

ENCOURAGING
WORDS
Book 2

TO REVIEW
FOR STRENGTHENING

By Joan Royer

INTRODUCTION

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

~ 1 ~

RELATIONSHIP

You and I will have a wonderful relationship, Joan, both here on earth and afterward in heaven. You are not one I have picked to be a great one (like Rick Joyner or Francis Frangipane or King David) but I have picked you especially to be a delightful child of Mine in whom I find joy and to whom I give joy and peace in the midst of the terrorist world. I give you prayers to pray and songs to sing and dances to dance. I gave you a picture of freestyle dancing with Me and for Me for a reason. That is part of what I created you to be. You ARE becoming what I created you to be - a beautiful child of Mine in whom I delight. Be My joy and delight each day.

How do I do that, Lord?

Just be who you are naturally in Me.

“This is exactly the way it is with God. He requires our best, something that is hard for us to part with. But, if we give Him our best, He always gives us His best. Sometimes we grieve over the thing God has required, but patience will prove that what God gives in return is far greater than anything we are ever called upon to give up.”
(Quote from *The Word, The Name, The Blood* by Joyce Meyer, p 129)

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MORE

**Peter said to him, “We have left all we had to follow you!”
“I tell you the truth,” Jesus replied, “No one who has left home or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields for me and for the gospel will fail to receive a hundred times as much in this present age (homes, brothers, sisters, mothers, children and fields - and with them persecutions) and in the age to come, eternal life.” (Mark 10:28-30)**

Notice it's people and home I mention there. That is what I will give you “many times as much.” In LS you will receive many times the family relationships you had here in C, and much more home space than you have here...more close friends, more children in Me, more brothers and sisters, more what you truly want in a church. More, more, I am the God of more for you, Joan.

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SOLID FOOD

Brothers, I could not address you as spiritual but as worldly--mere infants in Christ. I gave you milk, not solid food, for you were not yet ready for it. (1 Cor. 3:1-2 NIV)

Am I eating solid food now, Lord?

Yes, you are eating solid food...and soon it will be time for dessert. And that's some of what you will be giving out in your book, Joan - milk to spiritual babes, and some meat to more mature Christians...both. But I have need for such writings for certain people in need of them.

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HE SENT AN ANGEL AHEAD OF US

See, I am sending an angel ahead of you to guard you along the way and to bring you to the place I have prepared....Pay attention to him and listen to what he says.... Worship the Lord your God, and his blessing will be on your food and water. I will take away sickness from among you. (Exodus 23:20-25 NIV)

I give you this promise this day as My Word to you, Joan, and to B also. I sent an angel ahead of her to her new home and prepared all the way for her transition, and I am doing the same for you too. EVERY STEP OF THE WAY. KNOW THIS!

Thank You, Lord!

You're welcome, My child. I am with you and will never forsake you. I will continue guiding you along this pathway of moving to LS. If something seems to not be working out then it means I am guiding you through that into a different way of going. I may choose to give you some "moving" money in this way, so accept it from Me with gratitude.

~ 5 ~

DECLARE HIS MARVELOUS DEEDS

My mouth will tell of your righteousness, of your salvation all day long, though I know not its measure.

I will come and proclaim your mighty acts, O Sovereign Lord; I will proclaim your righteousness, yours alone.

Since my youth, O God, you have taught me, and to this day I declare your marvelous deeds.

Even when I am old and gray, do not forsake me, O God, till I declare your power to the next generation, your might to all who are to come.

Your righteousness reaches to the skies, O God, you who have done great things. Who, O God, is like you? (Psalm 71:15-19)

I identify with David writing these scriptures. I think I am supposed to declare “His marvelous deeds” and “His power” to the next generation, those who are to come.

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NEVER COMPLETELY ALONE

“I’m never completely alone anymore.”

As I read that statement in a story, it resonated in me as being true of me also...

I always have my Friend, Jesus, with me. He lives in my heart (my spirit). Because He lives in my spirit, it is now alive (born again). Previously it was dead, but He made it alive.

Jesus wants me to listen to Him through my born again spirit (heart). **He who has an ear, let him hear what the spirit says to the churches. (Rev. 3:13 NIV)**

Jesus wants me to speak through my born again spirit (heart). **The good man brings good things out of the good stored up in his heart....For out of the overflow of his heart his mouth speaks. (Luke 6:45 NIV)**

Jesus wants me to let Him (His Spirit) flow through me...**Whoever believes in me, as the Scripture has said, streams of living water will flow from within him. (John 7:38 NIV)**

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EVERYTHING YOU SAY IS A SEED PLANTED

Once the words were said, it was like they took root and grew in a direction not necessarily true to what originally happened (perhaps even without any knowledge of the event which sparked the words originally), but whatever direction various people took them. That's what gossip does: takes root and grows in directions not true to the actual event. It forms lies and untruth based on partial truth. And isn't that Satan's way--to distort the truth using only partial truth. Since the truth sets you free, then gossip does the opposite -- it binds you with its lie. I imagine that's one reason gossip/slander is talked against so much in the Bible.

Everything you say and do is a seed planted. You may ask for, and receive, forgiveness for seed planted that is not of the "fruit of the Spirit," but that seed still keeps growing in other people's mouths and minds. Remember that when Satan deceived Eve it was through distorted untruthful words (or only partial truth mixed with lies) that took root and grew in her. If she had countered that untruth immediately with the truth of My Word, it wouldn't have taken root and grown in her as it did. That's why speaking the truth of the Word is so powerful as a weapon. It stops the untruth from taking root and growing in you. It gets your mind focused on what is true.

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PROVISION

The Holy Spirit says today that He has already arranged for my financial provision, so I am to believe in it even though I haven't actually seen it yet. My faith is to be in His present word to me about this.

Total provision, Lord?

Total provision. I do not want you taking a job outside your home. I have things for you to do for Me and for the Kingdom work, so I want you free to do that. So I have made complete provision financially for you to do that.

Thank You, that's what I want.

And I have put that "want" into you. Some people might want to have "control" over their money and its source and therefore want a job. You

have to give up that control if you want Me to provide your financial resource. Will you?

Yes, Lord. I give the provision of my finances into Your hands.

I know this is hard for you because you feel you failed before to believe adequately for your financial provision. I let you fail, Joan, to humble you. I wanted you moldable in My hands.

Those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint. (Isaiah 40:31 NIV)

I said, ‘You are my servant’; I have chosen you and have not rejected you. So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with my righteous right hand. (Isaiah 41:9b-10 NIV)

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CONNECTION TIME WITH THE LORD

My last day of working at FV! I’ve looked toward and past this day for many months now. It’s finally here! Yeah! Much as I have appreciated that job and much as it has been a blessing to me, I look forward, Lord, to the “something new” which You have for me and You’ve given me a taste of - writing our book together. Hopefully, I will be ready to begin more extended work time on it around Wednesday of the week after I move. Please keep me focused on it, Lord, and keep it primary in my life and thoughts.

I will, My child, and more. I will be a blessing to you all during this moving time, and I will be your peace, as you have asked Me, and I will bring you to July 28th - our day to begin longer times together working on our book. In July of next year, 2005, you will be distributing this book to many of your friends - with joy in our accomplishment together. It must be together to have My anointing on it and have the power to transform lives which you and I both want it to do. It will. I will see to that.

Good, because I can't give it Your anointing and give it power to transform lives. Only You can do that. But I commit myself to work with you, Holy Spirit, to do this book together. That is one of the major purposes of my move.

Yes, and there will be other purposes which I have in mind which I will accomplish in your life also, Joan...purposes which I already have set in place for you, and you will gradually see take place. Yes, they are good!

Do this each morning - sit before Me and with Me and tell Me of your love for Me. We will bond together for all that you need for that day. You may want to keep that taping of Joyce Meyer's description of what she does in her "connection time" with Me and listen to it occasionally. I may be reminding you to do that to pull you back onto that road together with Me, holding hands, and letting Me guide you on that pathway.

It will be fun. You will enjoy it---this next season of your life (our lives together) and it will bring you much joy and peace. And you will receive much satisfaction and contentment in knowing you have finished the work I've given you to do, and created you for, and trained you for all these years. And I will not let your work (this book) fall to the ground (as I said about Samuel's words) but will empower it and use it in a mighty way you don't begin to conceive of and don't need to conceive of. That is My plan and you don't need to plan it at all - I will do it. It is good!

I like that phrase "connection time" with the Lord. I want to use that idea in the book. Once you give your life to the Lord and receive Him into your life, then you need to learn how to establish a "connection time" daily with the Lord. Some people may not even know this is a possibility. Maybe that is one of the purposes of our book --- to make people aware of that. That is what I used to try to do by reading scripture and praying - to establish a "connection" to the Lord. That is what I think Catherine Marshall talked about in one of her books - about having an "encounter" with the Lord in her quiet time.

And this "connection time" then can grow to encompass more and more of your life as you start with it each day and gradually continue to talk with and commune with the Lord throughout the day. This also reminds me of what Brother Lawrence called "practicing the presence of the Lord."

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AVAILABILITY

“God doesn’t need our strength; He needs our availability. He’s just looking for us to stand in His presence, gaze upon Him, love Him, and fulfill His word when He speaks.” (*Secrets of the Secret Place* by Bob Sorge, p 166)

I heard John Maxwell preaching on PTL show yesterday afternoon. He talked about two types of people (referencing the feeding of the 5000 and the boy with loaves and fishes): those who had a need God wanted to meet (the 5000), and those whom He wanted to use to meet that need (the boy). Immediately I felt that I was like the boy with God wanting to use me in writing the book to meet a need in some others’ lives. I wonder what that need is. Right now I would guess that need is to hear the gospel presented clearly and simply from someone they might receive it through (those who want to read my book). I expect the Holy Spirit will make that clearer as we go forward with this. There is a plan/reason for my writing this book and distributing it. I trust He will show me that reason as we go through the writing/distributing process.

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PROPHECY AND HEALING

That’s My Word for you today...Believe and trust and obey.

How foolish you are and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken. (Luke 24:25 NIV)

And we have the word of the prophets made more certain, and you will do well to pay attention to it, as to a light shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts. Above all you must understand that no prophecy of scripture came about by the prophet’s own interpretation. For prophecy never had its origin in the will of man, but men spoke from God as they were carried along by the Holy Spirit. (2 Peter 1:19-21 NIV)

The grass withers and the flowers fall, but the word of the Lord stands forever. (1 Peter 1:24-25 NIV)

Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have not come to abolish them but to fulfill them. (Matthew 5:17)

All the writers of the Bible were prophets who spoke and wrote My Word. Believe My Word. What did I say about healing?

SCRIPTURES ON HEALING

1 Peter 2:24b NIV

By his wounds you have been healed.

Exodus 15:26

He said, "If you listen carefully to the voice of the Lord your God and do what is right in his eyes, if you pay attention to his commands and keep all his decrees, **I will not bring on you any of the diseases I brought on the Egyptians, for I am the Lord, who heals you.**"

Psalm 30:2

O Lord my God, **I called to you for help and you healed me.**

Psalm 42:11

Why are you downcast, O my soul? Why so disturbed within me? **Put your hope in God, for I will yet praise him, my Savior and my God.**

Psalm 103:2-3

Praise the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits - Who forgives all your sins and **heals all your diseases.**

Psalm 107:19-20

Then they cried to the Lord in their trouble, and he saved them from their distress. **He sent forth his word and healed them.**

Proverbs 3:7-8

Do not be wise in your own eyes; fear the Lord and shun evil. **This will bring health to your body and nourishment to your bones.**

Proverbs 4:20-22

My son, pay attention to what I say; listen closely to my words. Do not let them out of your sight, keep them within your heart; **For they are life to those who find them and health to a man's whole body.**

Isaiah 53:4-5

Surely he took up our infirmities and carried our sorrows, Yet we considered him stricken by God, smitten by him, and afflicted. But he was pierced for our transgressions, he was crushed for our iniquities; The punishment that brought us peace was upon him, **and by his wounds we are healed.**

Jeremiah 17:14

Heal me, O Lord, and I will be healed; save me and I will be saved, for you are the one I praise.

Jeremiah 29:11-14

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

Jeremiah 31:28

"Just as I watched over them to uproot and tear down, and to overthrow, destroy and bring disaster, so **I will watch over them to build and to plant,"** declares the Lord.

Malachi 4:2

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

Matthew 4:23-24

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

Matthew 7:7-8

"Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. For everyone who asks receives; he who seeks finds; and to him who knocks, the door will be opened."

Matthew 7:11

"If you, then, though you are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father in heaven give good gifts to those who ask him!"

Matthew 8:7, 13

Jesus said to him, "I will go and heal him." ... Then Jesus said to the centurion, "Go! It will be done just as you believed it would." And his servant was healed at that very hour.

Matthew 8:17

This was to fulfill what was spoken through the prophet Isaiah: "He took up our infirmities and carried our diseases." (sorrows)

Matthew 9:29

Then he touched their eyes and said, "According to your faith will it be done to you," and their sight was restored.

Matthew 9:35

Jesus went through all the towns and villages, teaching in their synagogues, preaching the good news of the kingdom and healing every disease and sickness.

Matthew 14:14

When Jesus landed and saw a large crowd, he had compassion on them and healed their sick.

Matthew 15:30

Great crowds came to him, bringing the lame, the blind, the crippled, the mute and many others, and laid them at his feet; and he healed them.

Matthew 17: 20-21

"I tell you the truth, if you have faith as small as a mustard seed, you can say to this mountain, 'Move from here to there' and it will move. Nothing will be impossible for you."

Matthew 19:2

Large crowds followed him, and he healed them there.

Mark 1:34

Jesus healed many who had various diseases. He also drove out many demons, but he would not let the demons speak because they knew who he was.

Mark 5:34

He said to her, "Daughter, your faith has healed you. Go in peace and be freed from your suffering." (woman who touched Jesus' robe)

Mark 9:23

(if you can do anything, take pity on us and help us.) "If you can?" said Jesus. **"Everything is possible for him who believes."**

Mark 10:52

"Go," said Jesus, "your faith has healed you." Immediately he received his sight and followed Jesus along the road. (Bartimaeus asked to see)

Mark 11:22-24

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

Luke 6:19

The people all tried to touch him, because power was coming from him and healing them all.

John 10:10

"The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full."

John 14:13-14

"And I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Son may bring glory to the Father. You may ask me for anything in my name, and I will do it."

Acts 10:38

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

Romans 10:17

Faith comes from hearing the message, and the message is heard through the word of Christ.

Hebrews 13:8

Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever.

James 5:15

Is any one of you sick? He should call the elders of the church to pray over him and anoint him with oil in the name of the Lord. And the prayer offered in faith will make the sick person well; the Lord will raise him up. If he has sinned, he will be forgiven. Therefore confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The prayer of the righteous man is powerful and effective.

1 Peter 2:24

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

1 John 4:4

You, dear children, are from God and have overcome them, because **the one who is in you is greater than the one who is in the world.**

3 John 2

Dear friend, I pray that you may enjoy good health and that all may go well with you, even as your soul is getting along well.

Ps 103:2-3

Bless the Lord, O my soul; and forget not all his benefits - who forgives all our sins and **heals all our diseases.**

Matt 4:23

Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, preaching the good news of the kingdom, and **healing every disease and sickness among the people.**

So they set out and went from village to village, preaching the gospel **and healing people everywhere.** (Luke 9:6)

He welcomed them and spoke to them about the kingdom of God, and **healed those who needed healing.** (Luke 9:11)

“But I will **restore you to health and heal your wounds,**” declares the Lord... (Jer. 30:17)

By faith in the name of Jesus, this man whom you see and know was made strong. It is Jesus’ name and faith that comes through him that has given this complete healing to him. (Acts 3:16)

The Lord will sustain him on his sickbed and restore him from his bed of illness. (Ps 41:3)

Surely he took up our infirmities....**and by his wounds we are healed.** (Isa 53:4-5)

“Take heart, daughter,” he said, “**your faith has healed you.**” (Matt 9:22)

He listened to Paul as he was speaking. Paul looked directly at him, **saw that he had faith to be healed,** and called out, “Stand up on your feet!” At that, the man jumped up and began to walk. (Acts 14:9)

Therefore confess your sins to each other and pray for each other **so that you may be healed.** The prayer of a righteous man is powerful and effective. (James 5:16)

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

He said, “If you listen carefully to the voice of the Lord your God and do what is right in his eyes, if you pay attention to his commands and keep all his decrees, I will not bring on you any of the diseases I brought on the Egyptians, **for I am the Lord, who heals you.**” (Exod. 15:26)

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ATTENDING MY FIRST "LIFE GROUP"

Tonight I attended W and K’s LIFE group for the first time. In W’s teaching he said God is serious about what we are each asking Him to do in us and that he will require changes after we leave tonight. He said we should keep our eyes ahead on the

promise given us rather than on the problems that need to be overcome to get to that promise.

I got in the line for prayer for the provision of all needed to fulfill the call to do the book. L (hostess) prayed for me and especially for God to light the pathway and overshadow me, and kept praying for the book to be a love letter from God to the people who read it - that all who read the book will experience God's love as they do.

Then T and S came and said they heard I wanted a confirmation about something. (No person told them this that I know of. B said she didn't). They prayed for me after I told them about the book and believing for the financial provision, etc. One thing S said was that I would get 3 confirmations, not just one. And he said one confirmation was that the Holy Spirit, God's presence, would be with me as I go through this time of doing the book, etc. They prayed for the faith needed.

As I talked later with S and asked him if he wanted prayer for something he said he wanted to keep the close relationship with God he had been having for about the last month (when he gave himself completely over to what God wanted him to do) and that relationship seemed to have deteriorated on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday of this week. He didn't want to "go back" to what life had been like before the recent closeness with God and wanted prayer for that. I suggested having a daily quiet time and reading the word. He said he didn't read well. I'm thinking now that I might offer him my Bible on cassettes for him to listen to. He said he was a prophetic intercessor and was called to be an evangelist.

After the prayer time W said to me that I was freer now than I had ever been before. I see that as very true!

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THE WORD IS VERY NEAR

This is my prayer as I begin this book:

Let Your praises pour forth in this book, Lord, as you and I write it together. Let it be Your love letter to those who read the book. And let them encounter You as a Person as they read this book...a Person who loves them and wants to meet with them also,

as You do with me. Let this book give them a spiritual pathway to follow on their own personal journey to know You, Jesus, and hear from You, and encounter You in a close, living, and loving relationship.

I offer this book in humility, knowing that our relationship with God is a deeply personal thing. Each one of us is unique and special, and so is our relationship with God. I offer only what I have experienced or heard, praying it will be a blessing and encouragement to each person who reads this book.

The word is very near you; it is in your mouth and in your heart so you may obey it. (Deuteronomy 30:14 NIV)

And this is the way you will write your book, Joan...by My word in your mouth and heart and mind--putting that down on paper and printing it. We will do this together--the same thing as we have been doing by bits and pieces in your journals. And I will show you how to start, and what to put in the middle, and what to put at the end, how to finish it. I will proofread it with you and tell you when it is finished as I want it.

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FORGIVENESS

(Notes from Joyce Meyer's teaching series: *Bitterness, Resentment and Unforgiveness*)

Why do we need to forgive?

1. Because God said to
2. Because your faith won't work if you don't forgive
3. Because unforgiveness is spiritual filthiness in your inner man
4. Because unforgiveness causes torture in your own life
5. Because unforgiveness blocks your personal relationship with God
6. Because you cannot love properly without being able to forgive those who have hurt you.
7. Because, if you don't, you open a big door for the devil in your life.

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WRITING THE BOOK

Yes, I am with you, and I will always be with you while you are on this earth. I WILL write this book with you, and it is going fine. You are doing just exactly what I want you to do so far. I will surely put a check on you if you start to do something on the book which I don't want - as this is My book too, you know. I am writing it with you. Just follow my lead as you have been doing. It is going well and I am pleased. Are you?

Yes, I am, Lord. You are showing me the way, and giving me interest and enthusiasm, and joy in doing this. Thank You.

You are welcome, My child. I am enjoying it too as I know the whole book, the whole plan, and I am guiding you to fulfill that plan, that book. It is fun to do this with you, together.

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HE WILL TEACH US HIS WAYS

Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of the God of Jacob. He will teach us his ways, so that we may walk in his paths... (Micah 4:2)

I have things I want to tell you, Joan. Come up to that place within you that is the mountain of the Lord within you. That's where I live. Come to Me there. I want to be found by you. I want to give you some instructions to guide you next. You have lots of things buzzing around in your mind that you might do. I want to give you clear instructions for "from now on."

That's good. Just listen. This is the place where I am, where I dwell. Right here with you, instructing you, teaching you My way for you. In the midst of the noise you can hear Me for I don't compete with the noise. I am within

you. Even though you see things happening around you, you can still hear Me - for I am distinct from all those earthly things going on. This is to be an assurance to you - that you will always be able to hear Me from “within,” no matter what is going on “without.”

This is a good day! It’s a good day for you, Joan. You are right where, exactly where, I want you to be when I want you to be there. You know why? Because you listened to Me and were obedient to My guidance. Otherwise you might not be here on this day at this time.

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KEEP ASKING

Do You want me to continue with this seeing distortion, Lord? Do You want me to have it?

Yes, for right now. I have a time and place when I will heal you. Until then you will continue to have it. I want to use it for My glory at a specific time. That is why I keep letting it stay when you get prayer for healing it.

Do not be discouraged and think I can’t or won’t heal you. I will at the precise time I want to - to bring Me the glory I want in front of certain people, and to affirm healing signs. It’s not that you don’t believe, because you do. You have the faith for it or you wouldn’t be asking all these people. Keep asking when I lead you to.

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AN EXPERIMENT IN TRUSTING HIM

Remember the vision I gave you at CFO where you watched Me as I blessed the people? I gave you the ability to “gaze upon Me” then, and forever after then. That was a message to you that you would be given the ability to “gaze

upon Me.” You, My child, can know that is what I have ahead for you - more and more - to see Me, to watch what I am doing, to know My Presence is near, to know I am watching you and am aware of you. And, you can know from this vision that My angels are always standing guard over and beside you through all the stages of your life - to the very end of your earth life. Know this.

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

I have been with you all through the writing of this book. It is My book now. I will take care of it. I will prosper it. I will take the next steps that need to be done. You just listen to Me and follow My directions. You don't need to ask anyone about printing unless I guide you to.

I want to bring you up here to My healing room. I am sending forth My Word right now to you to “come up here” to My healing room. Come now, My child....

I want you to think again about that bubble I put you in, in that vision. That is also a prophetic picture of where I will keep you throughout your days. You will see around you what is happening, but you will be encapsulated, protected, unharmed by it.

You are now in the main stream of where I want you to be to finish out your time on earth. You will stay here in LS for the rest of your days, whether in B's house or another.

This is our best time - right now. You can be on earth typing, and still be with Me, walking with Me, listening to Me, in the heavenly spiritual realm. Then you can record what I say as we go. That is ok. That is what I want.

I am so much greater than what you can think or imagine. And what I do is so much greater than what you think or imagine. I want you to now spend lots of time with Me, before this computer, recording what I teach you, tell you, and show you.

We're going up. You've had dreams about going up ramps and stairs. Those were prophetic dreams showing what I was going to do with you - take you “up” with Me. Remember the dream about C and you going up? C means

gifting. This is a gifting I am giving you - to go up to a “new number” and new place with Me...and it is a beautiful place, a place of rest, a place of light and color. So that dream shows what I am now doing and will continue to do all the rest of your days on earth.

And it is ok to be working at the computer as we go. I want you to. I want you to record what I tell you and show you. That is My plan for you, and I have been teaching you this way for many years of your life. It is a good way. It is My way for you right now. Do not seek to find someone else’s way, but just to find My way for you.

I have a unique way with each person. You do not need to find TB’s way, or PKD’s way, but your own way with Me. You will like it and it is uniquely designed to fulfill you...the way I made you.

Think of Me as being C beside you, going up together to our special room of light and color and rest. You see, it is not someone else’s number you stop at, but just your own - a special number just for you.

You and I can move along in the spiritual realm. I will show you what I want you to “see” and “hear”, but mostly I just want you to spend the time with Me. Then you are “available.”

I love you, My child. I love spending time with you. I gave My life for you, so you know how much I care about you.

And don’t think you have to “get somewhere” to have a successful time with Me. Let Me decide each day where we will go and what we will do.

There are lots of things you are “saved from” and lots of things you are “saved to”. Let’s get more into what you are “saved to.” You are “saved to” be with Me and walk with Me daily “in the garden.” Come to My garden, My child, My lovely one, and walk with Me.

This is the way we will walk each day after you set yourself apart unto Me after B leaves for work Monday through Friday mornings. Give Me your mornings each day M-F for our “walks” together.

Then you can read and listen to study materials in the afternoons.

Do you think I would refuse to give you the money to be free from a job so we could walk together each day? No, I won't refuse you that money. Ask Me for it.

And I say "yes" to you, Joan. This is My idea. It is an easy way to live ONLY if I bring it about. You do not need to go out and "get" the money. I will bring it to you. Just trust in Me to provide. This is another experiment (test) in trusting Me.

One thing I ask of the Lord, this is what I seek: that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to gaze upon the beauty of the Lord and to seek him in his temple. (Psalm 27:4)

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REST IN ME

Since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us be thankful, and worship acceptably with reverence and awe... (Hebrews 12:28)

Now rest and listen to Me. I am here. I want to talk to you today. I have lots to say to you. Just listen and write what I say.

Now rest in Me.

Quiet, quiet, quiet, rest, rest, rest

Wait before Me for Me to speak. Don't write anything unless I speak it into your thoughts.

Remember I talked about coming into My house, My mansion, to the room that is your special room? I want you to come there now in your thoughts. I will show you the room:

What color is it, Joan?

I want it to be my favorite colors: blue, neutral creams, pale pinks, pale aquas, and pale greens and lavenders.

Then that's what it will be - it is.

And what do you want in your room, your heavenly home?

Hmmm, I've never thought of that before. I would certainly want a window with a beautiful view outside at the landscape and the sky. I would want sunshine, and flowers, and trees, and lakes in view. I would want to see other people strolling about.

OK, what else would you want in the room?

Hmmmm, I guess a place to sit, a place to write, to communicate with others, a place to read and learn. I don't know if we sleep or eat in heaven, so I don't know if I need a place to sleep or eat. If so, I would want that too. I would want a place to invite others to come into my home and visit me. I sure would want You to come often to visit me.

OK. Do you have any idea what kind of service/work you would like to do?

Yes, I want to worship You, to sing, and dance and be absolutely free and uninhibited in that worship. I want to follow You wherever You go that You want me to. I want to learn and learn and learn about everything there is You want me to learn. I want to read books, visit all your wonderful marvelous rooms in heaven where You reveal things to us...like your library, your healing room, etc...the rooms Rick Joyner talked about in his books: *The Final Quest* and *The Call*. Perhaps you will use me as a teacher also. I want to learn and then teach what I learn if that is ever needed in heaven.

I want to relate in a connected, bonded, loving relationship with all the people you have for me to do that with....Your bride and all the others there. I want to sit at the banquet You have for Your bride and commune with You and all the others. I want to be special to You and to all the others in heaven - and they to me also.

I want to learn answers to many, many questions and mysteries of living on this earth. I want to hear how You led me each day even when I didn't see it. I want to learn how things I did might have helped others.

There may be a ministry to those who are born on earth and live on earth for the 1000 year reign - perhaps You will have something I can do in that ministry to rule and reign with You.

I know I need to “take in” and “give out,” so I want to take in the awe of Your presence and give out in worship, praise, singing, dancing. I want to take in information You want me to learn (and I think learning will come very quickly in heaven) and give it out where You want me to.

I guess I really don’t have much vision about what heaven is like other than what is in the Bible, Lord. Do You want to give me that?

Yes, that is why I am bringing up the subject. I will give you much vision about heaven over the next weeks in your journaling time, and I want you to write it down.

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A GOD GIVEN DESIRE

Joan, there are special reasons why I did not want you to go to the family reunion. You did not know those when you made your decision - it was based on things you DO know. Those were ok reasons to make your decision. But there are other things - things in the heavenlies, the spiritual realm - which make it good that you stayed here this weekend. You will see some of these things, and others you will never know while on this earth.

I heard your plea yesterday in our writing together to KNOW things, and I gave you that desire. It is a good desire, a God given desire. And you WILL know things after you come up here, Joan. I will teach you many things you will enjoy immensely learning, and, you are right, you will learn quickly because you will have the brain power originally given in the garden when I created man - much different than the brain power you have on the earth right now under the curse. You can only imagine what life might be like without the curse, and even then, you can’t imagine how great it really is.

The Rapture will not be this coming Rosh Hashanah but IT MIGHT be the next one. There are still a few things I need to accomplish before I am ready to take out My bride. I have waited all these 2000 years, and I can wait 1 more if I need to, to finish the work I began when I came to earth. I need to yet reap the full results of the sowing of the seed of My life at that time. There is yet a little more to reap, but that little more is very important to Me - and to you since you are Mine.

Forgetting what lies behind and reaching forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus. (Philippians 3:13-14)

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BAPTISM

Yesterday (Sunday) I sat through the most extraordinary baptismal service I've ever seen. Each person who got baptised got prayed over and prophesied over (often by several people) so that each person took a lot of time. The service of baptism began around 10:30 and ended about 3:15 with a break of about 30 min. to have a prayer/prophetic send off to JA. People kept joining the line of those wanting to be baptized - most did it because they were obedient to the Lord and/or recommitting themselves. There were probably around 25-30 people baptized. The pastor often said that he felt someone else was to come. Some were first time baptisms - several children and youth. It was such a personal ministry one-on-one to them. It was very touching to watch and listen to the prophecies, the prayers, and watch the people going through it. I see this as preparing the people, giving them new beginnings, to get them ready for what God is bringing soon to this church and area.

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CARRY THE TORCH OF HIS PRESENCE

Today you get the printer. Tomorrow you may print out one copy of THOUGHTS AND STORIES and I will go through it with you. Then I will tell you what to do next. I'm teaching you to live one moment at a time, without knowing what is coming next. That's what the open space in your dream (orchestra line) meant - you will not know or see what you are to do or say next, just to listen to My voice (My song) and follow Me.

OK, Lord, I say yes to You.

You love Me, Joan?

Yes, Lord, I do.

I know, but I wanted you to say it. Come up here - with Me.

After this I didn't seem able to hear from Him. I did lots of other things but they didn't satisfy me. I read some of WASTED ON JESUS by Jim Goll, but that didn't satisfy me. I began to read THE BLESSING OF FAVOR by Kate McVeigh and that didn't satisfy me. They were both good books, but I couldn't stay with them for long.

Then I started reading THE TORCH AND THE SWORD by Rick Joyner. B has bought the book and I am so glad she did. I had been frightened by the title and didn't want to read it. But because she had it here and I picked it up, I started to read it. And THIS was what I was supposed to be reading! It tells of Jesus bringing Rick a torch (in a vision) and how that torch is the Presence of Jesus. We can hold that torch only so long as we stay close to Him. If we get too far away it becomes too heavy and we lay it down. And the Lord began to speak to me as I read. So that is a sign I was doing the right thing (in this case reading the right book) and His torch was again near, and I could hear Him speaking as I read.

So I came to the computer to record these matters so I can read them again later when I might need reminding of them.

1. When He is speaking to me, it is a sign I am in the right place doing the right thing that He wants me to do then.

2. As I carry the torch of His Presence it will be light to carry as long as I stay close to Him, and will become heavy when I get far from Him. This is a clue as to when I am on the right path or getting off the side of it.

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JUST BE WITH ME

This is a season of preparation and I want you to go through it and get prepared for what's coming. I will quicken these scriptures to you as you pray and decree through them.

Job 22:28 You will also declare a thing and it will be established for you.

Do not feel you are nothing, Joan, for you are something to Me. I love you and I have plans for you - for ministry in My kingdom work, both now and in heaven.

I want you to focus on just being with Me - not what I will say, or what you might see. Just be with Me. Just be obedient to what I show you to do each day and watch how I guide you. When you are dependent on Me, not on yourself, it causes Me to be active in your life, with you. You need Me.

I am paying your salary, remember? I want your time for Me, for My work. Yes, you may do that request for L and DH. I put your name in their minds in answer to their prayers. I want you to become involved in and be part of the healing ministry here. This is the way I'm pulling you into it.

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DREAMS AND VISIONS

During the night I had some various dreams/visions:

1. I was part of a group preparing/practicing to sing together before an audience. I was pointed to by the leader and I sang a verse as a solo. The words were telling how Jesus was wonderful and Jesus was good. The notes came out clearly and I was not timid. The words were not scripted, but I just sang the thoughts that I wanted to about Jesus being wonderful and good - to the same tune over and over.

2. I saw planting/cultivating being done in a field. There were already tall plants in that field, yet someone was still cultivating and, I think, planting in it.

3. I saw a very large refrigerator door open and we were looking at the instructions inside which told what to put in each compartment/space in this large door. The top space was for cold stuff like butter and such. Then another space - which I don't remember what it was for. There were words imprinted between these first two sections telling what was to go in them and arrows pointing to the correct section. Then the next space was for workers' supplies. It looked like I/we would be bending down a lot to put the regular refrigerator stuff in the lower parts of this door. I thought it might be good exercise for us to bend down to use the lower section.

4. I tried to scrape stickers off that were stuck on a window so it would be cleaner. I desired to see that window clean and free of various stickers on it. This seemed to be the window on the door of a classroom.

5. I saw blackboards being washed clean of all the chalky stuff that had been written on them. There was someone compiling how much stuff had likely been written on those blackboards over time, and it was something like 7 times 7 (maybe, not sure). It was good to see them cleaned. This was in the same classroom as the door with the window mentioned in #4.

6. It seemed like I was preparing to plant seeds and cultivate baby chicks somehow. I was looking at the space/place where I was going to do this.

Before I went to sleep last night I was asked if I would get up and write the vision He was going to give me during the night. I said I would. But as I woke several times and thought about whether I had had a vision, it didn't seem like I had. But I did have bits and pieces of dreams as I wrote out above. If any of it was a "vision" I didn't recognize it as such. The clearest and boldest memory this morning is of the singing the solo about Jesus over and over with a simple clear voice. I think I was a bit surprised I could actually sing when I was pointed to by the leader. Maybe that part was a "vision."

But all the things mentioned above were positive feeling, good, with joy at times. There were various other people involved, but I don't remember who they were. There were other singers and a leader of the singers, and there was an audience although this was not the actual performance, just the practice.

End of dreams.

It seems the Lord is leading me to NOT plan ahead as I have often done in my past, but to let Him lead me each day without preconceived plans. Like that leaf I saw floating in the water at Shelter Garden. I felt before I went to bed last night that He was wanting to give me a vision for what's coming next in my life so I could pray/decide/expect toward that new vision (beyond the book)...as in Job 22:28

You will also declare a thing and it will be established for you.

He tells me this is a season of preparation for me to go through. I think that is why I was attracted to Patricia King's 40 days of preparation email from Elijah List. This 40 days (25 for me) ends on the second day of Rosh Hashanah, Sept 17 which will be during the Sept 15-18 HIM conference at CTC which I plan to attend. It's not so much I must do everything on her preparation list, but that God wants me to see this time right now as preparation for what's coming, and get me ready for it.

Deuteronomy 28:1-2

Now it shall be, if you diligently obey the Lord your God...all these blessings will come upon you and overtake you.

Notice - overtake you. That is what these blessings are now doing - overtaking you. They have been "piling up" in My storehouse waiting for this time for them to come upon you and overtake you. That time is now. Declare it.

Yes, I am with you My child. I love you and love to be with you. I have come to bring you these blessings, My joy, and My peace - all of it in the midst of a troubled world. You will receive MUCH blessing in the midst of all this - all that is happening in the world. I saved the blessings up for You so I could display My glory in you and through you at this season of time. You will be blessed more than you can even ask or imagine. Don't try to figure it out; just receive it from Me with joy.

Now do you want Me to tell you the meaning of those dreams?

Yes, Lord.

DREAMS DURING NIGHT

1. I was part of a group preparing/practicing to sing together before an audience. We were standing around a piano. I was pointed to by the leader and I sang a verse as a solo. The words of the solo were telling how Jesus was wonderful and Jesus was good. The notes came out clearly and I was not timid. The words were not scripted, but I just sang the thoughts that I wanted to about Jesus being wonderful and good to the same tune over and over.

Music = worship

Playing instrument = prophesying, ministering in the gifts of the Spirit

The place is here in LS, especially at CTC and all of its ministries (like LIFE groups). The leader is Pastor A. You are part of the "singers"...those are the gifted ones he calls upon as he sees a need and senses you can help meet that need.

Everything you do out of this giftedness will show and declare how good and wonderful Jesus is. It will all be clear and you will not be timid in doing it, or afraid, or choked up (as W mentioned). Some of it could be prophecy coming from you: a singer, a singer of the Holy Spirit. Remember that His song has begun. It will be heard through My singers and come by the Holy Spirit.

2. I saw planting/cultivating being done in a field. There were already tall plants in that field, yet someone was still cultivating and, I think, planting in it.

The field is CTC where there are many "tall plants" mature people, but still lots of planting and cultivating going on for new "plants" to grow too. The one doing the cultivating is the Holy Spirit.

3. I saw a very large refrigerator door open and we were looking at the instructions inside which told what to put in each compartment/space in this large door. The top space was for cold stuff like butter and such. Then another space - I don't remember what it was for. There were words imprinted between these first two sections telling what was to go in them and arrows pointing to the correct section. Then the next space was for workers' supplies. It looked like I/we would be bending down a lot to put the regular refrigerator stuff in the lower parts of this door. I thought it might be good exercise for us to bend down to use the lower section.

Cold stuff at the top: those just visiting and observing needing the "easiest to get to" place, with butter (anointing) for them there.

Workers' supplies: help and ministry training for the workers of the ministries of CTC.

Regular stuff: what everyone needs. You must bend down to get it = be humble and bowed before the Lord.

A refrigerator is a storage place for food - this speaks of the distributing and storage of food for the people coming to CTC.

4. I tried to scrape stickers off that were stuck on the window of a door so it would be cleaner. I desired to see that window clean and free of various stickers on it. This seemed to be the window on the door of a classroom which I was in.

Stickers represent things that have been "stuck" on you from your past experiences with religious organizations, teachings, conferences, etc. Some of these stickers might impair your vision out the window which represents revelation. You have some stickers, Joan. I am scraping them from you so you can have clearer vision of the real spiritual dimension. I am not going to tell you what they are - just that I am scraping them off you little by little. When the window is clean, then you can see to go through the door. The classroom represents things to be learned in it.

5. I saw blackboards being washed clean of all the chalky stuff that had been written on them. There was someone figuring how much stuff had likely been written on those blackboards over time, and it was something like 7 times 7 (maybe, not sure). It was good to see them cleaned. This was in the same classroom as the door with the window mentioned in #4.

Blackboards = places for writing stuff.

For 7x7 times they have been written on. Perhaps this refers to Matt 18:21 where Jesus is asked how many times we are to forgive - up to 7 times and Jesus answers 77 or 70x7.

If the blackboards represent people who come with much previous writing on them, perhaps this refers to the forgiveness they need to cleanse them so they will be clean and ready for the "new season" God is soon to bring upon us. This room too is a room for learning.

6. It seemed like I was preparing to plant seeds and cultivate baby chicks somehow. I was looking at the space/place where I was going to do this.

Seeds represent the Word.

Baby chicks represent baby people who need feeding, watering and protection to grow.

Hen--protection

Chick--defenseless, innocent

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SOAKING

This is what “soaking” is, Joan, it is sitting in My presence, it is focusing your attention on Me fully, it is gazing at My beauty (one thing I ask of the Lord), it is stillness before God (be still and know), it is quietness and confidence (is my strength), it is rest in the Lord (wait patiently for Him).

It is all these things and more...much more. During soaking I am freer to come to you as there are no interruptions, and you are freer to “come up here” as there is time to come without interruptions. The atmosphere is right, your attitude is right, and there are not interruptions. That is one reason I often come to people at night - it is closer to those conditions.

And you are such a private person. A private person means you don't want to be vulnerable to others and allow them to see you as you are. I know why you are as you are, and I will be changing that a little bit at a time. You will “come out of your shell” (as a pearl mentioned in the prophetic words over you) here at CTC but it will come about slowly and gently. It also involves trust, which you need to develop toward CTC people and they need to develop towards you.

As you soak in My presence more deeply I will then be able to reveal more to you. And you will have to trust Me to enable you to remember what you have seen and record it later. These times are coming to you. Expect them and greet them with joy. Having you “come up here” is more important than your recording it all in accurate and complete detail. I enabled John to remember

what he saw, and write Revelation. I have enabled Rick Joyner to remember and record what he has seen. And I will use you too.

Lots to tell you, lots to write, Joan. You are My listener and writer, remember? This is the way I have gifted you, and trained you, and want to continue to use you.

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REVEALED IN ME

The Lord says this book (THOUGHTS AND STORIES) begins His being revealed “in me” for others to see. I am to allow others to see Him revealed “in me.”

As I read a reference to the five equipping ministries listed in Ephesians Four:

And I will be releasing one of those to you, Joan, soon - prophecy. I will have one of My servants, W, release that in you. It is already in you, as he told you, but it still needs to be released. And the Friday night group will also help by giving you a place to begin releasing it in an accepting atmosphere/surrounding. Do not fear it, just release it from inside you when I guide you to do that.

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HOW WE SEE OURSELVES

Last night at W and K's life group the focus was on how we see ourselves and how that affects what we do. They showed us a veggie tales video about one who wanted to dance but thought he would be laughed at and not do it right, etc. And then how he found out it was ok to be as he was, that the Lord made him as he was.

L gave a testimony about a breakthrough in her life this past week which freed her up to do dancing (especially prophetic dance) which she had in her but was afraid to do. The Lord gave her a picture/vision of being with Him and walking in a river where she was splashing water and they were laughing.

It reminded me of the vision He gave me of dancing with Him as a little child.

It seems I was taught as a child to be stiff, formal, quiet, behaved, not to talk, not to make noise, not to cough, not to show my emotions.....all this to get the approval of my parents. I still have in me the feeling that those things are what brings approval from others. It is hard to break out of that inhibited mode and believe it is ok to speak, move, dance, laugh, show my emotions, etc. I grew up afraid of making mistakes and receiving disapproval for that. The fear of making mistakes was very, very strong, so strong it probably caused me to make them (especially in musical solo performances) and I condemned myself for them even before making them. It was miserable facing performances and the fear of not being perfect.

We were given the homework of finding three Scriptures which give us a picture of who we really are in Christ that we can hold before us. So today I am seeking these scriptures. These are the ones that come into my mind:

Revelation 3:7-8

These are the words of him who is holy and true, who holds the key of David. What he opens no one can shut, and what he shuts no one can open. I know your deeds. See, I have placed before you an open door that no one can shut. I know that you have little strength, yet you have kept my word and have not denied my name.

Psalm 23:6

Surely goodness and mercy will follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

Psalm 27:4

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

Psalm 139:13

You knit me together in my mother's womb.

2 Corinthians 5:21

God made him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

Isaiah 30:15

In quietness and confidence is your strength.

Psalms 8:32

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

Matthew 28:20

And Lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world.

Luke 2:19

But Mary kept all these things and pondered them in her heart.

Jeremiah 1:4-9

The word of the Lord came to me, saying, “Before I formed you in the womb I knew you; before you were born I set you apart. I appointed you as a prophet to the nations.”

“Ah, Sovereign Lord,” I said, “I do not know how to speak; I am only a child.”

But the Lord said to me, “Do not say, ‘I am only a child.’ You must go to everyone I send you to and say whatever I command you. Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you and will rescue you,” declares the Lord.

Then the Lord reached out his hand and touched my mouth and said to me, “Now, I have put my words in your mouth.”

Habakkuk 2:2

“Write down the revelation and make it plain on tablets so that a herald may run with it. For the revelation awaits an appointed time; it speaks of the end and will not prove false. Though it linger, wait for it; it will certainly come and will not delay.”

Proverbs 3:5-6

Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and lean not on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will direct your paths.

Psalm 27:4

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

Psalm 91:1

He who dwells in the secret place of the Most High shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty.

Revelation 14:4

They follow the Lamb wherever he goes.

Isaiah 50:4

The Sovereign Lord has given me an instructed tongue, to know the word that sustains the weary. He wakens me morning by morning, wakens my ear to listen like one being taught.

WHAT THESE SCRIPTURES SAY TO ME

(Jesus opens a door before me that no one can shut even though I have little strength.)

(I have goodness and mercy following me all my life)

(I dwell in the house of the Lord and look upon Him)

(He made me.)

(I am the righteousness of God in Christ Jesus)

(I am quiet and confident)

(I am being instructed and taught, counseled and watched over)

(Jesus is always with me)

(I keep things in my heart and ponder them)

(I was known before I was born and was set apart for the Lord's calling. I am to do what He leads me to do and not be afraid. He will be with me.)

(I am to write down what He instructs me and it will come at the appointed time)

(I am to trust in Him and He will direct my path)

(I dwell with the Lord and look upon Him, see Him)

(I dwell in the secret place and abide under His shadow)

(I follow Jesus wherever He goes)

(The Lord gives me words that help others and enables me to listen as He teaches me.)

What scriptures/ideas do You want to give me, Lord?

You are My child and precious in My sight.

You are perfect before Me.

You delight Me with being just the way you are, the way I made you.

I love you, and want you to spend all your time with Me.

Last night KW came over and spoke words to me about my future. That I would go to people and speak something to them or do something for them which would bless them.

S came over to me and told me what a blessing the Bible on Tapes were, that he had been listening to them about 3 hours a day, and he excitedly told some of the things he was hearing from Jesus and Paul. He said I thought I came to be with B, but really I came to bless him. He said (in regard to the book) that some people might rebuke me at first when they read it, but later they would bless me for helping them. And he talked about all the crowns I would get for all the people I would help and there would be many through the book.

It seems that S was the first of those that K told me about. Perhaps M (to whom I loaned the cassette tape by Todd Bentley about the 3 baptisms of fire) will be next.

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LIFE AND FIRE

But if the Spirit of Him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, He who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through His Spirit who indwells you. (Romans 8:11)

Being close to Me causes you to have Life in you, Joan, rather than death which is trying to kill your body (with aging, eyes diminishing, hearing diminishing, etc.) It is the devil's purpose to kill you, to destroy you, through your health and finances. But I am your Life, and I give Life to your mortal body, and to your provisions (finances). Claim that Life.

I have come to cast fire upon the earth; and how I wish it were already kindled! (Luke 12:49)

And it is kindled in you, Joan, and it is burning brighter and brighter - and in B too. And you see it around you each Sunday at CTC and LIFE groups, etc. And in the books you read, and in your relationship with Me. The fire is NOW kindled! You have it! You give it to others as you touch them daily. You give it out in our book. It's the fire of My Kingdom on earth. It's the fire of Me.

Those who don't want the fire will stay far from you, as they did from Me. Those who desire the fire of My presence, will come closer to you. Watch for this coming closer or going farther away from you. It is not you, but the fire of My Presence they are reacting to. I couldn't stand to be around you and wasn't drawn to you, but desired to be far from you. He couldn't stand being close to you as My presence grew and grew in you. That's why more and more of your friends are those close to Me, and those not close to Me you seldom deal with anymore, except on occasions when you go "out into the world."

You see, Joan, how you are creative as you come closer to Me and you must express that creativity....the book expresses your creativity, and through it you and I had fellowship together. As you sit and listen to Me each day you are expressing the creativity I give you. Your way to express it is in writing. Some express it in singing, some in preaching, some in teaching, you in writing. The more you write (for Me) the more you express what I created you to be and do - your own creativity. This is where you come closest to Me - when you are writing and listening for what to write. I made you this way. I have a reason for that. You will understand this more as you follow Me along the path of writing what I lead you to write. This is just now being harvested - what I trained you for all these years.

Your dreams (many) about being in a place of learning shows you a picture of this ...sitting and learning from Me, and writing it down - as a student in My classroom of life.

That's why you've given me skills in editing, proofreading, punctuating, grammar, formatting, organizing, etc. isn't it? And given me interest in creative writing since I was a small child. I have a freedom to be me when I am writing down my thoughts. That's why I want often to express myself to someone else by writing rather than

speaking. The words come much more easily and without conflict or fear when I am writing.

And to think that I married a husband who taught English and was very critical of others' writing, and of me. Was that part of Satan's plan to stifle and thwart Your plans for my writing for You?

Oh, yes! Just like Satan's plans to cause you difficulties in vision, health, and provision are part of his plans to keep you from fulfilling what I created you to be and do. But I AM GREATER THAN HE IS! "Greater is He that is in me than He that is in the world." I will overcome for you what he tries to do to block/stop you. You stay close to Me and we will do this together!

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FINANCES

I asked the Lord to give prayers for finances this Sunday morning at CTC since Sept. 1st is coming and I am looking for the financial provision for September. Then at CTC this morning there was not only prayer for our finances, but the whole sermon was a teaching by CK about finances...and they had planned this teaching about 1 month ago. So God knew! She taught us:

We need to get a revelation personally about God's rules/principles for our financial giving. We need this revelation so we won't give reluctantly or under compulsion (2 Cor. 9:7).

Remember this: Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously. Each man should give what he has decided in his heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work.

Now he who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will also supply and increase your store of seed and will enlarge the harvest of your righteousness. You will be made rich in every way

so that you can be generous on every occasion, and through us your generosity will result in thanksgiving to God. (2 Cor. 9:6-8; 10-11)

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

One principle was tithing and tithing would work according to Malachi 3:8-12 which says:

“Will a man rob God? Yet you rob me. “But you ask, ‘How do we rob you?’

“In tithes and offerings. You are under a curse--the whole nation of you--because you are robbing me. Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. Test me in this,” says the Lord Almighty, “and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that you will not have room enough for it. I will prevent pests from devouring your crops, and the vines in your fields will not cast their fruit,” says the Lord Almighty. “Then all the nations will call you blessed, for yours will be a delightful land,” say the Lord Almighty.

If we were in right relationship with God in our giving then He would keep the devourer from us. But you must know His Word about the devourer and declare it over yourself and your provisions to keep him from stealing from you. This means the work that I do will not be devoured (eaten up, taken away from me) and what I grow will produce what it is sent or supposed to produce and not fall off and be non-useful or non-productive.

The giving of offerings is beyond the tithe and these are what are multiplied. So we should be giving offerings into other ministries

We need to contend in warfare so the devourer doesn't steal our finances. As I drove home from church Sunday **the Spirit was showing me that I have on the 4 pieces of spiritual armor of salvation, righteousness, truth, and peace, and I am to use the other two pieces of faith and the sword, which is the Word of God, to hold in my hands to fight this warfare.** But first I needed a teaching revelation that I needed to do this. I saw the devourer steal my provisions many times and didn't know how to fight against it or that I was supposed to.

For example, when I was saving money toward moving expenses, then got such a terrible pain in my side that I went to the doctor for help. The appointments (2) plus all the tests, the hospital fees for those tests, the medicine prescribed, etc. took close to \$500 which I had to pay completely myself since my insurance was \$500 deductible. I surely felt my money was being “stolen” by this severe disease....and it was. That happened to me many times in the past when something unexpected or extra came up that took the money I wanted to use elsewhere - a car expense, medical needs, etc.

Getting a breakthrough in our finances takes spiritual warfare. That is because the spirit behind money and the world’s finance system is the spirit of mammon. And we are to live according to God’s system of finances, not mammon’s. She said mammon was a god they worshipped (I think in Syria) and it was the spirit behind the world’s finances. But Jesus taught us to not live by that system in Matthew 6:19-21; 24-33 which says:

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

And see, that’s where your heart is now, Joan. It is with Me and I am your treasure. No thief can break in and steal this treasure. I will not allow it.

No one can serve two masters. Either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and money (mammon).

And you won’t serve both God and mammon. I am calling you to be completely under My system now, Joan. You tried before but you didn’t understand how to contend for it and believe for it. Now you do. It is by those two pieces of armor in your hands--the shield of faith and the sword of the Spirit...the Word of God. These words you have written down in this article are quite sufficient...just send them by faith, by your speaking them, to fight the battle. Remember My Word is alive and active and sharper than any two edged sword.

No, your time wasn’t wasted during those 9 1/2 years of being a church secretary. I taught you a lot during that time, and together we paid off your

debts. Now we will pay off your debts again, but quickly this time...debts of the car and hospital and doctors. After that you will have a lot to be generous with - as I know you want to be and I have given you a heart to be.

I am not speaking to you of no avail...I am speaking to you of what WILL avail, what will prevail over the world's system of provision. That is My system of provision. It is a higher system and VERY REAL. As I am greater than Satan, my provision system is greater than the world's (his). He tries to rule people through mammon's provision system (which came under the curse). He tries to rule through the curse and through his ruling power in the world. But there is a spiritual system of financial (and other) provision, which is greater. That is where I have called you to live now.

And this spiritual system, which is greater than the world's or Satan's, includes finances, health, provision, love, caring, fellowship, instruction, homes, jobs, friends, food - everything you need in life. Remember, it includes health too. Remember those people on that island where all got right with Me - and their produce changed to the best too?

It is also that way in the spiritual realm. You and B have a house of righteousness here and I will maintain it from the spiritual realm, from My kingdom realm, and you both as you live together here. That is one reason I brought you both under one house for now.

Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or drink; or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more important than food, and the body more important than clothes? Look at the birds of the air; they do not sow or eat or store away in barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not much more valuable than they? Who of you by worrying can add a single hour to his life?

And why do you worry about clothes? See how the lilies of the field grow. They do not labor or spin. Yet I tell you that not even Solomon in all his splendor was dressed like one of these. If that is how God clothes the grass of the field, which is here today and tomorrow is thrown into the fire, will he not much more clothe you, O you of little faith? So do not worry, saying, 'What shall we eat?' or 'What shall we drink?' or 'What shall we wear?' For the pagans run after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you

need them. But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well. (Matthew 6:25-33)

I think I am to declare the Word over myself and my work and finances each day. So what shall I declare?

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

Now he who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will also supply and increase your store of seed and will enlarge the harvest of your righteousness. You will be made rich in every way so that you can be generous on every occasion, and through us your generosity will result in thanksgiving to God. (2 Cor 9:10-11) *(God is supplying seed for me to sow and bread for me to eat. He is making me rich in every way so I can be generous on every occasion.)*

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

But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where moth and rust do not destroy, and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. (Matthew 6:29-31) *(I am storing up for myself treasures in heaven, where moth and rust do not destroy, and thieves do not break in and steal. This is where my heart is - with my treasure in heaven.)*

But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well. (Matthew 6:24-33) *(I am seeking first God's kingdom and His righteousness, and all these things I need shall be given to me as well.)*

No one can serve two masters. Either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and money (mammon). *(I am serving*

God and not mammon in my finances. Therefore I am following God's rules for finances, not the world's.)

Whoever loves money never has money enough; whoever loves wealth is never satisfied with his income. (Eccl. 5:10) *(I have enough money and am satisfied with what God brings me.)*

Why spend money on what is not bread, and your labor on what does not satisfy? Listen, listen to me, and eat what is good, and your soul will delight in the richest of fare. (Isaiah 5:2) *(I am listening to God, and eating His Word. This satisfies me, and I am delighting in the richest of fare.)*

If any of you lacks wisdom, he should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to him. (James 1:5) *(I have the wisdom of God about my finances because I ask for it.)*

But we I have the mind of Christ (1 Cor. 2:16) *(I have the mind of Christ.)*

See that you also excel in this grace of giving. (2 Cor. 8:7) *(I am excelling in the grace of giving)*

Be careful not to do your acts of righteousness before men, to be seen by them. If you do, you will have no reward from your Father in heaven. So when you give to the needy, do not announce it with trumpets, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and on the streets, to be honored by men. I tell you the truth, they have received their reward in full. But when you give to the needy, do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing, so that your giving may be in secret. Then your Father, who sees what is done in secret, will reward you. (Matthew 6:1-4) *(I am doing my acts of righteousness in secret, not before men, and my reward will be from my Heavenly Father.)*

Our Father in heaven, hallowed by your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. (Matthew 6:9-11) *(God is giving me this day my daily bread.)*

If you fully obey the Lord your God and carefully follow all his commands I give you today, the Lord your God will set you high above all the nations on earth. All these blessings will come upon you and accompany you if you obey the Lord your God:

- **You will be blessed in the city and blessed in the country.**
- **The fruit of your womb will be blessed.**
- **The crops of your land and the young of your livestock..**
- **Your basket and your kneading trough will be blessed.**
- **You will be blessed when you come in and blessed when you go out.**
- **...the enemies who rise up against you will be defeated before you...**
- **The Lord will send a blessing on your barns and on everything you put your hand to.**
- **The Lord will bless you in the land he is giving you.**
- **The Lord will establish you as his holy people...**
- **The Lord will grant you abundant prosperity...**
- **The Lord will open the heavens, the storehouse of his bounty, to send rain on your land in season and to bless all the work of your hands.**
- **You will lend to many nations but will borrow from none.**
- **The Lord will make you the head, not the tail.**
- **You will always be at the top, never at the bottom. (Deut. 28:1-14)**
- *I am blessed when I come in and blessed when I go out (Deut. 28:6)*
- *The enemies who rise up against me will be defeated before me. (Deut 28:7)*
- *The Lord is blessing my barns and everything I put my hand to. He is blessing the land he is giving me. (Deut 28:8)*
- *The Lord is granting me abundant prosperity in this land He has given me. (Deut 28:11)*
- *The Lord is opening the heavens, the storehouse of his bounty, to send rain on my land in season and to bless all the work of my hands. (Deut 28:12)*
- *I will lend to many but borrow from none. (Deut 28:12)*
- *The Lord is making me the head, not the tail; I am at the top, not the bottom. (Deut. 28:13)*

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NEW MEMBER CLASS

Very interesting what I heard last night at church in the New Member Class....

One thing SB said prophetically to me was he felt I had an interest in belonging to a “sisterhood” like Catholic nuns, and that I had had this interest since childhood perhaps, and that I would eventually connect in with such a group.

The other thing was that D in the class told me about a new job he got doing custodial work for the “little sisters of the needy” or some such name - a group that runs a retirement/nursing home depending on donations from others and charging just what Social Security gives you. He said the place was spotless. It had 3 stories - one for each level of need, with the lowest level needing the least assistance, etc. He said the place was less than 10 miles from here.

I’m wondering if this is somehow the “sisterhood” group I will eventually have association with. I also recall J mentioning he thought I might join such a “sisterhood” group.

I am pondering all this.....

If \$__ was what you felt you needed to live until the rapture, and I provide for your living expenses some other way, will that still meet your need for living expenses?

Yes, Lord. What do You have in mind? I want Your wisdom and ask for Your guidance about my living expenses needed right now. You said, in regard to the lilies of the field, how much more would your Heavenly Father provide for you than them...oh you of little faith.

It’s all working just right, Joan, coming together in My perfect timing, My perfect plans for you. I haven’t revealed them to you yet because it is not yet My time to do that, but I am giving you something to ponder. What you will do this day, and this month, is wait and see what I do - then join Me in it. Remember? I WILL show you the way to walk on the path I have for you.

Keep your hands in Mine. That is where you are safe and secure. Keep dwelling in the secret place of the Most High and you shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty.

Psalm 91:1 KJV He that dwelleth in the secret place of the Most High shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty.

You ARE abiding there right now, Joan, and that is where I want you every day and every hour of every day. Be there right now. I will show you the way. Do not worry or fret - just watch and see what I am doing and join Me, ok?

Yes, Lord.

IDEAS FROM PROPHETIC WORDS GIVEN TO ME
IN THE NEW MEMBER CLASS
(the tape they made didn't play any message)

Names of people giving prophetic words:

S B

S S

J W

D H

L H

S B said he saw me as a person wholly committed to Christ. He also mentioned that he thought I might have a desire (maybe even from childhood) to be associated with a sisterhood of people, like nuns, and expected I would eventually come into that association and sisterhood.

S S mentioned she saw me dancing like an uninhibited child and encouraged me to do that in my private worship times at home

J W mentioned she saw me as an evangelist.

D H kept getting the word "teacher".

I don't remember what L H said.

They prayed for the book and for God to use it mightily and for His purpose to minister to many people.

I'm really disappointed that the tape didn't work as I wanted to look carefully at what they said to me. I wonder if I can go through this again.

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THY KINGDOM COME, THY WILL BE DONE

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed by Thy name.
Thy kingdom come, they will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.**

And it is coming, Joan. Very soon. We are in the transition stage now into My kingdom coming fully. During this transition there is great struggle and turmoil. You see it in the weather (Hurricane Frances hitting FL coast tomorrow), in the wild fires, in the weather switches from hot to cold, etc., in the tornadoes, the flooding, the typhoons in the south seas, etc. There is much turmoil in the weather. There is much turmoil in people, especially if they aren't focused on Me. There are feelings of uncertainty, of insecurity, of the unknown events that might happen (like terrorists), etc. This is the time I mentioned in Isaiah 60:2 See, darkness covers the earth and thick darkness is over the peoples. BUT, My kingdom is coming and My will is being done more and more each day as we proceed toward it's fullness being manifest in the millenium.

Give us this day our daily bread,

Lord, I ask you for my daily bread, the provision I need to live during all these transition days. You are my provider. I look to You.

Yes, I say yes to you, Joan. I promise I will provide for you all the days of your life on this earth. I will show you how to connect with that provision I have for you. I will bring it about. You do not need to do anything except wait on Me, trust Me, call to Me, and I WILL answer you.

I wait on You, Lord, and I trust You. I believe Your promise.

And forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors.

Lord, I ask You to forgive me for all my sins through Your blood shed for them.

I forgive you, My child. You are clean before Me. I know your heart and it is clean and pure.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

Keep us safe from temptation and deliver us from all evil, Lord. Protect us wherever we go this day, and protect our homes, our cars, our lives, and our work from evil, Lord. I plead the blood of Jesus over all this.

And I say yes to you, Joan, for these requests.

You feel under stress, pressure today. That is because of all the turbulence in the spiritual realm today. A great battle is on and the presidential race is a product of some of that battle. It is in high gear now. Yes, I will be with President Bush as you ask. I will guide what he says and does not say. I know that is important to some people. I know how the media pick on little things that aren't important and mock and tear down him in false ways. These things will happen because the enemy uses lies and distortion constantly to blur things. Keep coming to Me for clarity on the news.

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WALK IN THE GARDEN

You must resolve to walk each day in the domain over which the Lord has given you to rule. He has given you authority, but you must walk with Him in your domain. Only then will you be fruitful and multiply as you are called to be. Your domain is your garden. (*The Torch And The Sword* by Rick Joyner, p. 42)

You see, Joan, why I made that song (In The Garden) so meaningful and important to you? It is because I want you to walk "in the garden" with Me every day. Your way of doing this is coming into My presence, as you did today, and listening and writing for Me. We do this together. In this way you fulfill the creativity I put in you and the way I want to express myself through

you to others. For some it's speaking; for you it's writing what you hear from Me. Through doing this daily, or as I lead, you will be strengthened through the Life which flows from Me into you daily. Writing is your domain over which I have given you rule.

What He breathes upon lives, and what He does not breathe upon dies. Seek this life and pursue it. If you do, you will leave a trail of life where the River of Life will break out and flow. If you walk as you are called, you will help restore true life to the earth. (*The Torch And The Sword* by Rick Joyner, p. 43)

You see, Joan, I AM restoring true life to you. I AM filling you with My presence daily as you come to Me. I give you strength and desire for Me, and joy as you go. Yesterday, when you felt depleted and sensing the enemy wanted you to succumb to depression and futility of life, you needed to call out to Me. I will save you from futility and from depression. As you breath the atmosphere of heaven where I am, you will find new life coming into you. Do you sense it now?

Yes.

Whenever you feel this new life slipping away, call to Me. I will come and renew you. You live in a world which is out of balance and in great turmoil during this transition time of the pouring out of My Spirit and the pouring out of the enemy's terror all at the same time. The two cannot co-exist very long without tearing the person or earth apart. As I pour out My Spirit more and more the turmoil will get worse. You will see it in the weather patterns, the unrest of people as well as unrest and turmoil in earthly things/pursuits. This will cause lots of shaking. You will see the shaking and be amazed at it. You see it in the election process now. That is shaking! But this will continue until I take My Bride away and My Spirit away from the earth for a time. Then the wrath of God will be poured out on all that's left on the earth - in retribution against those who have rejected Me and My sacrifice.

Jesus: "After each of the torchbearers departed the earth, they left their mantles of authority to be picked up by others. These have been divided just as Mine were at the cross. When one has a part of a mantle and comes together with one who has another part, their authority will be magnified. Many of these mantles were hidden and kept for this time. These have been reserved for those who will be My messengers in the last days. (*The Torch And The Sword* by Rick Joyner, p. 44)

You are one of My messengers, Joan.

“It is true that spiritual authority multiplies with unity. One can put a thousand to flight, but two can chase ten thousand. The unity that these last day messengers of power walk in will multiply the authority of the mantles they carry. The earth has never seen anything like what I am about to release through these messengers. They will walk in the fire of all who went before them.” (The Torch And The Sword by Rick Joyner, p. 44)

So that is one reason I brought you to CTC...to join the multiplied authority and power of others with mantles also, and to come into unity together with them here. You felt this unity the very first time you visited here and it caused you to weep. That wasn't a coincidence. The yearning to hurry and come was no coincidence. That is because you felt and knew a unity with Pastor A and others here at CTC and it fulfilled a great need you had to “connect” with such people. That is why you needed to wait until you came here and joined this unity of mantles to write the book - and why it came together so quickly. Yes, I do have more writing for you to do, and this is part of it, what you are writing right now...this understanding of coming together with others who also bear the torch and mantles from past generations who laid them down for you all to pick up. Many at CTC have mantles which they have picked up from past generations.

That explains the dream I gave you where you were alive, but many behind you had gone before you and were looking to you, the person alive now, to continue the work out in “that field” under the singing of the Holy Spirit. The singing of the Holy Spirit represents the anointing. He comes often through music...heavenly music. Satan knows this and he uses music to come to his own, as I use music to come to My own.

You see, Joan, even as you read My words to Rick Joyner My words impart to you such a yearning for that closeness with Me which he had. This realm becomes real to you as you read. This yearning will help lead you to come to Me more often and experience Me greater. I am leading/teaching you to be wise and humble enough so you can be trusted with the authority and power I want to give you. I am doing this, not you. In its time I will do it swiftly.

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BAPTISMS OF PURITY, LOVE, AND POWER

I do love You, Lord! I want to tell You this every day of my life!

And I love you, Joan, and I want to hear this from you every day of your life.

Yes, I am with you. Now write down the three baptisms of fire Todd Bentley wrote about:

1. Purity
2. Love
3. Power

I have been working the baptism of purity in you for many years. Now you and I, we, are working on the baptism of love. These need to be in place, right, BEFORE I baptize you with power.

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TORCHBEARERS

Jesus: "I created man to be the torchbearer for all of creation. All men have this calling, and were created to walk with Me and carry the light of life." (The Torch And The Sword by Rick Joyner, p. 46)

You are one of My torchbearers, Joan. That is why I had you write the book - to spread the fire that you have to others who will also pick it up. Yes, you must publish the book. And I will bring that about in the right way at the right time. You see, it is like fire igniting fire in others who are being prepared for it. It is like the vision you saw of that ball of fire touching others here and there. I am that ball of fire, but so are you as you are a part of Me. You have awakened, and I am now sending you out to others. Wisdom and humility are keys in being prepared to share this fire which is in you. Remember the vision I gave you of fire in people's chests? The chest represents the heart, and the

fire is in the heart. You will “see” this again in some people I will show you later.

Blessed is she who has believed that what the Lord has said to her will be accomplished! (Luke 1:45)

And you are blessed, Joan!

It will be the last battle, for the church on the earth. It will be a battle between good and evil, and it has already begun. While this battle goes on, many will be won to My kingdom and become part of My bride. When all who will come, come to Me, then the battle will have been won by My warriors, and I will take My bride out. After that comes the tribulation which is a battle which My people, Israel, will fight, and I will return with all My saints to win it at the final fight. Then will come the prophesied peace on earth, good will to men which was given at My birth time.

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IT WILL BE LIKE FIRE IN YOUR BONES

“Just as in the natural there is an eye, or center, of quiet in the midst of every hurricane, so it is in the realm of the Spirit. There is a refuge to which we can turn from the storms and pressures of life. Just as there was a progression in Moses’ tabernacle from the outer court to the Most Holy Place, so there is within every believer a progression through the tempests of life into a place of quiet communion in the Spirit. That is the place where God dwells, and in Him there is perfect peace.”
(From Jim Goll’s book *Wasted On Jesus*, p 85)

And just recently in my Quiet Time He was guiding me to picture myself in the “eye” of the hurricane with the winds of this world going on around me, but being at peace and calm in the middle of it all. Then I read this by JG. Interesting!

“God has placed a river of living water--His Spirit--inside each of us. He wants that river to pour forth from us even more than we want it to. The way we tap into that river is by entering the center of quiet. There we can pray that not a trickle but a gusher of

living water will pour out, that we might be a well-watered garden and a pool of refreshing where others can come and renew themselves in the life-giving flow of the Lord. (From Jim Goll's book *Wasted On Jesus*, p 87)

It will be like fire in your bones that must be expressed, Joan, like a pressure inside which must come out. And this will flow primarily in your writing, but sometimes by speaking it too...like at your LIFE group in prayer time. I've started you out with a few words, and you have been faithful to speak those few words. Now, later, I will increase what I cause to flow through you. Look for that, but don't "make any up" on your own, just speak what I put in you, whether it is one word, or a whole flow of words. When I stop giving you words, then you stop speaking them, ok?

Yes, ok. Keep reminding me as I need it, Lord.

I will. I want to use you to speak My words, Joan, but first I had to stop you from speaking your own words and making up things yourself that you wanted for that person or situation out of your human reasoning. Now you have shut that down to almost nothing. Now I can begin to pray through you My way.

Yes, Lord, that is what I want - not my human prayers, but your divine prayers running through me like a stream of water gushing forth. I want to speak ONLY Your words, Lord.

I know you do and that is why you quit going to prayer meetings where you felt such pressure to say something from your human spirit. I know you can do that, but that is not what I was and am preparing you to do for Me. I want you to speak ONLY from My Spirit directly through your mouth and through your writing. There often isn't enough quiet in your previous prayer meetings to listen to Me and speak only from Me. So I had you quit going to them. I have My plans and purpose for you if you will "follow Me."

"The more time we spend praying in our "inner room," the more our capacity for prayer will grow. The more of ourselves we yield to the Lord in prayer, the more of His heart He can entrust us with." (From Jim Goll's book *Wasted On Jesus*, p 90)

And I do want to share more of My heart with you, Joan. It is time, and you are now ready to receive more. Come to Me, expecting the "more" I have for you.

Yesterday I had Pastor A and C pray for you for a reason. It was time to move you into greater depths of prayer and intercession, even travail at times. All of this is at My instigation, not yours. It is your job to come into My presence as you have been reading about in JG's book. It is My job to move you in prayer to where I want you to be and what I want you to pray-- whatever I lay upon your heart.

Sometimes you won't be able to write what I am saying because I will take you deeper than when you can type. But I will enable you to remember what I want you to write, IF I want you to write. Trust Me on this. Just like in dreams I want you to remember and write out.

Yes, it's time to go farther and deeper now. You have written about the past and experiences you had then to share with others. Now I want you to write about the NOW. You can put old stories and dreams into this next writing project/task but current journaling too...and mostly current journaling. I gifted you to listen to Me and write for a reason...and I will fulfill that purpose/reason.

I don't have you fall in the Spirit for a purpose/reason also. You have always been cognizant, even when you have fallen previously. There is a reason for that. You will understand that better later when it is time to reveal that to you. But don't feel like something is wrong with you if you don't respond by falling down under prayer from others. I'll show you someday. Just accept it now. How could I come upon you and speak to you for writing if you continually swooned in the Spirit when I did? I have My reasons, and you will eventually know and understand. You will learn this from RJ, one of your current mentors.

I already learned from RJ that now you want us to learn to stand when Your power comes on us so we can use that power in the ministry You have for us to do.

Deeper intercession: I've just opened it up to you yesterday when Pastor A prayed for you. And he was right that you will see more travailing - but only when I bring it. Do not try to force it upon yourself. It must come from Me to be true. Save yourself for what I put upon you.

Yes, you felt something inside your spirit yesterday wanting to be expressed. Now you are beginning to express it here in this writing and in quietness with

Me. It is the expression of “something new” which I placed in you yesterday with the prayers, and imparting, and worshiping in My presence for 2 hours.

(A song)
Aa-le-lu-ia
Aa-le-lu-ia
For the Lord God Almighty reigns!

Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and strength and honor and glory and praise! (Revelation 5:12)

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PRAYER JOURNEY

My prayer walk over the years has had a number of phases:

First I remember at church camp as a child feeling pressured to pray something, sentence prayers around the circle, and I resisted and disliked that.

Next I remember as a young adult the prayer groups at summer camp which we were all assigned to, and I didn't want to go pray with strange people when I really didn't know what to pray. I often skipped them. So, what did the Lord do? He had me say yes to leading a prayer group there for several summers. That was hard but it helped free me a bit more.

I remember RM wanted me to pray with her in a conversational type prayer. It was good the one time we tried it, but I was so uncomfortable that I didn't want to continue.

Then, in *MasterLife*, I grew a bit more comfortable in prayer when it was a small group and I began to know the people. We learned in ML about conversational prayer and I liked that and tried to get others to pray that way, but they often just went on and prayed and prayed over many subjects without letting anyone else pray or respond until they were all through. That seemed to be the way many people

functioned. I really liked Rosalind Rinker's book on *Conversational Prayer*. That kind of prayer somehow I could relate to and participate in.

Then I was part of the 5-woman prayer group for about a year or so. We grew close and prayed in more and more unity.

And there was the Saturday night prayer group for about a year or so. And the *PRAYERLIFE* groups that met in my home.

But the Lord began teaching me to only pray when I heard what He wanted me to pray. This made it even harder to be in prayer groups because there was not much quiet for listening, and I wanted to be obedient to what He was teaching me. I often skipped prayer times church wide because of this situation of being torn in two directions at these meetings.

And it was so difficult when D would call on me to pray for people I didn't know at the ministry time at CPC. I was so uncomfortable with his calling on me that I would not look him in the eye when he was calling on people, and he would call on me anyway.

Then the Lord brought me to "a new beginning" at CTC and no one assumed I was a "pray-er" because I had been in discipleship leadership and had taught MasterLife, etc. I could pray all I wanted to in my personal quiet times without the pressure of praying for others publicly. I could follow the Lord's leading and only pray as He led. It was freeing.

Then came the W's LIFE group with W telling me that there was prophecy inside me and I just needed to learn to release it and push past those things which would tend to hold it in.

And the Lord would give me just a few words to say in prayer time at LIFE group, and He would say to me in my mind: *"Won't you give them the gift I've given you for them? I've given you a gift to give them, will you hold it back and not give it for Me?"*

This was a whole new way of viewing the words He put in my mind during prayer time - as a gift He put in me to say for Him to the person(s) being prayed for. So last Thursday I said the words He gave me, only a few words, but I said them three different times for three different people we prayed for. What a feeling I had done

what He wanted me to do and that there just may have been power in those words because they were His words.

Now He did something new in me yesterday when Pastor A prayed for me. I felt like something was “inside” me after that. I wanted to release it, but the time wasn’t right. He told me to wait until this morning and He would help me understand what new was in me. So I am writing down the ideas coming in my Quiet Time now.

I am looking forward to the “something new” and trust it is built on a different foundation of prayer than what I formerly experienced. I trust it is now built on listening to Him and praying only what He leads me to pray - and resisting any pressure to make up prayers in my human mind.

Thank You, God, for this “something new!” I want it. I say “yes” to You for it, and want to receive it, and DO receive it, in Jesus’ name.

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A VISION

The Lord had me go to the upper room and unplug the phone and shut the door for a “deeper quiet” time this morning. I saw a bluebird fly over my head from left to right. It was carrying something, a seed, in its mouth.

Bird represents the Holy Spirit.

Blue represents spiritual, spiritual gift, divine revelation, heavenly visitation.

The seed represents the Word of God.

So the bluebird represents that I am sending My Holy Spirit to fly over your head with a gift, revelation and/or visitation that will implant My Word into you for it to grow. After it is implanted and full-grown, I will tell you when to give it out to others.

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DO IT ALL FOR THE GLORY OF GOD

Just this: that in preaching the gospel I may offer it free of charge, and so not make use of my rights in preaching it. (1 Corinthians 9:18)

And yes, that is for you. You are to offer your “preaching” in the book for free, so as not to make use of your rights in preaching it. If someone sends something to you because I prompted them to do it, accept it with thanksgiving, but don’t ask or expect.

Nobody should seek his own good, but the good of others. (1 Corinthians 10:24)

That is why you are writing the book and taking off all these months of earning money by your work - for the good of others who will read this book and be ministered to by it.

So whether you eat or drink or whatever you do, do it all for the glory of God. (1 Corinthians 10:31)

You are doing this for My glory, Joan, not yours, and that’s one reason it is offered free to others. It WILL bring glory to Me as I will quicken it to those who read it - some part of it will be quickened to each person who reads it, in some way. I WILL use it for My glory and for My kingdom work.

For I am not seeking my own good but the good of many, so that they may be saved. (1 Corinthians 10:33)

And that is the ultimate purpose of the book, so many may be saved and disciplined through it.

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FRIENDSHIP WITH GOD

I gave you visions for awhile, Joan, to awaken you to the seer quality I have put in you. Then I stopped the visions (and you wondered why) to awaken you to dreams and interpreting them. Now I am ready to do both in you at the same time. I started with the “vision” of the bluebird flying from left to right over your head with a seed in his mouth. That represents My Holy Spirit coming over you from the spiritual to the natural realm and carrying My Word in His mouth to deposit in you as a divine visitation or divine impartation. It’s time for both now.

I will confirm this to you today at the Personal Prophetic session this afternoon with Lou Engle, and Che Ahn. Get the tape and listen to it again.

TRANSCRIPTION FROM TAPE REGARDING PROPHETIC MINISTRY
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2004
BY LOU ENGLE, CHE AHN

Che Ahn:

Joan? Thank You for Joan, Lord. We bless her. We thank You, Lord. Oh the Lord delights in your - I just feel - there’s a woman of hospitality. See, I just feel there’s a woman that just pleases the Lord, who knows how to host the Holy Spirit, and, by hosting others, and so, Lord, I just pray Your blessing upon Your daughter, Lord. Thank You, Lord, for the gifts. We even activate - you know the Bible says “stir up the gifts that you received to the laying on of hands” - it’s talking about Timothy and his ordination, but, you know, I believe that by the laying on of hands other gifts can be imparted. So Father, I want to ask that You just impart Spiritual gifts to my sister, Joan, in the name of Jesus. And, what do you want, Joan? The Lord’s saying, “What do you want?” Earnestly desire Spiritual gifts. What’s that Spiritual gift that you desire?

I said, “Intercession.”

Che Ahn: Father, we pray...Lou, you pray, man, lay a hand. Give her the gift of intercession.

Lou Engle: I felt like the word has just been given me, “They will look upon Him and be radiant, and they will be known as the offspring of the Lord.” We thank You, God, that all the secrets of heaven come from gazing, that divine radiance rests upon Joan, that there is grace on her life. We say “Friendship with God.” That, God, You will open up her ears to hear, and she would be known as a “Friend of God.” That is the key; that *is* the key. We release, and it’s already there, a *Friend of God*, a Friend of God, and so we loose the friendship secrets of heaven, in Jesus’ name...that she will know the heartbeat of God, by divine revelation, on the whisper of God to her life will move history, in Jesus’ name.

Che Ahn: Hallelujah, thank You, Lord.

A TREASURE

(Lots of lightning and thunder during the night and this morning)

The prince of the power of the air is showing his displeasure in the natural for the stirrings in the spiritual realm taking place at CTC this last few days. Lots of new levels of discerning and imparting and power were decreed and declared and went out into people -- and it stirred the heavenlies. There will be more Sunday. This all goes toward making the “shaking” happen that I told you about when the forces of good and evil clash as each gets stronger on the earth.

About your finances, Joan...keep praying for them to come in. Contend in the heavenlies for those finances as Satan wants to stop you by stopping those finances from coming in. He is the one who tries to convince you that you don't deserve to get financial help and need to go get a job. He doesn't want you giving yourself full-time to My work/destiny for you. Know this, and respond accordingly. Pray for the finances on the basis of My Word.

Today I am remembering a vision picture the Lord gave me at a CFO camp many, many years ago - perhaps between 1971-1975 sometime. In this vision (in creative silence class) I was to go out into the ocean water and seek a treasure Jesus had for me and bring it back up to shore. When I walked from the ocean back up to the shore Jesus was waiting there for me and He handed me a treasure. I'm wondering if I am to pray for this vision to be fulfilled now.

Interpretation: I come “out of the ocean” of people and separate myself to find the Lord on the shore. He comes to me and brings His treasure--His treasure being Himself and His provision, all He has belongs to me. I only need to seek Him for it, for it comes through Him--no matter how it appears to come in the natural.

I gave up my job and set myself apart unto the Lord and came to LS under His direct guidance. I wrote, with the Holy Spirit, the book He guided me to do. I now await and pray for the next step in this journey of faith...the publication of the book and the provision for my living expenses, as well as guidance for what to do next in the process. All of this I pray for answers to now.

And I say YES to your prayers, Joan. YES! I will guide you to the next step for you to do. I will make your provision (which I already have planned and stored up for you) known to you very soon. Keep on standing by faith. And I told you I already had the publisher planned for your book, and I do. Just because you haven't seen it yet doesn't mean it isn't real. It is. And it won't be long until you will see it come about and you will know another of HIS MARVELOUS DEEDS that you can declare. But the struggle to see this come about will be recorded in your journal for others to read about. Remember you are now in the 10 Days of Awe between Rosh Hashana (Sept. 15) and Yom Kippur (Sept 24).

Then, on Sept. 24, I want you to join all those others of Mine across this country in the 40 days of fasting and intercession leading up to the election. But right now, today, you are in the Days of Awe, and I will give you reason for awe in your life during these days. Maybe I want it (the provision) so out of the unknown that no one else can take credit for this provision. I want it to be clearly by Me and Me alone.

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PUBLISHING MY BOOK

You are thinking that just because you are ready to publish THOUGHTS AND STORIES book that it is time to publish it. Wait, My child. Wait on My timing for publishing it. It may not be right now, or it may not be even this month of September. You have done your part in putting it together, and I will do My part in bringing about the publication of it. I know you are eager to get it into the hands of people in C, etc. before they forget you, but I will take care of that - the people who are supposed to read it. Just wait and watch and pray as I lead you. There might be a greater readership of it if we wait just a little while, and I know about that. It's My book, right? (Yes, Lord) I will publish it at the right time....you just watch to see where I am working that and join Me at the right time. Remember your thoughts are not necessarily My thoughts, and your ways My ways.

WHEN HE HAS TESTED ME, I WILL COME FORTH AS GOLD

Submit to God and be at peace with him; in this way prosperity will come to you. (Job 22:21)

Is this a word to me today, Lord? I am looking for Your way for me today...for how I am to receive the provision You have promised me if I will follow You, quit My job in C, and come here to LS, and write the book you put in my heart to write.

I need new revelation, Lord. I do not know what step to take next...what to do, how to act in light of the end of the provision that got me here to LS and kept me provided for until now. I need Your guidance and help to know what to do next. You guided me to pray for \$__ a month to be provided for me to live on. Right?

Yes, that's right. I guided you to pray for that and tithe \$___ as an offering toward it. It's all stored up here in your heavenly bank account.

I have done all this, Lord, and have followed the directions You gave me. Now I am almost out of funds to live on, and I seek You, Lord, for direction as to what to do next. Do you want me to seek a job here in LS?

No, My child, no job in LS. I have given you a job to do for Me -- to listen to Me and write what I tell you. You have been faithful to that and I will be faithful to pay you your wages, as I promised I would if you follow Me.

Then why is it so hard to see that provision, Lord? Why doesn't it show itself to me? Do I have to use up the last penny You've given me before You provide the first penny of the "provision?"

The answer to that is "yes," My child. Go ahead and use up all that I've given you so far, then I will provide more. That is one of My principles: give out all that I've given you and then I will refill you with more. Give and it shall be given unto you.

Even in paying bills, Lord?

Yes, even in paying bills. Go ahead and pay all the bills left for this month; then I can give you more. I want My funds flowing through you, not sitting in a bank account waiting to be used. I want what I give you flowing through your usage. What I give always flows, isn't stagnant.

The sum of money idea in a savings account with \$1___ being transferred to my checking account each month -- that was my idea, not Yours?

Correct. Your thoughts are not My thoughts in this case, Joan. Your "savings account" is in Me, in heaven, under My authority and governorship. I oversee your account with Me and I disperse it when it is the right time for it to come--and in the right way.

You see, you DO have money in a savings account, but I'm keeping that account here in heaven so it won't be destroyed by the things yet to come on earth. It represents all that you need for the rest of your life here on earth. It is all yours when it is needed. At that time I will transfer what you need to your earthly account for you to draw on.

You have an account for me in heaven with you, Jesus?

Yes. And I oversee it, and manage it...not earthly people. I am the great overseer of your account. I will never let it fail or be lost, or lose its value. I do not trust your heavenly bank account to earthly overseers. It is here. It is viable. It is available, and I disperse funds from it when it is the right time. You do not need it yet (even though you feel anxious about it) until you have used all I have given you.

Is this the way it works?

This is the way it works.

You'd rather give it to me each month, then, than have some stored up in an earthly bank account that I fall back on or trust in?

Yes, that is correct. I will disperse your heavenly bank account funds - when I decide, in the way I choose, and in a way that blesses not only you, but others as well. I do more than one thing each time I act. I bless more than one person and/or accomplish more than one purpose. I will do that with you,

too. I did that yesterday with E buying your lunch. I blessed him, too, mightily.

Thank You. I pray for that blessing for him, Lord. That was so kind of him to buy my lunch when I didn't have money to buy it.

You see, your need became his blessing as well as yours.

Accept instruction from his mouth and lay up his words in your heart. (Job 22:22)

And that is what you are doing just now...accepting instruction from My mouth and laying up My words in your heart. My words are life and truth, and they show you the way. I AM the Way, the Truth, and the Life. No one comes unto the Father but by Me.

If you return to the Almighty, you will be restored. If you remove wickedness far from your tent and assign your nuggets to the dust, your gold of Ophir to the rocks in the ravines, then the Almighty will be your gold, the choicest silver for you. (Job 22:23-25)

You see, you have to use up your gold, your nuggets, your money (assign it to the dust and rocks). Then I will be your gold and silver...real gold and real silver as well as wisdom and knowledge. Isn't this what you want, Joan?

Yes, Lord, that is what I want...You to be my real gold and silver as well as wisdom and knowledge.

I see that "wickedness" is doing things in a way that is not Your way--in an unrighteous way. I have been "holding on" to the little money left in my bank account, clinging to it in fear there wouldn't be more coming in, and trusting in it rather than You, Lord. Please forgive me. Thank You for showing me this.

Surely then you will find delight in the Almighty and will lift up your face to God. You will pray to him, and he will hear you, and you will fulfill your vows. (Job 22:26-27)

Those vows are your commitments to pay, Joan. You will fulfill those. In other words, you will pay your bills each month from your heavenly bank account -- as you use up what is already withdrawn.

What you decide on will be done, and light will shine on your ways. When men are brought low and you say, ‘Lift them up!’ then he will save the downcast. He will deliver even one who is not innocent, who will be delivered through the cleanness of your hands.” (Job 22:28-30)

And this process of listening to Me and following Me will eventually cause the rest of that stated:

- 1. You will pray to Me and I will hear you, and you will fulfill your vows (bills)*
- 2. What you decide on (decree, declare) will be done*
- 3. Light will shine on your ways.*
- 4. When you pray for others who need bringing up, I will save them*
- 5. Even the person who is not clean and innocent will be delivered by Me through the cleanness of your hands, for I will listen to and answer your prayers.*

This is quite a promise, Lord!!!

Yes, but it is true, Joan. When you get in right relationship with Me, then I hear and answer your prayers like this!

Wow! Thank You!

Job: “But he knows the way that I take; when he has tested me, I will come forth as gold. My feet have closely followed his steps; I have kept to his way without turning aside. I have not departed from the commands of his lips; I have treasured the words of his mouth more than my daily bread.” (Job 23:10-12)

That is the truth, Joan, for you too. You have followed My ways as I have tested you. You will come forth as gold. Isn't that what you want?

Yes. Thank You, Lord, for accomplishing the purposes You have put in my heart to desire...even when I didn't know how to accomplish them. I will now, today, pay out in checks the rest of my bills for this month, knowing you will bring in more after that is done. Thank You for showing me Your way!

This lesson is for others too, Joan. I am teaching you this lesson, but you are to pass it on to others through your writing, and they will be blessed and learn from it too. That way I accomplish something in more than one person's life, but give blessing to many through this.

**Fear the Lord, you his saints, for those who fear him lack nothing.
(Psalm 34:9)**

Listening to Me, and following Me and My instructions, are part of "fearing Me."

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DREAMS

In a recent dream I was looking for money and found 2 quarters lying on the ground and picked them up. (I seem to recall that I have looked for and found lost coins lying around in many dreams in the past. In fact, I remember finding them in lots of places where others didn't seem to notice them.) In this recent dream I then found a stash of money folded up with some papers and took it thinking it was lost money too. Then, without reading the papers, I felt that money was "planted" in that hiding place for someone to pick up and that I should put it back for them - which I proceeded to do.

Interpretation:

Money--Power: Provision, wealth; natural talents and skills; spiritual riches (i.e., faith, wisdom, spiritual gifts, etc.); power; authority; the strength of man (as opposed to trusting in God)

2 Quarters:

Twenty--Holy: Tried and approved. Two-separated + Ten-measured

Five--Serve: Works; service

Two--double

Silver coins--Revelation knowledge

These could represent finding revelation knowledge and may represent double the amount of being holy, tried, and approved for service and works

The second part about the stash of money and papers: this may refer to a purposely planted bunch of money (by the enemy to snare me?) which is not to be taken by me. I am perhaps being warned to look carefully at any money brought to me to be sure it is what the Lord wants me to have. He will show me, as He did in this dream.

Last night in my dreams I took my 2 daughters to a place to swim. There was not very much water there to swim in, but they did. Later I was trying to go to the swimming area again for them, but I could see there was practically no water there anymore.

Swimming--Spiritual (as in spiritual acts or activity): Serving God, worshiping, operating in the gifts of the Spirit, prophesying

Swimming Pool--Spiritual Place or Condition: Church; home; family; God's blessings.

I wonder if that could refer to CBC and a decrease in the Spirit there now. This may refer to CBC as it used to be when my two daughters went there, and both made their professions of faith in Jesus and were baptized there; but now the pool is almost empty of that spiritual condition. Or those two daughters could represent me in relation to CBC or in relation to my past spiritual experiences and where I "swam" in them - places which are almost dry for me now.

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THE RAINBOW FILES

I had a dream just before I woke up. In the dream I saw a set/pack/group of manila files with the tabs on the upper left corner. On or over those tabs there were rainbows shining on each one...like the sun was shining on them to show those rainbows. It was like each folder held a "story" that was very

special because of the rainbow shining on its tab corner. I sensed somehow I was getting to explore each file/story. I knew these were very special.

My first impression is that these represent stories/events in my life that are now opening up, being revealed, due to the prayer effort for me last night at Heartland Healing Rooms. Things were opened up within me for viewing and the Son is shining on those events and turning them into rainbows - the sign from God of redemption from the wickedness on the earth and from the sorrow of the time of the flood of rain. It gives a dream picture of new parts of me being opened up to view with Jesus shining on them to reveal them. I want to continue to explore those "stories" in those files. Perhaps they will be part of my next book of *More Thoughts And Stories*.

Lord, what are these files with rainbows on the tabs that You showed me in my dream last night?

You and I will be exploring them further. Call them "the rainbow files." We will look at "the rainbow files" and see what they hold for you and your future. They are good and you will be delighted with the future I have planned for you, Joan. It is just right for you and the way I have made you, and the things I have you delight in.

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HEART HEALING

At the Heartland Healing Room last night prayers were given for the healing of my body from the top of my head to the toes of my feet, covering many ailments I've experienced in various parts of my body, especially my spinal column coming into right alignment and the muscles, tendons, etc. coming into right alignment. But it seems my heart needed to come into right alignment also as prayer continued with the two women who ministered to me.

Then these two women had a season of prayer with me in which we discussed the failure of my marriage and the sorrow and guilt it produced. One of them "saw" a

picture of a woman in a grave with a wedding ring on her finger, and felt the key to understanding the picture was the ring. As we discussed my attitudes and thoughts about my wedding ring I shared the sadness I had that my marriage had failed and the distress it had caused my children, and how I felt I should have seen and recognized the signs before the marriage took place and possibly stopped it the night before the marriage vows because of what my fiancé said which showed he wasn't truly committed to make the marriage work. They said it was like he had betrayed the marriage even before it took place. It seemed I was then in a marriage that was doomed, like I was the woman in the grave in a dead relationship.

But to me that picture also represented how the marriage kept me "dead" in that I wasn't allowed to be really me and keep growing into the person I was to become. The marriage relationship held me back from growing. Praise God, He freed me from that marriage so I could become the person He wants me to be!

They led me through forgiving my ex-husband and then forgiving myself for those failures and they prayed releasing me, freeing me to become what God wants me to be - even being free to sing and dance freely - before the Lord who is really my husband as I am part of the Bride of Christ.

So I feel the dream I had recently shows about the previously unknown "stories" hidden in me that are now free to be explored, and that the light of the Son is shining on my flood of sorrows and making them into rainbows...something beautiful coming out of sorrow. One of the women kept getting the word "sorrow" about me.

It reminds me that JG said we needed to shut the doors on the past, and forgive things from the past, so we could go into the new door into the future. I feel last night's prayer brought that about, closed that door to the past, and that the dream is a "sign" of the rainbow from the Lord giving a glimpse into the "new things" which are going to be opened up for me. PTL!

Yes, I want to tell you more about that dream with the rainbows. The rainbow was a sign and a promise of hope for the future. So it is with you in this dream also. I have "files" to open in your life that you know not of, have not even imagined yet, and they are good. You will delight in them as you delight when you get to see a rainbow. I love you, Joan, and I have much joy and promise ahead for you. It is My delight to do this in you and for you.

PROPHETIC WRITERS

“Prophecy is not limited to the verbal and the visual; it may also come forth in written form. Although not as common perhaps as the spoken forms of prophecy, prophetic writing is just as valid. A person with this anointing is just as prophetic as anyone else. The difference is that he or she has the gift and bent to communicate more powerfully and effectively through the written word than through the spoken word.

“Over the years, I have seen many prophetic people who were awkward in front of people, but give them a pen and paper or a word processor and watch out! On the other hand, I have also seen many powerful speakers with incredible charisma and “stage presence” who could hardly jot down two sentences together coherently, much less write a book. The written word and the spoken word are quite different, and there is a prophetic anointing for each.” (*The Seer* by James W. Goll, p. 42)

UNDERSTANDING THE PROPHETIC ANOINTING

“Essentially, the anointing is the supernatural enablement or grace--the manifested presence of the Holy Spirit--operating upon or through an individual or a corporate group to produce the works of Jesus. It means God with you and God in you; you are talking His talk and walking in His shadow.”

“The single most characteristic mark of a true prophetic person is the evidence that he or she has stood in the counsel of God and has, therefore, faithfully declared what he or she heard from His mouth. According to Robertson Smith, it is this divine word that distinguishes a prophet: ‘the possession of a single true thought, not derived from current religious teaching, but springing up in the soul as a Word from Jehovah, Himself, is enough to constitute a prophet.’

“Usually, prophets make no special claim to be heard but are content to speak and act and leave the matter there, confident not in themselves but in the fact that they have heard from God and that every word from Him will find fulfillment. Their primary concern is not with the

distant future but to tell forth the will of God in the crisis of their own days. Prophets, then, are essentially interpreters of God.

“Remember that prophecy itself is the expressed thoughts of God spoken in a language that no man in his natural gift of speech could articulate on his own. The substance and nature of prophecy exceed the limits of what the natural mind could conceive. Prophecy comes through the mouth of man but from the mind of God--spiritual thoughts in spiritual words. (*The Seer* by James W. Goll, p 32-34)

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SITTING AND RESTING WHILE WATCHING DOVES RESTING

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

I saw a dove on the roof of the house across the street, which I can see from the half circle window as I sit at the table for breakfast. It is the first one I remember seeing near this house since I moved here. Then, later, there were two doves there, just sitting and resting in the sun. I felt the message coming to me that I was to sit and rest along with You, Holy Spirit, as these doves remind me of You and Your work together with me. So I rest in You, Lord. I rest for my financial provision and for the work that You have for me to do with You today in writing and in all else this day holds.

So I ask You, Lord, about the two doves I saw: “What is this, Lord?”

They are from Me, and they symbolize that I am with you, standing beside you, and that I want to remind you of that by this sign. Yes, it is a sign. Whenever you see doves, they are My sign to you and are to remind you of Me. As you are in the ark of My protection all the time, I want you to be reminded of that regularly.

Today’s Scripture: Let us not become weary of doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up. (Galatians 6:9)

I believe this Scripture is to be an encouragement to me to not become weary and discouraged. If I don't give up, the harvest will come at the proper time. I do not know what the "proper time" is, but You do, Lord, and I trust You for it. This harvest can be, for me, a harvest of provision for my living expenses "at the proper time" and a harvest of kingdom work being accomplished through the work we do together "at the proper time."

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ASK GOD TO GIVE YOU A VISION OF HIS CALLING ON YOUR LIFE

"What is the hope of the Lord's calling on your life? Ask him to give you a vision of it, and don't stop asking. Keep on looking until you see it. Don't look just for a project or for something to do; look for a vision of Him! Pray that the eyes of your heart will be enlightened and your spiritual vision enhanced. Ask that a revelatory shaft of light would enter your spirit so that you would know the hope and the expectation of good for your life. Remember that what you keep in front of your eyes is what you will become. Present your eyes, your mind, your heart--your whole self--to the Lord and ask Him to grant you the spirit of revelation. *Ask Him for the vision that will sustain you.*" (The Seer by James W. Goll, p 55)

And I AM giving it to you, Joan. You know it inside your being, but just haven't brought it to the surface too clearly yet. I will make it clearer and clearer--not just the next project you and I will do together, but the purpose and end of our work together...the hope of your calling and your inheritance in Me. I will do this.

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MY PURPOSE IN LIFE

Joan, I want some people to be intimate with Me and you are one I've picked. I've trained you in how to be since you were a little child. I've brought you close with dreams, visions, Scripture, journaling, prayer, communicating with Me moment by moment, asking, seeking, knocking, and putting that

desire in your heart - all this through the Holy Spirit. And this is your purpose in life! You wanted to know your purpose. It's to be close and intimate with Me, sharing each moment, each happening together.

That's why I gave you so many instructions on listening (GB), visioning (Creative silence), journaling (MasterLife), experiencing (Experiencing God), and following (fan and maze pictures). This is something you are to BE rather than something to DO. Doing is loving Me, communicating with Me, worshipping Me, etc. This is your purpose; you are fulfilling it daily. I am pleased. It's what I've trained you to do. It's the dream/desire I've put in your heart. There are some I've called just to be with Me - and you are one. Be content with that.

Read this whenever you have doubts (not from Me!) about fulfilling your purpose in life.

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THE NEW HAS ALREADY BEGUN

Last night I had a dream which I got up and wrote down. In this dream I saw two columns of prophecy. One was from T and it was on the left side of the page in a line about 3" wide. The other was from S and it was on the right side of the same page in a line about 3" wide. Then I saw those same prophecy words written out clear across the page. T's lines were on top; there was a green line across; then S's lines were underneath that. When I woke up the clock said 3:21.

Left--Spiritual: God's strength or ability demonstrated through man's weakness

Right--Natural: The power of God revealed through flesh

Green--Life: Mortal

Three--Conform: Obey; copy; imitate; likeness

Three hundred--Fullness: Full measure of conformity, likeness, obedience

Twenty--Holy: Tried and approved

One--Beginning: First--in time, rank, order, or importance; new; a new start, a new beginning and first in importance.

T and S are two prophetic people I know (and talked with last night at W' LIFE group). This dream represents a "prophecy" or proclamation from the Lord. It is a proclamation saying it is about God's strength or ability demonstrated through man's weakness, and the power of God revealed through man's weakness, the Church, being accepted. The green line represents mortal, flesh, and renewal for me.

3:21 represents the full measure of conformity, likeness, and obedience of being holy, tried, and approved. This is first in importance, rank, time, and order, and is new. It is a new start, a new beginning and first in importance.

It seems the Lord is wanting to affirm me through this dream that He is renewing me in the ability to let Him work through me, in my weakness to show His strength, He is telling me by the time on the clock that I awoke that He sees this as first in importance and that He sees me as holy, tried and approved in full measure. This time right now is a new beginning for me.

Is that right, Lord?

Yes, and I want you to know that the "new" has already begun. It has been imparted to you, and you are already beginning to walk in it. It is always primary of importance in your life and will take first place in your time also. I will provide for you so you can allow this ministry with Me to be first place in your life, not a job outside the home with this becoming second in time commitment. This is a prophecy which I proclaim to you, Joan. I showed you the words written out were prophecy by your "knowing" it and by T and S representing prophecy to you also, as they are prophetic intercessors.

This is right and left, altogether, top and bottom. In other words, it encompasses all space and time in your life (green line). This is the vision I am giving you to continue in and keep progressing toward.

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BEGINNING A SECOND BOOK

You really DO want me to begin a book on Quiet Time Thoughts, don't You, Lord?

Yes, I do. You have already written much into that book. I will work with you on cutting and pasting out of the QT writings into this new book. You may call it MORE THOUGHTS AND STORIES. We will decide the subtitle later as we go. You will know that when it is the right time.

Keep reading back over your August and Sept. writings. It will encourage and help refocus you on what I've already told you. That's one reason I have you write - to encourage yourself - but also to encourage others eventually, when they get a chance to read it.

Rest a little; then we will go on.

Just pull out of your journals things to write a good devotional book taking only those ideas I show you and perhaps expounding on them as I lead you. Make MORE THOUGHTS AND STORIES a book of daily devotionals mixed in with stories every so often. Remember I said you might get some stories from CTC people.

Lord, what are we waiting on with the *Thoughts And Stories* book?

We are waiting on My bringing your monthly provision, the money to finance the publication, and the knowledge about who the publisher is. It will all come in My time. It won't be much longer. It will come together swiftly - you'll see. Be patient with Me. I am in charge of it all, remember?

Maybe we won't put any dates on the devotionals, only separate them into topical units that could be read as a daily devotional. Same with the stories. That way you won't have to have 365 of them before printing. I already know all the pages of the next book WE will write together, Joan.

Yes, I will continue to have you write in this format after this beginning book. I won't say how many "devotional" type books you and I will write, but we will keep this up until you leave this earth. They will be very helpful for people right now during these stressful days before the rapture, and also very helpful for those who come to Me after the rapture. There will be much fruit from them.

A DREAM ABOUT PROVISION

I was inside a limousine car with 3 men in there also. We 4 were sitting around a table facing each other in the back of the limousine. I didn't recognize anyone. Two of the men (one on left and one on right) seemed like they had money and I thought they might be gangsters or something. The one on my left took out a big wad of money and looked at the man on my right to see if they agreed on what they were going to do. They each seemed to agree by their looking at each other that they were going to give me a wad of money. I said as I saw this, "Are you going to give me some money? Then I thought that I would say, as I got out of the car after getting the money, "Now I can buy some food."

The middle stranger was Jesus. The right and left strangers were His angels of provision. They agreed to bring me money for my provision. This was done through God's strength demonstrated through man's weakness and the power of God revealed through flesh or the Church. This money represents the power or provision with which to do the ministry God has called me to. It is given into my life (car), person, or ministry...and it is important. The amount is unknown, so unlimited. The statement "Now I can buy some food = Now I can do the work of God. Is this correct, Lord?

Yes, My child, that is absolutely correct. It is a picture of My bringing your provision in a strange, unknown way and amount into your life.

PROVISION GRACE

Separate yourself unto Me. I want to speak with you.

I saw you there at church this morning-praising Me and worshiping Me, and praying for the peace of Jerusalem. You are a delightful child to Me. I love you!

I know you have been waiting to hear a word from Me about your provision. Yes, it comes by My grace poured out upon you. Yes, it is mercy from Me in regard to your needs while on the earth. Yes, I am fulfilling My promises to you. You definitely will hear word today about some money coming to you. I promise you that.

You are My listener and writer. I have called you to this, and you have obeyed. I have tested you for this, to see if you would believe and stand believing for it, and you have passed the test. You have overcome fear of poverty and stood waiting and praising and worshiping when you haven't had money to live on this day.

You have continued to listen to Me, and write what I wanted you to write, in faithfulness.

So, I am with you. I bless you. My blessing brings prosperity. I needed to strengthen you to stand even without seeing the provision, and needed you to be willing to do whatever I guided you to do. You have.

I love you, Joan. I love your pure and obedient heart before Me. Now I stand with you...and I call My angels to bring you provision...those provision angels you saw in your dream and believed.

I WILL bring you word TODAY. Trust Me. Trust in Me. Rely upon Me. Rest in Me. I am with you. When you have Me with you, you have all you need.

I love you, My child. You ARE looking to Me just as a child does to his father. I AM your Father. I AM your Husband. I AM your Brother in the faith. I AM your Bridegroom. I am EVERYTHING you ever need now and ever will need later...for all the days of your life upon this earth before the rapture. I love you, and I am now pouring out My love in provision grace. Provision grace.

Yes, thank You, Lord!

Provision grace is what you will live in all the days of your life...and you will come to Me at the Rapture in provision grace.

Thank You for provision grace, Lord! I love You! I love your presence. I love to hear Your voice. I love to minister in your name. I love to listen to You and write for You. I want to continue to be Your writer.

I know, and you WILL!

Now, trust Me and be expecting good news from Me.

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I WILL SHOW YOU THE WAY

Yesterday I contacted BH and N for information about UMC's in the LS area. Both emailed me back with helpful information.

So today I emailed and called a lot of UMC's to see if any had a secretarial job available. So far none have that I've heard from.

I also listed around 6-7 Baptist churches today in the vicinity. I haven't called them yet, but that is a possibility.

I am almost out of food, and I am out of available money to pay the first of the month bills for electric, water, gas, and phone.

I don't know what else to do. I am seeking leading from the Lord.

In your book you revealed Me, Joan, and marvelous things I did in people's lives. That's what I want you doing, My child. I want you, as a seer, to be "seeing" Me and revealing Me to those around you, who will listen to you, who will read your writing. So keep writing today and all the days I give you.

If a job offer comes, you and I will talk about it. But you were right when you wrote Alan that what I want for you is to listen to Me and write what I show/tell you. This writing will increase, it will grow; it will multiply. THOUGHTS AND STORIES was only the beginning for your writing days. I have many more of them for you. I want you home, here, listening to Me as you are right now. I have trained you for this and I WILL fulfill my purpose and plan for you. Trust Me. I WILL LEAD THE WAY!

It seems like this is what I am supposed to be doing.

It is.

Then how shall I live, buy food, pay my bills?

I will show you the way. I AM the way.

OK, show me, Lord. Show me the way.

Didn't I show you a picture of My angels bringing food to you?

Yes.

Didn't I give you a dream of My angels giving you money?

Yes.

Watch for this to be fulfilled. Then you will KNOW this is from Me and that I want you to trust ME for food and money. Watch for it to be fulfilled; then you will KNOW.

If it is not fulfilled? Then come and talk to Me again about this. I will answer you.

How long must I wait, Lord?

Until I answer your requests for food and money. If this answer doesn't come in 2 days, come again to Me.

Until Thursday at 2:23 p.m.

Yes.

This is what I pray to the Lord today:

Who, then, is the man that fears the Lord? He will instruct him in the way chosen for him. He will spend his days in prosperity, and his descendants will inherit the land. The Lord confides in those who fear him; he makes his covenant known to them. (Psalm 25:12-14 NIV)

May integrity and uprightness protect me, because my hope is in you. (Psalm 25:21)

For in the day of trouble he will keep me safe in his dwelling; he will hide me in the shelter of his tabernacle and set me high upon a rock. (Psalm 27:5)

These (creatures) all look to you to give them their food at the proper time. When you give it to them, they gather it up; when you open your hand, they are satisfied with good things. (Psalm 104:27-28)

And without faith it is impossible to please Him, for he who comes to God must believe that He is and that He is a rewarder of those who seek Him. (Heb. 11:6)

“For I know the plans that I have for you,” declares the Lord, “plans for welfare and not for calamity to give you a future and a hope. Then you will call upon Me and come and pray to Me, and I will listen to you. You will seek Me and find Me when you search for Me with all your heart.” (Jer. 29:11-13)

Blessed is the man who listens to me, watching daily at my gates, waiting at my doorposts. For he who finds me finds life and obtains favor from the Lord. (Prov. 8:33-34) (Listens, watching, waiting)

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INSTRUCTIONS THROUGH DREAMS

I had a dream last night and I remember scenes from it.

1. I looked out a window to my right from inside a room and saw a strange-looking dark, dark gray cloud sort of hanging down from the sky. The sky was mostly clear except for this cloud. But this cloud hung down almost to the ground, to about 6 feet above the ground. At the bottom of the cloud there was a shape kind of like small square blocks grouped together. I

think I saw it hanging in front of a tree outside the window. I looked at it awhile because it was so strange shaped and so dark gray. But I don't remember feeling any emotions.

Cloud--Change or Covering: Trouble; distress; threatening; thought of trouble; confusion; hidden; covered

Grey--Not Defined: Unclear, vague, not specific; hazy; hidden

Window--Revealed: Truth; prophecy; revelation; understanding

Tree--Person or Covering: Leader; shelter; evil influence

Square (Shape)--Legalistic: Religious; no mercy; hard or harsh; of the world

Right--Natural

What does this mean, Lord?

There is trouble that has come upon you; it is threatening to you, it troubles your thoughts, it leaves you confused as to what to do and your direction is hidden, covered, and not clear. Its color indicates it is unclear, vague, not specific, hazy and hidden. The window indicates that I am giving you a glimpse or revelation into that situation you are now in. I am showing you the truth and understanding by this dream. The tree refers to your covering and that it seems square: harsh or hard right now and of the world's ways of thinking (you must get a job in order to be provided for). You feel pressure to follow the square way of thinking-of the world. But look at what the next scene shows you...

2. I saw another "cloud" sort of thing up in the air outside the window to my left. A person stood outside too, a tall person. I looked up at them both. The pillow-like cloud was maybe 8-10 ft up in the air, and the person was maybe 7-8 ft tall and standing between the cloud and me. This cloud was yellowish green in the center and shaped like a round pillow, which has been stitched so the middle is pushed in. I saw that the face area of the person looked the same as the cloud, the same color, maybe even a similar shape. I started to say something about, "Look how that cloud and you look almost the same." But I thought that might be offensive or hurtful to hear he looked yellow greenish, so I didn't say it.

Man (stranger)--Angel: God's messenger (angel)

Green--Life: Mortal; flesh, renewal

Yellow--Gift: A gift with feeling; gift from or of God

Round (Shape)--Spiritual: Grace; mercy; compassion; forgiveness

Left--Spiritual

What does this mean, Lord?

The tall man is My angel standing near you. You look UP to see him. He is not someone known to you, a stranger. His face area is yellow and green and just like the cloud. This cloud is shaped like a pillow representing rest, comfort, rest for your head (thoughts, mind). The green and yellow represent LIFE and GIFT of God. These are both gifts from God. The angel is bringing them to you and this will be your new “covering” as the cloud represents. The round shape indicates this is grace, mercy, and compassion from the Lord, via His angel, to you.

Though ye have lain among the pots, yet shall ye be as the wings of a dove [spiritual] covered with silver [knowledge], and her feathers with yellow gold [spirit of wisdom and the glory of God] (Psalm 68:13). KJV

Even while you sleep among the campfires, the wings of my dove are sheathed with silver, its feathers with shining gold. (Psalm 68:13) NIV

3. In one other scene I looked down at my body and saw I had a yellow shirt on and a brown cardigan sweater over it.

Yellow--Gift: A gift with feeling; gift from or of God

Brown--Dead (as dead grass is brown): Repented, born again

Sweater & Shirt Clothing--Covering: Righteousness; spirit (attitude)

Coat--Covering: Anointing; authority; protection

Shirt--Covering as pertaining to the heart: i.e., righteousness

What does all this mean, Lord? Please reveal the meaning of these dreams to me!

It represents your covering as pertaining to your heart. What is covering your heart is God, a gift of Him, His righteousness. What is placed over that covering is a picture that you are repented, born again, not mortal in that you are dead to self. So your covering, your anointing, your protection, is all Me, all God, righteous, not of self - and this is GOOD.

4. I now think of a piece of another dream scene last night: In this I saw a yellow hand coming through something (like a veil, wall, paper, barrier, box or something) slowly and coming toward me as I watched it. It was a right hand.

Yellow--Gift: A gift with feeling; gift from or of God

Hands--Works: Deeds; labor; service

Right hand of God--His strength, power, might, His righteous right hand

Veil--Concealment: Hidden; concealed (or revealed if veil or curtains are removed); covering

So this means you had a vision of the righteous right hand of God's power, strength, and might coming out through the veil of being hidden/concealed and extending toward you with a gift from or of God...in regard to your deeds, labor or service.

If the Lord delights in a man's way, he makes his steps firm; though he stumble, he will not fall, for the Lord upholds him with his hand. (Psalm 37:24)

My soul clings to you; your right hand upholds me. (Psalm 63:8)

I will lead the blind by ways they have not known, along unfamiliar paths I will guide them; I will turn the darkness into light before them and make the rough places smooth. These are the things I will do; I will not forsake them. (Isaiah 42:16)

Who is blind but my servant, and deaf like the messenger I send? Who is blind like the one committed to me, blind like the servant of the Lord? (Isaiah 42:19)

And I want to talk to you now. You have had dreams telling of two positions: one is square and stiff and the way the world thinks - that you must go get a job to have provision come in. The other is soft, flexible, cheering, and comforting. It is a gift from God and brought by His messengers, the angels. Which do you want, Joan?

I want the gift from You, Lord, the soft, comforting, cheering, flexible one. The yellow pillow/cloud brought by Your angels.

I know you do. I asked you that so I could dialogue with you. Would you be willing to wait for it until it is the right time for it to come?

Yes, Lord.

Then wait expectantly. This is the best way. This is the way that is your destiny. This way will fulfill your purpose and desire that I have put in your heart...to listen and write for Me daily. Not work part time in a worldly job. I know you need food and money. I am well aware of that. And I will bring it to you!!! Trust Me. It will come in time to meet your needs. Do not seek further to find a job.

Here is my servant, whom I uphold, my chosen one in whom I delight. (Isaiah 42:1)

As I now understand what I am to do...

1. I am to wait until the Lord brings my provision at His timing.
2. I am to live on the Social Security payment this month as much as I am able.
3. B said she was willing to cover the things I would normally pay for expenses on the house this month. I am to let her - believing I will soon be able to make that up to her when my provision comes.
4. I am not to pursue any job.

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PASSED A TEST

So be careful to do what the Lord your God has commanded you; do not turn aside to the right or to the left. (Deuteronomy 5:32) version?

This was on today's Scripture calendar! I am not to turn aside to either way if it is not what the Lord my God has commanded me.

This song just kept singing inside me all morning so far today:

(A song)
Crucified, and laid behind a stone
You lived to die, rejected and alone.
Like a _____
You took the fall,
And thought of me,
Above all.

I talked to B this morning about my not having money to pay toward the household expenses, and she said that was ok. I said I planned to make it up to her later, and she said that would be nice if I could. Thank You, Lord, for B and her good attitude. Bless her! I'd so much rather be here than out looking at jobs!

This is right. This is where you are supposed to be. I am with you, My child. I am blessing you with My presence. You KNOW it this morning!

Yes!

And I will STAY with you! You have passed another test. You have gone through another trial and had overcoming victory! Praise the Lord!

This is the victory that has overcome the world, even our faith. (1 John 5:4)

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THE TEST OF TRUSTING IN THE LORD

You've just been through one of the hardest weeks of your life, even though I gave you My peace as you went through. You've taken the test of trusting in Me and believing in faith for what I've promised.

It's been hard partly because of the similar struggle you had back in 1989-1994.

I've been with you all the way and walked by your side as well as taking your two hands and leading you. Sometimes I've been beside you. Sometimes I've been in front leading you. Sometimes I've been overhead protecting you. All the time I've been with you.

It is now over, and the pathway is open and ready for the provision, the river of provision, to flow through to you. You will see it manifested soon, but it is already starting to come. It is on its way already. It is coming by several channels, not just one. Doors are now open and they won't be shut because I have opened them. (Rev. 3:7)

These are the words of him who is holy and true, who holds the key of David. What he opens no one can shut, and what he shuts no one can open. (Revelation 3:7)

Now listen some more, My child.....

You will continue to write on your second book, More thoughts and Stories, and continue to expect an opening for publishing the first book. The right publisher will be made known to you soon and you will know this is the right one. Then you can submit your document to them.

I will provide the money to publish this book - to self-publish it as you have been thinking - and it will be done the way I have decided it will be done. Remember, My child, it is My book too. My honor and My face are being revealed in this book too, you know. It's not your decision to be made alone. You are not alone in this; we are walking together as best friends.

You will rejoice when this milestone comes and is passed...and you will praise Me to others for My faithfulness. I am the author of this book from beginning to end, even though it has your name on it as the author. It is I in you, the Holy Spirit in you, doing this. That way it will have great anointing, and do all I want it to do in other people's lives, and will go wherever I take it, from person to person and place to place.

Now you may copy this to your disk and go and work on your second book.

THE LORD GIVES WISDOM

These Scriptures have been on the daily Scripture calendar recently and they seem to fit me:

So be careful to do what the Lord your God has commanded you; do not turn aside to the right or to the left. (Deut. 5:32)

No servant can serve two masters...You cannot serve both God and Money. (Luke 16:13)

The Lord will indeed give what is good, and our land will yield its harvest. (Psalm 85:12)

For the Lord gives wisdom, and from his mouth come knowledge and understanding. (Proverbs 2:6)

I am here, Joan, on your right, on your left, above you, around you, everywhere you need Me, I am here.

I spent some time “soaking” in the presence of the Lord. He said that he would come close to me so His “outshining” or glory would touch me for healing. At the same time as He healed me He would also impart a gift of healing into me which I would have the authority and anointing to use in healing others. To the degree that He heals me, to that same degree He will impart the gift of healing to me. It will not be total healing all at once because that much gift might corrupt me. He will heal me a little at a time and give me the gift a little at a time.

In my imagination I went through the dream again of having those 3 people sit with me in a limousine back seat area. We were parked in B’s driveway. The person on my left came to the door and got me and had me come to the car and sit around a table with them in this limousine. This time, in my imagination, we spoke. The person on my left gave me money for me to use in my financial needs. The person on my right gave me money to publish the book. I bowed before Jesus, who was sitting in the middle, and thanked Him for giving His life for me. In my imagination, I was told they would come each week to see me and give me instructions and whatever money I needed.

I believe I am to have “soaking” time now each morning M-F after B leaves for work, and I am to write after that time.

As good as the CTC groups/events are, I am primarily here to listen to the Lord, spend time with Him, and write. That comes first.

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THE LORD GIVES SIGNS

Today I worked on my 2nd book (*More Thoughts and Stories*). This is to be a book of what the Holy Spirit is saying to me that will be meaningful to others, and help them see how the Holy Spirit relates to me and communicates with me (and can with them).

This morning during breakfast, I saw on the rooftop of the unfinished house across the street, 5 doves. They were sitting in a position with one by itself to the left, then two together, then two more together like this: (X X X X X). On the house to the right of that one there was one dove sitting by himself at the right end of the roof. I am writing this down because the Holy Spirit said He would tell me the significance of this after breakfast.

I am teaching you My ways, Joan. I give signs to My people if they will cultivate eyes to see My signs. You have known the dove as a sign to you for many years, therefore I use that sign often in your life to show you I am thinking about you, and aware of you, and that shows you My love and caring.

This is the significance of those doves. First of all five means grace, and can also refer to your service or works. So they are a sign that I am pouring out My grace upon your service to Me. The single dove stands for beginning, so this is a sign that the new grace is now beginning.

The separation of the doves in the order you described means: 1, 2, 2. This refers to the beginning (1) of being separated (2) out unto Me, and that separation is double (2, 2) and set, definite, for sure.

Doves can also represent peace. Your portion is peace and that peace is My grace gift to you.

Thank You, Lord!!!

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THERE IS A TIME FOR EVERYTHING

This morning after the women's Bible study I talked with RH regarding a publisher. She said D was an editor and used to work for a publisher who has since moved to New York.

Then I talked to KW and she asked about the book. When I told her a bit of the story of how I came to write it, she said she had the name of a publisher which she would try to get for me by tonight's LIFE group. I had the distinct feeling this was God's leading and that perhaps this might be the right publisher. We'll see how that works out.

The Scripture on today's calendar is:

There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under heaven. (Ecclesiastes 3:1)

I'm wondering if now is the "time" and "season" for publishing the book and this Scripture is another "sign" from the Lord that this publishing time is near. If it is, He will also bring the money to self-publish it.

I have been having times of "imagining" how I would go about distributing the book back in C. I think I would take a box of books to FUMC and put post-it notes on some for the people who requested a book, and leave them in the office with Marilyn. Then I would put an article in the newsletter telling that the book is available and people could stop by the office and pick up theirs. I also would mention that there were some extra ones left in the office for people who wanted a copy and didn't tell me before I left.

I could do something similar for CBC except leave a box of books with B and S, if that is ok with them, and have a note put in the bulletin (by them, but written by me) telling about the book and about getting a copy from B and S.

I could do something similar with D at CPC and leave a box of books with T in the office for people to pick up. This could be put on their bulletin too. I would also put post-it notes on books for those who told me they wanted one.

But - should I mention anything about the cost, Lord, and how they might contribute to the printing cost if they want?

Your answer is “no,” Joan. I do not need help in getting the cost covered. Tell them the book is free for anyone who wants to read it, and that you suggest passing the book along to someone else who also might like to read it when they are finished reading it. If the book blessed them, then they could pass along that blessing to others.

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DAILY DECISIONS ARE IMPORTANT

“There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under heaven. (Ecclesiastes 3:1)

There was a time for your father’s life, and a time for your mother’s life on this earth. Now is the time for your life on this earth. There will come a time when that earth life is over. Where you go and what you do after this earth life is determined by your choices in this earth life. It’s your choice. It’s your daily choices. Daily you decide what is first in your life and what is important to you. On the basis of these decisions your next life is decided and determined. I want you to know how important your daily decisions are. They ARE important. Each day’s decisions and actions are built on the previous day’s decisions and actions. They build toward the building, in which you live and function.

What do you want to build with your life, Joan? Think about it and act daily toward that goal.

My goals as I think of them this morning:

1. Seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness
2. Be near God
3. Make the Lord my refuge
4. Tell of His marvelous deeds
5. Desire only God
6. Seek the counsel of the Lord
7. Live by faith
8. Pray without ceasing
9. In all things give thanks
10. Praise the Lord
11. Tell Him of my love.
12. Trust in His provision
13. Pray for others
14. Meet together with other believers
15. Read the Word
16. Set apart Quiet Time with the Lord
17. Learn from others from their experiences
18. Love others
19. Help the poor, widows, and orphans
20. Tell others of the gospel
21. Teach others to obey what He has commanded us
22. Call to the Lord, seek the Lord
23. Pray for the sick
24. Stay humble and pure in heart

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WHEN I CONSIDER YOUR HEAVENS

O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth! You have set your glory above the heavens. When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars, which you have set in place, what is man that you are mindful of him, the son of man that you care for him? (Psalm 8:1-4)

At church today we had the film shown about pictures from the Hubble telescope of areas in the Universe and it was awesome! To think that the God who created all that, wants to have a personal relationship with me and that He gave His life for me!

Yes, that was an awesome service this morning with all the focus on Me for the entire time: worship, prayer, Word.

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WATCHING THE HEALING ROOM MINISTRY TEAM

But Mary treasured up all these things and pondered them in her heart. (Luke 2:19)

Just go with the idea that it is a time of learning. Watch and see what I do and how I do it. Learn of Me through these healing teams. You are not expected to “do” anything right now. You will only “do” something when I lead you to, remember? Do not be afraid. Just keep treasuring up all these things and pondering them in your heart - and asking Me about what you see and how I want you to understand what you see. This is a school of learning about praying for the sick that I want you to go through. You are not the leader, but are the follower - of them and of Me.

OK, Lord, tell me what I saw there.

You saw people loving the sick one and his family. You saw them give the very best they had to give, which was Me, My Word, and My prayers through them. That’s what they sacrifice their time and efforts to do, to share Me. They are a great blessing to the sick ones. Their caring shows the sick ones they are important to them, and therefore, to Me also. I go with the prayer team on every one of their visits. And they WILL see results from their prayers!

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MY MINISTRY

In a dream I seemed to be driving on the right side of a two-lane highway, then went into the passing lane. I saw a car coming straight toward me and knew I needed to do something to get out of its way. It somehow seems the name JR is in my mind this morning also. I think he is a country singer or actor or both.

Interpretation:

- Driving a car may mean my ministry or person
- Going into the passing lane may mean going ahead too fast/before it's the Lord's timing. Or it may mean stepping out of the usual place/natural place (right lane) into a potentially dangerous place/spiritual place (passing lane where other cars might hit me)
- Another car coming towards me may mean I'm heading for a crash with someone else's person or ministry unless I correct my position and return to the right lane. Or it may mean there is opposition coming against me for stepping into the spiritual realm.
- The name JR, if it is connected with the dream, may refer to listening to "the Singer" which is the Holy Spirit. Country singer may mean simplifying things or going back to my country roots.

Now do you want to hear what it does mean?

Yes, Lord, I want to hear from You.

I want you to know that I gave you this dream and it shows/means your car (ministry) is going quickly and it is in the proper lane (right lane) which refers to the natural lane, the natural way of doing things. But when you go into the left lane (the spiritual side) you have possible opposition coming against you. Since your ministry right now is writing books for Me and with Me, I want you to realize there is opposition from the enemy who doesn't want these books published and put forth for others to read. We will battle this opposition together, and these books WILL be published at precisely the right time. Pray for this, as this is My will.

INNER STRUGGLE

Lord, I need You. I need to hear from you!

All day yesterday I fought a battle because I didn't want to begin going with a "healing team" ministry. I felt fear rise up in my stomach many times and fought it in prayer. I felt very far from the Spirit and sought Him to come close, but didn't feel close to Him. I just didn't seem able to "connect" well with Him.

Last evening I was sent out with a healing team to visit the homes of M with muscular dystrophy and B with maybe ALS (Lou Gehrig's disease) and Lyme's disease. I was pretty much ok through the first hour at M's house, but the second hour at B's house the words kept forming in my mind "I can't do this." which meant "I can't go out to these two and give vocal Scripture and vocal prayers for so long like I saw D and C and T doing. It just wasn't in me.

I did have one Scripture come to mind for B and one thought that there was some "bondage" which needed to be broken. The Scripture that came was *"Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace whose mind is stayed on Thee, because he trusts in Thee."*

Maybe the bondage that needed to be broken is in ME and maybe the Scripture was for ME. If I see any "bondage" in me it is a bondage to being silent when it would be good to be able to speak freely. This need to keep silent and not talk was so strong. It seems I've lived with this all my life.

Lord, help me understand this. Please give me revelation on it.

OK, today is the day to get revelation on this. Go have breakfast, then come back and we'll talk about it.

I think there is a fear in me of giving up the timidity because that would open me up to doing things more openly and publicly, which I don't want to do. The timidity is like a barrier I hide behind. Like the picture of me sitting on an upper step in my childhood home and looking down through the banister rails at who was visiting downstairs. There is something in me which craves a life of separateness from others, yet I know I need to be around others too.

“Blessed are all who take refuge in him.” (Psalm 2:12)

I am here; and I will help you.

But he said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness." (2 Cor. 12:9)

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

Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light for my path. (Psalm 119:105)

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

Because of the Lord's great love we are not consumed, for his compassions never fail. They are new every morning; great is your faithfulness. I say to myself, "The Lord is my portion, therefore I will wait for him." (Lamentations 3:22-24)

Cast your cares on the Lord and he will sustain you; he will never let the righteous fall. (Psalm 55:22)

The Lord says I can stop being on a healing team when I want to. He suggests I try it for one more time and see how that goes. Perhaps I could continue as receptionist and B could be part of a healing team. We shall see.

I am with you and I will speak to you. I WANT to be with you, Joan. I want to talk and walk together daily as you sang about ("In the Garden"). Let's do it!

Today is the beginning of a new day in your life. Note the date, October 19, 2004. I am doing something new in you and in your life and in your circumstances - today.

I HAVE IT ALL PLANNED

**“Blessed rather are those who hear the word of God and obey it.”
(Luke 11:28)**

This is what I hear from the Holy Spirit as I spend time before Him today:

1. That I am to keep planning toward self-publishing *Thoughts and Stories*.
2. That I am to continue to expect the money for self-publishing to be brought by the Lord.
4. That I am to continue with *More Thoughts and Stories* as I am doing.
5. That I am to continue with the idea of giving *Thoughts and Stories* away free to family and friends...and as I have been planning.

I am with you and I have plans for ALL your writing. Thoughts and Stories is just the beginning. There is much more to come. I am only showing you one step at a time, but I have it all planned out for you ahead. It is all good. You will thoroughly enjoy doing it.

I love you, My child.

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CALL DOWN TO EARTH WHAT IS ALREADY IN HEAVEN

Yesterday I listened to part of PTL show on TBN. One speaker said something to this effect: *“We don’t create something with our prayers. We call down to earth what is already in heaven.”*

Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of the heavenly lights. (James 1:17)

I have ALL your healing needs already met in heaven, and you can call it down to earth. I am teaching you that, and I will keep teaching you how to do that.

I want to learn that, Lord. I want to learn from You how to call down to earth the things You have already for us in heaven. Then I can be of help to others who are sick and need Your healing from heaven - as well as do that for B and me.

I want you to know that I DO love you, that I am in the process of bringing your provision to you, and that it won't be much longer. I know it has been 21 days that you have been contending and expecting and waiting for it. This is the month of contending.

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MY LOVE ISN'T EXPRESSED IN THE WAY YOU EXPECT IT

We went to the W's LIFE group last night at the S house (they were gone) and found out the W didn't have a key to let us in. So we stood outside and talked awhile, then came back home. We won't meet next week due to the *Living Under an Open Heaven* conference in Grandview Th-Sat with Paul Keith Davis, Bobby Connor, Bob Jones, John Paul Jackson, and Shawn Boltz - wow! That ought to be good. I can imagine much being imparted to B and to me during that conference. I am wondering if my publishing provision will come out of it too. Perhaps I should have a copy of the book in the car just in case.

Yes, do that. I have great plans for you and B from this conference. That's why there is such a financial strain to try to keep you from going. But GO!

Center in, center in, center in on Me....

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

I want you to center in, Joan, center in so I can speak to you.

I love you, and I am pouring out My love on you. My love isn't expressed in the way you expect it. You expect it to come with blessings, provision, visions, wonders, miracles, etc.

I am blessing you by teaching you to stand firm in the midst of difficulty, stand firm when the provision is delayed beyond what is comfortable for you...stand firm, and wait for Me, trusting in Me, even though you don't understand what I am doing. Trust Me, My child, trust Me always. I AM doing good things for you. You just don't see them yet. You will eventually. They will come. They are already here, beside Me, here in heaven. I am holding them in store for you, and will release them soon. Wait for Me in trust and worship and praise and thanksgiving.

Praise, wait, worship, trust, give thanks...That's the way I want you to stand.

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MY DAILY BREAD

My request is for Your presence.

Is that all?

You know my heart, Lord, You know I want to ask for provision, but I believe if I seek your presence, Your provision comes along with You. So, do I have an ulterior motive for seeking You? Yes, it seems so.

I know you. I know you do seek My provision along with My presence. But seek My presence anyway. And shut the door. I want you by Myself.

(A song)

Turn your eyes upon Jesus,
Look full in His wonderful face,
And the things of earth will grow strangely dim,
In the light of His glory and grace.

You will get better at this (centering in on Me) as we go along. You are on the right path. Don't you think I want you to write?

Yes, I think You want me to write and put down what You are teaching me.

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread (Matthew 6:9-11)

You haven't asked for your daily bread for a long time - just for the provision for the month (s). I want you to ask for your DAILY bread.

Then I ask You, Lord, for my daily bread.

And what do you need TODAY, Joan?

Well, I need \$___ to pay for utilities, phone, etc. And I need \$___ to pay on the rent for staying here. And I need \$___ to pay for the registration for the conference next week. That's the daily bread I ask You for today, Lord.

Add it all up.

It totals \$___.

Ok, that is your daily bread you need. Now ask for that. Don't ask for more than that, just that.

Heavenly Father, I ask you in the name of Jesus, Your Son.

And I give it in the name of Jesus, My Son.

And forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. (Matt. 6:12)

Have you forgiven all debtors?

Yes, I now have.

Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever, amen. (Matt 6:13)

TESTED FOR EDUCATIVE PURPOSES

Interesting, interesting, interesting! The pastor spoke today at church on how our provision, healing, etc. is up in the third heaven, and how we need to persevere in calling it down to earth. He mentioned the Lord's Prayer, and he mentioned Daniel praying and fasting for 21 days before there was a breakthrough from heaven to bring him the revelation he was asking for. It surely fit with what the Lord has been teaching me this month...to pray and not give up, to declare that the kingdom of God come on earth as it is in heaven, etc. And it is all based on our covenant with God and Jesus.

Covenant:

(Luke 22:20) In the same way, after the supper he took the cup, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood, which is poured out for you."

(Mark 14:24) "This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many."

(Matthew 26:27-28) Then he took the cup, gave thanks and offered it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you. This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins."

The pastor made reference to the time the Israelites needed water and the water they came to was bitter. Then Moses cried out to the Lord and was told to use a piece of wood. Moses threw it into the water and it became sweet. (The piece of wood represents Jesus on the cross) After that:

There the Lord made a decree and a law for them, and there he tested them. He said, "If you listen carefully to the voice of the Lord your God and do what is right in his eyes, if you pay attention to his commands and keep all his decrees, I will not bring on you any of the diseases I brought on the Egyptians, for I am the Lord, who

heals you." Then they came to Elim, where there were twelve springs and seventy palm trees, and they camped there near the water. (Exodus 15:25-27)

In the footnote to this section in my Scofield Study Bible it says:

"Israel came to this bitter water while walking the very path of the Lord's leading, thus indicating that difficult experiences for God's people are educative rather than punitive. The piece of wood which healed the water should remind the Christian that the cross of Christ can take all the bitterness out of all such experiences. Observe that after trial which is accepted as the Father's will, blessing and growth will follow...(see v. 27)" (*The New Scofield Study Bible*, pg 103, Oxford University Press, New York, 1998)

Twelve = Joined: United; govern; government, oversight (Government is the means by which people are united into common purposes and goals.)

Seventy = $10 \times 7 = 10$ =Measure for the purpose of accepting or rejecting that which is measured, try or trial, test. 7=Complete, all finished, rest

The Lord put in my thoughts to look up this story about the twelve springs and seventy palm trees when they were mentioned at church today. I believe that is a Scripture to show me that, as the Israelites were tested for educative purposes, I am being tested for educative purposes also...that He is making the bitter water sweet for me by His covenant with me, and that eventually I will be at the place of the 12 springs and 70 palm trees.

Thank You, Lord. I believe this is what you want me to learn today:

1. To keep persevering in prayer until the breakthrough comes
2. That You are educating me through this process, not punishing me
3. That eventually I will reach my place of Elim where I will be united with You more and be able to rest in You more fully.

The Lord spoke into my spirit this morning during worship that I am to just keep "seeking first His kingdom, His presence, and all these things will be added unto me." He said if I truly seek Him and come into His presence, then He will act and do what it takes to bring in to me the provision I need. He will speak to others as needed. I didn't have to speak to others or tell them of my need. He will do that for me.

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KEEP RESTING IN ME

Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. (Matthew 11:28)

Yes, My child, you are right with Me this morning, and we are walking in the pathway where I am leading you. I am holding your hands today as you envision. You are clean before Me, pure in heart, and you will see God, see Me, this day as you look for Me and seek Me. Yes, your time is near for the publication of your first book. You have been tested and tried and found ready. You have passed the test! You will see it begin to happen soon.

Yes, I told you yesterday that you are to rest in Me, and I will talk to others as I want to, and bring about your publishing and provision. It's My job to do that. It's your job to keep resting in Me.

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PROCLAIM SCRIPTURES

Good morning, Lord! I love you!

And I love you, My child, My loved one. Know this - that I will always love you.

Thank you for another day of life, Lord. You are my life.

Now I want you to just sit and wait on Me, center in on Me, focus on Me right now.

Gaze upon Me.

“Peace, peace, to those far and near,” says the Lord, “And I will heal them.”

Look up, write out, pray and proclaim Scriptures on provision:

“Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. Test me in this," says the Lord Almighty, "and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that you will not have room enough for it.” (Malachi 3:10)

For the Lord God is a sun and shield; the Lord bestows favor and honor; no good thing does he withhold from those whose walk is blameless. (Psalm 84:11)

A good man obtains favor from the Lord. (Proverbs 12:2)

The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not be in want. You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies. Surely goodness and love will follow me all the days of my life. (Psalm 23:1, 5, 6)

Fear the Lord, you his saints, for those who fear him lack nothing. (Psalm 34:9)

But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well. (Matt. 6:33)

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

For the Lord has chosen Zion, he has desired it for his dwelling...I will bless her with abundant provisions. (Psalm 132:13, 15)

Our help is in the name of the Lord, the Maker of heaven and earth. (Psalm 124:8)

"Because he loves me," says the Lord, "I will rescue him; I will protect him, for he acknowledges my name. He will call upon me, and I will answer him; I will be with him in trouble, I will deliver him and honor him.” (Psalm 91:14-15)

If you are pleased with me, teach me your ways so I may know you and continue to find favor with you. (Exod 33:13)

He is like a tree planted by streams of water, which yields its fruit in season and whose leaf does not wither. Whatever he does prospers. (Psalm 1:3)

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

What you decide on will be done, and light will shine on your ways. (Job 22:28)

Thou shalt also decree a thing, and it shall be established unto thee; and the light shall shine upon thy ways. (Job 22:28 KJV)

The Lord will open the heavens, the storehouse of his bounty, to send rain on your land in season and to bless all the work of your hands. (Deut. 28:12)

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DECLARATIONS

I spoke the Scriptures listed above and declared them.

I hear your declarations, Joan, and I say yes to you. Yes to every declaration you made according to My Word. My Word has life, and that life is going forth on your declarations to bring about what you declared.

I am with you. I will be with you this day and throughout this conference. I will teach you and impart to you all that is in My heart for you. You will be a different person after this conference, and areas that were before closed will be open for you. What I open no one can shut.

I am taking you slowly, and at My pace, to bring you into the fullness I have for you because I know how much you can contain without being spoiled, ruined, by having so much. I know what's best for you, and I do it.

There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under heaven. (Eccl. 3:1)

Now I will go with you to the conference and teach you all the good things I now have for you. You just watch to see where I am working and join Me. I will guide you. Ask Me if you have any questions about what you are to receive prayer for or imparting for.

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AT THE CONFERENCE ON OPEN HEAVENS

We went to “Open Heavens” Conference with Paul Keith Davis, Bob Jones, Bobby Conner, John Paul Jackson, and Shawn Bolz. Ideas from the conference...

- This IS the fullness of time!
- Being humble and being timid are not the same thing.
- We were prayed over for open heavens visions, wisdom, revelation, throne room visits
- Bob Jones touched us for sealing us to our service/ministry. He had every person in the audience come forward and hold out a hand, and he touched us.
- Time is accelerated: story about bird speaking to Bobby Conner, building nest in 2 days, eggs in 2 days, baby birds in 2 days, birds flown away in 2 days.
- Read the book of Daniel. Those end times mysteries are now being revealed.
- Listen to the male singer who sang message during worship song first thing Saturday morning. That message was for me. Transcribe it to my journal.

- If I were given the opportunity to ask Jesus for anything, I would ask to be made like Him.

If I have found favor in Your sight, teach me Thy ways, that I may know You, and continue to find favor with You. (Moses)

In my dream last night:

The grass/sod (flesh) which was placed around died due to lack of watering. I was growing flowers (glory, gift, romance) of various kinds in different places. Someone came and asked to see my newest flower. I showed them this purple (royal, rule, majestic, noble) flower which was just starting to bloom.

Interpretation:

The old flesh has been allowed to die. The new flowers of glory are now blooming and are royal, majestic. I sent my messenger, angel, to inquire about your newest flower (glory) and it was noble and majestic. It was beautiful. It refers to your book you are now working on (Thoughts And Stories) and telling you how I see it.

Even if you never see it published, it is still noble, and it is a gift of romance from Me. I am romancing you as I write with you. I am drawing you closer to Myself. This is good.

But it will be published at the right time - My time. You just hold yourself ready and keep watching for the "right time" as I reveal it. It will not necessarily be the time you think would be good, but it will be the time I think will be good. I know the whole plan, the whole picture, and I place each piece in the picture at the right time. You just keep going and looking to Me, and following Me. Your piece of the picture will come forth and be placed in the picture at just the right time. Trust Me on this.

Your purpose is not to push for it to be published (assuming failure if it isn't). No, that is My job - to publish the book if and when I want to.

When I led you to come here in April, it took until July for all to be prepared for your moving. The book was written in August-September, but it may take awhile for all to be ready for its publication. Let Me be in charge of that. You

just relax, and enjoy Me, and spend time with Me, letting Me romance you, like that newest flower.

Have You changed Your mind about self-publishing the book and giving them away?

Not changed My mind, just testing you to see if it was ok to not make any money from the book, and to be willing to distribute just as I directed.

Now, be open to the possibility of publishing it along with marketing and sales for which you receive a portion. I'm not saying that is exactly what I will do, but be open to that if I lead that way. Whatever comes, pray and seek Me until you have absolute peace about it.

There WILL BE five books for you to write altogether before the rapture.

You are a prophetic writer for Me. I will teach you, and you will share what I teach you with others. Not on the same level as Paul Keith Davis, but on a level the people I want to reach through you will read and understand.

This is the day of new beginnings. This is the time of fulfillment of your destiny and legacy.

Yes, Lord, yes, Lord, yes, yes, yes!

Remember, whenever you begin to get discouraged, put on praise music and sing to Me.

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IF YOU JUDGE SOMEONE

“Wait for the Lord; be strong and take heart and wait for the Lord.” (Psalm 27:14)

It's fibromyalgia, Joan. Other women on your mom's side of the family had it but didn't know what made them hurt. Now you have a name for it and many in your generation have it. It's been around for many years but, as many

things are right now, is increasing in scope and number of people and severity. Pray against this generational curse and break its stronghold on you and B. Then place My blood over you both and protect yourselves from it ever returning....

Now it's finished. Expect to see dramatic changes in how you feel and how B feels. It's done. Even if you have doubts or are in unbelief it is gone. I have done it!

Something to remember from the talk at Women's Bible Study last Thursday by SB (Shawn Bolz' mother):

"If you judge someone you hold them in the place of that judgment. You forgive them and ask God to forgive you for judging them. Also break every judgment others make on you.

"God is sending gathering angels where the wheat and tares are. We need to use those angels by asking God to use them for us. Ask them to pull the tares out of you."

**Seek the Lord while he may be found; call on him while he is near.
(Isaiah 55:6)**

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DIVINE DESTINY

Notes from *Books Of Destiny* by Paul Keith Davis

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"In the aspirations of Heaven, timing is everything. The Father has appointed moments for divine destiny to be fulfilled.

"Our Father is determined to find vessels to use in profound and historic ways to glorify His Son. These vessels will be children of destiny who perform the prophetic mandates of a chosen generation.

“Specific appointments with destiny have been determined and reserved by the Father; these moments are established by God’s choice and authority.

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“Almighty God selects and appoints specific times to render justice on the earth. It is by His design that His wondrous acts are performed through vessels of His choice. God humbles one and exalts another.

“People are apprehended by the Holy Spirit to fulfill their purpose and destiny by God.... Seeds of destiny are watered by the Spirit and produce a consecrated existence and fruitfulness.

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“The need to have individual purpose and fulfill an ordained task is an underlying part of our human nature.... We feel empty when we are not fulfilling that commission.

“We need to understand that accomplishing our destiny is not automatic. Decisions and choices must be made; we must be conformed to the plan of Heaven to be led into authority and productivity. We must master valuable lessons to cooperate quickly and easily with Heaven. Once we have learned to be disciples, our diligent prayer should be to remain fully focused on God’s objectives and principles.

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“Today, the eyes of the Lord are roving to and fro throughout the earth to find hearts that are completely His. When these sold-out ones are found, Heaven’s full support will be placed behind them.

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“Throughout history one common denominator has been apparent in the Lord’s choices for leadership. He chooses the common and ordinary in order to confound the wise.

“Commissions are being granted for ordinary people to live in the reality of a tangible and meaningful relationship with an awesome God. Their conviction will be a defining quality of His end-time army. Invitations and opportunities are being extended in this kairos moment of time.

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“Presently we are at the threshold of a “fullness of time” juncture in Church history. A door stands open before us, and a Voice calls us to higher, heavenly realms. God

invites us to understand experientially the unfolding of heavenly blueprints and to apprehend spiritual mysteries that have been hidden until now. These secrets of God and mysteries of His Kingdom are hidden in the depths of Christ.

(Paul Keith said at the conference on Saturday that it is NOW the “fullness of time”.)

This is your time, Joan, the time of the harvest of your destiny. Take it and cling to it. Don't let anyone or anything stop you from fulfilling your destiny. I have grown that destiny seed in you until this time and for the purpose I have called you to. It is NOW. It is being fulfilled right now. Do not let it go. I started this and I will finish it. Just trust Me in this and wait for Me to fulfill it. Five books, that is what I want you to write for Me. I will tell you what to put in those books and you write them for Me. OK?

Yes, Lord!

You have My favor and I will take care of all your needs. Do not despair, and do not give up when it is tough. I will refresh you when needed, and I will strengthen you all along the way. I have called you to this journey/walk and you have said yes. We will do this together!

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HE SETS UP KINGS

Election day! I am trusting the Lord that George Bush will be reelected. I believe He is to be reelected and that he is chosen by God for this time.

And he will, Joan. Write that down here - he will. I am with him and I will see to it that he is reelected. Remember in Daniel how I set up kings and bring them down.

Praise be to the name of God for ever and ever; wisdom and power are his. He changes times and seasons; he sets up kings and deposes them. He gives wisdom to the wise and knowledge to the discerning. He reveals deep and hidden things; he knows what lies in darkness, and light dwells with him. (Daniel 2:20-22)

I'm now reading Todd Bentley's email teaching on Apostolic Decrees of Justice, about the heavenly court, and about how God has given us power through the prophetic decree, and how the angels heed the voice of our word in bringing about God's divine judgment and justice.

You see, first I had to teach you to quit praying words out of your soul, and listen to and speak ONLY what I show you. Then I could teach you about heavenly decrees that you can speak and they will bring about judgment and cause justice to rule. I didn't want you to speak your words carelessly, but only My words which I give you, because words are important, active, alive, and bring about results.

This is the way you contend (not strive): You listen to what I tell you to pray and you pray it in My name.

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TAKE HEED TO YOURSELVES

So watch yourselves. Be careful. Take heed to yourselves. Consider carefully. Keep watch over yourselves (Ex 19:12; Deut. 4:23; 11:16, Jer. 17:21; Luke 17:3; 21:34; Acts 5:35; 20:28)

Lord, shine Your light into my soul and show me the things (iniquities) I need to repent of. I want to be clean before You and free from hindrances.

Ok, every time you feel that "hardness" come up within you, stop and seek Me for what it is. It is really self-centered thinking and actions. Since I want you Christ-centered, rather than self-centered, I show you a sign, a clue, that something is amiss. When you see or feel that sign, stop and ask Me what to do. Yes, you were tired yesterday and it affected your relationship with Darlene. Tiredness often brings out situations where self-centeredness shows up.

This is another lesson in the circumstances of life. That's why You put us here on earth: so we could *learn*, in the circumstances of life, valuable lessons in character so we can grow to be more like You, Jesus.

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PRAYING GOD'S PROMISES TO ME

Today Pastor A preached about praying the promises God spoke to us, so I am writing some of the recent promises He has given me.

I give you this instruction in keeping with the prophecies once made about you, so that by following them you may fight the good fight, holding on to faith and a good conscience. (1 Tim. 1:18)

Prophecies from Che Ahn

The Lord delights in you
A woman of hospitality
A woman that pleases the Lord
Knows how to host the Holy Spirit
Hosting others
I pray Your blessing upon Your daughter
I ask that You impart Spiritual gifts to my sister, Joan

Prophecies from Lou Engle

“They will look upon Him and be radiant, and they will be known as the offspring of the Lord.”
All the secrets of heaven come from gazing
Divine radiance rests upon Joan
There is grace on her life
Friendship with God
Open up her ears to hear
Known as a Friend of God
We loose the friendship secrets of heaven
She will know the heartbeat of God, by divine revelation
On the whisper of God to her life will move history

Promises given to me by the Holy Spirit in recent writings:

- *You are to rest in Me. I will talk to others as I want to, and bring about your publishing and provision. It's My job to do that. It's your job to keep resting in Me.*
- *This is your time, Joan, the time of the harvest of your destiny. Take it and cling to it. Don't let anyone or anything stop you from fulfilling your destiny. I have grown that destiny seed in you until this time and for the purpose I have called you to. It is NOW. It is being fulfilled right now. Do not let it go. I started this and I will finish it. Just trust Me in this and wait for Me to fulfill it. Five books, that is what I want you to write for Me. I will tell you what to put in those books and you write them for Me.*
- *You have My favor and I will take care of all your needs. Do not despair, and do not give up when it is tough. I will refresh you when needed, and I will strengthen you all along the way. I have called you to this journey/walk and you have said yes. We will do this together!*
- *You see, first I had to teach you to quit praying words out of your soul, and listen to and speak ONLY what I show you. Then I could teach you about heavenly decrees that you can speak and they will bring about judgment and cause justice to rule. I didn't want you to speak your words carelessly, but only My words which I give you, because words are important, active, alive, and bring about results.*
- *This is the way you contend (not strive): You listen to what I tell you to pray and you pray it in My name.*

Prophetic promises He gave me:

1. *To provide for your living needs, your finances, so you may listen to Me and write what I give you to write. This is to include 5 books.*
2. *To publish the book, Thoughts and Stories, that you've written for Me and with Me, and to provide the finances and publishing company to do that.*
3. *To lead you to the ministry/service I have planned for you in CTC and in this community.*
4. *To use you in healing ministry.*

5. *To always provide a place for you to live in LS for the rest of your time here on earth.*

Joan, My council has met and has declared/judged in your favor and has dispatched My angels to go out and carry out the decrees you brought before us. It is done!

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MEDITATING AND ACTING UPON REVELATION KNOWLEDGE

The slothful man roasteth not that which he took in hunting [he does not meditate on and act upon the revelation knowledge he receives from his studies of the Word of God], but the substance of a diligent man is precious. (Proverbs 12:27)

Am I a slothful man, Lord?

You are to the extent that you don't meditate on and act upon the revelation knowledge you receive from studying the Word. What revelation knowledge did you receive last night?

At the Heartland Healing Room prayer session: L talked about loving the hungry, homeless, needy, and poor. Then L read the Scripture from Psalm 103

Bless the Lord, O my soul; and all that is within me, bless his holy name! Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits, who forgives all your iniquities, who heals all your diseases, who redeems your life from the Pit, who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy, who satisfies you with good as long as you live so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's. (Psalm 103:1-5 RSV)

As L read the words: "Bless the Lord," the Holy Spirit spoke to me that I bless the Lord by loving the people He wants to love. It meant to me, that as I love others He wants to love, I am blessing Him...that I am doing His work, work for Him. And that blesses Him.

Wouldn't it bless you if you wanted to do something, and someone else did it for you, in your name, for your honor and glory?

You are being separated out for a ministry of displaying fruit and displaying the roots (attitudes) out of which they are growing - attitudes which were hidden but are now being exposed by your increasing ministry to others.

You come into a situation, discern the fruit, and expose the root attitudes. You were picking up on that some last night, and therefore wanted to talk more with T and the two guys, to discern the attitudes underneath the needs mentioned.

Maybe I am in the wrong ministry (Heartland Healing Room).

Maybe, but this was a place to start. You have learned from it, and the experience may help you find an even better place for you - counseling. Didn't I mention Christian Education and Counseling to you many years ago? Now it's time to harvest that destiny plan for you - in Christian Education and Counseling. Wasn't that what the book (Thoughts and Stories) was about?

Then where do I do ministry here in LS and CTC?

Keep growing and letting Me guide you. I will get you there. For right now stay in the Heartland Healing Room ministry and I will continue to teach you there. You will learn a lot through them. I still have a lot to teach you and you can share these teachings step by step with your readers, and they will receive teaching and counsel through what I show you, and you, in turn, write for them to read.

The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom, and knowledge of the Holy One is understanding. (Proverbs 9:10)

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DAILY WALK THE WAY HE LEADS ME

The Lord tells me today that I don't need to worry about when my books will be published. He has a perfect timing when that will happen. He might even have me write all 5 books He has said He wants me to write before He publishes any of them. I am to keep writing and following Him, and praying for the books to be published at the right time, and praying for the people who will read those books.

Those prayers are going up before Him and being kept in golden vials until the right time for them to be opened and answered. (As Perry Stone taught this week on Manna Fest about the incense going up before God and kept in containers there until the time the Lord chooses to answer them).

He reminded me of those dead sea scrolls that were written thousands of years ago, yet they were "opened" at the right time and brought great blessing and understanding to those who read them. He also said He might have a different way of publishing them than what I have pictured, and He might distribute them through bookstores instead of my giving them away. I have been obedient to the picture He has given me, and He may also follow through with that plan (of giving them away and self publishing). I am to just keep listening to Him, following Him, and daily walk the way He leads me.

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JEHOVAH ROPHE - THE GOD WHO HEALS YOU

Write down these words, for in accordance with these words I have made a covenant with you. (Exodus 34:27)

I have heard all your prayers that have been sent up to Me. I have heard all your prayers for healing. I will answer all those prayers at precisely the right time. I am the God who heals you - Jehovah Rophe.

Yes, maybe I had Moses write down things when he went out to that "tent of meeting" just like I have you write down things when I speak to you. I do not speak to you 'face to face' as I did with Moses because you have Me, My Spirit, inside you and I can speak to you through My Spirit into your spirit.

I heard your cry for justice, Joan, and I say 'yes' to your cry. I WILL restore to you the body health that has been stolen from you by the enemy. I WILL restore to you the financial provision stolen from you by the enemy. I WILL restore to you the energy and joy and enthusiasm stolen from you by the enemy and you will be like a little child or young girl again in how you feel physically and mentally (without the heaviness on you of all the trauma you have endured in your lifetime).

You will have the good health to accomplish all I have called you to and destined for you.

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LIKE THE EYE OF A STORM

For in the day of trouble He will keep me safe in His dwelling; He will hide me in the shelter of His tabernacle and set me high upon a rock. (Psalm 27:5)

In the shelter of your presence you hide them from the intrigues of men; in your dwelling you keep them safe from accusing tongues. (Psalm 31:20)

“He (David) discovered the secret place to be a shelter from the swirl of emotions and troubles that constantly bombarded his soul. Here he could vent his anxious thoughts; here he could be renewed in God’s love as he gazed on His beauty; here he could be quieted by the assurances of His heavenly Father’s protection; here he was healed from the wounds of man’s rejection; here he regained strength for the journey; here he was safe. The secret place is like the eye of a storm. While all is storming about us, we find an inner sanctuary of rest and peace. There’s something of a paradox here because we are experiencing both storm and peace simultaneously.

“While the place of prayer is a place of immunity, it is also one of Satan’s favorite places to attack the devout. The assurance to the believer, however, is that when he is attacked in the place of prayer the Father is exercising sovereign jurisdiction over the entire affair. Nothing can happen to you in the secret place that He doesn’t

specifically allow for His higher purposes. You are totally immune from anything outside His will. (*Secrets Of The Secret Place*, Bob Sorge, p 27)

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THE SMARTEST THING YOU'LL EVER DO

As I wrote the date 11-15 on the title of this file, I had an inner sense that this was a special day somehow. The Spirit says it is special, but I don't know why, because of something that is being brought from heaven down to earth this day, but I might realize some of it later.

“Intimacy precedes insight. Passion precedes purpose. First comes the secret place, then comes divine guidance. God doesn't simply want to get you on the right path, He wants to enjoy you throughout the journey.

“God's primary desire for your life is not that you discover His will and walk in it; His primary desire is that you draw near to Him and come to know Him. And then He desires that from that knowing relationship there comes a tender walking together in His purposes.

“Pursuing a knowing relationship with God in the secret place is not only the smartest thing you'll ever do, it's also one of the greatest keys to discovering your highest destiny in God.” (*Secrets of the Secret Place*, Bob Sorge, p 32-33)

I am with you, Joan, and I love you. Yes, I gave My life so that we could have this intimate relationship and communicate with each other all the time, as we do. I wanted it for you, and I wanted it for Me. You can know how important this relationship is to Me by looking at what I paid for it...My life.

From *Books of Destiny* by Paul Keith Davis)

In this section Bob Jones had died and was waiting in line to enter heaven. Each person before him was asked by Christ: “Did you learn to love?”

About Bob, Christ said: "You must return. You have not completed your course, and the enemy has violated the destiny of Heaven created for you."

"Because of this violation, the Lord, according to His system of justice, was able to impart a great blessing. What the enemy had intended for evil, God was going to use for a noble cause."

Jesus said to Bob Jones: "I am going to glorify myself beyond anything that has happened previously in the world. I am going to bring one billion souls to Myself, and this plan of Heaven will begin in the year 2000." (*Books of Destiny*, Paul Keith Davis, p134-5)

(Regarding the books I am writing)

It is not quite time to publish them yet. They are not needed yet in the way I expect them to be needed when it is time to publish them. That's why, if you publish them now, it will need to be self-publishing. But, at the right time, there will be a publisher who will WANT to publish all your books and put them out for others to read who, at that time, find they are just what they need to read. So save them up for My perfect publishing time, whether it's during your lifetime on this earth or not. Put them in the blue notebooks and label them. Also keep them on computer diskettes and on your computer and B's computer. They will be found or discovered at the right moment, whether by you or by others.

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NO PLAN B

"One of the greatest secrets to intimacy with God is to come to Him as your only source of help and hope. 'Lord, in this situation I have no Plan B--no other options to default to if You don't come through. You are the only one who can help me!' He loves it when you look to Him alone for deliverance. And the inverse is also true: His jealousy is kindled when we entertain other saviors." (*Secrets of the Secret Place*, Bob Sorge, p 32-33)

I can see now that I had been keeping (and saying sometimes) that if the Lord didn't come through with provision, I could get a job as a church secretary or something. I did have a plan B. He said "no job" to me, so that was taken away--so I really have no plan B. And I believe that is what He wants--no plan B. Am I right, Lord?

Yes, Joan, you are right. I am your sole provider, even though I am using B to help ease your way in this plan I have. You see, it is just as important for her to have you here as for you to have her here to help you have a home to live in - even if only temporary. It would have been much more difficult, if not impossible in your eyes, to move to LS without her here.

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THE BRIDE WILL BE LIKE A DOVE WITH FEATHERS OF SILVER AND GOLD

Wow! What a surprise! I read in Paul Keith Davis' book *Books of Destiny* about his being taken to a library room of Heaven in early 2003. It was an ancient room with many shelves of parchments and books. Intuitively he knew they were books of strategy for the generations. His attention was drawn to a parchment nailed to a wooden post. It was about 6 inches long and 3 inches wide. There were 3 Scriptures on it: Psalm 68, Jude, 1 Kings 3. He knew they specifically related to the calling of the bride in our generation and provided strategy for the release of Heaven and the fulfillment of our bridal mandate.

This is what he wrote about Psalm 68:

"Psalm 68 is prophetically descriptive of the bridal calling. She will be like the wings of a dove covered with silver and its pinions with glistening gold (verse 13). This portrays the manifest presence of Christ in the revelation of His Kingdom." (*Books of Destiny*, Paul Keith Davis, p161)

The reason this surprised me so much is that twice in my journals recently I have come upon this verse and pondered what it might mean. I wrote about this two times in *Thoughts and Stories, Book 2* on pages 29 and 36. This is what I wrote there:

A PUZZLING SCRIPTURE

"Even while you sleep among the campfires, the wings of my dove are sheathed with silver, its feathers with shining gold." (Psalm 68:13)

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A puzzling Scripture I read this morning. I wonder what it means. I wonder how it pertains to me. It is Psalm 68:13... I asked the Lord to help me understand it.

And what does My dove represent?

It represents You, Holy Spirit.

Now read it again. "The wings of my dove (Me) are sheathed with silver, its feathers with gold." I am covered with silver and gold. I bring silver and gold with Me when I come to you - even while you sleep.

When you sleep, then you are not aware of what I am doing, but it is being done while you are unaware. That is My message to you today. That is why that Scripture passage intrigued you so. I wanted you to stop and ponder it so I could use it to bring you this message:

I am bringing silver and gold to you even while you are unaware of it.

WISDOM AND KNOWLEDGE

"Even while you sleep among the campfires, the wings of my dove are sheathed with silver, its feathers with shining gold." (Psalm 68:13)

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Recently I read this Scripture which captured my attention. Today it has come to my attention again.

It brought to my mind that even while I am unaware of it taking place, God is bringing to me the finances that are needed in this next stage or season of my life.

Today I looked up silver and gold in the dream book. Silver stands for knowledge, knowledge of God. Gold stands for wisdom, glory.

Then, when I got to work the Scripture on my calendar was: "Is not wisdom found among the aged? Does not long life bring understanding?" (Job 12:12)

It was like God was emphasizing and reconfirming to me that I now have the wisdom and knowledge He wants to put together in this new book which I wasn't fully ready for before. He has impressed me previously how this book is the harvest or fruition of all I've learned from Him for all these years.

Guide me in this, Holy Spirit, so the book will say all You want in it and will omit all You don't want in it.

And He responded:

I will, My child, I will do that!

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So, now that I am reading about this particular Scripture in Paul Keith's book, I am asking the Lord: "Why are you showing me this for the third time? Is there special significance to this Scripture that you want me to know and understand?"

*It is significant for you, Joan, but I will have to reveal to you how. I will do that in the coming days. Keep it in mind.*

Paul Keith goes on to say about the book of Jude:

"Jude identifies the spirit of compromise that will attempt to rob the bride of her inheritance and source of spiritual strength. There are two opposing spirits that will be clearly differentiated in the coming days; no longer will the two be indistinguishable."

"1 Kings 3 recounts God's supernatural impartation of wisdom and knowledge into Solomon's life. God has now come to release to us the same spirit of wisdom and revelation that empowered this famous king of Israel. We will not be able to accommodate our mandates fully without these spiritual endowments." (*Books of Destiny*, Paul Keith Davis, p161)

Release that to me, Lord, Your spirit of wisdom and revelation and knowledge.

*I will, Joan, I already have partly, and I will be releasing it more as you are able and ready.*

OK, get me able and ready, Lord.

*Yes, I am and I will.*

“These are consecrated believers who have found favor in the Lord’s sight and allowed Him to purge, purify, and cleanse them spirit, soul, and body. Their sole desire will be to embody the living Word and steward Heaven’s agenda and Christ’s motives. The spirit of wisdom and revelation will rest upon this body and bring understanding of the Kingdom’s mysteries and the great and mighty things we have previously not known. (*Books of Destiny*, Paul Keith Davis, p161)

*And you are part of that body of believers, Joan. You are commissioned to carry a part of the revelation of wisdom and knowledge to this age. Your books are the carriers of the wisdom and knowledge I am giving you day by day. It’s your part, the part I have for you to do. So keep writing and listening to Me daily so your part can be completed. I am going to reveal Myself to the world now and you are one I am using to do that.*

Thank You for letting me be a part of this body of believers, Lord.

*You are. I have trained you for that all these years. So tomorrow read Jude and 1 Kings 3, and I will show you more.*

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## CONSIDERING HIS HEART

Interesting! I was reading in Isaiah 44:14-20 and misread one line. It said: “And no one considers in his heart.” I read it as if it said: “And no one considers His heart.”

Immediately the Lord began to show me that “considering His heart” is loving Him, just as “considering others’ hearts (feelings) is loving them. I want to draw close to Him so I can “consider His heart” every day.

*Just like I said that loving someone for Me, in My place, is honoring Me. Honor and love are very closely related.*

*Dressing up FOR ME can be honoring Me too, Joan. Seeking My face can be honoring Me too.*

I love You, Lord. I seek Your face, Lord. I draw near to You.

*And when you draw near to Me, I draw near to you. I am with you always, but “drawing near” comes when YOU draw near to ME. Come close, My love! Purify your thoughts before Me and draw close to Me.*

Bob Sorge: (Isaiah 44:14-20) “As I was meditating in this passage, the Lord gave me a definition of a false god. This definition helps me because even though in our westernized culture there are very few people who actually worship figures of wood or stone, we too have our own false gods. In the passage, the Lord describes the idolaters as saying to their block of wood, “Deliver me, for you are my god!” So a god is defined as this: anything to which we ascribe the power to deliver us. Westerners have their own set of false gods--sources to which they turn for deliverance when in times of crisis or need.” (p 35, Bob Sorge *Secrets of the Secret Place*)

What do I turn to as a god to deliver me?

Social Security

Medicare insurance

B

Church

*That’s why it hurt so much the other day when you realized you couldn’t count on B to rescue you forever and that, at some point in time, you would be totally dependent on Me for a place to live--that you have no home now. It was feeling your total dependency on Me for a place to live because you have no money for one. It was a desperately lonely feeling until I comforted you.*

Bob Sorge: “God-worshippers are those who come to God first in their time of need. They seek God’s face and wait on Him to receive directives for the course to take. The secret place becomes the threshold where we wait upon God, seeking His powerful intervention, and crying out to Him for wisdom and revelation.

“Occasionally, the Spirit will say to you, ‘In this instance, I want you to wait on Me only and stand in faith until I intervene sovereignly in your situation.’ When God gives you this word, then fasten your seat belt! You are in for the ride of your life. You are stepping into the God zone. Here we find the stuff of miracles. This is the dimension where God rises up in His wrath and vengeance and wreaks havoc upon your enemies. Your role is to gaze upon Him, love Him, and grow in patience and faith; His role is to loose resurrection power in His time and way.....You’re taking the high road of the greatest saints of history, the pathway where God reveals the power of His arm,

the splendor of His majestic beauty, and the awesomeness of His eternal purposes.”  
(p 36, Bob Sorge *Secrets of the Secret Place*)

**My soul, wait silently for God alone, for my expectation is from Him. (Psalm 62:5)**

So You want me to have no plan B, Lord?

*I want you to have no other plan than My plan, Joan. You only go to some plan (whatever it is) if I tell you to go there. Therefore I will be your only plan, and whatever I lead you to is the right plan for you.*

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### **PREPARE THE WAY FOR THE PEOPLE**

**Pass through, pass through the gates! Prepare the way for the people. Build up, build up the highway! Remove the stones. Raise a banner for the nations. (Isaiah 62:10)**

The Lord is impressing me that this Scripture expresses what He is using my books for -- to help prepare the way for the people by my passing through the gates (of experiences) then sharing that through the books, and this helps prepare the way for others to come there too. It helps build up the highway and remove the stones and raise a banner for others to come the same pathway too.

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### **EXTENDING HIS SCEPTER**

Paul Keith Davis re Mrs. White: "She is like Esther...I have extended My scepter to her because I knew her request would be consistent with the desire of My heart." (*Books of Destiny*, Paul Keith Davis, p 169)

*This is what I am saying to you, Joan. I am extending My scepter to you too. It contains all that I am: wisdom, righteousness, humility, authority, direction, provision, grace, and anointing.*

(Mrs. White said:) "I am holding the scepter out to you, but I will not touch you with it. You, My people, must come and touch it for yourselves. This is the time to move forward toward Me. I am your direction for the future. I will never withdraw My scepter; it will remain--it is available and it holds all of who I am. it is now available to you, My Church. The Captain of the Lord of Hosts has summoned us to the throne room to touch His scepter of wisdom, authority, provision, grace, and anointing. Jesus is coming again for His bride. He is indeed shaking the nations--make sure your feet are planted solidly in Him. Jesus is saying to the Church that He desires to meet her in the throne room to share the things He has to tell us." (*Books of Destiny*, Paul Keith Davis, p170-171)

*That is where you come every time you come to the Secret Place and meet Me, Joan*

(Mrs. White) "Do not say you are not sufficiently trained or that you have only had basic training. Beloved, we are never fully prepared for war. In this upcoming war you will gain your experience on active duty. We have been called up to receive our orders, directions, and provision from Headquarters. There are no options or refusals. The Lord of Hosts has called us to His throne room to touch His scepter. Will you?" (*Books of Destiny*, Paul Keith Davis, p171)

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## COME UP HERE

**After this I looked, and there before me was a door standing open in heaven. And the voice I had first heard speaking to me like a trumpet said, "Come up here." (Revelation 4:1)**

“Those who overcome hear the Lord say ‘come up here.’ It is there, before His throne, that we apprehend His heart and discover His unfathomable riches. Unprecedented opportunities are being offered to those who desperately press in to the Lord to obtain favor and help from the throne of grace. These will be the champions of the Lord who are seated with Him on His throne.” (*Books of Destiny*, Paul Keith Davis, p168)

*And you are one of those, Joan. I have already given you favor by bringing you here to LS to sit and listen to Me and write down what I say - THAT is My favor! You have received My favor, and you are receiving it, and you will receive it. And you are sitting with Me on My throne and getting direction and provision from Me now. This will continue and grow to be more.*

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## THROUGH MANY MESSENGERS

“Messengers have been sent to every age with a divine mandate and deposit of truth. They have had a fire locked up in their bones that must be expressed and demonstrated. They are like stars in the hand of the Lord, ready to present the heavenly revelation to the Body of Christ. In order to groom a people to reflect Christ’s likeness and nature, an unprecedented amount of heavenly manna through many messengers, will be released in this day. It will be a multiplication of the ‘light’ shining throughout the seven Church ages. According to the prophecy of Isaiah:” (*Books of Destiny*, Paul Keith Davis, p 174):

**“The moon will shine like the sun, and the sunlight will be seven times brighter, like the light of seven full days, when the Lord binds up the bruises of His people and heals the wounds he has inflicted.”**  
**(Isaiah 30:26)**

Wow! And I get to be one of those messengers! With all that bright light!

*Yes you are!*

*Your books will be a record of the journey from the beginning in Book 1 to the most light revealed in Book 5. This is not just for the people now, or even in the tribulation, but also a record carried into the millenium...a record*



*which people can read then and realize the difficulties faced by believers during the “church age.”*

*Previously you have thought of life up until the Rapture, and sometimes what it would be like during the tribulation. Now I want you to expand that thinking to include what life might be like during the millenium and what I might want to accomplish now for My people who will live then.*

Amazing, Lord! Amazing to think about it!

*You have asked Me for a knowledge of My Word and an understanding of it. Well, I now give it to you with My scepter.*

(I reached out to touch His scepter and I received it from Him.)

*It is now yours, in your heavenly treasure stored up here, and will soon be manifested to you on earth as it is in heaven...even as your healing is also here and will be soon manifested.*

I receive it in Your Name, Jesus! Thank you!!!!

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### **AS IRON SHARPENS IRON**

**As iron sharpens iron, so one man sharpens another. (Proverbs 27:17)**

He taught me this morning that as iron sharpens iron, I learn and grow through reading what He has taught others and they wrote, and others will learn from what He has taught me and I write.

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## OUR BREAD FROM HEAVEN

“The revelation of His logos and *rhema* Word is our bread from Heaven. It is the spiritually nutritious manna that will perfectly sustain us.

“We are standing on the threshold of the generation long foreseen by the prophets and patriarchs. The holy ones of this day will not only be granted access to the manna of Heaven but also will partake of the grace to apprehend this experiential reality. This will be the generation to whom the Lord comes by placing His foot on the land and the sea, clothed in a rainbow, and with the open book in His hand. For many generations the book (scroll) has been sealed, but the end-time body has the unimaginable promise of living in the day in which the Lord Himself will break all seven of its seals open. It is His promise to give the now-open book to His betrothed ones as hidden manna for a generation hungry to consume the reality of Heaven.” (Revelation 10) (*Books of Destiny*, Paul Keith Davis, p 175-176)

*You see, Joan, the generation hungry to consume the reality of Heaven is almost ready to consume. I want your books ready for them to consume at the exact perfect time, and only I know that exact perfect time when people are ready for the words I am writing with you. So please be patient and know I will publish these books at the exact right time and then they will be consumed and not fall to the ground for lack of understanding them - or even of wanting them.*

*So you see, Joan, the IS no reason people would want to read what you have written except a few friends and family out of curiosity. BUT, also see, that, as Bob Sorge says, I am everything. I have eternal greatness. The books are My idea. They are starting with Me and will end with Me. I am the Alpha and the Omega...the beginning and the end. The books will have meaning for others ONLY as I prepare people for them and I anoint them with power to communicate this meaning to others - the meaning I want them to receive. Without Me you can do nothing!*

~ 95 ~

## THE LORD PROVIDING BREAD

“One of Jesus’ great miracles was the multiplication of the fishes and loaves. This act gives us a prophetic picture of the Lord supernaturally providing bread for His hungry followers. The miraculous provision was then given to the disciples, who delivered it to the masses. The Lord took the bread and gave it a supernatural blessing; He multiplied it so that all who were hungry had more than enough. The Lord will always make a way to provide bread for those who are hungry for it.” (pg. 176, *Books of Destiny*, Paul Keith Davis)

*And you are one of My surprise ways, Joan, one I am using to help provide food, manna, for those who are hungry - at the time they are hungry, not just anytime.*

“The Lord gives His victorious ones access to His mysteries when they overcome the religious structure of their day.

*That’s why I had you leave C and its religious structure you knew there, and took you to a “new place” completely free of that old structure...so you could access My mysteries.*

“Entrance to this realm is gained through God’s power and revelation, which transcends the natural world. The Lord desires to open His treasures to those who embrace every word that proceeds from His mouth.” (*Books of Destiny*, Paul Keith Davis, p 177)

*You see! You embrace the words that come from My mouth into your heart and mind. You “live” on those words. I give those words to you as manna daily, and you eat them, and they sustain you. Since My words are your life, are life to you, I desire to open My treasury to you more. Then you can impart those treasury words to others to bring “life” to them also.*

~ 96 ~

## REACHING MATURITY

**But to each one of us grace has been given as Christ apportioned it. This is why it says: "When he ascended on high, he led captives in his train and gave gifts to men." It was he who gave some to be**

**apostles, some to be prophets, some to be evangelists, and some to be pastors and teachers, to prepare God's people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ. (Ephesians 4:7-8, 11-13)**

*That's what is happening right now, Joan. My people are being brought to unity in the faith and in the knowledge of Me, and reaching maturity which is becoming fully like Me. And I apportion the grace.*

**~ 97 ~**

### **DWELL IN THE HOUSE OF THE LORD**

**One thing I ask of the Lord, this is what I seek: that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life to gaze upon the beauty of the Lord and to seek him in his temple. (Psalm 27:4)**

**One thing I ask of the Lord, this is what I seek: that I may dwell**  
*(live, abide, be there)*

**in the house of the Lord** *(and you are there right now, Joan)*

**all the days of my life** *(and you are and you will be)*

**to gaze upon the beauty of the Lord** *(to gaze means to hear, to see, to perceive, to recognize and understand, and you are doing all of that as you FOCUS or CENTER on Me)*

**and to seek him in his temple.** *(where is My temple but the place where I am here in heaven.*

*You are here, in My temple, each day when you come to Me in Quiet Time, and then as you return your attention to Me throughout the day and we talk together. You ARE seeking Me in My temple in this way.*

*I put that desire in your heart long ago, to want what this Scripture verse says, and made this verse especially meaningful to you - so you WOULD seek Me and desire to be with Me, because that is My destiny for you. I planned our relationship before the foundation of the world, Joan, yours and Mine, special as it is, special to you and special to Me. I WANT our relationship! I WANT you!*

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### **HIS FIRE IS BURNING**

*Let's just focus in on us, you and Me. Let's have a nice long quiet time now and not deal with food. You can do without food for quite awhile; you know that. You can be ready to type what I tell you. Your typing does not disturb our communicating time together. I have made it that way for you. Remember how John the apostle wrote even while in the midst of the Revelation experience? Remember how Dale Fife wrote what I told him and showed him while "down in the well" of his revelation experiences? You can write too, as we travel our Quiet Time experiences together.*

**"Then the Lord replied: 'Write down the revelation and make it plain on tablets so that a herald may run with it. For the revelation awaits an appointed time; it speaks of the end and will not prove false. Though it linger, wait for it: it will certainly come and will not delay.'" (Habakkuk 2:2-3)**

*That makes you think of the last scene in your series of visions in 1985, doesn't it?*

(In the last scene of my series of visions in 1985 - I saw a ball of fire moving around in the space above the congregation in my church sanctuary and touching one person after another.)

*That last scene is starting to happen now - now meaning since about 2000. It is increasing and going faster every day, and touching millions of people. It will accelerate much faster in 2005. You will see it. Much will be happening in 2005 that I have been getting you and B in place for. You will be part of it*

- the “much happening”. It will surely involve CTC in a profound way, and you both will be part of that, as well as one-on-one with others and also personally for each of you.

*You see in your mind that “ball of fire” moving up and around, touching people here and there. If you think of that sanctuary in which you see it moving as "the world" then you can see that ball of fire going around "the world" and touching people and groups all over the world. That’s what the sanctuary represents - it represents where I am working around the world, in My sanctuary, the place where I am dwelling and working.*

*My Holy Spirit ball of fire is using and taking My people all around the world to people groups and setting them on fire for Me.*

*My fire is burning!*

*Look up all the Scriptures that fit this scenario and write them here:*

**“Is not my word like fire,” declares the Lord...? (Jeremiah 23:29)**

**They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them. (Acts 2:3)**

**For our God is a consuming fire. (Hebrews 12:29)**

**I have come to bring fire on the earth. (Luke 12:49)**

**I looked, and I saw a windstorm coming out of the north--an immense cloud with flashing lighting and surrounded by brilliant light. The center of the fire looked like glowing metal, and in the fire was what looked like four living creatures. (Ezekiel 1:4-5)**

**And high above on the throne was a figure like that of a man. I saw that from what appeared to be his waist up he looked like glowing metal, as if full of fire, and that from there down he looked like fire; and brilliant light surrounded him. (Ezekiel 1:27)**

**As I looked, thrones were set in place, and the Ancient of Days took his seat. His clothing was as white as snow; the hair of his head was white like wool. His throne was flaming with fire, and its wheels**

**were all ablaze. A river of fire was flowing, coming out from before him. Thousands upon thousands attended him; ten thousand times ten thousand stood before him. The court was seated, and the books were opened. (Daniel 7:9-10)**

*This is now, Joan. I am on My throne with the books open and judging the ten thousand times ten thousand (meaning all peoples) who are "before Me" - as My eyes run to and fro throughout the earth. The court with Me is also seated meaning they are also ready and waiting to judge with Me and watch Me judge the earth. The books are now open for the judgment. That judgment is like a fire coming out from before Me to the earth.*

*There is very little "time" left for people to change positions from where they are right now.*

*As Bob Sorge says: "You are destined for fire. You will burn for all eternity-- the only question is where." (Bob Sorge in Secrets of the Secret Place, p 38)*

**In that day...The Lord will...cleanse the bloodstains from Jerusalem by a spirit of judgment and a spirit of fire. (Isaiah 4:4)**

**He makes his servants flames of fire. (Hebrews 1:7)**

*My fire is burning. It is making judgment throughout the earth. You (people) will either be consumed by fiery passion for Me or fiery passion for the enemy. Soon there will be no "in between." People must choose. They choose Me or they reject Me (which means they choose to live on earth without Me). If they choose to live without Me, then they will be deceived by the enemy and will think they are right, but they will be dead wrong!*

*Come, My children, come to Me and be saved! I want you for Mine, but I allow you freedom to choose to live without Me. It is a sad choice to do so, a sad choice. It means you will die. There will be no "life" in you for I am Life. If you have no Life, then you die.*

*I want My own to come to Me, Joan, and I want you to pray for that as often as I bring it to your mind.*

*They have mostly come already, but there are a few more.*

I didn't know it was that close, Lord.

*It is. There is not much time left.*

*Come to Me, My children. I love you and I want you to be Mine. When I close the opportunity to choose Me, I want you to be with Me. And the opportunity will close soon. Then I will take My own to heaven to be with Me. And you (if you don't choose Me) will be left on earth to face the judgment. Some of you will choose Me then, and I will love you for that, but you will have to "go through" the judgment just the same.*

*It is so much better if you choose Me now, before the Rapture...so much better! Come, My children and choose Me while there is still time.*

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## **A NEW NAME**

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

“As a blessing, the overcomers not only receive access to the hidden manna but also a white stone with a new name written upon it. No one knows that new name except those who receive it. It is part of the change of nature and character imparted to those who are victorious in this battle and share in this blessed promise. After a name changes, promises are given. (*Books of Destiny*, Paul Keith Davis, p 179)

*After a name change then there is a character change to match/fit that name. I have assigned you a character for life on this earth to fit what I want you to do on this earth. After this, in heaven, I will give you a new name to match/fit what I want you to do for Me at that time, in the Millenium and after.*

*Right now, on this earth, I want you to be small and humble and hidden. I want you to be quiet and listen to Me and write what I give you. That is your assignment. In heaven it will be different. You won't necessarily be the same as here with the same character traits. I will choose what I want you to be*



*there and give you a name to fit that. It will be delightful to you because it will be “who you are.”*

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## **A CHRISTMAS GIFT**

I want to give a gift to You, Lord, for Christmas.

*You have given Me the gift I really want, Joan, your heart. That is the most precious gift you can give Me...that is what I died for - your heart. Many people give Me “gifts” at Christmas instead of their hearts, as a substitute for their hearts, and what I really want is just their hearts. Then they can give gifts to others in My name, after their hearts belong to Me.*

Then I'd like to give a gift, in Your name, to someone, somewhere, Lord. Tell me what You would like for me to give and where.

*I will. Be watching for it.*