

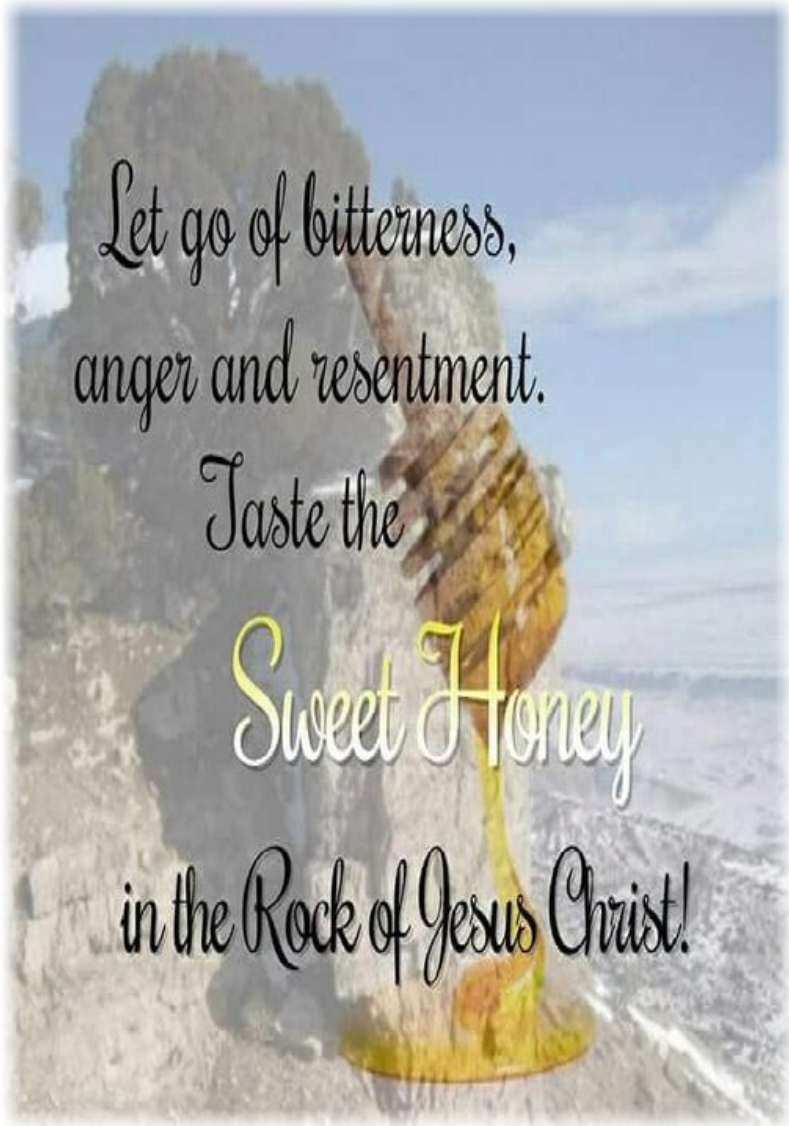
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Let go of bitterness,
anger and resentment.

Taste the

Sweet Honey

in the Rock of Jesus Christ!



Where Will You Find Yourself?

Evangelist/Pastor Barbara

Imagine if My Son Jesus returned today. Where would you find yourself? This is not a question to be taken lightly; it demands immediate attention and introspection.

I will bring this question before your face every day. I do not want one of My Children to perish. 2 Peter 3:8-9 (ETRV) But don't forget this one thing, dear friends: To the Lord, a day is like a thousand years, and a thousand years is like a day. 9 The Lord is not being slow in doing what he promised—the way some people understand slowness. But God is being patient with you. He doesn't want anyone to be lost. He wants everyone to change their ways and stop sinning.

My Son Jesus was nailed to that cross for all of creation. His Love knows no bounds, and His deepest Desire was to see all His Father's creation in Heavenly places. I search the deepest oceans and go to the ends of the earth to free My children from the snare of the Fowler. I leave no stone unturned as I

I constantly look to and fro for those who will answer My call. For those who are willing to sell all and follow Me. I am looking for disciples who will bring forth the harvest of souls.

Luke 14:25-27 (ETRV) Many people were traveling with Jesus. He said to them,

26 "If you come to me but will not leave your family, you cannot be my follower. You must love me more than your father, mother, wife, children, brothers, and sisters—even more than your own life! 27 Whoever will not carry the cross that is given to them when they follow me cannot be my follower.



2 Chronicles 16:9A (ETRV) The eyes of the LORD go around looking in all the earth for people who are faithful to him so that he can make them strong.

Matthew 24:6-8;12-14 (ETRV) You will hear about wars that are being fought. And you will hear stories about other wars beginning. But don't be afraid. These things must happen before the end comes. 7 Nations will fight against other nations. Kingdoms will fight against other kingdoms. There will be times when there is no food for people to eat. And there will be earthquakes in different places. 8 These things are only the beginning of troubles, like the first pains of a woman giving birth. 12 There will be so much more evil in the world that the love of most believers will grow cold. 13 But the one who remains faithful to the end will be saved.

14 And the Good News I have shared about God's kingdom will be told throughout the world. It will be spread to every nation. Then the end will come.

I AM WAITING AT THE FOOT OF THE CROSS TO RECEIVE ALL WHO COME TO ME WITH REPENTIVE HEARTS. I will take those, lead them by the still waters, fill them with Myself, and then send them out into the Harvest fields.

Demons Always Say Three Things to Me Part 2

Shared by Evangelist Pastor Barbara

Author: Reverend Bob Larson

I'M NOT LEAVING: I don't ever recall a case of deliverance when a demon started responding by saying, "Now that you found me, I'm ready to leave." The nature of evil spirits is obstinance and rebellion. They may also contend, "I've been here too long." Whatever the exact words, demons don't give up without a fight. They do not start the deliverance process by raising the white flag and surrendering to the power of Christ. The response to satanic stubbornness should always be the same: "You are leaving in the name of Jesus, and you will be cast out to the Pit."

I HAVE A RIGHT TO STAY: The second thing demons claim is the right to remain in the host. This must immediately be challenged by demanding that the evil spirit declare what right he has. On occasion, the demon may speak truthfully and have some kind of right which the host must then cancel by renunciation; however, usually, this is a false boast. For example, the demon may say, "I have a right because of the ungodly life this person lived." That would immediately be countered by reminding the demon that the person seeking help is a child of God and has repented of their past. Having failed the first attempt to claim a right, demons usually move on to a second or third reason. It's obvious they are trying to bargain and have no legitimate means to stay. In the rare case where the demon does have a right that hasn't been canceled by the blood of Christ, the deliverance minister simply needs to lead the supplicant in prayers to nullify that right.

HE OR SHE WANTS OR NEEDS ME: Having failed to establish a legal right and admitting that their boast of remaining has no logical grounds, a desperate demon will then try to claim they can stay because the host wants or needs them. I have heard demons argue on this basis in several different ways. The evil spirit may say, "This person is so damaged and weak they can't survive without me giving them strength." Or the demon may argue, "He or she has never known life without me. I have been there since birth manipulating their decisions and emotions, and they are incapable of surviving on their own." Such arguments are easily countered by scriptures such as 2 Corinthians 12:9-10 - "When I am weak, then I am strong" because the grace of Christ is "sufficient" (verse 9).

To summarize, Christians can be demonized. Their demons may try to cleverly avoid expulsion by disingenuous and unbiblical reasoning. Quickly countering the false claims of evil spirits undercuts their reasoning and falsely claimed rights. Remember, demons are liars. Jesus explained in John 8:44 that the devil "was a murderer from the beginning, and does not stand in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaks a lie, he speaks from his own resources, for he is a liar and the father of it."

ENCOURAGING WORD

TRUST AND BE DELIVERED

Have you failed God and wondered if He would take you back? Have you fallen short so many times you're ready to give up? Israel did the same thing, over-and-over again. But the Psalmist declared of the Jews, "They cried to you, and were delivered. They trusted in you and were not ashamed" (Psalm 22:5). If the constantly failing children of Israel could turn back to God, so can you. Don't believe the lies of Satan that God has forsaken you. He is ready to help you out of your troubles. Trust in him, put away your shame, and He will deliver YOU.

Prophetic Word from the Teaching Sunday Night

- Honey In The Rock

Evangelist Pastor Barbara

(Sermon can be found on website or on Facebook which will include the scriptures that goes along with this Prophetic Word Teaching)

I am releasing honey from the rock.

Where the sting of hope deferred, heartbreak, and devastation has struck your life, I am now striking the rock on your behalf.

From the rock will flow honey as a healing balm, like rivers of living water, to restore and repair the ruin caused by the pain and trauma of the onslaught of enemy attack.

I will nourish you with honey and oil from the rock, for I am your rock.

My honey will bring deep, nourishing, and lasting healing to your soul. As gracious words are like a honeycomb, sweet to the soul, so I will bring a deep healing to your bones

Where life has stung you and left you rejected, robbed, and wounded, Jesus was wounded for all your transgressions.

You are invited to exchange your hurts and pain to live empowered as co-heirs, chosen sons and daughters adopted into the Kingdom of God, and authorized citizens of heaven.

"I am moving upon my people and through my bride in miraculous ways, new to your realm of comprehension. Lift up your eyes! From where does your help come from **Psalm 121:1-2**

Miracles of inconceivable magnitude are coming to the desolate wasteland in the hearts of My people and the heartlands of nations. Even those that you thought would be impossible to reach will now become as the land where milk and honey will flow.

Do not fear! Hold steadfast to My unfailing love.

Do not fear, for I am with you. Do not be dismayed.

Do not allow fear to cause you to flick off and dismiss the move of My spirit that is now upon you.

As you hold steadfast to My unfailing love, you will begin to encounter Me 'as eyes have not seen, ears have not yet heard, and the human mind has not yet conceived'

Do not flick off this move of My spirit through fear of My supernatural and invisible realm, through which I am sweeping across your lands. For it is 'not by might, nor by power, but by My Spirit, says the Lord of Hosts'

I am pouring out honey from the rock and releasing the oil of My anointing to turn the hearts of stone to hearts of flesh. I am softening hearts to be malleable in My hands, as the clay on the potter's wheel is to the potter.

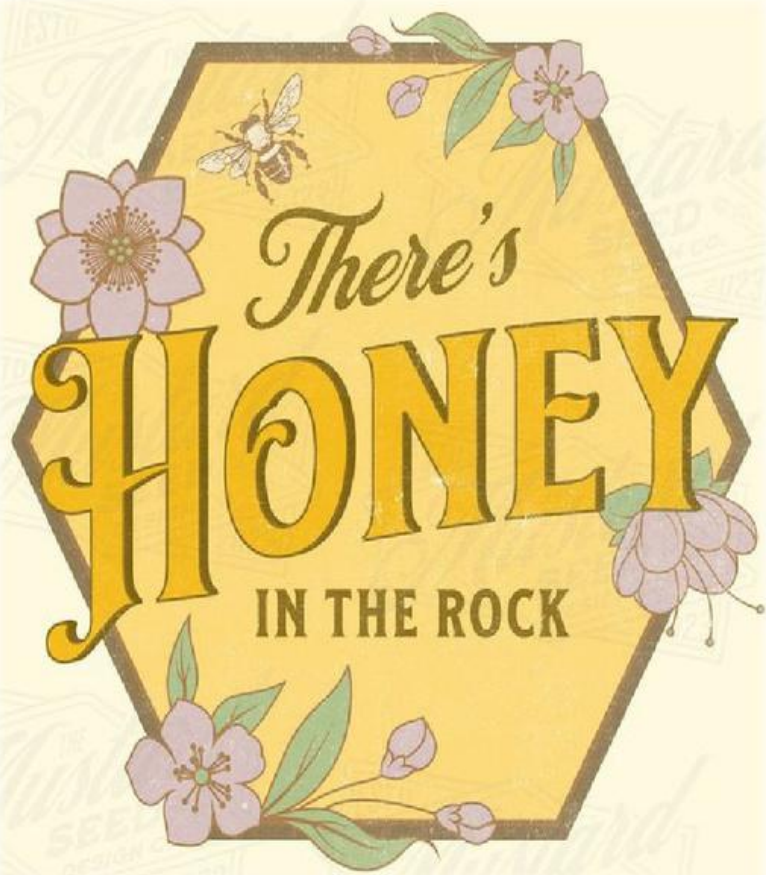
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Place yourself on the potter's wheel, humble in heart and yielded in tender surrender to Jesus. Expect to see the healing honey pour forth from Jesus, the rock of ages.

Do not fear the sting of death, for I have overcome death to bring forth life-giving honey from the rock.

Set your eyes like flint upon Jesus, the rock of ages, and watch what He will do through you as you behold Him.

I will stand there before you by the rock at Horeb. Strike the rock, and water will come out of it for the people to drink.' so Moses did this in the sight of the elders of Israel."



"Whispers From My Heart"

Title: Ready, Set, Go !

Tianna Muiruri

In a race, the phrase "Ready, Set, Go!" is plain, simple, and straightforward.

But even the most straightforward things can be read backward.

"Go, Set, Ready!"

In most cases, I don't pay attention to backward concepts, but in this case, "Go, Set, Ready!" almost sounds like "Go, Get, Ready!", and that has caught all of my attention because the phrase is familiar to a different kind of race. One that doesn't contain rocks, but petals, instead of sharp turns it's straight down, the crowd that is usually in the stands cheering you on is quiet, facing you with a merry heart, and the runner's uniform is replaced with flowy white apparel.

A Wedding!

Never in a million years would I think of a wedding as a race, because a race is typically generalized as a competition between other runners, but the bride has no competition because her prize at the end of the aisle is her groom. However, you know that long white strip of fabric that starts at the front door of a church (wedding venue example) to the altar, it's called an aisle runner. Also, you know in Corinthians when Paul stated, "Do you not know that in a race all the runners run [their very best to win], but only one receives the prize? Run [your race] in such a way that you may seize the prize and make it yours!" Though his message was directed to the church of Corinth, he was also speaking to the church as a whole, and the church is referred to as the Bride of Christ. So without being said, we must run the race in such a way as the Bride of Christ would, because the one that receives the prize is the bride. After all, it is she who receives the bridegroom (Jesus), the "Well done", and the crown.

You became the bride of Christ when you said yes to Jesus, and that aisle to his second coming between the door of today and the altar of his arrival will feel like a race, but the bride never quits being the bride. She is committed! She is beloved!

"Then I heard something that sounded like a large crowd of people. It was as loud as crashing waves or claps of thunder. The people were saying, "Hallelujah! Our Lord God rules. He is the All-Powerful. Let us rejoice and be happy and give God glory! Give God glory, because the wedding of the Lamb has come. And the Lamb's bride has made herself ready. Fine linen was given to the bride for her to wear. The linen was bright and clean." Revelations 19:6-8 -ERV

She makes herself ready by responding to the words, "Ready, Set, Go!", after she has said yes to Jesus, and on that journey, adventure, and in that race, her stride becomes swifter and stronger, and better prepared for the coming.

Run the race as the Bride of Christ would.

Pick Yourself Up

Reverend Brett Connell

Have you ever had the thought, “Someone must be praying for me because...”? This might be exactly what happened when you have sudden moments of clarity and wisdom. Sometimes we get in a rut, or even a routine, and we get stuck there. We may not even realize we are there – but even if we do, we might feel helpless to do anything about it.

Almost always, the devil has bombarded you with some train of thought or string of words that seeped in and you started believing it. What you thought was normal life beyond your control was actually a life of bondage from deception or delusion. Once you’ve been ‘woken up’ (by the grace of God) what can you do? The only thing you can do is repent and move forward.

I feel an important thing to mention is how you might feel about it afterward. Our emotions want us to feel shame, regret, or we may even want to condemn ourselves. These aren’t useful emotions when they are used for the purpose of punishing ourselves. The Holy Spirit will convict us – not condemn us. His job is to show us the error of our ways and get us to a place of truth where we genuinely feel remorseful for whatever it was we did that wasn’t right. Once we repent from the heart, He no longer convicts us of it. Any negative emotion after true repentance is likely the enemy trying to hit us with guilt, shame, or condemnation.

If you know what God has told you, asked of you, and what He’s called you to do – then pick yourself up and start doing it. Maybe things changed since the last time God spoke? That shouldn’t stop you from doing what you know to do. Maybe you lost your mantle? Well, maybe you did or maybe you didn’t. This too, shouldn’t stop you from moving forward. “What if God took His anointing from me, but I still have the gift, maybe the enemy is using my gift and I’m in delusion...” Tell Satan to get behind you. If you genuinely cared about your right standing with God and genuinely repented with the intent to serve God and do what He’s asked, then that doesn’t apply to you.

The enemy’s top strategy in this hour is to get you to STOP. Sitting down, woe is me, boo-hoo, etc. It doesn’t matter how he does it – as long as the end result is that you sat down. If you found yourself sitting down, squatting, walking backwards, or running in place – pick yourself up. Don’t depend on someone else to pick you up because they won’t (or they have tried and you wouldn’t let them.) Pick yourself up and move forward. Now isn’t the time to be caught sitting down, or you’ll stay down.



Honey from the Rock

...with honey from the
rock I would satisfy you.
(Psalms 81:16, ESV)

The Old is Not a Path to the New.

Reverend Christopher Gore

The old is not a path to the new. I am doing a new thing, but My prophets seem content to seek Me in the old things that I used to do. They can seek but they will not find Me there. I am moving and I have told you to move with the Cloud. I will not go against your wills. You will just be empty and unfulfilled. You will miss your destiny and the reward that I have promised you.

Why are My people content to have a surface level relationship with Me? I am much deeper and much wider than you understand. Stop professing yourselves to be wise in Me. Learn to be fools so that I can use you to confound the wise. Seek Me like little children and I will lead you in the way everlasting.

Put aside your tricks and your methods, they are full of emptiness and deceit. They will not bring forth the anointings that are needed to set the captives free. Follow My heart. Get on My plan and you will see great and mighty things take place. The darkness is getting darker and will continue to grow as such. My people are not ready for the deeper truths that are needed in this hour. Milk is for babies. I need grown men and grown women to take the pureness of My Word into the harvest field.

This new generation that I'm bringing forth needs the truth to sustain them. Deception is not only in the atmosphere, but it is flooding up from the Earth. It is contaminating everything that it touches. Wash yourselves continually in My Word. My Word will remove the filth and the degradation as I intended it to do. The onslaught of the enemy will continue all the way until My Son returns. Do not let this stop you from seeking My face and getting wisdom to fight your daily battles. I will feed you fresh manna from heaven and you will be sustained in Me.

Stop trying to make things happen. Only I can bring forth revival. I am not trying to glorify you. You must glorify Me. When My Body gets this in order then there will be perfect understanding of what I am doing in this hour.

You must understand that the Apostate Church is alive and well. It is doing damage. It is causing My little ones to stumble on the left and on the right. You must do your part so that those I've called you too do not fall prey to the Apostate Church. I've called you forth Remnant to do My "greater works" it doesn't matter what the Apostate Church says, or does they will be seen for who they really are... a nation of goats. In due season they will be removed. I am separating and dividing.

You want revival? Stay on the path that I have placed you on. It will lead you to revival. You must see children that in this moment of time you only prophesy in part. The day is coming where you will prophesy in whole. For now, your task is to just love Me and follow Me.



Women Carrying Abusive Power

Evangelist Kathryn Gore

In recent news, stories upon stories have been revealed about women who sit in high places, abusing their power of authority. This has become problematic (troublesome).

Each story has been different in nature, but all share the same motive. Control. These women in power desire control more than anything. When being exposed, (anger, defiance, lies) and much more came along with covering up, but God is not playing. Why? These women know exactly what they are doing. They are strategic and motivated in carrying out an agenda that will benefit them personally.

When processing this, God revealed to me it's selfish ambition that has driven these women into dark places. They know what they are doing is wrong, but they are up for the challenge to fight through until the very end. Some women have been found guilty in the courtroom of heaven and in the earthly courtrooms, while others move forward believing they are untouchable and can't be stopped.

Women are looking for strong women in power to lead them along the way. Unfortunately, the ways of life have become tainted to the degree that women would rather follow a strong woman with less integrity who knows how to "play her cards right", than to follow a woman of God, a woman of righteousness. They see the benefits that one gains by using manipulation and control in hopes they too can get the same play, but where does this take them? Sure, they get the benefits but at what cost?

There's a phrase, "What's done in the dark will come to light." Many people are tricked into believing God has played a role in their ways of darkness. Trust and believe, all things do not come from God. At some point, you will be held accountable for your actions. There's nothing you can hide from God. If no one can see you, God can.

I remember last year, God had me teach on godly women being called to the frontline. The more I hear about the truth of what's going on out in the world, the more I see why God is calling His daughters to the frontline. Standing on the frontline will cost you a lot. You will indeed carry some weight and go through some challenges to prepare you for the frontline. There's opposition and battles on the frontline but God has created you to be a strong leader, to lead others into safety (Jesus).

It's okay to have goals and dreams to pursue if God is in it with you. It's not okay for you to manipulate your way through the top. You don't have to fight to gain control, you would have to give up your control and allow for God to lead your footsteps. If God's in it. You will not fail. There may be some bumps in the road along the way, but each step and each trial will make you stronger, putting your faith in God (not yourself). If you are privately wondering what would God have me to do, friend you are blessed. Always remember, God is for you and not against you. Put God first and everything will fall into place.

Proverbs 31:25 ESV- Strength and dignity are her clothing, and she laughs at the time to come.

Proverbs 31:30 ESV- Charm is deceitful, and beauty is vain, but a woman who fears the Lord is to be praised.

Court of New Beginnings, Article 5

Reverend Aaron Betz

Let's move on with our case sequence. Have you made amends where you need to? Have you learned any lessons or had any "Ah-hah!" moments? Are your promises freed up on your end? If so, then you are prepared to claim your promises from the Courts of Heaven in an official manner. You want to have the promises that you have contended with God for in hand as you will now allow God to rule in your favor and against your enemy. This scripture can now be your weapon:

Psalm 35: 1 (BSB) Contend, LORD, with those who contend with me; fight against those who fight against me. Take up shield and armor; arise and come to my aid. Brandish spear and javelin against those who pursue me.

When you are ready, you may enter in to the Court of Promises- this time contending against your enemy (FYI: It's always a good idea to say a quick repentance prayer for anything known or unknown before taking part in any court case- confirm that you are in right standing and covered in the Blood of Jesus). You may use this as a prayer outline, but do add in your own details as you see fit:

God, I stand with you and all of Heaven. I ask that every enemy of my promise(s) be brought into your court. I thank you for hearing my previous pleas. I now ask that the testimony of the Shed Blood of Jesus be given on my behalf to further purify me, my life, my spiritual and natural grounds to receive your blessing. I ask that every accusation and weapon that has been brought against me and my blessings be disassembled, removed, and destroyed according to Your Word:

Isaiah 54:17 (BSB) No weapon formed against you shall prosper, And every tongue which rises against you in judgment You shall condemn. This is the heritage of the servants of the LORD, And their righteousness is from Me," Says the LORD.

I ask that my status of being in right standing with you be proven to the enemy of my promises. I ask for full eviction, removal, and restraint of every form of darkness from my promises and my promised land.

Allow now for the enemy's rebuttal and allow God, the Judge to decide. In some cases, you may have to answer the enemy's rebuttal, but as we have carefully dealt with our many issues ahead of time, the enemy has no proper rebuttal and the testimony of the blood of Jesus has already spoken: Mercy Mercy! (and) Let My people go! The case is now officially sealed in his Blood of Jesus. If there has been any response of the enemy, ask that God judge the enemy for calling what God has called clean dirty.

Ask God to seal your destiny in Him that you may be able to receive His verdict and all that the verdict entails. You now have the title deed to your promises (receive it). The next step is to take your verdict and new found vindication into the Court of Covenant. Allow the Holy Spirit to reveal to you the depths of your promises. Assuming you have taken the proper steps with God concerning your promises, you are now freed up to start walking in and UNDERSTANDING your promises. Receive your new in-depth disclosure and grow in God's new revealed purpose concerning the things you have contended for.

Forgiveness, Can I do it?

By Theresa McGinnis

After we have been cheated or rejected, abandoned or betrayed, we need the ability to see beautiful again. Forgiveness is the weapon. Our choices moving forward are the battlefield. Moving on is the journey, and being released from the heavy feeling is the reward. Regaining the possibility of trust and closeness is the sweet victory! And walking confidently with the Lord from hurt to healing is the freedom that awaits. Forgiveness is freeing! A lot of people think forgiveness isn't possible, but it is, but some times it may not seem to be possible. Forgiveness is doubled-edged word. It's hard to give. It's amazing to get. But when we receive it freely from the Lord and refuse to give it, something heavy begins to form in our souls. Forgiveness isn't something hard we have the option to do or not to do. Forgiveness is something hard won that we have the opportunity to participate in. Our part in forgiveness isn't one of desperation where we have to muscle through with gritted teeth and clenched fist. It isn't fighting through the irritation and wrestling down the indignation. It isn't sobbing through the resistance of all our justifications to stay angry and hurt and horrified by all they did. Forgiveness isn't an act of our determination. Forgiveness is only made possible by our cooperation. God knew that we couldn't do it on our own. He knew that from the very first crunch of the forbidden fruit became sin's first sound. Then came the hiss of the enemy's accusations and the pounding footsteps of a terrified man and woman. Adam and Eve ran to the darkness as blame and shame reverberated with echoes we still hear coming out of our mouths today. Then they hid. As soon as sin was their choice, the cover of darkness was their preference. But make no mistake, the darkness isn't just what covers us, it is also what hovers over us and causes the maddening heaviness that hangs over us. We all have a place that we run to where is dark rather than to risk what may come out in the light. We want freedom yet we are resistant to simply do what God says to do. And because God knew this, He made a way not dependent on our strength. He gave us Jesus. He covers and forgives what we are only able to hide. He forgives what we could never be good enough to make right. And makes a way for us to simply cooperate with His work of forgiveness, for us to receive, and for us to give. Forgiveness isn't always about doing something for a human relationship to be restored, but rather it is about being obedient to God's instructions. Those who cooperate the most fully are those who dance most freely in the beauty of redemption. Are you willing to start cooperating with God and reaching out in forgiveness? Are you ready to shake off all of that heaviness and start dancing freely in your redemption? It is easier than you think. Remember how God came to you, full of grace and mercy and forgiveness? Isn't it the time for us to do the same for those that are around us?

Persistent Prayer

Sis Grace Crescenzo

Persistent Prayer

Luke 18:1-8 Then Jesus told his disciples a parable to teach them that they should always pray and never become discouraged. "In a certain town there was a judge who neither feared God nor respected people. And there was a widow in that same town who kept coming to him and pleading for her rights, saying, 'Help me against my opponent!' For a long time, the judge refused to act, but at last he said to himself, 'Even though I don't fear God or respect people, yet because of all the trouble this widow is giving me, I will see to it that she gets her rights. If I don't, she will keep on coming and finally wear me out!'"

And the Lord continued, "Listen to what that corrupt judge said. Now, will God not judge in favor of his own people who cry to him day and night for help? Will he be slow to help them? I tell you, he will judge in their favor and do it quickly. But will the Son of Man find faith on earth when he comes?"

Hannah's Story

1 Samuel 1:11-12 Hannah made a solemn promise: "Lord Almighty, look at me, your servant! See my trouble and remember me! Don't forget me! If you give me a son, I promise that I will dedicate him to you for his whole life and that he will never have his hair cut." Hannah continued to pray to the Lord for a long time... (and God granted her a son, Samuel)

We must remind the Lord of His promises, and give Him no rest, be constant in prayer...

Isaiah 62:6-8 On your walls, Jerusalem, I have placed sentries; They must never be silent day or night. They must remind the Lord of his promises. And never let him forget them. They must give him no rest until he restores Jerusalem. And makes it a city the whole world praises. The Lord has made a solemn promise, and by his power he will carry it out...

Romans 12:12 Rejoice and exult in hope; be steadfast and patient in suffering and tribulation; be constant in prayer.

This is where our prayers go...

Revelation 5:8 As he did so, the four living creatures and the twenty-four elders fell down before the Lamb. Each had a harp and gold bowls filled with incense, which are the **prayers** of God's people.

Revelation 8:3 Another angel, who had a gold incense container, came and stood at the altar. He was given a lot of incense to add to the **prayers** of all God's people and to offer it on the gold altar that stands before the throne.

Revelation 8:4 The smoke of the burning incense went up with the **prayers** of God's people from the hands of the angel standing before God.

1 Peter 4:7, The end of all things is near. You must be self-controlled and alert, to be able to **pray**.

Prayers are not answered because we give up. Great faith is persistent!

The Spiritual Rain of God

Reverend Astrid Sherriff

Rain is often presented as a symbol of God's abundant provision for His creation. The Book of Psalms, in particular, is rich in references to rain, as a manifestation of God's care for his people.

Psalm 65:9-10 proclaims, "You care for the earth and water it; You enrich it abundantly. The streams of God are filled with water to provide grain for the people because you have commanded it so."

Rain has deep spiritual significance in all cultures and belief systems. Rain is often perceived as a message from the divine, a symbol of cleansing and renewal, and a reflection of the interconnectedness between humans and the natural world—the spiritual meanings of rain, shed light on the various ways it is often perceived.

We also have the Spiritual Refreshment which goes beyond your physical food for the earth, the rain serves spiritual renewal and blessings. In prophetic writings, rain is used to convey the idea of refreshment and God's spiritual restoration. The prophet Joel speaks of God pouring out His Spirit as rain on all people, which means a spiritual awakening.

Joel 2:23-29 Rejoice, O inhabitants of Zion, rejoice in the Lord your God, for he has given you the autumn rains. He sends the rain, the autumn, and the spring, as in times past.²⁴ The fields will be filled with grain, and the winepresses will overflow with new wine and oil. ²⁵ "I will repay you for the years when the great army of locusts I sent against you devoured everything, the great ones, the small ones, the young ones, and the grasshoppers. ²⁶ You will eat abundantly until you are satisfied, and you will praise the name of the LORD your God, who will do wonders for you. Never again will my people be put to shame! ²⁷ Then they will know that I am amid Israel, the Lord their God, and there is none else besides me; my people will never again be put to shame. ²⁸ After this, I will pour my Spirit on every human being. Your sons and daughters will prophesy, you will have dreams, the old will have dreams, and the young will receive visions.²⁹ In those days I will pour out my Spirit even on male and female servants.

Jesus used agricultural metaphors, including rain, to convey spiritual truths in his parables. Matthew 13:3-9 And he said many things like these in parables: "A Sower went out to sow. ⁴ As he was scattering the seeds, some of them fell by the roadside, and the birds came and ate them. ⁵ Another part fell on stony ground, without much soil. Those seeds sprouted soon because the earth was not deep;⁶ But when the sun rose, the plants withered and withered because they had no root. ⁷ Another part of the seeds fell among thorns, which choked the plants as they grew. ⁸ But the other seeds fell on good ground, where there was a harvest that yielded as much as a hundred, sixty, and thirty times more than had been sown. ⁹ he who has ears, let him hear."

HOW TO READ MEDICINE LABELS

Reverend Naomi Nichols

There's a lot of important information that comes with the medicine you buy at the pharmacy. The Drug Facts panel on the medicine lets you know how to take it, what's in it and how it might make you feel. But the way the info is written can make it tricky to understand. Hopefully this will make sense of it so you can avoid common, possibly dangerous mistakes.

ACTIVE INGREDIENTS – this is at the top of the label on over-the-counter meds. It's the ingredient in the medicine that treats a symptom, along with the type of medication it is, like "antihistamine" or "pain reliever." It also tells you how much of the drug is in each dose.

USES – this section gives you a snapshot of the symptoms or diseases that the drug can treat. For example, a pain-reliever label might say it eases toothaches, headaches, joint pain and menstrual cramps. Always check this part when you buy a new medication to make sure it will do what you need it to do.

WARNINGS – one of the most important parts of the drug label and it's usually the largest. It gives you safety details about the medicine. You'll find four things here that can help you check if it's not safe to take with some health conditions or other medications.

1. Who shouldn't take the drug
2. When you should stop using it
3. When to call your doctor
4. Side effects you might have

DIRECTIONS – check this part carefully. It tells you how much of the drug to take and how often to take it. It may say to take two tablets every 4 to 6 hours. Never take more than the label says without talking to your doctor. The directions are grouped by age, so you know how much you or your child can use. You'll also get details about the maximum amount you should take in 1 day.

OTHER INFORMATION – heat and humidity can sometimes damage medications, so keeping them in your bathroom or in a car when the weather's warm may not be a good idea. It will tell you the right temperature range for storing the product. It also reminds you to make sure the package's safety seal hasn't been broken before you use it, which could be a sign of tampering.

INACTIVE INGREDIENTS – these are ingredients in a drug that don't directly treat your symptoms. They might be preservatives, dyes or flavorings.



You Need to Know the Authority of the Enemy to Defeat Him in the Courts of Heaven Part 1

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Have you ever been in battle with the enemy – the devil and you feel that you are at your last move and you are out of options and feel like your back is up against the wall?

This is the time and hour that we are to take our prayers, petitions, battles, etc to the Courts of Heaven. When you are going up against your opponent, adversary – the devil, Satan, it is very important to know about him, what he does, what authority he has, what is his tackle actions – and what weapons are used the most effective to take your enemy down so that you are not backed up against that wall and know when to call out to God and step aside completely.

Micheal the Archangel – one of the princes- a mighty warrior like heavenly host- who has been in combat numerous times in the bible understood the enemy and knew when to step aside and leave the rest in the Lord's hands. His final move was – “The Lord rebuke you!” {Daniel 10:13, 10:21, 12:1; Jude 1:9; Revelation 12:7}

As we come to the Courts of Heaven we too need to understand and know that God and Jesus have all power over the devil and all that is under him. God is the judge and has the final say over all things. And Jesus stripped Satan of his authority and power. Jesus took the keys from the devil that the devil gained when Adam fell. But even when Satan had those “authorities and powers” he still had to go to God to ask permission to do anything that goes beyond his authority boundaries to someone who was living for God – (see Job)

Yes, Jesus died on the cross and He gained all power over the devil and then gave us that power, BUT there is still legal authority that the enemy works through that we need to be aware of that it still has to be FOUGHT against.

The Word of God also tells us we need to know the devils strengths and weaknesses so you know how to fight, contend, and win every battle completely – bringing forth the victory that is already yours through the blood of Jesus Christ. But YOU have to BELIEVE it and WALK in it – KNOWING that it is true and this you will FAITH you will continue to build on the rest of your life and walk with God. And you are still told to wear the Armor of God so that you can combat the attacks of the enemy and stay protected during the battles and out of battles.

Jesus died to give us life – both physically and spiritually and ultimately ETERNAL life. His blood gave us the power – the tool to defeat the devil and to have power over him – and to win the cases in the Courts of Heaven over him.

Jesus did that by taking the authority from Satan during the time of the three days of the crucifixion to the resurrection. Jesus gave us the one thing Satan didn't want us to have and that was to be reconnected back to God, to know love, and most importantly to be able to live an eternal life in heaven.

(We will continue next week to begin on what authority does the enemy really have?)



There is
HONEY
In the Rock

With honey in the rock
I would satisfy you
Psalm 81:16



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