

**THINGS
THE LORD
HAS
SHOWN ME**

A Book of Remembrance
of
God's guidance, protection,
and promises

From revelations, dreams,
visions, and experiences

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DEDICATION

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.

SPECIAL THANKS

A special thank you to my daughter, Beth,
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ABOUT THE AUTHOR

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After four years of developing this more intimate relationship, He lead her to begin writing her first book, *Thoughts and Stories: On a Life God Leads, Guides, and Protects*. He even gave her the title for the book and gradually, as she listened and wrote, He lead her in writing the whole book.

Previous to this writing she had collected stories about ways God had impacted the lives of people. This was in response to His guidance from Psalm 96:3 that says: **“Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous deeds among all peoples.”** She knew He wanted her to declare *His Marvelous Deeds* and share these deeds with others by writing them. All this came together in her books.

She retired from her secretarial position in 2004 and now lives in Lee’s Summit, Missouri, with her daughter, Beth, where the Lord has led her to set apart her days to listen to Him and write what He shows her. She has a background in writing from childhood on, has a Bachelor’s Degree in Music and English, and a Master’s Degree in Education.

Writing is her passion and the way God is leading her to share with others what God has been doing in her life. Her desire is to encourage and mentor others through her writings--as many in the Body of Christ have taught and mentored her through their writings.

INTRODUCTION

On December 31, 2004 in my Quiet Time with the Lord, He began to show me a new project He wanted me to begin in 2005. It was to be a book called *Things The Lord Has Shown Me*. This book would contain insights, visions, dreams, wisdom, and knowledge given by the Lord to me over my lifetime. These would be things the Lord wants to put into print for others to read at strategic times in their lives. But they also will be used to help me understand the revelations He has shown me through these experiences.

When I try to think back over my life and review all my journals which I have been writing since about 1977, I can see there are many things He has shown me. The task seems pretty huge and overwhelming to tackle. Yet I expect Him to show me how to do this and lead me through this task. I know He has shown me many things over those years, and I want to share those things with you, my readers. I pray this will be a blessing to all who read this book!

This book will describe visions, dreams, stories, impressions, and experiences I've had and tell about the revelations God has given through them. These revelations are about myself, about the world, about the church, and about relationships. I use the stories to declare *His Marvelous Deeds* as He guided me to do through the scripture in Psalm 96:3 **“Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous deeds among all peoples.”**

BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE AND BOOK OF THE FUTURE

On a cassette tape message I heard by Todd Bentley (about a book of remembrance and book of the future) he said to go back and remember the things the Lord has shown you, has promised you, has given you a passion for, and the promises you have made to Him at those times. He said that God has all those things/times written in His Book of Remembrance...and I am to stir them up. So I am writing here dreams, visions, and experiences from God which He gave me over the last 34 years.

Writings in italics show what the Holy Spirit spoke to me about each event.

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In Numbers 24:3 Balaam says:

“The oracle of Balaam son of Beor, the oracle of one whose eye sees clearly, the oracle of one who hears the words of God, who sees a vision from the Almighty, who falls prostrate, and whose eyes are opened.” In verse 16 he also adds: “who has knowledge from the Most High.”

In Joel 2:28-29 God says:

“And afterward, I will pour out my Spirit on all people. Your sons and daughters will prophesy, your old men will dream dreams, your young men will see visions. Even on my servants, both men and women, I will pour out my Spirit in those days.”

In 2 Corinthians 12:1-4 Paul says:

“I will go on to visions and revelations from the Lord. I know a man in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven. Whether it was in the body or out of the body I do not know--God knows. And I know that this man--whether in the body or apart from the body I do not know, but God knows--was caught up to paradise. He heard inexpressible things, things that man is not permitted to tell.”

In Revelation 1:1-2 John says:

“The revelation of Jesus Christ, which God gave him to show his servants what must soon take place. He made it known by sending his angel to his servant John, who testifies to everything he saw--that is, the word of God and the testimony of Jesus Christ.

In Revelation 1:9-11 John says:

“I, John, your brother and companion in the suffering and kingdom and patient endurance that are ours in Jesus, was on the island of Patmos because of the word of God and the testimony of Jesus. On the Lord’s Day I was in the Spirit, and I heard behind me a loud voice like a trumpet, which said: “Write on a scroll what you see and send it to the seven churches...”

In Revelation 4:1-2 John says:

“After this I looked, and there before me was a door standing open in heaven. And the voice I had first heard speaking to me like a trumpet said, ‘Come up here, and I will show you what must take place after this.’ At once I was in the Spirit, and there before me was a throne in heaven with someone sitting on it.”

In Acts 10:9-11 Peter says:

“Peter went up on the roof to pray....he fell into a trance. He saw heaven opened and something like a large sheet being let down to earth by its four corners...”

Also see: Genesis 15, Genesis 28:10, Genesis 41, 1 Kings 22:19, Isaiah 6, Ezekiel 1:10, Daniel 4, Daniel 7, Zechariah 1, Genesis 12:7, Job 7:14, Isaiah 1:1.

THINGS THE LORD HAS SHOWN ME

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VISIONS

VISION OF PEOPLE COMING TO THE LORD

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In this vision I was up front in the sanctuary speaking to the congregation at my church. I was speaking to them about repenting, getting reconciled, etc. with God. People came forward as I spoke to get help from the ‘counselors’ down in front.

When I first “saw” this vision, I tried to say to myself that I couldn’t watch this scene because it was prideful seeing myself in front of the church. But the Spirit said to me to let it progress, look at it, see it, so I did. It showed me sharing with people and encouraging them to come to the Lord with all their different needs: salvation, prayer, counseling, encouraging. This is a picture of that being part of God’s plan for my life. I see myself right now desiring to do that in my job. That was part of the motivation for organizing Discipleship Training groups at the church where I attended then. I wanted to help people see their need for spiritual growth, and to offer them the spiritual help they needed.

This is the first of seven (it includes the six following this one) visions that are a series of pictures which I will see unfolding chronologically within my church body. I can watch them unfold and, as they do, I will know we are closer and closer to the final picture – the explosion.

1985: I watched these counselors and others within the church be involved in ministry and evangelism.

1002: I recognize now these counselors represent ministry/discipling and witnessing/evangelism – what Christ told us to do in the great commission. They represent those ministries but aren’t the only people doing those ministries. The Lord is speaking to the church to repent, get reconciled with Him and with each other, and is calling the church to do witnessing and discipling around the whole world.



What the Lord has shown me in this vision is that I am to be involved in sharing with and encouraging people to come to the Lord with their needs, and to help them find the way to do that.

VISION OF SMILING FACES

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In this vision I saw myself standing up front in the sanctuary at church and looking out over the congregation. I saw faces, and some of the faces were replaced with a circle smiley face ☺. Those were the ones that drew my attention.

1985: the smiling faces represent people in the congregation/multitude who receive me and the message the Lord has given me to share.

2001: The smiling faces in the multitude represent those who are open to Christ, His message, and the ministry of His evangelists and disciples. They can be seen among the multitudes by their smiling acceptance and desire to know the Lord.

Those you are supposed to contact respond to you represented by smiles. You are to “look out over” my kingdom people and connect with them. You are to look for those who are seeking Me and put your attention on them. Then you can help lead them to what will fill/answer their needs.



What the Lord has shown me in this vision is to look for His kingdom people and connect with them.

VISION OF GIVING MESSAGES TO OTHERS

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A music minister was standing on the platform in the front of the sanctuary with Jesus standing beside him.

1985: Jesus is waiting beside him for him to invite Jesus into himself and to empower him for leading worship.

2001: Jesus is waiting beside us during our worship times wanting to come into us and worship through us, to empower us to greater praise and worship.

You told him about this vision and that you thought that meant he was to make his choice about whether he wanted to follow Jesus or not, and to tell this to Jesus. He said he did want to receive Jesus into himself and follow Him. You were my messenger to him to speak of his

need for a commitment to Me. You shared that with him. His choice is his own.



What the Lord has shown me in this vision includes telling others something the Lord shows me for them.

VISION OF BEING INVOLVED IN PRAISE AND WORSHIP

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The music minister was standing on the platform in the front of the sanctuary. He looked over at the choir where I was sitting. He motioned to B and me to come up with him. We did that and B stood on his right hand and I on his left hand. We took his two hands and held them up so the three of us were standing there with our hands linked, holding them up as high as we could.

1985: The music minister calls for support and help from B and me. We join him and work with him, pray with him, and minister together with him, especially in the Easter pageant ministry. This especially was fulfilled in 1991 when B wrote the pageant, the music minister directed it, and I assisted them both. The three of us prayed together in support of all this.

2001: Worship, witnessing and discipling (which these three people represent) are drawing together, supporting each other, and ministering together.

This means you two linked with him in ministering for Me...and in praising Me. You are still linked to Me and praising Me. This means for you that you are an integral part of My praise ministry, and that praise and worship has a major roll to play in your life - both now and in heaven. This ministry to Me in praise and worship will continue and increase in your life.



What the Lord has shown me in this vision is that I will continue to be involved in praise and worship.

VISION OF WORKING WITH PASTORS

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In this vision I saw the pulpit on the platform in the front of the sanctuary at my church. I saw it being pulled up and over to one side by something unseen. I saw under the pulpit long white/gray roots with much dirt around them. I was standing beside the

pulpit that was torn up. As this happened I was tossed up and down in great upheaval. There was nothing to stand on as the floor wasn't there, just air. I moved up and down for quite awhile, but gradually the turbulence grew less and less and I was tossed less until the turbulence stopped and I could again stand.

1985: This represented our pastor who was torn away from our church. He left the pastorate to take another job. It greatly affected the worship and discipleship ministries as well as the whole church. We went through great turbulence for months and years. Many were hurt through this process. Many left that church through this process and tried to start another congregation which eventually dissolved.

2001: The hidden motives among the leadership, especially pastors, of the church will be revealed and torn up for all to see. It will not be a pretty sight. Some will look ugly, dirty, and have long roots into their very inner beings, their motives, their intentions. This greatly affects the whole church body and the ministries of that body. Their impact on the world is reduced through this, and they come out frustrated and with reduced effectiveness. This will gradually decrease and the church will eventually stand on firm ground.

This refers to the time of upheaval with your pastor leaving and your turbulence with that. However it also has meaning extended beyond that specific situation. Your life has been intertwined with pastors (the pulpit) a lot and there is upheaval and turbulence from those situations/relationships. This is and will continue to be a part of your life and future. When the turbulence comes, there is nothing to stand on in the world, only your faith and trust in Me. Eventually each situation (several pastors leaving your own church over the years and the pastors you work for in your job as church secretary) will stop the turbulence and you can stand again awhile in peace.



What the Lord has shown me through this vision is my being closely involved with pastors and church staff in my church life and work life, and the turbulence involved with them.

VISION OF FAITH-BASED TEAM MINISTRY

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I was positioned up in the air over the congregation in my church. One person 'came up' from the platform and was positioned across from me in the air. Then another person came up to join us to my left, and another one came hesitatingly up in the air to my right. The four of us were together in the air.

1985: One person represented the pastor in this picture. Another represented worship and praise. I represented discipleship and another one represented witnessing through music, drama, and teaching. The time was fulfilled when we prayed together as principal people involved in the pageant.

2001: This represents the ministries of preaching, teaching, worship, witnessing, and discipleship all being bound together and working together in prayer to do the kingdom work, share the gospel, and bring glory to God.

This had a literal fulfillment when you four met and prayed together for an Easter pageant at your church. But it has a more extended meaning too. You will work in “team ministry” together with others. This will come together one person at a time. In the air means it is based on faith and not on the world.



What the Lord has shown me in this vision is my being involved in faith based team ministry.

VISION OF REVIVAL AND THE RAPTURE

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In this vision I saw pray-ers kneeling at the front of the sanctuary in front of the platform. I only saw their silhouettes and the silhouettes were aqua blue. They were surrounded by a rose-colored light. The four who met in the air (from the previous vision scene) came together into a ball of fire. This ball started moving around inside the sanctuary in an arc to come down and touch someone, then went up in another arc to some other part of the sanctuary to come down and touch someone else. It kept doing this over and over, faster and faster, touching more and more people. Each time it went in the arc through the air it left a trail of silver dust which stayed, like a jet trail in the sky, so these trails increased and increased within the inside of the sanctuary. It kept going faster and faster until it exploded so the light and silver dust filled everywhere.

1985: I expected to see this taking place in my church sanctuary. As of March 2001 I had not yet seen it although I thought there were beginning signs at times. I still waited and prayed for it.

2001: It has been revealed to me just this week of March 2001 that the places this Holy Spirit Ball of Fire touched down represent places in the world where He is touching mightily and has been for many of the last several years. It represents “people groups” He is visiting with revival around the world. It is being fulfilled world-wide, but not yet in my local church. The silvery dust left wherever the Holy Spirit goes represents the “glory” that shows as He works in us and upon us, His Church. The explosion represents the Rapture when the Church is translated in the air to meet with Jesus. As the work of the Holy Spirit in revival goes faster and faster touching more and more people, it will climax with a giant explosion of great power, might, and glory as Christ takes His Bride to be with Himself.

This scene represents revival of people by the touch of the Holy Spirit. This touching by the Spirit starts, then increases in number and speed. It involves “the Church” anywhere. It comes through

prayer which turns into fire as the Spirit takes those prayers and increases and answers them. The fire is the judgment and cleansing of God. The silver dust is the beauty that is seen in the atmosphere around where the Spirit touches. The explosion of light and silver dust everywhere is a visual picture of the Rapture of God's saints - in the twinkling of an eye like an explosion, and greatly beautiful like light and silver dust.



What the Lord has shown me through this vision includes revival, the Holy Spirit being poured out upon the whole world, and the Rapture experience.

VISION PICTURE OF FOLLOWING JESUS

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I saw a picture of an opened fan looking like a turkey tail. At the top of each fan section an instruction was written. The understanding came to me that different people in the Body of Christ were to respond to these different instructions according to their giftedness and God's leading. As they did this all the instructions could be completed - as each one did his part. The piece of fan given to me had this instruction on it: *Follow Me.*

My main instruction for life is to "Follow Christ!" Others have their instructions too. My piece is what He has given me to do...follow Him.

"They follow the Lamb wherever he goes." (Revelation 14:4)



What the Lord has shown me in this vision picture includes following Jesus wherever He leads me.

VISION PICTURE OF TESTING

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I saw in my mind the picture of a maze, as if I was looking down on it from above. I saw myself in this maze, letting the Lord lead me each way it went. The thought came to me: How could He really teach me and test me on following Him if He did not lead me in some ways that were different than I expected or not logical to me? If He only led me in ways I expected, ways He had led me before, that would not really test and grow my ability to follow Him. I was impressed that even if He said: *Do nothing*, I was to follow that. That just might be the best for me at that time.

I am leading you, like in a maze. You do not see each turn or see to the side. Just keep following Me moment by moment. It is a lonely path, but I am always with you. I will always show you the way to go.



What the Lord has shown me in this vision picture includes following Jesus even though I don't see where this is taking me, or what is coming next. Some of this following may be a test. He will always be with me.

VISION PICTURE OF PROVISION, ONE SEED AT A TIME

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One day my attention was drawn to some birds eating in the grass outside my kitchen window. I noticed the birds picked up one seed at a time to eat. The Lord gave me a mental picture of a whole pile of seeds. Then He revealed He did not provide a pile of seeds for them, but just one seed at a time - and He would provide for me the same way!



What the Lord has shown me through this vision picture includes being provided for as I need it, a bit at a time, but enough.

VISION OF JESUS, THE LIVING WATER

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As this vision picture began I saw myself standing in front of an old fashioned well - the kind where you had to dip a bucket down into it to get water. Beyond the well was the ocean, yet I drew water from this well.

In my hand was a small dipper. With this dipper I would reach into the well, get a small dipper of water, then reach up and pour that water into the top of my head. It would run down inside me to my feet and begin to fill me.

Slowly I dipped, on and on, filling myself with this water. I sensed the water level rising within me. The task seemed tedious and tiring as it went on for a long long time

Then, when the water level inside me reached about two-thirds full, I suddenly found in my hand a much bigger dipper. As I dipped with it I filled up much faster! I could sense the water level coming up higher and higher within my body until I was full.

As I meditate on this vision picture and ask the Lord to give me revelation about it, I see that it has two perspectives. One refers to my own spiritual growth which paralleled the picture. It came slowly over many years, and then the growth increased and speeded up at a particular point in my adult life. The second perspective on the vision picture pertains to the church in the world. It, too, has followed the pattern of slow tedious growth, but it also will come to a time (and perhaps has already come) of the ‘big dipper’ when the water of the Spirit fills the church quickly.

Instead of being filled with the salt water of the world, (the ocean in back of the well) we are to be filled with the fresh clear clean water from the well of salvation, Jesus.

“With joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation.” (Isaiah 12:3)



What the Lord has shown me in this vision is that I will continue being filled more and more with Jesus, the Living Water.

VISION OF BEING ON A PATH

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I had the vision picture of me being on a path and Jesus was in front of me walking backwards, and we were holding hands. He was leading me so I would not get off the path and fall over the edge of it.



What the Lord has shown me is that Jesus will lead me on the path of my life and keep me from getting off that path.

VISION PICTURE OF RECEIVING BLESSING

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I was attending a revival meeting at church. We were singing, praising, worshiping, and I was being deeply touched by the Spirit. I saw a picture in my spirit of the Pastor standing on the platform in the front. I saw myself kneeling down before him and saw him putting his hands on my head in blessing.



What the Lord has shown me is that Pastors will bring blessing to me and I will receive blessing from them.

VISION PICTURE OF MY POWER OVER THE ENEMY

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I was in the kitchen of my home and suddenly God opened up a revelation to me about the enemy and my power over him. God showed me the idea of a little ant on the floor and my smashing it with my shoe. He revealed to me that my authority over the enemy was like smashing that ant.



What the Lord has shown me from this revelation is that I hold the power to win battles over Satan due to the great power of God in me in comparison to Satan's power.

A MARVELOUS HEALING EXPERIENCE THROUGH A VISION

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As an adult I have often been guided by the Lord to look back into my past and remember an event which needs to be worked through. Sometimes I need to forgive someone, sometimes I need to ask the Lord to forgive me, sometimes I need to be freed from a wrong attitude, and sometimes I need healing. This story involves both forgiveness and healing for something which happened to me as a young child.....

I do not remember why, but my father was angry with me. In the process of dealing with me in his anger, he sent me outside our home to stand by myself in the dark on our front porch. I was very afraid of the dark, so that was a dreadful punishment for me. But there was also a feeling of rejection and fear during that event...enough that it continued as a very painful memory for many years, even into my adulthood.

As an adult I brought that memory to the surface under the Lord's guidance one day. I had to forgive my father for treating me that way. It was easy enough to say "I forgive him" to the Lord because I now had children of my own, and I could understand how irritating they can be at times. Perhaps I had been that way.

But somehow the Lord was not finished with that memory. I did not have a sense of peace about it and it kept returning into my mind. So I asked Him how to be free from the pain of that memory. I began to see that the feelings of being unwanted and rejected were still there and needed to be healed. How could I be healed I asked Him. Then He performed one of *His Marvelous Deeds* (Psalm 96:3) in my life to bring healing to me.

He had me bring back into my mind the picture of myself standing on that porch as a

little child. Then He reminded me that He was always with me, and that I could imagine Him there on that porch with me because He really was. So, in my imagination, I pictured Him standing there with me. At this point a vision began, and somehow, it was not dark anymore when He was there, and I was not afraid. He took my hand and we walked together down the steps off the porch and into a grassy area beside the house. His presence blessed me and freed me to be the child I was. We took hands and danced around in circles as children do. Then He stooped down and waited and watched as I danced and ran around in the grass full of joy and delight being with Him.

This was so healing to me that now it is a pleasure to go back to that memory, because when I do, I remember, not pain, but Jesus being with me and accepting me for being a child and acting like a child...and just loving me as a child. My earthly father could not accept me acting like a child, but my heavenly Father loved me that way! **“He said to them, ‘Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these. I tell you the truth, anyone who will not receive the kingdom of God like a little child will never enter it.’ And he took the children in his arms, put his hands on them and blessed them.”** (Mark 10:14-16)



What the Lord has shown me through this vision includes healing from the pain of hurtful events/memories.

VISION PICTURE OF JESUS AS SHEPHERD

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In this picture I was watching Jesus walking through a lovely valley and I was a sheep walking along at His right side. I saw us from the back and watched us walk together.



What the Lord has shown me is that Jesus and I will continue to walk together through the valley of life...He the Shepherd and I am following beside Him. He is my protection through this walk as a shepherd protects his sheep.

VISION PICTURE OF JESUS ON THE LAKESHORE

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In this vision picture I walked out of the lake to the shore and Jesus was standing there . As I came up to Him He gave me a treasure.



What the Lord has shown me from this vision is that I will receive treasure from Jesus - and He is that treasure! That treasure is kept in this earthen vessel.

VISION OF JESUS AND ANGELS SEEN DURING WORSHIP

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The worship leader was leading us in praise and worship songs and we were singing before God. As I shut my eyes while singing one song, suddenly I “saw” this picture. In the picture Jesus was standing before the congregation holding out His hands in blessing over them. They were all bowing their heads like in prayer before Him. It didn’t seem as if anyone was aware of His presence but me.

I was standing in the upper left-hand corner of the back part of the room (where I actually was at the time). The meeting area was shaped with the stage down at the front of the room and the seats sloping upward from there, with the highest seats toward the back. I looked at Jesus and He looked at me.

Then I looked up to my right and saw high up on the right wall of the room three angels holding long trumpets to their mouths. The trumpets were pointed downward toward the people. That was the end of the scene, and I was again aware of the congregation singing the worship song. I was amazed at what had just happened!

Then I opened my eyes and the worship leader lead us in another song. Again, I closed my eyes, and again I suddenly saw the same scene. Jesus was standing in front of the group with His hands out in blessing over them as their heads were bowed. I was standing up in the same spot as before and looking at Jesus. Then I saw the three angels again; but this time they were holding their trumpets in a straight out position. When I opened my eyes again we began singing another song.

This third time I closed my eyes while worshiping and saw the same picture. The only change in the picture was in the position the angels were holding their trumpets. This third time they held the trumpets in an upward position pointed toward the sky. When this happened for the third time I was just stunned by what had happened. I was touched by the vision and was never the same after that. It kept coming into my memory and I pondered what it meant and whether I was to do something about it.

Over time I asked the Lord to show me the meaning of the vision repeated three times. I think now I was seeing into the spiritual realm which exists all the time but which we seldom have eyes to see. I came to realize this represented three time periods in my life under three different authority arrangements:

1. The time I was in my home growing up under my father's authority.
2. The time I was married and under the authority of my husband.
3. The time I was single again and under God's authority.

I came to realize it represented to me that I would see Jesus as real and personal and with my spiritual eyes. And this has proven very true over years of time since that vision. I believe it was given three times to especially emphasize that it was "set" and would not change, that this would be a reality over the rest of my life. I am now in the third "trumpets held up" stage which I believe also represents the end times and that the coming of Jesus for His bride in the rapture is not far away.



What the Lord has shown me in this vision is that my life will hold special close times of communicating with Jesus, seeing Him, what He is doing, and whom He is blessing, right up to the Rapture.

VISION OF THE BLUEBIRD

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The Lord had me go to the upper room and unplug the phone and shut the door for a "deeper" quiet time this morning. I saw a vision of a bluebird flying over my head from left to right. It was carrying something (I think a seed) in its mouth.

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



What the Lord has shown me through this vision is that He is implanting His Word into me to grow; then He will have me give it out to others.

VISION ABOUT A CAT

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I saw a picture of a cat coming out from under an end table (like at the end of a couch) and looking up at me. The cat was a tan color with dark gray stripes on its back and head.

It means watch out for something to be revealed that has been hidden, that has been unclear previously. It means something affecting your personal life. It means exposing of something you were unaware of previously. This refers to your personal life and relationships, like family. You must keep coming to Me about whatever it is and ask to approach it from the right attitude, from My perspective. This “impression” is to warn you ahead of time so you won’t be caught totally unprepared, off guard.



What the Lord has shown me from this vision is that He sometimes warns us ahead of time regarding something coming.

VISION OF A WHITE DESK

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An impression I saw just after I woke up: I saw a white desk that I was standing in front of. The middle of three drawers on the right side was open and showed many spiral notebooks (like my journal notebooks) in it.

Since a desk represents to me a place to work on writing, and I am a writer, perhaps this represents me as the desk. If so, it seems to refer to my being pure and containing books within the center of me that are now open and able to be seen...old books and new books possibly...revealing a record of the Word of God, my heart, my witness and remembrance, conscience, education, and knowledge. It is revealed by God through me and is accepted. That’s why it is seen in a white (pure) desk or container or storage place. Middle drawer may represent those books come from a middle level of revelation (not lowest and not the highest). In this impression, I am in a position to make use of this desk and drawer of books because they are “in front of” me - perhaps in front of me in time, meaning things to come. This may come about by obedience, conformity to the Spirit’s leading.



What the Lord has shown me through this vision is that He has placed books inside of me which I am to write.

VISION AT THE GLORY SCHOOL

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At the Glory School session tonight we spent time “going into the spiritual realm” together. I wrote down the things I received during that time. My head was tilted back and I “knew” the “treasures of heaven” were being poured down into my forehead from

above. I'm thinking the "treasures of heaven" are the "secrets of heaven."

I looked up Scriptures to learn more about the treasures of heaven:

"He will be the sure foundation for your times, a rich store of salvation and wisdom and knowledge; the fear of the Lord is the key to this treasure." (Isaiah 33:6)

"Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy, and where thieves break in and steal. But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where moth and rust do not destroy, and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also." (Matt 6:19-21)

"But we have this treasure in jars of clay to show that this all-surpassing power is from God and not from us." (2 Corinthians 4:7)

"My purpose is that they may be encouraged in heart and united in love, so that they may have the full riches of complete understanding, in order that they may know the mystery of God, namely, Christ, in whom are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge." (Colossians 2:2-3)

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

"For you are a people holy to the Lord your God. The Lord your God has chosen you out of all the peoples on the face of the earth to be his people, his treasured possession." (Deuteronomy 7:6)

"The secret things belong to the Lord our God, but the things revealed belong to us and to our children forever, that we may follow all the words of this law." (Deuteronomy 29:29)

"Therefore every teacher of the law who has been instructed about the kingdom of heaven is like the owner of a house who brings out of his storeroom new treasures as well as old." (Matt 13:52)



What the Lord has shown me through this vision is that He has treasures which He is pouring into me.

VISION OF THE BUBBLE

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

In this vision I saw myself inside a bubble which seemed like acrylic. I was able to see

through the bubble, but it kept me safe from things outside of me. I thought I might get up and leave the bubble to help a person I knew who needed help, but the Lord said, “No.” I was to stay in the bubble and let Him go to that other person to give help. I watched Him leave to do that. There was no door in the bubble for me to use to exit anyway. The bubble seemed to represent His presence around me.

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



What the Lord has shown me through this vision is a picture of where He will keep me throughout my days on earth—in a place of protection.

VISION PICTURE OF MICROPHONE AND SPEAKING FORTH

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Just before I woke up, or as I was waking, I saw a microphone on a stand. The idea with it was to speak forth.

A microphone is to amplify what is spoken to take the sound farther and to more people. Since my books are what I am speaking, I need a microphone to amplify what is said in them and to take the message in them to many people. The Holy Spirit is my microphone. He will take the message to many.



What the Lord has shown me here is that I will be speaking forth, I think through my books. The Holy Spirit will speak through the books and amplify what is said in them to many people.

A VISION BY TOMMY HICKS THAT TOUCHED ME

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This is a vision I read many years ago in a book called *To Heal The Sick* by Charles and Frances Hunter. It meant so much to me, and gave me such encouragement, that I get the book out every so often and reread it. Therefore I want to share this vision with you, my readers, also. It was received by Tommy Hicks, noted evangelist, in 1961, and published in a book entitled *Pertinent Prophecies I* by John M. and Dorothea M. Gardner, and reprinted by permission in the Hunters’ book. Here is the vision:

VISION OF THE BODY OF CHRIST AND THE END-TIME MINISTRIES

My message begins July 25, about 2:30 in the morning at Winnipeg, Canada. I had hardly fallen asleep when the vision and the revelation that God gave me came before me. The vision came three times, exactly in detail, the morning of July 25, 1961. I was so stirred and so moved by the revelation that this has changed my complete outlook upon the body of Christ, and upon the end-time ministries....

As the vision appeared to me after I was asleep, I suddenly found myself in a great high distance. Where I was, I do not know. But I was looking down upon the earth. Suddenly the whole earth came into my view. Every nation, every kindred, every tongue came before my sight from the east and the west, the north and the south. I recognized every country and many cities that I had been in, and I was almost in fear and trembling as I beheld the great sight before me; and at that moment when the world came into view, it began to lightning and thunder.

As the lightning flashed over the face of the earth, my eyes went downward and I was facing the north. Suddenly I beheld what looked like a great giant, and as I stared and looked at it, I was almost bewildered by the sight. It was so gigantic and so great. His feet seemed to reach to the north pole and his head to the south. Its arms were stretched from sea to sea. I could not even begin to understand whether this be a mountain or this be a giant, but as I watched, I suddenly beheld a great giant. I could see his head was struggling for life. He wanted to live, but his body was covered with debris from head to foot, and at times this great giant would move his body and act as though it would even raise up at times. And when it did, thousands of little creatures seemed to run away. Hideous creatures would run away from this giant, and when he would become calm, they would come back.

All of a sudden this great giant lifted his hand toward the heaven, and then it lifted its other hand, and when it did, these creatures by the thousands seemed to flee away from this giant and go into the darkness of the night.

Slowly this great giant began to rise and as he did, his head and hands went into the clouds. As he rose to his feet he seemed to have cleansed himself from the debris and filth that was upon him, and he began to raise his hands into the heavens as though praising the Lord, and as he raised his hands, they went even unto the clouds.

Suddenly, every cloud became silver, the most beautiful silver I have ever known. As I watched this phenomenon it was so great I could not even begin to understand what it all meant. I was so stirred as I watched it, and I cried unto the Lord and I said, "Oh, Lord, what is the meaning of this," and I felt as if I was actually in the Spirit and I could feel the presence of the Lord even as I was asleep.

And from those clouds suddenly there came great drops of liquid light raining down upon this mighty giant, and slowly, slowly, this giant began to melt, began to sink itself

in the very earth itself, and as he melted, his whole form seemed to have melted upon the face of the earth, and this great rain began to come down. Liquid drops of light began to flood the very earth itself and as I watched this giant that seemed to melt, suddenly it became millions of people over the face of the earth. As I beheld the sight before me, people stood up all over the world! They were lifting their hands and they were praising the Lord.

At that very moment there came a great thunder that seemed to roar from the heavens. I turned my eyes toward the heavens and suddenly I saw a figure in white, in glistening white--the most glorious thing that I have ever seen in my entire life. I did not see the face, but somehow I knew it was the Lord Jesus Christ, and he stretched forth his hand, and as he did, He would stretch it forth to one, and to another, and to another. And as he stretched forth his hand upon the nations and the people of the world--men and women--as he pointed toward them, this liquid light seemed to flow from his hands into them, and those people began to go forth in the name of the Lord.

I do not know how long I watched it. It seemed it went into days and weeks and months. And I beheld this Christ as he continued to stretch forth his hand; but there was a tragedy. There were many people as he stretched forth his hand that refused the anointing of God and the call of God. I saw men and women that I knew. People that I felt would certainly receive the call of God. But as he stretched forth his hand toward this one and toward that one, they simply bowed their head and began to back away. And each of those that seemed to bow down and back away, seemed to go into darkness. Blackness seemed to swallow them everywhere.

I was bewildered as I watched it, but these people that he had anointed, hundreds of thousands of people in all the world, in Africa, England, Russia, China, America, all over the world, the anointing of God was upon these people as they went forward in the name of the Lord. I saw these men and women as they went forth. They were ditch diggers, they were washerwomen, they were rich men, they were poor men. I saw people who were bound with paralysis and sickness and blindness and deafness. As the Lord stretched forth to give them this anointing, they became well, they became healed, and they went forth!

And this is the miracle of it--this is the glorious miracle of it--those people would stretch forth their hands exactly as the Lord did, and it seemed as if there was this same liquid fire in their hands. As they stretched forth their hands they said, "According to my word, be thou made whole."

As these people continued in this mighty end-time ministry, I did not fully realize what it was, and I looked to the Lord and said, "What is the meaning of this?"

And he said, "This is that which I will do in the last days. I will restore all that the cankerworm, the palmerworm, the caterpillar--I will restore all that they have destroyed. This, my people, in the end times will go forth. As a mighty army shall they sweep over the face of the earth."

As I was at this great height, I could behold the whole world. I watched these people as they were going to and fro over the face of the earth. Suddenly there was a man in Africa and in a moment he was transported by the Spirit of God, and perhaps he was in Russia, or China or America or some other place, and vice versa. All over the world these people went, and they came through fire, and through pestilence, and through famine. Neither fire nor persecution, nothing seemed to stop them.

Angry mobs came to them with swords and with guns. And like Jesus, they passed through the multitudes and they could not find them, but they went forth in the name of the Lord, and everywhere they stretched forth their hands, the sick were healed, the blind eyes were opened. There was not a long prayer, and after I had reviewed the vision many times in my mind, and I thought about it many times, I realized that I never saw a church, and I never saw or heard a denomination, but these people were going in the name of the Lord of Hosts. Hallelujah!

As they marched forth in everything they did as the ministry of Christ in the end times, these people were ministering to the multitudes over the face of the earth. Tens of thousands, even millions seemed to come to the Lord Jesus Christ as these people stood forth and gave the message of the kingdom, of the coming kingdom, in this last hour. It was so glorious, but it seems as though there were those that rebelled, and they would become angry and they tried to attack those workers that were giving the message.

God is going to give to the world a demonstration in this last hour as the world has never known. These men and women are of all walks of life; degrees will mean nothing. I saw these workers as they were going over the face of the earth. When one would stumble and fall, another would come and pick him up. There were no "big I" and "little you," but every mountain was brought low and every valley was exalted, and they seemed to have one thing in common--there was a divine love, a divine love that seemed to flow forth from these people as they worked together, and as they lived together. It was the most glorious sight that I have ever known. Jesus Christ was the theme of their life. They continued and it seemed the days went by as I stood and beheld this sight. I could only cry, and sometimes I laughed. It was so wonderful as these people went throughout the face of the whole earth, bringing forth in this last end time.

As I watched from the very heaven itself, there were times when great deluges of this liquid light seemed to fall upon great congregations, and that congregation would lift their hands and seemingly praise God for hours and even days as the Spirit of God came upon them....

And then again, as these people were going about the face of the earth, a great persecution seemed to come from every angle.

Suddenly there was another great clap of thunder, that seemed to resound around the world, and I heard again the voice, the voice that seemed to speak, "Now this is my people. This is my beloved bride." And when the voice spoke, I looked upon the earth

and I could see the lakes and mountains. The graves were opened and people from all over the world, the saints of all ages, seemed to be rising. And as they rose from the grave, suddenly all these people came from every direction. From the east and the west, from the north and the south, and they seemed to be forming again this gigantic body. As the dead in Christ seemed to be rising first, I could hardly comprehend it. It was so marvelous. It was so far beyond anything I could ever dream or think of.

But as this body suddenly began to form, and take shape again, it took shape again in the form of this mighty giant, but this time it was different. It was arrayed in the most beautiful gorgeous white. Its garments were without spot or wrinkle as its body began to form, and the people of all ages seemed to be gathered into this body, and slowly, slowly, as it began to form up into the very heavens, suddenly from the heavens above, the Lord Jesus came, and became the head, and I heard another clap of thunder that said, "This is my beloved bride for whom I have waited. She will come forth even tried by fire. This is she that I have loved from the beginning of time."

As I watched, my eyes suddenly turned to the far north, and I saw seemingly destruction: men and women in anguish and crying out, and buildings in destruction.

Then I heard again, the fourth voice that said, "Now is My wrath being poured out upon the face of the earth." From the ends of the whole world, the wrath of God seemed to be poured out and it seemed that there were great vials of God's wrath being poured out upon the face of the earth. I can remember it as though it happened a moment ago. I shook and trembled as I beheld the awful sight of seeing the cities, and whole nations going down into destruction.

I could hear the weeping and wailing. I could hear people crying. They seemed to cry as they went into caves, but the caves in the mountains opened up.

They leaped into water, but the water would not drown them. There was nothing that could destroy them. They were wanting to take their lives, but they could not.

Then again I turned my eyes to this glorious sight, this body arrayed in beautiful white, shining garments. Slowly, slowly, it began to lift from the earth, and as it did, I awoke. What a sight I had beheld! I had seen the end-time ministries--the last hour.

"Forget the former things; do not dwell on the past. See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you not perceive it?" (Isaiah 43:18-19)



What the Lord has shown me through this vision by Tommy Hicks is the marvelous plan He has for the Church in the coming days. He indicates I get to be part of that end-time plan and I will write my experiences in a book.

THINGS THE LORD HAS SHOWN ME

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REVELATIONS

A REVELATION ABOUT THE NEXT SEASON OF MY LIFE

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“See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you not perceive it? ... I provide water in the desert and streams in the wasteland, to give drink to my people, my chosen, the people I formed for myself that they may proclaim my praise.” (Isaiah 43:19-21)

Yes, I am here, Joan, and I want to speak to you. I am preparing you for the next “phase” or season of your life. This next season will have a great and continual download or pouring out of treasures into your head and heart. These will be all the treasures found in Jesus Christ, the mysteries of heaven and plans for the earth and My people that are coming now, in this new season. I will give you a portion of that information to put in your books which you will continue to write from here on out until the end of your time on earth during this season of time.

You must set yourself apart unto Me daily as I lead you, every day that I say “yes” I want you to set yourself apart with Me. I will show you what to do with what I give you. Assume it is for writing in your books, and assume it is for praying through what I show you. If there is more to do with the information, I will show you that too. Know this is coming and don’t be surprised when it comes. Just know I am doing it and it is from Me, not you, or some other source. It’s the source that’s important, right?

You are now open to Me in a new way. I didn’t give you much revelation Saturday night at the Glory School because I wanted you to focus only on the download/pouring of treasures into you. We will expand on that theme many times in the coming time.

I love you, and I am excited, as you are, about what’s coming next. I paid for what is coming, and I am eager to see it manifested...much more than you are. I have made you (and Beth) open and ready to receive and participate. She is expecting much and will receive/do much. You will too, but you will communicate yours in your books.

Why? Because I have a plan and purpose for those books and that information. Do not worry about it or doubt it. Just trust that I know what I am doing, and follow Me. I will show you only

one step at a time. If I showed you more, you might try to bring it about yourself, and I don't want you to do that. I will bring it about. I know what's best for you and how you function best because I created you that way and prepared you to be that way. Trust Me.

Dreams will be a part of what I show you. Keep writing them out and letting Me interpret them. Pictures, impressions, and visions will also be used with you. Keep alert for them and write them down too. Write, write, write, Joan...for Me.



What the Lord has shown me through this revelation is that He wants me to keep seeking Him and writing what He shows me. It will be dealing with the future and what is happening and what is to come. He has a plan for the books He is having me write.

A REVELATION ABOUT QUIETNESS AND CONFIDENCE

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In quietness and in confidence is your strength, My child. Face each day and each moment with quietness and confidence, knowing I am with you always, and have an answer for every question, every decision.

I am your quietness. I am your confidence. I am your God. I am your Lord. I am your all in all. I am your provider. I am your source. I am your sufficiency. I am your power. I am your strength. I am all you ever need.



What the Lord has shown me here is that He is everything I need.

A REVELATION THROUGH A STITCHED PICTURE

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ONE STITCH AT A TIME

I am sitting in my chair looking at the picture which my mother stitched on canvas for me. It is a lovely picture of a clump of birch trees blowing in the wind. I liked that picture the moment I saw it in the store.

I bought the kit to make it myself, but did not get around to doing it. Then one day my mother saw the kit and volunteered to stitch it for me. At that time in her life she was

retired and had time to sew. So, although I had the initial desire to create the picture on canvas, and bought all the materials to do so, it was not completed and framed until another person, my mother, volunteered to do the actual stitching. Out of that combination came this beautiful picture hanging on my wall.

As I sit here pondering this, the thoughts begin to form in my mind from the Lord about how our lives are similar in relation to Him. He is the One who had the original idea, the initial desire, for our lives. He provided life for us and all the materials needed to stitch a beautiful picture from it. One thing is left for us to do to get the picture completed.

We have to work with Him, using what He has given us, to create that beautiful picture. It must be stitched day by day, one stitch at a time. He will provide the directions for us - as were provided with the picture mother stitched. She just had to follow those to get the picture right. Our directions can be found in His Word, the Bible. If we follow those directions, when we come to the end of the picture, He will put the frame on it, and we can all rejoice in *His Marvelous Deeds* (Psalm 96:3)

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



What the Lord has shown me through this revelation experience is that God provided life for us and all the instructions on how to live it. If we will live it His way it will produce a beautiful result in which we can rejoice.

REVELATION ABOUT THE VALLEY OF DECISION

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“Multitudes, multitudes in the valley of decision! For the day of the Lord is near in the valley of decision.” (Joel 3:14)

Yes, it's now here - these final days and years of the earth under the Gentiles. Soon the Israelites will be in charge, king over all, praised and envied by all others. They will have their promised, cherished place in ruling over the earth...being the head and not the tail, on top and not below. They will be My cherished ones, My treasured prize, My possession forever. My Bride will come and help Me rule and reign over the world. It's happening soon - what you just read in the book of Joel. We are 'at the gate' of that time.



What the Lord has shown me through this revelation is that we are in the final days of earth under the control of the Gentiles. The Israelites will soon be in charge and the Lord's

Bride will come and help Him rule and reign over the world. It's soon. We are at the gate.

REVELATION: YOU WILL WATCH MANY THINGS HAPPENING

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I read Acts 27 which tells the story about the apostle Paul's shipwreck and how they were saved. The Holy Spirit began to teach me after this and I wrote it down:

You will never go through such a difficult time as Paul did. I will keep you safe from that kind of storm. But you will watch many things happen in your country and the world which are grievous. And you will watch the greatest revival ever seen on earth.

You will pray as I lead you, and go as I lead you, and do as I lead you, as you are very much a part of My work this season. And you will be raptured -- so you won't die on this earth. You will have peace and you will have joy as you keep your eyes on Me. Keep your eyes off bad TV, movies, and news you don't need to see.



What the Lord has shown me through this revelation is that there will be many difficulties on the earth and He will keep me safe through them. I will have His peace and joy as I keep my eyes on Him and I will see the greatest revival ever seen on earth.

REVELATION OF MY LIFE PURPOSE

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In my Quiet Time the Holy Spirit spoke this to me:

Joan, I want some people to be intimate with Me and you are one I've picked. I've trained you in how to be since you were a little child. I've brought you close with dreams, visions, scripture, journaling, prayer, communicating with Me moment by moment, asking, seeking, knocking, and putting that desire in your heart - all this through the Holy Spirit. And this is your purpose in life! You wanted to know your purpose. It's to be close and intimate with Me, sharing each moment, each happening together.

That's why I gave you so many instructions on listening, visioning, journaling, experiencing, and following. This is something you are to be rather than something to do. Doing is loving Me, communicating with Me, worshiping Me, etc. This is your purpose; you are fulfilling it daily. I am pleased. It's what I've trained you to do. It's

the dream/desire I've put in your heart. There are some I've called just to be with Me - and you are one. Be content with that.



What the Lord has shown me through this revelation is my purpose in life is to be in intimate relationship with Him.

A SIGN TO MY PEOPLE

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“Ask the Lord your God for a sign, whether in the deepest depths or in the highest heights.” (Isaiah 7:11)

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

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

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

The separation of the doves in the order you described means: 1, 2, 2. This refers to the beginning (1) of being separated (2) out unto Me, and that separation is double (2, 2) and set, definite, for sure. Doves can also represent peace. Your portion is peace and that peace is My grace gift to you.



What the Lord has shown me through this sign is that He is thinking of me, aware of me, loves me and cares about me. He is giving me grace and peace.

A REVELATION ABOUT BLESSING THE LORD

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“Bless the Lord, O my soul; and all that is within me, bless his holy name! Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits, who forgives all your iniquities, who heals all your diseases, who redeems your life from the Pit, who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy, who satisfies you with good as long as you live so that your youth is renewed like the eagle’s. (Psalm 103:1-5 RSV)

As someone read the words: “Bless the Lord,” the Holy Spirit spoke to me that I bless the Lord by loving the people He wants to love. It meant to me that, as I love others He wants to love, I am blessing Him...that I am doing His work, work for Him. And that blesses Him.

Wouldn't it bless you if you wanted to do something, and someone else did it for you, in your name, for your honor and glory?

Yes. Lord. Where do I do ministry here?

Keep growing and letting Me guide you. I will get you there. For right now stay in this ministry and I will continue to teach you there. You will learn a lot through them. I still have a lot to teach you and you can share these teachings step by step with your readers, and they will receive teaching and counsel through what I show you, and you, in turn, write for them to read.



What the Lord has shown me through this revelation is that I bless the Lord by loving others.

REVELATION ABOUT CHOOSING CHRIST BEFORE THE RAPTURE

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“Choose for yourselves this day whom you will serve.” (Joshua 24:15)

This is what I heard the Spirit saying one day, and I wrote it down:

Come, My children, come to Me and be saved! I want you for Mine, but I allow you freedom to choose to live without Me. It is a sad choice to do so, a sad choice. It means you will die. There will be no 'life' in you for I am Life. If you have no Life, then you die.

Come to Me, My children. I love you and I want you to be Mine. When I close the opportunity to choose Me, I want you to be with Me. And the opportunity will close soon. Then I will take My own to heaven to be with Me, and you (if you don't choose Me) will be left on earth to face the judgment. Some of you will choose Me then, and I

will love you for that, but you will have to 'go through' the judgment just the same.

It is so much better if you choose Me now, before the Rapture...so much better! Come, My children and choose Me while there is still time.

I want My own to come to Me, and I want you to pray for that as often as I bring it to your mind. They have mostly come already, but there are a few more.

I didn't know it was that close, Lord.

It is. There is not much time left.



What the Lord has shown me through this revelation is that the time is short for choosing Him before the Rapture.

PREPARE THE WAY FOR THE LORD

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"A voice of one calling in the desert, 'Prepare the way for the Lord, make straight paths for him. Every valley shall be filled in, every mountain and hill made low. The crooked roads shall become straight, the rough ways smooth. And all mankind will see God's salvation.'" (Luke 3:4-6)

I came through John the Baptist (as Elijah) then, I am bringing MANY John the Baptists as prophets (as Elijahs) now just before My coming in the Rapture to take out My Bride, and I will have the two witnesses to bring the message of repentance of Elijah just before My final coming to earth to set up My kingdom there.

I make three appearances: one in My body back when I came, one in the clouds to take out My bride (and that will be soon), and one in My glory to fight that final battle with evil and set up My kingdom on earth. Before each of these appearances I give multiple opportunities to repent and choose Me.



What the Lord has shown me through this revelation is that He gives people multiple opportunities through His prophets to repent and choose Him.

A REVELATION REGARDING FAITH

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“...in accordance with the measure of faith God has given you.” (Romans 12:3)

I give the measure of faith I want people to have to be able to do what I call them to do. I choose each vessel and shape it for what I want it to do - and fill it with the faith needed to accomplish that. Man chooses whether to go the way I lead him, and whether to use the measure of faith I give him. For you I have chosen a quiet life of meditation, introspection, intercession, and writing...a peace-filled life.



What the Lord has shown me through this revelation is about the measure of faith He gives to each person and man’s responsibility in using that faith. He has given me the measure of faith to do what He has called me to accomplish.

A REVELATION ABOUT THE RAPTURE

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“For the Lord himself will come down from heaven, with a loud command, with the voice of the archangel and with the trumpet call of God, and the dead in Christ will rise first. After that, we who are still alive and are left will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. And so we will be with the Lord forever.” (1 Thessalonians 4:16-17)

You don’t know which year or day or hour - partly because you don’t know how wickedness has grown...and you don’t know when the last person (who is to become My Bride) has made that choice. Only I know that. But you are in the season. Yes, My Bride will go out with a shout of victory - having won every person to Me who will choose Me.

“Then men will say, “Surely the righteous still are rewarded; surely there is a God who judges the earth.” (Psalm 58:11)



What the Lord has shown me through this revelation is that we are in the season of the Rapture and we will go out with a shout of victory, having won every person to Him who will choose Him.

REVELATION ABOUT THE KINGDOM OF GOD

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“The kingdom of God does not come with your careful observation, nor will people say, ‘Here it is,’ or ‘There it is,’ because the kingdom of God is within you” (Luke 17:20-21)

Today the Holy Spirit spoke to me about the Kingdom of God. This is what I wrote from Him:

The Kingdom of God is at hand, here, now. Me, living in you. That is where the Kingdom resides now - inside you. Let it shine. Be Me to the world.



What the Lord has shown me through this revelation is that I am to be as Christ to the world.

A REVELATION ABOUT EVERY TONGUE CONFESSING JESUS CHRIST IS LORD

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“And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself and became obedient to death--even death on a cross! Therefore God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.” (Philippians 2:8-11)

Lord, I want to know your Word and to pray it.

Yes, I know, and I am teaching you to do that, and I am putting that in your heart. I will give you scriptures to learn and to pray as you seek Me for this.

That is where you are now--in the climax time of this long process. I want you to pray for it and know that when you pray “thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven” that you are praying for THIS: “that every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.”

You are living in the latter days of this process. It has been coming about slowly over many centuries and now we are very near the end. I have put that knowing and the desire for that ending of the process in your heart - to pray for it to come. And I want you to pray for that now. That is My desire. That is what I want you to participate in now.

You are my intercessor, and I will give you the scriptures to pray back to Me if you want to do this.



What the Lord has shown me through this revelation is that when we pray His Word “thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven” we are praying for every knee

to bow and every tongue to confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

REVELATION ABOUT A PURE HEART

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“Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.” (Matthew 5:8)

I will keep you from deception as long as you keep yourself pure before Me. Continue to ask Me to show you where you need to be purified daily. Remember that the one who has a pure heart can see God. And you are “seeing” (perceiving) Me now as you write this...not seeing with your physical eyes, but “seeing” with your heart and spirit. That’s where I am--in your heart and spirit.

I AM blessing you. I am blessing you with the book you are writing, and I am blessing you by using the book to minister to others. Work on the book as often as I lead you. I will be with you and guide you each time I prompt you to write.



What the Lord has shown me through this revelation that He will keep me from deception as long as I keep myself pure before Him. I am to ask Him daily to show me where I need to be purified.

A REVELATION ABOUT HUNGER PANGS

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“Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.” (Matthew 5:6)

You are hungry for My Word, and for Me. That is why you feel so anxious and dissatisfied this morning. That dissatisfaction you feel is like hunger pangs in your natural body, only this is in your spiritual body. You are hungry and starved for Me and for My Word. Now that you know Me, you will feel this whenever you have not been with Me enough to satisfy you spiritually. It is a grace gift I give you. Come to My Word now and be satisfied, fed, with it.

I am your Shepherd. The Shepherd leads the sheep. The sheep does not run wildly around hunting for the Shepherd. The Shepherd sees the whole picture and knows the dangers. He knows where He wants to take you, as well as the best way to get there. So, let Me be your Shepherd. Let Me lead you. Just seek Me. I will lead you in the way.

Trust Me for this each and every day. Follow the nudges and “hunger pangs” of My Spirit calling you to Me - Holy Spirit hunger pangs!



What the Lord has shown me through this revelation is when I am anxious and dissatisfied I am experiencing Holy Spirit hunger pangs, and need to follow this nudge as His Spirit is calling to me.

A REVELATION TO KEEP HAVING FAITH

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“Since Jesus went through everything you’re going through and more, learn to think like him. Think of your sufferings as a weaning from that old sinful habit of always expecting to get your own way. Then you’ll be able to live out your days free to pursue what God wants instead of being tyrannized by what you want.” (1 Peter 4:1,2 TMB)

Now why didn’t I give you word of your provision plan yet? I am testing you to see if you will continue to depend on and trust Me for your provision, as I have instructed you to do, or if you will take things into your own hands and make provision yourself. I do not want you to do that, but it is your choice. You can make provision man’s way, or wait for My way where I get the glory and praise. Which do you want?

Just keep going day after day listening to Me and obeying Me and trusting Me to provide everything needed to accomplish My purpose for you (and that includes writing this book, but much more also). I will be with you and I will do it all--if you let Me--by waiting for Me and trusting in Me...faith. Your faith will please Me and I will act in response to it. Keep having faith.



What the Lord has shown me through this revelation is that He is testing me to see if I will continue to depend on and trust Him for my provision. He wants me to wait on Him in faith.

A REVELATION ABOUT QUIETNESS AND TRUST

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“In repentance and rest is your salvation; in quietness and trust is your strength.” (Isaiah 30:15)

You have everything that I have, everything. You do not need to fear not having enough money to live on. I will give you all you need. Your position is to trust Me.

I gave you that scripture this morning: “In repentance and rest is your salvation; in quietness and trust is your strength.” Walk in quietness and trust all the rest of your life. Herein lies your strength - resting in Me. Repent whenever you don’t rest in Me. I want you to rest in Me all the time. Rest in Me this day and you will receive My very best for you.

Now you can go and do your work for the day - work that is bringing about the changeover I am taking you through. It is My changeover to a new place and a new way of doing things - a new season in your life - the best season of your whole life. Look forward to that!



What the Lord has shown me through this revelation is that He will give me all I need. My position is to remain in quietness and trust all the rest of my life.

A REVELATION REGARDING A PUZZLING SCRIPTURE

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

A puzzling scripture I read this morning. I wonder what it means. I wonder how it pertains to me. It is Psalm 68:13... I asked the Lord to help me understand it. So He said:

And what does My dove represent?

It represents You, Holy Spirit.

*Now read it again. “The wings of my dove (Me) are sheathed with silver, its feathers with gold.” I am covered with silver and gold. I bring silver and gold with Me when I come to you - even while you sleep. When you sleep, then you are not aware of what I am doing, but it is being done while you are unaware. That is My message to you today. That is why that scripture passage intrigued you so. I wanted you to stop and ponder it so I could use it to bring you this message: **I am bringing silver and gold to you even while you are unaware of it.***



What the Lord has shown me through this revelation is that He is bringing silver and gold to me even while I am unaware of it.

A REVELATION ABOUT JESUS' LIFE IN ME

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“I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full.” (John 10:10)

My life is in you. Therefore My blood is in you too. The life is in the blood. That life overcomes death. It is stronger than death. Death brings with it the death of all parts of your body (sin, sickness, decay, loss of life) but I now replace your life with Mine in you.

Therefore, when you die physically on this earth, My life resurrects you into heaven. Only the living get to come to heaven. It is a place of the living. No death is there or allowed there. Those with death in them go to the place of death, called hell.

Satan had his heavenly life taken from him when he rebelled, and he tries to take My creation, mankind, to the same place he has to go - hell/the lake of fire/death (the second death).

You have LIFE in you! And you sit at my right hand in the heavenly sphere IN CHRIST JESUS. Picture yourself sitting at My right hand using My authority which I have now given you.

Remember you have My life IN YOU. In this “knowing” and “positioning” you have power. I will keep revealing this to you until you grasp and understand and walk and live in it.



What the Lord has shown me through this revelation is that His life is in me now and there is power in knowing this. I am to understand and walk in this knowing.

A REVELATION ABOUT JESUS BEING WITH ME

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“But now, this is what the Lord says... ‘Fear not, for I have redeemed you; I have summoned you by name; you are mine. When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and when you pass through the rivers, they will not sweep over you. When you walk through the fire, you will not be burned; the flames will not set you ablaze. For I am the Lord, your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Savior...Do not be afraid, for I am with you.’” (Isaiah 43:1-5)

This means to you that I am with you at all times, and I save you in all situations. When you drive a car someplace, I am with you. When you take airplane trips, I am with you. When you walk places I am with you. "Don't be afraid, because I am with you."

And if I use that situation to allow your life to be snuffed out, then it is because it is time for you to come and be with Me in heaven. I know that special time (and it is truly special) for each person.



What the Lord has shown me through this revelation is that I am not to be afraid, wherever I go and however I go, for He is with me always. He will keep me safe.

REVELATION ABOUT BEING A CHILD OF GOD

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"He called a little child and had him stand among them. And he said, 'I tell you the truth, unless you change and become like little children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.'" (Matthew 18:2-3)

You and I will have a wonderful relationship, both here on earth and afterward in heaven. You are not one I have picked to be a great one on earth, but I have picked you especially to be a delightful child of Mine in whom I find joy and to whom I give joy and peace in the midst of the terrorist world.

I give you prayers to pray and songs to sing and dances to dance. I gave you a picture of freestyle dancing with Me and for Me for a reason.

That is part of what I created you to be. You ARE becoming what I created you to be - a beautiful child of Mine in whom I delight. Be My joy and delight each day. Just be who you are naturally in Me.



What the Lord has shown me through this revelation is that He wants me to be a child of His with prayers to pray, songs to sing and dances to dance. I am to just be who I am naturally in Him.

A REVELATION ABOUT THE GOD OF MORE

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"I tell you the truth,' Jesus said to them, 'no one who has left home or wife or brothers or

parents or children for the sake of the kingdom of God will fail to receive many times as much in this age and, in the age to come, eternal life.” (Luke 18:29-30)

Notice it's people and home I mention there. That is what I will give you “many times as much.”

In your new home where you are moving, you will receive many times the family relationships you had before, and much more home space than you have here...more close friends, more children in Me, more brothers and sisters, more what you truly want in a church. More, more, I am the God of more for you.



What the Lord has shown me through this revelation is that He is the God of more for me. He will keep giving me more of what I truly want in a home, in friends, in children, in family, and in church.

A REVELATION ABOUT SOMETHING NEW

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“See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you not perceive it?” (Isaiah 43:19)

I look forward, Lord, to the “something new” which You have for me and You’ve given me a taste of - writing our book together. Please keep me focused on it, Lord, and keep it primary in my life and thoughts.

I will, My child, and more. I will be a blessing to you all during this moving time, and I will be your peace, as you have asked Me, and I will bring you to our day to begin longer times together working on our book. You will be distributing this book to many of your friends with joy in our accomplishment together. It must be together to have My anointing on it - and have the power to transform lives which you and I both want it to do. It will. I will see to that. And there will be other purposes which I have in mind which I will accomplish in your life also, purposes which I already have set in place for you, and you will gradually see take place. Yes, they are good!

Do this each morning - sit before Me and with Me and tell Me of your love for Me. We will bond together for all that you need for that day. It will be fun. You will enjoy it (this next season of your life--of our lives together) and it will bring you much joy and peace. And you will receive much satisfaction and contentment in knowing you have finished the work I’ve given you to do, and created you for, and trained you for all these years.



What the Lord has shown me through this revelation is that He will be a blessing to me during the time of my move to Lee’s Summit and the time of writing the book He has

guided me to write when I get there. He says it will have the power to transform lives.

A REVELATION ABOUT BEGINNING TO WRITE THE BOOK

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

Today I am beginning to write the book *Thoughts And Stories: On a Life God Leads, Guides, and Protects, Book 1*. This is my prayer as I begin: “Let Your praises pour forth in this book, Lord, as you and I write it together. Let it be Your love letter to those who read the book. And let them encounter You as a Person as they read this book...a Person who loves them and wants to meet with them also, as You do with me. Let this book give them a spiritual pathway to follow on their own personal journey to know You, Jesus, and hear from You, and encounter You in a close, living, and loving relationship.”

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



What the Lord has shown me through this revelation is that I will write my book by His putting His word in my heart and my putting that down on paper.

GUIDANCE REGARDING THINGS HE WANTS TO TELL ME

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

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

Just listen. This is the place where I am, where I dwell. Right here with you, instructing

you, teaching you My way for you. In the midst of the noise you can hear me for I don't compete with the noise. I am within you. Even though you see things happening around you, you can still hear Me - for I am distinct from all those earthly things going on. This is to be an assurance to you - that you will always be able to hear Me from "within," no matter what is going on "without."

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

My troops are being shifted, rearranged, redeployed so they are totally ready for the spiritual heavenly warfare coming soon. I am in charge of them. I send them where they need to be - and I have been, and will be, doing that. You are where you need to be, and many others are also. I have been moving them a lot lately, have you noticed?



What the Lord has shown me from this revelation is that He has things to tell me and that I am to keep coming to Him within me no matter what is going on without. He says He is rearranging and moving his troops around so they are totally ready for the spiritual heavenly warfare coming soon.

REVELATION ABOUT GAZING UPON HIM

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

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

You, My child, can know that is what I have ahead for you - more and more - to see Me, to watch what I am doing, to know My Presence is near, to know I am watching you and am aware of you.

And, you can know from this vision that My angels are always standing guard over and beside you through all the stages of your life - to the very end of your earth life. Know this.



What the Lord has shown me through this revelation is that He has given me the ability to gaze upon Him from now on to the very end of my life.

REVELATION REGARDING BEING WHERE HE WANTS ME TO BE

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“Now to 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.” (Ephesians 3:20)

You are now in the main stream of where I want you to be to finish out your time on earth. You will stay here for the rest of your days. This is our best time - right now. You can be on earth typing, and still be with Me, walking with Me, listening to Me, in the heavenly spiritual realm. Then you can record what I say as we go. That is ok. That is what I want.

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



What the Lord has shown me is that now I am in the main stream of where He wants me to be to finish out my time on earth and this is the best time. I am now to spend lots of time with Him recording what He teaches me.

REVELATION REGARDING GOING UP WITH HIM

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“After this I looked, and there before me was a door standing open in heaven. And the voice I had first heard speaking to me like a trumpet said. ‘Come up here...’” (Rev. 4:1)

We’re going up. You’ve had dreams about going up ramps and stairs. Those were prophetic dreams showing what I was going to do with you - take you “up” with Me.

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

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

seek to find someone else's way, but just to find My way for you. I have a unique way with each person. You do not need to find someone else's way, but your own way with Me. You will like it and it is uniquely designed to fulfill you...the way I made you.

Think of Me as being beside you, going up together to our special room of light and color and rest. You see, it is not someone else's house number you stop at, but just your own - a special number just for you. You and I can move along in the spiritual realm. I will show you what I want you to "see" and "hear", but mostly I just want you to spend the time with Me. Then you are "available."

I love you, My child. I love spending time with you. I gave My life for you, so you know how much I care about you. And don't think you have to "get somewhere" to have a successful time with Me. Let Me decide each day where we will go and what we will do.



What the Lord has shown me here is that I am "going up" with Him to the special place He brings me to that is uniquely designed to fulfill me. I am to let Him decide each day where we will go and what we will do.

GUIDANCE REGARDING WALKING IN THE GARDEN WITH HIM

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"Now the Lord had planted a garden in the east, in Eden; and there he put the man he had formed." (Genesis 2:8)

Words to the song titled "In The Garden" which is one of my favorite songs.

I come to the garden alone
While the dew is still on the roses,
And the voice I hear sounding round my ear
The Son of God discloses.

And He walks with me,
And He talks with me,
And He tells me I am His own.
And the joy we share
As we tarry there,
None other has ever known.

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

This is the way we will walk each day after you set yourself apart unto Me Monday through Friday mornings. Give Me your mornings each day for our “walks” together. Then you can read and listen to study materials in the afternoons.



What the Lord has shown me is that I have been saved to be with Him and walk daily with Him “in the garden.”

REVELATION OF A LITTLE MORE TO REAP

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“Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead, I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus.” (Philippians 3:13-14)

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

There are still a few things yet I need to accomplish before I am ready to take out My Bride. I have waited all these 2000 years, and I can wait more, if I need to, to finish the work I began when I came to earth. I need to yet reap the full results of the sowing of the seed of My life at that time. There is yet a little more to reap, but that little more is very important to Me - and to you since you are Mine.



What the Lord has shown me here is that He has a little more to reap for the full results of sowing the seed of His life for us before He takes out His Bride.

ILLUSTRATION OF A LEAF FLOATING IN WATER

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“...his sheep follow him because they know his voice.” (John 10:4)

I saw a leaf floating in the water in Shelter Garden near the waterfall. I saw that it went

wherever the water took it. The Holy Spirit spoke to me that I was to be like that leaf and let Him take me wherever He wants.

I'm teaching you to live one moment at a time, without knowing what is coming next. You will not know or see what you are to do or say next, just listen to My voice and follow Me.

The Lord is leading me *not* to plan ahead as I have often done in my past, but to let Him lead me each day without preconceived plans. Like that leaf I saw floating in the water at Shelter Garden



What the Lord has shown me through this instruction and vision is that I will not know or see what I am to do or say next, but just to listen to His voice and follow Him.

INSTRUCTION ABOUT BEING WITH HIM

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**“Enlarge the place of your tent, stretch your tent curtains wide, do not hold back; lengthen your cords, strengthen your stakes. For you will spread out to the right and to the left.”
(Isaiah 54:2-3)**

Do not feel you are nothing, for you are something to Me. I love you and I have plans for you - for ministry in My kingdom work. I want you to focus on just being with Me - not what I will say, or what you might see. Just be with Me. Just be obedient to what I show you to do each day and watch how I guide you. When you are dependent on Me, not on yourself, it causes Me to be active in your life, with you. You need Me. I want your time for Me, for My work.



What the Lord has shown me is that I am to focus on being with Him and being obedient to what He shows me each day.

REVELATION ABOUT SOAKING IN QUIET TIME

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

This is what “soaking” is:

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

It is all these things and more...much more. During soaking I am freer to come to you as there are no interruptions, and you are freer to “come up here” as there is time to come. The atmosphere is right, your attitude is right, and there are not interruptions. That is one reason I often come to people at night - it is closer to those conditions.

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

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



What the Lord has shown me here is what soaking time is like and how He uses it in my life. He will use it to show me what to write.

REVELATION OF CHRIST BEING REVEALED IN ME

“To them God has chosen to make known among the Gentiles the glorious riches of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory.” (Colossians 1:27)

The Lord says the first book I wrote began His being revealed “in me” for others to see. I am to allow others to see Him revealed in me.

I will give you what you need for the ministry I have for you - listening and writing. I will be releasing one of those equipping ministries to you soon - prophecy. I will have one of My servants, release that in you. It is already in you, as he told you, but it still needs to be released. And the LIFE group will also help by giving you a place to begin releasing it in an accepting atmosphere/surrounding. Do not fear it; just release it from inside you when I guide you to do that.



What the Lord has shown me here is that He is revealing Himself in me and I am not to fear that, but just release Him from inside me when He guides me to do that.

REVELATION OF HIS GIVING LIFE TO ME

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

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



What the Lord has shown me here is that the devil’s purpose is to bring death to me, but Jesus’ purpose is to bring life to me—His life. I am to claim that.

REVELATION OF HIS FIRE UPON THE EARTH

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

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

Those who don’t want the fire will stay far from you, as they did from Me. Those who desire the fire of My presence, will come closer to you. Watch for this coming closer or going farther away from you. It is not you, but the fire of My Presence they are reacting to. More and more of your friends are those who are close to Me, and those not close to Me you seldom deal with anymore, except on occasions when you go “out into the world.”



What the Lord has shown me here is that His fire is kindled in me and it is burning brighter and brighter. I see it in those around me at my church. I give it to others as I touch them daily and in my books.

A REVELATION ABOUT CREATIVITY

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“So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him.” (Genesis 1:27)

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

Satan’s plans are to cause you difficulties in vision, health, and provision—part of his plans to keep you from fulfilling what I created you to be and do. But I AM GREATER THAN HE IS! “Greater is He that is in me than He that is in the world.” I will overcome for you what he tries to do to block/stop you. You stay close to Me and we will do this together! That wasn’t coincidence that your friend chose that saying to put on a bookmark for you... it was My message to you in stitching.

(The message stitched on a bookmark and given as a gift to me said: “You and I can do it together GOD.” And I read it this way: “You and I can do it together, (signed) GOD.”)



What the Lord has shown me is that He has put creativity in me and I express it in writing. He will overcome what Satan tries to do to stop me as I stay close to Him. We do it together.

REVELATION REGARDING LIVING IN GOD’S SYSTEM OF PROVISION

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“No one can serve two masters. Either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and money (mammon).” (Matthew 6:24)

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

I am speaking to you of what will prevail over the world's system of provision. That is My system of provision. It is a higher system and VERY REAL. As I am greater than Satan, My provision system is greater than the world's (his). He tries to rule people through mammon's provision system (which came under the curse). He tries to rule through the curse and through his ruling power in the world. But there is a spiritual system of financial (and other) provision which is greater. That is where I have called you to live now.

And this spiritual system, which is greater than the world's or Satan's, includes finances, health, provision, love, caring, fellowship, instruction, homes, jobs, friends, food--everything you need in life.



What the Lord has shown me through this revelation is that He has called me to live completely under His financial system now and not the world's. I contend for it by faith and the Word of God.

REVELATION REGARDING DWELLING IN THE SECRET PLACE

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

It's all working just right, coming together in My perfect timing, My perfect plans for you. I haven't revealed them to you yet because it is not yet My time to do that, but I am giving you something to ponder. What you will do this day, and this month, is wait and see what I do - then join Me in it. Remember? I WILL show you the way to walk on the path I have for you. Keep your hands in Mine. That is where you are safe and secure. Keep dwelling in the secret place of the Most High and you shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty. You ARE abiding there right now, and that is where I want you

every day and every hour of every day. Be there right now. I will show you the way. Do not worry or fret - just watch and see what I am doing and join Me.



What the Lord has shown me here is that I am to keep dwelling in the secret place of the Most High and keep my hands in His. That is where I am safe and secure. I am not to worry or fret.

REVELATION REGARDING HIS KINGDOM COMING SOON

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“Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed by Thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.” (Matthew 6:9-10 KJV)

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



What the Lord has shown me here is that His kingdom will be here soon and we are in the transition stage right now.

A PROMISE REGARDING MY DAILY BREAD

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“Give us this day our daily bread.” (Matthew 6:10 KJV)

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

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

WILL answer you.



What the Lord has shown me here is His promise of my daily bread provision. I do not need to do anything except wait on Him, trust in Him, and call to Him.

A REVELATION REGARDING MY DOMAIN IS MY GARDEN

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“Now the Lord God had planted a garden in the east, in Eden; and there he put the man he had formed.” (Genesis 2:8)

You see why I made that song (In The Garden) so meaningful and important to you? It is because I want you to walk “in the garden” with Me every day. Your way of doing this is coming into My presence, as you did today, and listening and writing for Me. We do this together. In this way you fulfill the creativity I put in you and the way I want to express Myself through you to others. For some it’s speaking; for you it’s writing what you hear from Me. Through doing this daily, or as I lead, you will be strengthened through the life which flows from Me into you daily. Writing is your domain over which I have given you rule.



What the Lord has shown me here is that I have a domain over which He has given me rule—and my domain is my garden where I come to Him for the writing He gives me there.

A REVELATION ABOUT THE SHAKING TIME NOW

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“Do not put out the Spirit’s fire.” (1 Thessalonians 5:19)

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

Whenever you feel this new life slipping away, call to Me. I will come and renew you. You live in a world which is out of balance and in great turmoil during this transition time of the pouring out of My Spirit and the pouring out of the enemy’s terror all at the

same time. The two cannot co-exist very long without tearing the person or earth apart. As I pour out My Spirit more and more the turmoil will get worse. You will see it in the weather patterns, the unrest of people as well as unrest and turmoil in earthly things/pursuits.

This will cause lots of shaking. You will see the shaking and be amazed at it. You see it in the election process now. That is shaking! But this will continue until I take My Bride away and My Spirit away from the earth for a time. Then the wrath of God will be poured out on all that's left on the earth - in retribution against those who have rejected Me and My sacrifice.



What the Lord has shown me here is that when I get depleted, I am to call to Him. There will be a lot of shaking until the Rapture.

JOINING OTHERS WITH MANTLES OF AUTHORITY COMING INTO UNITY

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“May they be brought to complete unity to let the world know that you sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me.” (John 17:23)

You are one of My messengers. So that is one reason I brought you to your church...to join the multiplied authority and power of others with mantles also, and to come into unity together with them here. You felt this unity the very first time you visited here and it caused you to weep. That wasn't a coincidence. The yearning to hurry and come was no coincidence. That is because you felt and knew a unity with the pastor and others here at your church and it fulfilled a great need you had to “connect” with such people. That is why you needed to wait until you came here and joined this unity of mantles to write the book - and why it came together so quickly.

Yes, I do have more writing for you to do, and this is part of it, what you are writing right now...this understanding of coming together with others who also bear the torch and mantles from past generations who laid them down for you all to pick up. Many at your church have mantles which they have picked up from past generations.

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



What the Lord has shown me here is that He brought me to Lee's Summit and to CTC to join with many others who have mantles for ministry and join the unity they have. This will be done under His anointing.

REVELATION ABOUT WISDOM AND HUMILITY

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“...but with humility comes wisdom.” (Proverbs 11:2b)

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



What the Lord has shown me here is that the Lord's words have imparted to me a yearning for closeness with Him. He is leading and teaching me to be wise and humble.

A REVELATION ABOUT THE THREE BAPTISMS OF FIRE

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“Praise the Lord, O my soul; all my inmost being, praise his holy name. Praise the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all this benefits--who forgives all your sins and heals all your diseases, who redeems your life from the pit and crowns you with love and compassion, who satisfies your desires with good things so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.

I love you, and I want to hear of your love from you every day of your life. I am with you. Now write down the three baptisms of fire Todd Bentley wrote about:

- 1. Purity*
- 2. Love*
- 3. Power*

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



What the Lord has shown me here is that He is working now on the baptism of love in me. When that is in place, then He can baptize me with His power.

A REVELATION ABOUT TORCHBEARERS

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“But after me will come one who is more powerful than I...He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and with fire.” (Matthew 3:11)

You are one of My torchbearers. That is why I had you write the book - to spread the fire that you have to others who will also pick it up. Yes, you must publish the book. And I will bring that about in the right way at the right time.

You see, it is like fire igniting fire in others who are being prepared for it. It is like the vision you saw of that ball of fire touching others here and there. I am that ball of fire, but so are you as you are a part of Me. You have awakened, and I am now sending you out to others.

Wisdom and humility are keys in being prepared to share this fire which is in you. Remember the vision I gave you of fire in people’s chests? The chest represents the heart, and the fire is in the heart. You will “see” this again in some people I will show you later.



What the Lord has shown me here is that I am one of His torchbearers who carries His fire in my heart. He will use the book to spread the fire to others who also will pick up the torch.

REVELATION REGARDING THE LAST BATTLE

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“Who is this King of glory? The Lord strong and mighty, the Lord mighty in battle.” (Psalm 24:8)

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

peace on earth, good will to men which was given at My birth time.



What the Lord has shown me is that we are already in the last battle and it will continue until He returns with His saints to win the final fight. Then will come peace on earth.

REVELATION ABOUT SPEAKING HIS DIVINE PRAYERS

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

I want to use you to speak My words, but first I had to stop you from speaking your own words and making up things yourself that you wanted for that person or situation out of your human reasoning. Now you have shut that down to almost nothing. Now I can begin to pray through you My way. I know you do, and that is why you quit going to prayer meetings where you felt such pressure to say something from your human spirit. I know you can do that, but that is not what I am preparing you to do for Me. I want you to speak ONLY from My Spirit directly through your mouth and through your writing. There often wasn't enough quiet in your previous prayer meetings to listen to Me and speak only from Me. So I had you quit going to them. I have My plans and purpose for you if you will "follow Me."



What the Lord has shown me here is that He wants me to speak only from His Spirit directly through my mouth and through my writing.

A REVELATION ABOUT THE WORDS THE LORD GIVES ME FOR SOMEONE ELSE

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This is what the Spirit said to me when He put words in my mind during prayer time for others at Life group:

Won't you give them the gift I've given you for them? I've given you a gift to give them; will you hold it back and not give it for Me?

This was a whole new way of viewing the words He put in my mind during prayer time - as a gift He put in me to say for Him to the person being prayed for. So last week I said the words He gave me, only a few words, but I said them three different times for three different people we prayed for. What a feeling I had done what He wanted me to do and that there just may have been power in those words because they were His words!



What the Lord has shown me is that when He puts words in my mind for others during prayer time I should give those words to them as a gift He wants them to hear.

A REVELATION REGARDING PAYMENT FOR MY WRITING

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

And that is the ultimate purpose of the book, so many may be saved and disciplined through it. Don't worry about constructive criticisms and suggestions by others. Look at these suggestions to see if they will help others understand it better - understand what you are really trying to say.



What the Lord has shown me here is that I am not to ask for payment for my book and that the ultimate purpose of it is so many will be saved and disciplined through it.

DESCRIPTION OF THE SEER IN PROPHECY

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In Jim Goll's book (*The Seer*): "Although prophecy comes *through* the mouth or pen of man, it comes *from* the mind of God.

"A prophet or prophetess, then, is a spokesperson for God; one who hears the voice of the Holy Spirit and speaks or pens God's mind or counsel through a 'divinely anointed manner.'

"Within the overall realm of the prophet lies the particular and distinctive realm of *the seer*. ...all true seers are prophets but not all prophets are seers. The word *seer* describes a particular type of prophet who receives a particular type of prophetic revelation or impartation.

"When it comes to prophetic revelation, a prophet is primarily an inspired hearer and then speaker while a seer is primarily visual. In other words, the prophet is the *communicative* dimension and the seer is the *receptive* dimension.....The first lays emphasis on a prophet's relationship with the people; the second, on a prophet's revelatory relationship with God.

"The seer realm describes a whole other aspect of the way the prophetic operation occurs. Generally speaking, seers are people who see visions in a consistent and regular manner. For the most part, their prophetic anointing is more *visionary* than auditory. Rather than receiving words that they attempt to repeat or flow with, they often see pictures that they then describe. These pictures may be in the form of waking visions, or as dreams while sleeping."

I gave you visions for awhile, to awaken you to the seer quality I have put in you. Then I stopped the visions (and you wondered why) to awaken you to dreams and interpreting them. Now I am ready to do both in you at the same time.

I started with the "vision" of the bluebird flying from left to right over your head with a seed in his mouth. That represents My Holy Spirit coming over you from the spiritual to the natural realm and carrying My Word in His mouth to deposit in you as a divine visitation or divine impartation. It's time for both now.



What the Lord has shown me here is that I am a prophetic seer and He will be giving me both visions and dreams now.

REVELATION REGARDING A STIRRING IN THE HEAVENLIES

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“This is what the Lord Almighty says: ‘In a little while I will once more shake the heavens and the earth, the sea and the dry land.’ (Haggai 2:6)

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

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



What the Lord has shown me here is that we are seeing stirring in the spiritual realm which is part of the shaking when the forces of good and evil clash as each gets stronger on earth.

REVELATION REGARDING HIS THOUGHTS ARE NOT NECESSARILY MY THOUGHTS

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“For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways,’ declares the Lord. ‘As the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts....so is my word that goes out from my mouth: It will not return to me empty, but will accomplish what I desire and achieve the purpose for which I sent it.’ (Isaiah 55:9, 11)

You are thinking that just because you are ready to publish THOUGHTS AND STORIES (On a Life God Leads, Guides, and Protects, book 1) that it is time to publish it. Wait, My child. Wait on My timing for publishing it. It may not be right now, or it may not be even this month. You have done your part in putting it together, and I will do My part in bringing about the publication of it.

I know you are eager to get it into the hands of people, but I will take care of that - the people who are supposed to read it. Just wait and watch and pray as I lead you. There might be a greater readership of it if we wait just a little while, and I know about that. It's My book, right?

I will publish it at the right time....you just watch to see where I am working that and join Me at the right time. Remember your thoughts are not necessarily My thoughts, and your ways My ways.



What the Lord has shown me is that He will publish the book at just the right time and He knows the right time; I don't.

A REVELATION REGARDING MY HEAVENLY BANK ACCOUNT

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

My child, no job in Lee's Summit. I have given you a job to do for Me -- to listen to Me and write what I tell you. You have been faithful to that and I will be faithful to pay you your wages, as I promised I would if you follow Me. Go ahead and use up all that I've given you so far, then I will provide more. That is one of My principles: give out all that I've given you and then I will refill you with more. Give and it shall be given unto you.

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

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

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

And I oversee it, and manage it...not earthly people. I am the great overseer of your account. I will never let it fail or be lost, or lose its value. I do not trust your heavenly bank account to earthly overseers. It is here. It is viable. It is available, and I disperse funds from it when it is the right time. You do not need it yet (even though you feel anxious about it) until you have used all I have given you. This is the way it works. I will disperse your heavenly bank account funds when I decide, in the way I choose, and in a way that blesses not only you, but others as well. I do more than one thing each time I act. I bless more than one person and/or accomplish more than one purpose. I will do that with you, too



What the Lord has shown me is that He has a heavenly bank account “in Him” and He will disperse it to me when it is needed. It won’t be destroyed by the things yet to come on earth.

A REVELATION REGARDING ACCEPTING INSTRUCTION

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

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

You have to use up your gold, your nuggets, your money. Then I will be your gold and silver...real gold and real silver as well as wisdom and knowledge. You will pay your bills each month from your heavenly bank account -- as you use up what is already withdrawn. You have followed My ways as I have tested you. You will come forth as gold.

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



What the Lord has shown me is that I am accepting instruction from His mouth and laying up His words in my heart. He is teaching me lessons and I will pass them on to others and they will be blessed and learn from them too.

A REVELATION ABOUT FEARING THE LORD

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

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



What the Lord has shown me is that part of fearing Him involves listening to Him and

following His instructions.

INSTRUCTIONS ABOUT GOING THROUGH A NEW DOOR

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“Here I am! I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in and eat with him, and he with me.” (Revelation 3:20)

To go through a new door:

1. Close old doors (Learn from the past and go on. Forgive as needed)
2. Identify new doors
3. Prepare for the new
4. Cross over the threshold of new doors and possess the new (new culture, fresh faith)

That surely is what I have been going through over the past 10 months! I’ve gone through this whole process. I am in the part of possessing the new culture and faith to live in it.



What the Lord has shown me is that I have closed old doors, identified new doors, prepared for the new door, and crossed over the threshold to possess the new. This has been done in the process of moving from Columbia to Lee’s Summit.

INFORMATION ABOUT THE PROPHETIC WRITER

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“Write down the revelation and make it plain on tablets so that a herald may run with it. For the revelation awaits an appointed time; it speaks of the end and will not prove false. Though it linger, wait for it; it will certainly come and will not delay.” (Habakkuk 2:2-3)

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

“Over the years, I have seen many prophetic people who were awkward in front of people, but give them a pen and paper or a word processor and watch out! On the other hand, I have also seen many powerful speakers with incredible charisma and “stage presence” who could hardly jot down two sentences together coherently, much less write a book. The written word and the

spoken word are quite different, and there is a prophetic anointing for each.”

This is the way I understand the writing I am being led to do right now...as a prophetic writer. I listen to the Holy Spirit speak into my thoughts, then I write those thoughts down and share them with others in my books.



What the Lord has shown me is that I am a prophetic writer as described by James Goll.

INFORMATION ABOUT THE PROPHETIC ANOINTING

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**“He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High will rest in the shadow of the Almighty.”
(Psalm 91:1)**

Jim Goll says in *The Seer*: “Essentially, the anointing is the supernatural enablement or grace--the manifested presence of the Holy Spirit--operating upon or through an individual or a corporate group to produce the works of Jesus. It means God with you and God in you; you are talking His talk and walking in His shadow... The single most characteristic mark of a true prophetic person is the evidence that he or she has stood in the counsel of God and has, therefore, faithfully declared what he or she heard from His mouth.

“Usually, prophets make no special claim to be heard but are content to speak and act and leave the matter there, confident not in themselves but in the fact that they have heard from God and that every word from Him will find fulfillment. Their primary concern is not with the distant future but to tell forth the will of God in the crisis of their own days. Prophets, then, are essentially interpreters of God...Prophecy comes through the mouth of man but from the mind of God--spiritual thoughts in spiritual words.”

That’s why Psalm 91:1 about being in the shadow of the Almighty is so important to me!

That’s where you are right now. You are dwelling in My shelter and resting in My shadow.



What the Lord has shown me is that the prophetic anointing involves standing in the counsel of God and faithfully declaring what I have heard from Him, and that I make no special claim to be heard but am content to speak and act and leave the matter there. He says I am dwelling in His shelter and resting in His shadow.

INFORMATION ABOUT PROPHETIC INTERCESSORS

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Jim Goll says in *The Seer*: “Under this anointing, a person receives a burden from God that releases intercession that can affect individuals, communities, cities, and even nations. Depending on the measure of sphere and authority granted by the Lord, a prophetic intercessor may move under a particular international burden.

“It takes a strong prophetic spirit to endure in prayer before the Lord even when much time goes by with nothing seemingly happening. Without such an anointing, people become hopeless, disappointed, and discouraged to the point of giving up. The anointing for prophetic intercession imparts the grace to endure. You don’t just pray to God, you learn to pray the prayers of God!”

I realize as I read this from Jim Goll that the prayer guidance the Holy Spirit has taken me through has brought me to the place where I am to be a prophetic intercessor - listening to the Spirit and then speaking in prayer what He shows me. That’s what He has been teaching me. I just didn’t have a name for it before.



What the Lord has shown me here is that I am a prophetic intercessor called to pray the prayers of God as He leads me. My measure of sphere and authority granted by God involves myself, my family, the church, my country, and the President.

A REVELATION ABOUT THE SIGN OF THE DOVE

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“When the dove returned to him in the evening, there in its beak was a freshly plucked olive leaf!” (Genesis 8:11)

I saw a dove on the roof of the house across the street (which I can see as I sit at the table for breakfast). It is the first one I remember seeing near this house since I moved here. Then, later, there were two doves there, just sitting and resting in the sun.

I felt the message coming to me that I was to sit and rest along with You, Holy Spirit, as these doves remind me of You and Your work together with me. So I rest in You, Lord. I rest for my financial provision and for the work that You have for me to do with You today in writing and in all else this day holds.

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



What the Lord has shown me is that, whenever I see doves, they are a sign to me to remind me of the Lord and that I am in the ark of His protection all the time.

REVELATION ABOUT CONTINUING TO WRITE BOOKS

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

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

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



What the Lord has shown me here is that I will continue to write devotional type books with Him until I leave this earth. They will be helpful to others and there will be much fruit from them.

REVELATION ABOUT PROVISION GRACE

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“Therefore come out from them and be separate, says the Lord....I will be a Father to you, and you will be my sons and daughters, says the Lord Almighty.” (2 Corinthians 6:17-18)

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

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

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

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

So, I am with you. I bless you. My blessing brings prosperity. I needed to strengthen you to stand even without seeing the provision, and needed you to be willing to do whatever I guided you to do. You have. I love you. I love your pure and obedient heart before Me. Now I stand with you...and I call My angels to bring you provision...those provision angels you saw in your dream and believed.

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

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



What the Lord has shown me here is that He has tested me to see if I would trust Him and obey his instructions even without seeing the provision I was looking for. He now says I will live in His provision grace for all the days of my life.

A REVELATION ABOUT LISTENING, WATCHING, WAITING

“Blessed is the man who listens to me, watching daily at my doors, waiting at my doorway. For whoever finds me finds life and receives favor from the Lord.” (Proverbs 8:33-34)

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

In your book you revealed Me, and marvelous things I did in people’s lives. That’s what I want you doing, My child. I want you, as a seer, to be “seeing” Me and revealing Me to those around you, who will listen to you, who will read your writing. So keep writing

today and all the days I give you.

You were right when you wrote your pastor that what I want for you is to listen to Me and write what I show/tell you. This writing will increase, it will grow, it will multiply. Thoughts And Stories Book 1 was only the beginning for your writing days. I have many more of them for you. I want you home, here, listening to Me as you are right now. I have trained you for this and I WILL fulfill my purpose and plan for you. Trust Me. I WILL LEAD THE WAY!

I will show you the way. I AM the way. Didn't I show you a picture of My angels bringing food to you? Didn't I give you a dream of My angels giving you money? Watch for this to be fulfilled. Then you will KNOW this is from Me and that I want you to trust ME for food and money. Watch for it to be fulfilled; then you will KNOW. If it is not fulfilled? Then come and talk to Me again about this. I will answer you.



What the Lord has shown me is that He wants me to be a seer revealing Him to those around me who will listen to me and read my writing. The writing will increase, grow, and multiply. He will show me the way.

A REVELATION ABOUT IN QUIETNESS HE WILL MEET ME

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Today You are drawing me to something, Lord, and the key to finding it is through prayer. There are some things you are ready to teach me and I must set aside time for this. You want me to follow You, and learn from You. In the quietness You will meet me. You are leading me to give up my human dreams, and to ask you to take away the desire for them. Then You can set me apart unto Your higher calling on my life, to be anointed with the Holy Spirit, to be led into the wilderness, to learn directly from the Spirit. In the quietness you will meet me. I say "Yes" to You, Lord!



What the Lord has shown me here is that He will meet me in the quietness as I wait before Him.

A REVELATION ABOUT PRUNING

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"Every branch that does bear fruit he prunes so that it will be even more fruitful." (John 15:2)

That is what I am doing in your life, My child. I am pruning you to get you totally at peace while trusting in Me and waiting on Me. This does not happen overnight, but through much testing to let your faith grow. Thank Me for this. Soon the testing time will be completed and the abundance I have promised will come to you. Persevere, My child. This time of pruning is bringing good to you.



What the Lord has shown me is that He is pruning me to get me totally at peace while trusting in Him and waiting on Him. Through much testing my faith grows. This time of testing is good for me.

A REVELATION ABOUT HIS KNOWING ME

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“The word of the Lord came to me, saying, ‘Before I formed you in the womb I knew you.’” (Jeremiah 1:4-5)

This means I knew what kind of person you would be. I knew your soul and spirit. I knew you would desire to be close to Me, to follow Me, and to be like Me. That body I formed in your mother’s womb is not you. It is the earthly package in which I put you. I knew the inner part of you before you were formed in the womb, and I put your inner part into that earthly body. The inner part is the real you--the part that is important.

Do not worry about the body. Remember when I said that? You have spent so much time and effort worrying, fussing, and taking care of the body. Give Me equal time for the growth, shaping, and feeding of the inner part of you each day as you give the body.



What the Lord has shown me here is that He knew the kind of person I would be before I was born.

A REVELATION ABOUT ALWAYS WAITING ON HIM

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“Show me your ways, O Lord, teach me your paths; guide me in your truth and teach me, for you are God, my Savior, and my hope is in you all day long.” (Psalm 25:4-5)

Because you walk closely and intimately with Me, you experience My guidance. Because you believe in My indwelling presence to guide you, I do so. Always wait on

Me to show you the way. Follow My timing and guidance every hour, every day - trustingly, quietly, confidently. Set yourself apart unto Me as first in your life. Then I will see that everything else important gets accomplished. Always wait on Me.



What the Lord has shown me here is that if I wait on Him I will receive His guidance. As I make Him first in my life, then I will see everything else important getting accomplished. Because I believe in his indwelling presence to guide me, He does so.

REVELATION ABOUT HONORING HIM

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“Honor the Lord with your wealth, with the first fruits of all your crops; then your barns will be filled to overflowing, and your vats will brim over with new wine.” (Proverbs 3:9-10)

This is the way to honor Me, My child... Whether you have a little or whether you have a lot, consider it all Mine. Give where I tell you to give, spend where I tell you to spend, save where I tell you to save. Listening to Me, and being obedient to Me, is honoring Me!



What the Lord has shown me is that listening to Him and being obedient to Him is honoring Him. I am to consider all I have as His whether a little or a lot.

A REVELATION ABOUT HE IS MY PROVIDER

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“For the wisdom of this world is foolishness in God’s sight.” (1 Corinthians 3:19)

The wisdom of this world says: put your money in banks and save for the future. But I say: trust in Me. I am your provider. Be a channel for the money I give you. Let it flow through you to the places I want it to go. Be a person I can trust to pass the money on, knowing it is all Mine. Trust in Me. I am your provider.



What the Lord has shown me is that I am not to trust in the wisdom of this world since He is my provider. I am to be a channel for the money He brings me to flow through.

A REVELATION ABOUT SHINING LIKE STARS

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“Do everything without complaining or arguing, so that you may become blameless and pure, children of God without fault in a crooked and depraved generation, in which you shine like stars in the universe as you hold out the word of life.” (Philippians 2:14-15)

My kingdom is coming and My will is being done on the earth right now. The culmination of My kingdom plan is fast happening. You are in the latter days and My return is imminent.

During these last days I will be pouring out My Spirit in a mighty way, a way previously unknown upon this earth - greater than in the former days of My first appearing.

I will pour out My Spirit upon My people and they will shine like stars in the night all over this world, before all people, for all to see. They will be brilliant in the midst of the darkness around them - as the stars are the bright lights in the nighttime sky with darkness all around them.



What the Lord has shown me is the culmination of His kingdom plan is happening now and fast. We are in the latter days and His return is imminent. We, His people, will shine like stars in the darkness for all to see during this time.

A REVELATION ABOUT THE LORD’S TIMING

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“After Jesus said this, he looked toward heaven and prayed: ‘Father, the time has come.’” (John 17:1)

Remember when I would talk about time and how it was or was not the right time? My timing is very important to seek so you can follow it exactly.

Satan knows enough to keep trying to steal and thwart My timing. He works on man’s impatience and lack of vision to try to alter it.

He often will try to anticipate what I am going to do and make a wonderful looking substitute - just before I bring My best into the picture. You can always watch to see if this is happening!



What the Lord has shown me here is that Satan tries to thwart God’s timing by working on man’s impatience. It is very important to seek Him on His timing and follow it.

A REVELATION ABOUT GIVING ME PEACE

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“Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid.” (John 14:27)

You've just been through one of the hardest weeks of your life, even though I gave you My peace as you went through. You've taken the test of trusting in Me and believing in faith for what I've promised. It's been hard partly because of all the similar struggle you had back in 1989-1994.

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

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

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



What the Lord has shown me is that He will provide the money to publish the book and I will rejoice and praise Him before others for His faithfulness. He will anoint the book and it will go wherever He takes it from person to person and place to place.

A REVELATION ABOUT WHEN TO FIND THE BEST ANSWERS

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“Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise.” (Psalm 100:)

Shaping you, teaching you, forming you (out of the dust as I shaped Adam) is the most important thing in our relationship. I am forming you little by little, day by day, into an image of My Son. Remember We created you in Our image. I am always here ready for you to come to Me. That way you have instant access to Me.

But your best answers, if you have questions, are found after worshiping Me. You are My friend, and that's why I am explaining this to you. Friends share their secrets with each other and share how to best communicate with each other. I communicate best with you after you have spent time thanking Me and praising Me and you sit before My throne, waiting to hear from Me. You communicate best with Me after you quiet yourself before Me and everything around you which might distract you from Me is quiet too. I'm first in your life and first in your day. This pleases Me very much.



What the Lord has shown me here is the most important thing in our relationship is His shaping me, teaching me, and forming me little by little into Jesus' image. He says I get my best answers from Him after worshiping Him. That is a secret He shares with me here.

A REVELATION OF THE LOVE OF THE LORD FOR ME

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“Spirit of the Lord, fall on me, And fill me with Your glory.” (from *Visit Us* album by Terry MacAlmon)

I am, Joan, I am. I am filling you with Me today, and My glory is one attribute of Me that comes with Me as I fill you. You have My glory when you have Me outshining from you.

I love you, Joan. I want you to know that every single day of your life on earth. You will have no trouble knowing that when you are up here in heaven with Me because there will be nothing to block that love from you. But on earth, there are so many blockades and so many disturbances that try to block My love from you. My love is still always there for you, but you may not always “feel” it and so I keep telling you to remind you of it.

I love you with My whole heart, with all My being, with all that I am. You do not comprehend all that means yet, but I will keep opening understanding to you about it.



What the Lord has shown me here is that He loves me every day of my life and keeps telling me that because so many things block that knowing from me.

A REVELATION OF USING ME TO TYPE AND READ

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“...and offer the parts of your body to him as instruments of righteousness.” (Romans 6:13)

I want you to “see” Me using your hands to type these words. I want you to “see” Me using your eyes to read My Word. I want you to “see” Me doing all sorts of things through you - every day. Keep picturing this happening. This gives you a “knowing” that I am working through you. These are My hands typing these words because you have given Me your hands to use. Even though your body makes the effort, your body belongs to Me now, so I am using it. Your will and My will are united; they have become one.



What the Lord has shown me here is that He and I are united and He is using me to work through me.

A REVELATION ABOUT PSALM 91 AND HOW IT RELATES TO ME

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“He who dwells in the shelter (the Secret Place) of the Most High will rest in the shadow (The Presence) of the Almighty.” (Psalm 91:1)

And what this means is: dwelling with Me and resting in Me come together as a package. I, Holy Spirit, dwell with you when you invite Me to do that, as you did this morning. When you invite Me to come to you, I never turn you down, I always come. When I come, then you REST in Me. Rest, Joan, rest.

I want you to know that I am “with” you all the time, and I am “in” you all the time, BUT coming “to” you is something else, something different. I come “to” you when you invite Me to come. Otherwise I just stand waiting to be acknowledged, to be invited, to share your life, your time with you. When you say “Come, Holy Spirit,” that is My invitation. I come then. Once I come “to” you, then you can be in My presence instantly when you want to.

“I will say of the Lord, ‘He is my refuge and my fortress, my God, in whom I trust.’” (Psalm 91:2)

And that refuge and that fortress is all within. It is in our Secret Place together. You see, when you come into that Secret Place with Me, then all My power and comfort and

protection is available to you, and you can call upon it momentarily. It's bringing Heaven down to earth. But it comes from dwelling in that Secret Place of the Most High with Me. My angels respond to the Secret Place with Me. The winds, the rain, the fire, the snow - they all respond to Me from the Secret Place.

Jesus dwelt in that Secret Place all the time. He never left it as you do. You walked out of the Secret Place and into the world on earth yesterday after you stopped your Quiet Time. You stayed in the world until you returned to the Secret Place this morning, just now.

I want you to learn to live in the Secret Place with Me, Holy Spirit, all the time...and you do that mostly some days now, especially when you are writing. I want to guide you through your days and make choices with you and for you. Do you want this too?

Then let's try it today. When Beth gets up and you start responding to her and making plans, keep our communication line open. Don't go back to the world, but keep thinking of Me and communicating with Me at the same time.

“Surely he will save you from the fowler's snare and from the deadly pestilence.” (Psalm 91:3)

*You see, Joan, when you are in that Secret Place with Me, then you have access to My “saving.” As you dwell with Me moment by moment I can warn you of the snares of life and you will be listening because you are still in the Secret Place. **I am the bubble around you that you saw in your vision!** Deadly pestilence can't get inside that bubble. I am your protection!*

“He will cover you with his feathers, and under his wings you will find refuge; his faithfulness will be your shield and rampart.” (Psalm 91:4)

This is a pictorial, “earthly” description of what I do when you are in My Secret Place. It's like you are covered with My feathers. It's like I have My wings over you to protect you. It's like I am a shield in front of you. It's My truth and My faithfulness that accomplish this.

First you come to Me in the Secret Place and learn to relate to Me there for a short period of time. Then you learn gradually to extend that time out into the world and keep yourself in My Presence even while living in the world. Remember Jesus said to be “in the world but not of the world.” You must walk in the world while you are living this life on earth, but you can learn to walk it with Me, and then you will not be “of the world” and it's way of thinking and acting (responding).

As you read the rest of this Psalm, all of these benefits come from our being together in the Secret Place - which means “dwelling” in My shelter - the shelter of the Most High. I am the Most High. I am the Holy Spirit. The Most High and I are one, in unity, together in a way you cannot fully comprehend while you live as a human, but you will

understand it more later when you come up to Heaven and see things more fully, completely, and clearly. For right now, while on earth, you receive it “by faith.” That’s why it is impossible to please God without faith. Without faith you won’t and cannot walk in unity with Him, with Us. He is pleased when you are with Him, and displeased when you are not with Him. So without faith you are not pleasing Him - or Me since We are one.



What the Lord has shown me here is that each day I am to invite the Holy Spirit to come “to” me. It’s like stepping into the spiritual realm. He wants me to learn to live in the Secret Place with Him all the time, not step into it and then out of it back into the world. He is the bubble around me protecting me all the time. This is accessed by faith.

A REVELATION ABOUT A FAITHFUL AND WISE SERVANT

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Matthew 24:45-46 “Who then is the faithful and wise servant, whom the master has put in charge of the servants in his household to give them their food at the proper time? It will be good for that servant whose master finds him doing so when he returns. I tell you the truth, he will put him in charge of all his possessions.”

And Joan, you are preparing the food I want to give to My servants at the proper time. And I want you to keep doing this until I return. You see what I said I will do for you if you do this? I will put you in charge of all My possessions. I know you don’t know what that means, but it is good, and it is what I want to do for you. Do you want this?

Then let’s do it together! I don’t want you to take a different job than the one I’ve given you - to listen to Me daily and write for Me. We are preparing the food that I want to give to My servants at the proper time. You are a part of this preparation. It is very, extremely important to Me. So I want it to be important to you too. Is it?

In a similar way to how you take in the words I give others (and teach you through those words), I will use the words I am giving you to teach others and minister to them. Do you want that?

Good, then we are together on this writing. I have prepared you all your life for this time, this harvest of all I have put into you. I am harvesting it into words in your books and I will use those words and those books to feed others at the times they need that food which I’m giving through you.



What the Lord has shown me here is that I am preparing the food He wants to give to his servants at the proper time with my books.

A REVELATION ABOUT WHAT I WOULD DO IF I HAD ELEVEN MORE YEARS

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“One thing I ask of the Lord, this is what I seek, that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life; to gaze upon the beauty of the Lord, and to seek him in his temple.” (Psalm 37:4)

As I meditate, He shows me that I will be doing this the rest of my life (as in the above Scripture). He had me think in terms of what would I want to do and be if I had 11 more years left to live on earth. I can go on to a wonderful new phase of my life. In this phase I want to be in a community of people (that’s what SB mentioned in his prophetic words to me about maybe a convent or something like a Catholic community in my future). In this community the Lord and I will communicate each day and He will guide me which person to visit, or help, or pray for, etc. each day as we together bring “His kingdom on earth as it is in heaven.” He will heal me and give me new life in my body so I have new strength to live each day and minister in His name to the people where I live...and maybe to others too as He leads...like maybe the poor.



What the Lord has shown me here is that soon I can go on to a wonderful new phase of my life, perhaps in some community living experience where I can minister to others as He leads me.

HOW THE LORD HAS LED ME IN WRITING BOOKS AS AN EVERLASTING WITNESS

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“Go now, write it on a tablet for them, inscribe it on a scroll, that for the days to come it may be an everlasting witness.” (Isaiah 30:8)

I wrote down the dates when the Lord spoke to me about writing the books I have worked on since May 1, 2004:

May 1, 2004 He told me to write a book called *Thoughts and Stories: On a Life God Leads, Guides and Protects*

August 20, 2004 He told me to begin putting together another book about *Quiet Time Thoughts* (which became *Thoughts and Stories, Book 2*)

October 20, 2004 I mentioned in my writing a possible name for my 3rd book: *Thoughts and Stories, Book 3*

November 1, 2004 The Lord said He wanted me to write 5 books for Him (*Thoughts and Stories, books 1-5*)

December 31, 2004 He said after the 5 books were done I should write a book (begin a series) titled *Things The Lord Has Shown Me*.

March, 2005 He said when I finished writing *Things The Lord Has Shown Me* collected from all my journals, etc. that will be 1/3 of the writing on this topic. I will then continue to write 2/3 more into books after that about new things from then on.



What the Lord has shown me here is that He has plans for my life and writing. He shows me a little at a time and leads me there.

A REVELATION ABOUT THE VALLEY OF DECISION

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“Multitudes, multitudes in the valley of decision! For the day of the Lord is near in the valley of decision.” (Joel 3:14)

Yes, it's now here - these final days and years of the earth under the Gentiles. Soon the Israelites will be in charge, king over all, praised and envied by all others. They will have their promised, cherished place in ruling over the earth...being the head and not the tail, on top and not below. They will be My cherished ones, My treasured prize, My possession forever. My Bride will come and help Me rule and reign over the world. It's happening soon - what you just read in the book of Joel. We are 'at the gate' of that time.



What the Lord has shown me here is that we are in the final days and years of the earth under the Gentiles. We are at the gate of the time coming when the Israelites will be in charge and His Bride will help Him rule and reign.

A REVELATION OF AN EVERLASTING WITNESS IN MY HEAVENLY RECORD

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“Go now, write it on a tablet for them, inscribe it on a scroll, that for the days to come it may be an everlasting witness.” (Isaiah 30:8) NIV

What does this mean, Joan, an everlasting witness?

An everlasting witness would have to mean a witness in eternity, wouldn't it? Because the tablet or scroll would be destroyed when the earth is destroyed. So where will this 'everlasting witness' be? It must be in heaven. There this everlasting witness will be kept forever in the record of the one who wrote the tablet or scroll.

I keep eternal records, Joan, about each person who is Mine. Eternal. Your records are with Me eternally. What you write for Me is with Me eternally. Isn't that grand?!!! What you and I do together is kept eternally in your own personal record...in heaven.



What the Lord has shown me here is that what I write for Him is with Him eternally in my own personal record in heaven.

A REVELATION ABOUT COMING TO THE LORD WHEN I AM HEAVY LADEN

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“Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy and my burden is light.” (Matthew 11:28-30)

Come to Me, My child, every day of your life. I am your strength and your comforter. You will need My strength and comfort each day as you walk through the rest of your days on earth. They will be troubled days. There will continue to be many signs in the weather, in the skies, in the shaking of the earth, in men who do evil. It all is part of the end times that you ARE now living in. The end times are here. You know this from My Word and how it tells of these times.

Come unto Me all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. (Matt.11:28) I know you get heavy laden and labor when you think about the future and where you might live with no retirement funds. Come unto me with that burden, and I will give you rest each time you get concerned.

I want you to know these things and tell others these things in your books. I want My goodness and My faithfulness recorded for all others to see and know. I am a faithful God to those who belong to Me. I take care of My own...and you are My own. You have

been faithful to Me and I am and will be faithful to you, Joan. Count on it.



What the Lord has shown me here is that He wants his faithfulness and goodness recorded for all others to see and know. He is faithful to those who belong to Him and He takes care of His own. I am to come to Him when I am heavy laden.

PSALM 91 IN NEW INTERNATIONAL AND AMPLIFIED VERSIONS

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He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High will rest in the shadow of the Almighty. NIV
He who dwells in the secret place of the Most High shall remain stable *and* fixed under the shadow of the Almighty [Whose power no foe can withstand]. AMP

I will say of the Lord, “He is my refuge and my fortress, my God, in whom I trust.” NIV
I will say of the Lord, He is my Refuge and my Fortress, my God; on Him I lean *and* rely, *and* in Him I [confidently] trust! AMP

Surely he will save you from the fowler’s snare and from the deadly pestilence. NIV
For [then] He will deliver you from the snare of the fowler and from the deadly pestilence. AMP

He will cover you with his feathers, and under his wings you will find refuge; his faithfulness will be your shield and rampart. NIV
[Then] He will cover you with His pinions, and under His wings shall you trust *and* find refuge; His truth *and* His faithfulness are a shield and a buckler. AMP

You will not fear the terror of night, nor the arrow that flies by day, nor the pestilence that stalks in the darkness, nor the plague that destroys at midday. NIV
You shall not be afraid of the terror of the night, nor of the arrow (the evil plots and slanders of the wicked) that flies by day, Nor of the pestilence that stalks in darkness, nor of the destruction *and* sudden death that surprise *and* lay waste at noonday. AMP

A thousand may fall at your side, ten thousand at your right hand, but it will not come near you. NIV
A thousand may fall at your side, and ten thousand at your right hand, but it shall not come near you. AMP

You will only observe with your eyes and see the punishment of the wicked. NIV
Only a spectator shall you be [yourself inaccessible in the secret place of the Most High] as you witness the reward of the wicked. AMP

If you make the Most High your dwelling--even the Lord, who is my refuge--then no harm will befall you, no disaster will come near your tent. NIV

Because you have made the Lord your refuge, and the Most High your dwelling place, There shall no evil befall you, nor any plague *or* calamity come near your tent. AMP

For he will command his angels concerning you to guard you in all your ways; they will lift you up in their hands, so that you will not strike your foot against a stone. NIV

For He will give His angels [especial] charge over you to accompany *and* defend *and* preserve you in all your ways [of obedience and service]. They shall bear you up on their hands, lest you dash your foot against a stone. AMP

You will tread upon the lion and the cobra; you will trample the great lion and the serpent. NIV

You shall tread upon the lion and adder; the young lion and the serpent shall you trample underfoot. AMP

“Because he loves me,” says the Lord, “I will rescue him; I will protect him, for he acknowledges my name. NIV

Because he has set his love upon Me, therefore will I deliver him; I will set him on high, because he knows *and* understands My name [has a personal knowledge of My mercy, love, and kindness--trusts and relies on Me, knowing I will never forsake him, no, never]. AMP

He will call upon me, and I will answer him; I will be with him in trouble, I will deliver him and honor him. NIV

He shall call upon Me, and I will answer him; I will be with him in trouble, I will deliver him and honor him. AMP

With long life will I satisfy him and show him my salvation.” NIV

With long life will I satisfy him and show him My salvation.



What the Lord has shown me through Psalm 91 is the importance of continuing to dwell in the Secret Place and all the benefits that come from dwelling there.

A REVELATION ABOUT INHERITING THE LAND

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“The righteous will inherit the land and dwell in it forever.” (Psalm 37:29)

What is the “land” we inherit, Lord?

The “land” is where I am, where I dwell, in heaven and on earth - wherever I dwell...even in the hearts of others in whom I dwell. The land is “in Jesus.” The land is “in the Holy Spirit.” The land is full of the treasures and mysteries of heaven--including angels. The land is all that I am--My characteristics, My power, My grace, My love. All

that I am is part of the “land” you inherit in Me. That’s where the righteous live, inherit, dwell. It’s the whole package, Joan, of Me and who you are in Me, in Christ.



What the Lord has shown me here is that the land we inherit is the whole package of Jesus and of all we are in Him.

A REVELATION ON WATCHING MANY THINGS HAPPENING

“He (the Centurian) ordered those who could swim to jump overboard first and get to land. The rest were to get there on planks or on pieces of the ship. In this way everyone reached land in safety.” (Acts 27:43-44)

You will never go through such a difficult time as Paul did. I will keep you safe from that kind of storm. But you will watch many things happen in your country and the world which are grievous. And you will watch the greatest revival ever seen on earth.

You will pray as I lead you, and go as I lead you, and do as I lead you, as you are very much a part of My work this season. And you will be raptured -- so you won’t die on this earth.

You will have peace and you will have joy as you keep your eyes on Me. Keep your eyes off bad TV, movies and news you don’t need to see.



What the Lord has shown me here is that I will watch many things happen in my country and the world which are grievous, but I will also watch the greatest revival ever seen on earth. I am to keep my eyes on Him and not on bad things.

A REVELATION ABOUT REPRESENTING JESUS

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

I want My Church to represent Me by being exactly as I was on earth -- no sin, no sickness, and completely responsive to and filled with the Holy Spirit.

It's a process...as My Disciples went through for three years. When I come, as I did at Pentecost, in fullness and with great power, you two will be healed and will both take healing power to others (as Peter did).

Keep learning, keep seeking, keep believing until your Pentecost comes. It's a point of time in the future, as it was for My Disciples, and it will come. Believe Me and trust Me.

As the "ministry house" idea which Beth has is an idea from Me but will come to pass later, so is this great infilling with My Holy Spirit a time in the future which I'm revealing to you now, but you will experience the "earthly" manifestation later in time, even though I have it now for you "in heaven."



What the Lord has shown me here is that He wants His Church to be exactly like He was on earth and to represent Him with no sin, no sickness, and completely responsive to and filled with the Holy Spirit.

A REVELATION ABOUT THE WEDDING AT THE START OF JESUS' MINISTRY AND AFTER THE RAPTURE

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"On the third day there was a wedding at Cana of Galilee..." (John 2:1 AMP)

Yes, I did that on the third day, Joan, and on this "third day" you are now living in I will also display my power and my glory in My people and with My people. You are one of My people, and I will display my power and glory in you - along with many others whom you know at CTC. I have put you with this group of people that I am preparing for the display of My glory. That's one reason I brought you here to Lee's Summit and CTC...to display My glory in you and others along with you...just like I did there in Cana.

And yes, I will drink the wine with you at the wedding supper up here in heaven - like I mentioned on my last night on earth as a human being. This will be a glorious wedding here! Yes, I started my ministry of power to the church with a wedding celebration for which I provided good wine. And I will culminate my ministry to the church with a wedding celebration with "good wine" up here in heaven. That is not by chance. It is My Father's plan for Me and for us.



What the Lord has shown me here is that He is about to display His glory. He will also drink good wine with His Church up in heaven.

A REVELATION ABOUT NOT BEING PERFORMANCE ORIENTED

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You are learning, Joan, not to be performance oriented and that's why you could come to CTC and not participate in such things as intercession, groups, ministry, discipling, equipping, prayer ministry, etc. You are finally realizing that I am all you need. I needed to have you stop the performance of stuff so you could find out our relationship didn't depend on performance, but on our love relationship with each other. I love you as you are, Joan, completely. You don't have to do certain duties to get My love.

You see, your writing gets you to sit before Me, and listen to Me, and wait on Me every day. This gives Me the opportunity to make changes in you as needed, and helps you see that doing things is not what I want or am asking of you - but just to "be with Me." Now I can work My miracle-working changes in you as you sit before Me and trust Me.



What the Lord has shown me here is that I am learning not to be performance oriented but just to be with the Lord daily.

A REVELATION ABOUT JESUS LIGHTING THE WAY INTO MY HEART

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"I have come into the world as a light, so that no one who believes in me should stay in darkness." (John 12:46)

I am the Light of the world. I light the way into every part of this world and even into the human heart. I light the way into your heart, Joan, and I see what is there. I can show you and reveal to you what is there if you ask Me. I want you to ask Me.

OK, then I will show you. This is what you have been wanting to know - what inner vows and judgments and thoughts did you have as a little child that shaped your life thereafter and even now. I know all these things, Joan, because I know you.

I will show you whatever I want you to know, a little at a time, so keep asking and it will be given you, keep seeking and you will find, keep knocking and the door will be opened unto you. Yes, I want you to ask. I want to reveal your inner heart to you, and get it clean of obstacles that hinder your life and ministry. I want to do this, and so do you, so let's do it together.

I want you to know that when you were a child you went through great disillusionment

as you reached out to your father and he didn't pay any attention to you. You wanted him in relationship, and he didn't want that. He wanted to be left alone and wanted to isolate himself from those around him. He felt safer then. So he ignored you and you felt rejected. You were rejected. So you were hurt, and that hurt eventually turned to bitterness. The bitterness turned into hatred for your father. When you tried to show that hatred, you received punishment. That made you hate him even more. The hatred ran deeper and deeper until you wanted revenge upon him. Your revenge was to close yourself off from him...to show him you didn't need him...that he wasn't important in your life (even though he was). This "closing yourself off" from someone whose love you really wanted carried over to other men in your life.

You repent of dishonoring your father, and of hating him, and of wanting revenge on him. And it is taken care of on the cross. Now you are free from the dishonoring, the hate, and the revenge spirit. It is gone from your heart now, and will be remembered by My Father no more.



What the Lord has shown me here is that He can light the way down into my heart and show me what is there that needs cleansing. He will do that a little at a time.

A REVELATION ABOUT HAVING A STOREROOM INSIDE WITH NEW TREASURES AS WELL AS OLD

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“Therefore every teacher of the law who has been instructed about the kingdom of heaven is like the owner of a house who brings out of his storeroom new treasures as well as old.” (Matt 13:52)

Yes, Joan, you have been instructed about the kingdom of heaven and about its laws, so to those around you, you are a teacher of the law. You personify what the kingdom of heaven and its laws are like in your life. And, therefore, inside you is a storeroom with new treasures as well as old. I am showing you some “new treasures” in your dream life lately. Notice this dream from last night shows you actually on the campus where you learn and that you are an upperclassman. In past dreams you often were searching for this place of learning, but now you are experiencing it. This is good!



What the Lord has shown me here is that to those around me I am a teacher of the law and personify what the kingdom of heaven and its laws are like in my life. So I am like a storeroom with new treasures as well as old.

A REVELATION ABOUT THE BUNDLES ARE BEING TIED NOW

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“The kingdom of heaven is like a man who sowed good seed in his field. But while everyone was sleeping, his enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and went away. When the wheat sprouted and formed heads, then the weeds also appeared. The owner’s servants came to him and said, ‘Sir, didn’t you sow good seed in your field? Where then did the weeds come from?’ ‘An enemy did this,’ he replied. The servants asked him, ‘Do you want us to go and pull them up?’ ‘No,’ he answered, ‘because while you are pulling the weeds, you may root up the wheat with them. Let both grow together until the harvest. At that time I will tell the harvesters: First collect the weeds and tie them in bundles to be burned; then gather the wheat and bring it into my barn.’” (Matthew 13:24-30)

The Holy Spirit said:

The bundles are being tied now!

This goes along with an idea that came during the night and I wrote it down: There is a “deposit,” a seed, planted in those elect of the Lord (those the Father has drawn to Jesus) that is “grown” eventually as allowed by the free will of the person. My children all have this deposit in them and He is growing it in them. If that seed isn’t planted with the help of people, the Lord gets it deposited Himself--perhaps in a dream. It seems that in this way He plants the “wheat.”

Because you are a Christian and prayed for them as children, this was deposited in them also. Their salvation is tied in with yours as recorded in scripture. You prayed that your children would only pick Christians for mates, so K was led to a mate who also has a deposit of Me in him. That way you can be assured of Godly offspring.

I plant my wheat, and my wheat is visible to the angels, therefore they watch over and help my wheat during their time on earth. They may help others also, but primarily they assist My wheat ...those who belong to Me.



What the Lord has shown me here is that His seed is sown in the wheat and they are being tied into bundles now as well as the weeds. The angels assist His wheat, those who belong to Him.

A REVELATION OF A BABY LOOKING UP AT JESUS

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At church this morning they put a picture up on the screen-wall of a little baby lying on it’s back looking up at Jesus, and Jesus leaning over it smiling down at it. The baby had its arms up

toward Jesus.

This fit with all my dealings lately with asking God to reveal to me the things that took place in my childhood that had profound effects on me - perhaps where I made vows with my will or judgments about others or myself that needed to be repented of and forgiven, etc.

As this picture was shown I felt the Holy Spirit was teaching me that I had been with Jesus before I was born into this world, and that He carefully watched over me as I became an embryo, then a baby, then a child, etc. I felt He was saying that even when I didn't get loving from my earthly father, He was there all the time loving me and that when I hurt, He hurt with me. He wanted me to remember that He is omnipresent and could be with all of His all the time. It was very comforting and encouraging. It seemed I knew he had died for my sins even before I was born.



What the Lord has shown me here is that He was with me, loving me, and watching over me even when I didn't have love shown to me by my earthly father.

A REVELATION ABOUT THE LONG PROCESS WATER GOES THROUGH BEFORE FRUIT COMES FROM IT

“As the rain and snow come down from heaven and stay upon the ground to water the earth..., so also is my word. I send it out and it always produces fruit.” (Isaiah 55:10-11 TLB)

As I read this Scripture verse I am reminded that when rain and snow come down from heaven and stay upon the ground to water the earth, then there is a long process that water goes through before fruit comes from it. So when I send out the Word, it might similarly take a long time for the fruit from it to grow and ripen. Perhaps I am getting fruit today from the Word I prayed several months or even years ago.



What the Lord has shown me is that when the Word is sent out it goes through a long process before it brings fruit that is ripe.

A REVELATION ABOUT PRAYING GOD'S WORD FOR MY OWN HEALING

I am seeking the Lord for healing of my toes from partial numbness. I believe He says He hasn't yet healed them because He wants to teach me something from this. When I ask what, He says: *how to have faith for healing*. So I am asking Him to teach me how to have faith for healing.

Faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the Word of God (Romans 10:17 KJV)

I am to speak the Word of God to my toes as I place my hands on them...daily, and many times a day.

The scripture I am to speak to them: **(Psalm 107:20 KJV) "He sent his word, and healed them, and delivered them from their destruction."**

I rejoice, for Your Word has healed me and delivered me from destruction.

Also: **(Psalm 103:2-3 NIV) "Praise the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits--who forgives all your sins and heals all your diseases."**

I praise You with all my soul, Lord, and forget not all your benefits. You forgive all my sins and heal all my diseases.

Yes, these Scriptures are fine. Speak them over your toes each morning and whenever you remember during the day. The faith will come by hearing My Word over and over until it is sealed in your heart.



What the Lord has shown me here is that faith comes by hearing His Word over and over until it is sealed in my heart.

A REVELATION OF JESUS AS A LIGHT SHINING OUT INTO THE DARKNESS

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As I watched the "outer space" scenes projected on the upper wall at CTC after the service, I saw a picture that looked like light emanating out from a singular point into a V shaped spectacular light. Then the Spirit began to speak, and I wrote:

That's the way I come to you, Joan, like a light shining out into the darkness showing My Self, My glory, to you so it can flow through to others in your writings. Keep on. It's all of Me. I'll keep you from missing the wave of My Spirit and from hearing the wrong thing. Don't fear. Wait for Me to publish your book. I will do it when it's time. Do you believe Me?



What the Lord has shown me here is that He is like a light shining out into the darkness showing Himself and His glory so it can flow through to others in my writings.

A REVELATION ABOUT GOD SHAKING THE CHURCH IN AMERICA

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The Spirit says that He will soon be doing a great shaking in the Church that will wake up those who have gotten far from the central focus of Jesus Christ crucified and show them this. Then they get the chance to repent and change their focus. This will help bring those who have strayed from the central true message back to Him.

So don't fear, My child, the task is Mine to bring them back into right relationship with Me. Remember that "He who began a good work in you will be faithful to complete it." I am faithful to complete what I start, and I am faithful to hold on to all those the Father has given Me. That includes ___ as they are ones the Father has given Me. They are just seeking a closer, more relational, walk with Me and don't know where or how to find it...just as you did back in 1971 when I showed you the Truth. Now I am going to shake the whole Church, especially in America, and show her the Truth - Myself, so she can become clean and pure, without spot or wrinkle. Now you still see her with many spots and wrinkles, but that will change soon. Do you want to see it? Then pray for it to come. And I WILL DO IT!



What the Lord has shown me here is that He will soon be shaking the church, especially in America, until it gets back to the central message of Christ crucified and the Truth. Then the church will be clean and pure, without spot or wrinkle.

VISION PICTURE OF MICROPHONE AND SPEAKING FORTH

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Just before I woke up, or as I was waking, I saw a microphone on a stand. The idea with it was to speak forth.

A microphone is to amplify what is spoken to take the sound farther and to more people. Since my books are what I am speaking, I need a microphone to amplify what is said in them and to take the message in them to many people. The Holy Spirit is my microphone. He will take the message to many.



What the Lord has shown me here is that I will be speaking forth, I think through my books. The Holy Spirit will speak through the books and amplify what is said in them to many people.

THINGS THE LORD HAS SHOWN ME

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DREAMS

A DREAM OF FIRE COMING

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I dreamed I was in my childhood home. As I looked out the west window of the dining room I saw smoke in the field area behind our property. I went out into the back yard to look. I looked back at the house and saw my sister in an upper story window. I saw a slender stream of fire coming towards me on the lawn. I think I tried to stop the fire, maybe with a bucket of water and/or by stamping on it.. While in the back yard the slender stream of fire came right up to me where I was standing, but I didn't see it go to others.

As I walked away, other people then seemed to be there. I wanted them to help me put out the fire. Somehow we had two buckets for water. It seems I tried to tell them about the fire danger, but I saw no one concerned enough or moved to help.

I walked around the house to the sidewalk area on the south side of the house, and sensed I was told to look up at the house. When I did I saw the main beam of the roof area with a flame (single tongue of fire) on it. The beam of the house wasn't seen as burned or charred, just with the flame on it.

This wasn't a fearful dream, just concern about fire burning my house and thinking I should stop it, but not getting it stopped.

Fire represents passion, power, God's Word or Spirit, and revival. That fire came directly to me in my past (back yard). My natural reaction was fear, or trying to get away from it, or put it out, but this didn't change the fire. I used water to try to put it out. Water represents the Word of God. So this fire caused me to go to the Word for help. Others didn't seem to see it. I tried to tell them about this fire, but they didn't seem concerned. The roof refers to a covering over the mind, to protection and oversight. This was open to be seen and refers to being revealed to me or manifest to me. This fire didn't burn the wood of the house, so it was spiritual in nature, not natural.

An impression that came: There were two streams going side by side. One is the church where I have been attending. The other I will call the stream of revival. I'm stepping into the revival

stream and maybe will help join the two streams.



What the Lord has shown me in this dream is that my future holds the fire of the Holy Spirit. He comes to me and my “house.” My house represents my family, relations, and church family.

A DREAM REGARDING ELECTRICAL POWER

I had a dream. In the dream I saw a house sitting in the dark. On the outside of this house there was an elaborate design formed with lights, like Christmas tree lights. I was hardly able to distinguish their presence, but I gradually became aware of them formed into this design. The lights were not only on the side and front of the house, but even in the yard on the grass. I knew the design was beautiful, but I could not see it.

I began to see faint flickering occasionally from the lights...a tiny flicker here and a tiny flicker there. There was one bulb which seemed to stay on and not flicker. It was shaped differently than the others. This light shone, but I did not see any light coming from it to illuminate the surrounding area. It seemed like it was frosted which kept it from coming forth brightly.

When I awoke the dream was so vivid I remembered it clearly. I asked the Lord what it represented. It was revealed that this house represented the Church, the Body of Christ. The “lights” are on the house and they are formed into a beautiful pattern which would look glorious if it could be seen. However, the electricity, the power, is at such low voltage the lights do not shine out. The Church needs more electricity, more power, through the Holy Spirit to empower those light bulbs. I knew I was to pray for the power to come so they can be seen for what they really are: a beautiful design by the Lord to glorify Him.

Then the Lord revealed that, as He lights up those bulbs, I will find some that are not lightable. They are dark, black. They either have no ability to shine (not having the Holy Spirit in them) or they are darkened, dead, refusing to let the Holy Spirit empower them and shine through them. The design is by the Lord, but it will be sad to see some of the black places in the design when the rest of the lights are lit.

When the power comes and causes the bulbs to shine that will shine, we will see those bulbs have many shapes, sizes, and colors. Each one will be different.

The one bulb that already shines steadily has light in it, but it is clouded, is self-contained, and does not illuminate others around it.

The reason the lights are on the outside of the house (not on the inside) is because this represents

what the outside world sees of the church - a little flicker of light occasionally, not a strong, clear, steady light. But, the Lord says that will change as the power is introduced - soon!

“You will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.” (Acts 1:8)



What the Lord has shown me from this dream includes seeing and experiencing the electrical power of the Lord being revealed upon the earth showing the world His Power and Glory.

A DREAM ABOUT THE WINDOW OF REVELATION ABOUT A LOG

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In this dream there was a flying or floating large log suspended in air. First I saw it in one part of town. Then I was in a house and watched it coming nearer to the upper windows (windows like skylights on the upper side of the house just beneath the roof). It came close, touched the house, then moved back and came forward again and lodged against the house. It just missed the window (which I thought it might break) by about an inch. I wondered how to get it off. It wasn't fearful; I was just concerned the window not be broken. I was standing on the floor inside the house watching this up above me.

After I woke up this song kept coming: “With healing in His wings, With healing in His wings, The Sun of Righteousness shall come, With healing in His wings.”

(From Malachi 4:2)

A log is used for wood to build with. It is building material. This log represents spiritual building material. Seeing this log through a window means this is a revelation being given to me. It is a spiritual revelation as it was seen through the highest windows in the house or within me. This house represents me and its window of revelation will not be broken but used to see revelation He gives me. Being suspended in air means that log comes by the Holy Spirit, it is held up by the Spirit. I saw it in another part of town first. That may mean I saw the log first somewhere else, then it came to me. The wood can also represent life and it was huge and strong, yet gentle. The song in my mind with the dream reaffirms that this dream is about the Sun of Righteousness (Jesus) who will come, and He will come with healing. The Lord is revealing to me in this dream that He is coming to build something in me that brings life and healing.



What the Lord has shown me in this dream is that my future includes healing, and also that the window of my heart, through which I see Jesus, will not be broken.

DREAMS OF LIVING IN A NEW HOUSE

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THE FIRST NIGHT: I was in a house that belonged to me as I had just purchased it or got it somehow. The person who had it before left it with some furniture and things still in it. I was looking over the rooms, and kept finding more and more rooms - with surprise. I didn't realize it had so many rooms and so much furniture. I remember seeing a knick knack corner shelf which didn't fit into the shape of the corner very well. I remember seeing the backs of bookcases in one room. I remember thinking that I could pick one of those rooms just for me to use for my stuff. I noticed there was a ramp leading upward and I thought I wanted to go up and explore what might be up there also.

THE SECOND NIGHT: Almost the same dream as last night. I again was in my house and looking around at the many many rooms in it and the furniture, etc. in it already. This time I came upon a room with beautiful furniture in aqua blues. Then I saw a stairway curving up. From up that stairway I saw a fan flying down toward me, and I was hit by it, like in the center of my body. I think I exclaimed, "A flying fan!"

The thoughts which come as possible interpretations of these two dreams:

- The house is me and the rooms are various parts of me I am discovering/viewing.
- The person who had the house previously and left furniture, etc. was myself previous to now. My "now" person is looking to see what is already there from before and looking to see how to rearrange it to fit my needs/desires currently.
- The many rooms and much furniture delight me since I can enjoy them now.
- The ramp up and the stairway up represent wanting to explore the spiritual aspect of my life more now. These scenes were at the end of each dream; I think representing toward the end of my life when I am enticed by the Lord to seek Him more and more. And that is exactly what is happening right now in my life - I am spending more and more of my time/energy/thoughts in communing with the Lord.
- The flying fan: the fan represents wind, air, blowing wind, which makes me think it represents the Holy Spirit...and it is coming to "whop" me, hit me, touch me, in a major way. It also reminds me of the van vision given to me previously with my instruction on it to "Follow Me."
- Seeing the backs of bookcases may mean I am turning away from or not looking at, books as I used to.
- I have a choice of picking what part of me I will "live" in - spend time in.
- Blue represents revelation. So that room with aqua furniture may represent revelation which I receive.
- I have the stairway up to spiritual life within me.
- Knick knack not fitting in corner - I'm getting past having to "fit in" with what's around me or fit in with the other part of me that's square or traditional.



What the Lord has shown me in these dreams is that I am living in a “new house” which is a new me, and I can look forward to being touched by the Spirit in a major way!

A RECURRING DREAM OF TRYING TO FIND MY WAY HOME

10-16-92

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Recently, probably within the last month, I have had a recurring dream. I have had it at least two times and I think three times. In this dream I am in a foreign land so I can't read the signs and can't communicate with the people. I am in a city and trying to find my way home. But I can't ask anyone the way because I don't know their language, and I can't read signs to find my way home. Even if I could communicate with people I don't know the name or place of my “home” which I'm looking for so I couldn't even describe it to them. I have this intense feeling of not knowing what to do...not hopelessness, but just not knowing what to do. What does this dream mean, Lord? You told me to write it down.

The only thoughts I have about it so far is that it may be the way I feel about my position in life right now. The Lord has called me to full time ministry for Him. I am not to go get a job to pay my bills. Yet at this moment I do not have enough money to live on, and not enough has come in to live on. I am trying not to fear.

And during this time I am writing under His instruction on a book He is leading me to write. I don't know what this book will be for or why He is having me write it. But I am being obedient each day to His leading. I trust His leading and have peace and joy about what I am doing. PTL! But I sure don't see a direction I'm going and why. I wonder if the dream is a picturing of this unsureness of where I'm going, what I'm doing, and why. Perhaps. I'm asking the Lord to give me insight on the dreams.



What the Lord has shown me here is how unsure I am of the direction I am going and how I will get there. It shows I need to listen carefully and follow Him each step of the way.

(Note from Joan regarding what the Lord had me write in 1992: He had me compile stories about how He had worked in the lives of many people doing wonderful deeds in their lives. I called these stories *His Marvelous Deeds*. These stories were used in the books He had me write in 2004 called *Thoughts and Stories, books 1-5*).

TWO RECURRING DREAMS 4-18-2001

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In dream #1 I am to do some sort of performance, like be in a drama, or play a French horn solo on stage. I don't know my part, lines, or how to play the solo. The time for the performance comes closer and closer and I don't prepare and get more frustrated and fearful about having to give the performance when I am not prepared. I have had this type of dream quite a number of times and in various forms over several years.

I dream #2 I am in a city or place that is unfamiliar to me. I don't recognize the streets although I keep looking for something familiar so I can find my way. I am not sure where I am going or how to get there. I walk and walk looking for the way. Sometimes I am afraid of the people along the way - afraid they will harm me. This dream also comes in different places/circumstances but is basically the same form or idea...and is frustrating to dream.

If I had to interpret those two dreams in the natural, I would say they show: I feel something is coming for which I am not ready or prepared, and I am not getting ready. And the other dream means I am lost, don't know where I am going, don't know how to get there, am walking in unfamiliar territory, and am afraid of the people and unknown along the way. This natural interpretation is most distressing to me. But the Lord says:

These are My words to you, my child, about those two dreams. You are entirely dependent on Me in your life for what's coming, for getting ready, for the performance of what I want you to do, for how to get there, and for where you are going, also for keeping you through the fearful situations that might come. You are entirely dependent on Me - and that is exactly what and where I want you to be. This is part of My preparation of you - to get you totally dependent on Me and totally humble so that you know nothing and can't do anything to bring about what I am doing in your life or with you. My purpose for you is totally unknown and you are totally unprepared...at least in your physical eyes...and in your emotions.

This is part of the "preparation" I am taking you through just now, while you wait for Me to reveal and lead you to what is coming for you. It is exactly what I want for you right now. In your spirit you know this and it comes to you in your dreams.

This is because I want to use you, and I can only use you with this preparation getting you ready for what I want/plan to do. Keep walking in this direction you are now going in relationship with Me and I will get you to the performance/place where I want to get you. Leave it in My hands. Trust Me.



What the Lord has shown me from these dreams is that I am to continue on as I am going, trusting in Him completely to bring about His plan for me in His time. He will totally empower me and prepare me and use me for His mighty purpose for me.

DREAM OF JESUS CONDUCTING THE BELIEVERS

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I was sitting in a single file row of people, like an orchestra, who were to play the accompaniment to some performance. We weren't given time to warm up our instruments but just began rehearsing. I was in front of the row and couldn't see those behind me as in picture:

(front)

me facing front

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conductor —

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I also couldn't see the conductor except when I turned my head to the left and back for a quick glimpse. I had a French horn but I wasn't playing it. I didn't have music script. What I did have, instead of music, was a paper with #'s of the sections/pieces we were to play. There were 9 numbers. Out front of me in a large open space a singer started singing with us - female voice. I felt the performance was to happen sometime and I didn't want to sit there not playing.

- Horn - prophecy, last trumpet i.e. rapture
- Performance - His kingdom coming, His will being done, on earth as it is in heaven. It's the harvest of Jesus' kingdom work in His people
- The page with numbers - This is a picture to tell me "what time it is" prophetically (i.e. #'s of events). Nine is the number referring to the harvest and divine judgment
- My sitting position - I am "out in front" - i.e. living now. Not knowing my role - uncertainty of times
- Others behind me - i.e. lived previously and are watching from heaven
- Singer (we are to accompany) is HS and He has begun His song
- His song represents the "final days" before the rapture
- Open field ahead means I see nothing and know nothing about what's next - only to accompany the singer.
- Holy Spirit's song - He sings; all of us in orchestra go with Him, accompany Him. He leads! He has begun His "final" song for the Church - the last days Church
- Conductor - goes through whole song with orchestra and leads them to the very end. I only get quick glimpses of Jesus, but He is still conducting it all

The Lord showed me that I am participating in these ways:

1. As a part of His orchestra (past and present), being in it, letting Him conduct, letting Him sing.

2. Being aware of His work and timing
3. Getting brief glimpses of Him conducting
4. Hearing His song
5. Seeing the open field
6. Wanting to do what He has me here to do
7. Praying for the harvest

The scripture He gave me regarding this: **“The Lord himself goes before you and will be with you; he will never leave you nor forsake you. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged.” (Deuteronomy 31:8)**



What the Lord has shown me from this dream is that the people living now, and those who went before them, who belong to Jesus, are still all being directed by Him and work with the Holy Spirit. Right now it is my turn.

A DREAM ABOUT A HOUSE WITH WATER AND ONE WITH FIRE

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The house beside ours, which I saw out our window, was cracked at the base of the house (which was brick), tipped up and over, seemingly by the wind storm. I only saw the base outside our window but knew the rest.

I looked out another window and saw the roof of a house and saw a spray of water circling above the roof, then I noticed the roof had flames (tongues) of fire at various spots on it.

First I thought it was someone else’s house, then realized it was ours. We said we had to get dressed and look into this. I told our two children the house was on fire.

The number 128 was strong in my mind about this and I knew it was significant and needed to learn its meaning. After awaking there was great joy in me and a knowing 128 was important, and lots of praise pouring forth to the Lord.

These are 2 revelations about me (my houses): The first house was broken and tipped over by a storm. The second house had the Holy Spirit (fire) and the Word (water) upon it.

This week it was tried and tested once more to see how you reacted to the test through a man and what he brought for you to overcome: in the gossip he brought, in the difficulties he brought to your work life, in the challenges to be under his authority, etc. You chose to depend on Me totally and respond only as I led you. You passed the test of this last whole year and receive a mark of 128...the full measure of the beginning work of putting off that old man and works of the flesh and now it is time to begin a new life

with Me.

I gave you a picture of that new life in this dream: your house (you) is now anointed with flames of fire (My Holy Spirit) and being washed with the water of My Word continuously. It is now time to see yourself “dressed” in this new anointing. Your “children” (those who come from you) will know that you are “on fire” and anointed by Me, and that can help them burn away things which they don’t want in their lives. My Holy Spirit is your companion helping you get dressed in this new anointing. You are now touched deeply with those things which touch My heart. I will continue to anoint you mightily since you have said “yes” to wanting that, and I will completely lead you where I want you to go and lead you to do all I want you to do from now on. You will not be afraid because you will stand on My Word. I will complete the mighty work that I began in you - to My glory.



What the Lord has shown me through this dream is that I have changed from a broken torn up house into a new house anointed with His fire and His Word. This second house has put off the old man and works of the flesh and has begun an acceptable measure in the new life.

A DREAM REGARDING HIGHER LEARNING

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<p>I was getting ready to start as a freshman in high school and going through the preparations for the first day. I got assigned my locker number 119 and found it.</p>

As I begin a “new school of learning” on a higher level than elementary, I am found ready with a full measure of what is needed for this new school level.

Let us go on to greater things, Joan. A locker is the place where you store your supplies needed for the school days. In that locker you will store: fruitfulness, harvest, selflessness, not being able to do a thing without Me, depending entirely on Me, letting the harvest be Mine. Whatever comes it is to My glory, not yours.



What the Lord has shown me through this dream is that He says I am ready for a new level of learning.

A DREAM OF A STORM COMING

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I was with a group of Christian women in fellowship/Bible study. We were excited about new Christians joining our group and other groups. Their children were playing outside the building. I could see them through the window.

Group represents the church, the bride of Christ. We are also His children in this scene. We meet together, we fellowship, we are excited about new Christians, we play (worship) and can be seen outside the building by the world and by us through spiritual eyes (window)

A storm was coming with lots of rain. The children played and danced in the rain or before the rain came. We were preparing to leave before it stormed anymore and were concerned about flooding and traffic problems to drive through. We discussed this.

A storm is coming and we are discussing it and how it will affect us. We anticipate flooding which means being overwhelmed by all the new people and situations it brings to us. This is also represented by the extra heavy traffic expected that we must drive through, live through. Increased ministry is also anticipated. We play and dance in the rain which refers to being joyful, worshipping and dancing. The rain is the latter rain mentioned in Scripture.

As we walked through the building (seemed like it was a church building) I tried to find my car keys. I thought they were in my small coin purse and had it out looking inside it. It was full of coins.

The church building may refer to the Bride of Christ we were walking with, the congregation. Looking for my keys means looking for knowledge, authority, wisdom, understanding, ability, or for Christ. I am trying to find the keys to my car which means my life, my ministry. The purse refers to the place of my treasure, my heart, my personal identity, the place of what is precious and valuable. It was full of coins, so full of treasure in heaven. Silver coins mean revelation knowledge.

I dropped a coin and bent down to search for it. When I did, I found a \$.50 piece, a dime, and my own tiny coin (about half of dime size...which had a dark area in the middle of it and looked somewhat like an eye). I also found my keys in the coin purse.

So I looked in my heart for the knowledge, for my life ministry during the flood. As I looked for the tiny coin (which looked like an eye when I drew it) it was my tiny piece of heavenly treasure. I not only found it but .50 and .10 as well.

My tiny coin represents my spiritual vision with which I see the spiritual world and Jesus, who is a treasure in heaven for me. The dime represents the measure for accepting me, along with the trials and tests used for this acceptance. The .50 represents my service/works being accepted (found).

As I look for my heavenly treasure for my life ministry and seek spiritual vision, I also find the measure for accepting my service (which is to seek and follow Jesus). I seek and find it in the Church - Body of Christ. It's the key to my life ministry.



What the Lord has shown me through this dream is that He has put the treasures I need in me for the service and works He wants me to do in the Body of Christ.

DREAM OF WALKING THROUGH A POOL WITH AN UMBRELLA

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I was driving my car through a parking lot-driveway area. There were no other cars there. I think it was semi-dark. I got out of the car and walked through a river, carrying a closed umbrella in my right hand and something in my left hand, maybe a ball.

I was going through the Christian faith walk/way by myself and it was not too easy to see. I was led by the Spirit through the Word and was prepared for the coming rains, and grace and mercy were with me.

When I turned around to come back through the water toward the parking area, there were other people in the water, like a group of young men moving through the water. I tried to cross the water to go back to where my car was parked and got in the way of them and interrupted their progress as they bumped into me. But I got back, got out of the water and went to my car.

I made a turn in my life in the Spirit and encountered maybe angels where I moved and bumped into them, made contact with them. Then I left the water of life in the Spirit and went back to my ministry.

It was semi-dark then too. I put my stuff in the car and drove out. As I did, I realized the area I wanted to drive on was very narrow and near the edge of the driveway to the left of an obstruction, so I thought I would remember not to come that same way next time. It seemed like, as I drove, that I had forgotten to close the trunk of the car, so I had to stop and do that...or try to close it as I drove.

As I went to my ministry I was only able to see partly. The way I went was narrow and dangerous in that I could get off the road easily, and there was an obstruction to go around. I wanted to learn from this so I could miss those dangers the next time. The back or hidden part of my life/ministry was still open and I took steps to shut it.

I saw a pink flower, rather like a petunia bloom but larger, that had a small something in the middle. I was told that was supposed to be my picture, but it didn't look like a person, just a shape, like maybe a rectangle, in the middle of this bloom.

I saw myself in my memory or past experience as a legalistic shaped gift in the flesh. This may refer to my association with the church in the past.

I was inside a tennis club and it seemed like a tournament was going on. Through the windows I could see the backs of lots of people who were evidently watching a tennis game, but I couldn't see the game through them. The room was open-topped and a tennis ball was hit so it came up and over into that room and fell on the floor near me. Someone came to get the ball.

This was a revelation about people and what they were seeing. The game may represent playing or worship. This may refer to the things Patricia King told us about at the conference regarding seeing into the spiritual realm, and grace (ball) was being brought to where I stood watching.

This also could refer to my having a revelation about the great cloud of witnesses whose backs (referring to past time of living) I saw as they were "watching the game of life." The ball coming into my area may refer to "the ball's in your court" now since I'm alive now. Someone coming to get the ball may be someone coming to see what I will do with it or coming into the "now".



What the Lord has shown me through this dream is that I am living life in the Spirit now and those who went before me (in time) are watching.

A DREAM ABOUT SINGING A SOLO AT A WEDDING

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1. I was to sing a solo at a wedding. I had a copy of the music that I used to practice. It was a hymn. At the wedding, as I got up to sing, I couldn't find the music and couldn't remember what to sing without the music. I had a magazine about the size of *Guideposts* in my hands, and looked and looked for the music in it, but couldn't find it there. I just stood there, embarrassed, because I couldn't sing.

I haven't sung my song yet that's part of the wedding. I haven't finished yet the song/work project I am to finish and "perform/do" before the wedding ceremony is completed. It has to do with *Guideposts*, which represents writing stories about real events in the life of Christians. I haven't gotten my song/stories yet in a publication for others to read. I couldn't sing because I didn't know the "song" yet by memory - some of it hasn't even happened yet to know it. But I am to sing it eventually.

2. It seemed like I was the planner for the wedding or somehow helped arrange it. I saw two men sitting there doing nothing. Seemed like it was the groom on the right of the father and the father on the groom's left. I asked them if they had already seen the guests leave and had said goodbye, so it seemed like they got up and went out to see.

The two men are the Father and the Son waiting for the completion of the wedding and greeting their guests then. They are still waiting in their chairs/seats in heaven until the wedding is completed or ready to begin.

3. Then a whole group of people began to line up to go by the bride and see her. I found some pictures that belonged to the wedding couple and found my music with the pictures. I walked up to the woman who seemed like she might be the mother of the bride to tell her, and she just put her face/head toward her left and refused to look at me or acknowledge me, so I figured she was angry because I couldn't sing my solo (but I only supposed that).

Many people will come to "see" the Bride and see what's happening/happened to her. The "mother" of the Bride is the institutional church where the Bride came from, but this institutional church turned her head and wouldn't look at me while the Bride was being looked upon at the wedding or pre-wedding line up. She didn't want to see the pictures (past experiences) and music/song (the worship/what the Bride sang or was prepared to sing at the wedding). The institutional church was angry or gave that impression and didn't want to see the pictures or past experiences of the Bride/Groom and the song they had.



What the Lord has shown me through this dream is that I am not finished with my writing work yet, and that in the future many people will come to look at the Bride of Christ, but some will not be happy with her.

DREAM OF A BLACK BEAR AND CAKES

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"A big black bear" - the words came over and over in this dream--so much that I got up and wrote down those words. It means evil or sorrowful destroyer...some kind of lack due to the destroyer, some situation of destruction.

Also I saw, in another dream, huge cakes, each about 4 ft in diameter and about 2 1/2 ft. high. They were cut in half showing decorations inside them (like chocolates and strawberries) and decorations on top of M & M's or strawberries. These represent celebration times like birthday celebrations, and a time of plenty (in times of famine

you don't usually have dessert). Strawberries are fruit and may represent words or fruit of the Spirit.

The big black bear is for certain situations in America, but the cakes are for My Bride, those I am protecting in the midst of the bear situations. Pray for My Bride, My people, those who belong to Me - to be spared the destruction, and to be kept in plenty during the difficult days ahead...in 2005 and on.

“Whoever listens to me will live in safety and be at ease, without fear of harm.” (Proverbs 1:33)

“For the Lord gives wisdom, and from his mouth come knowledge and understanding. He holds victory in store for the upright, he is a shield to those whose walk is blameless, for he guards the course of the just and protects the way of his faithful ones.” (Proverbs 2:6-8)

“Because he loves me,” says the Lord, “I will rescue him; I will protect him, for he acknowledges my name.” (Psalm 91:14)



What the Lord has shown me through these dreams is that some destruction is coming in our country, but He wants to keep His people and give them plenty during the difficult times.

DREAMS OF LEARNING AND DECISION MAKING

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In this dream I saw four file folders. One for Bob, one for Jack, one for Joyce, and one for me. At the label tab for each folder I was trying to assign or place the date or maybe the type of their graduation. They were each for masters' degrees except Joyce's may have been for graduation from high school. I was telling someone unseen what each degree was for.

Bob, Jack, Joyce and I (my brothers and sister) all represent me. The file folders represent reports and information about me. These had to do with “graduating” or accomplishing or finishing a learning situation in some area. The Master's degrees may represent graduating from a school of the Master - Jesus. High school may represent school from on high, from above, from the Lord. School refers to teaching or learning, church, people or work, teaching ministry, training. These seemed to be reports about finishing a learning situation in several areas for me. I was talking to an unseen person (the Holy Spirit) about this. It seemed these four areas were now finished. I wasn't sure how to place a title/label on the tab of the file folders. This may mean I didn't know the date or even the name of what I graduated from so I couldn't label them. Four refers to ruling and reigning, so these degrees have to do with that area.

In another part of the dream I was trying to cross a street. I was trying to see the green light to tell me when I could cross...and it was difficult to see. There were many young men throwing a baseball around standing in various parts of that intersection, and it was very risky to cross the intersection to keep from being hit. You didn't know if the ball would be thrown from beside or behind you and hit you so you wouldn't know when to duck.

Trying to cross a street refers to trying to make a decision. Trying to see the green light refers to looking for God's sign, His all clear signal, that I could make this decision/cross the street. It was difficult to see and to know what to do. Playing baseball refers to spiritual warfare surrounding the decision. It was hard to see or get a clear sign from God as to what to do that would suit Him.

I was trying to cross the street straight ahead to go to the bus station which was on the other side after that intersection. I stepped out into the intersection and a car suddenly came toward me from my left. I saw its headlights. I stood almost frozen in place as I tried to decide which direction to go: forward or backward. Finally I took steps backward.

Bus station refers to waiting, preparing, being made ready (for ministry, travel, change, etc). Crossroads refers to a decision, change of direction, confusion, choice, job change, career change, or geographical move. Automobile refers to a life, person, or ministry. Coming from the left refers to being spiritual. Headlights refer to manifesting, revealing, or exposing. I was trying to make it to the bus station refers to working/going toward preparing for ministry, change. Seeing the headlights of a car on my left refers to having revealed to me a spiritual ministry. Standing frozen in place and not knowing which way to go (forward or backward) refers to my time of waiting in indecision about whether to stay with a certain ministry or not. Stepping backward refers to going back from that spiritual ministry, stepping out of its path of travel/movement.



What the Lord has shown me through these dreams is that I have finished some learning situations about ruling and reigning, have gone through a decision-making process, and have made my decision.

DREAM OF A WOODLAND GLEN

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If you want to build yourself up, praise God. These are the words that came to me in a dream during the night. In this dream I was being driven in a car into this lovely woodland glen area. As soon as I entered it, I felt the wonderful presence of God. There

were rays of mystical, almost foggy, light coming down from above, almost like fingers of cloudy shapes. I kept saying “Oh God, Oh, God!” I moved around in that area in the Presence until I heard these words and knew they were a very important message for me. After that I kept trying to find a piece of paper to write them on to put in my Bible so I could continually remind myself of it. Other things kept happening to keep me from writing it down, but I kept saying it to myself over and over so I wouldn’t forget. The idea was to turn my palms up toward God and praise Him. This was to be the antidote to my discouragement. This was the revelation from God I must remember. *If you want to build yourself up, praise God.*

The car represents my life. Since I wasn’t driving, I think the Holy Spirit was taking me there. The beautiful woodland glen was a place of God’s Presence, refreshing, rest, renewal in the midst of the woods, the unknown, the fearful, the dark place. The white clouds with rays of light represent good change, glory, renewal, and revival. It was the place of the Presence of God for me to enter. In that lovely place He gave me a message - that if I want to build myself up, I need to praise God. That is what I should have been doing yesterday. He told me on Monday to do that each day. Praising Him in the midst of trouble makes me an overcomer. The scripture on the calendar today is: **“Him who overcomes I will make a pillar in the temple of my God.” (Revelation 3:12)**

You really are with me, aren’t You, God? That You would give me this wonderful encouraging dream when I was so stressed and discouraged yesterday. That You would really be with me and know what I needed, and visit me in a dream like this. Thank You, God!

“Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name.” (Psalm 100:4)



What the Lord has shown me through this dream is that the Lord wants me to praise Him when I need to be built up, when I am discouraged. He loves me so much He would even show me His Presence in a dream to encourage me.

A DREAM SERIES REGARDING FEEDING OTHERS

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

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

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

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

5. I saw blackboards being washed clean of all the chalky stuff that had been written on them. There was someone compiling how much stuff had likely been written on those blackboards over time, and it was something like 7 times 7. It was good to see them cleaned. This was in the same classroom as the door with the window mentioned in #4.

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

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

But all the things mentioned above were positive feeling, good, with joy at times. There were various other people involved, but I don't remember who they were. There were other singers and a leader of the singers, and there was an audience although this was not the actual performance, just the practice. Perhaps this singing group is at CTC and the audience is the congregation at CTC. The singing could refer to prophecy about Jesus and His goodness and wonderfulness.

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

Today I read my dream series from August 25, 2004. I now see this dream series as referring to the books the Lord is having me write. I didn't realize it then. Today I "see" this dream sequence as relating to the series of books the Lord is having me write (most of which I did not know

about then) so, in that sense, this is a vision about what is coming through the books into other's lives:

1. The books are done solo, done alone, about Jesus and His goodness
2. The books will be used to plant and cultivate in the field of others' lives. Even though there were already tall plants (mature Christians) there were still cultivating and planting being done (new Christians).
3. The books will be like a refrigerator holding food, with different spaces (help, information) for different groups of people with different needs.
4. The books will help take away stickers that block people's vision/revelation.
5. The books will help wash away stuff needed to be cleaned from people's lives.
6. The books will plant seeds (begin new Christians) and cultivate baby Christians.

I declare in Your Name, Jesus, these six things about the books you are having me write!



What the Lord has shown me through this dream series is that the books He is having me write are like a song about His goodness and His marvelous ways. They will be used for planting and cultivating in others' lives. They hold food in storage for others. They will help remove barriers in vision and help wash away old stuff that needs to go. They will plant seeds and cultivate baby Christians.

DREAMS ABOUT EARTH LIFE AND HEAVEN

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These ideas came first but I didn't know what they meant... and the ideas weren't very clear. I got up and wrote down the ideas, then went back to bed. The ideas were:

1. Must deal first with the basic
2. Then can do the next thing
3. The basic (BC) is the natural
4. Then comes the spiritual

After interpreting the dream series written below, what I think this refers to is: first I must deal with the basic--which is life on earth. Then I can do the next thing--which is life in heaven. The first (before Christ) is the natural. Then comes the spiritual which is life after Christ comes into my life - and eventually heaven. These next five dream sequences seem to refer to life on earth, and life in heaven, the natural and the spiritual.

I was standing beside a bed and taking care of a former boss I worked for. He was in the bed. I remember pulling back the covers from his legs and seeing he was in long underwear.

Perhaps this man who was in authority over me at my job, represents my dad. My dad wore long underwear to sleep in. Legs refer to support, so perhaps this shows me seeing dad as my support during childhood. Now I see him at rest.

I was trying to get out the pills he was to take, but the pills spilled out onto the night stand, and water was also spilled out there and the pills became wet, sticking together, etc. I felt I should organize those.

Pills (drugs) represent influence, control. Water represents Spirit, Word. Perhaps this shows the Spirit/Word of God diluting and rendering unusable the control and influence my dad had over me.

I was cleaning up, organizing, my stuff in this room which had in it a large bed which curved up at the head of the bed like a lounge. Under the bed (which was maybe 3 ft off the ground) there were drawers with my stuff in them. I was still in my nightgown and wanted to get my stuff out and get dressed.

This was a place of rest. I was cleaning up and organizing my thoughts/attitudes in relation to being in the rest of God. Still in my nightgown means I was still wearing the clothing used in the nighttime, the time of darkness on earth. I was searching for the “daytime” clothes may refer to seeking my place in heaven where it is always day, never night. I wanted to get ready for that.

A man came into the room and we talked. He was telling me the things he had purchased for his wife. One was a pretty country style dress with a square dance type full ruffled skirt in brown and yellow prints. I held it up to me and danced around a bit with it in front of me. His wife came in and I handed it to her and asked her to show me or tell me about it. She pulled it partly over her head from behind her and walked with it like that.

An unknown person can represent an angel or Christ. I think this man represents Christ. He was telling me about things He purchased for his wife/bride - Christians. The dress He had with him was for dancing. Dancing represents worship, romance and joy. He let me see the dress of heaven and hold it up in front of me to try it out. (I look forward to dancing with Him and/or before Him in heaven.) The colors represent (brown) being dead to sin/being born again, and (yellow) a gift of God/marriage. Flowers represent glory. His wife pulled it partly over her head: this signifies His gift is covering her, is her headship, is her authority

I saw the bed again which was curved up at the head, and it was covered with a beautiful comforter. That was lifted up and I saw another comforter or cover which had been embroidered with flowers, and lots of words along the edge. The words were like verses or poems in about four lines each in tiny stitches all along the edge. I was amazed at the intricate work.

“And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am.” (John 14:3) This represents the place He has prepared for me -- a place of rest, even though almost in a sitting up position, with a covering for me which is beautiful to look at and have over me. It has His Word on it. I will be amazed at what He has prepared for me in heaven when I get there.



What the Lord has shown me through this dream series is that He sees the whole picture of my life on earth and what’s coming in heaven. He is giving me a glimpse into what’s coming in heaven.

A DREAM ABOUT PRODUCING FRUIT IN ME

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In this dream there was a test coming. I was talking with the teacher who told me the pages in the textbook where there were three things (ideas) we would be tested over. I wrote the page numbers on the tabs in my notebook along with the idea. Later I planned to go to those pages and look up those ideas, and write them down, so I would know them for the test. The three ideas had to do with an apple - like maybe how to cut and use the apple (maybe 1. the core, 2. the flesh, and 3. the skin). The skin was not yet fully ripe, still green.

Apples refer to words, fruit of the Spirit. Book refers to a record: Word of God, heart of man, knowledge. Three refers to conforming, obey, copy, imitate, likeness. This is about me and about my fruit. The inside parts of my fruit are ready - but the exterior part is not fully ready. The teacher is the Holy Spirit (Jesus) and the textbook is His Word. Three refers to fully conforming to His Word. I will be tested over how I conform to His Word...how ripe and ready my fruit is in showing His likeness. The testing will be over how I conform (3 pages, 3 parts of apple) to Jesus the teacher and the textbook about Him. It seems to show that the “outside” of me (the part others see?) is not yet ready - not yet fully conformed to Jesus.

This dream came on January 4, 2004. The thought that comes today (in January 2005) is that I was not yet ready to show myself (via exposing my thoughts and writings) to others by writing the books, but I didn’t know about those books at the time of this dream. But God did.

At the time of interpreting the dream in January 2004 the Holy Spirit said:

I will get you ready. You cannot prepare yourself. Just stay close to Me, and listen to Me, and obey Me. I will take you to and through this “unknown territory.” I want you to know it is almost here (the skin is almost ripe). This is the year for “it.” (2004) My Holy Spirit will sing your way through (referring to a previous dream where the Holy Spirit was singing).



What the Lord has shown me through this dream is that He will be preparing me for what He wants to produce in and through me. He will take me through the unknown territory of what He plans for me to do with Him and for Him.

A DREAM ABOUT A TICKET TO HEAVEN

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I was telling people that my husband and I were going on a trip and that we would get to see the King while there, and that we were able to get tickets to attend the “royal wedding” while we were there. That seemed to be a wonderful treat and opportunity I was telling some people about. We seemed to be going soon.

This seems to refer to my relationship with Jesus, my Husband, and to indicate that soon we will be going together on a trip, the Rapture, to the place where a royal wedding will be held - and I was blessed to get tickets to attend that. My ticket is my relationship with Jesus, my Husband.

I was trying to get clothes ready for elementary children to go to school. I think they would go to school while I was on the trip. We were making plans for how many pair of shorts and tops they needed, what colors, etc. One outfit had many colors and I told the child to tell us what colors there were, then he/she could match those colors with the top to wear with it.

Perhaps this refers to the clothes of righteousness children need to be able to go to the “school” of learning of the Lord. I was trying to get the children with the right clothes for their school- which would be while I was on the trip (maybe after the rapture). This may refer to those who would read my books after I left on my trip. If the child would look closely at the “colors” or aspects of the clothing article (look at what Jesus was like, His characteristics), then they would know how to match those aspects with their other clothing. I guess that is what my books are about - what is it like to look at the characteristics of wearing Jesus and being a Christian and to imitate those and be like Him. These children being elementary children may mean they are new Christians and are starting their learning about following Jesus. This may be primarily for those who become Christians after the rapture who accept Jesus as their Savior then. For many years the Holy Spirit has brought to my mind that my writings might be used after the Rapture for those who come to Him then.

I want you to know the Rapture is soon, is near, and you will be participating. You already have your “ticket” for the royal wedding between My Bride and Me. There will be children, babes in Christ, who will need clothes of righteousness after your trip, and you are helping prepare them even now. Many colors are many aspects of what I am like and who I am. They will see these many colors in your writings. That is why I now want you to read back over your old journals and put them in writing. I have plans for all of it. This may be easier for others to find after the Rapture than things found at Christian bookstores. I will look after your writings and protect them and keep them safe from being destroyed. I already have plans for all those who come to Me then. I know who they are and what they need. I am using you to help Me prepare for them.



What the Lord has shown me through this dream and revelation is that I will be going on a trip to heaven in the Rapture and those left on earth will use my books to help them learn about a relationship with Jesus.

A DREAM ABOUT A NEW BEGINNING

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These are words I wrote about one year ago. I can look at these words now and see how they have already been fulfilled and are continuing to be fulfilled. The Lord is so faithful!

“After 10 solid selfsame years” As these words came I was seeing a large potted plant placed where I was. A pot = vessel, doctrine, container. Plant = something green and growing, living life. Perhaps something new or a change is coming. After 10 years something new is growing. These words were in a dream I had as I woke several nights ago and the clock was at 1:11...which refers to a new beginning, a full measure of what I was being tried for. The ten years refers to the ten years I lived in my apartment on Millbrook and worked as a church secretary.

I read Genesis 46 and 47 about Jacob and his family during a famine time, and how Joseph, who was in Egypt, helped his family. Then the Holy Spirit said to me:

I am looking on you with great favor, Joan. As I took care of them in their time of famine, so I also took care of you these 10 years of your famine (and growth). It is now time to bring you great increase and move you to something new (as I moved Jacob and his family -- and sent Joseph ahead to prepare the way). Beth has gone ahead to prepare the way for you. And I have provided her with “the grain” for you both to live. You’ll bring your part and she’ll bring her part.



What the Lord has shown me through this dream is that He took care of me during my time of famine and He was now bringing me out of that famine to something new with

great increase.

A REVELATION GIVEN ABOUT A DREAM

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In the dream there was a tiny box to click on like with a computer mouse. It was about 3/8" square, very tiny, and it was on a computer screen.

Interpretation: Clicking the tiny box is referring to opening up revelatory things, things which can be seen as on a computer screen.

This represents only the beginning of the revelatory to be opened up to you. This "beginning" includes all the visions and dreams you have had so far. Compare the size of the box to the size of a full monitor screen and see how much is yet to come! And it will include your own healing!



What the Lord has shown me from this dream is that He wants to open up a lot of revelations to me and what I have already seen is only a small part of what I will see in the future.

A DREAM ABOUT MY MINISTRY

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

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

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



What the Lord has shown me through this dream is that my ministry of writing books is going quickly in the natural. When I step out into the spiritual realm there will be opposition from the enemy who doesn't want my books published, but they will be published at the right time.

A DREAM ABOUT MY NEWEST FLOWER

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<p>The grass (sod) which was placed around died due to lack of watering. I was growing flowers of various kinds in different places. Someone came and asked to see my newest flower. I showed them this purple flower which was just starting to bloom.</p>

Grass refers to the flesh. Flowers refer to glory, romance or gift. Purple refers to royal, rule, noble or majestic.

The old flesh has been allowed to die. The new flowers of glory are now blooming and are royal, majestic. I sent my messenger, angel, to inquire about your newest flower (glory) and it was noble and majestic. It was beautiful. It refers to your book you are now working on and telling you how I see it. Even if you never see it published, it is still noble, and it is a gift of romance from Me. I am romancing you as I write with you. I am drawing you closer to Myself. This is good.

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

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

When I led you to come here in April, it took until July for all to be prepared for your moving. The book was written in August-September, but it may take awhile for all to be ready for its publication. Let Me be in charge of that. You just relax, and enjoy Me, and spend time with Me, letting Me romance you, like that newest flower.



What the Lord has shown me through this dream is that He has a plan for publishing my books and I am to relax, let Him take care of it, and spend time with Him letting Him romance me like the newest flower in the dream.

A DREAM ABOUT EXPOSING FRUIT AND ATTITUDES

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In a dream I saw two rabbits were eating the rhubarb in Mom's garden. I saw the bites taken out of the stalks of rhubarb. Then each rabbit pulled the whole plant out of the ground and left it lying there. The plant had a big bulb as a root. The rabbits left.

There's going to be an increase, a fast growth, and multiplication in judging, discerning the fruit of others in the Church. This will include eating, chewing on, meditating on the fruit of others (and myself) and exposing the root attitudes that were hidden. I will try to work with others to offer suggestions on helping deal with those roots/attitudes

You did see the picture of the rabbits eating rhubarb through a window, and it does show you a revelation I want you to see and understand. You are being separated out for a ministry of displaying fruit and pulling up fruit (could be good or bad fruit) to display the roots (attitudes) out of which they are growing - attitudes which were hidden underground but are now being exposed by your increasing ministry to others.

You come into a situation, discern the fruit, expose the root attitudes, then leave.



What the Lord has shown me through this dream is that I will be separated out for a ministry of displaying fruit and pulling up fruit to display the roots (attitudes) out of which they are growing.

A DREAM ABOUT A TIGER

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In a dream last night there were animals walking around in this place where I was and I

was trying to stay away from them and protect myself from them. I saw some tigers but they didn't come where I was. I saw a huge elephant standing right in front of me for a bit. Later a tiger came up to me from beside me (on my left) and took hold of my head and I started shaking my head to keep the tiger from getting a good grip on it. The shaking woke me up, I think, as I woke up moving my head. I got up and wrote about the tiger to see what it means from the dream interpretation book.

Tiger--Danger: Powerful minister (danger for the devil!); evil, dangerous person (good or evil).
Head--authority: God; Christ; government; husband; pastor; employer; power

I see now that I was doing the shaking to try to keep the tiger from getting a grip on my head. Perhaps that is what I am doing now and/or will be doing - recognizing the danger of the "tiger" and shaking my head to keep it from getting a grip on my mind and affecting me...removing "what can be shaken so that what cannot be shaken may remain." As in this Scripture:

"At that time his voice shook the earth, but now he has promised, 'Once more I will shake not only the earth but also the heavens.' The words "once more" indicate the removing of what can be shaken--that is, created things--so that what cannot be shaken may remain." (Hebrews 12:26-27)

Realize, Joan, that the dangerous shaking may come from someone in authority over you, like a pastor. It may involve shaking you as it tries to grip you.



What the Lord has shown me through this dream is there may come a time when something dangerous will cause the shaking of my mind, and it might come from someone in authority over me.

A DREAM ABOUT PLACES IN MY HEART

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In my dream last night I was cleaning or arranging things in a refrigerator which had the door off. I put things in different places depending on their size. I saw it divided into many small places to put things as well as large places. There was a small freezer place in the top middle and long narrow divided places on each side where I put small things like small containers, medicine, etc. There were (surprisingly) even two smaller places in an upper area. I started to put a tiny container there, then realized that, if I did, I wouldn't be able to see them up there and might forget where they were, so I didn't put them there. I put something frozen (with lots of frost around it) in the small freezer place in the top middle. I had the handle for the door, but looked around to find the door itself. I indicated that my ex-husband had taken it off and placed it somewhere near there. I found it and prepared to put it back on. It seems like I was talking to my children, but I didn't see them in the dream.

In this dream I was arranging things in my heart which had the entrance (door) off and was standing open. I was rearranging my thoughts and attitudes depending on their size. There were many small and large compartments in my heart. A special place in my heart kept things frozen if put there. There was a place for even tiny things that I could place there. There were places so small I might not be able to see what was there. I put something with lots of frost around it in the small freezer place in the top middle. This heart contained stored memories of large and small sizes and different kinds.

I had that which opened or shut the heart, but still needed to put into place the door to it--which is Christ. He is the entrance into my heart. It had been taken off by my ex-husband, but it was time now to put it back on. Christ is now the door to my heart. My ex-husband may represent someone "other than Christ" who used to have authority or control over entrance into my heart. My heart still has a frosty or frozen place in the top middle, but it is now small. I was displaying all this to myself so I would comprehend it.

This is good. Now you and I have control over your heart where you store all your memories and events. You and I control the opening or closing of your heart now. No one else does.

That dream means I have opened your heart and put many storage spaces in it to store lots of things I want to give you and want you to have. Big, small, different shapes and sizes. These are people, causes, prayers, concerns, provisions -- all of these I want to give you and have you store in your heart. And I am the door to your heart now - completely. You never put anything in your heart that I don't let you put in there. I want to keep your heart pure and set apart unto Me only. There is even a space there for "frozen" things - where I store up food for later to give you. These are already "preserved" in your heart and you will thaw them out later and consume them.

This is the place where I store your manna. And I am your manna. I am the bread of your life. Eat Me. Eat Me every day of your life, every time you are hungry, eat Me. I will renew your strength and health. Didn't I keep the Israelites fed and well during those 40 years with My manna? 40 years represents a lifetime, your lifetime. I am now your manna for the rest of your life. As you eat me you are renewed, fed, strengthened, and made healthy and whole.

"The good man brings good things out of the good stored up in him, and the evil man brings evil things out of the evil stored up in him." (Matthew 12:35)



What the Lord has shown me through this dream is that I have places of various sizes in my heart, and that He is the door to open my heart. He is my manna that I am to eat every day.

A DREAM OF MY LIFE'S WORK

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I left my home by myself during the dark time and walked across a field. It was just barely beginning dawn and I faintly saw a break in a line of short trees along the edge of the field and walked through that break. I found myself in a golf course and saw a man walking by playing golf. I then heard a woman who seemed to be his wife say to me that she had good news for me, that I would be taken to work directly from there and wouldn't have to go back home first. The work seemed to be teaching. I wasn't sure I was ready to go to work from there. This seemed to have something to do with a headscarf on my head (like a turban) which was white with large red spots on it.

My dream seems to indicate I'm walking through the world in darkness but am beginning to see Christ dawn. I'm leaving the previous church family and I'm going into a new place of worship and covenant. I won't have to return where I was before. This announcement comes through a messenger with a prophecy for me that my life's work will be teaching others with purity, zeal and passion even though it may involve revealing "my head" - my thoughts, who I am.

"And afterward, I will pour out my Spirit on all people. Your sons and daughters will prophesy, your old men will dream dreams, your young men will see visions." (Joel 2:28)



What the Lord has shown me through this dream is that I'm coming out of darkness and seeing Christ dawn. I'm given a prophecy that my life's work will be teaching others with passion and it involves revealing my thoughts, who I am.

A DREAM ABOUT LISTENING AND OBEYING

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"If you fully obey the Lord your God and carefully follow all his commands I give you today, the Lord your God will set you high above all the nations on earth."(Deuteronomy 28:1)

Last night in my dream I was looking for a place to "wash my hands." As I looked that up in the dream book, I found "wash" refers to prayer or petition and "water" to the Spirit or Word, and "hands" refers to works or service. So perhaps my dream is indicating I am petitioning the Lord for my works. Maybe that refers to this next stage or season of my life and how to approach it.

That means I want to do it all. I want to be totally in charge of your life and what you do. Your role is to listen to Me and do all I tell you to do. Then the "work" will have eternal value and be washed clean and be pure. That is the most important part about

this next “season” - that it be totally of Me and none of you.

I will be making all the decisions about where to go and what to do and how to do it. Your part is to listen to Me and to obey Me. I KNOW what the Father wants to accomplish in this next season and how to accomplish that. You don't. I will guide you and show you as we go - together.



What the Lord has shown me through this dream is that my part of what is coming in my life is to listen to Him and obey Him. Then the work I do will have eternal value.

A DREAM ABOUT GUMBY

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“Let the prophet who has a dream tell his dream, but let the one who has my word speak it faithfully.” (Jeremiah 23:28)

I had a dream in which I was in a car parked at a place something like a drive in theater where other cars were also. A little picture appeared on my windshield in which a cartoon-like character (not a real person, but acting real), that looked like a gumby toy, performed something like a cheer: moving his arms especially back and forth, up in a cheer, etc. He was made to do this by an unseen person who did the movements and the cartoon character did the same thing. I “knew” that a person was causing this gumby toy to cheer, and wanted to respond to that person and let him know I was responding. I watched it from inside the car and raised my hands cheering along with him. It felt good, and like something I wanted to do.

The car represents my life or person or ministry. I was in a place where stories were dramatized on a screen. Perhaps this represents my life story. The cartoon character resembled a gumby--which is a child's toy person that is moldable and bendable into whatever position you bend it. I “knew” that a person was causing the cheer, and that person was the Holy Spirit - an “unseen” person. As I watched the gumby cheer, I felt like cheering also, and did so. Perhaps this represents taking myself into a separate place in my Quiet Time and watching and listening to the Holy Spirit, and learning what He wants me to do - being moldable and bendable by Him, and praising as He leads me.



What the Lord has shown me through this dream is that it is good to come apart with Him in my Quiet Time, watch and listen to the Holy Spirit, and learn what He wants me to do. He wants me moldable and bendable to Him and praising Him as He leads me.

A DREAM ABOUT BEING ON CAMPUS

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Last night I again dreamed of being on a campus taking classes. As previously when I dreamed this, I didn't have a printout of what courses I was to take, what time those courses were, and where I was to go to attend them. But this time I seemed to get a little farther along in the dream. I found out where to go to get a course list from the teacher of the history class, and I learned what courses I was to take. I discovered that I was assigned lots of memory work in three different classes. I wondered if I could manage all that "memory work" in three classes. I got my books in one class and started for my next class in the fine arts building. I didn't recognize the part of campus I was on when I exited the building after the history class, and was looking for someone to ask directions from.

At one part of the dream I seemed to be in an open vehicle which I was trying to park along the street near a driveway. Another vehicle was in front of me which was also trying to park and we had to adjust in relation to each other. It seemed to be driven by my college roommate. She backed into my vehicle once, but nothing was hurt or damaged. She was trying to dig some good dirt to put in her vehicle.

This dream seems to say I am farther along in getting to the ministry I am going to in Lee's Summit. I am learning more about the book I am to write. This is coming from obedience and being conformed to Jesus. It takes place in an open vehicle meaning that in this book I am being open and revealing myself and my ministry. My roommate and I will need to adjust to each other. She is ahead of me in going to Lee's Summit and getting started on her ministry. She is digging for good soil to work with and in. We use motor powered vehicles, meaning we are functioning in an anointing. She backed into me once--may mean she does something unaware or unsuspecting which affects me, but not badly. This seems to be a positive dream showing me/us farther along in this changeover process. I am learning from my classes.



What the Lord has shown me through this dream is that Beth and I are in an anointed ministry in Lee's Summit and are learning and getting farther along in the ministry.

A DREAM ABOUT FINDING MONEY

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In a recent dream I was looking for money and found 2 quarters lying on the ground and picked them up. (I seem to recall that I have looked for and found lost coins lying around in many dreams in the past. In fact, I remember finding them in lots of places where others didn't seem to notice them.) In this recent dream I then found a stash of money folded up with some papers and took it thinking it was lost money too. Then,

without reading the papers, I felt that money was “planted” in that hiding place for someone to pick up and that I should put it back for them - which I proceeded to do.

Interpretation: The story in the Bible of the lost coins comes to my mind. Perhaps these lost coins represent people who need the Lord, and perhaps my finding them refers to my book which goes out into many places and finds people I don’t even know and ministers to them.

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



What the Lord has shown me is He is using me to find lost coins representing lost people who need Him. He also has shown me that I am to carefully look at people brought to me to be sure they are the ones the Lord wants me to minister to.

A DREAM ABOUT RAINBOW TABS ON FILES

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In the dream I saw a group of manila files with the tabs on the upper left corner. On or over those tabs there were rainbows shining on each one...like the sun was shining on them to show those rainbows. It was like each folder held a “story” that was very special because of the rainbow shining on its tab corner. I sensed somehow I was getting to explore each file/story. I knew these were very special.

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

I feel the dream described above shows about the previously unknown “stories” hidden in me that are now free to be explored, and that the light of the Son is shining on my flood of sorrows and making them into rainbows...something beautiful coming out of sorrow.

I want to tell you more about that dream with the rainbows. The rainbow was a sign and a promise of hope for the future. So it is with you in this dream also. I have “files” to open in your life that you know not of, have not even imagined yet, and they are

good. You will delight in them as you delight when you get to see a rainbow. I love you, and I have much joy and promise ahead for you. It is My delight to do this in you and for you.

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



What the Lord has shown me is that He will be opening “rainbow files” in my life that I don’t yet know of and haven’t even imagined yet. I will be delighted with the future He has planned for me. It is just right for me.

A DREAM SHOWING A PROPHECY OF MY MINISTRY

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In this dream I saw two columns of prophecy. One was from T. and it was on the left side of the page in lines about 3” wide. The other was from S. and it was on the right side of the same page in lines about 3” wide. Then I saw those same prophecy lines written out clear across the page instead of in narrow margins. T’s lines were on top, then there was a green line across, then S’s lines were underneath that. When I woke up the clock said 3:21.

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

3:21 represents the full measure of conformity of being holy and approved. This is first in importance, and is new. It is a new start, a new beginning. It seems the Lord is wanting to affirm me through this dream that He is renewing me in the ability to let Him work through me, and in my weakness to show His strength. He is telling me by the time on the clock that He sees this as first in importance and that He sees me as holy, tried and approved in full measure. This time right now is a new beginning for me. Is that right, Lord?

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

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



What the Lord has shown me here is a prophecy telling me my new ministry is about God's strength through me and it is first in importance. It encompasses all space and time in my life. I am not to get a job outside the home.

A DREAM OF ANGELS BRINGING MY PROVISION

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“Meanwhile his disciples urged him, ‘Rabbi, eat something.’ But he said to them, ‘I have food to eat that you know nothing about.’” (John 4:31-32)

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

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

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

Later I also realized that Secret Service agents wear dark suits, and that the angel with the dark coat was like an “agent” doing “secret service” for me.



What the Lord has shown me in this dream is that He is bringing my provision is a strange way unknown to me and Jesus and His angels are involved in getting it to me. It will be for doing God's work for Him.

A DREAM OF BEING CONFUSED, WITH DIRECTION HIDDEN

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

I looked out a window from inside and saw a strange looking dark dark gray cloud sort of hanging down from the sky. The sky was mostly clear except for this cloud and maybe 1 other cloud the same color. But this cloud hung down almost to the ground, maybe to 6 ft above the ground. At the bottom of the cloud there was a shape kind of like small square blocks grouped together. []]

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

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

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

The tall man is My angel standing near you. You look UP to see him. He is not someone known to you, a stranger. His face area is yellow and green and just like the cloud. This

cloud is shaped like a pillow representing rest, comfort, rest for your head (thoughts, mind) The green and yellow represent LIFE and GIFT of God. These are both gifts from God. The angel is bringing them to you and this will be your new “covering” as the cloud represents. The round shape indicates this is grace, mercy, and compassion from the Lord, via His angel, to you.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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



What the Lord has shown me in this dream is I have choices to make about which way I receive my provision, man’s way or God’s way. I am to be willing to wait expectantly for God’s way until it is the right time for it to come. His righteous right hand will bring it about. He will uphold me.

A DREAM ABOUT RETURNING TO COLLEGE AND STARTING A NEW DIRECTION

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I was downtown and wanted to get back to college. I was with Duane and it seems like someone else also. I walked a block in the direction I thought was right, then realized I was not going the right direction because it didn't look familiar. I ran back to the place where I had started, calling out to Duane to be sure he was still there, and to ask Duane the direction. I distinctly remember black cinders we were walking on and maybe all around us.

This dream represents me in a town (representing my character- I was in a confused state, not clear where I was to go, surrounded by tall buildings representing people with different foundations than Jesus blocking my sight) trying to find my way back to the place of learning- college (learning on an upper level, kingdom learning, spiritual learning) about the time back in my college days (represented by people back in college days) where I lost my way. I walked that path for a season (maybe a block represents a season in my life) doing what I had thought was right until I became aware that pathway wasn't heading where I wanted to go (the pathway wasn't going in the right direction and became unfamiliar to me as I turned to the Lord). I went back to the place where I made the decision to go that direction and sought directions (I wanted to start again and this time get help going in the right direction) This walk took place in my past as represented by the cinders/ashes (Memories, repentance, ruin, destruction). Is that done now, Lord? Have I gone back in my memory, and asked direction from You about a better way, the right way, to walk to get back to Kingdom direction?

Yes, Joan, this is completed now. You ARE now going in the right direction in this season of your life. You went back, repented, and changed direction to follow Me. I wanted you to know this is finished and you can shut the door on that season of your life and let it go.



What the Lord has shown me in this dream is that I started in the wrong direction (in relation to Him) in college, and now I have returned to that starting place and have begun in the right direction. Now I can shut the door on that season of my life and let it go.

A DREAM ABOUT A LINE DUG ACROSS A GARDEN

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I remember a piece of a dream last night where we (I and at least 1 other) were

preparing to plant something. I saw the garden/field area with a line dug across it to plant in - a line to use as a 'plumline' to plant in, and to gauge how to plant the rows on either side of it straight.

The 'one other' is Me. You and I are preparing to plant something and we are looking at the place of planting and seeing a row there marking where to plant. The "where to plant" place, the field or garden, is your books, Joan. You are planting yourself and the thoughts I've given you into your books. I want you to know this planting is a straight line, as you saw in your dream. It is ready to put seeds into.

I plowed the field, and I marked the row for us to plant in. You are doing your part in giving all your time to writing the books I am leading you to write. Together we are planting that field and together we will harvest it. You get to harvest it along with Me, whether you are here on earth or in heaven.

Keep planting with Me. Know that this is the most important work you will ever do here on earth--to keep planting in the field of writing your books. You will be thrilled when you see the harvest from this planting. We must do this together. I cannot do it alone, or rather, I will not do this alone. I need you to put the thoughts into writing and into book form. Then I will get those books printed at the right time and promote them and get them to the exact people whom I want to have them at exactly the right time. Do you believe this?

Then will you keep on writing with Me? No matter what comes up? Don't let mammon tear you away from the writing, ok? Turn down any job offer you might get. I will provide your finances needed, just as I am now.



What the Lord has shown me in this dream is that I am to keep planting in the garden He is having me work in and to follow His line dug in that garden. I am not to take any other job offer but to stick with the writing He has given me to do. He will provide my finances needed.

A DREAM ABOUT BEING BAPTIZED IN POLLUTED WATER

"It does matter. It does matter. It does matter." Those were the words that came to me during the night. They seem to be referring to a dream about Amish young men who were going to be baptized in a creek, and there was something put into the creek, unknown to them, that would have poisoned them. Somehow that was learned in time and the baptism wasn't held and their lives were saved.

A dream about people (who follow very strict legalistic rules thinking that's how they serve

God) going to the water (Spirit, Life, God) to experience death, burial, and resurrection (salvation) and finding the water polluted with man's doctrines/way/iniquity. They learned about the pollution of man's doctrines/way/iniquity, and weren't baptized in that, and so their lives were saved (real salvation)

So, am I the young man?

Yes, you are the young person (young in maturity in this area) who sees visions from Me as well as the old man (mature in some areas) who dreams dreams. You have grown up following very strict rules (some religious, some man's, some the world's) given you by your parents, relatives, school teachers and church. Now you are trying to experience death, burial and resurrection from those things in your heart that are wrong thinking, wrong attitudes, wrong resolves and vows made during that time of youth. But the water (teachings of some churches) you were going to was polluted with man's doctrines and way (iniquity) in thinking. I am giving this dream to you as a warning that pollution is possibly in the water (the church - as it was in the Amish church you read about) you are using for cleansing. I want to save your life from it. Don't go to your past instruction and thinking to learn what is clean because it was polluted. Come to Me and My Word as clean and pure. Let Me baptize you in and with My Word. Let Me use that to cleanse you. Be willing to give up the polluted water in which you were taught as a child - by your parents especially.

My parents were given polluted water by their parents, families, the world, and the church, and they passed those polluted waters on to me (taught me some wrong ways to think, feel, and act)...and I passed some of that on to my children. Now You, Lord, want to cleanse me by the pure water of Your Word, so I can be really clean of inner iniquities (wrong ways of thinking and attitudes) and my life can thereby be saved from pollution.



What the Lord has shown me in this dream is that I am not to go to my past instruction and thinking to learn what is clean, because it is polluted. I am to come to Him and His Word as clean and pure, and be baptized with His Word.

A DREAM ABOUT A BALL OF LIGHT WE NEEDED TO LEARN TO USE

Last night I awoke and wrote down a piece of a dream. In it I was given a special ball of light which we needed to learn to use. This ball seemed to be the last gift in a row of things. Perhaps that means it is coming at the very last of my life. It may refer to the Holy Spirit. I wonder how I learn how to use it.

Listen to Me and I will show you. I'll take you where I want you to go with My ball of light and show you how to use it. You place it where I show you, and when I show you,

and how I show you.



What the Lord has shown me from this dream is that I have been given a special ball of light which is a gift for this last part of my life. He will show me how to use it.

A DREAM ABOUT FLIES IN A HIGH DOME-LIKE ROOM

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I had a dream where I was in a room with a very high dome-like ceiling. The upper part from about my shoulder level up was white, but people were painting it a peachy color over the white. From the shoulder level down it was pale green. I saw flies flying around in the room and kept seeing more and more flies. Sometimes I'd see a fly very near my right eye, and I would brush it away as quickly as possible. I saw a bird about the size of a robin, but thinner, with a long beak, fly up in the air catching flies.

Maybe the high dome-like room is Beth's dining room and living room which are about 2 stories high. White part may represent purity while the peachy color may be a combination of pink (flesh), yellow (gift) and orange (danger). The peach color may also represent provision. The flies represent something unclean, corruption, nuisance. The bird might represent Spirit: Holy Spirit. My eye may represent desire (good or evil) or the window to the soul. Right represents natural. Maybe this is a warning dream to watch for things which might dilute the purity of myself or the house. It seemed there were hundreds of flies but only one bird.

In another scene I was standing in an intersection, a huge one, and I was about in the middle. I saw a pickup truck coming from behind me and knew I should get out of the way and finish crossing the intersection. Then I saw a motorcycle coming from in front of me towards me and I ran to try to get out of its way, not sure I would make it in time before one or the other vehicle hit me. I wasn't hit, but just barely made it out of the way to the curb.

An intersection represents a change or decision or confusion. A pickup truck represents work, personal ministry or natural work. A motorcycle represents individual: personal ministry, independence, swift progress. This may represent swift decisions or changes possible in my work or ministry. This may warn about future things coming also.



What the Lord has shown me in this dream is there may come nuisances that the Holy Spirit will help get rid of, but I will see them. I also was shown that there may come some swift decisions regarding my ministry and possible changes.

A DREAM ABOUT HOW I LOOKED IN MY EYES AND IN GOD'S PERSPECTIVE

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I had on a tee shirt-like top and bib overall shorts. I was a teacher and was getting ready to go to school. The children's parents were to come and visit that day, so I wanted to look ok. I thought the shorts were too short, so I wanted to change to a skirt before I left for school. I went to my room to find a skirt but someone else was in that room, a person who was looking at buying the house and was looking it over. So I couldn't go get a skirt. I looked in a mirror and saw myself with a bright golden metallic top and shorts, not bib overall shorts. I decided I looked nice in the outfit.

I had on a dull-looking outfit from my perspective. But when I looked in God's word (mirror) or my heart I saw someone who looked nice (showing God's glory) and liked the way I looked. The teaching part may refer to the books I am writing to help others learn the Lord's ways with me.



What the Lord has shown me in this dream is that I may not look good to myself but from God's perspective I do.

A DREAM OF PEOPLE LIKE BALLS SWIMMING, AND LIKE CIRCLES MOVING IN AIR

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In this dream people looked like small balls, about golf ball sized, swimming in water.

Round shape: Spiritual, grace, mercy, compassion, forgiveness.

Swimming: Spiritual (as in spiritual acts or activity), serving God, worshiping

Swimming pool: spiritual place or condition, church, home, family, God's blessings.

Therefore this dream refers to Spiritual people doing Spiritual acts, serving God, worshiping, prophesying, operating in the Spiritual gifts, in a spiritual place, under God's blessings

In this dream round circles are people moving through the air.

Round shape: Spiritual, grace, mercy, compassion, forgiveness.

Air: moving with the Spirit (wind).

Therefore, this dream refers to people moving with the Spirit or being moved by the Spirit.

In this dream I am helping a child do something and explaining things to her.

This child represents me being helped to do what the Spirit is leading. He is explaining things to me.



What the Lord has shown me in this dream is a picture of people moving in the Spirit and explaining all this to me, coming to know and understand this.

A DREAM ABOUT SINGING WORDS FROM A WOODEN BOOK

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1. We were preparing to sing. The words were on a brown wooden-like book which sat up on a table. A few words, hand written, were on a page with maybe some decorations; then we turned to the next page which had a few words. We started to sing in harmony. I was sharing this wooden music book with someone.

I was singing the song of the Spirit together in harmony with myself and others as a witness to the Word of God and my heart using spiritual building material of the redeemed.



What the Lord has shown me in this dream is that I am singing along with others the song of the Spirit, in harmony.

A DREAM ABOUT LIGHTING CANDLES AND BEING UP HIGH LOOKING DOWN ON FIELDS

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The setting was in an unfamiliar house which seemed to have two rooms. There were several other people there. I didn't recognize any of them although we all seemed to know each other and were friendly. We were finding and setting up and lighting candles which were on strings/strands (almost like Christmas light strands) with pretty shapes like flowers and flowering plants also on the strands. We were trying to be very careful so none of the candles in the strands would fall over.

Out the window seemed to be a pretty view of countryside with maybe field outlines. When I looked out the window it seemed like we were up higher than a first story, at least on a second story level, probably higher

I heard music that I thought was a tango. I mentioned to a couple of the people that one of the rooms was the dancing area in case they knew how to do the tango...but I didn't see anyone dance. The strands of flowers/lights were on the floor also, so it would be tricky to dance there.

Beth seemed to think this might refer to mansions in heaven since I was up high and with friendly people I didn't recognize. To me it seems to come from a spiritual perspective at least. It seems to me to refer to the Church universal, people around the world, who don't yet know each other by name, but who are all lighting the light of Jesus wherever they are and showing His glory. These are divided out, judged, and separated from others. This is being revealed in the field of the world. Worship is part of this activity. This may be a prophetic dream telling of the separating out of God's people happening all over the world -- separated by their showing the light of Christ, by worship, by truth being revealed in them.

“If you obey me fully and keep my covenant, then out of all nations you will be my treasured possession.” (Exodus 19:5 NIV)



What the Lord has shown me here is that He is causing all His people around the whole world to show the light of Christ and display His glory. They are being separated out unto him.

A DREAM ABOUT THE CLASSROOM OF THE SPIRITUAL REALM

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1. I was visiting a 4th grade classroom. The teacher was going somewhere else and I would be taking over that room. I was very pleased because the students were very quiet and well behaved. I saw a few sitting at their desks working. I wondered how she got them to be that way.

2. As she showed me the room and equipment I saw a large wooden (looking) jigsaw puzzle without a border around it to hold the pieces in. It was around 3'x3' or so, but I only saw the corner of it.

3. I saw a library area which was like a long area with a wall about 3 ft high along the inside side wall. Flowering plants were sitting all along the top of this wall, and a large lovely flowering plant with red and white flowers and greenery was in the entranceway. It made the library area almost look like an outdoor garden, but it was inside. I was really pleased with this area and I moved the plant back so I could enter.

4. It seemed like there was something that was yellow which she or I was removing to take with her/me.

1. If I assume the teacher is the Holy Spirit, then He is giving me a view of something coming in my life. It has to do with ruling and reigning in the world/kingdom. The students there are well behaved, not troublesome, and learn quietly. Perhaps this refers to people learning from my books, learning about ruling and reigning in the world, and/or learning from a spiritual realm.
2. Puzzles could be put together there which would stay together without a frame or border to hold the pieces together. Perhaps this means things we don't know now can be figured out (puzzles) in this place and would fit together rightly. Maybe this place is in heaven, or in the spiritual realm. A puzzle is usually a picture and that refers to memory, conscience, past experience, imagination, circumstance or a message within itself. I only saw "part" of the puzzle, so that probably refers to my only seeing "part" of the picture from this realm.
3. The entrance to the library where knowledge is found is red (passion), white (purity), and green (life). It is like a garden there like the garden I come to alone in my quiet time with Christ. I desired to enter this spiritual realm and began to do that.
4. This may represent a gift from God which might be for me in this learning realm.

You keep coming and soaking with Me in the spiritual realm and these things will be there for you: passion, purity, life, pictures/visions/impressions, answers to puzzles, learning, quietness, order/good behavior, and gifts from God. Now how about that! Isn't that worth coming into the classroom of the spiritual realm? And you get to come and not only learn there, but help teach others too as I am showing you in this dream. So come each day I call you there. It's good and it's worth the time and effort.



What the Lord has shown me here is that if I keep coming and soaking with Him in the spiritual realm there will be pictures, visions, answers to puzzles, learning and gifts from Him.

A DREAM ABOUT BEING IN THE SECRET PLACE AND SEEING DIRECTION SIGNS

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1. I came home from a camp experience, and I was unpacking my suitcase and trying to hang up my dresses in the closet. Beth and I had to share the closet and it was quite small. There were already 2 dresses there (the dresses were of layers of lovely fabrics).

This dream seems to refer to my coming to look at my past from a camp experience, a spiritual experience perspective. It shows me coming to the Secret Place of prayer with God and placing in that Secret Place my heart, those things personal to me, my covering, anointing, authority and protection. There were two dresses already there and that refers to being separated out or divided, judged, discerned already. They were on the left side referring to spiritual things. They

were lovely to look at.

2. There were two large signs along a road. The signs each had a covering over them rather like soft vinyl cloth. This kept the signs from being read properly; people couldn't see what was underneath the vinyl. I think I may have uncovered them in the dream, or was about to uncover them. It seemed quite important to uncover them, and I woke up thinking it was important to write down the dream about the two signs. They were each large, held up in the air by a pole, and were about 4 ft wide by about 3-4 ft high. They seemed to be gray color, at least the vinyl cover was gray. At first I could see them at a distance along the road (like I was in a field walking toward the road from the side) and later I saw them up close and I was standing beside them.

These signs refer to the direction instructions I need to know so I can find out which way to go with my life and work. I need to uncover those direction instructions, this is important, but until I do they are "covered" and are not defined, are unclear, are vague and not specific, hazy, hidden. Reading the signs will help me along the way of life for me and since there are two signs, this represents them dividing me out, separating me out to those directions. This pertains to the world, the harvest, the opportunity to do God's work in the world. This refers to now and/or the future, and may be a prophetic dream about future events to come. Right now I can't read the signs, but it is important for me to uncover them and see my direction signs so they won't be hazy and hidden anymore. This is something that's coming, it's in front of me. I was some distance away from reading the signs, but then I was quite close to them.

I'll show you and I'll take you where you are to go. I want you to know you are "very close" to reading the signs now whereas previously you saw them at a distance. Soon the direction signs will be "uncovered" and you will see clearly, not hidden or hazy. This is in regard to your Christian walk and work for Me and with Me.

So the unfolding of "reading the signs" giving me direction will come as I am in my Secret Place, my prayer closet, covered with His anointing. Is that right, Lord?

Yes. And that's the way it has come often in the past, right?

Yes. I notice there wasn't a door into the closet; it was just completely open on one side.

So you're in it, or in front of it, all the time. Talking to Me all the time, throughout your days. So the "uncovering" of your instructions/directions may come anytime, anywhere. Be watching for them. This doesn't mean necessarily there is a change, but it may involve that. Just keep a willing and open heart, and check all instructions out with Me to be sure I am giving them. If I am, then they will be right for you.



What the Lord has shown me here is that I am in the Secret Place all the time now, throughout my days and the uncovering of His direction signs may come anytime and anywhere.

A DREAM ABOUT COLLECTING SPIRITUAL RICHES TO HELP THE NEEDY

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1. I was working with some people to help collect money for a charity. It involved walking around city streets along with someone else. I thought I would go back to that area and walk one more time with someone after turning in what I already had collected. It seemed like there was one man who was watching and aware of what I was doing and interested in how it was going.

2. I was going to a house to turn in the stuff from that. I walked down the street trying to sort out the dollar bills from the envelopes. I thought that wasn't very wise showing all that money so openly.

3. When I came to the house I went to the left to go inside and waited my turn to turn in the stuff. The lady receiving the returned stuff went through my stuff and noted down everything I turned in: bills, envelopes, and several other things. When she got done she had me sign the page she had recorded the list on. It looked like the list had been painted on a piece of cardboard about 24"x18" with different colors (I remember rose red) of paint. The paint was thick like icing and looked like it was squeeze painted maybe from tubes onto the cardboard, but didn't stick too well. I raised it up to see what would stick and what would fall off, and most stuck. Then I signed it Joan Royer.

4. Then she had to give me an assigned day for getting a portrait picture taken if I wanted to get that done. She assigned me Monday, the 22nd. I told her that was funny because I had just turned in stuff at the school for another fund drive I had helped with and they also assigned me that day for a picture to be taken. I don't think I intended to get my picture taken at either place.

1. I was working with others collecting spiritual riches to help the needy. It involved making progress in and living in the Spirit, being led by the Spirit in the way of life. Going back to that area may refer to taking my books (the spiritual riches I've been collecting) back to people at previous churches I've attended.

2. I wondered about the wisdom of showing openly before others on "the way" the spiritual riches I received as donations for the needy. This may refer to my wondering about putting my books out to be openly viewed by all.

3. I made a spiritual change within the Church family. The lady (Holy Spirit) received the stuff I collected for the needy and wrote an account of all I turned in. It was recorded in various colors. The one I remember was rose red which may represent passion and enthusiasm recorded. Since

the paint stuck, that may mean it had lasting value and would stand up under the fire of judgment and remain for eternal value. Signing my name may mean I take accountability for what I did and the account is in my name.

It IS recorded in heaven, Joan.

4. Maybe having an assigned day for having my picture taken could refer to a set time for a revelation to be given me. This revelation might impact what I look/act like. Monday may refer to moon which refers to the Church and ruling. I wonder if the picture being taken may refer to death on earth and appearing in heaven on a set day, an assigned day, that the day was doubled which means set. It also was set on a day (22) holy, tried and approved and separated out.

All these scenes may refer to my day of accounting in heaven and recording what I've done. The only Monday the 22nd during the rest of 2005 is in August. Perhaps this is an important day for me in the future and this dream is a prophecy about it. August is the 8th month and 8 refers to new beginnings.

Perhaps this is the day representing the presentation of the book(s) to the world through publishing and distributing. It is set and is a new beginning. It might also be a day my "picture" representing me, is taken and seen by others.



What the Lord has shown me is that I have collected spiritual riches for the needy and put it in my books. It is recorded in heaven and has eternal value. Monday, August 22, may be a significant day in relation to my books...the day my picture is taken and seen by others.

A DREAM ABOUT SINGING TO STUDENTS WHO WILL READ MY BOOKS

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All creatures of our God and king
Lift up your voice and let us sing
Hallelujah, Oh praise Him
Oh praise Him.

This song was in my dream. I was in a classroom waiting for my students to come and preparing the room for them. Various adults came in and talked. One was JW who came in and looked in one of my music books (the aqua book from about grade 5 music) and was looking for the above song. Another man asked about the song and I was singing pieces of it to him to see if that was the song he was referring to. The school secretary came in sometimes too.

The students came. I wasn't sure what grade they were: either kindergarten or first

grade. I was aware of no class list and didn't know any of their names. There were a lot of them, it seemed like too many for one class. Some worked/played in one part of the room, others around tables, and some went into another area of it (a room beside it with a short hallway in between). A group wanted to use an aqua back pillow (like the kind Beth has that sits on the floor and has sides to it) which they found down in the basement room. At first I said they shouldn't use it, but later I looked closely at it (and it seemed much smaller than when I first saw it) and I said it was ok to use it.

I was trying to restore some order to the students and teach them signals for getting quiet etc, but I wasn't very successful.

I saw the school secretary sitting at my desk doing something and saw her purse hanging on a hook on the under part of the desk. I thought that was a good idea and would likely use it myself later. I asked her if these students were kindergarten or first grade and she said first grade I think. This part was not too clear in my memory. The students seemed bigger than 5 year olds.



What the Lord has shown me in this dream is that various ages and kinds of people will come to hear me sing my song through my books, even ones from my past churches. I want them to learn how to quiet themselves.

62. A DREAM ABOUT A PINK BRACELET MY SISTER MADE FOR ME

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1. My sister made me a bracelet which was pink. I wore it on my left wrist. It consisted of a piece of elastic about 1 1/2 " wide, a zipper the same width to attach it together, pink thin cloth to cover it and make a ruffle on either side of it, and decorations. The zipper head latched down and locked in place so it didn't stick up and didn't come apart unaware.

2. We were at a family reunion and discussing whether to make bracelets for all the women and girls there. We decided to do that and needed to find out the color and width and length each needed, then buy the supplies. We thought we would offer them pink, blue, green and yellow.

3. Others of the women would prepare the food at the same time as I made bracelets.

4. We talked about my other sister making bracelets to sell at the airport which she and her husband owned, and where they worked, to help make money to keep the business going ok.

1. A spiritual sister gave me something to place on my left arm which I use to reach out to others in mercy and help. It was pink (of flesh, moral, chaste) and spiritual.
2. This was a church gathering of my spiritual family. We were going to make these same bracelets for others so they could be used to reach out to others in mercy also. Each person might choose their particular favorite way of doing this--some using their flesh, some a Spiritual gift or revelation, some giving life and renewal, some giving a gift from God.
3. Some of the women in the church would also prepare solid food and do the work of God at the same time as we were making these bracelets to help people reach out in mercy.
4. This seems to refer to my church sisters selling these bracelets (of strength, Savior, helper) to others who are at the airport (waiting, preparing, being made ready) so we can gain power, provision, spiritual riches

Here is what it means: I am coming with great power with my righteous right arm to bring all that is needed to your church and everyone involved in your church (the whole family reunion) so you can be empowered to go out to share with others the same power and the food needed to go forth into the world that is waiting. I have come that they might have Life and have it abundantly. I have come to give a variety of gifts and skills needed to fly out into the world and do My ministry. I have come to your "family" reunion, your church family gathering of all your family around the whole world, to bring those bracelets that set you off as marked for Me.

Often this gathering is marked with the giving of food, spiritual food and work, to one another. My people are coming together for the giving of spiritual food and gifts to one another. This is happening with more and more frequency. Have you noticed?



What the Lord has shown me here is that He is coming with great power to bring all that is needed to His church family to go forth into the world.

A DREAM ABOUT TRYING TO FIND MY WAY HOME

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I was putting colors (red and blue) into water that was in containers and watching the water turn that color

I was leaving some sort of building and wanting to find my way "home." I didn't know the way and didn't recognize the streets and buildings so I could find my way. I was traveling on a small scooter-like thing almost like a skate board but maybe square. I had butter (or something similar) on a table knife and put it on the scooter to help enable it to function. It seemed like I was trying to find my way to PJ's church.

I seemed to be in a foreign country, like maybe Japan, and couldn't speak the language or communicate with people. I kept traveling until I went right into a building at the end of that street (the door was open). It seemed almost like a restaurant. I sat in a booth with some people but didn't speak their language or they my language. I wanted badly to find my way home, but didn't know the address of home or how to get there. I wished I had put that address on a card or something in their language so I could show it to them, or to a cab driver, so someone could get me to my home. I saw some other people waiting to get seats in the restaurant.

The water stands for the Word or the Spirit. The red stands for passion or zeal and the blue stands for spiritual or revelation of the spiritual. I think this represents my current desire to seek a closer walk with Jesus and know His Word with more zeal or passion. It may refer to spiritual revelation coming producing more passion and zeal.

This is a real puzzle. I've had so many similar dreams of being in a foreign country and not being able to recognize where I am or communicate with people.

I'm thinking home represents finding a place that has the qualities of a home and family: love, acceptance, communication, safety, provision...and perhaps this refers to finding a church (church family, home with my own kind of people) and I don't know the address of this place, where it is located, how to get there, or how to tell someone where it is. It is quite frustrating and scary. I suppose this could refer to my heavenly home which is what I am waiting and searching for.

A thought is that I don't have a "church home" or "church family" right now where I feel I am a real part of it and at home in it. I am still looking for the place where "we speak the same language" and understand each other. I don't yet know the name or address of that church home/family and can't communicate it to the people I am with. A restaurant my refer to a place to get food, spiritual food...again a church. There are others waiting to get into that place. Thinking I was looking for PJ's church may also refer to a place where I really felt a part of a church where I was appreciated/wanted/needed.



What the Lord has shown me here is that I am looking for my "home" –the place where I belong and can communicate with the people there. I am also looking for spiritual food. I believe this was a forerunner dream about my going to CTC eventually.

A DREAM OF TORNADOES

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I was at someone else's house as a visitor. Several times I looked out the window of the

back door of the kitchen by pulling the venetian blinds apart just a little to look. I think I looked 3 times (2 for sure, probably 3). I saw very dark, black and gray, swirling clouds. Some almost seemed to dance around in rather wild directions, independent from other cloud groups. I was concerned about possible tornadoes since the clouds looked like a sign of that. I was the only one who looked and seemed to feel concern that I was aware of.

Sometimes people stood and prayed. One time I think I prayed with them. I didn't "see" this time but I seemed to "feel" it inside as I participated. Another time I watched others stand with eyes closed, praying. I felt with these people.

Being at someone else's house as a visitor refers to my being on this earth, my life, as a temporary time here, as a visitor, which means my real home is elsewhere - in heaven. So that could mean the "setting" of this dream, its place, is here on earth for a temporary time. I see this dream as someone "from a different place-heaven".

I see the clouds and know they are a sign of a storm coming possibly. Since they are so very very dark and ominous, it seems almost certain the storm will come. I only look a little bit (short time and with a small peek through the blinds) as it is hard to look longer at the potential storm. It is very dark and serious. Since I saw it 2 or 3 times, it means the storm is definitely coming. The feelings provoked were strong concern, anxiety.

The cloud groups seeming to act independently of other cloud groups refers to "rogue" nations, such as Iraq and N. Korea, who go their own way in a wild swirly fashion. Tornado, which is black, refers to the enemy. I didn't talk with anyone else about what I saw or felt. Right now I am mostly keeping my concern to myself about what I see coming.

I was aware of prayer going on and I either watched it or participated in it. I did both on PTL show last night when they had the whole 2 hour segment regarding prayer and preaching regarding the world crisis right now and potential terrorist attacks and potential war with Iraq. My feeling is strongly with these prayers.



What the Lord has shown me through this dream is that storms are coming and I know ahead of time but many others don't know it.

A DREAM OF HEADS OF LETTUCE

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Some of us got food ready to eat and ate it. It seemed like to get food ready we would get it out of the place it was stored (like possibly refrigerator/cupboards) and place it on the floor which seemed strange. I don't remember placing any on the floor, just that I knew that others did that and thought it strange.

It was like we were following (being guided by) a picture of food on a page. It had like 3 heads of lettuce in a row across the top of the page. I saw that picture, and it was like we were using that as our guide, trying to copy or do it like that.

I saw something like a head of lettuce (green) which someone else put there on the floor. I thought about picking it up and putting it away, but didn't. I was glad I didn't when the person (she) showed up to get it and expected it to be there.

Our food comes from the Word of God, the Bible. Getting food out and eating it refers to going to the Word, and eating from it/Him. Putting the food on the floor means basing the food on the Gospel and sound doctrine.

The picture of food on a page refers to the Bible. Three heads of lettuce across the top of the page means maybe: 3 heads maybe refer to the Trinity, their minds, the "Mind of Christ" on the matter at hand. Our trying to copy that, pattern our food/actions after that, refers to trying to gain the mind of Christ on the matter, seeing it from God's way

The lettuce in this scene was green and it was a single head. The person who placed it on the floor (which I didn't see, but knew) was a she. I thought about putting that head of lettuce somewhere else, but didn't and was glad I didn't.

The color green symbolizes life and renewal so I think this green head of lettuce refers to life and renewal and *she* refers to the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit had placed the mind of Christ as head/authority on the foundation (floor) of the Gospel and sound doctrine.



What the Lord has shown me through this dream is that I must feed on God's Word and the Mind of Christ—the Trinity.

A DREAM ABOUT LEARNING THROUGH DREAMS 2-21-03

I was the teacher of a group of students, probably college age. I was trying to teach them to listen to each other and me and take notes. I made plans to ask them a question each day about something in the last class and grade them on their answer.

I wanted them to learn they will remember better by writing down notes than just trying to remember without writing down.

First day about 5 students were in class. Second day about double or triple that number.

I got some cold water in a large bag and commented on how I liked cold water except on cold days.

I asked the students on the second day to sit so I could see their faces and they could see mine. I noted 2 students who stayed sort of beside or slightly behind me to the left and didn't comply.

In the first class I expected the students to help do some work. A couple did and about 3 left without doing any.

Setting was in a classroom so it is something I need to learn.

The college students represent my dreams which I have been learning about and learning from. This refers to my taking notes on my dreams and learning by writing them down - that to take notes is better for remembering them. The age of college students may refer to my learning level right now about dreams-not baby and not mature adult. A couple of dreams try to remain unable to be well seen or understood represented by the 2 students who didn't move so I could see them.

Each day I am graded on what I learned the previous day. My learning is a progression depending on how I learn/remember each day. I am graded on what I can remember and answer questions about.

The first class (when I first tried to learn through dreams) there were only a few students. Some were helpful and some were not. In the second class there were many more students in the class representing more dreams to learn from.

The picnic table I was sitting on for the second class...represents casualness and fun of this learning. Bag of water...Word, the water of the Word is used/needed in understanding dreams

I didn't have lessons planned ahead for the students; I just thought of them as I went...like I don't know what dreams will come so I can't plan ahead for them.

Lessons: Write out dreams, I'll learn each day as I do this, the Word is necessary/helpful to interpret, a few dreams won't be well seen, and my learning is about college level now



What the Lord has shown me here is that I am learning through dreams. It is important to write out dreams and the Word is necessary and helpful in interpreting them.

A DREAM ABOUT AN AIRPLANE 3-3-03

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We watched a small plane flying low and circling in the sky. I noticed it must be in trouble and needed to land. It circled lower and lower. It was getting darker. I thought it would be harder for the pilot to see due to the oncoming darkness. It came straight

towards us. J and I were in its path. A fence was on one side of us, and a road was on the other side. We were in a birm-like area between them. It didn't look like we could escape being hit. As I watched it coming right at us and getting really close, then I woke up.

A flying plane represents something spiritual coming. Getting darker refers to what the world is doing now.

You're about to be hit by a small flying dose of My Spirit. There's nowhere to go to escape it.



What the Lord has shown me here is the Spirit will touch me and I can't escape it.

A DREAM ABOUT A BOAT 3-3-03

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I was in a boat going on the water. I saw the flag at the back of the boat suddenly begin to fly in the wind very very fast, then it returned to normal flying. The size of the boat was like a small speed boat. The only color I remember possibly was the flag which seemed to be brown and white, maybe patterned...hard to tell as it was flying so fast in the wind. I stood just to the right side of the flag at the back of the boat where I could see it to my left.

A boat represents someplace we are going. A speedboat means it will come fast. Being on water refers to being among people. The flag declares who you are or represent. It was white and tan meaning purity and ministry. The wind blowing harder awhile means it will get extra busy for awhile due to the work of the Spirit, then return to normal. Being in the back of boat means I won't be out in front, perhaps hidden or following.



What the Lord has shown me here is that I am going someplace, it will happen fast, be among people, and declare who I am. It will become extra busy for awhile to accomplish this. It will keep me hidden, not out front.

A DREAM ABOUT SEEING AND HEARING IN MY MINISTRY 3-4-03

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I was driving a car in the far right lane (parking lane) and realized that was not the correct lane to drive in. I saw the silhouette of a car parked in that lane up ahead. I

turned left into the correct right lane and gradually picked up speed - started slowly and increased speed. I felt like another car was coming up behind me so I increased speed so I wouldn't slow it down. This was a city street and at night time. I could see the lines in the street, to divide the lanes, but it wasn't very bright, therefore I saw the parked car more as a silhouette. There was no color in the dream. In the next scene of the dream I was washing my ears very thoroughly and carefully.

The far right lane represents being cautious. Night time could represent a time we can't see very well (now), a time of darkness upon earth. My car represents my ministry. I'm changing my ministry direction to get it correct. I started slowly and picked up speed to better match the "unseen" car behind me (HS?) and not slow Him down. I am able to see the lines - they represent guidance of where to go/be. I avoid a stopped/parked car - representing a ministry that is not going anywhere now. This dream represents a correction of my "sight."

This second part represents a cleansing of my hearing. M. prayed for my ears to hear better. I've been praying for my eyes and ears to be changed to what the Lord wants me to see and hear. These 2 dream scenes indicate that is happening! Yeah!



What the Lord has shown me here is that my ministry is going forward, changing directions, and avoiding a ministry that has stopped. It shows a correction of my seeing and a cleansing of my hearing.

THINGS THE LORD HAS SHOWN ME

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STORIES AND EXPERIENCES

A STORY ABOUT TROUBLE ON THE HIGHWAY

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“God, help me!” I shouted as my car slid out of control on the slippery Indiana highway on that cold rainy day in February. I instinctively shut my eyes as my car careened down into the ditch on the right side of the road and into a field. I “felt” the car moving for awhile as I sat braced for an impact or whatever might happen, totally out of control of the steering of the car. The car gradually slowed down enough for me to open my eyes and discover I was almost back on the highway! I was approaching the same roadside ditch I had just driven through, but this time from the field side of it! I accelerated the car trying to return to the road, but got stuck in the ditch.

As I sat in my car along the highway trying to grasp what had just happened, I began to see an amazing picture of what God had just done for me.

The day began with plans to fly our private plane from Indianapolis, Indiana, to Columbia, Missouri, for a job interview for my husband. I was busily packing the clothes for our two daughters so we could make a stopover at my sister’s home in Marion, Indiana, and leave the girls there while we visited Columbia. I anxiously watched the cold rain and low clouds, wondering if they would hinder our flight and make us late for our appointment that evening.

Just then my husband called saying the weather was too bad to fly privately and we would need to catch a commercial flight very soon. Could I make it by car to Marion, drop off the girls at my sister’s home, and return to Indianapolis in time to catch the commercial flight? There was just barely enough time if all went perfectly!

Driving at a high speed, I quickly made the trip, but I learned that the cold rain in Indianapolis changed to freezing rain and snow as I went north toward Marion. Cautiously I arrived at my sister’s home, left the girls, and began the return trip - knowing I would not make the commercial flight on time unless I drove fast.

As I drove too fast for the icy road, God and His angels were watching over me, even in my unwise choice of speed. All of a sudden I realized the car was sliding, and it was totally out of my control! As I shut my eyes with the approaching danger and yelled, "God, help me!" God took over. When I opened my eyes as the car came to a stop, I knew He had taken over because I could see where His angels had steered the car: off the road, through a ditch, into a large open field, around a tree in a U-shaped turn, then back up to the edge of the road where the car stalled in the ditch. The car and I were totally uninjured, not even scratched!

I walked to the nearest farmhouse where I used their telephone to call a AAA service truck to pull my car from the ditch. Needless to say, we missed our commercial flight and had to postpone our visit to Columbia until the next day.

I knew, as I pondered the event, that an angel had guided my car that day because my eyes had been shut, and a car does not steer itself where my car went!

Some weeks later, as I drove along that same Indiana highway, I noticed something which again caused me amazement about God's guiding hand. I noticed that "my field" with the tree in the middle was the only open area for a long ways that was without buildings, fences, or signs which my car could have hit! What could have been a tragedy turned out to be an enduring memory of *His Marvelous Deeds!*

**To the Lord I cry aloud
and he answers me from his holy hill.
Psalm 3:4**



What the Lord has shown me through this experience is that His angels are truly watching over and helping those who belong to Him.

A STORY ABOUT A TREMENDOUS SUBSTITUTE

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As I arrived home from church that Sunday evening the Lord spoke to me to turn on the TV. As I did, I heard a pastor in the middle of his sermon say something which I immediately knew I was to write down. The idea he gave was this: *Just before God is ready to give you His very best, Satan often offers a tremendous substitute.*

The idea of a tremendous substitute was a new one for me, but since that time I have often found those words to be true.

It applied to my life one summer when I knew I needed to find a part-time job by

September of that year because part of my financial provision would stop at the end of that month. As I took this need to the Lord in prayer, He gave me a picture of a door set before me. That door was open and behind it was bright light, so bright that I could not see what was there...but I knew it was His provision. He told me to keep walking toward the “door” in September, and He would have something for me at that time.

So I walked, in faith, and kept the picture before me. I had to fight battles with anxiety as the time drew closer and I still did not have the financial provision I needed.

By August I expected the Lord to bring me a job at any moment. Just at that time a friend called and invited me to lunch. She told me of a ministry position open at her church and asked if I would let her submit my name. She knew I had a call to ministry, and this looked good in so many ways! Could this be what the Lord had planned for me? I knew I must pray about it and give it serious consideration.

As I pondered it there was one thing which bothered me about the job. If I took this job I would have to leave my church “family” of many years duration where I had friendships which were close and meaningful to me. Only with the Lord’s help could I do that. So I sought Him in prayer.

I have learned over the years that if I really want to hear the Lord’s will I must first give up my own. This was very hard to do! I wanted the job the Lord had for me, and I needed the money soon, but I did not find peace about leaving my home church. So I prayed until I could say, “God, whatever You want for my life, that is what I want too. I am willing to pursue this job if that is what You want.”

Then He revealed to me that this job was a “*tremendous substitute*” which He had warned me about. It had seemed so perfect in many ways. That is often the way a “*tremendous substitute*” seems - perfect in many ways. It is hard to tell it from the real thing except as you seek God and listen to Him.

I chose not to pursue that job, but to wait longer. One day, in mid-September, two weeks before part of my financial provision ended, I walked into a Christian bookstore to buy a card. As I chatted with the owner, he casually mentioned, “By the way, you don’t happen to be looking for a job, do you? I have one available.”

With those words the Lord began the process of bringing me the “*real thing*.” For years a desire in my heart had been to work at a Christian bookstore because of my love of reading and sharing Christian books. Now, in the Lord’s perfect timing, He fulfilled that desire. In the process He showed me another of *His Marvelous Deeds!* The picture of the door with the light on the other side finally became a reality! I walked through it with joy and thanksgiving!

**I am the Lord;
in its time I will do this swiftly.
Isaiah 60:22**



What the Lord has shown me through this experience is that He will truly guide us and even keep us from making wrong choices as we listen carefully to Him.

AN EXPERIENCE THAT TAUGHT ME A LESSON

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One day the Lord taught me a lesson which I have remembered ever since. It all started with the rain which came...and came...and came.

Into the lower level of my house came that flood of water. I could not keep up with it as I mopped and mopped. No matter how long I soaked it up, it just kept coming! My back started hurting from the mopping. My discouragement increased.

The water invaded the carpet and I knew that carpet would have to be taken up, dried, and tacked down again. This was not the first time this had happened, so I knew the cost. That was one of my great concerns - the cost. My finances were extremely tight, and I did not want to pay for water damage again.

So, as I continued mopping, experiencing the back pain, and grumbling in my mind, I began weeping. It all seemed so hopeless! As I did this, I started to talk to the Lord about it.

Finally, after pouring out my troubles to Him, I became quiet long enough to hear Him speak. And what I heard was certainly not what I expected! I heard His still small voice say, *"Have you praised Me yet for this?"*

Praised Him? For this? I certainly had not! I had not even thought about praising Him for this awful situation! But now I knew He wanted me to do just that!

Slowly I began to speak the words He wanted me to say..."I praise You, Lord, for the flood. I praise You, Lord, for the aching back. I praise You, Lord, for the cost of fixing up my carpet." I didn't FEEL like praising Him, but He did not ask me to feel like it, only to praise Him.

As I did this, He revealed a thought to me which has remained throughout my life. The thought was that God's purpose was not to save me from the distress and difficulty of the situation, but to teach me something He wanted me to learn in the middle of the situation. In fact He wanted to use that situation for my good! He wanted me to learn to praise Him when things were difficult as well as when they were easy. At this particular time He did not choose to change the circumstances...He chose to change me!

I remember this as one of *His Marvelous Deeds!*

**In every thing give thanks:
for this is the will of God
in Christ Jesus concerning you.
1 Thessalonians 5:18**



What the Lord has shown me through this lesson is that sometimes learning to praise Him in everything is more important than saving me from difficulties.

THE EXPERIENCE OF ADOPTING OUR FIRST CHILD

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We stood and thanked the judge, then made our way from the legal office to our car. God had just answered a desire of my heart which had taken many years to unfold.

It started many years ago before I had any children. I had just returned from Indiana University Medical Center where the doctor had recommended that it was time to consider adoption.

We had been married for nine years and had spent the last three years going through every type of procedure and test recommended by the specialists to help us get pregnant. Nothing had helped. We did not understand at the time why this was happening to us, but I now realize God had a unique plan to bring to us our first child - a very special baby girl He picked just for us - by adoption.

It was an exciting time once the decision was made! For ten months we filled out paperwork, received visits from the social worker...and waited. The waiting experience is one I will never forget because every day took on an adventurous excitement! Would today be the day of *THE IMPORTANT TELEPHONE CALL?*

Every time the phone rang, the thought went through my mind, "Will this be the call saying they have a baby for us?" Every plan we made was contingent upon "when the baby comes."

Then one day it actually happened! The call came! They had a baby girl for us! The excitement I felt at the time cannot be put into words. Life would be different for us from this moment on - forever - because we had a baby....a little girl!

We experienced a whole year of the delight of seeing the world through the wondering eyes of a child. And now, today was the day to look back and reflect about what God

had done in our lives by bringing Kim to us. This morning we made the trip to meet with the judge for the procedure to legally adopt Kim. We would have done this a year earlier if the law would have allowed. Now the day had finally arrived! After a year of having the silent concern that something might happen to take Kim from us, that concern was finally put to rest.

The judge finished all the questions and paperwork necessary, then relaxed as he addressed Kim for the first time. At one year old she did not understand the significance of what was happening, but she knew this was a stranger talking to her.

“Well, Kim, is there something you want to say about this?” questioned the judge in a friendly manner.

“Daddy!” she said, as she snuggled up in her father’s lap for security in this strange circumstance. And we all laughed!

“I guess that expresses your answer pretty well!” laughed the judge. For, indeed, that day she legally had a “Daddy” in a way she did not comprehend until later in life. She had a family. And we had the child God meant for us. God had just performed another of *His Marvelous Deeds!*

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



What the Lord has shown me through this adoption experience is how faithful God is to give us the desires of our hearts, but that may be done in a different way than we thought.

THE EXPERIENCE OF SELLING A HOUSE BY MYSELF

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For several months the thought had been slipping quietly into my mind...the thought that someday I would move from the house I owned at that time. I would glance briefly at that thought and then let it slip by, feeling the move would come at least one or two years in the future. I had good reasons why I should wait that long to move...logical reasons.. They made sense to my mind. But that was not the Lord’s plan.

It was Friday, June 23, and I was having my Quiet Time. The Lord spoke to me saying He wanted me to place my house up for sale. In spite of all the previous thoughts about this, I was still surprised. I had not given much thought to actually doing it. I

wanted to be sure this was really God's will before I acted on that word. That would be a big step for me to take by myself. I had never sold a house before! So I waited.

On Saturday, June 24, He said the same thing to me again in my Quiet Time. Since the word was reinforced, I began to look at it much more seriously.

On Sunday, June 25, as the Lord spoke the same message to me I was convinced I needed to act on it. So, on Monday morning, in my Quiet Time, I agreed to put my house up for sale. Then, with His guidance, I carefully outlined the steps I would take and the approximate times I wanted to take them.

At first I thought I would place the house on the market in September to give myself preparation time. But He said I should plan so the new family could move in before school started. So I made plans to close on the sale during the third week in August, around the 21st if possible. I planned to begin renting my new home on August 1st so I could have three weeks to move my things, have a garage sale in the old house, and have time to clean the house I was selling before completing the move.

I believed these plans were from God, and yet, what amazed me was this only allowed one month for God to sell my house! At that time many houses were sitting on the market in our city for 6-12 months without selling!

On Wednesday, June 28, my prayer partner and I prayed about this, and the advice that came was: "Call the Realtor right away and set this up." What Godly advice this turned out to be!

The Realtor and I met on Friday, June 30, one week after the Lord spoke to me to sell my house. I shared with her about the Lord's instructions, so we were both excited to see what He was going to do!

It was scary to sign my name on that document to sell my house while not knowing what lay ahead. I was agreeing to a huge transition without knowing its far-reaching effects. But what enabled me to sign was the assurance this was from the Lord.

I wanted the multiple listing Realtors to tour my home on Wednesday, July 5, during the following week. Therefore my Realtor said she would have to put it on the computer on the following Monday, July 3rd. I agreed to that, thinking I would have the 4th of July holiday to thoroughly clean and prepare the house for showing before Wednesday. Little did I suspect what God was already doing even as I made these plans!

On Monday, July 3rd, my house listing was placed on the computer system. A Realtor saw it on the computer and came over that very afternoon. That evening she brought her client to view the house, and they wrote a contract on it that same night. I had not even cleaned it yet! That extra special cleaning was not what the Lord needed to sell my house. He just needed my obedience to list the house at the exact time He told me

to. He did the rest!

God knew something which I did not know when He said I should list my house for sale. He knew there was a buyer who wanted a house just like mine and wanted it in my neighborhood. He knew she would make an offer on a house just down the street from mine during that first weekend in July just before my listing was put on the computer. He also knew she would miss buying that house because someone else made an offer just prior to hers. She was eager and ready to move as soon as possible. God was already at work in the situation. He just wanted me to join Him in what He was doing!

And guess what! The closing date she wanted was August 21st! In fact, God worked out every detail of the schedule we set that Monday, June 26th, when I said “yes” to His request and we set the plans. He even helped me find a lovely home to rent beginning August 1st as we had planned. Once again in my life God revealed Himself, His purposes, and His ways by displaying one of *His Marvelous Deeds!*

**“For I know the plans I have for you,”
declares the Lord,
“plans to prosper you and not to harm you,
plans to give you hope and a future.”
Jeremiah 29:11**



What the Lord has shown me from this experience is that what the Lord guides you to do He will also enable you to do, and cause things to go in your favor.

AN EXPERIENCE OF CANCER TREATMENT

It was Friday...the day for chemotherapy again! How I dreaded those days! Twice a month for four months I had been taking treatments in that therapy room with other cancer patients. Some had much worse stories to tell than my story, so I learned to appreciate how well God was taking care of me even through the mastectomy and chemotherapy I had to endure. God was with me - and how much I needed Him! Especially today!

It all started with a routine mammogram which I did not want to have, but thought I should. Then came the letter saying something looked suspicious in the X-ray. Next came surgical biopsy day with many of my dear dear Christian friends waiting and praying with me for a report of “no cancer.” Finally came the telephone call telling me there was definitely cancer, and I broke down and cried and secluded myself for the rest

of that day as the news took on reality for me.

But God was with me. He brought my daughters and Christian friends to comfort me in my grief. I praise God for them!

During the next two months I went through the mastectomy and surgical recovery period with a love blanket of support from my daughters, my church family, and my friends who gave me food, flowers, cards, love, and prayers, as well as much appreciated visits and telephone calls. I did not know how much those things meant until I needed them myself!

But now that time was past. And today I had to face another chemotherapy treatment. I would show up at the treatment room where the male nurse would insert a needle into my left arm to begin an IV setup. He would draw blood samples to test to see if my system was strong enough to take the treatment. Then I would wait for an hour or two until approval was given and drugs were sent to the therapy room for me. After that the drugs would be dripped into my veins for several hours - first the anti-nausea drugs, then the chemotherapy drugs selected by me and my doctor. Then I would wait...and pray.

Before I began chemotherapy I had asked the Lord how to pray about taking this therapy, and He instructed me to bind the bad effects of the drugs, and loose the good effects, so I did that day by day. I especially prayed not to lose my hair. I heard some stories from those who did lose theirs, and kept praying to be spared from that. God answered that prayer, and I was so thankful for that blessing!

But today this therapy day was different than the others. In my instructions I had been told to report any intestinal problems I developed. Well, they had been developing, but I had not yet told the doctor about them. Today I knew I must because I was getting sick for one to two hours at a time more and more frequently. I never knew when or where the sickness would hit me. As I reported this the words came that I did not want to hear: "We may have to postpone your therapy treatments."

One of my greatest desires at that time was to finish those treatments as soon as possible! I certainly did not want to postpone them. So that evening I cried out to the Lord, "What do I do about this, Lord? How do I handle this? How do I pray? I do not want to postpone these treatments! I want to get them finished and get on with my life again! Please help me!"

And my wonderful God, in His still small voice, said, "*You can ask Me to heal you, and I will.*"

Well, I asked! And He did! After four months of times of sickness coming with increasing frequency, for the next two months of therapy I had no more sickness!

As I write this story years later, I still have no sign of cancer in my body! So I share

this story with you to tell of *His Marvelous Deeds!*

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



What the Lord has shown me is that He is truly my healer and will go with me through difficult times.

AN EXPERIENCE OF LOVING

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It was the last day I could visit my father in the hospital. He had a stroke and we did not know how long he would live. We also did not know what his condition would be if he did live.

When I heard of his stroke I made the ten hour trip from Missouri to Indiana to see him. After spending several days there, it was now time to return to Missouri...return without knowing the outcome of this stroke.

I did not look forward to this last visit to the hospital, knowing it could be the last time I might see my father alive. What do you say at such a time?

My father and I had never been close. He was not the type of person to be affectionate or share his feelings with others. We did not communicate much except about surface things. I wanted to be close to my father, but somehow it was not easy to feel close to him. I had never heard him tell any person, "I love you." And as a child it would have made such a difference in my life to have heard those words!

Now, as an adult, I could see that Dad had loved me "in his way" by taking care of my material needs along with those of our family. But, as a child, I did not perceive that. I needed, as a child, to be told and shown that I was loved. Therefore, I grew up thinking he really did not care much about me.

And now the time had arrived to say good-bye. I dreaded this moment. What should I say? I leaned over his bed to hug him and said, "Dad, I have to leave now. I have to go back to Missouri....I love you, Dad."

And he said the words I had waited all my life to hear: "I love you, too."

As my sister and I left his room and walked down the hospital corridor, she said with tears in her eyes, “That is the first time I ever heard Dad say ‘I love you’ to anyone in my whole life!”

I knew it was one of life’s rare and touching moments... and that God gave that moment as one of *His Marvelous Deeds!*

Oh, that we could turn aside from all our pride and pain
and take the risk to tell someone “I love you” - what great gain!
Take the time to tell someone of the caring in your heart,
before the opportunity is past, before you have to part.



What the Lord has shown me through this experience is that as we forgive and love others it breaks down previous barriers to sharing love with them.

THE EXPERIENCE OF TURNING OVER IN A CAR

My sister, Lois, and I were driving along a highway in Indiana heading toward Fort Wayne. She had just received word that a friend of hers needed her immediately so she dropped everything to go. As she left she asked if I wanted to ride along to keep her company. So, together we left the Christian Conference we were attending telling friends we would return the next day.

As we traveled along the two lane highway, we came upon a large semi-truck and began to pass it. When we were about half way around it the driver of the truck, apparently not seeing us in his side view mirror, began pulling into the passing lane where we were.

The next thing I knew we were careening off the left side of the highway with our car turning completely over and finally coming to a stop in a cornfield! It was the strangest sensation turning over in a car...one which I hope I will never feel again!

My eyes were shut as we went over, but I was quite aware of every sensation. I felt all the bumps and jolts, but at the same time became aware of a stinging pain in my finger! I pulled my hand back from the pain thinking I must be receiving a cut from broken glass in the windshield. My strangely calm thought was: “This must be what it is like to turn over in a car.”

As we thudded to a stop, right side up (Praise the Lord!), I opened my eyes and began to look around. There was dust or smoke all around the car. At once I realized the car could catch on fire! I said we should get out immediately in case the car caught on fire.

We assured each other we were OK as we hunted for her glasses which had been thrown off her face.

Then we tried to open the doors. They would not open! At that moment I began to feel panic! I began to pound on the door frantically. But it would not open!

Just then Lois got the door on her side open, and we realized we could get out, so the panic stopped immediately.

As soon as we got out we walked away from the car through the field to the side of the highway where we sat down a moment to try to grasp what had just happened and what to do next. Then we heard people yelling at us to come across the road away from the wires hanging near us. We had not yet noticed them!

After we crossed the highway to those friendly voices calling to us, we sat down again in our shocked state and began to listen to them speak. They said, "We never expected anyone to come out of that car alive!" They told us that we had hit a pole and broken it in two so that the wires were hanging down around the car. My side door, which I had frantically tried to open, was lodged against the pole we hit. Thank the Lord I could not get it open, because I might have walked into live wires before realizing it.

After the ambulance got us to an emergency room they had Lois lie down because she had a headache. When the nurse asked me if I was hurt, all I had to report was a cut finger - the pain I felt while the car was turning over. A little later I overheard the nurse quietly tell someone that our blood pressures were "sky high!" She immediately had me also lie down when she discovered that.

Due to the high blood pressure they asked us to be admitted overnight for observation even though we were not hurt. As we lay in our hospital beds we called back to the Christian Conference we had just left, and the whole conference group stopped and prayed for us immediately.

We rested in our beds, bathed in prayer, thanking God for His protection. He had just performed one of *His Marvelous Deeds* in our lives as He kept us safe through the accident.

**For he shall give his angels
charge over thee,
to keep thee in all thy ways.
Psalm 91:11 KJV**



What the Lord has shown me from this experience is how He protects us when disaster comes upon us suddenly.

A EXPERIENCE ABOUT THE REFLECTION

I was attending a conference at our denomination's state campgrounds. I needed to get apart from all the others and find a place to be by myself for awhile, so I sat on a balcony porch area in one of the many rocking chairs there. I relaxed and sought the Lord in a Quiet Time alone with Him while looking out over a beautiful lake nearby. This is what He said then and I thought it was so beautiful that I wanted to keep it and reflect on it often.

*The quieter the water the more perfect the reflection.
The more you know who you are in Me,
the quieter your soul is before Me,
the more perfectly you reflect Me!*

**“And we, who with unveiled faces
all reflect the Lord’s glory,
are being transformed into his likeness
with ever-increasing glory.”
2 Corinthians 3:18**



What the Lord has shown me through this revelation is that I am being changed to be like Him as I live daily looking on Him.

AN EXPERIENCE INVOLVING A MIRACLE BABY FROM GOD

It was Tuesday afternoon and I was walking up to my sister’s house. I had been invited to come and share something with the prayer group gathered there. This was a moment we had all been waiting for - a long LONG time, and it was finally here.

This began several years before when the doctors had done all they knew at the time to help my husband and me to get pregnant. After exhausting their efforts they told us to consider adoption, so we went through adoption procedures. Through this God brought us a baby girl who was a delight in our lives.

Later, when we moved to another town, a different doctor told us of one more

possibility we might try - major surgery. By this time we were so happy with our adopted child we would have been quite content to adopt a second time. But something inside kept saying to me that perhaps I should try this one last possibility. So, in the spring, I had surgery and went through weeks of pain and fatigue to recover.

By Thanksgiving we learned I was pregnant, so we spent the holiday telling our family and friends the good news and we all rejoiced together!

But the day after Thanksgiving, my body began a process of miscarrying that baby. I spent most of the week in the hospital, then was sent home with the instruction to spend the rest of the nine months off my feet to try to save the baby. How do you manage a home and a 22 month old child while in bed?

In the midst of the situation I kept talking to God about it. "God, if You want me to have this baby, that is OK. You know I want to. But if, for some reason, it is not best for this baby to come into the world, I accept that. Please do what You know is best. I leave this in Your hands." And shortly after arriving home, the miscarriage was completed.

Well, that did not stop my sister's prayer group! When I got pregnant again within a few months of the miscarriage, they took this new baby as their prayer project! They prayed for that baby's life and health and for that baby to be able to be born. Since I had miscarried once, and possibly twice, the doctors did not have as much hope for this third time, but that did not deter those prayer warriors. They had faith!

The pregnancy went smoothly! And a beautiful little child was born. She even surprised us by coming three weeks early in time to be a Christmas present! Little Elizabeth was a miracle of God through prayer - reminding me of Elizabeth, mother of John the Baptist, who had her own miracle birth experience.

So, today, all these thoughts flooded through my mind as I approached the house where these prayer warriors were gathered to see "their miracle baby." Baby Elizabeth and I entered, and we all praised God together! Today was a day to ponder His ways, to look back and see *His Marvelous Deeds*, and to declare His glory.

**...with God all things are possible.
Matthew 19:26**



What God has shown me through this experience is that all things are possible with God and prayer helps bring these things about.

EXPERIENCING CLEANSING THROUGH TO THE CROSS

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One of the Lord's marvelous deeds is giving us the opportunity to become clean before Him through Jesus' work on the cross. There was a day in my life when He took me through a giant step in the process of becoming clean from past grudges, hurts, and unforgiven circumstances. It all began at the very last meeting of the conference...

The conference I was attending in North Carolina was on "Prayer for Spiritual Awakening." One thing I learned is that if you want spiritual awakening you need to pray, but I also learned that effective prayer must come from a cleansed vessel. God began a process of cleansing in me that day. He started to clean me from past experiences.

I sat listening intently as the speaker shared a fresh experience of God's work in his personal life - an experience only two weeks old. I thank God for this man who was willing to be vulnerable enough to share how God revealed his own needs for cleansing and how God taught him to be free from the bondage of past events in his life. He shared how he took each revealed memory of past hurts, grudges, and unforgiven events to the cross, confessed his part in those events, asked forgiveness, and then nailed those sins to the cross in his imagination as he accepted in his heart Christ's finished work of paying the penalty for them.

I knew deep down inside God was calling me to do the same. I felt like the conference was just beginning for me because there was so much inner work I wanted to do before returning home.

But the conference was over. Even so, my heart was filled with the intense desire to be alone with God and let Him do that cleansing work in me also. Oh, how I wanted to stay!

We packed the van with our luggage and began the 1 and 1/2 day trip back to Missouri. The drawing by God to come apart with Him and begin that cleansing work was so real I could not escape it, nor did I want to. However God knew what to do with all those travel hours!

As the miles flew by and people became quieter, I began looking out the window and drawing apart in my mind to communicate with the Lord. "Lord, please show me those areas in my life that need cleansing! Take me back, Lord, in my memory to times and events which I need to confess before You."

And He did! The first event He brought to my mind seemed so insignificant to me, I would not have considered it if He had not shown it to me from His viewpoint. He reminded me of a time when I was six years old and my mother was in bed recovering from the delivery at our home of my baby brother. My aunt was taking care of our family until my mother was able again. I had injured myself and wanted a bandage on

the wound, but she would not give me one. I went to my mother and asked for one, and she let me have it.

The Lord began to show me I had never forgiven my aunt for not understanding the need of a small child, not just for a bandage, but for the love and concern that mother gave with that bandage. I had held a grudge against her ever since that day and did not even know it!

First the Lord had me confess my sin of holding a grudge, then forgive my aunt for not helping me. As the speaker taught us, I pictured myself taking my sin to the cross and nailing it there. Christ had already paid the price for it and I accepted that payment and thanked Him for it.

What a wonderful cleansing followed! All the way home, for hour after hour on the van, the Lord took me back in my memory and worked cleansing from past events. The prayer Jesus taught became very real to me: *“Forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors!”* As I forgave others, He worked cleansing in me of my debts. Those debts got nailed to Jesus’ cross all the way across the country from North Carolina to Missouri as God worked one of *His Marvelous Deeds* in my life!

**For if you forgive men when they sin against you,
your heavenly Father will also forgive you.
But if you do not forgive men their sins,
your Father will not forgive your sins.
Matthew 6:14-15**



What the Lord has shown me through this experience is the power of the cross of Christ to bring repentance and forgiveness to me.

EXPERIENCING BEING BAPTIZED BY ONE SPIRIT INTO ONE BODY

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My husband and I had traveled from Missouri to California for the American Academy of Family Physicians Convention where he was to be initiated as a new member along with hundreds of others who had passed their board exams. The night for the initiation ceremony had arrived and we were preparing to attend.

I was ready to go when, at the last minute, I decided to change to a red dress. This red dress had pinned to its collar a dove pin, a tiny silver pin which to me stood for the Holy Spirit. It identified me as a Christian - like the first century Christians used the sign of the fish to identify themselves. But tonight, in my hurry to change, I did not notice that

pin. I just followed a sudden urge to change to that red dress.

As my husband and I parted at the huge theater, we made plans to meet after the ceremony by the front entranceway. Then he went to the stage area while I sat in the theater to watch. We did not think when we made those plans about the thousands of people at the convention and how difficult it might be to find someone after such a meeting. But, God had a plan for the waiting time!

After the ceremony I went outside and stood near the entranceway on the sidewalk in front, waiting. I waited and waited, wondering why we had not been more specific in our meeting place. Standing there in my bright red dress, I was easy to see. But it was not the red dress that caught someone's attention, it was the tiny tiny Holy Spirit pin!

A woman came up to me, introduced herself, said she was from North Carolina, indicated she was a Christian too, and said, "I just wanted to meet my sister in Christ who was wearing that Holy Spirit pin!" With that we hugged, and she disappeared in the crowd.

My heart leaped and joy exploded within me! God lifted up my spirit like a cloud floating above the world! In that moment, I had experienced supernatural instant communion with someone I had never met before - another member of the "Body of Christ".

The joy of that moment returned in memory many times over the years to bring a smile to my thoughts. To me this remains as one of *His Marvelous Deeds!*

**We were all baptized by one Spirit into one body -
whether Jews or Greeks, slave or free -
and we were all given the one Spirit to drink.
1 Corinthians 12:13**



What the Lord has shown me through this experience is that we Christians have brothers and sisters in the faith all over the world and we make up a family...the family of God.

AN EXPERIENCE OF BEING KEPT FROM MAKING THE WRONG DECISION

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For many months my husband had been seeking a different job. Each time he was informed of another job possibility we would discuss it, consider that area of the country, look at the job, and try to see if this was the right place for us to move. We

wanted a good job for him, but we also wanted a good place to live and raise our children of two and five years old.

The answer seemed to be “no” to each one, until he was contacted by Duke University about a position there. This was different. It had many attractive features and the decision was not an automatic no. But, even so, he was not quite sure.

He asked his contact person at Duke to allow him until the end of that month of December to make his decision. All during that month the answer did not come with peace to him. He wanted an assurance inside that this was the right step to take before giving up his old job and moving our family.

At the end of December, with no answer clear, he asked for the month of January to finish making the decision, and was granted that request. In spite of all his efforts to come to an understanding of what to do, the answer did not come! It was so frustrating! On the one hand, it was a good job with people he liked. But, on the other hand, he did not feel a clear direction to take that job.

By the last day in January, he knew he had to make a decision one way or the other. So he told me he would go ahead and accept the job even without a sureness within himself. But God had a different plan!

At 4:30 on the afternoon of January 31st he called the contact person at Duke University to say he would accept the job. But that person’s secretary said he had just left to go to Europe just shortly before the phone call, and he would not be back for nine days. She really wanted to know my husband’s answer, but he said he would wait to talk to the contact person.

During those nine days, he was contacted about a job in another state and went to look at it. And this job was just what he wanted! There was no hesitating or waiting. He knew this was the right place for him! So, in God’s perfect timing, he accepted the right job and we moved our family to Columbia, Missouri, which proved to be an excellent place to live and raise our family.

God had picked the best place for us! But not only that, he had kept us from making the wrong decision until the right job came!

Not only did God have the right job for my husband, but our children were able to attend the Columbia Schools from kindergarten through 12th grade and also graduate from the University of Missouri in Columbia. When Columbia was selected by *Money Magazine* as the second best city in which to live in the United States one year, it only affirmed the decision God helped us make in 1974 when we moved there. In my opinion God had truly performed one of *His Marvelous Deeds* for us!

**In his heart a man plans his course,
but the Lord determines his steps.**

Proverbs 16:9



What the Lord has shown me through this experience is that God will sometimes give special guidance with precise timing involved, even when we aren't aware that is happening, in order to lead us where He wants us to be. Sometimes this even involves keeping us from making the wrong decision until the right one is revealed.

AN EXPERIENCE OF SAFETY DURING A TIME OF UNKNOWN DANGER

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My ears were hurting from the air pressure change as our small plane circled and prepared to land at the airport at Vientiane, Laos. We were about to visit the third city on our two-week tour through Southeast Asia. Having traveled from the huge city of Tokyo, Japan, where we lived at that time, to the bustling city of Hong Kong, then to Saigon, Vietnam, we were not quite prepared for the sparseness and bleakness of the countryside in the Vientiane area. As we landed and began exploring the city, our amazement increased as we saw practically no stores, only one stoplight in the whole city, and very little traffic on the streets. We had a lot to learn about Laos from the person we were visiting.

Our host shared with us about the country, and in the process mentioned a short trip which possibly could be arranged to visit the ancient capital of Laos called Luang Prabang. It could be reached at that time by joining a pilot who flew a small plane there on special occasions and stopped at a mountain village along the route to deliver rice. This sounded intriguing to us two young explorers wanting to experience all we could during this rare opportunity to visit Laos.

It was arranged. We were told to be at the airport the next day and be ready for a short flight into the mountain village, then another short flight north to the old capital. We also were told we would have about two hours to explore the capital, and then we would have to return to the airport. We were warned not to be late because the pilot would not wait for us. When he was ready to leave, he would leave, with or without us.

The next day when we boarded the plane we found ourselves the only two passengers on a small plane with jumpseats along the walls facing the middle. Along with the supplies, we took off for the village in the mountains. This was quite different from a commercial flight!

To get to the village we had to fly low between two mountains and wind our way down quickly into a small valley. As we landed on the edge of the village, we got out of the

plane to stretch while the pilot took care of his business there. It was raining, so we stood under the high wing of the plane and began to look around. People began to gather near the plane just as interested in looking at us as we were at them. They stooped down and just stared while we waited. As I watched them I remembered the description I had read of Khmer people of the Laos mountain area, and these people looked just like the description.

The pilot returned and we took off again, this time to land in Luang Prabang, the ancient capital of Laos, in the early afternoon. My husband and I quickly began to walk through as much of the city as we could cover in our two hour time limit. We believed that as we traveled we got a better feel for the place we visited if we spent time walking there. Actually I do not remember seeing any type of transportation we could have used anyway. We discovered that this city had a beauty which made one wish it could still be the capital city instead of the bleak Vientiane.

Believe me, we took no chances on missing our plane back! So we were at the airport at the designated time, not wanting to be left in northern Laos by ourselves. As we waited for the pilot to arrive we sat on boxes sitting in the airport area - boxes of explosives. We could hear shooting in the distance so we knew fighting was not too far away. It was spring of 1962, and there was warfare in northern Laos at that time. Uneasily we waited, and were relieved when the pilot returned and we took off for our return flight to Vientiane.

That night, after we returned, our host discussed our trip with us. When we finished, he remarked, "I did not want to worry you before you left so I did not tell you this...but two weeks ago as that plane flew into the same small mountain village to deliver rice, it was shot at from the mountains on the sides!"

We were shocked! We had no idea it was that dangerous! But God did! How many times He protects us when we are unaware of it. I believe He was performing another of *His Marvelous Deeds* in protecting us during that whole trip!

If I go up to the heavens, you are there...

**If I rise on the wings of the dawn, if I settle on the far side of the sea,
even there your hand will guide me, your right hand will hold me fast.**

Psalm 139:8-10



What the Lord has shown me from this experience is that He is watching over us to protect us even during times of unknown danger.

A CHILDHOOD EXPERIENCE OF LEARNING ABOUT THE SPIRITUAL REALM

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From the time I was a child I knew there was a spiritual realm which we did not ordinarily see or experience in our daily lives. I knew this because of a story my mother used to tell me about her sister, Fern...

Fern was pregnant and the time of birthing was near. Even as she waited for this event, her mother, my grandmother, was very ill and near death. However the news of the graveness of her mother's illness was being kept from Fern because the family did not want her to deal with this until after the baby was born.

Then her mother died. The family did not tell Fern, but waited. The delivery time came and the new baby arrived into this world. Sometime after the delivery, the family gathered at Fern's bedside to tell her the news about her mother.

As they walked in they were surprised when Fern said she knew why they had come! She said, "You have come to tell me Mom's dead, haven't you?" As they questioned her about how she knew, she told them this incredible story:

She and the new baby were lying in their room when she saw her mother walk into the room. Her mother walked over to the baby's bed, looked at her, and said, "I just wanted to see the baby before I go." So Fern knew her mother was "leaving" and told the family this with peace in her heart. It was as if her mother had come to tell her good-bye.

The family all knew that their mother had not visited Fern in her physical body!

As this story was shared with me as a child, I saw God's hand in this situation, and knew there was a supernatural spiritual realm not usually visible with our natural eyes which had appeared at that time. God, in His mysterious ways, and for His own reasons, had performed one of *His Marvelous Deeds* which brought comfort to their whole family and especially to Fern!

**There is a time for everything,
and a season for every activity under heaven:
a time to be born and a time to die.
Ecclesiastes 3:1-2**



What the Lord has shown me through this experience is that there is a supernatural spiritual realm which is not usually visible with our natural eyes but which is revealed in special circumstances.

AN EXPERIENCE OF BEING SAVED FROM AN AIRPLANE CRASH

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“Oh, God, help us!” I began to pray as my husband and I flew in a twin engine plane toward the airport at Marion, Indiana. “We need Your right now, Lord! This plane is having engine trouble! Help my husband land this plane safely!” I prayed hard and fast, over and over, as we descended toward the landing strip.

The plane which my husband was piloting suddenly had one of the two engines quit working as we were in mid-air. Even though he had had training in what to do if this should ever happen, this had never happened to us before! He navigated the plane with his attention riveted on the instrument panel trying to keep the plane level with power coming from one side only. This was very difficult! While his attention was riveted on the instrument panel, my attention was riveted on the Lord. We needed Him right now!

Joyce, my sister, was standing outside the small airport building at Marion with our two young daughters watching for our plane to appear. Kim and Beth were excitedly watching for their Mom and Dad to come and get them after their trip. They loved to visit Aunt Joyce and Uncle Edd, but they also missed Mom and Dad. Their eyes repeatedly looked across the sky to see the first sign of the arriving plane.

As they watched, a plane did indeed come into view off at a distance, but there was something strange about that plane. It had a long trail of gray-white smoke coming from one of its engines - an ominous-looking trail! They began to wonder and ask Aunt Joyce if this could be their parents' plane.

Joyce, suspecting the worst, knew this probably was! But she did not want the girls to see it coming in and watch what might happen! So she skillfully took them back into the airport building and tried to divert their attention...all the while wondering what was happening outside. She was a praying Christian woman, and she also was calling on the Lord in her heart as much as she could while entertaining Kim and Beth.

Gradually, in what seemed a long period of time, my husband maneuvered the plane toward the runway - closer and closer - while I watched breathlessly and prayed all the way. Was there a fire? We could not see it if there was! Would we be able to land, get out of the plane, and get away from it in time? Unanswered questions assailed my mind in those moments before landing.

God was right there with us in those moments of desperate prayers. We landed safely, got out of the plane, and saw the reason for our engine loss as we watched the smoke coming from it. The smoke was being blown behind us as we flew, so we could not see it while in the cockpit.

We had an extra thankful and joyful reunion with our loved ones in that airport that day! God had spared our lives from the danger near us and kept us for His purposes. He had revealed Himself as our protector and deliverer. He had truly performed one of *His Marvelous Deeds!*

As I reflect back on this event etched vividly in my memory, I am reminded that God kept us safe from a possible fuel tank explosion from that burning engine. And I am also reminded that the engine loss could have taken place over a large city or over the countryside instead of near the airport of our destination. God was, indeed, watching over us even before I started praying!

**“Because he loves me,” says the Lord, “I will rescue him;
I will protect him, for he acknowledges my name.
He will call upon me, and I will answer him;
I will be with him in trouble, I will deliver him and honor him.
With long life will I satisfy him and show him my salvation.”
Psalm 91:14-16**



What the Lord has shown me through this experience is that He is in charge of every small detail of our lives and will rescue us in times of trouble.

AN EXPERIENCE OF GOD USING A SUPERNATURAL SIGN

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John was driving his car home one day along a country road which had little traffic at that time. He had driven along this road many times and felt comfortable knowing what to expect. He was coming upon a railroad track which he had crossed many times before. He couldn't see down the tracks because there was too much brush and trees, so he didn't see any train.

This railroad track was one of those lines which probably used to have trains along it regularly, but now was seldom used any, if at all. It was the kind of track where you seldom stopped and looked because you had been over it so many times without seeing a train. John certainly was not accustomed to seeing trains on it!

But this day a very strange event took place as John approached those country train tracks. Just before reaching them, he suddenly saw flashing red warning lights signaling an approaching train. He was so surprised by this he slammed on his brakes twice and each time the car went sideways and the car behind him did the same. He stopped almost on the tracks and a train passed by immediately in front of his car! Either John's car, or the second car, may well have been on that railroad track at the time the train came and been hit by it.

As my Mother wrote in a letter to me about this event: “Joan, why did he see red lights flashing?” His wife, Carol, immediately told him that God was watching out for him. Mom said she believed that too. As Mom said: “There are no lights there and yet he saw some. Someone was watching over him. I have heard other people having similar experiences and they gave the credit to God. I believe it too. Praise the Lord. Carol said wouldn’t that have been terrible, if he would have been killed today. Thought you’d like to know. Love, Mom”

There were no electric signal lights at that crossing! There was only the old wooden X sign indicating a RR crossing, but no electric signals. But he knew he had seen flashing warning lights and that was why he stopped.

It is one of those mysterious ways of God which we cannot explain but at which we marvel. It was truly one of *His Marvelous Deeds!*

**I warned you when you felt secure...
Jeremiah 22:21**



What the Lord has shown me through my brother’s experience is that He will even give a supernatural sign, if necessary, to save and warn people who belong to him.

EXPERIENCING GUIDANCE THROUGH ANOTHER PERSON’S WORD

I was at a Christian Conference with many wonderful people, great speakers, and blessed music. I had come to the conference with an unspoken question in my heart that I wanted answered...unspoken to people, that is. God knew the question in my heart. I hoped I could find the answer at this conference. But there were only two days left and I still did not have it.

The question was about a teaching which I had been hearing and reading...a teaching which said I should seek a specific gift of the Spirit. According to this teaching, if I did not have this particular gift, I was missing something important which God had for me. It seemed I was not “complete” until I received that gift. My question was: “What about that, Lord? Do You want me to ask for and receive that particular gift?”

One afternoon I was planning to attend a session offered at 4:00. But around 2:00 a friend injured herself and needed transportation to the local hospital. So I volunteered, hoping I would still be able to make the session at 4:00. We were finished at the hospital just in time to return to the conference and walk directly to the 4:00 session.

As I walked in, the speaker entered with me.

As she began to share with the group, the answer to my question began coming from her! I sat there in amazement! She said, in essence, that we should not seek any particular gift, but seek the Giver of the gifts and let Him decide what He wants to give each of us. I knew that was my answer! And I had not even told her my question!

I had a great peace about that! I was to seek Jesus, and if He wanted me to have that particular gift, He would give it to me. The gift was not to come before my relationship with Him!

Later, as I shared with the speaker how God had used her to answer my question, she surprised me even further by telling me this: she had sought the Lord about what she should share at the 4:00 session. She did not get an answer, so she left for the session not knowing. She said as we walked in at the last minute God spoke to her about what to say! She and I both knew that it was specifically for me. She felt God waited to tell her what to share to see if I would make it back in time and attend the session. We could both agree this was one of *His Marvelous Deeds!*

**...the Lord searches every heart
and understands every motive behind the thoughts.
If you seek him, he will be found by you...
1 Chronicles 28:9**



What the Lord has shown me through this experience is that sometimes God will give a word to us through another person if we are seeking Him for guidance.

EXPERIENCING A SIGN FROM THE LORD

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God sometimes shows *His Marvelous Deeds* in our lives when we are in great need and we cry out to Him for help. That is what happened in the lives of Jean and Jack at the stressful time of a job change which involved a move to a strange city. Jack had just gotten a new job near Columbus, Ohio, which was a much larger city than where they lived in Indiana. At the time of this story Jack was already in Columbus and Jean was preparing to drive there to meet him. Together they planned to choose a house to buy so the whole family could move.

Jean felt overwhelmed with the task before them. How were they to find a house in that large city which was just right for their family? The day before her departure to drive alone to Columbus, she was especially concerned with what lay ahead - the

decision about the right house. Jean was a Christian and knew God could help her. So, in her need, she cried out to Him, “God, will You show me a sign to help find our house?”

That night as Jean slept, God gave her a dream. Although she awoke not remembering exactly what she dreamed, she did remember a strange thing about that dream...the word *sawmill* kept being repeated in the dream. When she got up she did not think too much about the word *sawmill* because it did not mean anything to her. But - it did to God!

She started out on her trip to Columbus and things went along quietly for her. As she neared Columbus she began to look for the exit she was to take to meet Jack and the Realtor. Her thoughts were about where to turn off the highway.

As Jean says: “Then all at once I saw it!...a sign along the highway said *SAWMILL!!!* Immediately bells started ringing in my head, and I praised the Lord for His sign to me!”

When she finished her journey and met with Jack and the Realtor, she told them about all this. The Realtor was really surprised because one of the homes she was going to show them was in *Olde Sawmill Addition!*

Yes, they did buy that special house in *Olde Sawmill* and they knew they had the house the Lord had chosen for them!

**I will praise the Lord, who counsels me;
even at night my heart instructs me.**

Psalm 16:7



What the Lord has shown me through this experience of my sister-in-law is that God will sometimes show us a sign if we ask Him and are truly seeking His guidance.

THE EXPERIENCE OF BEING ALERTED TO DANGER

My husband and I were returning to Indiana from a trip to Missouri in our small plane. It had been a long day and we were both tired. As we flew through the darkness late that night, the humming sound of the plane began to lull us both to sleep without our realizing it.

The next thing I remember is suddenly awakening. I looked at my husband and saw

that he was asleep as I had been. I quickly woke him up!

He immediately looked at the gauges on the instrument panel of the plane and saw that we had dropped about 1000 feet while we slept! Had we continued to sleep, obviously we would have crashed. But, just in time, we had been awakened! God had not been sleeping but watching over us to perform one of *His Marvelous Deeds!*

**He who watches over you will not slumber;
indeed, he who watches over Israel
will neither slumber nor sleep.
Psalm 121:3-4**



What the Lord has shown me through this experience is that sometimes He will alert us to danger ahead of time.

AN EXPERIENCE OF HELP WHEN HE CALLED OUT TO THE LORD

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It started out as just another routine day for Harold. He and a partner were to deliver cars from Columbia, Missouri, to Effingham, Illinois, and they were just getting underway. Little did Harold realize that today God was going to display one of *His Marvelous Deeds* in his life - one he would never forget! As Harold tells the story:

We started our trip from Columbia, but somehow got separated from each other along the way. It suddenly dawned on me that I knew the town to which we were going, but did not know the name of the car dealer. I did not know if my partner was ahead or behind me on the road. I was in a quandary as to what to do!

“Lord, I need Your help!” I prayed as I stopped along the side of I-70 east of Columbia. I spotted a telephone not too far away, but was afraid I might miss my partner if I left my car to use it. What should I do?

About that time a car pulled off the road in front of me and started backing up. As I approached the car a stranger said, “Could I be of any help?” As I explained my situation and reluctance to leave my car to telephone, he said, “That is no problem. I have got a phone in my car.”

The stranger proceeded to call my sales manager in Columbia and learn the name of the dealer I was to contact in Effingham. I felt immensely comforted to learn that information.

As we chatted a bit I said to him, “I do not know where you stand in your religious life,

but I want to share something with you. I was standing out here along the road, and I was really in a quandary. Finally I thought about the Lord and I said, ‘Lord, I need Your help!’ And about that time you pulled off the side of the road. It really proved to me that the good Lord can take care of us!”

The stranger kind of grinned and said, “Well, I think you are right!” And he shared with me that he was a Baptist minister from near Atlanta, Georgia, and was traveling from Kansas City where he had just visited his mother. He even said he had been to Columbia before and had sung at my own church in Columbia some years ago! Then, wishing me well, he drove on.

Later I was surprised when stopping at a rest stop in Wentzville to find my minister friend there, so we got to talk some more. Even so I made it to Effingham to the right place only about fifteen minutes behind my partner.

Sometime later I received a letter from my newfound brother in Christ from along I-70 which said:

Dear Harold,

It was good to meet you by the side of the road last week. I am sorry it was under such circumstances, and I hope everything worked out the rest of your trip. Oftentimes in my travels I have needed help along the road, and the Lord sent me the person I needed at the time. I appreciate your testimony to me that you prayed and I showed up. It was no inconvenience to me, and it was a delight to meet you. May the Lord richly bless you in all things, and if you are ever in Atlanta, give me a call.

Awaiting the shout!

Bill

What started out for Harold as a perplexing situation leaving him troubled and uncertain as to what to do, turned out to be a testimony of God’s care, and a display of *His Marvelous Deeds!*

The Lord will hear when I call to him.

Psalm 4:3



What the Lord has shown me through this experience of my friend is that God uses a variety of ways to help us when we call on him.

AN EXPERIENCE OF SEEING FIRE THAT DIDN'T BURN THE BUILDING

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The airline stewardess was staying at the Hotel Denver while she had layover time between flights. This was her usual place to stay, but little did she know how different this particular visit would be!

While she was in her hotel room that evening she looked out the hotel window and saw the Denver Convention Center. This was not unusual, but what was shocking that particular night was what she saw coming from the top of that Convention Center. She saw flames covering it! As she watched in awe, she realized the building was not being consumed!

She said to herself, "I must find out what is going on over there!"

The next morning while riding down in the elevator she began conversing with a group of ladies from Indiana who were in the elevator with her. After finding out they were attending meetings at the Convention Center, she told them what she saw the night before. So they invited her to come to their meetings that day - meetings of the Women's Aglow organization holding their annual National Convention.

The stewardess did attend those meetings and left at the end of the day very impressed! She was a Christian, but had never heard of Aglow before. She said she must get involved in Aglow back home. It turned out the headquarters were right near her house.

God performed one of *His Marvelous Deeds* for her at that time. We do not know why, but perhaps He was calling her into a deeper walk with Himself. What we do know is that while those Aglow women were praying and praising the Lord, God touched the life of this woman through a supernatural sign. In the process, He also gave a visible sign of encouragement to all of those women at the Aglow Convention!

Jesus said...

**"But I, when I am lifted up from the earth,
will draw all men to myself."**

John 12:32



What the Lord has shown me through this story is that He will use a supernatural sign like burning flames that do not consume to get the attention of a person He wants to reach.

A STORY OF GOD'S HELP WITH A NEW CAR

"Lord, I need a new car! My old car is not reliable anymore and I need something I can

depend on. But how am I going to buy one? I don't have the money and I have never bargained for a car before in my life. I always had help from someone else to take care of my car situation. Will You help me?"

And help me, He did! Suddenly one day I received a totally unexpected check in the mail. God's perfect timing! My daughter, Beth, and I made plans to look at cars and gather information on buying or leasing a new one. She had leased a car previously for herself so she knew how to do this. Together we arranged for me to lease a car using the surprise check to get that arranged.

Then I needed to sell my old car - again something I had not experienced before. I felt totally inadequate and sought the Lord for guidance. He said He guided us not to trade in my old car so He could give me "another lesson" of walking by faith. Now I was to trust Him to take me through the steps of selling this old car.

He guided me to revise my estimate of its value, as it was worth more than I had thought. He also said He would guide me through the rest of the way in selling it. I thought I was to call used car dealers and see who might be interested in looking at it. So I called dealers and found 3-4 who would look at it and see what they would offer for it. I visited one after work and he made me an offer, but I thought I should check some other dealers before making a final decision. Well, God led me all the way! Praise the Lord! He did it again! He is so good and so faithful!

On Saturday morning, as I drove the old car for estimates, I decided to go to a certain dealer first since he was opening earliest. When I got there I saw a sign that said he would open at 8:30 (which it was then) so I waited for him to come. As I waited I noticed the reflection of their sign in the window of a restaurant next door. And in the reflection I saw, on top of the car dealer's sign, there sat three doves! God had used doves as a sign to me for many years, so I believed that was a sign from Him saying this was the right place.

The owner was very kind and gentle, not pushy (which I rather expected from used car dealers). He offered me quite a lot more for the car than the dealer yesterday offered...and I accepted it. He wrote me a check and I signed the title over to him. Then he took the plates off for me and even drove me home! It took me a total of 1 1/2 hours to sell the car, get the title arranged, get my money, have the plates taken off, and get back home! I was so grateful to God it was done and went so well and quickly. I considered this one of *His Marvelous Deeds* in my life.

**“...but the righteous will live by his faith.”
(Habakkuk 2:4)**



What the Lord has shown me through this experience is that in my weakness and lack of experience, He will show His strength and carry me through the situation.

A STORY OF GOD'S HELP IN A TIME OF SUDDEN ILLNESS

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Perhaps every adult remembers his or her twenty-first birthday because that is the day you officially become an adult. It should be a very special day, right? Well, mine was very *very* special, but not in the way I wanted it to be. I was a junior in college, and it began as I sat in the chapel for the presentation that morning...

As I sat there I gradually began to have this overwhelming feeling of dread, of something awful about to happen, of getting really sick. I was such a shy person I didn't want to get up during the talk being presented and walk out in front of those hundreds of eyes looking at me. After all I did sit that day on the second row from the front in the middle area of the chapel, and it would be very visible to everyone when I left. But I knew I just had to leave! The overpowering feeling kept getting worse and worse by the minute.

So I stood up and walked to the side door conscious of all eyes being on me as I did so. As soon as I got outside I started to run as fast as I could toward my dorm because something awful was starting to happen to me. I ran to the dorm, ran inside into the hallway, then to the nearest bathroom. As soon as I got there I almost collapsed on the floor in front of a stool and began to vomit over and over and over. As I did all my energy left me and I was suddenly in great pain...so great I couldn't even stand up.

Then I knew I was really in trouble! I had been having internal pain off and on for weeks before this, and had even been to see a doctor about it the week before, but nothing was diagnosed. Now, here I was, sitting on the floor of the bathroom, unable to stand, and no one was around to help me. What was I going to do?

I decided I needed to contact the college nurse a.s.a.p. To get to the telephone in the dorm office I would have to travel quite a way down the hall and through the lobby...and I couldn't stand up! So I did what I could do - I crawled on my hands and knees toward the office, calling out to anyone who might be around to help me. But - no help answered!

I reached up from the office floor and got the telephone off the desk and called the college nurse. She said she would be right over and suggested I go to my room (which was on the second floor). So I crawled on my hands and knees up the stairs and crawled into my bed where I doubled up moaning and groaning out loud with pain. I couldn't hold back the groans, it was so bad.

Finally the nurse arrived and helped me downstairs and into her car to take me to the doctor. As he examined me I just kept saying over and over, "Please give me something

for the pain! Please give me something for the pain!” After examining me he did give me something for the pain which pretty well knocked me out until the ambulance could get there to take me to Fort Wayne to Parkview Hospital - about a 40 mile trip. Someone contacted my sister, who was also a student at Manchester College at that time, and she went with me in the ambulance.

When I arrived at the emergency room I was asked if I could sign myself in, and I responded that I guess I could since I just turned 21 that day - it was my birthday! *Happy Birthday!* Someone contacted my mother who was teaching school, and she came right to the emergency room also and stayed with me. I remember enough to remember going into the operating room. This was a totally new experience for me! I think they told me to count backwards as they put me out, and then I was really put out of pain!

When I woke up later, after surgery, I was told that I had a tumor on my right ovary about the size of a grapefruit, and they had removed it. They said that while I was under the anesthetic I kept saying something like, “Why does it have to happen to us girls all the time; why can’t it happen to the boys sometimes?” Why I would say that, I surely don’t know, but they thought it was really funny!

They gave me good care and I was able to return to school in about a week, even though I was still standing crooked from the incision and surgery. Eventually that healed too. And I remember this as one of those times when God went with me through a great trauma and took care of me when I couldn’t take care of myself. It was one of *His Marvelous Deeds* in my life.

**“Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.”
(Psalm 23:4)**



What the Lord has shown me through this experience is that He will give me warning ahead of time to prepare for what is coming, He will walk with me through the illness or difficulty, and He will bring me to healing afterwards.

A STORY ABOUT A STRANGE DOG

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I was out taking a walk around my neighborhood for exercise. As I neared my home this beautiful miniature collie, my favorite type of dog, came along beside me and ran along at my pace, accompanying me on my walk. I talked to him and he just trotted along happily.

Two other dogs came near but didn't come any closer. Hmmm. I wondered about all this. This had never happened to me before in all my neighborhood walks, and never did again after that day...just this one time. The beautiful collie walked me all the way home After going into my apartment, I watched out the front window and saw that he was sitting quietly on the front walk. Hmmm. What was this?

Could this have been a gift sent from God to delight me and protect me during that particular time - protect me from a danger I wasn't even aware of? I have remembered this event for many years as one of *His Marvelous Deeds*. A most unusual event for me! Thank You, Lord.

Yes, that collie was a gift from Me. I have many ways of being with you and protecting you. My angels can assume many forms, as needed, to help those who belong to Me. You're welcome.

**“The Lord is good...
He cares for those who trust in him.”
(Nahum 1:7)**



What the Lord has shown me through this experience is that He watches over us in situations when we are not even aware of why. He may use His angels in various roles to help us.

THE STORY OF RUNNING OUT OF GAS IN INDIANPOLIS

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We were driving along on the bypass highway #495 around Indianapolis, Indiana, on our way to our family reunion north of there. This trip from Columbia, Missouri, took us about 9-10 hours and needed to include one stop for a gas refill for our car. But for some reason, I don't remember why, we hadn't yet stopped for gas.

As we drove along I suddenly remembered we needed to stop for gas. I looked at the gas gauge to be horrified to find it on empty! I told Beth, my daughter, that we needed to stop at the very next exit and find a gas station!!!

As we came to the next exit and drove up the ramp, there was not a single gas station in sight, only lots of trees! Not even a town or buildings which might give us a clue. Which way should I turn to get to the closest station? How could I know? I prayed and asked the Lord to guide me in making the right decision.

I turned to the right and soon found a station. As I came near it, I ran completely out of gas, the engine stopped, and the car drifted to within about 10 feet of the gas pump! We got out and pushed the car the rest of the way to the pump....and got the needed gas just in time!

I still think of that event as one of *His Marvelous Deeds* in my life. He guided me to remember just in time that I needed gas. He guided me to make the correct turn when I couldn't see physically any reason to choose one way over the other. And He got me close enough to the gas pump that we could push the car there ourselves. (We might have gotten a little help from the gas station attendant!) Wasn't that marvelous?

When I think about the alternative of being stuck on the highway out of gas (and no cell phones then!) I appreciate all the more what the Lord did to protect us. Thank You, Lord!

**“Then you will call, and the Lord will answer;
you will cry for help and he will say: Here am I....
The Lord will guide you always...”
(Isaiah 58:9, 11)**



What the Lord has shown me through this experience is that He is aware of my situation all the time and is looking out for my best interests.

A STORY ABOUT PALM SUNDAY TORNADO DAY

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It was Palm Sunday and I was visiting my parents' home in the New Haven, Indiana, area. That afternoon my brother, Jack, and I were outside enjoying the warm spring air where there was a hefty wind blowing. Jack was flying a kite and taking advantage of that wind. We were amazed during that time to notice that the wind changed direction. We could tell because of the kite and where it blew. The sky got darker and darker with storm clouds and the wind blew even harder.

Later that afternoon we became aware there were tornadoes around our area as our electricity went out and the storm became even worse. I found a small battery powered radio that I had given my parents for a gift previously, and we listened to the growing reports of tornadoes touching down throughout Indiana. We sat in the darkening rooms of their house and listened and wondered if our area would be hit too. Because of the electrical blackout, the radio station went on emergency power and continued broadcasting, and we continued our anxious listening.

We were especially concerned about my sister, Joyce, and her family, who lived in Marion, Indiana. We heard reports about 3 tornadoes touching down there. All phone lines in and out were overloaded or out, so we couldn't call them. The broadcasters told people not to drive there or call there. Power lines were down, etc. so it was not safe.

We kept trying to find out about them and whether their home had been hit by the tornado. Finally Joyce was able to get through to us by phone from a friend's house in the country near Marion where she and her family had gone after their electricity went out. She explained about the storm hitting their house, with hail and fierce winds, but no tornado. We were very thankful for that! The reports were telling about many many tornadoes hitting all around Indiana! Something like twenty-seven tornadoes altogether!

For three days we were without electrical power. But God had provided for me by having me at my parents' home during that time where my dad had an old wood stove in his workshop. We could heat food on that even though our electric stove in the house wouldn't work

I look back on that event as one of *His Marvelous Deeds* when God took care of me and my loved ones. In my mind it still remains the Palm Sunday tornado day.

**“When you pass through the waters, I will be with you;
and when you pass through the rivers, they will not sweep over you.
When you walk through the fire, you will not be burned;
the flames will not set you ablaze.
For I am the Lord, your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Savior.”
(Isaiah 43:1-3)**



What the Lord has shown me from this experience is that He is taking care of me and my loved ones and providing what we need during difficulties.

A STORY ABOUT GOD'S PROVISION ON A TRIP

This story happened during my college days. You know, back then (1955) many college students didn't have much money, but had lots of adventuresome spirit. That's the way we were as six of us students began the return trip from a youth conference in Virginia back to college in central Indiana. But, we wanted to take the long way home and see some tourist sights on the way! Hmmm! Maybe not such a good idea, but we set out in J's car toward Washington D.C. to see the White House and other famous sights by night.

After driving all night, the next day we got to New York City and were tourists there as long as we could be. While we were having fun, our car caused us trouble and we had to get repairs there...something like a water pump going out and needing to be replaced.

Then we set out on the long trip home by turnpike from New York to Indiana. It was a cold winter day and the gas line froze up on our car along the turnpike. That delayed us even further but we were helped by a policeman driving by.

That evening, about 40 miles from the college, we stopped by my parents' home and were treated to a great meal by my mom. During the meal we counted what money we had left, and discovered we had \$.96 among all six of us! That's how close we came to running out of money! This was a time before credit cards, so we didn't have that option. My parents gave us enough money to make it back to college.

Even with the risky and sometimes foolish ways of young people, we were sustained by the Lord and He provided for us. This was another of *His Marvelous Deeds* in my life.

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



What the Lord has shown me from this experience is that the Lord takes care of our every need, one at a time, even when we are down to a few cents.

A STORY ABOUT TAKING A WRONG TURN IN ST. LOUIS

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It was January of 1986 and I received word that my father had died. I was driving from Columbia, Missouri, to New Haven, Indiana, where the funeral would be held. This would be a drive of about nine hours and I would be driving by myself. There must have been road construction or some reason why I took a different highway than usual this time, but I took I-70 that went through St. Louis rather than the bypass highway. I was not familiar with this part of I-70 and was trying to be careful.

Suddenly I noticed a long long line of cars to my right on an off-ramp from the main highway. I wondered why there was such a long line there. Then I became aware that the off-ramp led to the continuation of I-70 and I had just missed my exit that would lead me to it. Just that quickly, I was now on the wrong road going through the middle of St. Louis! Since I was not used to driving this section of I-70, this caught me by

surprise.

I thought I would just take the next exit, turn around and head back to where I-70 made that turn, and get back on it. Simple, right? Well, it didn't turn out to be simple. When I exited at the next opportunity there was no way to turn around and get back on the same highway to return to the I-70 exit I had missed. I suddenly found myself in the streets of St. Louis with no way back on to the highway - and not in a part of that city that was very inviting. I drove around trying to find some way to get back on my highway.

It was scary driving by myself in a unfamiliar town and in that particular part of it that looked dangerous to me. I drove around and around looking for help to get directions, but I didn't want to stop anywhere that I saw. Finally I found a church, felt safe enough there, and stopped to get directions back to I-70. After getting them I was able to find my way back there and continue on my trip to Indiana.

I was jarred by the experience! How could I so suddenly and quickly get lost in a huge city and be in a situation where I didn't want to stop my car and ask directions from anyone around there. Then I found that church and felt safe. I was very thankful God can lead us to places of safety even in the midst of dangerous situations. Even when we make a wrong turn, He can guide us in the midst of it to find the right way back. I consider this guidance that day as another of *His Marvelous Deeds* which I want to tell others about.

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



What the Lord has shown me through this experience is that He will enable me to find the right way when I get lost and get off the right path.

AN EXPERIENCE WITH A SNOWSTORM

Oh, how I remember that blizzard! It was a snowy blizzard, that's for sure! One of the worst I ever drove in, in all of my life! And I was not a very experienced driver--especially in snow. I was coming home along U. S. Hwy 30 near New Haven, Indiana, that blowy, snowy, blizzardy day, and trying my best to see the road ahead of me. It was one of those times you might call a "white out" because I could not see where I was going! I really could not! I could not see the side of the road or the center of the road!

Oh, my, what was I going to do! I couldn't see even to know where to pull off the road to stop!

Well, that got taken care of for me. Before I knew what happened I slid off into a ditch and the car got stuck there. Since I couldn't get the car to go out of that ditch, I got out of the car and started walking toward home. Praise God, I wasn't very far from my home, only about a quarter mile!

When I got home my father and brothers walked back to where I had left my car and soon returned with it. I don't know how they got it out of the ditch in that storm, but they did! I imagine with lots of pushing the car and spinning wheels.

I've never forgotten that snowstorm when I couldn't see to drive. I look back at that event as one of *His Marvelous Deeds* when I think about other possibilities that might have happened. For instance, I might have run head on into another car going in the opposite direction who couldn't see me or the road either. I could have slid off the road much much farther from home and had longer to walk in the storm. But I now realize how much God was looking out for me that snowy day. Thank You, God!

**“For I am the Lord, your God,
who takes hold of your right hand and says to you,
Do not fear; I will help you.”
(Isaiah 41:13)**



What the Lord has shown me through this experience is that His angels have charge over me even when I don't see where I am going. He will provide a way through the storm.

A STORY ABOUT CAR TROUBLE

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It was April 17, 1963, and I had just left Marion, Indiana, to return to my home in New Haven, Indiana. I was driving an old car that my dear father had purchased for me to use during that time as I stayed at my parents' home and went to graduate school. It was such a blessing for him to do that for me! I was driving north on the highway along country fields when, all of a sudden, my car overheated and shot out all its water. I stopped along the highway wondering what to do.

God help me! What do I do now? As I sat in my car, a man came up to my car and asked if he could help me. *Thanks, God!* He looked at my engine and saw what was wrong. The fan belt had broken so the car wasn't getting cooled properly. He told me that was the trouble and said he could fix it for me.

He said he was a farmer that lived near there and he kept spare fan belts around for his farm machinery. He brought one, replaced my broken one, and put water in the radiator. When I thanked him and tried to pay him for it, he would not take anything for all his help.

Now I wonder if that was an angel sent to rescue me. I don't remember seeing any farmhouse near. And he appeared at my car and offered his help. Hmmm! Well, anyway this was truly one of *His Marvelous Deeds* in my life that I have remembered all these many years later for which I am still grateful.

**“A righteous man may have many troubles,
but the Lord delivers him from them all.”
(Psalm 34:19)**



What the Lord has shown me through this experience is that He sends me help when I call upon him, and it might even be through an angel.

EXPERIENCING GOD'S HELP THROUGH A SHERIFF

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We were driving along I-70 somewhere between Missouri and Indiana. There were three of us making that trip to our family gathering: Beth, her friend JW, and me. I think Beth was driving and I was resting when this happened. The car suddenly stopped as we ran out of gas! What were we going to do now?

After talking about it awhile we decided I should stay with the car in case help came along, and Beth and JW would walk to the next exit and see if they could get some gas to bring back. They started out walking and I sat waiting. And praying! *Lord, work this out for us!*

Well, He did! Very soon a car came along and picked up Beth and JW--the car of an off-duty sheriff, of all people! He took them to a gas station, helped them get gas, and brought them back to our car. Wasn't that wonderful of him? We were all so thankful! The Lord had just performed another one of *His Marvelous Deeds* for us. He sure is good to us!

**“The salvation of the righteous comes from the Lord;
he is their stronghold in time of trouble.”
(Psalm 37:39)**



What the Lord has shown me through this experience is that He will use all kinds of people to help us, people He has near at just the time needed.

A STORY ABOUT UNKNOWN DANGER WHILE IN LAOS

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My ears were hurting from the air pressure change as our small plane circled and prepared to land at the airport at Vientiane, Laos. We were about to visit the third city on our two-week tour through Southeast Asia. Having traveled from the huge city of Tokyo, Japan, where we lived at that time, to the bustling city of Hong Kong, then to Saigon, Vietnam, we were not quite prepared for the sparseness and bleakness of the countryside in the Vientiane area. As we landed and began exploring the city, our amazement increased as we saw practically no stores, only one stoplight in the whole city, and very little traffic on the streets. We had a lot to learn about Laos from the person we were visiting.

Our host shared with us about the country, and in the process mentioned a short trip which possibly could be arranged to visit the ancient capital of Laos called Luang Prabang. It could be reached at that time by joining a pilot who flew a small plane there on special occasions and stopped at a mountain village along the route to deliver rice. This sounded intriguing to us two young explorers wanting to experience all we could during this rare opportunity to visit Laos.

It was arranged. We were told to be at the airport the next day and be ready for a short flight into the mountain village, then another short flight north to the old capital. We also were told we would have about two hours to explore the capital, and then we would have to return to the airport. We were warned not to be late because the pilot would not wait for us. When he was ready to leave, he would leave, with or without us.

The next day when we boarded the plane we found ourselves the only two passengers on a small plane with jump seats along the walls facing the middle. Along with the supplies, we took off for the village in the mountains. This was quite different from a commercial flight!

To get to the village we had to fly low between two mountains and wind our way down quickly into a small valley. As we landed on the edge of the village, we got out of the plane to stretch while the pilot took care of his business there. It was raining, so we stood under the high wing of the plane and began to look around. People began to gather near the plane just as interested in looking at us as we were at them. They stooped down and just stared while we waited. As I watched them I remembered the description I had read of Khmer people of the Laos mountain area, and these people looked just like the description.

The pilot returned and we took off again, this time to land in Luang Prabang, the ancient capital of Laos, in the early afternoon. My husband and I quickly began to walk through as much of the city as we could cover in our two hour time limit. We believed that as we traveled we got a better feel for the place we visited if we spent time walking there. Actually I do not remember seeing any type of transportation we could have used anyway. We discovered that this city had a beauty which made one wish it could still be the capital city instead of the bleak Vientiane.

Believe me, we took no chances on missing our plane back! So we were at the airport at the designated time, not wanting to be left in northern Laos by ourselves. As we waited for the pilot to arrive we sat on boxes sitting in the airport area - boxes of explosives. We could hear shooting in the distance so we knew fighting was not too far away. It was spring of 1962, and there was warfare in northern Laos at that time. Uneasily we waited, and were relieved when the pilot returned and we took off for our return flight to Vientiane.

That night, after we returned, our host discussed our trip with us. When we finished, he remarked, "I did not want to worry you before you left so I did not tell you this...but two weeks ago as that plane flew into the same small mountain village to deliver rice, it was shot at from the mountains on the sides!"

We were shocked! We had no idea it was that dangerous! But God did! How many times He protects us when we are unaware of it. I believe He was performing another of *His Marvelous Deeds* in protecting us during that whole trip!

**"If I go up to the heavens, you are there...
If I rise on the wings of the dawn,
if I settle on the far side of the sea,
even there your hand will guide me,
your right hand will hold me fast."
(Psalm 139:8-10)**



What the Lord has shown me through this experience is that God is watching over me to protect me even from unknown danger near me.

A STORY OF MOM'S VISION WHILE IN THE HOSPITAL

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My Mother was scheduled for open heart surgery at the University Medical Center in Columbia where we lived. She was in the hospital the night before the surgery was to be

held the next day, and had this experience, which she wrote out in her own words:

The evening before my surgery (open heart) Rev. Lon Calaway from the Assembly of God Church came to my room, anointed me and said a healing prayer for me. I was so grateful to him.

On the 9th evening after my surgery, I had a dream, which I now think must have been a vision. I could see a screen up on the wall with little tiny beings covering most of it. They resembled a bent wire, with one leg longer than the other - reminding me of a praying mantis without any head. They were of the purest white light, and shiny and radiant.

Up in the top right hand corner of the screen was a book - shaped like a church window, and I could hear a voice, that I took to be the voice of God, reading from the book, in biblical terms, but explaining the little radiant beings. The voice told me this was a form of healing going on in my body, which hadn't been discovered yet (by man) and as yet there was no name for it. He told me that these little radiant healing agents were scouring my arteries and lungs to heal them. I kept wondering why I had never read this in the Bible, but reasoned later that the voice had said that it wasn't discovered yet and so it probably wasn't in the Bible which we have. I had great peace of mind.

And then another picture was shown me. I and three other open heart patients were in the Thoracic Intensive Care Unit and I could see 3 men-like creatures at the door, trying to get in. They seemed to represent the evil forces in the world. I was told or knew somehow they were trying to get in to kill all of us. I seemed to have peace of mind about it, for I was sure they would never get that door open. They didn't, and soon the pictures faded.

Later in the night I had another dream but I remember nothing about it, so I concluded that it was just an ordinary dream.

The first two pictures seem to get stronger and more fixed in my mind all of the time.

I was so grateful to God that I had the healing picture first as I had great peace of mind, and I just knew that those evil forces would never get that door open, to get in to kill us.

Jennie M. Whitacre



What the Lord has shown me through this experience is that He loves us enough to show us that He is with us, that He answers prayer for healing, and that He protects us when evil tries to come near. He has ways of healing that we don't yet know about.

A STORY OF GOD'S PROTECTION DURING A CAR ACCIDENT

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My sister, Lois, and I were driving along a highway in Indiana heading toward Fort Wayne. She had just received word that a friend of hers needed her immediately so she dropped everything to go. As she left she asked if I wanted to ride along to keep her company. So, together we left the Christian Conference we were attending telling friends we would return the next day.

As we traveled along the two-lane highway, we came upon a large semi-truck and began to pass it. When we were about half way around it the driver of the truck, apparently not seeing us in his side view mirror, began pulling into the passing lane where we were.

The next thing I knew we were careening off the left side of the highway with our car turning completely over and finally coming to a stop in a cornfield! It was the strangest sensation turning over in a car...one which I hope I will never feel again!

My eyes were shut as we went over, but I was quite aware of every sensation. I felt all the bumps and jolts, but at the same time became aware of a stinging pain in my finger! I pulled my hand back from the pain thinking I must be receiving a cut from broken glass in the windshield. My strangely calm thought was: "This must be what it is like to turn over in a car."

As we thudded to a stop, right side up (Praise the Lord!), I opened my eyes and began to look around. There was dust or smoke all around the car. At once I realized the car could catch on fire! I said we should get out immediately in case the car caught on fire. We assured each other we were OK as we hunted for her glasses which had been thrown off her face.

Then we tried to open the doors. They would not open! At that moment I began to feel panic! I began to pound on the door frantically. But it would not open! Just then Lois got the door on her side open, and we realized we could get out, so the panic stopped immediately.

As soon as we got out we walked away from the car through the field to the side of the highway where we sat down a moment to try to grasp what had just happened and what to do next. Then we heard people yelling at us to come across the road away from the wires hanging near us. We had not yet noticed them!

After we crossed the highway to those friendly voices calling to us, we sat down again in our shocked state and began to listen to them speak. They said, "We never expected anyone to come out of that car alive!" They told us that we had hit a pole and broken it in two so that the wires were hanging down around the car. My side door, which I had

frantically tried to open, was lodged against the pole we hit. Thank the Lord I could not get it open, because I might have walked into live wires before realizing it.

After the ambulance got us to an emergency room they had Lois lie down because she had a headache. When the nurse asked me if I was hurt, all I had to report was a cut finger - the pain I felt while the car was turning over. A little later I overheard the nurse quietly tell someone that our blood pressures were "sky high!" She immediately had me lie down also when she discovered that.

Due to the high blood pressure they asked us to be admitted overnight for observation even though we were not hurt. As we lay in our hospital beds we called back to the Christian Conference we had just left, and the whole conference group stopped and prayed for us immediately.

We rested in our beds, bathed in prayer, thanking God for His protection. He had just performed one of His Marvelous Deeds in our lives as He kept us safe through the accident.

**"For he shall give his angels
charge over thee,
to keep thee in all thy ways."
Psalm 91:11 KJV**

What the Lord has shown me here is that even when we encounter dangerous situations He is with us and will help us go through it.

A STORY OF JOYCE PRAYING GOD'S WORD FOR HEALING

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"He sent forth his word and healed them." (Psalm 107:20)

Joyce, my sister, found out she had a precancerous tumor on her pancreas and went through major surgery on February 2004. She had a portion of her pancreas removed at that time and had a slow, but steady, recovery after that time. Four months after her pancreas surgery her doctor ordered a blood test. That first test showed her "diabetic" count at 6.3 (6.5 was diabetic). She was told that diet and exercise wouldn't affect her results, as it was happening because of the trauma to her body caused by the surgery.

The doctor told her that her pancreas was producing insulin, but her body cells weren't utilizing it to deal with the sugars. She was told not to eat desserts and only a little chocolate occasionally. Joyce followed that faithfully, even through Thanksgiving and Christmas. The doctor put her on Actos and told her that she would probably have to

increase the amount gradually.

Joyce had received a copy of Ruth Shinness' book titled *Prayer Strategy Resource Book* which gives testimony to how to unlock the heavens by praying God's Word. Ruth teaches "how the average anybody can fine tune their prayer life with Scriptural skills, so the heavens will burst forth into the blessings Jesus already died to give them...Ruth's way of prayer activates heaven, so it is not you doing the work, but Jesus working His will in and through you....It is like you are going along for the ride and being amazed at every turn as He unfolds His goodness He has always wanted to give you."¹⁰

Her next blood test was eight months after the surgery and her "diabetic count" was 6.4 that time...even a bit higher than the previous count. After this second blood test showing 6.4 Joyce picked up the book by Ruth and thought she would try what Ruth taught about. Joyce would say those Scriptures (and declare them as accomplished positive statements) for healing, maybe four or five of those printed in the book, each day. She didn't always say the same ones, but varied them. She would try to do this each morning. And during the day she would repeat them as she thought of them. The one that meant the most for her was "I will take sickness away from the midst of thee." (Exodus 23:25 KJV) She included "sickness and disease" in the middle of it.

Joyce had no particular sense of anything different going on inside her body. But one thing she discovered was that it made her realize that "it was all Him" and "nothing of me or my efforts" was involved. She just said the words, believing they were true. She came to a point that she "knew" her healing was happening. That may have come at the point where her eyes, which had been blurry for a long time due to this problem, weren't getting blurry anymore.

She kept praying the healing Scriptures daily for the four months. Then, on her last blood test in February 2005, her diabetic count was back to normal at 5.6 (normal is 4.8-6.0). The only thing she had done differently was praying the Scriptures a few minutes each day. She would definitely call this one of *His Marvelous Deeds!* As she shared this testimony in her Sunday School class and with friends and family, several people wanted a copy of the book.* Joyce thanks the Lord for giving her this answer and that it was evident so fast!

**"As the rain and snow come down from heaven
and stay upon the ground to water the earth...,
so also is my word. I send it out
and it always produces fruit."
(Isaiah 55:10-11 TLB)**

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What the Lord has shown me through this story is that praying God's Word is effective in bringing about healing.