" (Jn.11:39). He could have made Lazarus walk right through the stone, so why did they have to roll it away? -- Rolling the stone away from the door was something **they** could do. They couldn't raise him from the dead, but they could roll the stone away!

God's not always gonna do it for you when you can do it for yourself! He said to Moses, "What is that in **thine** hand?" (Ex.4:2). -- He usually lets you do what you **can** do, and He does what you **can't** do. -- Jesus said, "Seek and ye shall find, **knock** and it shall be opened unto you, **ask** and ye shall receive" (Mt.7:7,8). If you don't go around looking, you're not going to find. Maybe all nine doors are shut and you're only going to find one open, but are you just going to sit there and say, "Lord, reveal to me"? -- No! God expects you to put feet to your prayers, get out and do a little hoofing and look! And if you know you're doing your best to please and obey Him, God will do almost **anything** for you, some of the most amazing things you could possibly imagine! -- So help us, Lord, to do our part and obey! -- Then we know that **You** will do the rest. Thank You Lord!

The worse it gets, the closer we are to the End!

The Lord said things would "wax worse and worse!" (2Tim.3:13). -- Until at the very end there will be "a time of trouble such as was not since the beginning of the world!" (Dan.12:1; Mt.24:21). -- The world is going into the Dark Ages of anti-Christ, anti-God savagery. -- In fact, the Bible predicts that in these last days of man-made regimes on earth, a totally Godless anti-Christ world government will arise led by a Devil possessed dictator, Satan incarnate, who will bring a false peace on earth and a counterfeit utopia, and its price will be enforced worship of himself as the imitation Messiah! -- His idea will be to abolish all other religions, and unite the world in one big one-world religion of the one-world government of the one-world dictator -- the worship of himself, the Antichrist, the Devil in the flesh! -- This will bring on the world's greatest trials and tribulations it has ever known as they try to wipe out the prophets of God and His children.

But God is going to get His greatest victory out of the seeming greatest of all defeats. The rule and reign of the Antichrist is going to look like the eventual and final triumph of man without God! -- But then when it looks like we're going to be really wiped out, the Lord is going to return and wipe **them** out! A happy ending to the story! Praise God!

Live in the Word!

This Book (the Bible) is pretty heavy, pretty strong, pretty deep! -- Read it and you will find a constant and continual greater and greater revelation of more and more truth! -- In fact, you'll find that the Bible is such an enormous study and so fascinating and so deep and so broad that it is as "waters to swim in"! (Ez.47:5). -- So dive in and swim! Revel in the depths of His Word! -- The refreshing Water of the Word that will feed your soul, strengthen your body, renew your mind, lift your spirit, encourage your heart and purify your whole being!

Help us, Lord Jesus, to read all the things your King David said about Thy laws and Thy Word and Thy precepts. He lived in them night and day! (See Psalm 119.) -- Help us also, Lord, to stay in the Word of God -- grounded in the Word.

You should be so hungry for the pure milk of the Word, that like a newborn baby, you should devour it and drink it in -- the pure "sincere milk of the Word!" (1Pet.2:2). -- Like the old saying about health: "You are what you eat," physically -- you are what you read, spiritually! So be sure you're getting your right spiritual food. -- The good, wholesome, nourishing, upbuilding, uplifting, encouraging, inspiring, feeding truth of the Word of God!

God will bless you as you soak in His Word!

Let's not be so self-righteous!

If you're going to be so damn self-righteous and holier-than-thou and hypocritical as to think you're holier than somebody because they have sinned against you, but oh, no, you've not sinned, therefore you're not going to forgive them -- then you're the biggest sinner of all! -- And if you have self-righteous feelings of being better then they are and look down upon them like the Pharisee who said, "I thank Thee, O God, that I am not as this man" (See Lk.18:9-14.) -- then that holier-than-thou, self-righteous attitude in itself is the worse sin! -- In fact, self-righteousness is one of the greatest sins of all!

So help us, Lord, to be forgiving and patient and to **have** mercy as we **want** mercy, and to treat others in their errors as we want You to treat us in ours! -- We should take a kind, loving, sympathetic and forgiving attitude toward them and try to help them with lots of understanding, love and patience. -- We must forgive those who've wronged us, and seek forgiveness of those we've wronged, and take them by the hand back into our circle of love and fellowship in happy joyful labors and pleasures together. Amen?

May we all be more humble, more patient, more loving, more kind, more forgiving and more longsuffering with each other, Lord. -- And may we sincerely pray, "Forgive **us** our sins as **we** forgive those who sin against us" (Lk.11:4).

The more we pour out the more God pours in!

Do you remember that picture of Aquarius, where he is pouring out his water urn? Did you ever notice that his vessel never runs out of water? --God has promised, "Give, and it shall be given unto you, pressed down, shaken together and running over!" (Lk.6:38). -- That's the only way you can stay fresh and full -- to keep overflowing on others, as He pours in! Otherwise what little you have will dry up and blow away, and there won't even be enough left for you. -- A river with no outlet becomes a Dead Sea, and if you are not faithful in pouring out the water of the Word, you are going to stagnate, dry up and get blown away! -- But if you will continue to overflow on others, God will continue to overflow upon you and keep the waters of His blessings, His Spirit, fresh and alive, and out of your innermost parts shall flow forth rivers of living water! (Jn.7:38).

He's promised that, if you'll prove Him by trusting and obeying Him, He'll pour out such a blessing that there'll not be room enough to hold it! (Mal.3:10). -- "Am I not able to give it in double measure, and to pour it forth in a double stream that shall water the world unto life eternal?" -- Are you flowing, pouring, sharing in this Age of Aquarius -- the Age of the Water of Life? -- "Give, I say, and it shall be given unto you! Pour forth and I shall **flood** thee with more!"

Even though all around you is war and confusion, you can have peace in your own heart through the Prince of Peace, Jesus Christ.

Even though there's war and turmoil and confusion and chaos on the **outside**, at last you've got **rid** of it on the **inside**. -- And the Lord is able to keep you right in the middle of it all. So you don't ever have to worry!

Jesus never sleeps! He watches all the time, and all of His Angels -- and His saints! -- He knows every hair of your head. -- Everything is in His hands. -- "He hideth my soul in the cleft of the Rock (Jesus), that shadows a dry, thirsty land; He hideth my life in the depths of His Love, and covers me there with His hand."

So the Lord's able to keep you, no matter where you are! And if He decides He'd rather **take** you than take **care** of you, then you've got it made one way or the other! -- "For our lives are hid with Christ in God" and "Thou shalt keep him in perfect peace whose mind is stayed on Thee, because he trusteth in Thee" (Col.3:3; Isa.26:3).

He is your peace. Your help comes from Him. In Him is your confidence. You must put your confidence in Him. -- The soundest base in the world! -- **Jesus**! -- "Safe in the arms of Jesus, safe on His gentle breast! -- There shall thy heart be happy, there thou shalt find sweet rest!"

It's got to be God's prevision!

Only God is way out in front and knows what's going to happen and is able lead you and guide you and show you what to do. -- He's got the <u>pre</u>vision to see the future and to lead and guide you. -- And if you follow Him you'll never go wrong. He's right out there with you, and He knows exactly what to do. All you've got to do is ask Him, and you can get an answer in a split second! -- So for God's sake follow God! It's gotta be God! You've gotta follow Him to find out what to do. -- He knows what's ahead, and He's leading! All we have to do is follow!

Just be sure you're Spirit-led -- then go ahead! -- Get your instructions from the Lord and you'll never go wrong! His plans never fail!

So lead us by Thy Spirit, Lord, and stop us if there's any wrong decision made, if we go the wrong direction in any way, stop us, Lord. Turn us around and get us headed the way You know is best. Thy will be done, have Thy way. Help us to follow the leadings and checks and warnings of Thy Spirit in everything we do, Lord. -- Guide every step, every move, every direction, Lord, and the winning of every soul that it may all be according to Thy plan, Thy program, Thy will, because You're the only One who really knows what's best. -- So help us to follow You, in Jesus' name! -- Amen.

"Blessed are they which are persecuted for righteousness sake ..." (Mt.5:10).

If you never have any problems and nothing's ever wrong, if you haven't got any persecution and "all men speak well of you" (Lk.6:26), then you're not living Godly in Christ Jesus! -- "For all that will live Godly in Christ Jesus **shall** suffer persecution!" (2Tim.3:12). -- Persecution shows you're getting the job done! -- It shows you're hitting the Old Boy where it hurts when they start howling! -- It shows that you're really on the job, which really makes the Devil mad!

Jesus Himself was terribly persecuted and finally crucified for telling the truth and showing the world love. -- And He said, "The disciple is not above his Master: If they have persecuted Me, they will also persecute you" (Mt.10:24 & Jn.15:20). Therefore, "Rejoice and be exceeding glad, for great is your reward in Heaven, for so persecuted they the prophets which were before you!" (Mt.5:12). -- Jesus promised that if you would suffer with Him, you would also reign with Him! (2Tim.2:12). So are you going to reign now a little while and suffer a lot later? -- Or are you going to suffer a little now and reign forever?

"Fear not, O little ones. Blessed are they that die in the Lord, for their works do follow them!" -- "She which was stricken and did sit in ashes shall be glorified in royal raiment and sit upon a throne, and I will be glorified in her!"

God turns the wheels of His Universe on very small things!

Little things are so important! -- One wrong decision in the Garden of Eden; one tiny boat in a world-wide flood; one little tower of Babel. One little stone brought down a giant; one little manger changed the destiny of mankind; and one little deal brought death to the Savior, so that only a little mustard seed of faith could move mountains!

So little things are very important. -- And though some things may seem very **un**important to us, they may be very important to the **Lord!** -- And God may hold us accountable for them! -- Many things that may seem little things are not so little in God's sight!

It reminds me of that famous bit of British history: "For want of a nail, a shoe was lost. For want of a shoe, a horse was lost. For want of a horse, a King was lost. And for want of a King, the Kingdom was lost!" -- All because of one tiny little nail! -- The importance of little things! -- This is why the Scripture says, "He that is faithful in that which is **least** is faithful also in that which is **most**" (Lk.16:10). -- meaning that if you're faithful in a few things, then He can trust you with big things!

So look out for "Little Things"! -- Don't ever underestimate them!

You'll never lose by seeking first the Kingdom!

Don't tell me the Bible is not true! God promised if you'll obey Him, He'll take care of you! -- One thing I know, if you seek first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness, He will add all these other things unto you" (Mt.6:33). In all the years we've lived by faith, God has **never** failed! I never missed a meal for God's lack of supply, never! -- I've never known God to let His servants starve. -- He has never ever deserted us in that way! He has never left us without our needs.

If you do God's work, you're His employee, you work for Him, and He is certainly going to pay your salary and foot the bill, amen? -- As you begin to obey and continue to obey, God will supply all the necessary needs -- and more -- and will bless you beyond measure for your faithfulness in fulfilling His Word! -- He will guide, provide, protect and prosper as you do His will in showing His Love to the world!

As long as we obey Thy commandment, Lord, we know that You will supply every need, everything we need to do the job, Lord, if we will just obey! It's Your vineyard, we're Your laborers, and You're certainly going to supply the tools if we're dedicated and ready, willing and able to do the harvesting. Thank You Jesus. -- So keep serving Jesus and He'll serve you -- well!

Back to the beauty, nudity and sexual freedom of the Garden!

Before Adam and Eve sinned, they had pure, sinless hearts and a heavenly outlook. They only became ashamed of nudity **after** they fell and had sin in their hearts -- the wrong sinful view of things! -- But salvation from sin brings freedom and openness, with no longer any need to hide! -- Jesus' coming into our lives renews, purifies and regenerates our spirits and renews our minds! -- So that by faith, His righteousness and our obedience, we can again journey back into the Garden of Eden. -- We can enjoy Heaven on earth in Jesus, Who said, "I am come that you might have **life**, and have it more **abundantly**!" (Jn.10:10).

We're as free as Adam and Eve in the Garden before they ever sinned! We are free to enjoy to the full the beauties and wonders of His Creation with all of its pleasures which He Himself created for our enjoyment! -- We have perfect freedom and unpretentious liberty and unashamed fellowship and naked contact with each other, both spiritually and physically. -- "For to the pure all things are pure!" (Tit.1:15).

In the spirit, in the spirit, we're at last forever free! In the spirit, in the spirit, there is peace for you and me! -- "Oh, how beautiful it is to dwell in the house of the Lord and to enjoy the pleasures of His chambers forever!" -- A simple life in the Garden of Eden of His Love!

"Blessed are your eyes, for they behold that which the prophets have dreamed of! "

There have been many peoples of God throughout history, but I believe with all my heart that we are the **final** people of God -- this generation -- these people of God! There's no time for any other! -- "For indeed this is that age of which I spake, and these are they who are blessed above all generations, in whom all things I have spoken are fulfilled. Many prophets would have seen the things that thou hast seen and many of My men would have heard the things which thou dost hear. For this is the fulfillment of all generations to prepare the way of the Lord and make His paths straight for His coming!"

We are the last people of God. We really are the last people of God! -"Thou art indeed the last nation upon the face of the earth, and thou art
indeed My king whom the Lord thy God hath chosen to dwell in." -- And thy
children shall be as the sands of the sea and as the stars of the Heavens
innumerable which I have promised to My servant Abraham, of whom thou
art the fulfillment of all time and prophecy spoken." -- "For Jesus shall fulfill
the Word I have spoken to My prophets and that which I have promised unto
thee." -- "For I am thy Savior and I shall redeem all men through thee and
thy children, for thou art the saviors of this earth!"

A solid rock foundation in Truth!

As a little kid, on my mother or father's knee, they used to read me Bible stories all the time. -- And I know that it wore grooves and channels in my brain that were never erased, thank God. That constant reading of the Bible itself takes hold of you, and you will remember. -- I had heard the Word from the beginning, and later on time and time again when something came up in school, some false doctrine of evolution or astronomy or whatever, I would question it and instantly I would get a Scripture! -- The first thing God would do was to say by His Holy Spirit: "Well, I've got it all down in the Book. Think about the Book!" -- I would get the Word, and that is one of the most strengthening things, if you know the Word!

That's why it's wonderful to have the Bible as a guide. -- If you faithfully read, study and memorize it, He will speel it off to you by the Spirit when you need it. -- He'll pop it up in your little computer whenever you make the right connection in your programming! -- So don't neglect a balanced diet of Word-grain to hold you firm on His true Foundation, Christ Jesus! -- Amen? -- Eat the Word and it will keep you!

"How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord, is laid for your faith in His excellent Word!"

We can't lean on man's ideas and wisdom. -- We have to lean on the Lord and His leadings!

We need You so much Lord! We can make such foolish mistakes and ridiculous decisions if we're out of the spirit and dwelling in the flesh and natural reasoning, so lead and guide us by Thy Spirit. -- God alone can show us what to do, and lead and guide us every step of the way.

One flash of revelation is worth more than a pound of plans! When God gives a little flash, it's like a flash of lightning on a dark night, that in one flash lights up the whole landscape and clearly shows us the way, when we've been trying to grope around in the dark with our little fleshly flame! -- So don't try to reason around with your own understanding, but get down in prayer and cry out to God and look to Him alone for the answers. -- Put your hand into the hand of God, which shall be more unto thee than a light, and better than a known way.

"For thou shalt hear a voice beside thee saying, 'This is the way, walk ye in it!'" (Isa.30:21). Help us to mind those voices, Lord, even though it may seem unreasonable or ridiculous, and we wonder why. If we have any check in the Spirit at all, Lord, help us to mind it, knowing that **You** know why. -- Give us wisdom, give us strength, give us safekeeping, lead and guide us by Thy Word and Thy revelation. We thank Thee, Lord, for how You have!

Give us joy in our labors and glory in our tasks, Lord.

Thank the Lord for the oil of His Spirit! -- That vital touch with Him -- His Divine Life, Beauty, Power and Wisdom!

If you've got that divine anointing, it makes every little task wonderful! Anything you do, no matter what it is, you can do it in the Spirit! But if you just have the letter of the law of duty only, it drags you down and turns you off. -- "So, you gotta have a **glory** in the thing you do; oh, you gotta have that somethin' thrills you through and through; cookin' taters, washin' clothes, or blowin' baby's nose; you need that certain somethin' that will see you through!" Call it what you like: inspiration, charisma, talent, personality, or the Spirit -- you've gotta have **something** that brings you to life, spurs you to action -- emotion that moves you into motion!

The Spirit can make every task, whatever it is, glorious! -- In the Spirit, in the Spirit, all my life is like a song; in the Spirit, in the Spirit, I am happy all day long! In the Spirit, in the Spirit, there is much more right than wrong; in the Spirit, in the Spirit, you can really kick the gong!

Have you got the Spirit? Has whatever you do got the power and the fire of God? -- If not, it's dead works! God help you to have the fire-power of God's Spirit in all you do! Amen? Hallelujah!

Look how good God has been to us all!

"Blessed be the Lord, Who daily loadeth us with benefits, even the God of our Salvation!" (Ps.68:19). -- God is good to us, God is merciful and miraculously protects us because He knows we love Him and we're trying to do the best we can and we ask Him for it, and we expect it, we pray for it. -- God has blessed and kept us, prospered and increased us, and helped us to survive both the betrayals of friends and the onslaughts of our enemies! He is faithful and never fails to keep those who trust Him! -- "For the Lord, He is good! It is **He** that hath made us and not we ourselves. We are His people and the sheep of His pastures!" (Ps.100:3).

We haven't made ourselves great, we're nothing! But God has increased us and strengthened us and prospered us and given us many souls. -- The Lord has answered our prayers! He has sent forth His laborers into His harvest, where the harvest truly is plenteous, but the laborers were few! - We're still marching on, still growing, still going further, still winning more -- still spreading the truth more everyday!

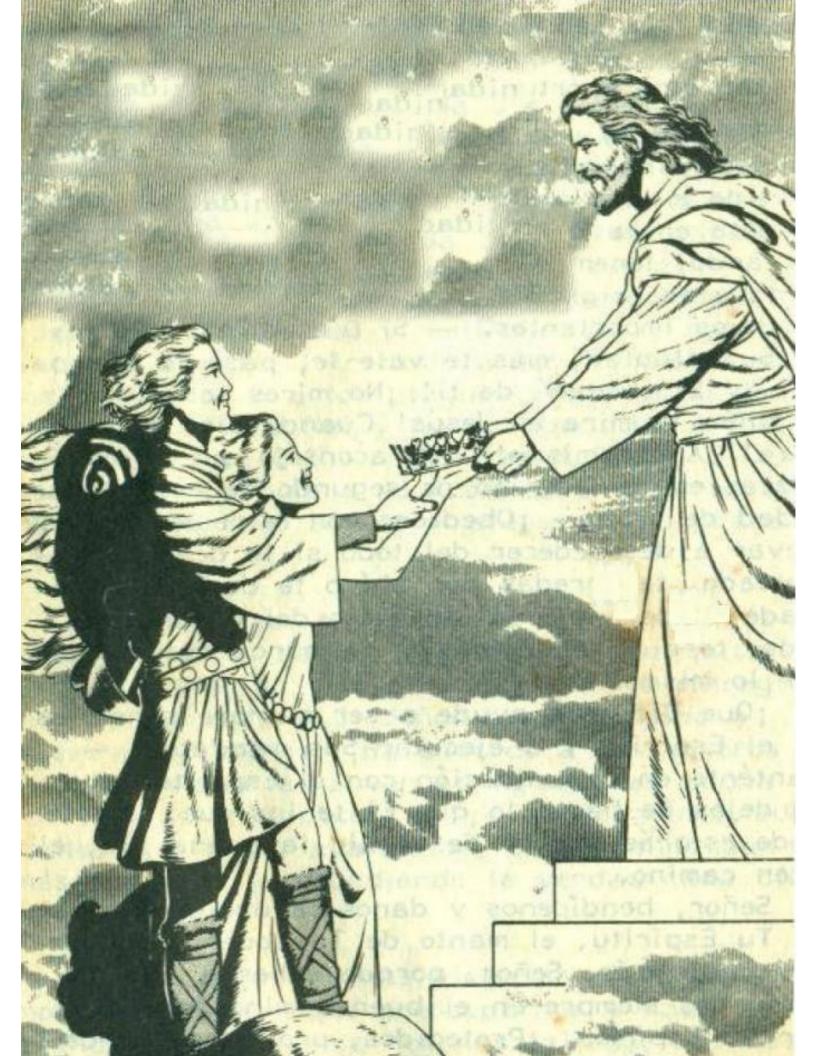
We have many victories behind us, Lord. We have very little to worry us and we have nothing to complain about. You have never failed, You have blessed us. You have provided, You have protected, You have prospered and we're still on the move, Lord, and we thank You for it!

Always do what the Spirit leads you to do at the time -- you may never have another chance.

We're in a battle, and when there's a sudden opportunity to take advantage of a breakthrough, an open door in a certain direction where God is leading, we have to seize the opportunity quickly, even if it means some serious sacrifices on our part. -- If God says "Go!" and it's His Will, you'd better go, no matter what, and He'll take care of you! Don't look at the waves! Keep your eyes on Jesus! -- When God says "Now! Right now!" you'd better obey Him in that split second of that golden opportunity! -- Delayed obedience can become total disobedience if prolonged too long, if you flounder around and make up your mind too late! -- And if you miss God's timetable, you'll get left behind and things will never be the same again!

So may God help us always to be sensitive in the Spirit and do what He commands! -- Keep close to the Holy Spirit and remember to do what He leads so you'll be sure to stay on the right line and on the right track.

Lord, bless and give us the divine anointing of Thy Spirit, the mantle of Thy power. We could ask no more for ourselves, Lord, because then we know we'll always be on the right track led by Thy Spirit. -- Protected, supplied, blessed and prospered by Thee! Thank You Jesus!



Love, the Lord, the real values in life -- how worthless everything else is!

You can have your **earthly** treasure, your silver and your gold. But the **Spirit**, it's the **Spirit**, that can never yet be sold! -- "Only Jesus, only Jesus, only He can satisfy!" -- He is the Answer! But as long as you're still looking for things in the world to make you happy and satisfied, you won't find the Truth! (See 1Jn.2:15-17.)

So "be not highminded, nor trust in uncertain riches." -- Don't be like the rich man in the Bible who wanted to build bigger barns to increase his goods for himself, not to share with others" (Lk.12:15-21). His own soul had become barney and materialistic. -- He was deluded by "the **deceitfulness of riches**" (Mt.13:22). -- If God blesses you with money, don't trust in money and don't let it fill your head, to be highminded. "But trust in the living **God**, Who giveth us richly all things to enjoy!" (1Tim.6:17). Hallelujah!

May we feel Thy Spirit and Thy Love and Thy simplicity, Lord, and Thy humility -- the **realities**, Lord, not the "deceitfulness of riches," but the realities of love and the truth. -- "For the things which are seen are temporal, but the things which are not seen are eternal" (2Cor.4:18). -- "Give me Jesus, give me Jesus! You can have all this world -- give me Jesus!"

I will not doubt though all my ships come home with broken sails!

When everything goes wrong and seems contrary to the Word and the usual, only those with great faith can say with Job, "Though He slay me, yet will I trust Him" (Job.13:15). -- Even though the Lord let the Devil nearly destroy him, Job still didn't say "uncle" to the Devil, nor even to his wife who told him to curse God and die! He just kept on believing and obeying! -- And he came out **doubly blessed** and lives forever!

But a lot of people faint on the way to victory. They get weak and tired and they give up. -- They weaken just before that final hour. -- They "suffer so many things in vain" (Gal.3:4). They go through so much and then miss the victory! Like Esau, they give up too easily. He despised his birthright and settled for something he could see and easily believe in, rather than something he couldn't see and had to have great **faith** for.

So when things look darkest, don't look down! -- Look **up!** -- Be not fearful, but believing! -- Keep believing and obeying no matter what happens! -- Don't get down in the mouth, murmuring and discouraged. But praise the Lord and thank Him for the glorious victories of the future by faith, even if you can't see them now. Amen?

Keep the faith and keep on keeping on for Jesus! -- You'll be glad you trusted Him tomorrow!

Gloriously saved and wonderfully and completely delivered!

"The memory of evil years burned like a flame within my breast. -And though I sought relief in tears, I found it not, I could not rest. My
yesterday, so dark with shame, Christ has forgiven, Oh praise His Name!"
-- We have been saved as brands from the burning and snatched from the
Enemy's claws, and we should be very thankful. -- "For we have come from
the darkness into His glorious light, and that which was darkened has
become enlightened!"

The **Lord** had to break the chains. You couldn't deliver yourself. He had to purge and purify and cleanse. You're all clean now, no longer under the power of the Enemy. He can't harm or touch or control you any more. -- You're the **Lord's** possession now and the Devil can't get you back -- you're the Lord's **forever**! -- "Old things are passed away, all things are become new" (2Cor.5:17). -- Your whole life has been changed like a newborn baby born into a whole new world! -- A joyful recreation of a fun-loving life with a good sound body, clean heart, pure mind, and a new, regenerated, reborn spirit!

Now we can join hands and dance with Jesus! Now we can join hands with the children of the King! Now we're dancing and laughing and smiling -- Jesus has cleansed us from **everything**!

The meaning of existence: To convey love to the people and to show love to the world.

The world knows so much Hell! -- Let's show them a little **Heaven**! -- This is surely what we're trying to do: Lead people out of the pit of the Devil's materialism, sin and darkness, and into the glorious light and Love of God's Salvation and the wonderful fellowship of the Kingdom of God! -- We can each accomplish some real good in this poor, sad, old world of ours by helping people find joy and happiness, salvation and Jesus, and something to live for!

But perhaps you're discouraged and think that there's nothing you can do to change things for the better, so what's the use of trying? -- Well, there is one thing everybody has, that you cannot be without: Everybody has **influence**. -- For "no man liveth to himself, and no man dieth to himself" (Rom.14:7). -- Your life is bound to affect others! -- And even a little love is better than no love at all! -- In fact, showing just a little real love really goes a long, long way! -- Because if people can believe that **you** love them, then they can believe that **God** loves them.

So thank You, Lord, for blessing us with all these blessings -- mostly the opportunity to serve You and help others. -- Help each one of us to be a testimony and a witness, Lord, and help us reach the world through Thy Love and Thy Word.

Study time is not only reading time, but listening to God time also.

When we begin to read the Lord's recorded **written** Word, we put ourselves in the position of being willing to **listen**, so then the Lord begins to speak and give us the **living** Word! -- Sometimes He will speak directly to you with the voice of His Word. -- You're reading a passage and all of a sudden some verse or Scripture or word just -- pow! -- hits you like that between the eyes! "Wow! That's for me! -- That's the answer!" -- Often the Lord will give you a Scripture that is the key to the situation, that unlocks the whole mystery.

But some people don't appreciate the Bible like they should. They don't know how to dig it out for themselves -- the strong meat of the Word. Some things you've got to **work** for! "Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a **workman** that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the Word of Truth" (2Tim.2:15). -- It takes real studying of the Bible even to understand it with the help of the Holy Spirit. -- Reading and hearing what God has to say.

"If thou wouldst ask of Me, I would open unto thee My heart and My Book." -- "Oh that you would hear the Words of the Lord, as streams that never run dry. That thine ears should be filled with their flowing, and thy heart should be ever nigh! "

"The favor of the Lord is on thy side, for thou hast sought a City, an Heavenly place!"

All God's children of faith since the beginning of time have been looking for an unseen world, "a city which hath foundations," eternal foundations, "whose Builder and Maker is God" (Heb.11:10). -- The Heavenly City, which will come down from God out of Heaven and dwell with men" (Rev.21 & 22). -- They weren't satisfied with being citizens of this world, with its earthly, carnal, flesh and blood kingdoms of evil men and evil spirits. -- But rather they looked for a country made by God, a **Heavenly** country, a Heavenly City, built by the Lord!

We know this world is not our home. We're just a passin' through tryin' to get a job done for Jesus on the way! -- "I am a **stranger** here, within a **foreign** land; My home is far away, upon a golden strand; Ambassador to be of realms beyond the sea; I'm here on business for my King!" -- "Thou hast sought a country that shall not be here on this earth, but eternal in the Heavenlies, and therefore thou shalt have My favor. For, behold! -- The Lord is with thee and thy Savior Jesus Christ is upon thy right hand and thou shalt not fail!"

We're on our way to that Happy Land! We're gonna shake the Holy Man's hand and rest in peace in Forever Land!

"Fret not thyself for tomorrow!" (Mt.6:34).

It's always **tomorrow** that the Devil tries to make us worry about. -- But God's Word forbids fear over the future. -- Jesus said, "Take therefore **no thought** for the morrow: For the morrow shall take thought for the things of itself." -- The future will take care of itself! "For sufficient unto the day (today) is the evil thereof" (Mt.6:34). That is God's warning, God's commandment and God's promise!

You are to enjoy today and take things as they come and let tomorrow take care of itself! "For as thy day, so shall thy strength be!" (Deut.33:25). God will give you power for the hour, grace for the trial -- at the hour and when it comes. "He Who hath begun a good work in you is going to perfect it unto the end! For He is the Author and the Finisher of our faith; Who hath delivered, Who doth deliver, and Who will yet deliver!" (Phil.1:6; Heb.12:2; 2Cor.1:10). -- He loves you and cares for you and is going to take care of you no matter what happens. -- So for God's sake, don't worry about tomorrow! That's not your concern, that's not your worry, that's none of your business! It's God's business! -- "Oh, I've nothing to do with tomorrow! My Savior will make that His care. Its grace and its strength I can't borrow, so why should I borrow its care?" -- Rest in the Lord -- He's going to take care of everything.

God said He would open doors that no man could close -- and close doors that no man could open!

One of the ways to know the Will of God is by open and closed doors. -- For where He guides, He always provides! -- Often this is how He gets us to do things: By closing some doors and opening others! -- And we sometimes have to accept God's <u>no</u> in order to find His <u>yes</u>!

God works in mysterious ways His wonders to perform -- and sometimes we're just swept along by His current, even when we don't know any better. -- So we should follow His leadings. Where He guides, He'll provide. -- And where He's providing open doors, He's obviously guiding! So don't bother to knock: Just walk right in!

So which way does God seem to be leading? Where do you have an open door of service? Which direction does it seem that is providing the way and the means? -- God will lead and show you the way and open the door -- but don't try to batter it down! -- Trying to force the situation and push your way through just won't work! -- If you can just be patient and wait, He will open the door!

So bless and continue to keep us, Lord, lead and guide us and work everything out according to what You know is best. If we follow <u>Thy</u> leadings and <u>Thy</u> Will, Lord, then we know <u>You'll</u> open the doors and make the way and make it work out. Thank You, Lord!

You believe in love as much as you love!

If you have real love, you can't face a needy situation without **doing** something about it! You can't just pass by the poor man on the road to Jericho! You must take action like the Good Samaritan did! -- It's easy to say, "Oh, I'm so sorry, how sad!" But **compassion** must be put into **action!** -- There was a time when Jesus was very tired and He tried to escape the multitude and retire from the scene for a little rest, but the people practically besieged Him. And when He looked on them He just couldn't rest, "because He had compassion upon the multitude, and so He healed all that came unto Him" (Mt.14:14).

So don't say you believe in something if you don't do it, if you don't practice it! -- Apply love as God intended for it to be applied: "With **all** thy heart, with **all** thy mind, and with **all** thy strength" (Mt.22:37). -- Which means to really care and truly be concerned -- not to just say "I love you" and then walk off and forget it; not saying "be thou warmed and fed, when thou hast it beside thee" (Jam.2:16). -- Love without physical application is like "faith without works, which is dead!" (Jam.2:26).

So show love and compassion by putting kind deeds to your kind words. -- Really loving to the point of helping, not just saying so. Amen? God help us to show love!

Oh Lord, help us to be humble and not hardened and bitter.

Sometimes the very thing we don't want is what God puts us through, because it's our pride. -- He does some things to humble us, and sometimes later repeats them to see if we're **still** humble! -- It's a real test too, but it often ends in murmuring. People hold it against God -- "He doesn't love me, because He won't deliver me!"

But a little "root of bitterness" like that can grow and grow, and pretty soon it becomes a pretty big tree! -- Therefore, His Word tells us to beware, "lest any root of bitterness springing up trouble you, and thereby many be defiled" (Heb.12:15). -- A serious warning against the adverse results of bitterness, a very poisonous root that can defile your whole spirit! -- But sometimes we feel we can't stand it, we feel we have to harden our hearts in order to bear it! But that's not the solution! -- Rather, "cast thy burden upon the **Lord**, and **He** shall sustain thee!" (Ps.55:22). -- And though "no chastening for the present seemeth to be joyous, but grievous, nevertheless **afterward** it yieldeth the peaceable fruit of righteousness unto them which are exercised thereby" (Heb.12:11).

So, Lord, may we learn a lesson and be better for it, Lord, not bitter. -- Help us to **thank** Thee in spite of the sorrow. -- Keep us humble and broken and dependent upon Thee, in Jesus' name.

She flows like a mother, She gives, She pleads, She surrenders, She goes and She goes!

In some ways, the Holy Spirit is like a mother -- sweet, loving, gentle -- the Spirit that conceives a spiritual babe, brings it to the birth and bears it, giving birth to a new-born babe in the Kingdom of God. Then begins the transforming -- the creation of new responses, reactions, by the tender loving hands of the Holy Spirit. -- Always gently loving, wooing, comforting, winning, soothing and healing like a mother.

"She is the Wild Wind of God. She is the Wind of Wisdom, and She is the Wind of Freedom. She is the Wild Wind that comes from whence thou knowest not, and whither She goeth, thou knowest not. For She is the Wind of the Spirit of God!" (Jn.3:8). -- So tender and gentle with the little baby. Not even the father has so much patience. -- Always hovering over, waiting, comforting, nursing, nurturing!

So when you need something, cry to your Heavenly Father and He and His mothering Holy Spirit will always hear you. -- For, "She gives milk from the Word of God. Out of thy Love shall come the answers of God. The Breath of God shall answer thee like the Wild Wind."

Thank God for Her! -- God's Holy Spirit of Love! -- "Love, such love, can go no farther! Oh such love above all other! Love, such love, is like a mother. Love, Oh Love, give me no other!"

"The wind and the waves obey His will! What manner of man is this!"

You and I have launched out into the deep and are trusting God to see us through, because we know we're doing His will! -- And though sometimes there are terrific battles, and the darkness batters and buffets us like the raging wind, it **cannot** overcome us! -- For **Jesus** is with us!

"I know a Name that can **still** the raging tempest, I know a Name that can calm the troubled sea, I know a Name that unlocks the gates of Heaven for every heart that by sin may troubled be. I know a Name, a **wonderful** Name, that wonderful Name is **Jesus**!"

So to Hell with the empty wind and lies of the Devil! -- Don't look at the waves! -- Look **up** to **Jesus**! -- "Stand back and see Me fight, saith the Lord! -- For this is My battle, not thine!" -- Call on the Lord and through Him you have power over everything!

"Thou shalt cry unto Me for My salvation in thy distress and thy darkness, and I shall give thee light. For thou art Mine and I have redeemed thee, and I shall save thy soul from destruction that thou mayest be used again of Me in the sunshine and light of My Love upon the shore of Eternity."

"Kiss the Son! -- Love Him with all thy heart!"

Jesus is the Son that brightens up our lives when we leave our old gloomy life behind! -- "Look! Seest thou the sun that shineth upon thee? -- Oh, it's so bright! It's so beautiful! Oh God, my eyes to behold Thy glory, and my heart to receive Thy beauty and my body to know Thy truth and my soul to feel Thy Love forever and ever!"

"Turn your eyes upon Jesus, look full in His wonderful face." -- Quietly look up, and bathe in that beautiful, beautiful golden glow from above! It just takes one little glimpse of Jesus to make it worth it all! -- And to help you be able to **do** it all. -- So thank the Lord for the Love of Jesus! -- The power and light of God!

We can't go on without the Heavenly vision You give, Lord. We just can't go on without hearing Thy voice. -- So help us to spend time alone with Thee, to rest and nestle in Thy arms and partake of Thee. -- To just have Thee alone to think about and pray about, and to get close to Thee without all the other distractions. -- Spiritually to bask in Thy sunshine and rest in Thy arms!

"Rejoice and know that the Lord looks down with shining face!" -- The Sun never sets on His children! Hallelujah!

"Ye are the light of the world!" (Mt.5:14).

You are the light of the world -- the Holy Spirit in you, of course. You're like the candlestick bearing the flame of God's Light. -- You are the representation of love, the little light, the little candle that they can see and feel and know that it is the Lord and His Love. -- You show the light and give them Words to feed and encourage them.

"Indeed, beauty is thine like a rare and precious jewel, but wouldst thou keep it for thyself alone to enjoy its beauty? The beauty is only radiant when thou dost **share** its radiance with others and hold it aloft that it may shine and all may see!"

"Let her lift up her head, for I Myself will lift her up -- and she shall be unto Me as the angels of Heaven! This little one shall burn before Me as a candle in a secure place." -- "For I rejoice in her, delight in her -- this, My New Bride, who hath oiled her lamps burning brightly and who doth lighten this world in its last dark hour." -- "For behold the time has come that My light shall shine forth brightly before all them that dwell upon the face of the Earth!"

We are the lights of the world -- the vessels of His Spirit lighting this last generation by the authority of the life of God springing forth in us. -- Live or die, we have to go ahead and shine for Jesus. -- Amen?

"Keep thyself unto Me, and I shall preserve thee in the hour of trouble."

The Lord promised He would be with us "even unto the end of the world!" (Mt.28:20). -- But how horrible the Lord says the Endtime will be for the wicked during the soon-coming days when He begins to pour out His judgments on the Earth. -- "They will seek death but be unable to find it!" (Rev.9:6).

But when that time comes, the Lord will take care of us. -- Those who have the seal of God in their foreheads, His Own children, the true believers who have the genuine Jesus in their hearts, will be hidden and spared by the miracles of God until the Coming of Christ, when they will join Him in the air! (See Rev.7 & 12.) -- So help us not to worry, Lord, because we trust You, we know that You're going to handle the situation and we know that You're in control, Lord.

"Ye shall be safe in the midst of storm, in the hollow of My hand in the place that I have prepared for thee, if thou shalt go and be obedient to the things that I shall show thee." -- "For I the Lord thy God shall be with thee withersoever thou goest, and I will lead thee unto the valleys of the mountains that ye may find pure water and green pastures that shall sustain thee until the hour of My Coming." -- "So fear thou not, for I am with thee unto the End."

Jesus said, "You're either for Me or against Me!" (Luke 11:23).

There are no neutrals! There are only the ignorant -- the people who as yet have not heard the truth. But the moment they have heard the truth, they can no longer be neutral. It's impossible! -- When you're brought to the point of decision, you either have to go on for the Lord or go back against the Lord!

You can't be on the fence -- it's too uncomfortable and dangerous and impossible! You'll fall for one or the other -- either for Jesus or the worldly System! "Ye cannot serve two masters!" (Mt.6:24). -- There's no such thing as hanging somewhere in-between, suspended between Heaven and Hell in some kind of compromiser's limbo! -- Even a battery has only two poles, positive and negative, and you cannot get them together without fireworks! You're either alive or dead, hot or cold! -- There's no halfway, no in-between, no compromise!

And if you're **for** Him, you are **living** for Him. You can't say you're for Him, but be neutral! -- "For he that gathereth not with Me" -- gathering in His sheep into the fold, laboring diligently to bring in the Harvest -- "he that gathereth not, **scattereth** abroad!" (Mt.12:30). -- So "choose ye this day whom ye will serve! If God be God, **serve** Him! -- As for me and my house, we will serve the Lord!" (Josh.24:15; 1Kgs.18:21). Amen?

It's never too late for love!

The simple Love of God and each other can solve **all** of our problems! -- His Love is the answer to everything: It saves souls, forgives sins, satisfies hearts, purifies minds, redeems bodies, wins friends, and makes life worth living. -- It can survive almost any difficulty, difference, weakness, shortcoming, failure, fault, sin or obstacle. -- It's the only Truth, the only Way, and the only Peace!

Love even has **creative** power, because God <u>is</u> Love and He is the Creator! -- His Love can change wrecks of lives into wonderful, productive, happy, warm, glowing sons and daughters of God. -- The elixir can do **anything**! It's like love -- the power of love! Nothing can resist it. Whatever it touched it changed. It changed everything. Oh, it's so beautiful! Never saw anything like it! Turned everything, changed everything. Healed every disease, cleansed every stain. It's all-powerful!

Love knows no hours nor days -- but always! Love is **always**! For Love is God, and God is always! It's like a stream, a river that just keeps flowing, no matter what, because of the Dew of Heaven -- Jesus! -- "Ah, Love, I've found you at last! In my heart is a song! I dreamed of love in the past -- I have waited for you so long! Ah, Love everlasting, at last I've found thee!"

Which will you be? -- A Shiner? -- Or a Shamer?

Those who bear God's message to the people, His missionaries, are on the **top** of God's list. -- He says, "These faithful ones shall be raised to everlasting **glory**, and shall **shine** as the stars -- as they that turn many to righteousness."

But some, He says, are going to be "raised to everlasting **shame** and contempt!" (Dan.12:2). When Jesus comes they are going to wish they didn't have to face Him! -- He even said that if we were ashamed of Him and His Name before this wicked and adulterous generation, He'd be ashamed of us before the Father in Heaven" (Mk.8:38). -- So let's get the job done before Jesus comes, so we won't be ashamed to face Him! -- Or the millions of souls with whom we've failed to share His Love. Amen?

We only want to please You, Lord, and finish what You've given us to do. We don't want to have to face You with an unfinished task or things left undone. Help us, Lord, to finish all we can, so when we see Thee we will be thankful that we did the best we could and all we could, and receive Thy "Well done, thou good and faithful servant, enter thou into the joy of thy Lord!" (Mt.25:21).

So get out and do your best for Jesus and lost souls! -- And God Himself will reward you with everlasting souls and joy of the Lord! Hallelujah!

For God's sake, don't praise man! -- Praise God! -- Give Him all the glory!

At the Tower of Babel, the people said, "Now we're going to make a name for **ourselves**. -- Look how big we are, how mighty we are and how powerful. Look how wonderful we are, how great we are. Behold us, we are the people!" And they forgot to give God the credit. They failed to give Him the glory, and God came down and smote them and scattered them and made them a total wreck" (Gen.11:1-9). The danger only came when they thought they themselves were doing it, and that it was their strength, their arm that was saving them.

One of the biggest dangers you have is to begin thinking it's **you**. -- It's **God's anointing!** -- The minute you start patting yourself on the back, God will see to it that you're humbled to bring you out of it. He's a jealous God, and He wants and deserves the glory, and will have no other gods before Him!

"Whatsoever you do in word or in deed, do **all** to the glory of **God**!" (1Cor.10:31; Col.3:17). That is our prayer, that we will please the Lord and do everything we do, in word or in deed, to the glory of God! -- So whatsoever we do or say today, Lord, do help us to do all to Thy glory. "And God forbid that I should boast, save in My Savior, Jesus Christ, our Lord, to Whom be the glory forever and ever" (Gal.6:14).

God knows what He's doing!

You don't always have to know all the answers. -- Only God knows! -- Jesus never fails! -- He hath wisdom beyond the wisdom of Man and His ways are higher than the Heavens above the Earth" (Isa.55:8,9). -- So when people ask you, "Well, what are we going to do now?" Just be honest and say, "I don't know, let's ask God." "Well, how did this happen?" "I don't know, let's ask the Lord." "Well, why did that happen?" "I don't know, let's ask God!"

God can do whatever He wants. -- And He often likes to show that He can do things contrary to natural expectation and that His ways are not our ways. -- Who the Hell do you think you are, anyway, to tell God what to do and how to do it? God knows His business and it's none of your business how He does it! -- So the quicker you learn that you don't know, the better off you're going to be -- because only **God** has the answers!

How wonderful are the ways of the Lord -- how past finding out! He's so amazing and works in such strange ways, in such unexpected places, with such unlikely people, God help us to have more faith to believe that God can do anything, **anywhere**, **anytime**, with **anybody**! -- Just trust God that **He** knows what He's doing! "Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not unto thy own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge <u>Him</u>, and He shall direct thy paths" (Pr.3:5,6).

Delusion must be destroyed in order to build a firm foundation of Truth!

True spiritual revolution is a total break with the traditions of man and his churches and his preconceived ideas about God and misconceptions of morality. -- "For man thinketh not as God thinketh." -- "For My thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways My ways!" (Isa.55:8).

If you haven't got the truth, if you haven't got the right interpretation, but you sincerely desire to know what is right -- God sometimes has to take away from you what you **think** is right before He can show you the truth! -- Wham! Just like that God comes along and smashes that idol! "I will have no other gods before Me!" (Ex.20:3). Nothing short of right is right!

It is always necessary to "root out, pull down, destroy, and throw down" the old, in order "to build and to plant" the new (Jer.1:10); there just isn't room for both! -- So forget the old and find the new, and drink and be satisfied! -- Or some day you'll wish you had! -- You'll never know the truth until you're willing to let your false conceptions and preconceived notions be destroyed, and all the chaff blown away, to let the true grain of His Word appear! -- Ask God to show you the Truth, and He will!

<u>I'd</u> rather have the <u>Truth</u> -- even if it hurts! -- Would <u>you</u>?

That utmost yieldedness to the breath of His Spirit!

How do you find the will of God? -- Utter abandonment, utter yieldedness to God -- utter yieldedness of the mind, of the body, of your **own** will! -- And when you yield your life on His altar of sacrifice and ask Him to take it, He does -- and He will try to use it for His glory, as much as you will **let** Him! -- So "unto Him that is able to keep you from falling, and to present you faultless before the presence of His glory with exceeding joy, to the only wise God our Savior," commit your **way**, your **life**, your **mind**, your **thoughts**, your **time**! (Jude 24,25).

Be "ready to go, ready to stay -- ready thy place to fill; ready for service, lowly or great -- ready to do His will!" -- Let go and let God! -- Let God use you to the limit!

"And I heard the voice of the Lord, saying, 'Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?' Then said I, 'Here am I, Lord, send me'" (Isa.6:8). -- God's called you! -- Have you chosen His highest and best? -- He'll be glad to use you if you're willing -- but you have to be willing. -- He has to have your cooperation. -- So yield to Him today! Let Him have full sway! And let Him charm your life alway!

"Is your **all** on the altar of sacrifice laid? Your heart does the Spirit control? You can only be blest and have peace and sweet rest, as you yield Him your **body** and **soul**! "

It's wise to wait.

You're never going to accomplish as much if you try to do things in the energy of the flesh and all yourself instead of sitting down and saying, "Now, God, what do **You** want me to do?" -- One of the main problems you will have is trying to jump to conclusions and making sudden hasty decisions without **waiting** on the **Lord**. -- So don't go rushing off in your own strength, in your own impatience, and forget to pray! -- Seek the Lord! Don't just jump to conclusions and think, "Well, of course it's obvious that we're supposed to do this." Ask the Lord and make sure.

And remember, God is hardly ever in a hurry! -- The greatest works of God take a long time. It takes God time to grow a flower or even to paint a sunset. -- So when you do not know for sure, and have not yet made certain that a thing is God's will, then the best thing to do in the case of uncertainty is to **wait** on the Lord until He reveals it to you one way or the other.

"Be strong and of a good courage and He shall strengthen thine heart! Wait upon the Lord and thou shalt not falter." -- "For they that wait upon the Lord shall **renew** their strength" -- instead of wearing out! And "they that believe have entered into rest" (Ps.27:14; Isa.40:31; Heb.4:3). -- So wait on the Lord, seek the Lord and He will lead you and show you what to do.

Where have all the children gone? -- Into all the world, Brother, just like Jesus said! (Mk.16:15).

That's what we are in this business for, to preach the Gospel to every creature, to go into all the world to preach it. Help us, Lord, to do it! -- That's our goal -- to reach the whole world before Jesus comes! Are you willing to try? -- The fight is great and we're winning, and we've got the Enemy on the run! Hallelujah! We're capturing more of his territory every day, releasing more of his prisoners, and spoiling Egypt the more as we go! Praise God! Sock it to 'em! -- This is **Marching Time!** No more sitting in the nest! Spread your wings and fly to the fray! Now's the time -- for the Harvest is here!

We're still going, still doing, still witnessing, still winning souls, still getting out the Message. -- We are continuing to press forward toward our common goal of reaching the entire Earth with the Message of His Love, and we are coming closer to that goal daily! Thanks be to God! -- Help us, Lord, not to forget **that's** what we're here for!

"Therefore go forth in the Spirit and might of My power and know that I shall be with thee and shall never forsake thee even unto the End of the Earth! -- "For God is with thee, and blessing thee with anointing and power. And My Gospel shall be preached in all cities whereunto I send thee! For the Lord thy God shall reap a harvest and thy crown of life shall grow the brighter!"

God can use even you!

"It is not for thee to question the work of thy Creator!" -- "Shall the vessel say unto the Potter Who hath made it, 'Why hast Thou made me thus?' For I have made thee according to My Will, that thou mightest **fulfill** My Will." -- "For thou art My creation and the work of My hands." -- "And I will give thee a new heart and thou shalt be as another man, O Little One."

It all depends upon you and your yieldedness and willingness to be made willing, total humility, which is synonymous with total love, so that you're willing to go anywhere, anytime, and do anything, for anybody, and be nobody, to please Him and help others! Are you ready? -- With God's help you can do it, because of the <u>Lord</u> **He** can do it! He can take **anything** to do it with if He wants to, even you! He loves to take the weak things to confound the mighty. He loves to take the foolish things to bring to nought the wisdom of the wise" (1Cor.1:27,28).

So help us, Lord, to realize how totally dependent we are on Thee, that You're the One Who really does it all and <u>we're</u> nothing, we just have to depend on You, Jesus. -- Give us strength to do Thy work, rejuvenated, renewed, revived with new strength, inspiration and new joy!

It's not of yourself! -- It comes from <u>God</u>, because you're yielded and you love Jesus. Accept it, and it'll be so beautiful!

God's Word says, "Resist the Devil, and he will flee from you!" (Jam.4:7). That <u>doesn't</u> mean lying down and letting him walk right over you!

Most Christians need to learn to resist the Enemy and pray for the Spirit of God to raise a standard against him. True, they're on God's side, the winning side that cannot lose -- but they've still got to **fight**!

I love to fight the Enemy! -- As a strong man that loves to run a race, and rejoiceth and shouteth by reason of wine, as a knight that loves the fray, and arouseth himself to fight the Enemy! I like to hit him head on, and rebuke him in the Name of Jesus in the power of the Spirit, and get **rid** of him! Let's declare **war** on the Evil One!

Oh Lord, help us to put up a fight, the fight of faith, the good fight of faith, to put on Thy armor. -- You said when the Enemy comes in like a flood, the Spirit of God would raise a standard against him" (Isa.59:19). But You also said that we should do **our** part. You said, "**Resist** the Enemy and he shall **flee** from thee" (Jam.4:7). We can't just be passive and expect You to do it all. We have to resist and be good fighters, Lord, and to rely on Thy Words and Thy Truth and Thy Love, to know that we are going to be the victors, come what may.

So face the Enemy! -- Attack him in the power of God's Spirit on the promises of His Word, and you cannot fail! Praise God!

We <u>are</u> the <u>living</u> Church of the <u>living</u> God, not white-washed sepulchers of the dead!

There is no law in the entire Bible that says, or even hints, that you have to go to a church building on Sunday! -- The word "church" itself comes from the Greek word "ecclesia" in our New Testament and literally means "the **called-out** ones," or "the **separated** ones," "the **set apart** ones." -- So the True Church is not a building nor a denomination nor a religion but the genuine Christian believers in God who follow Jesus -- the born again, saved, Body of Christ. Anything else is **not** the Church!

The Church didn't start out with buildings, inviting sinners in to have meetings. They started out with 12 motley-looking beggars hoofing it on the dusty roads with their dirty feet out amongst the sinners, where they were taking them the Word in person, and they had no place to take them but to Jesus! -- So you don't have to go to church on Sunday, you don't need church buildings or rituals. -- All you need to do is be Christians and witness and win souls for Christ personally! That's your religious obligation and duty -- not merely "going to church."

So who needs church buildings? -- **God's** building is made of our living, everlasting stones! -- The Kingdom of God whose building ye are, lively stones in a spiritual house not made with hands, eternal in the Heavens!

Pride doesn't pay!

I never found any branch of the **Lord's** Work where pride pays at all! -- The biggest failures in the Word of God were the big-shot boys who thought **they** could do it in their natural wisdom and went out and fell flat on their faces. -- Samuel told Saul, "When thou wast little in thine own sight He did highly exalt thee!" (1Sam.15:17). -- But when Saul became proud, depending on himself and leaning on his **own** wisdom and his **own** arm of flesh instead of the Lord, the Lord had to abase him! -- Pride cometh before a fall! Success often precedes failure, and sometimes exaltation comes before humiliation! "Let him that thinketh he standeth, take heed lest he fall!" (1Cor.10:12).

So help us, Jesus, to keep our eyes on You so that we don't stumble or fall. Help us not to have pride in any way, Lord. Deliver us from that horrible horrible spirit of pride. -- If we only knew how nothing we are! He that thinketh he is something, is nothing at all. -- For the first shall be last, and the last first!

A bigshot who has too big a shot of his own ego can't do as well as some **little** shot who has a good shot of the **Holy Spirit**! -- O God, keep us filled with **You**, Jesus, so that we shall not go astray. -- Help us to stay with Thee, in the place of humble serenity and complete surrender in Thy arms, in Jesus' name, amen.

We can count on Thy Word, Lord. But we certainly can't count on the lies of man!

We're to trust God, and not man! All the years I was trusting man and His religious system, they were leading me astray and telling me lies. I didn't find the truth until I began to heed the Voice of His Spirit in His Word. So I can no longer believe what man tells me, unless God confirms it. -- That's why it's wonderful to have the Bible as a guide. Then you know what's right and what's wrong.

The first place we look for the will of God is where? -- In His **Word**! It is the known, sure, absolute, revealed will of God! You don't have to doubt about it at all! -- "Forever, O Lord, Thy Word is settled in Heaven" (Ps.119:89). "Heaven and Earth shall pass away, but My Word shall never pass away" (Mt.24:35). -- It is the greatest, most enduring, wisest, most truthful book in the whole world that you can really trust! -- So why waste time on complicated, confused theories and thoughts of man, when the Bible is right there, so simple, direct and to the point? Nearly everything you have to know is in the Bible!

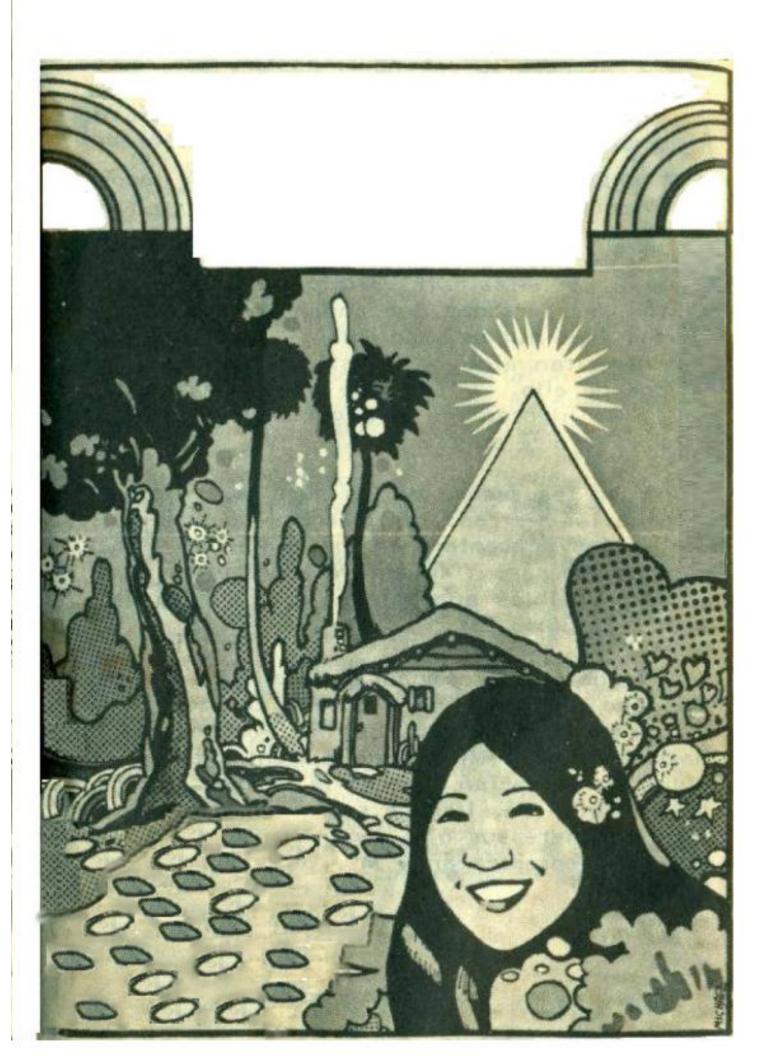
"Look thou, therefore, unto **Me** and not unto men, and hear thou **My** Words and not man's words; for behold, I am with thee and I will help thee!" -- The lies of man shall come to nought, but the truth of God shall stand forever!

"Stand up, stand up for Jesus!"

Jesus said that those who are not ashamed of Him nor His Words before others and shall confess **Him** before men, He says He'll confess **them** before God and all the holy angels -- even if it kills you to do it, like it did the martyrs, who live -- forever! (Mt.10:32; Mk.8:38). -- So if you have even one talent and God calls on you to do something with it, don't be afraid of what people will think or whether you'll succeed: Just **obey**! Don't just sit there and do nothing: Stand up and be counted, and let **God** be the judge! Sock it to 'm with the Sword of the Word of Truth! -- Come what may! Tell 'm the truth, even if it hurts! -- Just yield and obey and leave the consequences and results in the hands of the Lord.

We cannot deny You, Jesus, we cannot deny the truth! So help us to stand fast, loyal, faithful and diligent, ready as soldiers at every instance to be able to "give an answer to him that asketh of thee" (1Pet.3:15). -- To know whereof we speak and be able to speak with authority, conviction and honesty.

"Fear not, I am with thee; O be not dismayed, for I am thy God, and I will give thee aid. I'll strengthen thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand, upheld by My gracious, omnipotent Hand." -- Stand up for Jesus and His truth today! -- If you don't do it, who will?



"As a shepherd seeketh out his flock, so will I seek out My sheep, and will deliver them out of all places where they have been scattered in the cloudy and dark day" (Ezk.34:12).

"My sheep wandered through all the mountains, and upon every high hill: yea, My flock was scattered upon all the face of the earth, and none did search or seek after them" (Ezk.34:6). -- So many folks today are wandering around in spiritual deserts, thirsty and knowing that they need something, and are looking and searching for it. -- "For they hunger after Me and call upon Me in their distress and their hunger, and I will hear their cry!"

"And I will bring them **out** from the people, and gather them from the countries, and will bring them to their own land, and feed them upon the mountains of Israel by the rivers. And I will set up one shepherd over them, and he shall feed them, even My servant **David**" (Ezk.34:12,13,23).

"For I have had compassion upon them and sent unto them one shepherd, that they may know **Me**, whom to know is life Eternal. For they hunger after Me and grope after Me in darkness, and they would have the Truth. Therefore shall I satisfy them and fill their hungry hearts and lighten their blinded eyes and I shall give them rest, and they shall find Me and know Me, because they have sought Me!"

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God is the only One Who can give real meaning to living.

So many people today don't know what to believe: They don't know where they're from, who they are, or where they're going. -- Absolute **confusion!** -- Because they've lost touch with the only concrete frame of reference, and that's God and His explanation of life, the **Bible!** -- They've lost faith in God, so therefore they lose faith in Love, and therefore they lose faith in Life, they lose faith in people, and they lose faith in **everything!**

But **we** have found love that lasts forever and a God that cannot fail! -- For we "know Him, Whom to know is Life Eternal!" (Jn.17:3). -- We're born again! (Jn.3:3). -- With an utterly different outlook on life and a new way of looking at the world.

And besides the wonderful happiness, life and love that living for Jesus affords, we've also been given a **real purpose** in living and someone to live **for**! -- We now **like** to face life and find a thrill in our new-found tasks and the greatest of pleasure in the fellowship of our new-found Family and the greatest of satisfactions in our new-found faith. -- In fact, "every day with Jesus is better than the day before! Every day with Jesus we love Him more and more!" He's **wonderful**! "Ah, sweet mystery of life, at last I've found thee! Now at last I know the **meaning** of it all!"

If you put God first, as He asks, then He's promised to put you first with abundant blessings!

Jesus said, "Seek ye first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these (other) things shall be added unto you" (Mt.6:33). -- If you put Him first, "He will pour out a blessing there will not be room enough to hold it!" -- He's promised it! (Mal.3:10).

"And Jesus said, Verily I say unto you, there is no man that hath left house, or brethren, or sisters, or father, or mother, or wife, or children, or lands, for My sake, and the Gospel's, but he shall receive an **hundredfold now** in this time, and in the world to come eternal life!" (Mk.10:29,30). -- All this and Heaven too! -- "I will give thee more than thou hast had before, for thy faithfulness unto Me! Because thou dost obey Me, I have loved thee with an everlasting love, and I know that thou lovest Me more than all of these. Therefore, I will give unto thee whatsoever thou askest and whatsoever thou needest to accomplish My purpose and to fulfill My Will." Thank You Jesus!

So may God bless you and help you to put **God first** in your life, your heart, your family, your home and your **everything** -- That's the only place He'll take. -- He'll then give you "exceeding abundantly above all you could ask or think" (Eph.3:20). -- providing you give Him **all**!

"Cast thy burden upon the Lord and He shall sustain thee" (Psalm 55:22).

The Lord says that He will never give you more than you're able to bear, and that He will always make a way of escape" (1Cor.10:13). Somehow He'll make it easier for you or at least help you to bear it. -- Even of our service for Him, the Lord says, "My yoke is easy and My burden is light!" (Mt.11:28-30). -- That verse has been a real encouragement to me sometimes when I have really thought life was just too hard and the burden, the particular thing I was going through, was just too heavy. The Devil comes along and tempts you to quit, "Oh, that's too much!" -- But Jesus said it's **not** too much.

Sometimes it **is** "a rough and a rugged road with a hard and a heavy load, and the people you meet aren't always kind." But **most** of the time it's a smooth and a happy road, He helps you to carry the load, and many lost souls you'll help to find! -- It's not always going to **seem** easy. But the Lord promised it would be easy.

So if you're down in the dumps, dump it on **Jesus!** -- And if you really are overloaded, He'll help you! Seek the Lord! Cast your burden on Him! Just roll it over on Jesus and roll over and go to sleep -- and let **Him** stay up all night! Don't worry about it! -- Let the Lord do the worrying! His shoulders are broad enough to carry any load -- all the burdens put together, including His own!

We're all little ones before Thee, Lord.

If we'll just recognize that we're just little children who don't know anything, and the Lord's the One Who knows it all, He's the only One Who is really wise and knows what He's doing, and we just follow Him -- that's really being smart! -- "For except ye become as a **little child**, ye shall in no wise enter into the Kingdom of God" (Mt.18:3). -- And that's what we are -- nothing but children who belong to God! -- For He has taken the weak things to confound the mighty and the foolish things to confound the wise. And He has not revealed these things unto the wise and prudent, but unto **babes**" (1Cor.1:27; Lk.10:21).

With children **anything** can happen. They believe anything God says! -- Sometimes old folks know too much. The facts and fears of former years are apt to scare them out -- but kids rush in with a great big grin -- where angels would want out!

"These are the little ones, the sheep of My pastures and flocks of My folds, who run after that which I shall give them. And they shall sing and play upon harps and viols and sing praises unto Me and songs, and be happy and dance and be glad for this that I have given them, for these, the words that I have spoken unto My Servant David." -- All happy children are children of David! All happy children are the children of the King! All happy children are the children of Jesus! And they dance and play and shout and sing!

The real time of The End that God's Word speaks of is these last few years. -- We are already living in the time of The End!

Beloved, the time is growing shorter. The days are becoming more evil and things are moving faster and faster as time goes on" (Eph.5:16; 2Tim.3:1). -- It looks to me, from all we have gotten and everything the Lord's ever showed us, that we certainly can't expect to go on much longer in this world as it now is! -- It looks to me, from all we have gotten and everything the Lord's ever showed us, that we certainly can't expect to go on much longer in this world as it now is!--And if we look into Bible prophecy, all the signs are pointing to the End! (Mt.24.)

To say the least, we're living in exciting times and there are going to be some big changes made! -- But praise God, the quicker things get worse, the quicker it'll all be over, and the quicker the Lord'll have to come to rescue things. -- The quicker there's Hell on Earth brought on by the conflicts of today and the quicker the world will be partially destroyed, the quicker will come the Antichrist, his kingdom, Tribulation, and the Second Coming of the Lord!

So it behooves us to work as though everything depended on work and pray as though everything depended on prayer for the soon end of all these things. -- It's almost over! This is almost The End! -- "Even so, **come quickly**, Lord Jesus!" (Rev.22:20). Amen?

Oh Lord, help us to put up a fight, the fight of faith, and to put on Thy armor, all of its parts.

Our spiritual Enemy is always looking for a weakness, a way to enter our defenses, casting his fiery darts. -- "The Devil goeth about as a roaring lion seeking whom he may devour," standing day and night accusing Thy saints and trying to divide and subvert, lying and causing doubts and fears" (1Pet.5:8). -- "For we fight not against flesh and blood, but against principalities and powers, and evil spirits in heavenly places!" (Eph.6:12). But thank God, we have got the **weapons** to do it that cannot lose and can only win!

Thank You, Lord, for the Sword of Thy Spirit. **Thy** armor is the only real armor. -- "For our weapons are not carnal but **mighty through God** to the tearing down of strongholds!" (2Cor.10:4). Hallelujah! -- So strengthen us, Lord, with Thy Word and the Sword of Thy Spirit, that we may be able to fight the Enemy. -- Not only the Helmet of Salvation, but the Shield of Faith, Breastplate of Righteousness and Sword of the Spirit, girt with Thy Truth and shod with the Gospel of Peace. Help us, Lord, to be properly armed against all the fiery darts of the Evil One! (See Eph.6:11-18.)

"Put on the whole armor of God!" -- Keep resisting the Enemy, keep raising up the standard of the Spirit, keep wielding the weapon of the Word, and you cannot lose if you keep fighting!

God is still alive today and just as powerfully working as ever!

When I used to discuss with religious leaders of the past how the Early Church subsisted by sharing all things, dropping out and having all things in common, forsaking all in order to preach the Gospel, they always said, "Yes, but that was a different day, and it didn't last. And besides, it wouldn't be possible **today**!"

Well, is **God** dead now, that He can't do it again? -- Or is people's **faith** dying? Is He the same today, or only yesterday, and not forever? Can He do it again? -- Yea, and I say unto you that He **will** do it again, if we will but **trust** Him! -- God is still the God of the faithful and the believing, and He's **proven** that it **can** still be done, that we can still do what He commanded us to do! God's not dead! -- He's the same as He was in the Early Church! -- In fact, Jesus said even "**greater** works than these shall ye do, because I go unto My Father" (Jn.14:12). -- Indicating that we are to do even greater things, mightier works, because He had to split, so He could do the job **through** us! "For the people that do know their God shall be strong and do exploits, and they that understand among the people shall instruct many" (Dan.12:32,33).

God is still alive, well and working! -- You just have to give Him a **chance**!

Isn't it wonderful to be honest?

I believe in being honest, I like freedom, I like the **truth**! If you can't speak the truth, then you don't have freedom! -- Salvation from sin brings freedom and openness, with no longer any need to hide! -- We should be freed from the bondage of lying, freed from the bondage of pretending and all those phony fronts. -- Covering up is really of the Devil! It's a lot better just to be open and honest.

The Lord doesn't like anything that's not the whole truth. -- One lie leads to another. One lie can never stand alone! -- It always has to have several others to prop it up. "Oh what a tangled web we weave, when first we practice to deceive!" -- God doesn't like it!

When Jacob and his mother Rebekah deceived poor old blind Isaac in order to get the blessing he had intended to give Esau, what happened? -- Jacob suffered for many years. He suffered and suffered for 21 years under his uncle Laban, as a result of his deceit" (See Gen.27.) -- "Be sure your sin will find you out!" "For whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap!" (Num.32:23; Gal.6:7). Lie to others and they'll lie to you, and neither of you will believe each other, and pretty soon you'll be wondering what the truth is!

So Lord, help us to be honest and not cover up! -- For God's sake please tell the truth! Amen?

"Children are an heritage of the Lord!" (Psa.127:3).

That's the most precious gift: Real Love -- God's Love -- His Love in a little child -- so sweet and beautiful! -- Blessed of the Lord before birth and given of God to His children for His service. -- They're **His** children and He wants **us** to take **care** of them and **train** them! -- Like flowers in your garden, they're a gift of God, but you've got to take care of them! God's gifts are God's work! And if we "train up the children in the way they should go, when they are old they will not depart from it" (Pr.22:6). -- They will very likely do a bigger job for God than you have done or ever will do, if you will only train, teach, and lead them right, set the right example, and launch them into service for the Lord. -- In fact, the Lord has prophesied time and again that these children are going to be witnesses unto Him as the Prophets of old in the very End!

Another wonderful thing about our children -- we're going to have them **forever**! Little new created souls, they are going to be with us always! -- If you've reared them right and done a good job of God's work with God's gift, you're going to be so thankful when you get to Heaven. -- "Thou shalt rest, being gathered unto Me in due season, and this which I have given unto thee shall follow after thee, as a glory unto thee and as a star in thy crown!" Thank You Jesus!

First impressions are the right ones, if you're truly following the Lord!

If you're really in tune with the Lord and you love the Lord and you're filled with the Spirit, and you're really seeking His Will, usually your **first** reaction is the **right** one. -- God speaks first, -- It can just be in that still small voice that you feel inside of you, sometimes it's not even words, just an impression that you have. God doesn't even have to communicate in words. He can just give you a feeling or a picture or an idea.

If you stay in His will and obey, you'll have a strong clear channel and really get the picture tuned in loud and clear. -- When you are in tune with the Spirit, you will be hearing from the Spirit of God the right answers. -- So tune in and the Lord will fill you -- your mind, your heart, your ears, your eyes! -- Get not only in **prayer**, but get in the **Spirit**. And He'll tell you what you're supposed to do.

You just have to have faith. When you ask the Lord for an answer, **expect** an answer, and take the first thing that comes. If you really believe and ask the Lord, and you want to hear or see, you won't be disappointed! And that thing you see or hear with the eyes or ears of your spirit, that's the Lord -- and it will be such a comfort to you! Expect God to answer!

Stop this world -- I wanna get off!

Beloved, the outlook for us in this world and our future here could hardly be darker! -- But the uplook could hardly be brighter or more glorious! -- And as the world gets worse and the fires of Hell get hotter, one of these days there'll be no place left to flee, and we're going to go straight **up** to be with Jesus!

Soon the rebellious enemies of God will complete their building on their final cornerstone, the Antichrist. But suddenly, with one mighty stroke of God, their building will be totally and utterly destroyed, and ours is going to be instantly and supernaturally completed! God waves His wand of power and presto! -- There's the finished Church, the Temple, His finished building caught up into Heaven!

So don't let the world get you down! You're in the world, but not of it! Disown it and its junk, and only **use** it to catch God's salvation on to glory! - Don't let God's Express leave you behind. -- Get on board and stay on board! -- We're bound for Heaven! Hallelujah! -- He's gonna stop the world so we can get off! -- Time's gonna grind to a halt while we enter the Eternal Now and leave the rest behind! -- Will you be ready to forsake all to hop aboard for Heaven? Then keep serving Him till He calls you Home to Space City! Hallelujah!

Wouldn't it be wonderful if people would do what Jesus said to do?

Jesus said, "Love thy neighbor as thyself" (Mt.22:39). -- so of course, when people don't treat others with much love, they're going to have **problems**, and they have. -- All of the evils in the world today are caused by men's lack of love for God and each other. -- The simple Love of God and each other is still God's solution, even in such a complex, confused and highly complicated society as that of the world today! It's still just that simple: If we love God, we can love each other, and even respect ourselves as His Creation! We can then follow His rules of life, liberty, and the possession of happiness, and all will be well and happy in Him!

So ask God to help you love others with His Love! -- And remember, "neighbor" doesn't <u>only</u> mean the one that lives next door. -- It is **anyone** who needs our help, regardless of their race, creed, color, nationality or condition!

A little love and understanding and tolerance and sharing could go such a long way in solving all of the world's problems. -- In fact, this is our goal: To love God and our neighbor as ourselves, and as a result bring love to the whole world and peace and freedom and plenty to all! -- To "love God ... and thy neighbor" would solve all the world's problems! (Mt.22:37-39). -- Do you? Love will solve all **your** problems too!

Thanks be unto God Who giveth us the victory — this victory, even our faith that overcometh the world! (1Cor.15:57; 1Jn.5:4).

That's one thing you gotta have: You gotta have some faith and belief in God -- or you're sunk! For without Him you can do nothing! -- "Faith is the substance of things hoped for" (Heb.11:1).

It's knowing God and that God is, and that God is going to take care of you if you obey Him and do His will and His work. -- If you have it, you won't quit! You'll be tempted to doubt, but you won't doubt! -- Because you are willing to die trusting, you're so **sure** of **God!** The man of faith wouldn't think of looking back! -- He knows there's nothing to go back to. He has faith and vision, and he is determined to go blindly on **faith alone**, because he has found the truth! -- The truly faithful have totally and utterly cut themselves off from the rest of the world -- the "ecclesia" of God -- the separated ones-- who have burned all their bridges behind them and cannot go back. -- Who are faithful unto the end, and who attain to the Crown of Life! So put your faith in the **Lord** and **His Word, know** you're going to **win** the battle, and **keep fighting**, keep hanging on! -- Fight the good fight! Keep the faith! Finish the course! Win the crown! Don't look back! Keep your eyes on the goal and your hand on the plow! Enter thou into the joy of thy Lord!

If we only knew how nothing we are!

Jesus said, "Without Me ye can do nothing!" -- Nothing good! (Jn.15:5). So don't get too stuck on yourself and think you're so good and so righteous and so perfect. -- If there's anything good about us, it's only **Jesus!** -- Nothing of ourselves. Our only hope, "Christ in us, the hope of glory!" (Col.1:27).

The Lord said to Saul, "When thou wast little in thine own sight, I did highly exalt thee!" (1Sam.15:17). But when he became proud, depending on himself and leaning on his own arm of flesh instead of the Lord, the Lord had to abase him!

So in Jesus' name, help us never to be lifted up in pride. Help none of us to be guilty, Lord, to think that we are anything. As Thy Word warns us, if we think we are anything or something, we're really nothing, even worse than nothing! (Gal.6:3). -- We're nothing and You're everything, Lord. We merely "have this treasure in earthen vessels, that the excellency of the power may be of God and not of us" (2Cor.4:7). Help us to realize how totally dependent we are on Thee, Lord, that You're the One Who really does it all and we're nothing, we just have to depend on You, Jesus.

"Nothing in our hands we bring! -- Simply to Thy Cross we cling!"

Death from this life is just graduation from this grade, and praise God for that!

Dying is the easiest thing in the world. I mean, it's so easy to die when you're a Christian, because you know **where** you're going. -- There's nothing bad about dying for the Christian! -- It's our freedom from this carnal crypt and heavy body, our liberation, our coronation day! -- It's our **graduation** to the Heavenly world of the hereafter with a crown of glorious eternal life with Him and the Family forever! Hallelujah!

"There'll be light in the sky, from that palace on high, when I come to the end of the road! Sweet relief from all care will be waiting me There, when I come to the end of life's road! When the long day is ended and my journey is o'er, I shall rest in His blessed abode! There the ones that I love will be waiting for me, when I come to the end of life's road!" -- "So lift up thine eyes and raise thine heart and cling to thy faith and thou shalt live **forever** with Me in My Father's House in which there are many mansions." So beautiful! Thank You Jesus! Are you ready to go? It's really not bad if you have Jesus! But there's so much work to do here yet. -- We have to live that **others** may get ready to die. Praise the Lord? -- And even if it kills us, we'll wake up forever in the Heavenly Kingdom of God with peace and plenty and love for all forever! Thank You Jesus!

God's wheels of judgment grind exceeding slow, but they grind exceeding fine!

God moves kind of slowly, but He moves very thoroughly. -- The picture of His judgment is two great millstones grinding the grain: The grain is poured through the hole in the top millstone, which turns around and around, and the grain works its way out from the center to the edge of the stone. By the time the grain's out to the edge it's like fine **powder** or **dust** and you have flour instead of grain. -- So although sometimes His wheels of justice seem to grind exceeding slow, they eventually grind exceeding fine, and he that fails to be broken upon the Rock of God will someday find the Rock falling upon him and crushing him to powder and dust which the winds of His judgments will blow away and the place thereof shall know him no more! (Mt.21:44).

But we can thank the Lord that "judgment begins at the House of the Lord!" (1Pet.4:17). We're the House of the Lord and we're <u>already</u> judged by the Lord, because we've accepted Him and received Him as payment.

Therefore we don't have to undergo the literal judgments that the world is going to suffer. -- "For if we would judge ourselves, we should not be judged. But when we are judged, we are chastened of the Lord, that we should not be condemned with the world" (1Cor.11:31,32). -- Thank You Jesus for taking our punishment for us!

Emergencies, crashes or wars -- whatever happens, the Lord will take care of us!

This whole world is on fire in the basement! -- Not a very secure place to live unless you trust the Lord! -- But if you're putting God's Kingdom first, He'll take care of you, no matter what! -- The Lord shall always spare His children and care for His little ones and those who always see His face.

Always. -- So we've got nothing to worry about and everything to be thankful for! He will continue to keep us as long as we're trying to obey Him and feed His sheep.

The <u>Lord</u> is your best defense -- so stay close to Him and follow His orders! -- He says, "Be thou faithful and diligently serve Me and deliver the Words of thy Father that He might bless thee and save thee and keep thee in the day of trouble which shall come upon all the inhabitants of the Earth, that I may spare thee because of thine obedience unto Me!"

So keep us in the center of Thy will, Lord, doing Thy work, continuing to do the best we can to be a witness to the world in spite of whatever is happening. We believe You're going to protect us and keep us so we can continue to do Thy work and be Thy witnesses as long as possible. Bless and keep us each one for Thy use, Lord, as long as we're needed in this world. Then take us to be with You forever! -- In Jesus' name. Amen.

Receiving Jesus is like sexually going all the way!

When Jesus comes in, it's just like a marriage! -- Just like the first time a man comes into a woman and they are united. All the papers, all the words are nothing by themselves. Unless there is <u>action</u> and you are united as one, the marriage is not really complete. It's so much like making love! You say to Jesus: "I want You! I believe You when You say, 'I love you!' and I let You in. I open my door and receive you." And when you open your door to Jesus, He always comes in! -- <u>Always</u>! ... This is true, it's a marriage!

Then, if you do your part the Lord will do His, and <u>inspire</u> you, or fill you with His Spirit, so you can bear fruit. The spire of His inspiration causes a spiritual orgasm which fills you with His Spirit in spirits of the seed of the Word of God, which, when conceived in responsive hearts, bring forth fruit, new-born babes into the Kingdom of God! (1Pet.1:23).

"Come with Me, therefore, My fair one, and let Me be ravished with thy love, for thou art pleasing in My sight and fairer than the daughters of women, and thy excellency is as the excellency of Hermon" (saw snow caps with blue sky and clouds). -- She rests, she finds peace! She lies down in His arms, in complete surrender. They are wed! She is totally His forever! Hallelujah!

You can't be God's fair-weather friend only! You have to keep on serving the Lord even when everything goes all wrong!

Most Christians can have faith under normal conditions for usual situations -- what they expect God to do -- but only those with great faith like Job, when everything goes wrong and seems contrary to the Word and the usual, only those with great faith can say with Job, "Even though He slay me, yet will I trust Him" (Job 13:15). What Job was saying was, "Even though it seems like God is breaking His own Word with me -- even though God kills me contrary to all His promises -- I'll still trust Him."

If you're only going to be willing to believe and obey the Lord as long as everything goes all right, you won't be believing or obeying very much, because a <u>lot</u> of things go wrong when you're serving the Lord! -- But even though "<u>many</u> are the afflictions of the righteous, the Lord <u>delivereth</u> him out of them <u>all</u>!" No matter how many or what! (Ps.34:19). -- So let's try to be able to take our testing and our temptation, and yet without sin and without failure.

"Trust in God, <u>however</u> dark your way! No matter <u>what</u> hard turns the road may take! Hold to His hand until the break of day, when in His likeness we shall then awake!"

The day is coming when nobody will move rapidly except us!

One of these days soon we will be trading in our old, worn-out, fleshly, earthy body for an entirely new Heavenly model! -- We'll be able to fly through the air and up through the clouds and all the way to the moon and the stars, and we'll fly with not just the speed of light, which is not fast enough to get around through such a big Universe! -- But our new spiritual bodies will move with the speed of thought! All you'll have to do is think yourself someplace and you'll be there! No time wasted, no cars, no stinky fumes, no flat tires, no accidents and you're there!

The flesh of the future, the supernatural, miraculous, resurrected, transformed, fleshly bodies of the future are going to be like the angels of God! -- We will look like we do now, only better! -- Just as Jesus did after His resurrection. He could eat and drink and they could feel Him and touch Him as well as see Him, and yet He was in a miraculous supernatural body, His new resurrected body" (Lk.24:36-43).

-- He said we were going to have bodies like <u>His</u>! (1Jn.3:2; 1Cor.15:42-58). He could appear or disappear, He could walk right through walls or locked doors, and He could fly with the speed of thought! -- Whissssst! -- And you're there! Just as quick as you can think it, you have thunk it and you'll be there, plunk it!

When He can get <u>you</u> out of the way, then <u>He</u> has a chance!

At the age of 40, when Moses was cocky and over-confident and tried to free his people in his own strength, he was a big flop and had to run for his life without them in a personal exodus of his own, alone and all by himself -- and it took God 40 years in the wilderness to teach him humility and utter dependence on God, until he no longer wanted the job! -- Then he was ready. He didn't think he was able -- and that's good! Because man's extremity is God's opportunity. When you come to the end of your rope, then God has a chance to work.

He has to <u>break</u> us, and it's hard to be broken. It makes you want to die, you know? But then you're willing to live -- for Jesus! -- "For only from such death can life be born anew!" -- Isn't that wonderful? First He makes you want to die, and then you yield and surrender your life in the face of death, and you're willing to live it for Him! -- "For it is no longer you that live, but Christ that lives in you, for you are now dead and your life is hid with Christ in God" (Gal.2:20; Col.3:3).

So if you feel you are nothing and you're no good -- cheer up! -- When you're so weak that you don't feel capable or sufficient, then God has a chance to take over and do things to suit Himself. -- Only <u>He</u> can do it! Just give Him a chance! Let go -- and let God! -- Surrender to Him!

"Touch not the Lord's anointed and do My prophets no harm, for he that toucheth you toucheth the apple of Mine eye!"

(Ps.105:15; Zech.2:8).

Anybody that tries to do you or me harm is sticking their finger in God's eye! If they touch His prophets, if they lay one finger on me or you, they've poked God right in the eye! And what happens when somebody touches your eye? -- You involuntarily react without even thinking about it! -- So they'd better look out!

Our enemies are not just dealing with <u>us</u> -- they're fighting against <u>God Himself</u>! -- As the great rabbi Gamaliel of old warned the enemies of the early Christians, "Beware, lest ye be found to fight against God!" (Ac.5:39). -- And if they fight God too hard, God'll fight them! -- He says, "Stand back and see Me fight; for this is not thy battle, but Mine. Vengeance is Mine, I will repay!" (Ex.14:13,14; 2Chr.20:15; Rom.12:19).

So they'd better watch out if they are thinking about putting a finger on us! They are touching the eyes of the Lord, and God will not let them get away with it! -- "And all those that do lift even a finger against one of the hairs of thy head shall perish, for I am the Lord thy God!" "And all the enemies are as nothing unto My children. For they shall overcome all enemies and none can stand against them or stop them!"

You just keep on obeying, and God'll keep blessing.

God promised that if you'll obey Him, He'll take care of you. -- He says, "Seek ye first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness, then all these things shall be added unto you" (Mt.6:33). The blessings don't precede obedience. You don't say, "Lord, You bless me, then I'll obey." But God tests you first to see if you'll obey, and **then** He can bless you. -- If you are obeying the Lord, then God's **got** to bless you!

But it's pretty hard to have faith for God's blessing if you're disobedient. -- In fact, it's virtually impossible to believe God for **anything** if you're disobedient! -- Without obedience it's impossible to have faith, impossible to believe God, and it's certainly impossible to please Him. "For without faith it is impossible to please God!" (Heb.11:6). -- But if you know you're doing your best to please Him and obey Him, you can expect almost anything. God will do anything for you!

As we begin to obey and continue to obey, God will bless us beyond measure for our faithfulness in fulfilling His Word! -- So Lord, we ask Thee to just help us to obey, and then we know that You will do the rest. Help everyone of us to obey.

"When we walk with the Lord in the light of His Word, what a glory He sheds on our way! While we do His good Will, He abides with us still, and with all who will trust and obey!"

"Happy Birthday, Jesus!"

If when along comes your birthday, on whatever date it is, wouldn't it be funny if all your friends and family decided to celebrate it by giving each other presents, and never gave you a thing? -- Well, if Christmas is **Jesus'** Birthday, why don't we give **Him** presents instead of each other? And if it's His Birthday, instead of singing all this other stuff like "Deck the Halls with Boughs of Holly" and "Rudolph the Red -- Nosed Reindeer" and a lot of other crazy songs, why don't we sing "Happy Birthday Dear Jesus!"?

"You can have your little baubles and your Merry Christmas tree! But all I want for Christmas is the Spirit wild and free! For the Son of God was given and was hung upon a tree, and the only gift for Christmas is **His** Gift for **you** and **me**!" -- And if you've received His Gift yourself, then share the real meaning of Christmas with **others** by getting out and giving them the Love of the Lord and the Word of Jesus! -- So many need our message and the Gospel of real Salvation. -- So give them a truly "Merry Christmas" by bringing them the peace and happiness and joy of the Love of Jesus Christ! -- Give **Jesus** to **others** so you can give the Lord the gifts that He is most pleased with: The **lives** and **hearts** of **men**! -- The souls you have recaptured from the Enemy! -- Then you can **really** celebrate Christmas and sing, "Happy Birthday Dear Jesus!"

Be a soul-winner for Jesus!

Thanks to Jesus, we'll never have to worry about being saved anymore or going to Hell or whether we're going to go to Heaven or not. -- But those who don't know the Lord are afraid to die! They are hanging on to life for dear life because they're so damn scared of going to Hell where things could be worse! "Who through fear of death are all their lifetime subject to bondage" (Heb.2:15).

Of course, if we preach Christ and God's Love to them and they receive it as such, then they are **saved**. -- They'll be thankful to you for all eternity that you told them about Jesus and about His Love! -- But if you fail to deliver your soul and give them His Message, God's Word says their blood will be on **your** hands! (Ezk.3:18,19). -- And you'll have to face them in Eternity some day and give them an answer then, because you failed to warn them here.

So "come, follow Me, and I will make you fishers of men!" (Mt.4:19). -- And God will bless you with the souls you help win to the Lord and save from Hell! Praise God! -- "Rescue the perishing, care for the dying, snatch them in pity from sin and the grave; weep o'er the erring one, lift up the fallen, tell them of **Jesus**, the mighty to save!" Amen?

If you really wanna know how to get organized, this is the way: Pray and let God lead first!

Sometimes, when we try to get organized in the flesh, we just get discouraged. Whereas if we just let **God** do it, He brings **order** out of our chaos, **His** way! -- Getting quiet before the Lord shows you have faith that God is going to handle the situation, He's going to take care of things. -- Remember, God was able to do some of the greatest things when there was complete silence in the Heavens for half an hour" (Rev.8:11). -- "Peace, be still! Thou art like the sea when it cannot rest, and hath no peace because of quest."

You're never going to accomplish as much if you try to do everything in the energy of the flesh and all yourself, instead of sitting down and saying, "Now Lord, what do **You** want me to do?"" -- Only God knows what to do, and only God knows what He wants done, and only God can do it. So look to Him to find out what He's doing and what He wants you to do! -- He delights in creating order out of chaos! -- So listen, seek the Lord, hear from the Lord, and be led of the Lord. -- Then you'll have the perfect peace of knowing you're in the will of God -- the kind of peace you can have in the midst of storm -- or even at the stake -- that "joy unspeakable and full of glory" (1Pet.1:8), of knowing you're doing the will of God, accomplishing His purpose and pleasing Him. Hallelujah!

Eventually He's going to force the whole world to obey, whether they like it or not!

Christ's coming is literally going to be an **invasion** from outer space! - And when He finally takes over, He's going to take over by **force** and with power, "with **power** and **great glory**!" (Mt.24:30). -- Out of Heaven will come the great hosts of Heaven with Jesus in the lead on a white horse to destroy the Antichrist and his kingdom in the great battle of Armageddon" (Rev.19). -- And we will take over this world, by God's power, by force, and **make** this world live the way it should have lived.

His Word says, "We shall then rule and reign with Him over the nations with a rod of **iron**!" (Rev.2:26,27). It'll be a mandatory rule of loving force to compel the nations to submit to the laws of God and to recognize His authority and to obey His rules of life, love, health and happiness. -- It's going to be an enforced rule, a strong iron dictatorship over the wicked, otherwise they would never obey. Everyone will be compelled and forced to obey whether they like it or not! -- A completely total totalitarian dictatorship of the righteous with Jesus Christ as Dictator! -- Only then shall all wicked and vengeful men of war be stopped at last. -- And only then shall the men of peace and the God of peace and the Prince of Peace rule and reign and bring "Peace on Earth"! (Lk.2:14). Hallelujah!

Everybody is somebody's fool! -- "We're fools for Christ's sake!" -- Whose fool are you? (1Cor.4:10).

Some people just don't seem to understand the miracle of conversion, and the idealistic desire to devote one's entire life to God's service. -- "For the **natural** man receiveth not the things of the **Spirit**, for they are **foolishness** unto him!" (1Cor.2:14). -- Many were thought to have suddenly gone mad, like the Apostle Paul, or "driven crazy by religion," because there was such a sudden change in their lives. (See Acts 26:24; Mk.3:21; Jn.10:20.)

In fact, nearly all the prophets and men of God throughout the Bible and past ages were thought to have been **nuts** by the rest of the world: Dreamers, visionaries, hearing voices, having hallucinations, and pretty well flipped out over religion. -- You see, it all depends on **who** is calling **who** mad! -- And if people think we're a little eccentric, or <u>off</u>-center, it's not because **we're** off the center -- it's because **they're** wobbling around themselves, away off the one and only true Center, Jesus Christ! -- Man without God is off center, insane. -- **They're** the ones who are not in their right minds, because they can't possibly know what's right without **Jesus**!

For we live in a world full of madness, where all are insane but we! I'll take my world full of gladness, though <u>you</u> call it fantasy!

We're love slaves, we serve Him for love, amen?

Jesus never **forced** anyone to follow Him. He only said, "Follow Me" and "Come and see!" (Jn.1:39,43). -- Our whole work is built on this concept. We have no forced-labor enslavery! -- Only willing and cheerfully given **volunteer** labor! "The Love of Christ constraineth me!" (2Cor.5:14). We all work together out of love for Him and each other, in loving and voluntary cooperation. -- "From him that hath, according to his ability -- unto him that hath not, according to his need." -- That's the sharing principle of love -- and the loving principle of sharing!

"I'll live for Him Who died for me, how happy then my life shall be! I'll live for Him Who died for me, my Savior and my God!" -- We are not our own, we're bought with a price (1Cor.6:19,20), and we can't just do as we please! -- Our lives belong to **Him!** Jesus saved our souls, saved our lives for Eternity! -- We should be willing to do **anything** for Him! He bought and paid for us, we're His property, we belong to Him now. He can do whatever He wants to with us. Amen?

It's all for Thy glory to please Thee, Lord, and to **serve** Thee and **obey** Thee and because we **love** You, Jesus, because of how much You've loved us. No credit to us, Lord, and we have no excuses. -- So help us, Lord, to be willing to do anything for You, in just plain thanks for Your salvation!

God help us to do what the Lord said and "go into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature" (Mark 16:15).

The Lord wants **every** tongue and tribe and nation to hear. -- That's our goal: To reach the **whole world** before Jesus comes! Are you willing to try?

That's what we are in this business for, to preach the Gospel to every creature, to go into all the world to preach it. Help us, Lord, to **do** it! -- We're not satisfied, because we haven't finished the job! We haven't reached the whole world, Lord. We're not in every country and we haven't preached to every creature. So help us, Lord, to **keep moving, keep revoluting** until we **do**, or **die trying**, in Jesus' name!

"Therefore lift up your eyes and behold the fields already white unto harvest. **Go now**, for now is the day of Salvation; repent ye for the Kingdom of Heaven is at hand!" -- We have come to preach the Gospel to the poor, to open the eyes of the blind, and to loose them that are bound! -- And to preach the acceptable year of the Lord. -- **Today**, if you will hear His voice!

May we all continue to press forward toward our common goal of reaching the entire Earth with the Message of His Love! -- Until righteousness covers the Earth as the waters cover the seas!

