

# FOUNDATION OF GOD'S HOUSE

# **OPENING PRAYER**

Oh Lord, you opened the door and I walked in. You showed me through your dominion, the glory I had seen. Nothing on earth could have been.

Oh Lord, your dominion covers the heavens, so great it is. Never has man been able to build a dominion as yours. Even Solomon with all his wealth could not build a dominion so grand.

Oh Lord, when I now travel the road you have me on I know that the journey leads to your estate. I travel the way you told me to.

Oh Lord, my bags are packed. I have your book. I will spread your word.

Oh Lord, my God, ever so wise. You called and I your servant answered. Here Lord I am for now I know your voice and name.

Oh Lord, It may have taken me longer than Samuel to know your voice, but once I knew it I could not turn back.

Oh Lord, now when you call I answer, here I am ready to serve you whether it is day or night.

Oh Lord, thank you for the Spirit who is my guide. Keep me safe from the darkened night. Open my heart let me see.

Oh Lord, let me know that for which you showed them. Un-harden my heart so that my love is their love and their love is my love.

Oh Lord, the day has begun; my journey is walking in the sand. Now side by side for I see not two sets of footprints but three.

Amen

# **DEDICATION**

In giving praise and glory to God as I have all my life, I have never known a woman like the one that took me back to His house.

(Rev. 12:1) And there appeared a great wonder in heaven; a woman clothed with the sun, and the moon under her feet, and upon her head a crown of twelve stars.

Can it not be that this type of woman is why God made women to keep Men Company and to serve with him?

It is just possible that when man made bad decisions because of a woman, that man can also make good decisions for the same reason.

When David fell out of favor with God it was because of Bath-sheba, Samson and Delilah, Adam and Eve, Solomon and one thousand wives.

Is it then so difficult for a good woman to understand her responsibility, that if she has dedicated her life to God and she comes across a man that is at the crossroad, should she not take his hand and lead him to God?

I have met only one woman like this, and I fell in love with her. Can you imagine the strength of character, the dedication to God, her patience, understanding and belief in me?

I trust in her friendship. It does not matter whether my love is returned as a man, what matters is that love is returned as God loves us.

I know that in friendship each learn and take with them the greater glory of God. She has tested my faith, and she shows me what a real woman is like.

I love you my great woman of God and that is the reason that I have dedicated this book to you.

We educate each other on how to better serve each other and she has never met a man like me nor have I met a woman like her.

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# **FOREWORD**

It is my belief that God called all of us to Him but only a few are chosen, because only a few answer His call. It is because I have been called I am writing this book.

Men who learn to follow the path of Jesus will learn to be a man more than the ones that try to show how manly they are to impress others.

I have taken the draft copies of this book and I have asked for the opinion of a cross sector of people to read what I have written and they gave me their thoughts about what I am writing. I waited for their response before writing my conclusion and inserting their opinions.

The four areas that I have concentrated on are: Would women submit to men in church and the home again? Do men fear women in authority? Women's expectations of men, and how do we get men back into church?

In addition it has been brought to my attention that even though I had spent over forty years in the Catholic church, a male dominated church, and because the last two years my church's Pastor is a female from the West Indies that I may have a bias opinion. In addition the mixture of culture and ethnic background along with the low percentage of males in church may have influenced the way I have written this book.

My belief is that nothing is by chance, that God positions each of us to do His work and this is the reason I am writing this book.

The other day when I was looking to God for an answer I was listening to a Christian radio station. The discussion was, "where do women find a good Christian man to marry?" The person that was answering the question was a female with a doctrine degree. Her answer was, "That a good place to start is at your church, however the percentage of Christian males that are attending churches are far less than the females."

There may be a large number of Christian males that do not attend church and I call upon them to take an active role to lead men and themselves back to the congregation of their choice. The foundation of the home is the father and the foundation of the church is the same. Without strong Christian male role models our young men will continue to fall out of position.

When non-Christian men do not understand they turn to violence and lust, Christian men turn to prayer and God.

If my writing brings one man back into position then the purpose of writing this book has been fulfilled.

(Habakkuk 2:1-3)

- (1:1) I will stand upon my watch, and set me upon the tower, and watch what he has to say unto me, and I shall answer when I am reproved.
- (1:2) And the Lord answered me, and said, Write the vision, and make it plain upon tables, that he may run that readeth it.
- (1:3) For the vision is yet for an appointed time, but at the end it shall speak, and not lie: though it tarry, wait for it; because it will surely come, it will not tarry.

I have in addition heard from individuals that the church is a business and that it is run for a profit. I cannot disagree with this statement, however the so called devil has a business also; they are the books, television and radio stations and the lost men and women that have turned away from God.

We cannot reach them without spending vast amounts of time, energy and money to insure that God's Word is heard. We must not only talk the talk but we must also walk the walk. This does not come without a cost. Men and women alike must show by choosing the path Jesus took, that we can feed ourselves and maintain the same standard of living as those who follow their carnal mind and operate in the flesh rather than the spirit.

Is it Godly to be poor? Is it ungodly to be rich? My thoughts are that it is not how rich or poor you are but what you do with what God gave you.

This book is written to save one man as God has brought me back to Him.

(Micah 6:8) He hath shown thee, O man, what is good; and what doth the Lord require of thee, but to do justly, and to love mercy, and to walk humbly with thy God?

As did Solomon, I seek knowledge, understanding

and the wisdom to use the knowledge.

If you look at my past you would be seeking the flesh. God sees the man inside and for this reason: "He called and I answered."

## INTRODUCTION

Has the devil won? Is there a devil?

Is it our own carnal mind looking for an excuse to blame anyone or anything for not following God's plan?

These three questions will be the theme of this book and the answers can only be the truth, which is found in the Word.

I believe the church cannot fix society's problem when the foundation is out of place yet not many churches are willing to address this subject.

(Psalm 11:3) "When the foundations are being destroyed, what can the righteous do?"

No matter how much the church works at correcting social ills, if the foundation that God laid for the family is not in place, even the work of the righteous will not be successful. So the adversary does not care if the church is filled with women, as long as men do not come to their Father, and those women and their children remain fatherless. Fatherhood is the foundation of the family, the church, and the culture.

Back on March 25 1999 I wrote, "Where are all the I saw in this church and in other churches that good men?"

I am not here to judge you. Nor am I here to judge your friends, husbands or associates.

I only desire to understand that if the Lord brought His son to atone for our sins, then why is it today most women are coming to speak His name yet few men?

I wrote this back before the reason for writing it was known to me. I have written this book as God had me start over a year ago.

The question is, "Men's greed or God's will?"

The foundation of God's House is the unity of man I hear the voices of women who say there are few

and woman for if they do not work as one there is no victory.

(Micah 6:8) He hath shown thee, O man, what is good; and what doth the Lord require of thee, but to do justly, and to love mercy, and to walk humbly with thy God?

#### WHERE ARE ALL THE GOOD MEN

It is not from me you should hear why the Lord wants us to be saved. But it's from His lips you must hear, "Come to me and find faith as all is forgiven for those who are truly sorry for their sins."

I come before you as an outsider who has looked through the glass and I have seen both sides.

I understand what it is to sin, and to be sinned against, and yet I have never set aside the words, " That no matter when we ask for forgiveness it is granted by the Lord with no questions asked."

I came into a church as an outsider and the first thing I noticed was the pure of heart sitting there were women of God, but few if any men were with the good women.

I asked one of the elders why this was so, and she could not give me an answer.

Back over a year ago I asked to address this, and I wrote, (Where are all the good men?)

many children are without their fathers to guide them.

I see the structure of our society destroyed due to the lack of Christ and fathers in many families.

Women of God, please explain to me why it is that only a few men are among us at the time of worship?

I was raised without the benefit of a father.

I saw the death of a sister. I see the birth of children by women who say they are in God's

if any good men.

So then why is it that many women come with the child and not the father?

Men, I speak to you, seek not the ungodly, but seek the woman who is pure in heart and soul.

Want not the flesh first but first, turn to the Lord and find pleasure in knowing that you have been saved.

If you wonder why you are alone, first wonder why you have turned away from what your mother taught you as a child.

Women do not question why there are so few good men, but instead ask why I have around me those who have different beliefs than I?

Everyone should believe in his or her own way!

No one should have to follow someone just because of his or her ideas, except in the name of Jesus Christ.

But if the people you are around sell drugs, if they steal, if they fornicate without marriage, if they commit adultery, should we not forgive them and bring them with us to where we believe and trust that it will bring them closer to the Lord?

Again I am not here to judge you, but only to ask that you ask yourselves, "Where are all the good men?"

Can we truly say that we are children of God when we are alone and afraid?

Ask me why I am here? The answer is simple. I followed one good woman.

It may be that I will leave without her, but what if I take with me an understanding that there is a greater purpose! What if I find myself back in the hands of God?

Think! If only one of us can bring a person back to His flock, would that not be the greatest gift we could give?

I am nothing but a shadow of a person without faith and I cannot be whole without living my life the way God intended me to.

Yet I did live outside until one good woman brought me back to Him.

I am the keeper of my soul. I now place myself in the hands of the Lord. I have renewed my faith because of one thing.

God called. Llisten

I had forgotten that without a good woman I was not complete.

If one good woman can turn one man around, who in turn brings others to God would not then we all be disciples of God?

## ONE GOOD WOMAN

See what one good woman did with me, and the power that I now have, and the answer is that women have the power to bring men back to the church. Women have the responsibility to take their men back from the life without God.

What you hear me say and what I wrote then is the same, men have left the church and in their place the women have taken their position. I believe that this is what the carnal mind wants and so far the flesh, not our spirit, is winning.

There is not a problem that we face that God does not have an answer for. There is a solution, but are the women willing to bring the men to church and give them position as the father? Are the women prepared to submit to the men or are they going to want to be the head? Are men willing to learn from women? Can men submit to women?

I have submitted to the women of my congregation, would I stop? I believe the answer is obvious. No, because just as women are to submit to man as the father so is the man to submit to the woman as the mother.

Several writers make strong arguments in their books why the devil is winning and why men must step up and take responsibility.

We as males failed to answer the calling and women took over our position due to our failure.

Would I, if I were a woman, want to place the leadership and direction of the church back into the hands of the men? I believe the answer is no, (unless man proves himself) because man has destroyed the family because he listens to his

flesh. However, given that man can be saved and that all is not lost while man lives, then with the proper motivation, women, and education, men will return to their position as the fathers of the home and church.

It has also been brought to my attention that I was brought back to God's house because of my pursuit of a woman. I agree, but once God got my attention, it was up to me to follow through with His plans for me to return to Him. Men have fallen out of God's favor because man followed the flesh; the spirit will lead men back to God.

I see now, not the flesh, but the spirit. That is why when I now talk to people I try to remind them to stay within the spirit.

The other day I wanted a cup of coffee and I ordered, as I always do: my coffee black, with two sugars. The server gave it to me sugar and milk. When I asked her if she could please replace it because there was a misunderstanding, she agreed, but all the time she was getting the fresh cup she kept talking about how I told her with milk. I thanked her for her spirit of correcting the problem but she stayed in the flesh. The more I stayed in the spirit the more she stayed in the flesh. I left feeling good because I knew that I had stayed in the proper spirit, she could have easily changed her day or ruined mine. It is about your life style, and from that some people will see it and others are too busy just being upset.

# THE WEAKNESS OF THE CHURCH

How then can we bring men back to the church without taking women out of position? You will agree that female Pastors are, and should always, remain the head of congregations that God has anointed them to be in, and that women have an important role in the leadership of the church and that as our society is today, men and women must serve equally in all positions in the church as well as the market place.

I feel the best answer is that men will not be taking positions from the women because these women have been placed in holy positions by God to fulfill His purpose for a season. The purpose is for these women to pray and to humble themselves to the Lord until God authorizes the return of man to the foundation. This time is at hand. Receive it and share this blessing with the men as God has destined you to do.

(Jeremiah 1:5,6,7)

(1:5) Before I formed thee in the belly I knew thee; and before thou camest forth out of the womb I sanctified thee, and I ordained thee a prophet unto the nation.

(1:6) Then said I, Ah, Lord God! Behold, I cannot speak: for I am a child.

(1:7) But the Lord said unto me, Say not, I am a child: for thou shalt go to all that I shall send thee, and whatsoever I command thee thou shall speak.

(Jeremiah 3:14,15)

(3:14) Turn, O backsliding children, saith the Lord; for I am married unto you: and I will take you one of a cities and two of a family, and I will bring you to Zion:

(3:15) And I give you pastors according to mine heart, which shall feed you with knowledge and understanding.

It does not say in (Jeremiah 3:15), male Pastors. (Malachi 2:7) For the priest's lips should keep knowledge, and they should seek the law at his mouth: for he is the messenger of the Lord of host.

God was talking about the Levi priests, who were men with noses unlike my own (according to my Pastor), so according to this writing; these men were only ordained to be priests. I would not qualify both because I am not a Levi, and only Levi's were to be priests. So if you say that passages like this eliminate women they also eliminate most men.

Before men will find a place in God's house, women will need to re-educate themselves, in the teaching of God's Word. They will need to bring God's Word home by their actions and not just their words. Women will need to only associate with men that have turned their lives over to God. This is not to say, that if you are in a relationship that you should leave it, but the relationship should be redefined as you walk in the Kingdom.

It is important that the men associate themselves with and understand the principle by which they govern themselves. Too often we compromise our morals in order to keep the father of our children. In addition we go to church and leave with a strong foundation, but this knowledge is left inside us as we enter into our own home. I have seen Christians with strong righteous beliefs yet their sons and daughters have none.

(Job 32:9,13)

(32:9) Great men are not always wise: neither do the aged understand judgment,

(32:13) Lest ye should say, We have found out wisdom: God thrusteth him down, not man.

How can we bring men back into position when we accept their being out of God's favor? Do the women of the church really want men back into the church and in leadership positions or is this just our saying what people want to hear? Can a church function without men? Yes! But is this what God wants or is the flesh winning?

(Isaiah 41:14; 50:2)

(41:14) Fear not, thou worm Jacob, and ye men of Israel; I will help thee' saith the Lord, and thy redeemer, the Holy one of Israel.

(50-2) Wherefore, when I came: was there no man? When I was called, was there none to answer? Is my hand shortened at all, that it cannot redeem? Or I have I no power to deliver? Behold, at my rebuke I dry up seas, I make the rivers a wilderness: their fish stinketh, because there is no water, and dieth for thirst.

#### WHEN MEN STARTED TO FALL

About twenty years ago I noticed that women I had met stopped being the mother of the home and took the position of both father and mother. Men tried and in many cases succeeded; in getting good women on drugs, and into areas outside where women were normally found. This timing coincided with a great exit from the church by men. Man's carnality disrupted the family by removing the men from the position as the head of the family. More women turned to other women for support and there was an increase in same sex relationships.

(Isaiah 59-2) But your iniquities have separated between you and your God, and your sins have hid His face from you, that He will not hear you.

The divorce rate increased and children were left without fathers. Women in mass also left the church and until recently stayed away from seeking the answer through the traditional manner of the church. Now women are returning to the church but the men have yet to follow.

(Isaiah 55:7) Let the wicked forsake his way, and the righteous man his thoughts: and let him return unto the Lord, and he will have mercy upon him; and to

our God, for he will abundantly pardon.

What seems, as the resurrection of God into the home could be the second fall of the family unless women bring with them the men.

When I was asked what is the biggest cause of men leaving a relationship, my first thought was sex, but then after careful consideration I realized women had stopped submitting to men. Yet these same women want men to still submit to them. (I will discuss submission and servitude in a later chapter). Most men can relate to a woman they just meet asking them for a favor, usually the woman needs to borrow money or they want the man to do something without the women giving anything in return. Most men have done this and now some women take it for granted and if the man does not grant the favor these women have negative things to say about men.

I came to the conclusion that if women looked how they can serve men in the same manner that they want men to serve them then sex will not become the issue but instead it is the act of what God wants of us, to serve Him and to submit to Him as did Jesus.

I have been told that my view is very chauvinistic, and that there is a women's side that differs from my opinion. I agree, but then I am a man wanting to learn from both the men and women and their point of view how to bring men to God and His House. This book is not being written to women, even though women should understand this side. My belief is if all Christian males were within God's favor then that is where he will find Christian women. The reversal also holds true that if Godly women only associate with Godly men then women in the church will be with the father of their babies.

Some individuals believe that the Bible is gender bias and again I ask, "Can you believe only parts of the Bible and who chooses what is and what is not true?" We as Individuals must come to our own conclusion and as long as it leads men back to church how we do this is unimportant.

(Isaiah 61:1) The spirit of the Lord God is upon me; because the Lord hath anointed me to preach good tidings unto the meek; He hath sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and opening of the prison to them that are bound;

It does not say upon man or woman but upon me. (to seek Jesus)

# WHY HAVE MEN FALLEN

I believe that what I am writing will be and can be documented in the Bible and also by writers in whom you place your trust.

In the Book of (GENESIS 3:1-24) is the fall of man from God. Adam had a father and his father was God, Eve was part of Adam. Adam as a father had the authority as a father over Eve because God gave him authority but because the flesh being weak Adam did not stand up to the serpent and gave into Eve. He could have chosen the course of action that God had placed him in position to do and corrected Eve for her not following his instructions as the father. Had that happened man would not have disobeyed God the Father. God did not ask Eve, "Where are you Eve?), because Eve was not the authority over the garden, as we note that God asked, "Where are you?" Those calling for Adam.

When this took place, man fell and he had no father until Jesus came as the second Adam. So women had no one to guide them until the birth of Jesus.

(Isaiah 9:6) For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counselor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace.

Throughout the Old Testament before the birth of Christ we see that men went against God's laws. In that they committed adultery, fornicated without marriage and they had taken woman outside of the church, (women that did not believe in the God of ISRAEL). I also now believe that before someone gets married they should go to the same church and be counseled by their Pastor.

(2 Samuel 3:39) And I am this day weak, though anointed king: and these men the sons of Zeruiah be too hard for me: the Lord shall reward the doer of evil according to his wickedness.

Think about this, man was given the position of the father (king of his home) and man fell out of grace with God so for that he has been rewarded for his wickedness, the loss of his wife, children and position.

(2 Samuel 7:14) I will be his father, and he shall be

my son. If he commit iniquity, I will chasten him with the rod of men, and with the stripes of the children of men.

Is this what man has done? Did we commit transgressions against God and in doing so did we then open the door to our own carnality and desires?

#### **OUR SALVATION**

What was David's only sin against God, and what did it cost him? In (2 Samuel 11:1-27), we are told the story of David taking the flesh of a married woman Bath-sheba and that she was adulterous. David had her husband killed and then he married her and she was with child by David.

God sent Nathan, a prophet, (2 Samuel 12:1-23), to tell David of his disregarding God's commandments and that God was going to destroy David. But because David understood that he had done wrong and he asked God for forgiveness, God spared David's life, yet God took the life of the son that was conceived through an adulterous affair. God being a loving God gave David the greatest king as his son, Solomon.

In (2 Samuel 13:1-39) we find that the spirit of evil was passed to David's son Amnon and that Amnon raped his half sister Tamar. Later Tamar's brother (Absalom) arranges for the death of Amnon. Because of David's transgression against God his children suffered. If we were still under law today we would also be punished for our disobedience of God's laws. But since we are under grace our punishment is, not knowing God's love.

Our salvation is in that God does not hold us accountable for the sins of our fathers, but that God holds us accountable for our own transgressions against Him. If we seek and ask for God's forgiveness He grants the forgiveness without hesitation. Once we turn our lives back to God He shows us the path and in our faithfulness He provides us with wisdom and knowledge. (Isaiah 50:2)

If we do not seek Him He is a jealous God.

(Nahum 1:2) God is jealous, and the Lord revengeth; the Lord revengeth, and is furious; the Lord will take vengeance on his adversaries, and he serveth wrath for his enemies.

In my journey these past two years God has told me to seek His Word and teach His children, by doing as I am told by the Father my sins are forgiven and the lives of my children will be blessed. (Isaiah 55:7) I wrote in, Take me back Volume one,

" You called!"

He called; I did not answer the phone. He called and left a message; I heard his voice and erased it.

I took the phone off the hook: He got a busy signal. He came to my house, knocked on my door: I hid behind the curtain.

When I was in bed I could hear His Voice, I was afraid to shut my eyes.

Finally, when I least expected it, on a Sunday night, when I was with friends, He called.

I had no place to hide. A cold chill passed through my body; sweat broke out on my forehead.

He called. I listen.

He said, "This is God I need you."

Lord, I answered, I am afraid, please call on someone else to do your work, I do not have the knowledge to bring myself back to you let alone one of your lost sheep.

He called. I listen.

"Anything you need I will provide you," said the Lord, "Any words that need to be written I will guide you," said the Lord. My child I have been training you for many years and now you are ready.

Take my staff. It is time I stopped carrying you and it is time for you to take my word to my children."

He called. I listen.

Before I read (Jeremiah 1:5-7) I wrote the above, strange or just God keeping His promise. The Lord commanded me; and my mouth has not closed since. Give praise and glory to God.

Because I listened God has blessed me with the person I was born to be, a man of God, who gives Him praise and glory.

# **DEFINITION SUBMISSION**

(Ephesians 5:22) Wives submit yourselves unto your husband, as unto the Lord.

(Ephesians 5:25) Husbands, love your wives as Christ also loved the church, and gave himself for it:

Would any man or woman believe that we could come to an agreement without submission? The term

itself says that we must submit to the higher authority. I believe there is always someone over us with more authority even if that someone is God and or His son Jesus. Even Bill Gates had to submit to the government concerning his own company when he was called to defend his company's action. In the same light Jesus submitted to His Father and in turn Jesus served God the Father

Jesus also submitted to His disciples as He so submitted to His Father.

Throughout the life of Jesus He used the words serving and submission often. Yet when we hear we are to submit as we do to God for the greater purpose, then we have difficulty.

When we submit to our Pastor we have no problem, but to submit to the good of the whole when not directed by the Pastor it becomes an issue.

The objectivity in serving and submission is so two individuals can come to an agreement and when the foundation is the strength of the family then both men and women must relearn to submit for the good of the family.

This same good work of submission applies in the church, for the good of the church, because the church should be the foundation of the family and man the foundation of the church. Remember Adam our first father, by birth and Jesus came to be our last Adam. Jesus died serving us. Without His submission to His Father we would not be bornagain.

A forty-eight year old lady wrote:

"We should serve God - Not man! Like wise men should serve God not women.

People (men) and (women) earn positions they are not given positions."

When God calls He uses anyone and anything that pleases Him. God purposed us before we were born.

God's chose to bring me to Him through the way He knew would get my attention. Man fell out of favor because he chose to follow the wrong woman, why not men coming back to Him because of a good woman.

# BRINGING MEN TO CHURCH

I was asked the other day by a woman, why is it her responsibility to bring men back to church?

"If men do not want to worship God, if men do not want to give God praise and glory, if men do not want to be the father of their homes, if men commit adultery, if men get divorces, if men did not serve me when I served him. If men——?"

If someone is a sinner and they have been redesigned, reborn, sanctified with the Holy Spirit and their church had but a few men in it, would we be satisfied by not bringing a man back to God?

I have in the last two years surveyed men and woman of several different denominations and because of my seeking information I found that men tend to go to churches where they can get in and out of in a hour and because they are not called upon to do more than their duty, that is to show up and leave. Of course these men say, "I am saved, I go to church every Sunday." This issue of how little time one spends with God has no gender, however more women go and stay at church than men.

A friend of mine was married for several years. She married and had three children and she served her man according to the Bible. This woman gave everything her heart and soul to her husband, yet he beat her, verbally abused her to where finally she left the state she lived in and moved as far away as she could. Now she never lost faith in God but she no longer serves God (I want to ensure you understand that she submitted to God but she did not serve Him) as she had done before. Within the past year she has rededicated her life back to God. Now the reason for this story and a couple more that I will talk about is, I asked her would she be able to serve a man again in the same manner that she did before she divorced her husband, (She has been away from that relationship for three years) and her answer was no. However she said that she believed men should take a stronger role in the church and she goes to churches that have male pastors. But she says that she still has not found a church that satisfies her. I believe she has accepted God but not forgiven man. When she lets go of her past then the church will be there for her. She believed in seeking the material things of God.

While preparing to write this book I come across another woman, She had been married twice, from her first marriage she had a daughter who at that time was ten years old when she left that bad marriage.

Later when she met what she thought was her perfect soul mate, she married a man who was a deacon of her church. By the time the child turned sixteen he had raped her daughter numerous times. The wife's family being strong in the church, her father, being a Pastor, told her that as long as the husband was providing for the family she had a responsibility to stay with him.

Who they asked, was going to take care of her after the daughter had grown up and left home? The daughter is now thirty-one. This woman stayed with her husband because of responsibility. Two years ago he left for one of the sisters in the church. Now he is unemployed and has nothing to show for his life.

She ended up with the house and she went back to school and now has a great job. (Note she got material things and although she still goes to church she has stepped out of the foundation as structured by GOD). Now she will not trust any man.

(Haggai 1:6,7)

(1:6) Ye have sown much, and bring in little; ye eat, but ye have not enough; ye drink, but ye are not filled with drink; ye clothe you, but there is none warm; and he that earneth wage earneth wages to put it into a bag with holes.

(1:7) Thus saith the Lord of hosts: Consider your ways.

When I asked her would she help bring men to church?

She answered, "I had a man that I thought was a man of God, but I lost him to his own flesh. I now do not date, and other than my job and my children there is nothing else for me. I am scared of getting into another relationship and I do not believe it is in me to serve a man as I did my husband."

How many more woman feel the same way that these two women feel. Can you blame them for not wanting to serve men? Can you see where the flesh took this man out of position, the flesh destroyed the foundation; the flesh attacked the fiber, the father of the home. The flesh left the women and children and consumed the man.

Has the devil won? You tell me.

Is there a devil or is it our own excuse for going against God? How can the devil exist if Christ died for us and destroyed him?

Here I am now a man of God, brought home by a woman who knew her job was to bring men back to God. Will I because of her leading me back to God's house be able to bring other men back to Gods house? Absolutely!

A woman of the church asked, "Why should I do that? Let them find their own way." She told me a story of a man and wife, where the woman was saved but the man was not. Her story was the man was one of those who did not believe women should have positions of authority. Otherwise, he was a weak man and he needed another man, father figure to give him direction. As God plans things a man on his job who had been saved by his wife saved this man.

The power of saving one who can save another.

Think about this, the weak was saved by a woman, who had saved another man. I do not believe that even as the woman was telling me this story that she even understood.

I was saved because of a woman. Now I can save a weak-minded man and help him become a strong man of God and a strong father of his home. Praise the Lord and give Him Glory

A comment made to me and the opinion of a woman is that; "I do not understand why people should be led, they should want to join because of the attraction of what they see and hear rather than what they are told." Thomas needed to see Jesus before he would believe that Jesus had risen.

Throughout history I have found you have leaders and followers and in some cases people who do neither. A Christian leader has a responsibility to bring people to church otherwise men and women will not return back to God's house. Remember this book is not about bringing women back to church but it is being written to bring men back to God's house. (God's house is the inner man)

# BY WHOSE AUTHORITY

The fundamental key foundation of the business world is placement of people in positions of authority. Give thought to this a second; you cannot

be promoted to a higher position without the permission of the Boss, higher authority.

The same takes place in the church; the head Pastor who is ordained by God ordains ministers and appoints Deacons, Elders and co-Pastor.

In a home it is the father's authority that is given to the mother then to the children.

(1 Corinthians 11:3) But I would have you know, that the head of every man is Christ; and the head of the woman is the man; and the head of Christ is God.

But who gave the authority to the boss in the company. The boss was either hired or owned the company and in either case they answered to someone in the corporate world; the stockholders or in the private sector the bill collectors.

But who gives the authority in the church and in the home: the answer of course is obvious, God the Father. Now it does not say in the Bible God the mother gives man authority but it clearly states God the Father.

There are some Pastors who think that the Bible is gender bias yet they quote the scriptures as the laws and commandments of God. I do not believe you can accept part of the Bible and another part as gender bias because then you would be teaching your beliefs and not God's. There are times when men write they are referring to both genders. But how do we select which is which. Since I am not a theologian I will leave that answer to those that are.

If that is the case, then God is not the Father? Does that make Him the Mother or He did not give the seed of life to Adam. The word man in the Bible sometimes referred to man and woman but do we say God as, (He/She)? One of God's names is El Shaddi (large breasted one) this is the feminine nature of God or the provider (Jehovah Jireh)

Some individuals believe that the story of Adam and Eve is a demonstration of how man was born and that it should not be taken literally. If you do not take the Bible literally then there was no such thing as God's Laws or us being under Grace.

I do believe that the Bible should be read understanding the spirit of the Word and not the

letter of the Word.

(Romans 7:6) But now we are delivered from the law, that being dead wherein we were held; that we should serve in newness of spirit, and not the oldness of the law.

I understand that there are been different versions of the Bible and some words are transliterated into meanings that may not be in agreement with others, however the Spirit of the Word is unchangeable.

The Father, our Lord, in the book of Genesis, gave Adam life. So Adam (man) became the Son of God just as later Jesus was the Son of God. Man was placed over The Garden of Eden where he had authority. When God made woman He made her from man, so man had authority over and not in the oldness of the letter woman under the law. Yet down through the years man lost his authority because he stepped out of position. When we came under Grace the two were to submit to each other.

(1 Corinthians 11: 9,12)

11:9: Neither was the man created for the woman; but the woman for the man.

11:12: For as the woman is of the man, even so is the man also by the woman; but all things of God.

A different picture of authority, man wants to kiss a woman, but he has no authority unless they are married, because God gives him the authority, however if woman wants to kiss a man in today's society she just kisses him without authority.

So she took the authority without it being given to her. Man accepted it because he wanted to be kissed. This same role reversal can be seen in women returning to the church.

Men used to take their families to church and these men were the Pastors, Elders, Deacons, and Lay people. They lead the congregation. Men fell to the spirit of the flesh and they fell out of God's favor and women took over these positions.

By whose authority; God ordained and called upon women to represent His church, are they now the fathers? In fact in today's society that is exactly what is taking place, many women, not men are the head of households, many women, not men are leaders in the church. Many women not men are the father (the authority)

My comments are not to portray women out of

position but to show that men have screwed everything up. Men are the ones out of position, that men have walked out of authority and in doing so they have turned their back on God's master plan.

Now God did assign women positions of responsibility throughout the Bible, (Jeremiah 3:15) certainly the book of Judges and other books will back this statement. However, without the father in the house there is no house. But in the church the Father is God and from Him man removed himself and God then passed the responsibility to women? I asked this as a question rather than a statement because a man must have authority to kiss a woman yet the woman needs none. Again some women or men would argue this point however I know of very few women that will let a man kiss them without permission and most men do not object to women kissing them. What is the purpose of this parable? It is that most men live in a structured world and never assume authority. That is the reason more women are in leadership positions in church and men are waiting for someone to give them authority.

Am I arguing the point that there is no place in the church for women in leadership positions, of course not, so long as God the Father gives them the responsibility they most certainly should be in position.

If men do not return to the church because they fell out of favor and they do not become reborn that is one issue. What is to take place when they do become reborn? Where do they now fit into the structure? Do women remain as the father or give these men back the authority that man lost by disobeying God? Or do men stay under the authority of these women? Have we reconstructed the foundation that God originally planned?

My authority comes from whom? God places as the head of a church, a female Pastor. Should I circumvent her authority? Do I wish to take away her great gift that God has given her?

What I want to do is bring men back into God's house and in doing so ensure that there is a place for him in positions of authority as the foundation that God gave him as the father. I want to do this in order to fulfill what I believe is God's plan. Without the structure of the church, as man the father, there can be no structure of the family. Man needs to be put back into the position from which

man removed himself.

Men will submit to women in authority if the men are strong. A weak man will only follow men because women intimidate them. The reversal is also true there are also weak women who are not in position by God's authority, who don't know how to conduct themselves in church, in fact it appears many of these women appear to have the attitude it is pay back time.

After one woman read the draft of this book she wrote these comments:

- " Has the Devil Won?"
- "Based on the contents of this book, the answer is no.

A woman's strength comes from God. A woman can distinguish the difference between a lie and a cover up.

What men have to realize, is that women know more than men give them credit for.

Because of this women have taken control of their lives and relinquish the ideal of a white horse man, coming to their rescue. (Prince Charming)

The fictitious smokescreen was removed after broken promises, and watching men attempting to live various lives with different women.

How can women serve men when the men can't commit to one relationship?

Trusting in God is the answer, but what happens when your eyes are on God and your man is with another woman?

Someone will do without."

The comments made by the writer above should give men a better understanding of where the truth begins. With man being faithful to God, to himself, then to his partner.

Because of this any disloyalty to your partner will eliminate you being able to submit to each other. After a second woman read the above woman's response, her response was as following:

" Hold on tighter to God and pray and ask God for a

true mate. Whether it is the one you are currently seeing or some one else that God has selected for you.

If this person does not change just know that God has a better plan for you and you should give God praise and glory."

# WOMENS EXPECTATIONS OF MEN

Here is another area where women voiced their opinion. A comment by a forty-two year old Christian but not a church going female;

"If you have no expectation you cannot be disappointed. In giving, if you have expectation of anything in return then it is not true giving. Giving has no expectation. I believe this is termed unconditional love.

Having unconditional love does not mean allowing abuse! That is my choice to walk away"

While one woman was reading the question, "Women of God, please explain to me why it is that men are no longer among us at the time of worship?" She wrote the following response. This woman was in her forties and had a college education. She had seen several faith challenging events happen to her in her life.

" First, I believe the question should be directed to both male and female.

There are as many women as there are men who are currently not of the faith and who do not attend church.

We should all realize that many are called and few are chosen. Most men see themselves as being too macho and because of their pride they do not allow themselves to surrender to anyone's authority other than that of another man, and even then they usually do not listen.

We all go through tremendous stress and pain, some more than others, but when we reach the last straw or the bottom, most of us turn our lives over to the almighty God.

Some of us are so weakened by what has happened to us we chose to do battle in verbal combat against our new mate or with the one we are currently in a relationship with, rather than

realizing the past should remain the past. We refuse to turn to our faith. We destroy any chance of a new relationship.

We should remember when leaving the past that we learned first to crawl before we learned to walk.

We should also remember the women who are in the church today may have been mentally and physically abused while in their last relationship. All individuals must join together in prayer to overcome the abuse they suffer and turn their lives over to God.

Although today I have advanced in my knowledge of the Lord I cannot help to wonder had I known then what I know today, could I have stayed married and through prayer overcome the physical abuse?

I know now that through faith I can accomplish anything, for all you need to do is ask God, in the name of Jesus Christ, and it will be done.

There are many who rush to prophets, pastors and people of God expecting miracles, yet I wonder had these men and women first asked God? Since we have Christ dwelling inside of us should we not first ask to heal ourselves in the name of Jesus Christ?

If women and men first show their godliness, which lives inside us, and we show that godliness to our mate when we arrive home, in addition to continued prayer, how can we fail? God is not a liar.

God will reclaim the spirit of our loved ones and if we are faithful and true to the Word our men will come back to us with the same godly spirit that abides in us.

We as women must reclaim our mates by asking, how can we help? What can we do to better serve the relationship? We have gotten so tied up with our own success that we have destroyed the fiber of the home. We have caused many of our own problems by not being there when our men needed us so they turned to someone else for comfort.

I know that there are always exceptions, but not all relationships are exceptions. Even these exceptions can be saved with enough faith.

We must understand we cannot force feed our men but we can set the example for them to follow. When they return to His house we must make sure we have set a plate at the Lord's table for our men to eat

from, so he can do the good works of God.

I truly believe that we women are in the forefront of today's church so that we can lead our men back home.

God only took six days to create the heavens and earth. It has taken men several thousand years to turn God's work around, yet if we as born-again women have faith in God, we can overnight bring the infilling of Christ to these men. We must do this through prayer and not with our nagging mouth. For we can perform great miracles when we join together as intercessors in prayer.

It is my desire that women will come to know that they are great warriors and as mothers of our children. They are the Mother of this earth as God gave Eve this title.

Women please let us join together in unity in prayer for the salvation of our children and their father."

# WAR AGAINST THE FLESH

While the battle against separation of our religious beliefs is continuing throughout the world little notice is being given to the war against the loss of our men to the flesh. Men try to blame satan for their failure.

As I was writing this book, "Foundation of God's House" Veterans Day had come doing my first draft.

As a twenty-two year veteran, I have served my country without question. I was called to do battle with the enemy throughout the world in order to protect our beliefs of freedom to choose where we lived, worked and freedom to have our own religious beliefs.

In any country besides America men and women like us would be unable to exercise this freedom of choice without severe persecution.

Yet men have become misaligned and in their belief that freedom of choice means they can go against God's will.

Throughout the world other than America men, women, and children are dying so they can praise and give glory to God. Our nation was founded upon the principle of Life, Liberty and the Pursuit

of our religious beliefs, and yet the mass exit of men from the family also coincides with the belief that men have no place in the church.

When I left the church over twenty years ago it was because I was disillusioned with the church, the flesh had taken over my spirit. No one asked I gave it freely. I was not even aware of the consequences of the changes in my moral standards. I was having too great of a time.

I fought in Viet Nam for the freedom of others right to worship and yet I had started to lose myself to the wrong cause.

God is the reason America is what it is. I am the reason that God made me. The devil was never God's divine plan, God's purpose for my being a man was to lead our children to Him.

Just over two years ago God called and I listened, because of my answering to Him I will place my life on the line as I did for over twenty years defending our country and our rights to worship the God of Israel.

How far will you go to defend your country and our God? Are you prepared to give your life to Him? Talk is cheap; the proof is in your standing up and saying, "God I have heard your voice, I am prepared to give my life for the greater glory of seeing that men return to Your House." It is not necessary to die in order to give your life to God, but it is necessary that your life is lived the way God intended it to be lived.

I give praise and glory to God. And the Pastors and Ministers of our church and to the men and women veterans who fought and died for this freedom of America. God bless you.

## **OUR DESTINY**

The make up of our identity is the accumulation of our past so that as one has new experience their identity changes.

It is interesting that while writing this book I was relearning how to break down the word "I" "dent" "i" "ty".

That we identify ourselves from our own prospective based on our past experiences, now this is not new, we have been taught this in most every school of higher education. We are also taught that if we

receive new experience and they are repeated that our personality takes on these new traits.

What I found rewarding was that if I write based on my past experience prior to two years ago, then my book would be about death. But since this book is being written now after returning to God's house, this book is being written about the way we live and give our life to God.

Our destiny is based on our renewed faith, in the faith of the Almighty. Our reaching into His realm of authority gives us hope that we to can be righteous and godly.

Our identity is based on pain and pleasure. We should write five experiences that gave us pleasure and how it impacted us. In addition we should write five experiences that gave us pain and how that too impacted us.

Under pleasure I wrote mostly about getting educated, finding God, and my last divorce. The lessons learned were that once I knew the truth about myself I could make a difference. Under pain I was surprised that I associated all my pain with someone or something dying. It is no wonder that nothing around me was permanent, because I had the expectation of them leaving.

Death became my identity not life.

My life had been in pursuit of pain so I kept positive thoughts from being part of my nature and that was why I was good at trouble shooting and finding faults within organizations.

If my life had been full of pleasure then my pursuit would be to seek pleasurable experiences.

The most pleasurable experience I found was learning about God and my wanting to live my life teaching His Word. This is the reason for the paradox shift in my life.

The title of this chapter is, Our Destiny," where are we going? If it is toward living as Jesus did then our destiny is our salvation if it is not then it is our damnation.

Can we live a life without submitting to each other?

Pleasure our salvation!
Pain our damnation!
Submitting is not a choice but a way of life.

You choose for are you not made perfect. (Matthew 5:48) be ye therefore perfect, even as your Father which is in heaven is perfect.

#### **EQUAL ACCESS**

God did not give any man or woman a greater access to the realms of heaven. The availability of being able to reach our full potential in the spirit of God is available to all of us.

Once this is understood then we must realize that the only reason that we are held back are actions or lack of actions by ourselves.

When I first started writing this book there were many areas that I was having difficulty in understanding. I did not understand that Eve did not take Adam's authority but that Adam gave it up by not telling Eve of God's plan.

This same problem can be found in the foundation of the church and family, men have removed themselves from the position of authority and women have taken up this position because of the void left by man removing himself from the position of authority.

The point made to me was that women have made them selves available to the church and home to take care of what needed to be done. Where as, men have been left behind because they are waiting for someone to tell them what to do.

I had a male minister come to me the other day and we were talking about why women were doing all of the key functions of the church and men were not filling any of these positions.

I asked him had he notified the Pastor that he was available and not only was he available but his availability was anytime the church needed him. He would do any thing required by the Pastor in order to serve God.

It is no wonder that men do not have a greater responsibility within some churches because the only thing they are looking for is recognition and not serving God.

If we as men are needed to fill certain tasks, (be it an usher, praise and worshipper, preacher or etc. we want to choose and not be chosen and yet we do not let others know of our willingness to do anything that

God wants of us.

The one problem we face in the church is men are not standing up and making themselves available and then being held accountable for their actions once they are given responsibility.

It is so easy to say I want to do more yet when more is given we say that is not what I meant by doing more. I want to do more preaching, I want to do more teaching. I want is not what God wants but it is about ourselves and not about serving Him.

God has a purpose for all men and women alike and unless you as a man are willing to accept the small tasks why should God return you to your rightful position.

We as men decided to leave the foundation and we as men must now understand that we have equal access to heaven and also to the daily operation and management of His House.

First we must bring His church back into proper order.

Do we understand that His church is ourselves and before He will let us deal with the tabernacle (His House) He must be saved and reborn in His Son's name Jesus Christ.

The next time you ask why are there no men doing God's work in God's house ask yourselves when did you last make yourselves available to the Pastor for any work. That means where am I needed, for that is where I will serve.

We should submit to the Pastor and the Pastor's authority to place us where we can best serve the whole congregation and not for our glory but for His.

Pride is not the issue if we are humble to Him our Father and His anointed servant.

(Deuteronomy 8:1) All the commandments, which I command thee this day, shall, ye observe to do, that ye may live, and multiply, and go in and possess the land which the LORD swore unto your father.

#### REDEMPTION

When Jesus died and He had risen above all the heavens, all the laws were no longer in effect. We then came under grace and faith.

(Ephesians 4:10) He descended is the same also that ascended up far above all heavens, that he might fill all things.

(Ephesians 2:8) For by grace are ye saved through faith; and not of yourselves: it is the gift of God:

(Ephesians 2:9) Not of works, lest any man should boast.

(Romans 3:27) Where is boasting then? It is excluded. By what law? Of works? Nay: but by the law of faith.

The importance of this is that unless there is a reference of the law in the New Testament then the law does not apply. Even if used as a reference it may be only a reference and still not apply.

One of the important things to remember is that sin does not exist once you are born-again.

(Hebrews 10:9) Then said he, Lo I come to do thy will, O God. He taketh away the first, that he may establish the second.

First the Law, second grace.

(Hebrews 10:17) And their sins and iniquities will remember no more.

Imagine a vast ocean so vast that there is neither depth nor distance that man can measure. Once we pray to God and believe in His Son, for what we thought, said, or did, God accepts our sorrow for going against Him and immediately forgives us. This happens so quickly that the time is also immeasurable. These past indiscretions are thrown into the vast ocean and forgotten by God. The next day we go against God's will and ask God to forgive us. God will answer what sin when we are born-again we cannot sin and what was past is not of the future.

When God forgives us He places a sign by the vast ocean that says no fishing.

Yet man wants to go back into this ocean and fish for his and others past deeds and sins that were committed against God. Now if God can forgive us for what we have done against Him and He has placed a no fishing sign by this vast ocean, why are we in the flesh concerned about these past sins?

We should be here to learn and to teach not to judge. If in our journey we had sinned against God no

one should go back to recall it to the present. The past is gone and we should all join together in prayer for the future.

(1 John 3:9) Whosoever is born of God doth not commit sin; for his seed remaineth in him: and he cannot sin, because he is born of God.

(John 4:34) Jesus saith unto them, My meat is to do the will of him that sent me, and to finish his work

(Colossians 1:22) In the body of his flesh through death, to present you holy and unblameable and unreproveable in his sight.

(John 19:30) When Jesus therefore had received the vinegar, he said, It is finished: and he bowed his head, and gave up the ghost.

If you believe that you can judge individuals for their past or journey before they were born-again then you are more Godly then I, for I will leave the judgment of men to God.

# YOUR CALLING

(Ephesians 4:11-12) And he gave some Apostles; and some prophets; and some Evangelist; and some pastors and teachers.

What is your calling?

We are here to bring all individuals back to God. Just as God called me several years ago He calls all His children to minister and to the ministry. We are all to lead His children back to God/Jesus Christ. The task is to find the unsaved and show them how to return to God's house. Not to be concerned about their denomination but to be concerned about the knowledge of God and Jesus Christ.

It is important to understand that where we are sent is not by our own choosing but it is where God chooses to send us. Many Christians would prefer to remain where they are, not only in the physical sense but also in the spirit. I am certain that Apostle Paul would not have liked to have taken forty lashings minus one five times but he did whatever Jesus wanted him to do. No questions asked.

Could Apostle Paul have chosen a different path and known Jesus and lived or could he have walked the way he did in his love for Christ?

Paul's death is but a small remainder of what man has done for us in order for us to have the freedom we have today.

Nothing is by chance, our training and seeking of knowledge is all part of God's plan. At times we may question our calling because people we know cannot accept where God is moving us. Many will not believe you are saved. The path at first will be difficult as you change from who you were to who you are born to be.

When you read (Habakkuk 2:1-2), concerning writing your vision, outline for yourself, after you have spent time in prayer, where you believe God is taking you and what this means to you. Share this vision with your Pastor and come to a better understanding on how to reach your destination with God leading the way.

It will not necessarily be as dramatic as what had happen to Paul, whereas you will be blinded as Paul was after meeting Jesus. It will not always be a flash of light, mighty deeds or wonders.

My transition into doing God's work was by Him placing me into a charismatic church to serve with one hundred women. I had to study the Bible with the help of several teachers, receive a degree in ministry and write seven books all in two years. In addition I am now working on my Masters Degree in Theology

Many times I would prepare something for Sunday and the only person that read what I wrote was myself. But all of the preparation is for God's greater plan for us.

When I first read (Habakkuk 2:1-3), concerning writing the vision this book was titled, "Has the Devil Won," how little did I know than that this book would become my outline, my vision, for what God was going to have me do.

Do we differ from Paul? If God calls us and we answer and we lead one person back to His house we have in fact re-established the church within that person.

I know when God called me several years ago, I said, I cannot, I am unprepared and I have sinned too greatly against you. God answered with, "I have carried you long enough, I will teach you all you need to know, now study My Word and be ready for you are My chosen one."

My assignment given to me by God should be the same for all of us. To get men saved, teach and establish these men, and care and nurture them.

If you believe that you can be saved you will be saved. If you believe that through Christ you will find the Father you have taken the first step.

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# HE IS IN YOU

(John 1:1) In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

(John 1:9) That was the true Light, which lighteth every man that cometh into the world.

(John 1:17) For the law was given by Moses, but truth came by Jesus Christ.

(John 4: 23-24) but the hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seekesth such to worship him.

"God is a Spirit: and they that worship Him must worship Him in spirit and in truth."

(John 14:3) And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may also be.

(John 14:6) Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the father, but by me.

(John 17:27) And ye also shall bare witness, because ye have been with me from the beginning.

(Acts 2:21) And it shall come to pass that whosoever shall call on the name of the Lord shall be saved.

(Romans 8:11) But if the Spirit of Him that raised Jesus from the dead dwell in you, he that raised up Christ from the dead shall quicken your bodies by His Spirit that dwelleth in you.

(Romans 8:15) For ye have not received the spirit of bondage again to fear; but ye have received the Spirit of adoption, whereby we cry, Abba, Father.

(Romans 9:24) Even us, whom he hath called, not of Jews only, but also of the Gentiles.

(Romans 12:1) I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, which is your reasonable service.

(2 Cor. 5:1) For we know that if our earthly house of this tabernacle were dissolved, we have a building of God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

(2 Cor. 5:20) Now then we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God did beseech you by us: we pray you in Christ stead, be ye reconciled to God.

"He finished his works now we must finish ours"

(Gal. 4:7) Therefore thou art no more a servant, but a son: and if a son, then an heir of God through Christ.

(Eph. 4:6) One God and Father of all, who is above all, and through all and in all.

(Phi. 3:16) Nevertheless, whereto we have already attained, let us walk by the rule, let us mind the same thing.

(Hebrews 7:19) For the law made nothing perfect, but the bringing in of a better hope did; by which we draw nigh unto God.

(Hebrews 10:18) Now where remission of these is, there is no more offering for sin.

(1 John 2:20) But ye have unction from the Holy One, and ye know all things.

(1 John 2:27) But the anointing which ye have received of him abideth in you, and ye need not that man teach you: but as the same anointing teacheth you of all things, and in truth, and is no lie, and even as it hath taught you, ye shall abide in him.

There are three themes written within these scripture:

Knowledge is there from the beginning and it has been placed there by God.

That God the Father and Jesus live within us in the Spirit. That all men are one with God but that in those who know Him not it lays dormant.

That there is no more offering for sin for we are no longer under the law but we are now under Grace.

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## THE VESSEL!

The Potter molded the clay and He shaped the vessel.

The vessel was perfect that the Potter did make.

Though the vessel was dropped from a mighty height, and it broke as it hit the hardened floor.

It laid there in pieces unusable for the purpose it was made

But the Potter remembered one day where He had left the vessel, and the covenant He had made.

And although it lay dormant the vessel could still be made whole.

The Potter picked up the broken parts, soaked in water all the little pieces until they were but the grains of dust they once had been.

Once again the Potter took the clay.

He reshaped the clay so that it was re-born as He had once made.

No longer a broken vessel, but whole unto the Lord.

We are the vessel, and Jesus the Potter.

The emerging in water through baptism wetting the soul.

We are reborn through Jesus Christ.

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# BE HAPPY WHERE YOU ARE.

(Philippians 4:11) Not that I speak in respect of want: for I have learned, in whatsoever state I am, therewith to be content.

Here sat Paul in a prison, an elderly man, chained to the wall, eating little food.

We can only imagine, the filth of where they kept him, yet he wrote, "I am content."

We have read many writings whereas Paul says he was imprisoned by Jesus, and because of the imprisonment there was nothing man could do to

him.

(Philemon 1:1) Paul, A prisoner of Jesus Christ, and Timothy our brother, unto Philemon our dearly, fellow laborer.

God places us in our trials in order for us to fulfill our destiny how many of us can say we are content?

Having said that we are in Grace and that we receive Jesus as the path to the Father, can we say, "I am content where God has me today?" I hear lip service from many that are born-again Christians and because of their being born-again; I hear them justify their failure to walk where God wants them to walk. That is in Grace, to walk in the spirit and not in the flesh. So often we keep our spirit under the control of our carnal mind and we operate outside the spirit. God is a Spirit within us and in order for us to be like Jesus we must deal with others in the same spirit and yet we see many leaders speaking against the individuals not being full of love and knowledge, as God would have us be since Jesus abides within us.

(Ephesians 4:6) One God and the Father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in all.

(Ephesians 4:7) But unto every one of us is given grace according to the measure of the gift of Christ.

(Philippians 4:12) I know both how to be abased, and I know how to abound, everywhere and in all things I am instructed both to be full and to be hungry, both to abound and to suffer need.

Today God needs men and women who can relate to people of all backgrounds, which means our leaders and speakers of God's Word must be like Paul. Well educated in the laws but smart enough to know that we no longer live the Laws but by Grace. (Illusion of the reality)

(Acts 15:11) But to believe that through the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ we shall be saved.

Shepherds are placed by God to fulfill God's purpose, but as we look around the world and we see that many of the Shepherds have forgotten the purpose of their calling, they have forgotten the life Paul lived in order for a Pastor to even have a position within the fold. Churches were established in order to save non-Jewish people by his teachings and Paul traveled as an Apostle. Setting up churches to ensure that

once a person was aware of Jesus they could continue to learn the Word. Many Pastors today have fallen away from these teachings in that they do not inform their congregation of the knowledge that was given to them by the death of Jesus and they try to keep the members in bondage.

(Romans 15:14) And I myself also am persuaded of you; my brethren that ye also are full of goodness fill with knowledge, able also to admonish one another.

How can any of us know how to instruct or teach the Word unless we have experienced all that Paul had to undergo? Can we just say that we are bornagain without knowing the full word of God? We must bring His Word from the inside of those that know Jesus so that they to can instruct others on where the Word lies.

Can we be content where we are, knowing that we have not been, nor are we now where He wants us? Have we been truthful to others when we are not truthful even to ourselves? What does Paul mean when he says he has seen both sides? Think about your answer and then deal with where you are. For Paul knew himself and yet many of us try to analyze others yet we have no idea where we are within our own spirit. For this reason many of us use our anger to overcome our lack of understanding of grace and the carnal mind takes control.

(Philippians 4:13) I can do all things through Christ which strengthens me.

(Philippians 4:19) but my God shall supply all your needs according to his riches in glory by Christ.

As I read the scripture and the Words I notice that God/ Jesus Christ does not separate individuals who are under grace and who have been saved, for all men who believe in the Son knows the Father and in believing in the Son all have been saved.

Where then does our task lie if all men are saved? It lies in bringing the knowledge given to each person from the inside to the outer surface. We must not allow the carnality of men to control his/her destiny. But we have to overcome this thinking by replacing it with the Spirit of Grace.

(2 Corinthians 12: 9) And he said unto me, My Grace is sufficient for thee: for my strength is perfect in weakness.

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# THE PURPOSE OF THE CHURCH

Before my journey I had always thought that you went to church not that the church came to you, now it is clear that the building is only a symbol and the spirit and God comes when you are in grace.

I had believed that you could give God praise and worship without being in a structure and I had difficulty understanding why we should be required to go to the structure. (church)

The purposes of the church; is that I gain more knowledge than I would get if I did not associate with people that walked in grace.

(Hebrews 10:25) Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another: and so much the more, as ye see the days approaching.

One of the first things that I learned when I learned to walk in the Kingdom under grace was the difference between knowing Jesus and really living the way He wanted me to live.

Having a place to assemble to reinforce the Word of God to me is now the main purpose. I realized that God wanted us to build Him a place for us to worship Him as a congregation in addition to as individuals. Now as I grow with God I see the importance of going to His house as well as His living within me.

The Church serves as an Embassy of the Kingdom of Heaven.

The church becomes God's tool to educate us in the requirements we will need to sit with Him in Heaven.

The church helps us to learn about living in grace.

When government comes to the realization that allowing the church to teach and help through its own resources, then the economy will benefit.

If the economy benefits, then so will the people of the community.

Only a few are called to lead, a few are called to teach many are called to praise and worship God and to follow.

The purpose of the church is to help instruct each person in his or her calling.

(John 4:23) But the hour cometh, and now is, when the true worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeketh such to worship him.

The five fold ministry; Apostles, Prophets, Evangelist, Pastor, and Teachers are all needed in order to govern and instruct the citizens of God.

Without the five-fold ministry there would be no order and without order God would not receive His praise and glory we are to give Him.

God called upon a few to lead His church throughout the Bible and all are required to learn His Word and to pass it to the next generation.

The church becomes the instruction place (school) for all teachers to teach.

But our main purpose is to worship God.

(Revelation 4:11) Thou art worthy, O lord, to receive glory and honour and power: for thou hast created all things, and for thy pleasure they are and were created.

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## CONCLUSION

It does not take a great mind to understand God only lets happen what He wants to happen.

What we see is our carnal mind trying to change God's will.

The foundation of God's House is men working jointly with the women.

(Genesis 2:22)

And the rib, which the Lord God had taken from man, made he a woman, and brought her unto the man.

(Galatians 4:4)

But when the fullness of time was come, God sent forth his Son, made of a woman, made under the law.

As we see above the first Adam brought forth the first women but a women gave birth to the last

Adam. Further more the first Adam was before the Law and the last Adam was borne and lived during the Law. When the Law ended with the resurrection of the last Adam (Jesus Christ) the authority changed from both to equal submission under Grace.

My conclusion is simple. Know and live the Word of God, and through Jesus you will know the Father. The devil does not exist. Jesus died and when He did we had power over the devil. He is under our feet. No longer should we even be concerned about him.

Even in The Old Testament the devil only had power when God allowed it as the Book of Job explains.

(Job 2:3) And the Lord said unto Satan, hast thou considered my servant Job——-

(Matthew 4:10) Then saith Jesus unto him, get thee hence, Satan: for it is written, Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God, and him only shalt thou serve.

(Acts 26:18) To open their eyes, and to turn them from darkness to light, and from the power of Satan unto God, that they may receive forgiveness among them which are sanctified by faith that is in me.

(Romans 16:20) And the God of peace shall bruise Satan under your feet shortly. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you. Amen

When Jesus died and ascended into heaven Christ stayed and lives within us. If while living on earth Jesus Christ was able to cast out the devil why should you not be able to do the same since Christ lives within you? Throughout the book I asked has the devil won, what can he win if you belong to God. God will not allow anyone to do anything without his authority.

(Romans 13:1) Let every soul be subject unto the higher powers. For there is no power but of God: the power that be are ordained of God.

There will, no doubt, be trials and you will undoubtedly have your faith tested if you are bornagain. If you know that through Jesus you will see the Father then you can stop blaming the devil for it is your own carnality that needs to be blamed for your lack of worship to God.

In (Revelation 12:11) And they overcame him by the word of the Lamb, and by the word of their testimony; and they love not their lives unto the

death.

This verse tells us we have overcome the devil.

When Prophet Cheesemen says, "Love made love so love can love Love." (God made man so man can love God)

Come home to Jesus the light is always on and the door is open.

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