

The Son Shine

Encouragement and hope with God's word!

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COUNT IT ALL JOY

Jesus said,

"All who listen to my instructions and follow them are wise, like a man who builds his house on solid rock. 25

Though the rain comes in torrents, and the floods rise and the storm winds beat against his house, it won't collapse, for it is built on rock."

Matthew 7:24-25

If the world was the way God made it there would not be any sickness or poverty, no hunger or pain, no death or suffering. Even though God made it perfect, through man, sin perverted the world as God made it. Jesus came and redeemed our souls from death to eternal life. But our bodies are yet to be redeemed. So sometimes we or someone we know may go through difficult times or suffering.

I do not believe God causes our suffering. It happens sometimes because of this world's fallen state, sometimes because of the forces of evil, sometimes because of things we do.

WHAT IS GOD'S STANCE WITH US ?

First of all you are not alone and you are not the only one going through this situation.

1 Peter 5:9-10

"Trust the Lord; and remember that other Christians all around the world are going through these sufferings too.

10 After you have suffered a little while, our God, who is full of kindness through Christ, will give you his eternal glory. He personally will come and pick you up, and set you firmly in place, and make you stronger than ever."

WHY DOES GOD ALLOW US TO SUFFER BEFORE HE HELPS US?

Romans 5:3-5

"We can rejoice, too, when we run into problems and trials, for we **COUNT IT ALL JOY**

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Scripture Illumination

1 Cor. 13:4-7 TLB

Love is very patient and kind, never jealous or envious, never boastful or proud, [5] never haughty or selfish or rude. Love does not demand its own way. It is not irritable or touchy. It does not hold grudges and will hardly even notice when others do it wrong. [6] It is never glad about injustice, but rejoices whenever truth wins out. [7] If you love someone, you will be loyal to him no matter what the cost. You will always believe in him, always expect the best of him, and always stand your ground in defending him.

[8] Love goes on forever.

1 Cor. 13:4-8 NRSV

4 Love is patient; love is kind; love is not envious or boastful or arrogant

5 or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful;

6 it does not rejoice in wrongdoing, but rejoices in the truth.

7 It bears all things, believes a things, hopes all things, endures all things.

8 Love never ends.

1 Cor. 13:4-8 NIV

4 ¶ Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast it is not proud.

5 It is not rude, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily

Scripture Illumination

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WALKING IN FORGIVENESS

"Plow up the hardness of your hearts; otherwise the good seed will be wasted among the thorns.

Jeremiah 4:3

What is our attitude with sinners or people we feel have sinned against us?

Example:

Liars, thieves, murderers, Spiteful, hateful, people who try to make you look bad so they can look good, people with wrong sex preference.

1. *Stop going over the same old ground.*

Hebrews 6:1-3

Let us stop going over the same old ground again and again, always teaching those first lessons about Christ. Let us go on instead to other things and become mature in our understanding, as strong Christians ought to be. Surely we don't need to speak further about the foolishness of trying to be saved by being good, or about the necessity of faith in God;

2 you don't need further instruction about baptism and spiritual gifts and the resurrection of the dead and eternal judgment.

3 The Lord willing, we will go on now to other things.

2. *Imitate God as a child imitates his father.*

Ephesians 5:1

Follow God's example in everything you do just as a much loved child imitates his father.

3. *Thy will be done on earth as it is done in heaven.*

Matthew 6:10

We ask that your kingdom will come now. May your will be done here on earth, just as it is in heaven.

4. *Oh Lord, you are so good and kind, so ready to forgive, so*

WALKING IN FORGIVENESS
full of mercy.

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TRUSTING GOD

Did God make me or you to do impossible things?
 Did God make Shadrach, Meshack & Anbenigo go into the furnace?
 Did God make Daniel jump into the lions dean?
 Did God make Gedion fight 330,000 troops with only 300 men?
 Did God make Sampson fight 1,000 with the jaw bone of a donkey?
 Did God make Jonathan & his servant fight his fathers enemies?
 These people did these things because they trusted in God & all achieved Greatness through trusting God.

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angered, it keeps no record of wrongs.
 6 Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth.
 7 It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres.
 8 Love never fails.

1st Cor. 13:4-8 ASV

4 Love suffereth long, [and] is kind; love envieth not; love vaunteth not itself, is not puffed up,
 5 doth not behave itself unseemly, seeketh not its own, is not provoked taketh not account of evil;
 6 rejoiceth not in unrighteousness but rejoiceth with the truth;
 7 beareth all things, believeth all things, hopeth all things, endureth all things.
 8 Love never faileth:

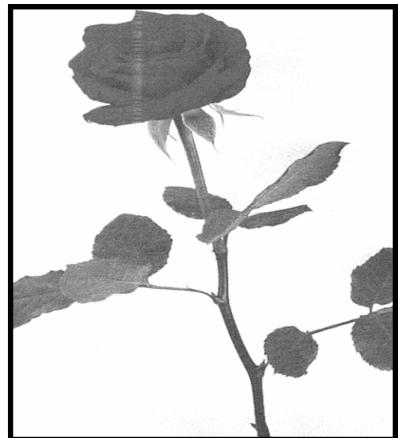
1 Cor. 13:4-8 KJV
 Charity suffereth long, and is kind; charity envieth not; charity vaunteth not itself, is not puffed up, [5] Doth not behave itself unseemly, seeketh not her own, is not easily provoked, thinketh no evil; [6] Rejoiceth not in iniquity, but rejoiceth in the truth; [7] Beareth all things, believeth all things, hopeth all things, endureth all things. [8] Charity never faileth:

1 Cor. 13:4-8 AB
 4 Love endures long and is patient and kind; love never is envious nor boils over with jealousy, is not boastful or vainglorious, does not display itself haughty.
 5 It is not conceited (arrogant and inflated with pride); it is not rude (unmannerly) and does not act unbecomingly. Love (God's love in us) does not insist on its own rights or its own way, for it is not self-seeking; it is not touchy or fretful or resentful; it takes no account of the evil done to it [it pays no attention to a suffered wrong].
 6 It does not rejoice at injustice and unrighteousness, but rejoices when right and turth prevail.
 7 Love bears up under anything and everything that comes, is ever ready to believe the best of every person, its hopes are fadeless under all circumstances, and it endures everything [without weakening].
 8 Love never fails [never fades out or becomes obsolete or comes to and end].

1 Cor. 13:4-8 CEV
 4 Love is kind and patient, never jealous, boastful, proud, or rude.
 5 Love isn't selfish or quick tempered. It doesn't keep a record of wrongs that others do.
 6 love rejoices in the truth, but not in evil. 7 Love is always supportive, loyal, hopeful, and trusting.
 8 Love never fails.

1 Cor. 13:4-8 JBP

Love has good manners and does not pursue selfish advantage. It is not touchy. It does not keep account of evil or gloat over the wickedness of other people. On the contrary, it shares the joy of those who live by the truth. Love knows no limit to its endurance, no end to its trust, no fading of its hope; it can outlast anything. Love never fails.



SEASONS

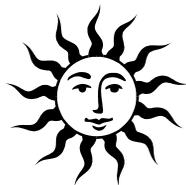
The seed of liberation has been sown, no longer it's a seed, for root, and trunk, and branch, and leaf, leave us presence and a tree. In early years no fruit did it bear from immaturity. In seasons cold and wind and storm an inner strength did build. The season changed, the spring time came, the flowering buds did break. In the summer sun, for the masters son, much fruit did this tree make.

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NOTHING FOR EVERYTHING

Everything but the sin,
the string grows quite thin,
stretched over the fire,
supporting the weight of humanity.

There's tears in my eyes.
I'm just wondering why,
I left my life behind to labor
on this Island?

Everything but the right things,
Like the apple that is ripening,
to fall to the ground .
Nothing but the seed is bound.

Lord, you lead me away from myself, to
a place and time that is far from me.
All the pressures of this life,
the loneliness and pain,
fall away from me like uneaten
fruit on the ground,
letting go of the seed that was bound.

In a whirl wind of confusion,
through the storm of my humanity, there
shines a light,
a ray of compassion unfolding
in the heart of me, like flowers blooming
in the spring surviving the fury of winter
time.

In a world where the love's
grown cold, Lord your love has
warmed this life of mine.

Washed and watered by the rain.
raised up in the sun.
Planted by your loving hands.
For the harvest yet to come
Though the fruitfulness of my years
are taken away and laid to rest.
I can feel the power of your
resurrection calling me,
Jesus, my Lord..

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The Source of Abundant Joy

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"In all these things we are more
than conquerors through Him who
loved us"
(Romans 8:37)

Paul was speaking here of the things that might seem likely to separate a saint from the love of God. But the remarkable thing is that *nothing* can come between the love of God and a saint. The things Paul mentioned in this passage can and do disrupt the close fellowship of our soul with God and separate our natural life from Him. But none of them is able to come between the love of God and the soul of a saint on the spiritual level. The underlying foundation of the Christian faith is the undeserved, limitless miracle of the love of God that was exhibited on the Cross of Calvary; a love that is not earned and can never be. Paul said this is the reason that "in all these things we are more than conquerors." We are super-victors with a joy that comes from experiencing the very things which look as if they are going to overwhelm us.

Huge waves that would frighten an ordinary swimmer produce a tremendous thrill for the surfer who has ridden them. Let's apply that to our own circumstances. The things we try to avoid and fight against—tribulation, suffering, and persecution—are the very things that produce abundant joy in us. "We are more than conquerors through Him" "in all these things"; not in spite of them, but in the midst of them. A saint doesn't know the joy of the Lord in spite of tribulation, but because of it. Paul said, "I am exceedingly joyful in all our tribulation" (2 Corinthians 7:4).

The undiminished radiance, which is the result of abundant joy, is not built on anything passing, but on the love of God that nothing can change. And the experiences of life, whether they are everyday events or terrifying ones, are powerless to "separate us from the love of God which is in Christ Jesus our Lord" (Romans 8:39).

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know that they are good for us--
they help us learn to be patient.

4 And patience develops strength of character in us and helps us trust God more each time we use it until finally our hope and faith are strong and steady. 5 Then, when that happens, we are able to hold our heads high no matter what happens and know that all is well, for we know how dearly God loves us, and we feel this warm love everywhere within us because God has given us the Holy Spirit to fill our hearts with his love."

When we get to a place that when trouble comes we know we can trust God. We become immune so to speak to the things that are confronting us.

James 1:2-4

"Dear brothers, is your life full of difficulties and temptations? Then be happy, 3 for when the way is rough, your patience has a chance to grow.

4 So let it grow, and don't try to squirm out of your problems. For when your patience is finally in full bloom, then you will be ready for anything, strong in character, full and complete."

Don't ask God to take away the fire, ask him to help you get through it. For when you get to the other side you will have a stronger and broader foundation in Christ. There will be someone waiting on the other side for you to share the help and hope that God gave you.

2 Cor. 1:3-7

"What a wonderful God we have-- he is the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the source of every mercy,

4 and the one who so wonderfully comforts and strengthens us in our
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ministered to you !

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Psalm 86:5

O Lord, you are so good and kind, so ready to forgive, so full of mercy for all who ask your aid.

5. *God will forgive and forget.*

Jeremiah 31:34

At that time it will no longer be necessary to admonish one another to know the Lord. For everyone, both great and small, shall really know me then," says the Lord, "and I will forgive and forget their sins.

6. *Forgive and remember no more.*

Hebrews 10:17

And then he adds, "I will never again remember their sins and lawless deeds."

Hebrews 8:12

And I will be merciful to them in their wrongdoings, and I will remember their sins no more."

7. *Forgive while ye stand praying, that God will forgive you.*

Mark 11:25

But when you are praying, first forgive anyone you are holding a grudge against, so that your Father in heaven will forgive you your sins too. "

8. *Peter, seventy times seven.*

Matthew 18:21-22

Then Peter came to him and asked, "Sir, how often should I forgive a brother who sins against me? Seven times?"

²² "No!" Jesus replied, **"seventy times seven!"**

EXAMPLES:

Ex. 1. Joseph and his brothers.

Genesis 50:14-20

Then Joseph returned to Egypt with his brothers and all who had accompanied him to the funeral of his father. ¹⁵ But now that their father was dead, Joseph's brothers were frightened.

"Now Joseph will pay us back for all the evil we did to him," they said.

¹⁶ So they sent him this message:

"Before he died, your father instructed us to tell you ¹⁷ to forgive us for the great evil we did to you. We servants of the God of your father beg you to forgive us." When Joseph read the message, he broke down and cried.

¹⁸ Then his brothers came and fell

down before him and said, "We are your slaves."

¹⁹ But Joseph told them, "Don't be afraid of me. Am I God, to judge and

punish you? ²⁰ As far as I am concerned, God turned into good what you meant for evil, for he brought me to this high position I have today so that I could save the lives of many people.

Ex. 2. Moses pleads to God to forgive Israel.

Exodus 32:31-32

So Moses returned to the Lord and said, "Oh, these people have sinned a great sin and have made themselves

gods of gold. ³² Yet now if you will only forgive their sin--and if not, then blot *me* out of the book you have written."

Ex. 3. Jesus, ask for forgiveness for those who crucified him.

Luke 23:34

"Father, forgive these people," Jesus said, **"for they don't know what they are doing."**

Why would people sin against God or why will they sin against us?

1. *Satan has blinded them. (Put on the blind)*

2 Corinthians. 4:3-7

If the Good News we preach is hidden to anyone, it is hidden from the one who is on the road to eternal death. ⁴ Satan, who is the god of this evil world, has made him blind, unable to see the glorious light of the Gospel that is shining upon him or to understand the amazing message we preach about the glory of Christ, who is God. ⁵ We don't go around preaching about ourselves but about Christ Jesus as Lord. All we say of ourselves is that we are your slaves because of what Jesus has done for us. ⁶ For God, who said, "Let there be light in the darkness," has made us understand that it is the brightness of his glory that is seen in the face of Jesus Christ.

⁷ But this precious treasure--this light and power that now shine within us --is held in a perishable container, that is, in our weak bodies. Everyone can see that the glorious power within must be from God and is not our own.

2. *Moses face was veiled, so are peoples.*

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WANTED

Original sketches, art work, original writing of an encouraging nature. Must meet the following criteria: Christian nature, non-political. It is not our desire to engage in doctrinal disputes or particular denominational beliefs. All submitted writing should be non-manipulative in nature. Send to: **SUNRISE MINISTRIES**

Scripture shared

Proverbs 16:9 TLB

"We should make plans—counting on God to direct us."

Psalm 32:8 TLB

"I will instruct you (says the Lord) and guide you along the best pathway for your life; I will advise you and watch your progress."

Isaiah 30:21 TLB

"And if you leave God's paths and go astray, you will hear a Voice behind you say, "No, this is the way; walk here."

Isaiah 28:16 NIV

" So this is what the Sovereign LORD says: "See, I lay a stone in Zion, a tested stone, a precious cornerstone for a sure foundation; the one who trusts will never be dismayed."

Romans 10:11 TLB

"For the Scriptures tell us that no one who believes in Christ will ever be disappointed."

Psalm 32:8 NIV

"Many are the woes of the wicked, but the LORD's unfailing love surrounds the man who trusts in him."

SHARE YOUR SON SHINE

Send us your favorite encouraging scriptures. If you know of any scriptures about joy, peace, hope, love, encouragement or mercy, please send them to us at Sunrise Ministries. Please feel free to quote any accepted version of the Bible, or any definition taken from the original language

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hardships and trials. And why does he do this? So that when others are troubled, needing our sympathy and encouragement, we can pass on to them this same help and comfort God has given us.

⁵ You can be sure that the more we undergo sufferings for Christ, the more he will shower us with his comfort and encouragement. ⁶ We are in deep trouble for bringing you God's comfort and salvation. But in our trouble God has comforted us-- and this, too, to help you: ⁷ to show you from our personal experience how God will tenderly comfort you when you undergo these same sufferings. He will give you the strength to endure."

God may not fix every problem you have, but he will give you the strength to get through. God wants you to share this with others so they will have hope, and will not give up!

WE HAVE A PROMISE FROM GOD THAT ENDS ALL ARGUMENTS!

Hebrews 6:10-17

"For God is not unfair. How can he forget your hard work for him, or forget the way you used to show your love for him--and still do--by helping his children? ¹¹ And we are anxious that you keep right on loving others as long as life lasts, so that you will get your full reward.

¹² Then, knowing what lies ahead for you, you won't become bored with being a Christian nor become spiritually dull and indifferent, but you will be anxious to follow the example of those who receive all that God has promised them because of their strong faith and patience.

¹³ For instance, there was God's promise to Abraham: God took an oath in his own name, since there was no one greater to swear by, ¹⁴ that he would bless Abraham again and again, and give him a son and make him the father of a great nation of people. ¹⁵ Then Abraham waited patiently until finally God gave him a son, Isaac, just as he had promised.

¹⁶ When a man takes an oath, he is calling upon someone greater than himself to force him to do what he has promised or to punish him if he later refuses to do it; the oath ends all argument about it. ¹⁷ God also bound himself with an oath, so that

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2 Corinthians. 3:14-18

Not only Moses' face was veiled, but his people's minds and understanding were veiled and blinded too. Even now when the Scripture is read it seems as though Jewish hearts and minds are covered by a thick veil, because they cannot see and understand the real meaning of the Scriptures. For this veil of misunderstanding can be removed only

by believing in Christ. ¹⁵ Yes, even today when they read Moses' writings their hearts are blind and they think that obeying the Ten Commandments is the way to be saved.

¹⁶ But whenever anyone turns to the Lord from his sins, then the veil is taken away. ¹⁷ The Lord is the Spirit who gives them life, and where he is there is freedom [from trying to be saved by keeping the laws of

God]. ¹⁸ But we Christians have no veil over our faces; we can be mirrors that brightly reflect the glory of the Lord. And as the Spirit of the Lord works within us, we become more and more like him.

3. Having their understanding darkened.

Ephesians. 4:18 KJV

Having the understanding darkened, being alienated from the life of God through the ignorance that is in them, because of the blindness of their heart:

It is easier to forgive someone (walk in forgiveness) when you understand they are blind, they can not see, they are walking in darkness.

1. Dankness disappears and new light of Jesus comes in.

1 John 2:7-8

Dear brothers, I am not writing out a new rule for you to obey, for it is an old one you have always had, right from the start. You have heard it all before. ⁸ Yet it is always new, and works for you just as it did for Christ; and as we obey this commandment, *to love one another*, the darkness in our lives disappears and the new light of life in Christ shines in.

1 John 2:11

For he who dislikes his brother is wandering in spiritual darkness and doesn't know where he is going, for the darkness has made him blind

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Disrespectful Judgments Questionnaire

{Critics Aren't Very Attractive}

1. Do you ever try to "straighten" your spouse or friends out?

Almost never the time sometimes much of the time
1 2 3 4 5 6 7

2. Do you ever lecture others instead or respectfully discussing issues?

Almost never the time sometimes much of the time
1 2 3 4 5 6 7

3. Do you feel your opinion is superior to your spouse or friends?

Almost never the time sometimes much of the time
1 2 3 4 5 6 7

4. When you discuss and issue with someone do you talk so much it prevents them from having a chance to explain their position?

Almost never the time sometimes much of the time
1 2 3 4 5 6 7

5. Are others afraid to discuss their point of view with you?

Almost never the time sometimes much of the time
1 2 3 4 5 6 7

6. Do you ridicule others point of view?

Almost never the time sometimes much of the time
1 2 3 4 5 6 7

Score yourself, then let someone else who knows you score you! If you score someone else try to think of an example to write down to share with them.

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LETTING GO

- To let go doesn't mean to stop caring,
it means I can't do it for someone else.
- To let go is not to cut myself off,
it's the realization that I can't control another.
- To let go is not to enable,
but to allow learning from natural consequences.
- To let go is to admit powerlessness,
which means the outcome is not in my hands.
- To let go is not to try to change or blame another,
I can only change myself.
- To let go is not to care for,
but to care about.
- To let go is not to fix,
but to be supportive.
- To let go is not to judge,
but to allow others to effect their own outcomes.
- To let go is not to be in the middle arranging all the outcomes,
but to allow others to effect their own outcomes.
- To let go is not to be protective;
it is to permit another to face reality.
- To let go is not to nag, scold, or argue,
but to search out my own shortcomings and to correct them.
- To let go is not to adjust everything to my own desires,
but to take each day as it comes.
- To let go is not to criticize and regulate anyone,
but to try to become what dream I can be.
- To let go is not to regret the past,
but to grow and live for the future.
- To let go is to fear less and love more!

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The scoring of this questionnaire is simple. Unless all answers are "1," **LOVE BUSTERS**

you're probably engaging in disrespectful judgments. Almost all of us are guilty of this from time to time, so don't be alarmed if you get some twos or threes. But if you get any fours, five's or sixes, or sevens, you're probably at risk to lose some of the love in your friendship or marriage. Don't make the mistake of winning the battle only to lose the war. An important part of relationships is the support and encouragement we show one another. Disrespectful Judgments do the opposite.

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those he promised to help would be **COUNT IT ALL JOY**

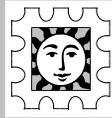
perfectly sure and never need to wonder whether he might change his plans."

So, when bad things happen to us even though they might be the worst thing that ever happened to us, God turns them into good, a weapon, that we can use to help others who are without hope in a desperate situation. We can be happy and rejoice because our testimony becomes a light in their darkness and despair. In turning our suffering into, our testimony of how God strength in us was increased, God gets the glory.

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HOW COULD I ASK FOR MORE

Nothing like the warm of a summer afternoon. Walking to the sunlight, and being cradled by the moon. Catching fireflies at night. Building castles in the sand. Kissing Mama's face goodnight. And holding Daddy's hand. Thank you Lord, how could I ask for more. Running barefoot in the grass. A little hide and go seek. Being so in love, that you can hardly eat. Dancing in the dark, when there's no one else around. Being bundled 'neath the covers, watching snow fall to the ground. Thank you Lord, how could I ask for more. So many things I thought would bring me happiness. Some dreams that are realities today. Such an irony the things that mean the most to me. Are the memories that I've made along the way. So if there's anything I've learned. From this journey I am on. Simple truths will keep you going. Simple love will keep you strong. Cause there are questions without answers. Flames that never die. Heartaches we go through are often blessings in disguise. So thank you Lord, oh thank you Lord. How could I ask for more.

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FOOD FOR POSITIVE THINKING; HIGH IN VITAMIN C-CHRIST

"A thorough knowledge of the Bible is more important than a college education." Theodore Roosevelt

"Showing no concern for the uncertainties that lie ahead is the secret of walking with Jesus." Oswald Chambers

Presumption takes leadership it does not have. Despair shrinks from leadership it already has.

Adversity should bring us together not drive us apart.

"Rules without relationships will lead to rebellion." Josh McDowell

Any blessing that does not come from God, is a curse.

"When you think another person is the answer to your problems, they become the source of your problems." P.J. Campise

God's grace delivers you, not your strength. Jesus Christ purchased your deliverance.

Self pity and guilt are two of the

most destructive forces there are.

You cannot be anxious and experience peace at the same time.

Lust, is wanting to have something right now.

Call the truth the truth and a lie a lie, don't get them mixed up in your life.



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COUNT IT ALL JOY

Psalm 50:15

“ I want your promises fulfilled. I want you to trust me in your times of trouble, so I can rescue you and you can give me glory.”

God’s love shines so brightly through special people like you!

JESUS KNEW ABOUT WHAT YOU ARE GOING THROUGH, HE PRAYED THIS PRAYER FOR YOU

John 17:15-21

“I’m not asking you to take them out of the world, but to keep them safe from Satan’s power. [16] They are not part of this world any more than I am. [17] Make them pure and holy through teaching them your words of truth. [18] As you sent me into the world, I am sending them into the world, [19] and I consecrate myself to meet their need for growth in truth and holiness.

[20] "I am not praying for these alone but also for the future believers who will come to me because of the testimony of these. [21] My prayer for all of them is that they will be of one heart and mind, just as you and I are, Father--that just as you are in me and I am in you, so they will be in us, and the world will believe you sent me.”

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WALKING IN FORGIVENESS

so that he cannot see the way.

2. Live like god wants us to and get rid of our hard hearts people will come to him because of us.

Jeremiah 4:1-3

"O Israel, if you will truly return

A FRIEND is one who **STRENGTHENS YOU** with prayers, **BLESSES YOU** with love, and **ENCOURAGES YOU** with hope.

to me and absolutely discard your idols, ² and if you will swear by me alone, the living God, and begin to live good, honest, clean lives, then you will be a testimony to the nations of the world, and they will come to me and glorify my name."

³ The Lord is saying to the men of Judah and Jerusalem, "Plow up the hardness of your hearts; otherwise the good seed will be wasted among the thorns.

What do our wives, children, husbands, see in us?

What do the people in our world, work , church , in our social lives see in us, darkness or light?

*All scripture taken form the Living Bible unless otherwise noted.

A Part Of You

I saw the light. Shinning in your eyes. As you turned to look at me, there was a flash that went through my life. It’s impressed upon my memory. It was as if, in that moment, God had passed between us. In the mirror of your gaze there was an echo through my soul. In the light, gleaming from the spirit within you, I could see myself. It was like someone lit a candle in front of me. It burns within my heart. The light I saw is a part of me.

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