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The Set Times
Of The Lord

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I dedicate this book to the Lord Jesus Christ,
my best Friend.
May it bring Him glory
in the lives of others as they read it.

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SCRIPTURE FOR MEDITATION

I walk in the way of righteousness, along the paths of justice, bestowing wealth on those who love me and making their treasuries full. (Proverbs 8:20-21 NIV)

JOURNAL 5-1-06 Monday

A DREAM ABOUT A HOUSE WITH SOME WALLS OF DOUBLE GLASS

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I was inside a house. It seemed as if many of the Whitacre family members (my maiden name) were there almost as if it might be a reunion. I was amazed at the house. While I was in the kitchen I realized that three sides of the kitchen had double glass walls around it. I kept exclaiming how unusual that was. The double glass walls seemed to be about 1 foot apart from each other. The kitchen was inside a larger room so it felt like it was part of the larger room due to the walls being see-through. I liked the double glass walls.

As I walked around in the house I saw an area so separated from the first area that it was almost like 2 houses back to back but with ways from one section to the other. I realized we couldn't hear people talking in the 2nd section while in the 1st one.

I went outside and saw an outdoor area made of cement blocks that could be used for outdoor cooking. I also realized that an airplane could taxi right up to that side of the house. At one end of this double house there was a huge room crossing both parts. I exclaimed that it was almost big enough to be called a ballroom.

I was then outside in the front yard of my old NH home walking in the grass. I started to walk to Hwy #30, but then saw 3 large trucks stop along the highway. I decided I didn't

want to risk going there by myself since I didn't know the people who got out of the trucks.

The setting of this dream was a house which represents me, my life or my heart. It refers to my life in relation to my relatives and ancestors. First it shows my heart (kitchen) with walls of glass. That refers to my passion for spiritual food for myself and others. This can been seen, but there is still a double glass barrier around it. This is within the structure of my life/heart where all my family is - those who played significant roles in my ancestry. Parts of the house (my heart/life) are so separated from other parts it is hard to hear between those parts. Perhaps that means I have difficulty hearing what is down inside of me from my ancestors and relatives. But my heart/life still has a place for dancing and celebration as part of it. It has a place on the outside that can be used to prepare spiritual food for/with others. This might refer to courses in discipleship I used to lead. The airplane could represent my ministry which can come right up next to my heart/life when it comes back from going out for personal spiritual ministry.

Now or in the future I see myself walking on the grass (flesh, self, the revelation of Christ, the Word of God, a spiritual foundation) toward a big highway representing the Christian faith way of life. It represents the beginning of my ministry (with the number 30) with the idea of the acceptance or rejection of it. I seem to draw back in fear because I don't know the people who stop and get out of their trucks. These represent ministries that carry large amounts of what needs to be delivered. This may symbolize my walking in the flesh or self in fear toward larger ministry or toward others in larger ministries.

I think I do walk in fear (in relation to my family) as it regards my ministry or true heart's desire. I feel great reluctance to share with them about this part of my life. I have those double glass walls around it. It shows perhaps I don't "hear" well between different parts within myself. It is not easy to move back and forth between these parts. But there is an area inside of me for dancing and celebrating. There is also an area for preparing spiritual food for others and for flying out in ministry to others. I am reluctant to approach any section of the Christian community that is unknown and therefore suspect, even if it is from God.

What does this mean, Lord? What do You want me to learn?

> *That this is the way you are…that you keep closed off from your family, and others too, what is really happening down inside your heart and life. You do not allow others to hear much of who you are or what you do. You do have a place to help feed others but it is on the outside of your real heart. You do have a place of celebration inside your heart and this is good. I want you to know you will see large ministry opportunities come close to you, but you will only look at them and not go to meet them if you walk in your self/flesh. It is your choice. I am not saying I won't love you just as much. I am just saying you will need to overcome fear to join them. They ARE of Me (3, 30). This is in your future.*

SCRIPTURE FOR MEDITATION

Commit to the Lord whatever you do, and your plans will succeed. (Proverbs 16:3 NIV)

JOURNAL 5-4-06 Thursday

Last night I began reading the book by Derek Prince called: *Blessings or Curses: You Can Choose*. Almost immediately I realized this was a wonderful powerful book with things in it I wanted and needed to learn and appropriate in my life. One of the big things I learned is that healing may be blocked due to curses in one's life - curses one might not even have the faintest idea that exist. In this book Derek tells the story of how he came to learn about blessings and curses and its relationship to healing. He tells what curses are, how they come to apply to our lives, and what to do to be released from them. The blessings and curses are mainly mentioned in Deuteronomy 28, but also elsewhere in the Bible. They may come down to the fourth generation from those who brought them about first. He shows how that means we are affected by the curses brought on from 2 parents, 4 grandparents, 8 great grandparents, and 16 great great grandparents, making 30 people total…as well as from things we did that might bring them on us. I know that it is God's timing that I find and read this book right now, during the month He has promised to bring healing to me. I believe that He wants to free me from the effects of curses handed down to me, as well as ones I allowed to come into my life through things I did (even though not realizing I was doing that) - and then His healing to me will not be blocked but free to heal me. It is interesting to trace the pathway it took to get me to put this book on hold at the public library, and to pick it up last night and start reading it - all in His perfect timing…IN HIS TIME!

As I read the last dream I put in this journal (about me in my house with some walls of double glass) I now see that dream can also refer to those things from my ancestry that are barriers, and those things which make it almost impossible to hear into other parts of myself. Interesting!

SCRIPTURE FOR MEDITATION

By wisdom a house is built, and through understanding it is established; through knowledge its rooms are filled with rare and beautiful treasures. (Proverbs 24:3-4 NIV)

JOURNAL 5-8-06 Monday

THOUGHTS FROM HEARING ARTHUR BURK SPEAK AT CTC SUNDAY, MAY 6

Romans 12:4-8 NIV:

> **Just as each of us has one body with many members, and these members do not all have the same function, so in Christ we who are many form one body, and each member belongs to all the others. We have different gifts, according to the grace given us. If a man's gift is prophesying, let him use it in proportion to his faith. If it is serving, let him serve; if it is teaching let him teach; if it is encouraging, let him encourage; if it is contributing to the needs of others, let him give generously; if it is leadership, let him govern diligently; it is showing mercy, let him do it cheerfully.**

- He taught us there were 7 "seasons" in history since the time of Christ until now. These 7 seasons are represented by, and in the same order as, the 7 redemptive gifts listed in Romans 12:4-8: prophesying, serving, teaching, encouraging, contributing, leadership, mercy. He gave illustrations and information regarding the first 6 seasons, then he said we are transitioning now from the leadership/ruling season into the 7th and last one: mercy. He said it started about 2 years ago. This interested Beth and me because that was around the time God transferred us to Lees Summit and to Christ Triumphant Church (CTC).

- He said the mercy season would be different from the last season. In the ruling (leadership) season it was essential to come together in unity and work together to accomplish His kingdom purposes. In the mercy season we will be much more working as individuals each finding our own special gifting niche, and that those gifts would be new from the ones mentioned in the Scriptures.

- In the mercy season the different streams of Christendom will be mixed together with many and various branches and denominations in one church.

- The season now is intimacy and mercy with new giftings. It is an adult level in intimate relationship with God.

- The key sign of the mercy season would be recognizing the fragrance of Christ. At the time that I wrote that idea down the Holy Spirit spoke to me saying that the fragrance is on my books.

SCRIPTURE FOR MEDITATION

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. (Proverbs 4:20-22 NIV)

A DREAM ABOUT TRYING TO SEE A MOVIE

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I was the leader of a group of young people (maybe around high school age). We had gone to a small town on a trip together to see a movie. When we got there we learned that the owner of the movie house(s) in that town was on vacation and had closed the movie houses for that period of time. I tried to get information about whether we could catch a bus to FW to see a movie there, but didn't find that information. There was a time in the dream when someone gave me a small ice cream cone and, while eating it, I dropped some of it on the front of my shirt. It seemed like there were other parts to this dream, but this is the part I remembered after I awoke.

After waking, I felt somehow this movie we sought was connected with the Arthur Burk information we learned Saturday and Sunday. It might represent something we want to "see" and learn, like we might see a movie. The bus may represent the church group that heard him speak that wants to go together to see this movie. I am trying to get us to that movie…that place of seeing what he got us interested in.

SCRIPTURE FOR MEDITATION

The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom, and knowledge of the Holy One is understanding. For through me your days will be many, and years will be added to your life. If you are wise, your wisdom will reward you. (Proverbs 9:10-12 NIV)

A DREAM ABOUT TRYING TO DRIVE A TRUCK

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In this dream I was in the driver's seat of a truck. I didn't know how to drive it. I didn't know how to make it go forward or make it stop. I first seemed to park it in a parking lot, but then it started going backward. I couldn't see backward where I was going. I just noticed the buildings going by alongside of me. Later it seemed to be going forward and was out on a road. There was a set of four square glass-like buttons in front of me on the floor, so I tried pushing them. I tried looking out the front to see where I was going, but I couldn't see; it seemed like I was way too low or short to see out. At one time it looked like I could see from up above the truck where it was on the road. I tried some turns to the left since I could see out the side window, but I couldn't turn the truck in a small enough turn to stay on the road. At one time I seemed to be stopped along the road and watched another truck coming along the road. It was large and tried to stay close to the edge of the road, but got off of it onto the dirt with the right wheels. I tried to stop the truck I was in

by pushing various pedals, but that didn't stop it. I was frustrated by the situation I found myself in.

It seems this large truck could symbolize the large burden I feel for the Monday night group. It seems to me like a large burden and I somehow am stuck in the driver's seat without knowing how I got there and not choosing to be there. I don't know what to do to make this burden function rightly. I can't see forward or backward. I only see that it is moving, by noticing things passing by the side window. I try pushing various buttons and they fail to stop the forward movement. I try to turn it and it is too big to turn so it won't hit a building. I tried to have some control, but was ineffective. That's the way I feel about the group. I don't know how to steer it along the right path because I don't know how to make it function right, and I don't know where it is trying to go.

SCRIPTURE FOR MEDITATION

The mouth of the righteous is a fountain of life. (Proverbs 10:11 BSB)

AN VISION OF SEEING LINES OF WORDS SCROLL UP ON A PROPHETIC MESSAGE

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I saw in front of my eyes a picture of lines of words scrolling up. This is the way it looks as I scroll down lines of words in an ElijahList prophetic reading in email. There were bars of information/stuff on each side of the lines of words that were scrolling up. This vision was seen with light and color, not against a black area - as impressions sometimes come when my eyes are shut. Therefore I believe it was a vision. I sat and enjoyed watching these lines of words scroll up. It seemed so real. It was almost a surprise when I opened my eyes and realized the picture wasn't still there.

I think perhaps this vision is to bring me the "prophetic message" (as I receive through ElijahList) that the dream mentioned above about the truck is a prophetic dream.

SCRIPTURE FOR MEDITATION

He who sows righteousness reaps a sure reward. (Proverbs 11:18b NIV)

JOURNAL 5-9-06 Tuesday

Last night at Monday Group class we had a really good session. Dallas lead us in worship, prayer, and then in a discussion of things we needed to deal with. One such thing was whether we should open the group to outsiders yet or keep it closed. We basically came up with the idea that opening it to outsiders would drastically change the group, and we didn't feel we were ready to give up time to build a close fellowship with each other. We also realized we are not a discipleship group with the intent to nurture young Christians like visited last time. We realize we would lose some of what we have been building in trust and sharing when the group is open. So we will discuss it again next Monday when more of the group is present. We also discussed the possibility of occasionally inviting a guest speaker who would share whatever God gives them to share with us.

Dallas told how God had been preparing him and showing him that he was to be the group leader and contact person. The Lord showed him a mantle of leadership which He put on Dallas. So we rejoiced that Dallas was our designated leader and agreed with that decision from the Lord. We didn't even have to discuss or vote on it; the Lord did it Sovereignly "in His time."

SCRIPTURE FOR MEDITATION

A generous man will prosper…the righteous will thrive like a green leaf. (Proverbs 12:25, 28)

A DREAM ABOUT CARRYING ON MY SHOULDERS OUR GROUP ISSUES

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Shirley was preparing a chocolate l layer cake by putting fruit on top. This seemed to be for some dinner at the church. Then I saw myself, and also experienced, carrying that cake on my shoulders and back toward the place of the dinner. I was concerned it might break apart being carried that way.

The cake represents something striven for, something with fruit of the Spirit on it. This was prepared by a friend who might represent myself. The chocolate may refer to this being very good tasting and bringing pleasure. In the dream I carried the cake (that which was striven for) as my burden. I took it on as my responsibility, but was concerned it might not last or stay together. Perhaps the thing I am carrying represents the issues of the group I participate in - with the goal of the group staying together through the struggle. It is something good and desirable, but I am still concerned it might break apart.

SCRIPTURE FOR MEDITATION

The fruit of the righteous is a tree of life, and he who wins souls is wise. (Proverbs 11:30 BSB)

JOURNAL 5-10-06 Wednesday

AN VISION OF WHITE HORSES COMING TOWARD ME ON A HIGHWAY

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During my quiet time I saw an impression of myself driving a car on the right side of a 2-way highway. In front of me I saw a group of white horses running toward me on the same side of the highway I was driving on. I thought they might pass on either side of my car if I drove slowly through them.

The white horses may indicate a movement of God at this time along the way of life of Christ and His Bride. This movement of God is coming toward me and my personal ministry in such a way it will impact me head on. I am thinking of what preparation I must take to deal with it.

SCRIPTURE FOR MEDITATION

From the fruit of his lips a man is filled with good things as surely as the work of his hands rewards him. (Proverbs 12:14 NIV)

(Quote from book *Atonement* by Derek Prince, p 25-30, regarding taking God's Word as medicine)

The work of the cross is "perfect in every respect, perfect in every aspect." It matters not from what point of view you look at the cross. It is perfect. Nothing has been omitted. "All things that pertain to life and godliness" (2 Peter 1:3)--and that covers just about everything!--are provided for in the sacrificial death of Jesus on the cross. Everything you will ever need, in time and eternity, whether spiritual or physical, financial or material, emotional or relational, has been provided by that one sacrifice. "He has perfected forever those who are being sanctified" (Hebrews 10:14 WEB). Notice again that word *perfected.*

So I set myself to understand what God did for me through Jesus on the cross. I began to see that on the cross Jesus bore not only my sins but also my sicknesses and pains, so that by His wounds I was healed. The message of Isaiah 53:4-5 was inescapable:

> Surely He has borne our griefs [literally, *sicknesses*] and carried our sorrows [literally, *pains*]; yet we esteemed Him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted. But He was wounded for our transgressions, He was bruised for our iniquities; the chastisement for our peace was upon Him, and by His stripes [or wounds] we are healed.

For some reason I had formed the conclusion that, as a Christian, you had to be prepared to be miserable for the rest of your life.

While I was arguing this way, the Lord spoke to me inaudibly but very clearly: *Tell Me, who is the teacher and who is the pupil?*

"Lord," I answered, "You're the teacher and I'm the pupil."

Well, would you mind letting Me teach you?

I got the message.

Then the Holy Spirit directed me to the Scripture that got me out of the hospital:

> My son, give attention to my words; incline your ear to my sayings. Do not let them depart from your eyes; keep them in the midst of your heart; for they are life to those who find them, and health to all their flesh. (Proverbs 4:20-22 NKJV)

"My son…" I realized God was talking to *me* as His child. This passage is not addressed to unbelievers; it is addressed to God's people. When I came to the phrase *all their flesh*, I said, "That settles it!" Not even a philosopher could make *flesh* mean anything but flesh! "All my flesh" means my whole physical body. God has provided through His Word that which will impart health to my whole physical body.

I looked at the margin translation for *health* and it was "medicine," so the Hebrew word can be rendered either *health* or *medicine.*

This is wonderful! I said to myself. *I am sick and I need medicine. God has provided the medicine that will bring health to my whole body.*

Now I said, "That's it. I'm going to take God's Word as medicine."

When I said this, God spoke to me again inaudibly but clearly: *When a doctor gives a person medicine, the directions for taking it are on the bottle. Proverbs 4:20-22 NKJV is My medicine bottle and the directions are on it. You had better study them.*

I went back and saw that there were four directions.

Number one: *Give attention to my words.* We must give undivided attention to what God is saying.

Number two: *Incline your ear.* We must bow those stiff necks of ours and become teachable. We do not know it all, and some of the traditions we have inherited from our church backgrounds are not biblical.

The third direction: *Do not let [my words] depart from your eyes.* We must keep our focus unwavering on the Word of God.

And finally: *Keep them in the midst of your heart.*

The next verse of Proverbs says this:

> Keep your heart with all diligence, for out of it spring the issues of life. (Proverbs 4:23 NKJV)

Whatever you keep in your heart, in other words, will determine the course of your life. You cannot hold the wrong attitude in your heart and live right, nor can you have the right attitude in your heart and live wrong. The course of your life is determined by what fills your heart. God was saying to me, *If you will receive My Word through your ear gate, through your eye gate and admit it to your heart, it will do everything I have claimed.*

I made up my mind that I would take God's Word as my medicine.

So I asked myself, *How do people take regular medicine?* Often the answer was, three times daily after meals. So after each main meal I went aside by myself, opened up my Bible, bowed my head in prayer and said, "God, You have promised that these words of Yours will be medicine to all my flesh. I'm taking them as my medicine now in the name of Jesus." I would then read the Bible with careful attention and listen to what God was saying to me.

Thank God, I was perfectly healed! I received not merely physical healing, but I became a totally different person. The Bible renewed my mind and changed my priorities, values and attitudes.

It is wonderful to be healed by a miracle, and I thank God I have seen many people healed miraculously and instantaneously. There is real benefit, however, in being healed by "taking the medicine" systematically over time. You obtain more than physical healing; you are changed in your inner being.

I did not receive healing immediately. It took three months before I was fully healed… Circumstances are not the decisive factor. God's promises do not depend on circumstances. They depend on *meeting the conditions.*

I could have sat in bed and said, "I believe," but nothing would have changed. I needed to *do* something to activate my faith. In His wisdom God showed me to take the Bible three times daily as my medicine.

The lesson is clear: Do not be passive, but enter by the appropriate action into the provisions of the cross.

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SCRIPTURE FOR MEDITATION

He who guards his lips guards his life. (Proverbs 13:3 NIV)

(Quote from book *Blessing or Curse: You Can Choose* by Derek Prince, pp.178-179, regarding abundance)

Actually, throughout His earthly ministry, Jesus exactly exemplified "abundance. He always had all that He needed to do the will of God in His own life. Over and above this, He was continually giving out to others, and His supply was never exhausted.

So when did Jesus become poor for our sakes? The answer is: *on the cross*. In Deuteronomy 28:48 Moses summed up absolute poverty in four expressions: hunger, thirst, nakedness and need of all things. Jesus experienced all this in its fullness on the cross.

Very often our "abundance" will be like that of Jesus while He was on earth. We shall not carry large amounts of cash, or have large deposits in a bank. But from day to day we shall have enough for our own needs and something over for the needs of others.

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SCRIPTURE FOR MEDITATION

Reckless words pierce like a sword, but the tongue of the wise brings healing.
(Proverbs 12:18 NIV)

JOURNAL 5-12-05 Friday

I have been reading two books by Derek Prince which I got from the library. I really am learning a lot from both of them and want to record here some ideas I want to keep from them:

(Quote from book *Blessing or Curse: You Can Choose* by Derek Prince, pp. 185-197)

There is one--and only one--all-sufficient basis for every provision of God's mercy: the exchange that took place on the cross…eight main aspects were summarized:

Jesus was punished that we might be forgiven.
Jesus was wounded that we might be healed.
Jesus was made sin with our sinfulness that we might become righteous with His righteousness.
Jesus died our death that we might share His life.
Jesus became poor with our poverty that we might become rich with His riches.
Jesus bore our shame that we might share His glory.
Jesus endured our rejection that we might have His acceptance as children of God.
Jesus became a curse that we might receive a blessing.

Seven steps to release:

1. *Confess your faith in Christ and in His sacrifice on your behalf.*
2. *Repent of all your rebellion and your sins.*
3. *Claim forgiveness of all sins.*

4. *Forgive all other people who have ever harmed you or wronged you.*
5. *Renounce all contact with anything occult or satanic.*
6. *You are now ready to pray the prayer for release from any curse (see below)*
7. *Now believe that you have received, and go on in God's blessing!*

Prayer for release:

> Lord Jesus Christ, I believe that You are the Son of God and the only way to God; and that You died on the cross for my sins and rose again from the dead.
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> I give up all my rebellion and all my sin, and I submit myself to You as my Lord.
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> I confess all my sins before You and ask for Your forgiveness--especially for any sins that exposed me to a curse. Release me also from the consequences of my ancestor's sins.
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> By a decision of my will, I forgive all who have harmed me or wronged me--just as I want God to forgive me. In particular, I forgive…
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> I renounce all contact with anything occult or satanic--if I have any "contact objects," I commit myself to destroy them. I cancel all Satan's claims against me.
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> Lord Jesus, I believe that on the cross You took on Yourself every curse that could ever come upon me. So I ask You now to release me from every curse over my life--in Your name, Lord Jesus Christ!
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> By faith I now receive my release and I thank You for it.
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> Lord, I now open myself to receive your blessing in every way You want to impart it to me.

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SCRIPTURE FOR MEDITATION

The tongue that brings healing is a tree of life, but a deceitful tongue crushes the spirit. (Proverbs 15: 4 NIV)

(Quotes from the book *Atonement* by Derek Prince, pp 80-90)

Here are short summaries of the blessings and the curses in Deuteronomy 28:

The blessings of Deuteronomy 28:

1. *Personal exaltation*. By this I mean being lifted up, honored.
2. *Reproductiveness.* I use this word to describe a person who reproduces or is fruitful in every area of life, whether physical or financial or relational or creative.
3. *Health.* You probably do not appreciate how much a blessing health is until you are sick, and then you may wish you had thanked God more often for the blessing of being healthy.
4. *Prosperity or success.* Prosperity in the Bible does not mean what it does to modern Americans. It is not luxurious living or an abundance of physical pleasures, but accomplishing God's purpose and succeeding in doing His will.
5. *Victory.* Blessing brings victory in every conflict that we enter in the will of God.
6. *Being the head and not the tail.* Some years ago I asked the Lord to tell me the difference between the head and the tail. He gave me a simple answer: *The head makes the decisions and the tail gets dragged around.*
7. *Being above and not beneath.* This goes closely with being the head and not the tail.

The curses from Deuteronomy 28:

1. *Humiliation.*
2. *Failure to reproduce, or barrenness.*
3. *Sickness of every kind.*
4. *Poverty and failure.*
5. *Defeat*
6. *Being the tail and not the head.*
7. *Being beneath and not above.*

Seven indications of a curse:

1. *Mental or emotional breakdown.*
2. *Repeated or chronic sickness, especially if it is hereditary, which is the nature of a curse.*
3. *Female problems (barrenness, miscarriages, menstrual cramps and a whole host of others).*
4. *Breakdown of marriage, family alienation.*
5. *Financial insufficiency.*
6. *Being accident-prone.*
7. *A history of suicide or unnatural deaths in a family.*

Eight possible causes for a curse coming over a person.

1. Idolatry
2. False religion and secret societies
3. Wrong attitude toward parents
4. Injustice toward the weak
5. Anti-Semitism
6. Our own words
7. Words from authority figures
8. Witch doctors

How to be released:

1. Recognize
2. Repent
3. Renounce
4. Resist

A prayer that covers every condition necessary for release from a curse:

> Lord Jesus Christ, I believe that You are the Son of God and the only way to God the Father. I believe that You died on the cross for my sins and rose again from the dead. I believe that on the cross You were made sin with my sinfulness that I might be made righteous with Your righteousness. You were made a curse with any curse that might come upon me, that I might receive the blessing.
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> And now, Lord, I come to You for deliverance from any such curse. I repent of any sins that have caused it to come, whether committed by me or by my ancestors. I receive Your forgiveness.
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> I take my stand now against the devil and all his pressures and everything he wants to do against me. In the name Jesus I resist him. I refuse to submit any longer to him. In the name of Jesus, I now release myself from any curse over my life. Because of what Jesus did for me on the cross, in His name I release myself, and I receive the release now by faith and thankfulness and praise.
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> Lord, I thank You now. I praise You now. I believe You are faithful. I believe You are doing what I have asked You to do. I commit my life to You, that from now on Your blessing bay rest upon me. That You, Lord Jesus! Thank You!
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> This does not automatically solve all your problems…you must be prepared to continue to resist the devil and to tell him, "I have met the conditions. You have no more claims. Get out of my way--a child of God is coming down the road. Step aside!"

If you sense a curse of death over you, begin to proclaim Psalm 118:17 KJV

> "I shall not die, but live, and declare the works of the Lord."

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SCRIPTURE FOR MEDITATION

Prosperity is the reward of the righteous. (Proverbs 13:21)

JOURNAL 5-13-06 Saturday

A DREAM ABOUT DOUG GETTING HIS HAIR CUT AND PERMED

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I saw Doug. He had had his hair cut short and curled like with a perm. His hair was partly gray. Later I saw Doug and me standing near a table.

What does Doug represent to you?

He represents a pastor or one in spiritual authority over me. His getting a haircut represents putting away religious traditions. Getting his hair permed may represent an effort to make thoughts about putting away religious traditions look good. The color of his hair denotes wisdom. Our standing near a table may represent communion together. This dream may represent my current relationship with those in spiritual authority over me being such that they don't necessarily follow religious traditions and yet we have communion.

SCRIPTURE FOR MEDITATION

The light of the righteous shines brightly. (Proverbs 13:9)

A DREAM ABOUT CHILDREN FOLLOWING A RED RIBBON AND TOUCHING IT WITH THEIR FINGERS TO GAIN SOMETHING

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I was a teacher at a school with young children similar to kindergarten age. We had a red ribbon (about 3/8 in wide) which we tacked around places in the room. Then we had a child follow along touching that ribbon with his first finger. This was to help stimulate learning or produce some good effect within him. As we got more ribbon we added it on. Then the children sat on the floor. I walked around and picked them by name to do things we were learning. I named Don at one time. There was a time in this dream when I saw myself lying on my back on the floor with perhaps the children placing some things on me, like maybe greenery/flowers.

This dream represents a "learning" situation with my teaching, and others following and learning. The red ribbon is a reminder about our passion and our anointing. Touching it with the finger refers

to having feeling and sensitivity. Since it was the first finger touching the red ribbon, that can refer to a prophet who points the way. So the good effect or learning that came from following and touching the red ribbon was to produce and increase the person's passion, anointing, and sensitivity to the prophetic so it could grow in him. As we got more red ribbon we added it on to what we already had. This shows a continual growth in the prophetic passion. My "walking around" pictures making progress and specific people being picked for the prophetic. The spiritual meaning for Donald is faithful. That could refer to faithful people being chosen for prophetic learning. Lying on my back shows putting myself in a vulnerable position. Flowers can represent fragrance, fragrance of God. I think these flowers were dried flowers which could then refer to this fragrance being preserved for long use.

On Sunday, May 14th as Kevin prayed for hearts to be healed, he mentioned the veins and arteries being touched by God for healing. I immediately thought of this dream and wondered if the red ribbon which we touched with our fingers might refer to those veins and arteries, and we touched them for healing.

SCRIPTURE FOR MEDITATION

Hope deferred makes the heart sick, but a longing fulfilled is a tree of life. (Proverbs 13:12 NIV)

JOURNAL 5-14-06 Sunday

I awoke at 12:11 a.m. and the Holy Spirit said:

> *You're filling yourself up with a lot more of Me and My Word, so that I have a lot more to say to you now.*
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> *The healing is not just happening in your body, but your soul also. It is "unblocking" you so you can hear Me better and receive more revelation.*

This refers to my reading out loud the Scriptures three times a day (morning, noontime, and night) as Scriptural medicine for healing as Derek Prince said he was led to do by the Lord.

Today the idea came (regarding the vision I saw on Monday, May 8th entitled "A Vision Of Seeing Lines Of Words Scroll Up On A Prophetic Message") that those words scrolling up may also refer to the Scriptures I am reading daily, three times a day, as medicine for healing - according to the article by Derek Prince listed here. It is not unusual for the Lord to give me added revelation regarding a vision or dream at later times like this. That's one reason I like to record this information.

SCRIPTURE FOR MEDITATION

The house of the righteous contains great treasure, but the income of the wicked brings them trouble. (Proverbs 15:6 NIV)

A DREAM ABOUT WHITE NUMBERS SHOWING ON BALD HEADS

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I saw white numbers showing on the top of bald heads of two men. The numbers were 11 and 12. It was almost like the numbers were from lights shining down on them.

Numbers are prophetic symbols used in God's communications with us in dreams, visions, etc. White ones refer to their purity, the Spirit of the Lord, holy power, without mixture, unblemished, spotless, righteousness, blameless, truth, and innocence. The head refers to mind, intellect, authority and wisdom. A bald head can symbolize lacking wisdom.

The numbers of the clock upon awakening (12:11) and the numbers on the heads (11 and 12) are all matching, probably to emphasize their importance. Two men could be referring to two types of people or a separation of people into two ways of thinking with their minds (since 2 can refer to dividing, judging, separating, and discerning). Since they both had bald heads (that's why I could see the white numbers on their heads) it may show they both lack wisdom or are receiving wisdom to their minds, but they get different numbers put on them. Since the numbers are 11 and 12, then they refer to (11) transition, end, finish, last, or stop and (12) government, joined, united, oversight.

To me this seems to show one group of people coming into a transition, coming to the end or finish of their thinking, and the other group of people coming into government and oversight, being joined and united together. To me this could refer to world events right now in these end times and what is coming about in the lives/minds of those who belong to God (12) and those who don't (11).

SCRIPTURE FOR MEDITATION

A gentle answer turns away wrath, but a harsh word stirs up anger. (Proverbs 15:1 BSB)

A DREAM ABOUT A SCHOOL DRAMA SOON TO BE PRESENTED AND TRYING TO FIND A SEAT FOR IT

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Later I awoke from another dream most of which was not very clear in my mind. The idea I wanted to remember was that a drama/play was being presented at the school…like a high school where we were students. I knew the drama members had been practicing. I knew the man who directed the drama. He seemed to remind me of my high school band director.

I seemed to know there were going to be three waterfalls somehow happening in the midst of the drama. I could see them, almost like a picture of them, as if they were coming down from a high mountain area. They would be seen in the midst of the audience, coming in three different sections there.

In the drama there would be a whole section of girls in misty white dresses that would probably look like angels. I saw some of them waiting in a line ready to go. Sometime during the dream I was thinking that next year at drama time I might audition for the play, that I might like memorizing my parts and practicing and being part of it.

It was taking place outside on the stadium field. I could see the setup of bleachers and chairs on the field where the drama would take place. We (another girl and I) went around trying to find a good seat on the audience's bleachers for viewing the drama/play. Most of the good seats had already been reserved. We saw several seats available on the first row, but some man got there ahead of us and reserved some of them. There was l seat still available, but the girl with me said that wouldn't be a good place to sit because the man smoked a cigar and it might smell like cigar smoke if we sat there, and that wouldn't be good. We had not yet found a good seat when the dream ended.

The drama we are expecting and waiting for is the great harvest/revival during these end times. The man leading it was Jesus. I knew Him and He knew me. Part of this drama included three waterfalls. These symbolize the Holy Spirit, Jesus, and God the Father coming with the Spirit, the Word, salvation, an increase in the Spirit, and coming down from above with great force. The section of girls dressed in misty white represent the angels being in this drama. The field is the whole world. The bleachers and chairs were the places of rest for observing this drama. Someone else (likely Beth) and I were looking for how and where to position ourselves to see this drama the best. We were in great expectation of it. We didn't want to be near someone smoking a cigar - who represents someone haughty, arrogant, prideful or offensive.

SCRIPTURE FOR MEDITATION

The eyes of the Lord are everywhere, keeping watch on the wicked and the good.
(Proverbs 15:3 NIV)

JOURNAL 5-15-06 Monday

A DREAM ABOUT CARS IN A GARAGE BEING LOWERED IN THE GROUND

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I saw four cars - each in a corner of an open topped garage. They were being partially lowered into the ground - some lower than others. It may be they were being lowered by people digging dirt from beneath each one causing it to be lower. I seemed to be observing this, not participating in it.

Car refers to a life, person, or ministry. It can mean a personal ministry or vocation. A car in a garage refers to being at rest. Four refers to reign, rule, kingdom, creation, or world…God's creative works.

> *The four refers to God's creation, mankind, and their relationship with the earth they live on. The cars refer to ministries on this earth. Some are being lowered by the people in them. Some are not as low as others. This is representative of people and what they are doing. They are separated into the four corners of the world (open garage) and each part is having the ground (stability, what sitting on) dug out from beneath. They are all at rest (sitting in a garage) but open and visible to everyone else. They are all doing their own "digging" without relating to the others in the world. This is a picture of the four corners of the world, representing all the people of the world, and their becoming lower or less stable by taking solid ground from beneath them. This is just a picture for you to observe, to know that things are getting less and less stable in the world.*

So the garage represents the world?

> *Yes.*

SCRIPTURE FOR MEDITATION

There is a way that seems right to a man, but in the end it leads to death. (Proverbs 14:12 NIV)

A DREAM ABOUT CLEANING POPCORN KERNELS FROM A DESK

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I was inside my parents' house cleaning the desk in the living room. I was cleaning out popcorn kernels in the desk drawer, on the desk, and on the floor. I was using a dustpan to do this. Then I was shown that dust was thick on the floor under the buffet in the dining room. The implication was that I should clean it also, but I didn't want to.

The setting for this dream being in my childhood home may indicate this dream deals with things from my childhood/past. The living room refers to something revealed or made visible. It can refer to everyday or current affairs, that which is manifest, truth exposed, or communion and conversation. The desk was the place in that room where we made telephone calls primarily. The desk drawer was the place for storing materials for writing. Corn can refer to a seed. Popcorn is that version of corn that suddenly pops open when heated. So what I was cleaning from the desk, the place of communication (telephone calls), was kernels or seeds. I was gathering them in a dustpan to throw away. A dining room refers to a place of fellowship, partaking of spiritual food. This dream shows dust on the floor in that room, so it may mean that place of fellowship and partaking of spiritual food from my past needs cleaning.

This (kernels/seeds getting cleaned out and discarded) may fit with my getting cleansed from generational curses recently. Perhaps the dining room scene shows I still needing some cleansing from eating things (words, thoughts, attitudes) given me as a child that are not clean.

SCRIPTURE FOR MEDITATION

Better a little with the fear of the Lord than great wealth with turmoil. (Proverbs 15:16 NIV)

JOURNAL 5-16-06 Tuesday

A DREAM ABOUT PREPARING MATERIALS FOR NEXT YEAR'S LEARNERS AND TEACHERS; ALSO REGARDING GOING THROUGH A NARROW TRANSITION CROWDED WITH PEOPLE

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I was in a school as a kindergarten teacher. I was gathering and putting away materials (flashcards, etc.) that could be used to begin teaching next year by whomever was the teacher. I was then in an area like a teachers' work area. I saw a string that was placed above our heads like a clothesline. I also saw a small clothes pin container with tiny clothes pins for use on the clothesline (like it was to hang up children's projects, etc.) I liked to see the tiny clothespins in the little purse-like container which was see through. Then I tried to walk through the hallway back to my classroom. The hallway was very very narrow and people were standing on both sides of it making an even narrower walk

area. As I walked I got stuck between people and couldn't move. Most of the people I could see were taller than I, and it was rather claustrophobic for me. Then I awoke. I also remember a snippet of an earlier dream where a student was going home from school and he lived on Street 55.

The setting of this dream was in a learning place. I was the only person involved actively even though other people seemed to be there too. The preparation of materials for the next teacher to use next year may symbolize my preparing all the materials in my books and journals for people to use in the "next training time" led by another teacher, perhaps after the Rapture when I'm gone. Perhaps the clothesline and clothespins represent the way and place of hanging out my materials for others to use. Other teachers could come to that teachers' work area, find things hanging from the clothesline which had been cleansed and hung to dry, and could use/see them. Since clothes symbolize anointing, covering, and mantle, then a line and pins for hanging clothes symbolizes a place for hanging that anointing where others can see it. Since the line was thin as sting, and the pins were tiny, this may symbolize my tiny portion of the anointing on God's people… and I liked that in the dream.

The hallway speaks of a transition from one place to another. I may be in some kind of a transition right now or soon to come. Being very narrow and crowded with people may give an indication of what that transition will be like and that I cannot go forward through it without other people going also who are ahead of me. I may feel rather trapped and that I cannot move part of the way through it. Perhaps this is a prophetic picture of where I am now or soon will be.

The picture of a student going home by street 55 shows those who are "going home" to heaven, our real home after this school of learning is past, and that home is by the way of grace (5) and more grace.

SCRIPTURE FOR MEDITATION

Better a meal of vegetables where there is love than a fattened calf with hatred.
(Proverbs 15:17 NIV)

JOURNAL 5-20-06 Saturday

A DREAM ABOUT SPIDER NESTS

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I awoke at 4:00 a.m. and wrote this dream: there were spiders' nests, lots of them, found on containers. We were trying to see where the nests were, and trying to decide what to do to get rid of them.

About 6:52 I got up and the Holy Spirit began to speak to me about the dream. He said:

> *Each container that has spider nests on it has weeds as well as grass in its seed. It needs to be cleansed of the weeds before being sown in the lawn. The spider nests identify the contents as a mixture. They identify people with both inside them.*

This referred back to a dream one of the speakers at the conference told us about today in which he saw a whole field of beautiful green grass, and then he saw a big weed. He was taught that the weed represented those who were thought of as special, like celebrities, given special treatment, and they acted like this was ok. The man who had this dream said we needed to reject the weed spirit and deconstruct the celebrity mentality. I thought of that weed when the Holy Spirit said what He did in this dream about the container(s) that held grass seed mixed with weed seeds. I also thought of the wheat and the tares growing alongside each other in the parable which Jesus taught. I see this as a warning dream to watch for wrong and negative attitudes which might invade the good grass and plant weeds in it. The weeds can represent non-Christian attitudes and thinking.

Then the Holy Spirit showed me that these containers and this dream represent the members of the small group I attend. He indicated I am in the group, not to get something out of it, but to be a "teacher" of children like in many dreams I've had, but in this case a hidden teacher. As the Holy Spirit guides, I am to be His spokesperson to share His ideas within the group each week. I am to guide by intercession, listening to the Spirit, and sharing gently as He shows me…not overtly a teacher, but covertly. I am there to intercede for the people in the group and to share the thoughts He gives me for them.

SCRIPTURE FOR MEDITATION

A cheerful look brings joy to the heart, and good news gives health to the bones.
(Proverbs 15:30 NIV)

JOURNAL 5-21-05 Sunday

A DREAM ABOUT TURNING ON LIGHTS ON DIFFERENT THINGS

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In this dream I was in a large double room area like a large living room or reception area. This double room area was huge, about the size of all of Beth's downstairs placed in a line, and even larger. I was going around the room pushing on the sections of plugs that seemed to be a button part. When I did, it would light up something - a picture, a sparkly greeting card with a picture of a lovely landscape covered with glitter, a light fixture somewhere,

etc. I didn't know what was going to light up when I pushed the plug-like button, so it was a surprise each time to see what would light up. These plugs-like buttons were positioned about the height of my head on the walls. I thought someone was really smart to position them there rather than down near the floor so it was easy to find them and push them without leaning down to do it. As I was doing this, people started arriving. I seemed to know they were supposed to come, so I wasn't surprised. They came in and met in small groups around the sides of this large double-roomed area. I thought I might go and get some drinks for them and put them on a card table or something so they could help themselves as they wanted.

I gave this to you. It is a God dream. It pictures something I want you to meditate on. Turning on lights in places is what I have you doing right now. Lights represent Me shining My light on a person (picture) or place (landscape sparkly) or thing (light fixture). I make the switches at eye level so you can look for them with your eyes - your spiritual eyes as well as your physical eyes. You have to hunt for the switches along the wall of the house. The house refers to you and the wall is in the living room. This refers to a place of revealing things in a place of fellowship - a place like a church or family or friends. This can refer to your church, conferences, small group gatherings, or one-on-one meetings. The people coming there are the people who attend these places where you are. It could even refer to the people who come to your fellowship place on the web and read your books. You not only give them a place of fellowship, which you are preparing, but you make plans to offer drinks to them. These refer to things that are refreshing - like My words, My thoughts, encouragement from Me.

It is what you did with Jean yesterday and today as you shared how I provided for you and guided you through selling your home and moving. She now has some idea how I might work in her since she heard how I worked in you. This is what you did for the woman named Jo who came up to you and Beth this morning spontaneously and talked to you. She didn't seem to know why she chose you to talk to, and you didn't really know her, but I brought her to you both so she could find some "light" in her own spiritual journey through the two of you.

SCRIPTURE FOR MEDITATION

The fear of the Lord teaches a man wisdom, and humility comes before honor.
(Proverbs 15:33 NIV)

What the Spirit spoke to me today about whether or not to open the Monday Group to outsiders:

He said not to open it at all, or to even plan to open it sometime later, unless He specifically tells us to do that. If He wants us to do that, He will tell us and we will know. Right now we are only speculating in our natural minds, not with His mind. He will "expand" the influence of the group by sending each of us out to minister to others throughout our week apart, then we can bring that ministering situation back and share it with the group. That way we can all share together about it and offer Godly suggestions to the one sharing what happened. We can pray for one another and encourage one another. It can be rather like the Disciples might have done…ministering to others but meeting in their small group occasionally to talk over what happened and how the Lord was working in them. So our purpose, one of them, can be to come together each week and tell what happened to us - in the workplace, in the marketplace, through dreams, through events like conferences, in our family life, etc. Then we can give words of wisdom and encouragement to one another during our time together and pray and proclaim/prophecy things to one another.

SCRIPTURE FOR MEDITATION

Better a little with righteousness than much gain with injustice. (Proverbs 16:8 NIV)

JOURNAL 5-22-06 Monday

A DREAM ABOUT GETTING RED NEW SHOES AND HEARING ABOUT GOLD

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The setting of this dream was in a school building. There was a pile of shoes that were being given away. I looked at them after almost all had already been taken. I chose two pair to take with me and I placed them in my schoolroom. One pair was red with a single piece for the bottom which continued partway up the heel, and with straps that laced up to the ankle. I thought they would be very comfortable to wear at times. I don't remember what the second pair looked like, but I think some kind of white summer sandal.

Later, at night, I went to the school building to get those shoes because I found myself barefooted. The section I needed to enter was locked and padlocked. I asked the custodian if he would open the locked door and let me run in and get my shoes. He did that and I ran down the hallway to my room and started looking for them. I found the red pair and started back.

Then I saw some men discussing the price of gold and how it was fluctuating and going higher. One man was cleaning a floor while talking. I stopped to listen to them because I was interested in what gold did. It felt like the economy was tied to what the price of gold

was and that it was shaky and fluctuating. It seemed possibly be a good time to invest in gold.

Then a man came by whom I knew was experienced in buying gold and investments. I wanted to hear what he had to say and wanted to meet him. It seemed like his name was Evans. I remember he had dark hair and he stood near me on my left. I tried to straighten a white scarf which was on my head and it seemed to be twisted or wrapped down around my head and neck amongst my hair. I thought it might look weird that way. Next I saw myself leaving the building and seeing the men put back the barriers they had taken down so I could enter after hours to my room. I wanted to be sure to thank them for doing this for me.

The setting of this dream was in a school which represents a place of learning - therefore I can learn something from this dream.

Shoes in my dream represent what I put on for walking, so they represent the peace I put on and the attitude I put on, the thoughts I put on, the words I put on, and the preparation I put on for walking on the journey of life. Red new shoes represent a passionate new ministry or way of life that I "strap" onto my feet and tie fast. These covered up to my ankles; ankles symbolize my faith, so I needed to strengthen and cover my faith so it wouldn't be weak.

I came to the learning situation at night while it was dark and hard to see. That could represent a time of "darkness" in the world. I was also barefooted and that represents being without preparation, without understanding and without protection for my feet (heart). The feet represent the heart, walk, way, and thoughts of a person. So I was without understanding in my heart and came at night asking the custodian (God) to open the door to the learning place (His wisdom) and to let me find the preparation and protection I needed for my heart and thoughts.

He not only let me find the shoes to wear, but He also let me overhear about gold from a man who was cleaning a floor - which is a place to walk on. This shows me a picture of being cleaned on the place where I walk with my thoughts and attitudes (what and how I judge). This man talked about gold and gold represents glory or wisdom, truth, something precious, righteousness, the glory of God, something holy and pure. This is what my attention and thoughts were drawn to listen to. The man named Evans, who stood next to me, represents One who really knew how to invest rightly. He symbolized Jesus and the Holy Spirit. His name (Evans) has the inherent meaning of "young warrior" and the spiritual connotation of "noble protector." The Scripture for his name is Philippians 4:13 NIV which says: "I can do everything through him who gives me strength." In the dream I was drawn to want to know him better and get better acquainted with him.

After seeing him (Jesus) and wanting to hear from Him, then I tried to get the white covering (scarf) over my head/hair (that which covers my mind and thoughts and attitudes) on right. I could see my hair intertwined with the white scarf; that represents my wisdom and anointing, my hair covering mixed together with the pure anointing/covering scarf on it.

When I left the building I saw the men who guarded that "place of learning" blockade it and lock it up so others couldn't get in. I was thankful to Him for letting me into that place and wanted to tell Him so.

The custodian of the building (God) unlocked the door to my understanding today and let me enter and get the new shoes and hear about the gold standard so I could walk out of the building and into the world with those things imparted to me.

Then later:

The Lord is teaching me this morning about the Bible verse in Matthew 7:1-2 NIV which says: "Do not judge, or you too will be judged. For in the same way you judge others, you will be judged, and with the measure you use, it will be measured to you." In Luke 6:37-38 NIV it says it this way: "Do not judge, and you will not be judged. Do not condemn, and you will not be condemned. Forgive, and you will be forgiven. Give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together and running over, will be poured into your lap. For with the measure you use, it will be measured to you." What I "give" can refer to money, but it also can refer to thoughts and attitudes I "give" towards others.

The Lord is teaching me that we are taught by society and our families what is ok and what is not ok. We are taught what is good and acceptable according to them. This includes what looks good in clothes, hairdos, makeup, houses, cleanliness, styles, colors, etc. We are taught that things that are outside this "acceptable" box, are not as good. For instance I was taught at modeling and finishing school what looked "good" by the standard they used - good weight, good body measurements, good makeup, good hair styles, good shape of the face, good use of clothes to bring out the "best" look for our bodies (using some standard as to what looked good for bodies given to them and passed along to us) etc.

I am reminded also of the song from the musical *South Pacific* which says: "You've got to be taught to hate and fear….you've got to be carefully taught." The idea was we've got to be taught prejudice against certain races or people groups that the society we grew up in were prejudiced against.

So I am asking God: what are the standards we should use in judging others, since we will be judged by the same standards. He has been showing me that the standards we use are in our minds, and we use those to judge others. Then we also judge ourselves by those same standards and expect others to judge us by those standards also. So, in our thoughts and expectations, we ARE being judged by other people by those standards. We think they look at us the same way we look at them. In that sense we are being judged in the same way we judge others. If we don't measure up to those standards ourselves, we "feel" judged or looked down upon by others for not measuring up, even though they may not think that way at all. Still, in our own minds, we are being judged by others by those same standards of judgment.

When I asked Him what standards we should use to judge others, He said we were to look into their eyes and look at their hearts and judge by what we "see" in their hearts, as He does. We are not to judge by what kind of clothes they wear, or what kind of house they live in, or what kind of car

they drive, or even if they drive a car, but by their hearts. God is the One who can give us the ability to see into people's hearts, and I am to ask Him to give me that ability.

I asked Him for forgive me for judging by standards taught me by the world and not by His standards. I asked Him to put His mind and thoughts in me to judge/evaluate others by. Then he said:

> *The gold standard, the gold standard, that is what I use to judge/evaluate who people are and where they are in their attitudes and relationships with others and Me. The gold standard is the one that is pure, very valuable, and has eternal value. That is part of what your dream was about - hearing about the gold standard and knowing that it was important to learn the value of it.*
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> *You are forgiven, Joan, for judging most of your life by a standard taught to you by society which may not necessarily be My standard.*

So today I am strapping on to my feet the new attitude of seeing the gold inside of others, seeing that which is of eternal value inside of others, and judging by that…for that is surely the way I want to be judged.

SCRIPTURE FOR MEDITATION

In his heart a man plans his course, but the Lord determines his steps. (Proverbs 16:9 NIV)

JOURNAL 5-23-06

The Lord did a wonderful thing for me today. He knew that I had wanted to buy an electric hot pot to provide continuous hot water for guests for hot drinks. I had looked at Westlake's Hardware Store and saw one made by Rival for $16 plus tax. That was a little much for me to spare to pay for one, so I passed on that. But I still often looked for one at the Goodwill Store each time I went there for the last several months. But I wasn't thinking about that today as I drove towards HyVee and Osco for some shopping. While driving there the Holy Spirit planted the thought in me to stop by Goodwill and see if they had some slip-on summer shoes I had been thinking might be nice to have. So I went there first and began looking around on my way to the shoe section. And there it was - an electric hot pot by Rival sitting on the shelf! I picked it up, and then saw another one which was brand new and still in it's wrapping - for the same price as the used one: $4.98! Now, realize, I had looked at that store many many times over the last 5 months and didn't find one. So today I got my electric hot pot, exactly the kind I wanted, for less than half the cost of the one at the hardware store! I was so pleased, because I had not even thought to go to Goodwill and look for that again today. But the Lord knew it was there! And He guided me to the right place at the right time. He

knew there was one waiting for me and today was the day to get it before it was bought by someone else! He is so good! And, yes, I got the slip-on shoes I wanted too. The Lord surely knows how to provide for us as we trust in Him! Even for something as small as an electric hot pot!

SCRIPTURE FOR MEDITATION

He who is kind to the poor lends to the Lord, and he will reward him for what he has done. (Proverbs 19:17)

JOURNAL 5-24-06 Wednesday

A DREAM ABOUT FEELING REJECTED

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The setting of the dream was in my home. Beth had some friends over who were part of some group she met with. They ate together in my kitchen but didn't give me any of the food they were serving. The man who brought the food, and didn't give me, any reminded me of Pat. He served them whole unpeeled bananas mixed with something else. I tried to get out glasses from the cupboard for them, but couldn't find any. The cupboard could be moved back and forth in the air and just stay there. I saw that this cupboard was very dusty on the front and thought I must soon dust it. I had also noticed a lamp-like furniture piece in another room that had dust on it. Beth tried to talk to me but I was so upset with these visitors not including me in their eating food in my kitchen in front of me at my house, that I didn't hear what she said. I told her I hadn't heard what she had said. There was another time in this dream I said I didn't hear what someone had said. I awoke with a sense of being irritated. Sometime in an earlier dream I seemed to be attending some event and there were two men there also. I wanted so badly for one of them, whom I seemed to like, to hug me. I remember thinking that I just wanted to be held.

This is a dream out of your self. It is displaying the rejection and need to be loved that was planted inside you as a little child. This rejection was confirmed from your husband when he rejected you for someone else…and told you so vividly. Now, Joan, I need very much to affirm to you that you are loved, you are accepted, by Me, and that love will NEVER leave you or reject you. You will ALWAYS be loved by Me, no matter what human beings say or do to you. This dream was allowed by Me so you would be ready to read that chapter in the book ATONEMENT by Derek Prince today about how I took your rejection on the cross so you could have My acceptance. That is the truth! You ARE accepted in the Beloved and always will be. You DO belong to the very best "family" on earth - those who belong to Me. You are loved within that family, even though their love is not yet perfected.

It is moving toward perfection and will eventually be perfect when you all come up here to be with Me.

SCRIPTURE FOR MEDITATION

Better a dry crust with peace and quiet than a house full of feasting with strife. (Proverbs 17:1 NIV)

JOURNAL 5-26-06 Friday

(Quotes from the book *Atonement* by Derek Prince)

Page 183. Nine aspects of the exchange that took place when Jesus died on the cross:

Jesus was punished that I might be forgiven.
Jesus was wounded that I might be healed.
Jesus was made sin with my sinfulness that I might be made righteous with His righteousness.
Jesus died my death that I might share His life.
Jesus was made a curse that I might receive the blessing.
Jesus endured my poverty that I might share His abundance.
Jesus bore my shame that I might share His glory.
Jesus endured my rejection that I might have His acceptance.
My old man was crucified in Him that the new man might come to life in me.

(I want to memorize these transactions so God can bring them to my mind as needed.)

Page 184. Five different aspects of deliverance through the application of the cross in our lives:

1. *Deliverance from this present age*
2. *Deliverance from the law*
3. *Deliverance from self*
4. *Deliverance from the flesh*
5. *Deliverance from the world*

Page 189. Romans 10:17 WEB *"Faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God."*

Some people say faith comes by hearing the Word of God, but that is not exactly what Paul says. He says that what comes from the Word of God is hearing, and what comes from hearing is faith. These are two stages. When you expose yourself to the Word of God with an open heart and mind,

what first comes is hearing--the ability to hear what God is saying. It becomes real to you. And then out of hearing develops faith.

Page 190. The problem is, many of us do not allow the time needed for hearing to produce faith. You have to expose yourself to the Word of God without setting time limits.

God does not offer instant faith…If you do not take time for hearing, all you will do is read the Bible. Faith does not come by reading the Bible; it comes by hearing from God *through* the Bible. Hearing first, then faith.

In Romans 10:17 the Greek for "word" is *rhema*. It refers not to the Word of God established forever in heaven (for which the Greek word is *logos*), but to the word God is speaking to you at any given moment. As Jesus said in Matthew 4:4 NKJV, *"Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word [rhema] that proceeds from the mouth of God."*

Page 191. We do not live by a printed volume call the Bible, if I can put it that way; we live by the Word made real to us personally at any moment by the Holy Spirit. The Bible consists of white sheets of paper with black marks on them. Those black marks do us no good. What transforms them into something that produces faith is the Holy Spirit, who makes the Word of God a living word. It then becomes a *rhema*.

Whatever it takes, don't stop short of a relationship with God in which His Word speaks to you personally. First you need to cultivate hearing. Then out of that comes faith!

Page 193. Matthew 6:33 BSB *"Seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness…"*

Give God and His Word priority in your life over everything else. Seek God and His Word first. Remember to spend enough time in the Word to really build your faith. Receive Scripture as God's personal Word to you. And receive His Word with meekness, duly obeying its commands.

Let these things take priority over everything else in your life. When your priorities are adjusted and you have the attitude toward God and His Word that permits faith to come in, you are on your way to receiving what God has provided for you. Then you can appropriate all that Jesus provided through His death on the cross.

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SCRIPTURE FOR MEDITATION

A cheerful heart is good medicine, but a crushed spirit dries up the bones. (Proverbs 17:22 NIV)

JOURNAL 5-27-06 Saturday

A DREAM ABOUT HAVING A SOLO IN A STAGE PLAY AT CHURCH

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The setting of this dream was a church rehearsal. We were practicing for a stage play. I had been singing a line along with someone else as I entered the stage. I was then told by the director that I was to do the line as a solo in the actual performance. I wasn't sure I could get the words out, but I was going to try. The line I sang was to a young man on stage.

Later dream: I was brushing my hair and bathing in a bathtub.

This dream represents the spiritual (held in a church) drama we live out day by day. Our lives are like a stage play to the world as they watch how we live out our beliefs. My singing along with someone else refers to how I can read books, hear talks, listen to CD's, etc and "sing along with" the person I am learning from. However I must live out what I learn by myself; no one else can do it for me. The line I was to sing was to a "young man" who stands for Jesus, my Lord. He is the One who is on stage watching me as I live out what I learn while on this earth - living out this "stage play."

Hair refers to covering, wisdom, and anointing. I am "brushing" it to get it prepared and looking good. Bathing in a tub refers to cleansing myself and sanctifying myself in preparation. Both of these ideas refer to getting ready to do my solo performance for Jesus.

SCRIPTURE FOR MEDITATION

A man of knowledge uses words with restraint, and a man of understanding is even-tempered. (Proverbs 17:27 NIV)

JOURNAL 5-28-06 Sunday

4:50 a.m. I awoke and heard this message coming from Jesus, so I wrote it down:

> *I am committed to those who belong to Me. I am with them all the time, just as I was when I was on the earth. Now My Holy Spirit is in them and will never leave or forsake them. I can be counted on and depended on. I love those who belong to Me with an everlasting love, an everlasting love for all eternity. I want My children to know this and believe this.*

You are one I want to know this. You are important to Me - forever. Don't think I will ever leave you. I love you. You are My Bride, Joan, always faithfully committed to Me. I want you to know that I know this and am aware of this and am aware of you. I know you love Me. Thank you for loving Me.

5:05 a.m. Now you are surrounded with grace (505)…and I am Truth and Grace surrounding you. I love you!

SCRIPTURE FOR MEDITATION

The name of the Lord is a strong tower; the righteous run to it and are safe. (Proverbs 18:10 BSB)

JOURNAL 5-29-06 Monday

A DREAM ABOUT BEING AT MANCHESTER HOMECOMING

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The setting was at Manchester College on homecoming day. A group of us were there for the day and participating in the day's events. I seemed to be with a man whom I didn't know very well but was trying to get acquainted with. At one time Kim was there as a young child and I put her hand into the hand of the man as we walked along so they could get to know each other. Another lady was with us also whom I didn't recognize. We had a paper with the day's schedule on it. We were preparing our schedules for entry into some kind of contest where they would be judged for some prize or recognition. I was erasing writing I had done on my schedule and trying to get it to look good. I had information written on it regarding the time and place we would meet the next day for some event then.

The setting is homecoming day on the college campus I attended. This means a day when all those who went to this school come "home" to visit. It seems to me to refer to coming home to heaven someday on the "homecoming day" when all of us who studied under Jesus and learned His ways come home to be with Him. Kim being there as a young child may symbolize that she gets to come to heaven, but isn't too acquainted with Jesus yet (is still a young child, not an adult) and I want to help her get closer acquainted with Him. The man in the dream represents Jesus, and I am also trying to get to know Him better in heaven. Our schedules may refer to what we did with our time while on earth and we get to present those schedules for receiving rewards for that.

SCRIPTURE FOR MEDITATION

Many are the plans in a man's heart, but it is the Lord's purpose that prevails.
(Proverbs 19:21 NIV)

JOURNAL 5-30-05 Tuesday

(Quotes from book, *Blessing or Curse* by Derek Prince)

p. 226-7
The lesson of Jehoshaphet's army and of Paul and Silas in the jail is summed up by the Lord Himself in Psalm 50:23 NIV: **"He who sacrifices thank offerings honors me, and he prepares the way so that I may show him the salvation of God."**

God's salvation is already complete through the sacrifice of Jesus on the cross. Nothing we say or do can ever change that. But when we respond with sacrifices of thanksgiving and praise, we open the way for salvation's benefits to be manifested in our lives. Like Jehoshaphat, and like Paul and Silas we must learn to offer these sacrifices in faith, before we have actually experienced the benefits.

In Psalm 20:5 WEB David said, **"In the name of our God we will set up our banners."** Again in Song of Solomon 6:10, the Bride of Christ is portrayed as **"awesome as an army with banners."** Three of the most effective "banners" God has given us are *proclamation, thanksgiving* and *praise*.

First, we raise the banner of *proclamation*. We speak out boldly, in faith, the promise or the provision of God's Word that applies to our particular situation or meets our particular need. Then we go on to thank God - still in faith - for the truth we have proclaimed. Finally, we move from *thanksgiving* to jubilant *praise*. All this we do *in pure faith*, without waiting for any visible change in our situation.

In His own way and time, God responds to our faith, just as He did to that of Abraham. The truth, which we have proclaimed and for which we have thanked and praised Him, becomes a reality in our experience.

By raising these three banners of proclamation, thanksgiving and praise, we achieve two purposes at one and the same time. First, we secure for ourselves the promised blessings of God that we have proclaimed. Second, we shut out the satanic forces that would resist us and seek to withhold the blessings from us. In this way, marching together into our inheritance, we fulfill Solomon's prophetic picture of an army awesome with banners.

PROCLAMATIONS FOR CONTINUING VICTORY:

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God has led us to establish a central "bank" of Scriptures, which we have memorized and which we draw upon in our times of prayer, or whenever we become involved in spiritual conflict. Proclaiming these in faith invariably releases corresponding expressions of thanksgiving and praise.

We are speaking to a vast, invisible world of spirit beings.

p. 232-239
1. *As a result of praying the prayer for release from curses*

   Through the sacrifice of Jesus on the cross, I have passed out from under the curse and entered into the blessing of Abraham, whom God blessed in all things. (based on Gal 3:13-14)

2. *When becoming aware of negative forces directed against us, either from servants of Satan or from soulish utterances of Christians*

   No weapon formed against me shall prosper, and every tongue that rises against me in judgment I do not condemn. This is my heritage [my inheritance right] as a servant of the Lord, and my righteousness is from You, O Lord. (based on Isaiah 54:17 NKJV)

   Lord, I forgive all who have spoken evil against me, and having forgiven them, I bless them in Your name.

3. *When pressures of sin or guilt or unworthiness pursue us from our past*

   I am in Christ, and therefore I am a new creation. All those old things have passed away. Everything in my life has become new, and everything is from God. (based on 2 Cor. 5:17-18)

4. *When oppressed by hopelessness and gloomy forebodings of death.*

   I will not die but live, and will proclaim what the Lord has done. (Psalm 118:17 NIV)

5. *When assailed by physical sickness or infirmity*

   Jesus Himself bore my sins in His own body on the tree, that I, having died to sins, might live for righteousness - by whose wounds I was healed. (based on 1 Peter 2:24 NKJV)

   My body is a temple for the Holy Spirit, redeemed, cleansed and sanctified by the blood of Jesus. My members - the parts of my body - are instruments of righteousness, presented to God

for His service and for His glory. The devil has no place in me, no power over me, no unsettled claims against me. All has been settled by the blood of Jesus.

I overcome Satan by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of my testimony, and I do not love my life to the death. My body is for the Lord, and the Lord is for my body. (based on 1 Cor. 6:19; Eph. 1:7; 1 John 1:7; Heb. 13:13; Rom. 6:13; 8:33-34; Rev. 12:11; 1 Cor. 6:13)

6. *When Satan attacks an area for which God holds us responsible - our home, our family, our ministry, etc.*

   The bolts of our gates will be iron and bronze, and our strength will equal our days. There is no one like the God of Jeshurun, who rides on the heavens to help us and on the clouds in his majesty. The eternal God is our refuge, and underneath are the everlasting arms. He will drive out our enemy before us, saying, "Destroy him!" (based on Deut. 33:25-27 NIV)

7. *When we awaken to the realization that the mind is a battlefield in which the lies of Satan are at war with the truths of God's Word*

   The weapons of my warfare are mighty in God. With them I pull down the strongholds that Satan has built in my mind. I bring all my thoughts into obedience to Christ. Three of my mightiest weapons are proclamation, thanksgiving and praise. (based on 2 Cor. 10:3-5)

8. *When confronted by a task too big for me*

   I can do all things through the One who empowers me within. (based on Phil. 4:13)

9. *When my own strength fails or is insufficient*

   God's strength is made perfect in my weakness, and so when I am weak, then I am strong. (based on 2 Corinthians 12:9-10)

10. *When exercising faith for financial needs*

    God is able to make all grace abound toward us, that we, always having all sufficiency in all things, may have an abundance for every good work. (based on 2 Corinthians 9:8 NKJV)

11. *When assailed by fear*

    God has not given me a spirit of fear, but of power and of love and of a sound mind. (based on 2 Timothy 1:7 NKJV)

In the name of Jesus I submit to God and I resist the spirit of fear. Therefore it has to flee from me. (based on James 4:7)

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SCRIPTURE FOR MEDITATION

The purposes of a man's heart are deep waters, but a man of understanding draws them out. (Proverbs 20:5 NIV)

JOURNAL 6-1-06

Beth and I discussed this morning that it is time for me to start looking for someplace else to live - perhaps within the next 6 months. I have been expecting this for the last year or so, since I didn't expect to be in her home for long. I believe the Lord gave me this time at her home for several reasons:

- To pour into Beth what the Lord has taught me
- To write the books in this peaceful quiet place as the Lord has lead and for Beth to put them on the internet.
- To have lots of time to draw closer to the Lord and learn through conferences, books, soaking time, etc. without having to work a job outside the home.

I have told the Lord many times that I am ready to leave this earth and come to heaven and be with Him. However I wanted to stay on earth until my two daughters were married - with a husband to care about them, and be the primary relationship on earth for them. Kim has already been married to a fine husband and is doing well. Now Beth is ready for her marriage and is anticipating it coming soon. I think that she is ready, and it will likely happen soon, and I am happy for her.

So, Lord, I am now ready to come to heaven and be with You. I am greatly looking forward to that! And I am asking You, Lord, to take me to be with You quickly and with no pain - like You did Jerry's grandmother, Jessie. She had been to church the day she died, and later, while sitting at a table at home, she just slumped forward and died. That's what I would like too. One minute I would be on this earth, and the next minute I would be in heaven with You, Jesus.

I love You, Lord, and I thank You for the life You have given me! I thank You for always being with me and enabling me and supporting me and giving me meaning and purpose in life. Now, if You still have work You want me to do for You, then I am willing to stay on earth longer. I know and believe You will show me what that work is, and where I am to live during the time I do that,

for I am totally in Your hands. But if my work on earth is done, then I want to come to heaven to be with You.

I feel my work on earth is finished, but I also know You can show me something new You might want me to do, if that is Your will. It's in Your hands, Lord. May Your kingdom come and Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven! I relate to what Paul the Apostle said in Philippians 1:21 BSB "For to me, to live is Christ and to die is gain." I am also remembering Ecclesiastes 3:1-2 NIV "There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under heaven: a time to be born and a time to die."

FROM MY QUIET TIME

Remember the open door which I showed you in 1986 when you needed a job after the divorce was finished?

Yes. In that picture I saw a door open in front of me. Beyond the door was just brilliant light shining. I was to step over the threshold of that door in September 1986 into the new job the Lord had for me. In that month I was offered a job at The Ark Christian Bookstore as their music buyer and I began working there. It was the answer to my prayers for God to provide me another job at that time. September 1986 was when my maintenance payments stopped, if I remember right, therefore I needed another job besides teaching piano students. Today the Lord is bringing that picture into my memory again during my soaking Quiet Time.

I want you to know that picture has another meaning also for now. It is the picture of your walking over the threshold from earth life into the brilliant light of heaven's life. You have completed what I put in your heart to do on earth, and now you can come "home" to your true home - with Me. There you will receive the total healing I have been telling you is coming…and a lot more than total healing - total love, total meaning and purpose, total friendships forever, total health, total beauty all around you, and total new adventures to explore in safety. I love you, My child, and I want you to come and be with Me!

SCRIPTURE FOR MEDITATION

Sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the Lord, all the earth. Sing to the Lord, praise his name; proclaim his salvation day after day. Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous deeds among all peoples. (Psalm 96:1-3 NIV)

JOURNAL 6-2-06 Friday

WORDS OF FAREWELL TO MY READERS

Today is the day to say farewell to my readers. I have prayed for you often and continue to pray for your own personal relationship with Jesus as your Lord. Remember the Bible says He is the same yesterday, today and forever. (Hebrews 13:8) I want to close with this wonderful benediction from Ephesians 3:20:

> ***Now unto him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen.***

This article was emailed to me by www.ElijahList.com and I believe it is fitting to add it to this book about the Lord's time:

June 9, 2006

Kari Browning: "The Appointed Time Has Come"



For years, God has been speaking through prophetic voices of a great outpouring where stadiums would be filled, and His Glory would be seen through healings, creative miracles, and signs and wonders. The appointed time has come!

On Mother's Day weekend this year, we experienced an unusual outpouring in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho. We hosted a "Glory Explosion" conference with Jeff Jansen, David Herzog, and Joshua Mills. During this time, we witnessed many healings, some received gold crowns or fillings in their teeth, several experienced instant weight loss, one man had hair grow on his head, a few were covered in gold dust, and some saw angels with their open eyes! It was amazing and glorious.

Four years ago, on Mother's Day weekend 2002, we hosted a prophetic seminar with Shawn Bolz. When his team arrived that weekend, the headline in our local newspaper was "Reaching for Glory." We knew it was a sign. Before Kenneth Hagin died in 2003, he prophesied that 2006 would be the year of the glory:

"Now what about 2006? There is no way to tell it! Oh Lord, oh my! How do you

describe it? It will be a glorious year. It will be a year of Heaven on earth!"

Past Appointed Times

In the Bible, important events happened on festival dates. They were "appointed times." It seems like Mother's Day is an important event on God's calendar. In 1980, on Mother's Day, the Holy Spirit came in a powerful way in a Yorba Linda Calvary Chapel, pastored by John Wimber, who later became the leader of the Vineyard movement. On that Sunday, a young evangelist by the name of Lonnie Frisbee confessed the Church's failure to give place to the Holy Spirit. He concluded his prayer with the words, "Come, Holy Spirit!" The Holy Spirit came in power, and the rest is history.

The patriarch Abraham was given a promise that he waited 25 years to see fulfilled. During those 25 years, God would visit Abraham to give him encouragement, and more revelation concerning his promise. It wasn't until a year prior to the promise being fulfilled that God gave Abraham the timing. **"Then the Lord said, "I will surely return to you about this time next year, and Sarah your wife will have a son." (Genesis 18:10 NIV)**

Watch, It's Time

A year ago on Mother's Day, three well known prophetic voices had similar experiences. One was Bob Jones. He had a dream that morning--he was given a watch and was told that everything would begin in a year. After telling Rick Joyner of the dream on the way to church that day, Bob's watch fell off his wrist during the church service. Someone came over and put a Rolex watch on his wrist.

The same day Bob Jones was given a new watch in North Carolina, Danny Steyne was given a new watch in Idaho. The night before, on May 7, Danny was speaking at the Healing Rooms in Spokane. I saw a vision of John G. Lake handing him a pocket watch and heard the words "It's Time." (John G. Lake had a great healing ministry. During his lifetime, Spokane was declared "The healthiest city in the world" by the mayor, because of his ministry there.) The next morning, Mother's Day, someone who had not heard the vision from the previous night, saw a vision of Danny taking a pocket watch out of his pocket and heard the words "It's Time." Later in the day, I bought Danny a pocket watch, and he had it inscribed with the words "It's Time."

Glory Dates Leading Us to Glory

After this experience that occurred on May 7, I realized that May 7, was another important date on God's calendar. William Branham had been commissioned to the healing ministry on that date by an angel in 1946.

This was also the date that Mike Bickle, and the Church in Kansas City, began a 21-day fast for revival in 1983. Bob Jones had declared that a comet would come on the day the fast began, which would be unpredicted by scientists, and be a sign that revival would surely come. The sign happened on May 7, just as he had foretold. They all thought revival would come immediately after the fast ended in 1983.

However, Bob had a dream on the last day of the fast and told Mike the following: "The Lord spoke to me in a dream last night, and told me He is not going to break loose in the revival in the way that we all thought. God never said that it would begin after the fast. We only assumed it would. The Lord says, 'No! There is an appointed time and appointed season for America, and when the Lord says it's time, it will not be one day late.'"

Todd Bentley also had a visitation on Mother's Day, 2005. He was told that the healing ministry would begin that day. He was also told that the kingly anointing would begin on Mother's Day, and he understood that to be the apostolic ministry. He heard the Lord speak to him audibly "Acts 5:12 NKJV begins today." **And through the hands of the apostles many signs and wonders were done among the people, Acts 5:12 NKJV.**

Prior to the Glory Explosion conference, we hosted the "It's Time" conference on March 2-4, 2006 where the prophetic voices declared the changing of the season, and that it was time for apostolic power to be released. There were several dreams and prophetic experiences that confirmed that message prior to the event.

Then, on April 12-14, 2006 we hosted the "Northwest Revival Fire" conference. On April 14, (the actual 100 year anniversary date of the beginning of the Azusa Street Revival), Randy DeMain released the angel "Breakthrough Revival," which had been assigned to him in Nigeria two years prior. This angel was the same angel that had been assigned to Benson Idahosa, until his death in 1998. Randy saw this angel with his open eyes in the meeting, as well as another angel that is associated with healing.

On Mother's Day weekend, May 11-14, 2006 we hosted the "Glory Explosion" conference where we saw the glory of God manifest in tangible ways. We believe we are going to continue to be changed from glory to glory, and greater glory awaits us in days ahead.

The appointed time has come. This is the hour that we have longed for. It's Time!

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