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FAITH IS TRUSTING



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Faith is Trusting and Knowing

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What is Faith?

My dear ones, faith is not a complex matter. There are complex situations, but faith itself is simple. Faith is knowing--knowing that I Am, knowing that I love you and want to help you, knowing that My promises are for you personally, knowing that I answer prayer, knowing that I will do it, even though that knowledge may run contrary to every one of your senses. Faith is knowing, no matter what your sight or your mind says.

Little children have faith and are good examples of faith. They have faith in their parents. They know that if they cry, someone will come; if they are hungry, that they will be fed; if they need help, that they will receive it. So should you be, and so should your faith be--like children, with childlike faith. I often used the example of children when teaching, calling little children unto Me and telling My disciples that they should be like them, that they should humble themselves and receive the Kingdom of God and the things of the Kingdom like little children--trusting, knowing, having faith (Luke 18:15-17; Matthew 18:2-4).

Faith does not waver or doubt. It may be tempted to do so, and it may have thoughts of doing so, for I know that you are not perfect. But in the end, faith stands, for it believes in Me, and it is persuaded that I am well able to do what I have promised (Romans 4:21). Faith is convinced that I am able to do exceeding abundantly above all that you ask or think (Ephesians 3:20). Faith knows that there is nothing too hard for Me, and that with Me, all things are possible (Mark 10:27; Luke 1:37). Faith knows that I am faithful to My Word. Faith has full assurance that I will do it, for it knows Me and it knows My will.

When you have faith, your heart is fixed, trusting in Me, and you are not moved by bad news or evil tidings (Psalm 112:7). You do not have a doubtful mind, but one which steadfastly trusts in Me. You do not cast away your confidence, your faith, nor do you waver, like a wave of the sea, driven with the wind and tossed (Hebrews 10:35; James 1:6). You know I can do it, I want to do it, and I will do it. That is faith, which greatly pleases Me, for this is the era of faith--of trusting and knowing, even though you cannot see Me and have nothing to stand on but My Word.

It is given to every man to have a measure of faith (Romans 12:3)--faith to receive Me and to enter My Kingdom. Thereafter, you must build your faith and grow your faith, and there are many ways of doing so. You can ask Me for the gift of faith, which is one of the gifts of My Spirit, and I will give it to you (1 Corinthians 12:9). You can ask Me to increase your faith (Luke 17:5). I am both the author and finisher of your faith (Hebrews 12:2).

You also increase your faith through My Word. Faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the Word of God (Romans 10:17). The more you read My Word, the more faith it inspires and nurtures in you. My Word builds your faith, as do testimonies of faith. When you hear or read of answers to prayer, miracles of healing or supply or deliverance or more, your faith

grows. You become even more convinced that what I have done in the past, I am able to do again, and will do again, because I am the same yesterday, today, and forever (Hebrews 13:8).

Faith--one of My favorite topics to expound on. After all, it's the foundation principle on which your lives are built. It's the means by which you please Me. It's the access code to miracles. It's the core reason you allowed Me into your hearts. (1)

Faith is a fundamental principle in a Christ-centered life. It's a beautiful quality that declares your trust in My power and ability to care for you. Having faith in Me is part of your witness; it's a declaration to others that regardless of your circumstances, you remain certain that I am looking out for you.

As you face the future and the options before you, don't lose that personal assurance of faith in Me and My promises to care for My Own. Faith must remain a resolute feature in your Christian life and walk with Me wherever you go. Your faith is what will give you the confidence to walk upon the new pathways that I've highlighted for you. It will enable you to explore the different things that you can do in the physical, but to ultimately rely on Me to make up the difference in the spirit.

No matter what you can do in the physical, there are certain dynamics within the spirit that must be accomplished in the spirit alone. The success of your future is about the combination of your faith in Me and your practical effort both working together to bring about the results I'm after. Both are needed, and together they will culminate in success. (2)

It took faith for Me to come to Earth and to believe that I could make a difference as a human. It took faith to believe in My Father's plan, that I could actually accomplish something as great as changing the course of the history of the world by the love I showed in living and dying for mankind. But My Father's plan worked!

It takes faith to believe that I have a plan for your life and that you are following it. It takes faith to believe that you are actually making a difference in the hearts and lives of others. But you will see, as I did with My Father's plan, that you are accomplishing My will and doing what I have called you to do. (3)

Faith is a cornerstone in your life. It's your proclamation to Me and to others that I am God and that you have every confidence in Me.

You can sometimes take your faith for granted, or deduce that the best way to make up for a lack of faith is to work harder in the arm of the flesh. But if you want to experience the full power of faith in your life, then you have to take the time to groom it by investing time in strengthening it through My Word; that's the secret.

There's no substitute for faith. I've ordained faith to be that link between you and Me, the means by which you hold tightly to Me in every situation. (4)

When you're in a trying situation, that's when you realize the full value of faith. At times

it seems trite and unnecessary to be investing so much time and effort in strengthening your faith, but when everything else in your life is gone, when you have nothing else to lean on but your faith in Me, then you find out how important it truly is.

Faith grows and is strengthened in trying times, but you need something to draw on--a foundation, a strong connection with Me, and a ballast of Word in your heart. Otherwise your faith will falter and your heart will grow weary. So be wise, My brides, and strengthen your faith today while you live in times of peace, because you never know when your faith in Me will be the only thing on this Earth that you have left to cling to. (5)

How do you know if you have faith?

One simple diagnostic test is found in the poem: "When you're trusting, you're not heard to fret; when you're fretting, you're not trusting yet!" Which are you doing?

If your faith is being tested--whether it's with financial problems, lack of personnel, learning a new job, opening a new Home, working with a difficult personality, trusting Me for decisions that your children are making, waiting for Me to answer a specific prayer that you have prayed, feeling alone, health-related issues, marriage problems, anything--take a look at your attitude and ask yourself which is more prominent: faith, praise, and trust?--Or fretting, doubt, and worry?

If you want to know where your faith lies, try that little self-test. If you have full faith in Me, then you won't be fretting about the problems, the seeming impossibilities, or the difficulties. Your faith will be planted in praise, and you'll carry My hope in your heart. But if you don't really have faith in Me to come through, then you will be beset with the worries and mental torment of the Enemy.

Of course, there will be times in your life when your faith is tested. If you're faced with a really difficult situation, you may be tempted with worry, doubt, or fear of the future. But just because you're tempted with those negative feelings and thoughts doesn't mean that you don't have full faith in Me--as long as you go on the attack against those thoughts and fight to keep taking on My Spirit and attitude of faith.

Faith is active. There is nothing passive about faith. Faith is doing! So even if you are tempted with worries or fears, if you are active in your fight against the Enemy and in your desire to hold on to your faith and apply your faith, then your faith will stand and I will come through for you.

You can't keep the birds of fear and worry and doubt from flying over your head, but you need to keep them from building a nest in your hair. You need to fight against those worries and attacks of the Enemy becoming a part of your attitude and mindset. It's a fight to hold on to faith, but it's worth every minute of the battle.

In addition to this self-test, you can always ask Me if you aren't sure whether or not you have the faith for something. You can't go by your feelings, because they aren't a correct gauge of your faith. You can, however, go by what I tell you. Don't worry if you don't feel like you have faith. Most men and women with strong faith don't have strong feelings. If I tell you that you have faith, then that's the fact you should hold on to.

If you're about to take a leap of faith, and you think you may have the faith, as you're trusting Me and counting on Me and you believe that I can come through for you--but you're still not quite sure if your faith is strong enough or adequate enough--ask Me. I'll show you where your faith lies, and if it's not quite centered, I'll show you just what to do so that you can have the full measure of faith that is needed.

Faith is an almost insane belief in My ability to come through for you. I always bless faith. When you truly stake your life on faith and throw all other possibilities out the window and expect Me and Me alone to come through for you, I am challenged to do even more for you than I may have originally planned. Maybe I was going to work in a certain way in your life, but because of your almost absurd stand of faith on Me and My promises, I alter that plan and give you what you are asking for, because your faith is that strong. (6)

The Golden Key of Faith!

Faith is the true coinage of Heaven. Faith is the key that unlocks the treasure house of My blessings--My spiritual blessings, My material blessings, all of My blessings. For without faith, it is impossible to please Me. For he that comes to Me must believe that I am the rewarder of those that diligently seek Me. And why would you seek Me unless you had the faith that I would hear and I would answer and I would honor your faith and honor My Word, My promises to you?

I am not a man that I should lie, nor the son of man that I should repent. Have I said and shall I not do it? Have I not promised that I will supply your every need, that I love to give more than you love to receive, that I would open the windows of Heaven and pour out a blessing you could not contain, if you would but trust Me and believe My Words and obey them?

But you have not because you ask not. You do not stop to ask Me specifically for the answers to your situation, your problems, what I want you to do. I know your situation. I know your every problem. I know every tiny detail, and I have a great plan that I am waiting to unfold at the touch of your faith. Your faith can release the power of the universe! Your faith can move mighty mountains of obstacles and difficulties! Because if you put your faith in Me and My Words, I will move the mountains, I will overcome the obstacles, and I will provide the solutions.

Faith is opening the door, stepping back, inviting Me in, and saying, "Lord, You do it. We hold You to Your promise! We take the step in the direction You say to go. We step out by faith, trusting You to meet us, and we know that You will."

Faith is the key to the life of a Christian, to the life of My missionaries, My children. It is the key to faithfulness and blessing and provision and power and protection and inspiration and receiving every good thing that I wish to bestow upon My precious children whom I love.

Do you believe that I love you? Do you have faith in My Love, in My care, in My provision, and in My protection? Do you believe that, as a most loving and caring and doting Husband, I would not leave My wife comfortless, without the utmost care, without her needs met, without guidance and direction, without the solutions to her problems, the grace for

every situation?

Nay, I could not be such a Husband that would neglect the care of a wife so precious unto Him! For you are My precious one, My darling Bride, My yielded and obedient wife who seeks to do My slightest bidding, who loves Me with all of her heart and who lays down her life and body in service for Me, because of her great love for Me and My children. Would I not care for her as My beloved? Would I not cherish her as the precious treasure she is unto Me? Would I not help her and deliver her from every evil thing and provide her every need and surround her with My Love? Yea, I will do all of these things, and more.

But the key is faith--faith in My Love, faith in My promises, faith to obey in spite of the odds, in spite of overwhelming obstacles and seemingly impossible situations. For this is the proof of My Bride's love--her faith in Me, her faith in My Words, and her faith in My power to fulfill them. Her great love for Me is manifest in her faith--the golden key of faith.

So guard this precious treasure I have given you, this golden key of faith. It is something that must be kept through constant care and nurturing and feeding from My Words, which are spirit and life. By doing these things, by believing and receiving and imbibing and drinking in and partaking of My Words, you keep the golden key of faith bright and shiny and polished, and you will be well able to use it to open many mighty doors of My blessings for all that you need in every area of your life. For you are My precious Bride and loving wife, and I love you. (7)

Believe and Receive!

Are you believing, and thus receiving? Or are you waiting to receive so that you can believe? It is your faith that pleases Me. It is your faith, the fact that you believe, that you stand upon My Word, that draws down the blessings that I have for you. The blessings come no other way, for you must believe in order to receive.

I ask you to prove Me, to try Me, to test Me! I ask you to stand upon My Word, nothing wavering, believing in the unseen, and thus will you receive and your faith will be increased. You will see that he that puts My Word to the test is he that receives the blessings from My hand. He that stands upon My Words, upon all that I have spoken, he it is who receives My blessing, he it is who sees miracles, he it is who sees the working of My Spirit and who rejoices to see My hand move upon his life.

So if you wish to receive, then believe. Take the stand, count it done. Read My Word, believe it, do it, stand upon it, and you will receive My blessing, and you will then know that My Word is true. There's only one way to find out, and that is to put it to the test, stand upon it, trust in it and see Me move, see Me work, and see Me pour forth My blessings upon you, upon your loved ones, and upon your life. (8)

Cut reality down to size

Your faith in Me can move mountains. Even with just a grain of faith, you can say to the

mountain, "Be removed and be cast into the sea," and it shall be done. It's the same principle with spiritual mountains. You can remove the mountains in your life--the mountains of jealousy, of comparing, of resentment, of resistance.--And you are moving them!

Day by day, bit by bit, by calling on Me and the power of the keys, and receiving My Words, you're exploding spiritual dynamite, which is blowing holes in the mountains of difficulties and weaknesses in your life. Every time you call on Me, every time you come to Me earnestly, setting your own will aside and desiring Mine, you are detonating powerful ammunition which blasts the work of the Enemy. He can never refill those holes as quickly as you're blowing them up; and in time, the mountains will be seen again for what they truly are--just little molehills.

Their seeming like such big mountains is just in your mind and a matter of perception in the first place. Once you realize how much of the difficulty and battle is because of the Enemy's lies and lying vanities, the mountains get cut down to size, and you understand that they're not as difficult to get rid of as you thought. You feel discouraged sometimes now because the mountains seem really big; they almost seem insurmountable. Well, they are there and they do need to be overcome, but they're not as scary and foreboding as you think--because you have more power than you realize you do.

It's kind of like those characters in the movie "The Matrix." When they would go into the matrix, they could do things that other people could not. It wasn't because they were so special, or even had special power per se. It was because their eyes had been opened, and they realized that the trap that had gotten everyone else was not even reality. It took effort and it was certainly a fight, but they knew they could overcome, because they knew that the danger and power of evil wasn't as bad as it looked, that things that appeared did not have to be.

That's a very important spiritual principle for you to remember, when the battles seem so big and you feel that things are hopeless. The Enemy's the one trying to make you feel that way, and trying to make you forget the power that you have in Me and My Spirit--power through faith, which is great enough to move all the mountains! (9)

Grab Ahold of God's Promises Personally for Yourself

Perhaps you've never taken the time to really think about how you view God's promises for you, as an individual, and what you can personally expect from Me. Maybe you've had more of an academic relationship with the promises in My Word; you've mentally accepted them, but still kept them at a distance. You've held them out, far away from your heart and personal situation, sized them up, admired them, and accepted them, but there's something stopping you from believing them for yourself personally.

What you need to do, My love, is not just see My promises of victory as beautiful words on the page, and set them on a table and admire them, and even talk about them with others affectionately, or touch and pet them as you repeat them in reverence. This is all well and good, and it's respectful and I appreciate it, but that approach isn't going to make them work for you. You need to be much more passionate in your approach to My promises. You

need to look at them as words given for you, and only you. Just as I died for you, as if you were the only one, likewise I gave My promises for you, as if you were the only one. They are for you, personally, individually, eternally!

If you can believe that, then the next step is to grab those promises and clutch them close to your heart. Cherish them, love them, embrace them. Can you see that this goes so much further than simply acknowledging them or mentally saying, "Oh, that's good, that's beautiful, that's the truth of God"?

Grab those promises off the table, clutch them desperately to your chest and guard them with your life, saying, "Hey, these are mine! They were made for me, created for me, they're mine! They're exactly what I personally need, and they fit me like a glove, like a fine handmade suit that was tailored to my specific measurements. They fit every single situation that I'll ever come up against in my life, and no one is going to convince me otherwise!"

If you can have this relationship with My promises to you, then things will change for you. The way you look at battles, attacks, spiritual problems, afflictions, and everything you come across in the war will be different. That's because you will have more faith. Then the Word, My promises, will give you faith, and that's the starting point when fighting and defeating the Enemy. Faith is your "biggest and baddest weapon." Yes, all the weapons work together; they're all powerful and all needed, but faith is the secret to using any of them to their full potential.

There are so many promises in My Word. When I explain the spiritual warfare, I give you promises as I show you what power you have, what you stand to gain, what you can do to defeat your adversaries. When I talk to you about the spiritual weapons, either those you're more familiar with or those that are recently revealed, I explain what those weapons can do for you and the power they have over the Enemy. When I explain the future and your role as My Endtime prophets, I give promises of power, wisdom, anointing and victory.

My Word is full of promises. There are those you're more accustomed to quoting from the Bible, that you've heard for years and years, and there are some quotes from the Letters that have become much-used promises, and there are new ones in the GNs and key promise book--but all these promises have power to give you faith, if you can believe that they're for you personally. That's how My brides often suffer lack today. They believe, but not personally. They accept, but not personally. They apply the promises, but not personally.

What I mean is that you distance yourself from My promises, and therefore you don't think they're for you as an individual, and that takes away your power. So the challenge is to grow in personal applied faith. You can do that through a few simple steps.

First, you believe that I have victory over the Enemy in any and all situations, no matter what. There is victory for you, period. No ifs, ands, or buts about it.

Second, you accept that the promises in My Word are for you, personally. In spite of your weaknesses, sins or shortcomings, My promises are for you. I died for you, as if you were the only one, and I gave My promises for you, as if you were the only one. These specific promises will give you faith for whatever situation you personally face, because I have given promises to match any and all circumstances.

Third, you fight any inclination toward self-righteousness or negativity that would talk

you out of having faith to apply those promises to whatever battle or challenge you're facing. Don't make yourself an exception and explain away My power by thinking you're not good enough, that you don't deserve My power, victory or deliverance. Don't let your knowledge of the requirements and the intricacies of how things work in the spirit world take away your faith, because when you do that, you're looking at your lacks instead of My power and awesome greatness.

Last of all, protect, nurture and feed your faith. Know that faith is the "meanest and baddest" of your weapons and that's the starting place to great miracles. With faith, you can use all the weapons, and there's plenty there to defeat any demon from Hell, no matter how persistent or powerful he may be. He's not and never will be and never can be as powerful as Me! (10)

Let Me ask you something. Do you believe that I love you? Do you believe I died for you? Do you believe that you are My child, one I know personally and care about? I have spoken many words to try to convey My love to you, and done many things in your life to manifest Myself, My love, and My power to you in a personal, tangible way.

Now I want you to think about this carefully. If you can believe that I love you, that I care about you, and that I am God, and thus am all-powerful, all of which are part of your foundation of faith--shouldn't it stand to reason that My promises are for you personally as well? If you are My child, why would I not include you in My promises? If you really think about it, you'll see there's actually no logical reason to think they wouldn't be for you.

I am not a man that I should lie. I am true to My Word and true to My promises. What I have promised, I am able to perform. Do you believe that? Do you believe that I am capable of anything?

My power is so great, I am capable of working through you, and I mean you personally. It doesn't matter how you feel about yourself, your abilities, your talents, your spirituality, or whatever it is that you think makes you unworthy or incapable of being used by Me. I am greater than all that.

If you're focused on yourself, of course you're not going to be able to believe you can make it and do all the things I'm asking of you. But if you can get your eyes on Me and really grasp the concept that it's all Me and My power, you'll start to see things closer to the way they really are.

If you're obeying, and doing the things I've asked of you personally, then you can ask Me for a boost of faith to appropriate My promises. Then put Me to the test, and stand back and enjoy, because I will come through for you in ways you never thought possible! (11)

(Dad speaking:) Don't let the Enemy keep you from partaking of the miracles, rewards, fulfillment, happiness and blessings that the Lord wants to give you by convincing you that they're not for you, not yours to apply, or that you're not worthy. Hold tight to His promises and don't let go! Say with Jacob, "I will not let Thee go except Thou bless me!" That's the kind of faith that gets results! (12)

I want to lift the weight of uncertainty from your shoulders, and ask that you hold on to your faith and trust in My promises. I want you to hold on to the knowledge that no matter how dark or impossible something seems, I have never failed My children, and I am in control. These are things that will never change. No matter what the test or difficulty or impossibility that you or others are facing, I am there, and I give you My song of victory, My promises of sufficient grace, My unfailing power to overcome all obstacles. I will enable you to go forward with My peace of mind and assurance that I do all things well. (13)

Take Me at My word! That's all there is to it! Then there will be no loss, only gain, as you pave the way for the glorious future through your solid faith and belief in Me and what I promise to do for you and yours. (14)

I will give you faith as you hang on to My promises and put them into action. (15)

The gift of faith in Me and faith in My promises, faith no matter what the circumstances, is one of the greatest gifts My children can have. (16)

I love it when you put Me on the spot. What husband doesn't like to show off his prowess and his ability to be there for his sweetheart? I'm the same way with you, My loves. Nothing is a greater compliment of your trust and dependence on Me than expecting Me to do the impossible, and that kind of faith is the perfect platform for miracles. (17)

The only true reality lies in Me and My promises. I'm able to defy the laws of nature that I've put in place if I so desire. Don't limit Me. Don't let the Enemy's doubts limit your faith. Fight militantly to hold on to your faith and to cherish and hone the weapons I've given you so that you may have the strength wherewith to fight the battle, to defy the impossible, to rise above. (18)

As you exercise this gift of faith, step out on the water of My promises and you'll see things change before your eyes. This is an active gift--a living, pulsating, spiritual gift. As you walk by faith, the doors will open before you, the waters of difficulty will part, the mountain of impossibility will be scaled. (19)

As you grasp My promises and follow by faith and not by sight, you will reap the visible and earthshaking results. (20)

It is your declaration of faith, your outward show of faith in Me and My Word and My promises that moves My hand. It is in your casting of yourself utterly and completely on Me that I am well pleased, and in this I am able to live and think and move in you to full measure. It is faith that saves! (21)

There is never a right time to stop believing in Me and My promises. There is nothing--

no hardship, no problem, no adjustment trials, no personal battles, no questions--that should cause you to give up your faith that I will work out everything. Everything is going to be all right. Trust Me through all the bumps in the road that you experience. Keep your eyes focused on the road ahead, and know that I have gone before you to prepare the way, and to show you exactly how to get to your destination. (22)

There's nothing I will not do for the children of David! There are gold mines of financial supply and gold mines of spiritual blessings that are there waiting for someone to reach out with the hand of faith and grasp them, to take hold of My promises, to avail themselves of My promises.

These things are available to you! Are you reaching for them? Are you striking out by faith to follow My Words? (23)

It's Good to Have Simple Childlike Faith

Many of My children who were greatly used in the past had a simple and childlike faith due to the simplicity of the times in which they lived. There is nothing wrong with very simple and childlike faith--that is the best kind. But in these days, you have to work harder to keep that simple, childlike faith, because there is so much more knowledge of the world fighting against that faith. In these days of the End is the knowledge of evil manifested as never before, and it is impossible to not be infected to at least some extent with it. It is only through My Words and My Spirit that the Enemy's filth and poison can be washed away. So it is necessary for you to be flooded and flushed as never before with My Words, that you may remain strong and full of faith.

Simple childlike faith is not necessarily naïve, uninformed or immature. To the contrary, it is simply choosing to believe Me in spite of all other knowledge or possibilities or conflicting opinions. That's what faith is--it's belief, and in this case, belief in Me and My Word. You can be very well rounded and educated and still maintain that simple faith, through determining that you are going to believe Me above all others, no matter what others say.

Granted, it's harder to keep that simple faith when you do investigate other possibilities, because faith is not based on anything you can see or touch or prove--that's why it's called faith. But it is possible to keep that faith. And that is what I have asked of you, My children. I have given you so much in order to help answer your questions, so that you might reach the point where you realize that I have the answers to everything, whether you know them or understand them or not, and you choose to believe. But you must make that choice yourself. Otherwise, you can be caught in a cycle of ever learning, yet never coming to a knowledge of the truth--that unshakable, unmovable, childlike, simple faith. (24)

Simplicity is the embodiment of My Spirit. Simplicity is intrinsic. It's a gift I bestow on everyone, and what a great gift it is. For simplicity is the wall of protection around your faith. To lose simplicity is to lift that wall, leaving your faith defenseless against the

threats of doubt, criticalness, and unbelief.

Faith is not provable or explainable--it just is. You so often search for a logical explanation, thriving on the complexity you find in that search, instead of accepting the simple, but miraculous, mysterious and inexplicable way of faith. Strive for simple faith, and there you will find happiness.

I grant the gift of simplicity to all, and it is a valuable gift, for unless you have the simple faith of a little child, you cannot enter the Kingdom of Heaven. Unless you can have the childlike simplicity to believe in the unseen--Me, the One Who died for you and now offers you the simple but miraculous gift of eternal life--then you cannot be born again.

All men do have this gift, although as they grow, some despise it and discount it, calling it superstition or ignorance, preferring to weave a web of complexity to cover it. But the gift remains for those who would uncover it and make use of it. (25)

You can learn much about prayer from a little child, for there is no greater faith than that of a child. A child expects in his heart that I am going to answer his request. He knows what he wants and he tells Me in simple but exact terms.

Your prayers don't have to be complicated. They can be just like the prayers of a little child. Tell Me in simple but exact terms what your request is, have childlike faith that I am going to answer, and then stand back and see Me deliver what you have asked for in faith. (26)

(Dad speaking:) It's wise to be simple. It's wise to be accepting and take things by faith. It's not a sign of lack of intelligence--it's a sign of wisdom. (27)

It's easier for a person to become skeptical, cynical and unbelieving than for someone to become full of faith, trusting, and accepting. This is the nature of man. (28)

The faith of a little child is powerful. It's a gift of God. As adults, sometimes it's easy to lose sight of My promises, but children trust and hold Me to them. They expect Me to do miracles. (29)

Expecting miracles is when the notion that I may not answer doesn't even cross your mind. It's when you can't fathom the idea of Me not supplying or protecting or answering you.

It's the same trust that a toddler has when leaping off the side of a pool into his parents' arms. It doesn't even occur to him that he could fall into the water and drown. So great is his faith that he will end up in strong, caring arms, that he acts--without thinking, without taking into account the probabilities and the risks. The parent rewards that faith by catching him. (30)

Choose to See Things with the Eyes of Faith

You must see things in the spirit! You've got to choose to see things with the eyes of faith, because there's so much that can never be explained in carnal or fleshly terms. There's so much about the dynamics of the spirit, My spiritual gifts, and the workings of the world of the spirit that you will never understand with your human mind, and which will never make sense to the scoffer, the doubter, or the unbeliever. But that's where faith comes in--faith of a little child, faith as a grain of mustard seed, faith that can move mountains, faith that transforms you and gives you understanding.

To choose the road of faith is a choice you have to make! It's a choice no one else can make for you! But it's a vital choice, because when you lose your faith, then you have lost everything, and you're in danger of becoming alienated from My Spirit. (31)

(Dad speaking:) Faith is accepting the things that you don't understand with your carnal mind, things that you can't see with your physical eyes or touch with your hands. It is, as Paul described, the substance of things hoped for, the hupostasis, the title deed, the proof of ownership of things that you may or may not physically hold in your hands. (32)

Yours is a life of faith. It's a life of basing your actions, your choices, your belief system, your everything, on My Word, and ignoring everything else when necessary. It's a life that will be greatly rewarded when you step out of the surreal façade the Enemy so carefully sets up to snare mankind and you're able to see--not through a glass darkly, but face to face--how things truly are. It will be like Neo stepping out of the matrix and seeing reality for the first time. You'll be so glad you gave your life to set others free. (33)

(Dad speaking:) As the Bible says, the carnal mind is enmity against God-hostile to God (Rom.8:7). The carnal mind's first reaction is to resist God's truth if it's something that doesn't fit into the confines of natural human logic. That's the way we were made-the way God created us, as odd as that may seem-because He wanted to introduce the notion of believing by faith. Something that you see, understand completely, touch and feel, doesn't require faith. How much faith did those who saw Jesus perform miracles before their eyes need? Not very much. But those who just heard about it from others or read it in the Gospels needed a lot more faith! That's what the Lord wants to teach us-to have faith!

To understand that concept better, think about how important trust is to you. How important is it to you that your friends and those you love trust you, even if they don't understand you? I'd venture to say it's pretty important. If you felt that you had to prove everything to them, they might believe you because of the proof, but you wouldn't feel it was real trust, and you wouldn't feel that they were real friends who were going to stick by you when things went wrong. In a way, it's the same with God. That's why He deliberately created us with a carnal mind, so that we would have to make an effort to overcome and accept things by faith, thereby manifesting our love and trust in Him. Trust is one of the greatest manifestations of your love for someone. (34)

(Dad speaking:) There are a lot of things the Lord asks us to take purely by faith, and sometimes they simply can't be understood by the carnal mind because they're spiritually discerned.

It's like being saved. How in the world does that make sense? You accept Jesus' atonement for your sins by faith, right? But when you think about it in practical terms, when you first heard about salvation--was it logical? It's not logical to think that some man you not only don't know, but who lived 2,000 years before you, died for you because He personally loved you. That out of all the billions of people who ever lived on Earth, He knew about little ol' you--and you weren't even going to be born for another 2,000 years! To think that just because this guy hung on a cross and died for you, you could be forgiven for all your sins and someday be taken to some far-out paradise where you'd finally meet the guy face to face and live happily ever after for all eternity--not to mention you were asked to believe that He not only died, but He actually rose from the dead three days later--all so that you could now have this man living in your heart--and how does someone else live in your heart anyhow--how much sense does all this make? It takes faith, right?

When Jesus tried to explain the concept of salvation to Nicodemus, He told him, "That which is born of the flesh is flesh, but that which is born of the Spirit is spirit." But Nicodemus had a hard time understanding this whole concept. Why? Because it goes against carnal and logical thinking.

Nicodemus was raised in the jot and tittle of a very literal law dealing with every physical matter imaginable. Most of the Jews were. That's what Jesus came to set them--and us--free from. "The letter of the law killeth." "It is the spirit that quickeneth; the flesh profiteth nothing. The words that I speak unto you, they are spirit, and they are life."

There's another brainteaser that you've accepted all your life: How can spoken words be spirit and life? This is a truth and principle that your heart and mind have accepted even though it makes no logical sense when you really think of it. And that is why, from the very beginning, when Paul was preaching to the very analytical Jews, the philosophical Greeks, and the carnal Romans, the Lord showed him that the carnal mind was at enmity with God. (35)

The ways and life of faith have not changed from the beginning of time. Those who walk by faith have always and will always be called to believe in the impossible and to trust in the supernatural. They are asked to do things that no one else could possibly do--things that defy logic and natural reasoning. (36)

(Dad speaking:) Folks, I've told you before that God's ways are not your ways. Look at Noah! Nobody had even seen a boat, especially not on dry land! But Noah did what God said and it saved his life, and he received the blessings and the promises were fulfilled. And what about Abraham, standing there looking over the land and God saying to him, "This land will be for you and your seed, and they shall be as the stars in the heavens, a multitude as the sand of the seas!" Those were some pretty big promises, and he had to just take it by faith.

Think about Daniel; he had to have faith that what God showed him was actually a dream that Nebuchadnezzar had had. That was faith! He believed it, and he acted on it, and he was blessed because of it. And what about the prophets of old?--Eating dung, walking naked, virtually doing skits to get God's point across! But these were things God told them to do, and they believed it and they obeyed it, they did it! Even though it seemed ridiculous and certainly was embarrassing, humbling and difficult, yet they did it and were blessed, and the message was given.

See, God doesn't always work the way we think He should. That's because man's mind does not see as God sees. (37)

Put Your Faith into Action

Faith has to be put into action if you expect to see results. Faith without works is dead (James 2:26). Therefore, if you expect to see the results of your faith, you have to show that you have confidence in your faith and are willing to put it into action and take steps in that direction. Faith on its own is not going to bring the victory about; I require that you take steps toward progress.

Some people look on faith as magic--that they just say that they have it, and whoosh, the miracles happen. But that's a bit of an unrealistic outlook on faith, because faith requires action. You must put feet to your faith and do your part so that I can do Mine. Sometimes "doing your part" is taking practical steps and doing something that I show you to do in the physical. Sometimes it's taking action in the spirit, by using the spiritual weapons and by laboring in prayer.

Of course, when it comes to needing faith to meet some great need, it usually means that there is a measure of human impossibility, where you have to rely on Me to come through for you. That is part of the life of faith: You have the faith and trust in Me. You do your part, and in so doing, allow Me to do Mine. However, you have to work on your faith; it's not just a permanent feature in a disciple's life. It's a muscle you work, you tone, and you strengthen--and each challenge you face is another chance for your faith muscle to grow and stretch.

When you find yourself in a predicament where you need a miracle from Me, I want you to claim the victory in faith and confidence. I like it when you put Me on the spot and expect Me to come through for you. But you also have to do your part for the sequence of events to take place. You have to do more than casually fling the word "faith" around in your prayers to Me; you have to be confident in your request and be certain that you have done your part to build your faith.

What exactly does that mean? Well, for starters, faith will do more than just pray a prayer asking for My help; faith will seek Me for the requirements that I expect of you, the action on your part that will help bring about the miracle--whether that is physical action or spiritual action.

For example, let's say you're in need of finances and you bring this request before Me. You have a measure of faith in this respect because I've always come through for you, and

even when you've lacked a little, somehow I made it up in the long run. So you somewhat haphazardly proclaim that you have faith that I will come through for you and provide the needed funds.

However, you leave it at that, without taking the time to hear from Me for the specifics on what I want you to do in order for Me to provide what you need. As a result, you struggle onward without seeing the significant results of your prayers; your faith is shaken a little, and you wonder why I didn't come through this time around. But is it really My fault?

The question to ask yourself in such a situation is: Did you do your best? Did you do all that I wanted you to? In some cases, you failed to ask Me what I wanted you to do from the beginning, so you found yourself floundering about instead. In such a case it's not that you lacked the faith initially, but instead you failed to take the necessary steps to build up your faith to procure the reward. You failed to recognize the next steps in the procedure to victory, and as a result, the outcome that I wanted to give you was delayed and hampered by the lack of effort on your part.

If you'll take that same scenario and fill in those missing elements--after claiming the miracles by faith, you seek Me for My first step and then act on it--you then receive direct benefits through your obedience. As a result, your faith is increased and you're ready to face the next step, and then the next, until you reach your destination. For example, perhaps I would have asked you to do something specific to get the finances you needed, and to read Word to boost your faith in My ability to supply, and to devote 10 minutes of your prayer time every day to claiming My miracle. (38)

It's important for you to know how I want you to express your faith. As faith is action, you need to find out from Me what that action means for you and your particular situation. In some instances, I may tell you that your stand of faith needs to be evidenced through praise and prayer alone. Knowing that, you should fight to praise and pray with all your might; that, then, is the action of your faith.

Or maybe I will show you that your stand of faith would be to go out and do a new method of witnessing, or to ask for united prayer, or to approach your supporters with your request for funds, or to trust Me for your healing, or to move to a new country, or to stay put and endure in the field I've called you to. Perhaps I'll ask you to approach that intimidating person and witness to them, or to take on that project or challenge that you've been hiding from, or even to forsake something that you've been leaning on as a "crutch" that hinders you from fully trusting Me. The action of faith will be different for each individual, for each situation, according to each need.

But if you don't know what "action" faith means for you personally, then you will miss the mark on receiving the rewards of faith. If I show you to pray and praise, but instead you go out and work in the arm of the flesh, thinking that that's your faith, well, then you'll miss out on the complete fruits the true action of faith could've brought you. Or if you pray and wait around, thinking that that's what faith means to you, instead of going out and reaching the lost and petitioning for financial help, you'll also miss out on the full fruits of faith, because you haven't been applying the right action to your faith.

So ask Me what action you must apply to your faith. This way you will be using both "oars" of faith and works, and you can be assured of reaching the full blessings I have for you. (39)

An old Scotsman operated a little rowboat for transporting passengers. One day a passenger noticed that the good old man had carved on one oar the word "Faith" and on the other oar the word "Works." Curiosity led him to ask the meaning of this. The old man, being a well-balanced Christian and glad of the opportunity for testimony, said, "I will show you."

So saying, he dropped one oar and plied the other called "Works," and they just went around in circles. Then he dropped that oar and began to ply the oar called "Faith," and the little boat just went around in circles again--this time the other way around, but still in a circle.

After this demonstration the old man picked up "Faith" and "Works," and plying both oars together, sped swiftly over the water, explaining to his inquiring passenger, "You see, that is the way it is in the Christian life. Dead works without faith are useless, and 'faith without works is dead' also, getting you nowhere. But faith and works pulling together make for safety, progress, and blessing." (Good Thots 2)

Be businesslike about putting your faith into action. You have to do your part in the spirit by feeding it and nourishing it through your times with Me and My Word, but then faith has a work element to it as well. Faith is what transfers something from a nice thought to a world-changing action. There's nothing laid back about faith; it's willing to get off its rump, roll up its sleeves, and work hard. It's prepared for action; in fact, it makes the action.

That's what you're meant to do with faith--put it into action. Faith is not complete without the action; it's a package deal. You have to work your faith to prove its existence. (40)

Human nature conflicts with unreserved faith in Me. The carnal mind (Romans 8:7) is ever active in weighing up the "logical" explanation for everything, and insisting that you must take action if you want to see results. Action is important, but it doesn't substitute for faith; it has to work in conjunction with faith, otherwise you'll find yourself spinning in place or moving along very slowly. It's the combination of faith plus effort that moves you forward at a quick clip.

So if you want to see progress and success, utilize your gift of faith as you set about doing what you can in the physical. Don't neglect one in favor of the other. When you successfully merge faith and effort, you'll find greater success, because it will be both Me and you working together, and we're a powerful team. (41)

Having the Faith to Obey

(Dad speaking:) It takes great faith to believe something that the Lord has said, especially when it goes against your natural reasoning or human nature. But having the faith to obey is what made the way for God to save the lives of Noah and his family, what proved Abraham was worthy of his promised seed, what enabled God's anointing to fall on Moses to lead his people.

The examples in the Bible of what faith and obedience wrought are endless. Faith and obedience have brought supply and miracles for God's people all throughout the ages, and those same spiritual principles are in play today. If you obey God, even if by faith alone, whatever kind of miracles you need are guaranteed. That's a fact! He'll never fail, if you trust Him and do your part. (42)

(Dad speaking:) He will give you the faith if you will follow and obey Him. (43)

(Dad speaking:) You have to be willing and believing to grab on to what the Lord offers you and says He will do through you. You have to trust and believe that if He says He will anoint you to do something, or that He will speak through you, or give you the grace to obey His will--that He means it, and He will do it if you walk in faith. "As they went, they were healed." (44)

(Dad speaking:) Don't think you always have to understand why, but just obey, because that's how you get the blessings of God! That's where the power and the Spirit of God are, in obedience. If you step out by faith, not even understanding, the Lord will meet you and it will be an exciting adventure! So don't lean to your own understanding, don't sit around trying to analyze it and reason it out. Just go, and you'll experience a freedom that you haven't known before. So don't be afraid to try it! (45)

Trust Me, and obey the things I tell you to do, no matter what circumstances you find yourself in, even if you do not understand.

Moses did not understand how I would help him make it through the Red Sea. Gideon had no idea how I would help him to win the battle with only 300 men. Noah had zero understanding of boats; he didn't even know what a boat was, and it took him 120 years to find out. He couldn't see the end picture when he started recording the dimensions for that ship. He had no idea what the end would be. He simply followed Me one day at a time, one step at a time. He refused to give up, or give in to the crowds who were mocking him. He fixed his eyes on Me and kept them there. That's how he made it through 120 long years--taking things one day at a time, by faith alone. (46)

It takes faith, yes. It takes courage, yes. It takes total abandonment to My will, yes. It takes ignoring the voices crying out to you that "It's impossible." It takes launching out into deep waters, yes. It takes taking the next step, even when you can't see the ground

below or where you'll place your foot. It takes trusting Me because you know you're doing My will, and you know I will not fail you, because I have never failed to see you through. Yet if you'll do this, I will help you and I will make it through you. All you have to do is say yes to Me, call on My help, set your eyes on Me, focus on Me and Me alone, and I will give you the faith. I will give you the courage. I will help you to yield. If you'll call on the power of the keys, I will activate the power within you to defy the impossible and to rise above. (47)

You're grown up. You're mature. I'm asking you to do the things that men of faith do: Step out on the water, walk to Me, and trust that I will keep you afloat. (48)

As you step out by faith to be and do all that I have called you to, even when it looks like you are stepping out into thin air, I will cause the ground to rise up to meet you. (49)

However, if you take a leap of faith and that's all you do--you don't invest anything more, you don't work to feed your faith more than usual, you don't pray daily and desperately for whatever it is that you are expecting Me to do for you, you don't avail yourself of the prayer power of others--then if I don't come through for you, even if something is My will, don't blame Me. My answering your prayers and doing the miracles that you desire is a two-way street. I need your cooperation, and sometimes that's what's overlooked or missing.

Look at the miracles and answers to prayer in the Bible. Sometimes prayers took a while to be answered. Miracles took great desperation. There were steps that those involved had to take in order for My will to be accomplished. Moses didn't just shoot up a short prayer when the Red Sea parted. (See Exodus 14.) There were steps that he had to take. He had to get desperate. He had to ask Me what to do. He had to listen to Me tell him My plan. Then he had to enact My plan. And it wasn't just a matter of lifting up his rod and stretching forth his hand for a moment. It took time for the sea to part so that the children of Israel could walk through on dry land. It was tiring for him to hold up his heavy rod, and to be desperate in prayer at the same time; he grew weary. But what if he had given up? What if he had failed to do what I told him to do? The miraculous story wouldn't have been the same.

What if the people hadn't rolled away the stone when I wanted to raise Lazarus from the dead? He would have remained in his grave--even though it was My will to raise him from the dead (John 11:39-45). So a lot depends not just on your faith and confidence in Me, but also your willingness to fight for what you are asking of Me, through prayer, through using the spiritual weapons, through employing the help of others, through doing whatever I ask of you. (50)

I have promised great miracles to My children, and I was not speaking symbolically. Indeed, My power is limitless, and according to your need and the situation, I will do wondrous things for you and through you!

The requirement for these manifestations of power is faith--your faith to ask Me, to expect, to believe and receive. When you ask Me in faith, I am bound by My Word to give

you what you need. It might not always be what you think you need, but I will always supply, protect, deliver, heal, or resolve the situation in the way that I know is best. Sometimes it will be a quiet miracle that you will know is the answer, but it won't be obvious to others. At other times, for the sake of the witness, I will do wondrous supernatural things as a display of My power to give those who are undecided a chance to believe in and receive Me. (51)

As I have promised, I will never fail you; I'm always here for you. My power is unlimited. The strength of My Spirit is immeasurable, and it is all available to you personally. You just have to have the faith to reach out and grab it, take it, and claim it for yourself. Exercise your faith! Be desperate for My Spirit and My anointing and My strength to fall upon you! Yield to Me, give to Me, become Mine, and I will never fail you! (52)

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Dark clouds are forming over the world day by day. The future is ominous for all those who are not in tune with My Spirit. But My children are not ignorant of what the future holds and what will come upon the world, because they seek Me, and therefore are the only ones who will truly have peace and faith in the midst of the oppression and tribulation that will soon come upon the Earth. ⁽¹⁾

My beloved ones, as the world is entering its darkest days, be encouraged that you, My children, are entering days of great miracles and manifestations of My power upon you in this final hour. Soak in My Words and My comfort to you, and let it renew your faith and trust in Me as never before. ⁽²⁾

My dearest loves, you are each such an integral and wonderful part of My future. I need each of you more than you know, and you will each be needed more than you know in the dark days ahead. I know that it may be difficult for you to see it now, and you may even be feeling discouraged and downhearted because of your weaknesses, shortcomings, seeming failures and mistakes. But I ask you to lay all that aside, looking only to Me, the Author and Finisher of your faith, that you may be strengthened and upheld and continue on to fulfill the destiny that I have set before you. ⁽³⁾

I have placed your destiny within your heart. The outline of your future is written in your spirit's DNA, and you fill it in by your choices. You are destined to fight and win great battles and to win this world for My Kingdom. As you walk forward in faith and obedience, this destiny will be strengthened. You will find it hard to resist. And if you walk on, hold on, and persevere, you will fulfill your destiny. ⁽⁴⁾

Along with all the new weapons I've placed in your arsenal, I've placed the gift of greater faith in your heart--and in the heart of each of My Family. This gift is yours, given to you to cherish, to have and to hold. You must hold on to it at all costs, for the Enemy seeks to pull it from your hands. ⁽⁵⁾

In the days to come, there will be a great move of My Spirit as I lead you into the way of greater faith. Those who will listen to My Words, and who will receive and obey them, will receive a great anointing of faith such as the world has never seen. I have endowed My servants with faith from the beginning of time, yet as My Spirit moves in these Last Days, I will pour out greater faith such as has not been seen since the beginning of time.

These days that are soon to come upon you will be the days of great miracles! These

will be the days of greater things, and this is a great move of My Spirit. This will be the fruit of your faith--the great miracles I will work on behalf of My children who follow closely. Those who hear My Word and obey will put their faith into action and call down mighty miracles from the Heavens! This will be the mighty moving of My Spirit. ⁽⁶⁾

I will give you the grace for each step that I will lead you on in this path I have chosen for you. You'll be amazed at the faith and trust that you'll receive from My hand to be able to go through these times and not falter or fear. ⁽⁷⁾

I am giving you each an extra outpouring of faith, sustenance, endurance, and the power to face whatever you will need to face. Even seeming defeats will become glorious victories. This I promise, and this you will see come to pass. ⁽⁸⁾

The greater your faith, the greater I am able to pour down My power. The closer the connection, the more real I will be to you. The greater your weakness, the greater My strength will be through you. This is what I've been preparing you for since the dawn of time. This is your destiny--you upon whom the ends of the Earth are come.

Take this seriously and cherish your birthright. Look beyond the confines of the flesh and its weak limitations and see My power. For you are only the conduit, the channel, the vessel that I can pour My power through, and the purer the metal the conduit is made of, the faster and easier the power can flow through it. So be a conduit of My power. Let Me live in you and take complete control. You will see things you've only dreamed of--visions, glimpses into My Heavenly realm, and demonstrations of My power. All this is yours for the taking if you will yield to Me, accept My calling in your life, and have the faith of a little child. ⁽⁹⁾

In these days I (will) hold you up as a beacon, a light shining forth in great darkness for all the world to see! Although all the world will wonder after the Beast, all the world will marvel at the awesome power, strength and mighty works that I will perform through you, My mighty bulwarks of faith in these Last Days of the End! ⁽¹⁰⁾

Now it is your time to shine and to demonstrate this power. You have nothing to fear, dear loves. Go in faith, believing, making disciples of all nations, and claiming My promises, for all that I have said will come to pass as you walk on in faith. I will lead, protect, and guide you. No harm will come near you as you put your faith and trust in Me. ⁽¹¹⁾

The day is almost at hand, and the final battle is almost upon us. I will be with you, and those who have yielded their all to Me will feel My power in that day and will rejoice that they walked by faith and not sight; that they set their affections on things above and not on the things of this world; that though they did not see, yet they believed and prepared. They were not as those that slept, but they watched and waited, not knowing what hour their Lord would come. They, as the wise virgins, kept their lamps filled with oil. Nor were they as the

slothful who ate and drank, and knew not until the flood of evil came and carried them all away.⁽¹²⁾

To the carnal mind the task before you would seem like a "mission impossible," but I tell you again, there are no impossibilities to you. This is the day of action. You must not say, "But I don't have the faith," for I have put the faith within each of you; it comes with the anointing I've given you. It's your destiny. I've equipped you with unwavering faith. It's within you. You don't have to worry. You don't have to try to work it up. All you must do is receive it, act on it, believe it, and loose the gift of faith that is within you!

Where I guide, I always provide--therefore come before Me and allow Me to increase the faith within you. As I have given you My anointing, I also give you a gift of greater faith; all you must do is awaken it. Loose the gift of faith that I give! Let it be stirred up. Put it to use, exercise it! Your job is to take care of this faith, feed your faith, hone this gift, hold on to it for dear life, and don't let go!

As you step out to take action in this new era, all things will be possible to you. My Spirit in you cannot fail as long as you look to Me, stay focused on the vision I give, and don't give up. As long as you do your part by having a believing and yielding heart, all that I ask of you is possible. All you need to fulfill the vision I have given, all that I have promised to you in these Last Days--it's all possible. There are no impossible missions for you, My children; there are only great possibilities!

Prove the Devil wrong each time he comes around to hassle you, by turning right around and doing the impossible! Defy him by showing him your faith! This is how I'm going to be able to make you a mighty force in the days to come. This is why the whole world will hear about you. This is how you're going to establish My Kingdom on Earth, for you will not only speak the living Word, you will have the living Word running through your veins. You will be the living proof that the impossible is possible with Me, because you will manifest your faith by your actions!

To mankind this is a great mystery, how the impossible becomes possible. Yet to those of the Heavenly realm, it is their very nature--there are no impossibilities to the residents of Heaven. They would not even think it! Now it must become your nature also. All things are possible with God, therefore with Me in you, all things are possible to you! Now, as you put these three steps into motion, as you exercise your faith to the full, let this be your protection against falling into the "impossible" pit.

In this era, I will work through you to prove to the world that all things are possible to you, because you believe in Me! You are destined to be My living proof. Therefore, I ask you today, loose the gift of full faith I have put within you. Enough of reservation, of doubt, and of holding back! Hold on to Me alone and let the full faith flow!

You are to be My showcase to the world, the ones I have chosen to work through to perform the greater works of the Endtime. I give you this assurance: The "impossible" is nothing but a myth. Therefore take heed to this admonition: Stand strong in My power and face down the "impossible"!

As the Red Sea was parted for Moses according to My Word; as Sarah gave birth when

it was past her time; as the walls of Jericho came down at Joshua's signal; as Elijah was carried into the Heavens; as Samson received supernatural strength; as My Own earthly mother, Mary, conceived before ever knowing a man and brought Me into the world; as Lazarus was raised from the dead; so all things will be made possible to you. Just as each of My prophets and handmaidens of old held on to their faith and believed, your faith also will not fail as long as you stay focused on Me. It is not your doing; it is Mine. This full faith is a gift from Me. Your responsibility is to use it wisely, feed it, cultivate it, and exercise it.

Keep putting Me to the test. Keep exercising your faith. Start today with all the things that arise in your daily lives. Stretch your faith more and more each day, and don't turn back. Defy the impossible, for this is the destiny I have chosen for you! ⁽¹³⁾

Stretch your faith! Let it grow as I would have it grow, for in the days to come, the faith you have now will not be enough. You must let Me move the mountains and surmount the obstacles with you today. You must put Me on the spot, and learn how to use the gift of heavenly thought power that I have placed in your hands. ⁽¹⁴⁾

There is still a little time before great catastrophe strikes. Use this time wisely and to the full in seeking Me and becoming more attuned to My guidance and the whispers of My will. Put Me to the test at this time. Let your faith be stretched. Let it grow. There is much that I desire to do through My children. As you step out upon the water, I will be there to uphold you, but you must take the steps. ⁽¹⁵⁾

I'm asking you, My children, to give up much of the fluff and frills of the world so that you can become and remain strong and dedicated, so that you will have the strength and faith to believe the strong and radical Words that I will give you in the future, so that you remain set apart and dropped out from the worldlings, and so that you can be bright and shining beacons to the world--living testimonies of My power and Spirit. ⁽¹⁶⁾

As I called to My disciples of old, I call to you, the children of David: Come out from among them and be separate. Touch not the unclean thing, and I will receive you, and in receiving you, I will grant you full access to My miracle-working power. Then you will become the Endtime prophets that you are called to be! ⁽¹⁷⁾

Those who've stayed firmly connected to Me and have been willing to go into the Endtime battles with faith and trust are the ones that I will use mightily to do the impossible! ⁽¹⁸⁾

(Spirit helper speaking:) I am one of the mighty men of King David of old, sent to encourage you--you, who are one of David's present-day mighty men who fights in spirit to conquer the foe!

Now you have been given a special anointing to be one of David's loyal mighty men of faith!--One who has endured heartache and hardships, who has forsaken all, who has laid down his life and his loved ones that he might be counted worthy to receive the title and the role of one of David's mighty men, one of his loyal, dedicated soldiers who is willing to fight and lay down his life for the cause. And as we, David's mighty men of old, went on to our reward, even so you have a great reward in store for your willingness to fight on and hold on to the crown!

And so, my fellow laborer, my fellow soldier, my fellow fighter for the faith, keep your eyes on the battle! Keep wielding the weapon of the Word that He's given you. Keep going forward in faith, fighting for the cause--for great is your reward! You have helpers in the spirit that assist you and give you anointing and wisdom and the help you need to continue to fight on.

So be not discouraged! Though you may feel wounded or weakened, fight on with the strength you have. Receive the help in the spirit that the Lord has for you, for you are one of the valiant fighters of David in the Endtime. Belittle not your role nor your calling, for they are great.

So, my fellow fighter of the faith, fight on! Though you may feel battle-weary, fight on! Though you feel weak, fight on! Though sometimes you feel you don't have the strength, fight on! For as you continue to fight, the strength will be provided because of your faith.⁽¹⁹⁾

(Admiral William Halsey:) When you are heading into darkness, you must focus on the light. If you focus on the darkness, fear and confusion will bring you down. The Enemy would like to play on that. You have to focus on the light.

Even the most well-meaning disciple could be frightened by the gross darkness that is so rapidly descending upon the world. So you must learn to focus only on the light.

What is the light that your focus must be directed toward? The light of God's Word! The light of His promises--His promise to use you mightily and to do mighty miracles through you! His promise to care for His Own and to give even the little children happy lives in spite of the darkness descending upon the world. The light of His vision, of what He plans to do through you, the Family. The light of victory. The light of salvation for thousands of saved souls rescued and led through the End without giving in to the Enemy. The light of the victories that have been promised for your future, leading the poor, confused, but sincere Christians and exposing the Antichrist regime. This is focusing on the light!

Then as darkness descends--and it will descend rapidly now, picking up the pace in how quickly it descends--it won't faze you, the Lord's strong soldiers. Your focus will be on the light, not on the darkness. Fear will have no place in your hearts because you will be looking up and beyond any fear that the darkness can threaten you with.

The troops who will be successful will be the ones who have learned to give their all to focusing on the light. This will be a test for each of you Family troops, much as the water-drinking exercise was a test for Gideon's troops (Judges 7:4-7). You who learn to focus only on the light are those who will be strong right through to the end.

This is a major key in winning the war. The light must be your focus--not problems or

weaknesses, but light. Looking at the weaknesses instead of the light will give way to fear as the darkness becomes ever more evil and prevalent. But the Enemy will have no power over those who have learned the excellent power of focusing only on the light.

Praise is a very effective step toward focusing on the light. Claiming the keys of positiveness and faith focuses one's sight on the light. Natalia, as she leads in praise, leads God's children to focus on the light. Jesus' Words all focus the reader on the light. Prayers that are prayed in faith focus on the light. Loving Jesus through hymns and intimate conversations with your Husband focuses your sight on the light. ⁽²⁰⁾

Whether there are many or few, it will not hinder or limit Me, for I have many things yet to accomplish through My children. There is great progress that will be made. So don't fear or fret. Don't listen to the voice of the Enemy when he tries to tell you that things won't work out, but rather look to Me, for I am the Author and Finisher of your faith.

I am the One Who's doing this work, as you so well know, therefore trust Me completely. Throw your lot completely in with Me and fear nothing. For My hand is upon you and I have anointed you for the task. I have given you wisdom to be able to do all that must be done. I will give you the strength and the power that you need, even the faith, as you continue to cry out to Me and hold on, not letting go, not giving one inch to Satan. ⁽²¹⁾

The Endtime Word for Today Will Prepare You for the Endtime Days Ahead

(Dad speaking:) The bottom line, folks, is that you are a very different and unique breed of Christians! You're being trained for a very special and specific purpose, which no other Christians in the world are being trained for. For your mission and task you need stronger meat; you need the undiluted, pure truth, and that comes from the New Wine. That's the only thing that will truly increase and strengthen your faith! ⁽²²⁾

If you will be faithful to eat, to feed, to nourish yourselves in the New Wine, the Endtime Word for today, and if you will pray for vision, faith, and understanding of these Words as you read, I promise to do My part to see that you're strengthened, empowered, and even anointed by these Words, and thus sufficiently prepared for the Endtime days ahead.

My Word is full of My promises of protection, supply, and miracles! Your faith will increase as you read and study these Words of life, and thus you and your children will be prepared. I would not have you go through these dark days ahead if I had not done My best to prepare you for them! But a lot is up to your faithfully feeding on these Words that will give you what I know you need! ⁽²³⁾

I've been pouring out page after page of guidance and counsel in preparation for the Last Days, of things My children will need to do in order to stay very close to Me, to be used mightily of Me, and to remain in the center of My perfect will--loving Me intimately, praising Me, using prayer and prophecy--and there is yet more to come.

These are priceless treasures of My Word, real spiritual truths that have a great effect

on the lives and spiritual growth of My children. Those who are close to My Word, who drink it in and absorb it, obey and follow, continue to grow and move forward. They remain strong and even go from strength to strength.

But those who allow themselves to lose their fire for My Word, who grow familiar with it and think it isn't necessary to study and absorb it every day, will not stay strong and healthy in spirit. They will slowly grow weaker, and when the big tests come along, they won't have the power and strength of My Word in their hearts to give them faith and strength of spirit. They won't have the good, strong foundation of My Word, which they should have been building on every day, to hold them strong and steadfast through the storms of the battles ahead. ⁽²⁴⁾

There are many things ahead, many great places I wish to take you, but only those who are trusting and full of faith and willing to believe anything that I give can go. For this is a new faith trip and we are marching forth in faith, but we must go, nothing wavering. For he that wavereth is like a wave of the sea, and My children must be steadfast and unmoveable in their faith for the days ahead. ⁽²⁵⁾

Look up and know that your redemption draweth nigh. For though you are still in the world and will not be rescued out of it before what is to come, yet you can still have the mind and heart of one who dwells in the heavenlies; you can still be so possessed by Me that none of these things will move you. Take the stand in faith that you will believe, strengthen your faith through faithfulness to My Word and obedience to Me, and then you will receive the promised anointing and courage needed for what is ahead. Not a moment sooner will it come, but exactly when you need that strong grace, anointing, and supernatural peace, you will have it. ⁽²⁶⁾

Look to all the brave ones who have gone before you, the mighty warriors of the faith. They weren't strong and brave from the beginning, but they became that way by looking to Me and refusing to deny My promises, no matter what the Devil tempted them with. ⁽²⁷⁾

When Moses raised his arms in prayer to Me at the banks of the Red Sea, I stretched out My hand and parted the waters, and I held them at bay until the last of My children were safely on the other side. When the shepherd boy David loaded his sling, looked up to Me and whispered a prayer, I guided his stone and brought down the giant Goliath. When Elijah besought me for the rain I had promised, I sent the showers in great abundance. Likewise, at Zarephath, when he cried unto Me, asking for the soul of the widow's son, I returned life to the boy's motionless body.

When Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego cried out to Me as they entered the scorching furnace, I descended and walked with them in the midst of the fire, and the flame did not harm them. When the prophet Isaiah petitioned Me on behalf of Hezekiah, asking for a sign of his healing, I turned back the time. When Jonah cried out to Me in his affliction, I answered and placed him upon dry ground.

How much more will I do for you , My loves, in these days of mighty miracles? Let this encourage your faith, for in these days of action, here I stand, ready, willing and waiting to perform yet greater things on your behalf. Let this encourage your faith, for I tell you, I am here and I am ready. ⁽²⁸⁾

Oh, the wonders and the ecstasies that lie ahead of you! If you could see the end of the road, you wouldn't flinch for one second! But though you can't see the end of the road, for I have hidden that from you, if you take the time to look at the future through My eyes, then you will be able to see things more through the eyes of faith; you will know that your future is a bright one. ⁽²⁹⁾

Let's not forget to look forward to the day when I will return--the day when I will rescue you, My darlings, out of a world that will have become almost unbearably cold and evil. I say "almost" because, although you will pass through days of Great Tribulation before I return, I will never suffer you to go through more than you can bear, and through our deep and intimate love I will sustain you with strength, with grace, with faith, and with courage, so that although the trials will be great, they will pale in comparison to the power of our love. ⁽³⁰⁾

I will keep you and protect you in the days to come. As I have said, this is the dawning of a new era, and great works lie ahead of you. Be prepared in heart and spirit, for great works also require great yieldedness, faith, obedience and trust. But I am with you always, from now until the end of the world. I love you. ⁽³¹⁾

So stir yourselves, My beloved! Rekindle those fires of faith in your hearts! The hour is at hand. It is time to rally to the offensive. The hour of wallowing in self-pity over your battle wounds is past. We must fight on. As you lift yourself from the ground in obedience to My call, I will pour forth such power and strength and anointing that you will be literally overflowing with My Spirit and power! You must take that step now, for the opposing armies are gathering and forming ranks, and the time of battle draws nigh.

It's time to again become the army I created you to be, to march forth to victory against the forces of darkness! It's a glorious day--a day of battle, a day of anointing, and a day of victory! Come, My loves, and learn the true power of My full anointing on you. My angels are at your command. Michael awaits your orders. Will you do it for Me? ⁽³²⁾

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The Tests and Trials Strengthen Your Faith

Part 1

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In order to have strong faith, it must be sorely tested, refined, and purified. It's the testing and refining and purifying that is hard--so hard to endure, so hard to understand, so hard to accept.

I am just. I keep My Word. I am faithful. But My ways are so much higher than your ways (Isa.55:9). My priorities are so different from your priorities. You want quick answers, visible results. I'm almost always after something deeper, even more precious and long-lasting--the kind of results that take time.

This Earth and your short life here is a testing ground, there are no two ways about it. There's no way to come to Earth, learn what you need to learn, grow in the ways your spirit needs to grow, experience what you need to experience, and accomplish what you need to accomplish without this sore, painful testing. That's the Earth life. That's life experience on Earth, and that's why what you learn during your life on Earth is so valuable--irreplaceable, really--because it's so hard earned.

Yes, you have the keys. You have the spiritual weapons. You have spirit helpers. You have so much knowledge of the supernatural realm and how it intersects and works with the physical realm. Those are wonderful hints, clues, shortcuts in some ways. But there are limits to how much I can deliver you from the difficulties without taking away your honor, your reward, your testimony, your privilege.

Look back at the great men and women of faith in the Bible and how much they struggled, how many obstacles they had to overcome. Look back at some of the missionaries in the last 500 years and all that they went through.

You're in good company! You're living in the Last Days on Earth, and the battles are raging and the fire is hot. But the rewards that come with your service to Me are so valuable, eternal, and beyond compare. I can't spare you from all the difficulty or it wouldn't be a test--or a testimony. You would be cheated out of what you signed up to come to Earth for in the first place.

Review Hebrews 11. It's not called "the faith chapter" for nothing. It's about the great men and women who gave their lives for their faith. They didn't just endure for a space and then get rescued. They endured, and endured, and endured, and in the end they gave their lives. "They were stoned, they were sawn asunder, they were tempted, were slain with the sword. They wandered about in sheepskins and goatskins, being destitute, afflicted, tormented. Of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and in mountains and in dens and caves of the earth. These all, having received a good report through faith, received not the promise; God having provided some better thing for us, that they without

us should not be made perfect" (Heb.11:37-40).

And the very next verses go on to say, "Wherefore seeing we also are compassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin that doth so easily beset us, and let us run with patience the race that is set before us, looking unto Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith" (Heb.12:1-2).

My loves, there's no "secret answer" that I can give you that is going to see you through the tough times you're experiencing now, or the ones you're going to go through in the future. But what will see you through is faith--faith that never lets go, that never gives up.

You don't have to feel like you have great faith. You don't have to feel like a spiritual giant. All you have to do is stick it out, clinging to the anchor of My Word no matter what things look like around you, and eventually you will win the reward of the promise.

It's tough and hard. I'm sorry. I know you struggle sometimes, and it seems like nothing makes sense. But if you compare your situation with the other missionaries and prophets of history, you will see that they didn't have it any easier. They had their own trials and tests. They prayed desperately for the answers they felt they needed, and then patiently endured when the answers seemed to be so slow in coming--or didn't come at all, from what they could see. They went through the fire just like you are going through the fire, and in some cases their fire was even hotter.

I know what each person needs to bring out the best in them, to refine their faith, to make them pure gold. I don't rejoice to see you in the fire, but I do rejoice when I see your faith stand the test--because then I know that you have gained the reward of the promise, you have endured, and the blessing and honor is yours for all eternity.

It's hard to fight the battles day after day. They almost always seem small compared to the really great goals that are before you. You'd much rather be fighting for something that you see as glorious and magnificent. But you know, great and magnificent victories arise from battles of all sizes. And if you will step back, you'll remember that yours is the most magnificent cause of all time. It's worth living and dying for. It's just that dying daily is so hard, takes so long, and sometimes you lose sight of the goal.

But, My loves, you are doing it. You're running the race. Your names are being inscribed in the heavenly halls of fame as you run and don't give up. You're taking your place beside those like Moses, Nehemiah, Adoniram Judson, William Carey, and other men and women of great faith. Despite all the battles and difficulties they faced, they didn't give up, and that's why their reward is so great. That's why yours will be great as well--because you don't give up.

If everything was easy, I wouldn't need you so desperately--because there would be plenty of people willing to serve Me and do what you're doing. It's hard, it requires so much sacrifice, faith, and endurance, and that's why you are rare, priceless, extremely valuable--and why I will reward you accordingly, above all you can imagine.

So don't give up, My loves. Don't be weary in well-doing. Strengthen your faith in My Word. Drink it in. Let it sustain you. If you're losing perspective, return to your faith, return to

the perspective of My Word, and hold on! The victory is coming, and so is the reward, the promise, the blessing.

I give you My Word to strengthen you. I give you the keys to do miracles for you. I give you My love to sustain you. But you must endure. That is what you must do, and that is what you are rewarded for--your faith, your endurance.

No Exceptions

Your life is a test of faith. It's good to realize that there are no exceptions when it comes to some of these tests of life and faith. I test you to strengthen you. I refine your gold to purify it. I allow you to face difficulties because it forces you back onto your foundation of faith and trust in Me and endurance, and with time and using your faith you become spiritual bedrock that can stand any test.

Of course, sometimes there are obstacles in your way, things standing in the way of My answers, which I wait for you to remove. But it still comes back to faith--believing that I will answer, making sure you've done your part, and then continuing to believe and do what I've asked you to do for however long it takes until the answer comes.

In many ways the modern world fights against this simple faith and patience. In Bible times it was easier for My prophets to tarry months or years in a place when I told them to, or to wait years for My deliverance, because life moved slower. You are accustomed to e-mail and phone communication and the Internet and air travel, and the pace of your life and getting things done is much faster.

You tend to expect "e-mail speed" answers to prayer. And it's not that I'm incapable of giving them to you. But that's often not the best way to accomplish My long-term goals--and yours too, when it really comes down to it. Speedy deliverance from any difficulty isn't always what will bear the best fruit in the long run.

So you need patience. You should pray for patience. You should realize that you are naturally impatient because of the world you live in and the speed at which you are accustomed to things operating. You must realize that I often go slower, because that's the better way to accomplish My purpose. Again, it comes back to faith.

Strengthen your faith. That's the bottom line. Faith is the currency of the spiritual realm, and when you've really stood your ground with faith and endured, your faith will be the stronger for it.

Endure, hold on, strengthen your faith. Read My Word and cherish it, whether or not it does anything for you on the surface. Learn to value the Word and faith for the treasure that it is in itself, not for what it does in obvious or instant ways. That is a key.

Overcoming and Enduring is Part of Your Testimony

You don't often see the ways that your struggles are strengthening the faith of others who see you. It's hard, when dealing with your own mistakes, to see how what looks like failure to you is actually encouraging others to carry on because of your example. That's going to be a huge part of the joy of Heaven when you arrive: seeing how I used the testimony of your faith--even faith through endurance when you never saw what looked like an answer to you--to strengthen and encourage so many others.

Faith is persevering in My will, even when you don't see Me answering you. Noah persevered for 120 years in building the Ark, sometimes wondering if he'd gotten something wrong and was failing Me, and other times wondering if maybe I'd changed My mind. But he just kept plugging along nevertheless, keeping the faith. Faith was a key part of the witness that I needed him to give to the wicked world. What greater testament of faith could he have than being determined to obey whether it seemed that I was fulfilling My side or not?

I've promised you that the keys will do amazing things. I've promised that you will be a financial power. I've promised to carry you, My brides, in spite of overwhelming tasks, and give you the strength to go on as you rest in Me, feed on My Word, claim the keys, and place every task in My hands. But then, when you obey, you don't always see the fruits immediately and it looks like My promises have failed.

You pray desperately but there are still sicknesses, accidents, troubles, and seeming failures. You place your families and flocks in My hands, trusting that I will keep and prosper them, yet all doesn't always flow smoothly and you are stretched to your limits and beyond. It looks like I have failed, or that the keys haven't really got the power I say they have, or that My promises of protection and provision aren't being fulfilled.

You don't have the visible fruits of everything going great and wonderful, even though you have done what I asked. But think for a moment about Noah. It took great faith to face those crowds of scoffers after a hundred years of telling them about the coming flood. He could easily have looked at the impossibility of the task before him and how long he was having to endure without seeing results. He had to take the flood and the need for the Ark totally by faith, since he only had My voice to go on.

Or look at Moses, after he'd been broken and humbled and learned to depend utterly on Me. He goes before Pharaoh, trusting My promise to deliver the children of Israel, and what happens? Pharaoh says no and makes the children of Israel work even harder! Things looked like they were even worse than before, and by every standard that the mind could grasp, they were! Had My promises actually failed? Of course not. But in those times when to you they seem to have failed, it can cause severe testing if you are looking to visible results to "prove" their veracity.

Moses' trusting in My promises and obedience to My instructions looked like a total failure. His people seemed worse off than ever! In fact, he had to go back and face failure several more times before the victory finally came.

Do you think Moses was tempted to doubt, to wonder if what I'd said was real? Do you think he felt like that was the end and that My power wasn't so great after all? Of course he was tempted to doubt! Of course it seemed hopeless. He battled fiercely! He was humiliated before the very people he was trying so hard to help.

Many times you must step out on blind faith, even when it looks like I've failed or My promises aren't real, or the keys aren't all I've said they were, or My promises of power, protection, and supply aren't being fulfilled like you thought they would be. No matter what things look like, you have to determine that you are going to obey and follow even when everything seems to have gone wrong. That's the greatest testimony of faith that you can have.

Sometimes the periods when all seems to have failed are short, sometimes they are long. Before I parted the Red Sea, it looked like all was lost. Pharaoh's armies had the children of Israel surrounded and trapped. But without that time of hopelessness, the miracle would not have been nearly as great a testimony.

I said through your David that it takes an impossible situation for Me to do a miracle. That means that you have to face situations that seem impossibly difficult at times in order to see the miracle of My power bringing you through to the victory.

I take you through those impossible situations, those times when it looks completely hopeless, and when I require that you hang on for that extra hour, that extra day, that extra period of time, in order to pull down the miracles. That is part of your testimony.

When those who are watching see you claiming the keys, claiming My promises, claiming the victories, claiming that I will do the work and somehow bring you through in spite of seeming failures and defeats, their faith is strengthened. When they see you fall and struggle and you still fight on, despite not seeing the proof with your eyes, knowing that I will fulfill My side, then their faith is strengthened to trust Me when things go wrong for them.

It takes great faith to face what looks like failure and defeat in some area and still keep standing on My Word, on My promises. You sometimes feel weary, exhausted, discouraged, and can't see the victory or even the potential for victory. Virtually every great man or woman of faith throughout history has had to face those times--sometimes for many years, sometimes until the point of death. Yet no matter how long the struggle, living for Me and holding on to your faith is the ultimate victory.

How do you think the martyrs in the Colosseum of Rome felt? My promises must have looked like flat failures in man's eyes in those situations. Yet the martyrs won some of the greatest victories of all time as they simply and humbly remained faithful to the end (Rom.8:36,37).

The Hero's Challenge

The keys are true. There is no false key promise. There is no promise that I am unable to fulfill.

But I understand that it's easy to tire when you don't see the results you were hoping for. It is a lot harder to hold on, by blind--almost dumb--faith alone, believing that that which you can't see is the greatest reality you'll ever know.

The Enemy is the one behind the discouragement and doubts. He wants to put a stop to the use of the keys, a stop to your faith in prayer and My power to do the supernatural, because if he can weaken your faith, he'll slow down your use of the spiritual weapons, and thus the miracles of the future won't be what they need to be in order to catch the public's eye, to change the lives of many, and to cause drastic change in the world.

I allow the Enemy to test and try you, much like I granted his request to afflict Job on every side. If you are to be heroes of the faith, how can I better help you to achieve that than by honoring you with the hero's challenge of faith?

How will you work miracles in the future if your faith is weak, if you pray but don't believe, if you call on the keys but don't expect them to work? You won't. You can't. There won't be a miraculous future if strong faith is not at the core of your discipleship.

And so, while the Devil thinks he is weakening My ranks and dooming My future, I rejoice, because each test can strengthen you.

Of course it is easy to give in when something doesn't seem to be working, when it doesn't work out the way you anticipated. It's easy to call it quits. It would've been easy for Job to curse Me and die. But when faced with such an easy yet negative option, you can always know that the right choice is in direct opposition to the easy way.

The right choice is often the hard choice. The choice to live amidst the affliction of boils, to live knowing that all your children had suffered terrible deaths, to live knowing that you had no house, no belongings, no money, to live even when those you love are telling you it would be better that you died--that is not an easy choice. That was a downright difficult, painful choice for Job. That was a choice to suffer, just because he knew it was right.

I blessed Job for his stand of faith. Yes, he was self-righteous, and I needed to humble him. That was one of the main reasons I allowed Satan to afflict him--that Job might become even more precious to Me. But the testimony that lives on because of his name is one of the greatest testimonies of faith--"though He slay me, yet will I trust in Him" (Job 13:15).

Job made a statement of faith, that even if what I had told him to do, even if what I had told him to believe in, proved to be wrong--not only wrong, but deadly--he would still trust in Me. Why? Because his love for Me was so strong that not even death could shake it. And the reward of Job's faith was a double fold return--plan of all that I had taken away. He regained twice as much as he had lost because he believed.

This story is so close to what is happening in My Family today. Satan has walked the Earth and he has come before Me to plead his case. "Let me weaken their faith. Let me try them and see if they are really as full of faith as You think they are. Let me see if they even

deserve the keys." I know Satan's heart, and his purpose is to destroy. But My purpose is that through his testings My Family will come into full life--through stronger faith.

This, My loves, is the hero's challenge. Can you commit to believing in the keys and using them no matter what they do or do not seem to do for you? Can you commit to holding on in faith, like Job held on to Me, despite what it seems I do or don't do for you? Can you commit to believing in My promises simply because I have asked you to, even if for no other reason I've given you? Can you commit to putting faith in the keys, praising Me for them, and being an advocate of the keys, even if you never see one single manifestation of their power?

That is your test of faith. That is the hero's challenge. When Satan tested Job, I gave no promises of physical deliverance; I simply expected Job to trust Me because I was his God and his Creator. I expected him to have faith because I had never failed him before. Can I expect the same of you?

The hero's challenge is to believe Me despite outward appearances and all circumstances that would point to the contrary. The hero's challenge is to believe Me above anything that your eyes can see or that your senses tell you.

I know that the tests are sometimes difficult. I know that there have been times when you've claimed the keys with full faith and you expected Me to come through, and it has sorely tested you to see that oftentimes things don't happen as you have claimed or as the key promises have said.

Can you trust, My loves, that these are tests of faith? It is not that I am trying to make your lives more difficult. It is not that I revel in seeing you suffer. It is not that I delight in giving you tests that are hard to bear. But when I do these things, it is because I know that the ultimate result is going to mean greater blessing, power, and fruit for you, and a great, great defeat for the Enemy.

I am letting the Enemy test your faith, for this is his hour, this is his time. The Enemy is a key element in making your faith as strong as it needs to be to face your future--so long as you don't give in to him, but keep holding on to Me through every blow.

And as you hold on in faith, as you prove your faith in Me by continuing to trust in Me and use the keys and the spiritual weapons I've given you, you will win the victory just as Job did. As Job received his wealth back in double measure, you, My loves, will receive spiritual wealth one hundredfold. You will receive greater faith and yet greater manifestations of spiritual power. That is the reward of holding on in faith. And the Enemy will be incapable of doing anything to stop My power, for your faith will be strong, and your use of spiritual power will be abundant.

So hold on in faith. Say like Job, "Though He slay me, yet will I trust Him. Though the keys don't seem to work for me, yet will I trust in Him. Though things in my life are more difficult and heartbreaking than ever, yet will I trust in Him. Though I feel confused and am hit with doubts, yet will I call on the keys. Though I am discouraged, yet will I trust in Him."

Keep trusting and never give in despite how you feel, despite how your spirit feels, despite how your situation looks. The greatest truth, the surest facts, the truest reality are those things of the spirit. Nothing else matters. No matter how real your discouragement

feels, no matter how complicated your situation is, the greatest truth is that I love you, that the spiritual weapons work, and that those things you do for and in the spirit will last forever.

It's all Part of the Plan

(Dad speaking:) "It's the Spirit, just the Spirit, that is truth and fact, you see. Yes, the Spirit, only the Spirit, is the true reality."

I know it's tempting to doubt the things of the Spirit, and I know the Enemy's lies are pretty convincing, but you've just got to determine in your heart, mind, and spirit that you will not doubt, you will not give in to his lies, you will not believe him, that you will hold on in faith, even if you never see the answer.

You have to condition your mind to not even go there. Instead tell yourself, "The things of the Spirit are the true reality. So I will not doubt it."

Praise the Lord for those very things you are tempted to feel unsure of. Just get so busy praising Him that you won't have time to think about the doubts or the lies or the worries. Don't feel condemned either if you are hit with doubts along these lines. As the Lord said, the Enemy's attacks on your faith are all part of the plan, part of the strengthening process. So if you're hit, rejoice! Praise the Lord that you're under attack, because that means the Lord has chosen you to undergo the "hero's challenge"--which means that the hero's reward will soon be yours, if you don't give in.

Don't get condemned if you're battling. Be thankful. Praise the Lord for trusting you with such a tough battle. Praise Him for choosing you to fight such a foe. Praise Him that this battle is making you into a "hero of faith," something very valuable to the Lord.

You are all mighty warriors of the faith, and these are the challenges and tests of faith that you must pass through before you are ready for the reward. Keep holding on. Keep fighting these battles of faith. Keep trusting the Lord no matter what, and I promise that you will be strengthened through these tough fights. Don't be weary in well-doing; there are wonderful times of reaping ahead.--And great blessings too! I love you!

Your Faith will Remain More Precious than Ever

Your ways aren't My ways, My loves, and I don't look at the battles and the testing that you're experiencing as a bad thing. I am testing, purifying, and trying your faith so that you may come through as even purer gold. It's a cleansing.

Yes, sometimes that means you experience difficulties, you face questions, doubts, battles, hardships--you even face some things that you wonder where on earth they came from. You wonder why you feel the way you do, and you think that something must be really, really wrong with you for feeling that way. But no, it's not. It's part of the purifying and the strengthening process.

I allow the Enemy to test you, to try you. You experience what it's like to be buffeted by the Enemy. And then you come through. That's when I know and you know your true strength.

How do you pull through? How do you come out of such situations strong and whole? How do you not give up halfway through? As always, the key is in looking to Me, hearing from Me, strengthening your faith by healthy intake of the Word, and drawing your strength from Me. Then you must wield the weapons that I have given you--praise being one of the most powerful in these situations.

I understand that it's doubly difficult to do these things when you're in the thick of the battle, and the Enemy will try to hit you with condemnation. Don't listen to him! Praise Me anyway. Praise Me for the good, the bad, and the ugly. Praise Me for the victories and praise Me for the defeats. Praise Me even though you don't really know what to praise Me for. Even if things don't look positive, just keep praising, because praise truly is the victory. In positiveness there is strength, and through praise you are able to see things the way I see them, and My hand is moved on your behalf to bring forth the victories.

Use the keys. Think about what you need, and send a specific, targeted key at that need. Don't settle for the general, "I call on the keys." Call on specific, targeted keys. If you are battling with doubts, invoke the keys of unwavering faith, the keys of simplicity, the keys of My mind. If you're battling weariness, call on the keys of strength, the keys of energy, the keys of lifeblood, the keys of resting in Me, the keys of infusion, and the keys of balance to know when it's time to stop and when it's time to keep pressing forward. Think and pray about what you need, and then invoke the key for the solution. Even if all you do is call on one specific key over and over again, you will see victory.

During times of battle the Enemy often comes in with spiritual lethargy as well. He knows that if you are on the attack in the spirit, he will lose. So he brings the double-edged sword of lethargy, because then you won't do anything about it. So get rid of Lethargy, and remind yourself over and over that when you fight in the spirit, the battle will be won.

This may all sound like a lot of work, and if you're feeling weary or embattled, a lot more work is the last thing you want. But you have to put your will on My side. You have to choose to fight in the spirit. Even if all you do is invoke the keys and My helpers to fight for you, and then you lie back in My arms and rest in Me, the victory will be won.

I'm sorry about the battles and trials and difficulties. Sometimes, however, I cannot

answer in the time or the way that you are requesting it. There are many reasons for this, and you know that. You know that My ways aren't your ways, that I know better than you--you know all those principles, but it's still a struggle when you are experiencing difficulties and battles that you wish I would rescue you from. I wish I could rescue you, but that would not help you. You would not learn what you must learn. You would not come through as the strong warriors that you are destined to be.

All testing is only for a time. And when it has passed, your faith remains--stronger and purer and more precious than ever. Every single one of you, without exception, will one day thank Me for not rescuing you prematurely and for continuing to keep you in the fire until the victory was won. ⁽¹⁾

There will be many steps of faith that I will ask of My children. Each time you make the right decision to take that step of faith, you will find your faith increased, for you will have activated your anointing of greater faith. It is within each of you, as I promised. But the only way to see the fulfillment of that promise, the only way to feel the anointing, to see the tangible proof, is to use it.

For that very purpose will I set before each of you many tests of faith. I will test your faith again and again in order to give you opportunities to exercise it. I will test your faith in whatever areas it needs strengthening. Those of you who are strong in a particular area will not face as many tests in that area. But any area where your faith is weak or in need of strengthening, in that area you will be tested--for the sole purpose of teaching each of you to activate your anointing, to use your gift of faith, to rise above difficulties, and to overcome impossibilities.

It wouldn't be an impossibility if you were faced with a test that was easy, or in an area where you are well versed or strong. It's only an impossibility when it looks and feels impossible! For this purpose of strengthening you I will give you impossibilities to overcome. But this is not a punishment, a chastisement, or a sign that you're out of My will. Rather it's a sign that you're one of My Endtime brides who has received the gift of greater faith, the anointing of overcoming impossibilities, and so I'm giving you these situations to learn to use that anointing, to put that faith into action.

In the soon-coming days, your faith will be tested by the Evil One. I will allow it as a testimony to My power, a testimony to the depth of your faith, a testimony to the overcoming power of My Spirit in you. But you must be ready for these great tests. I will allow each one's faith to be sorely tested. These tests will come in new and varied ways, but it's all for the purpose of teaching you to exercise the gift that I have put within you.

The tests will be many and varied, but in each case the core purpose will be the same--that of strengthening your faith and teaching you to overcome, activating the gift of faith within you.

As you learn to overcome, the next test will be more obvious, and you will overcome more easily--because the formula for overcoming will be the same each time. With each test you face, the process will become more and more clear, until your faith muscles are strong

and exercised and you can put them to use without a moment's hesitation. Each of you will become as a prizefighter, one of My commandos, skilled and trained for all scenarios, and ready for the darkest days that will ever fall upon the world.

This is nothing to be feared or dreaded, but it is the beginning of the purging, the making white, the preparing of My saints and heroes of faith who will be My showcase to the world. Each one will be called upon to do miracles. Each of you will need to be ready, your faith exercised and resting firmly on the foundation of My truth, My Word, and utter confidence in My love. The days to come will not be the time to wonder or hesitate. Your reflexes will need to be as lightning! And your defensive armor will be vital--your shield of faith, your overcoming faith, your faith which will surround you, protect you, empower you, and ultimately triumph victorious over the Dragon, the world, and all of evil's power!

Do not dread the tests. Look at them as steppingstones to victory, hurdles that you must cross, strength training for the big race. You will need it soon.

When you're faced with the need and your faith is strong and exercised, you will weep tears of thankfulness for the tests that taught you how to use it, how to wield it, how to unleash the power of Heaven through the simplicity of your faith. You'll not regret it, My loves. Gird up, for the training begins. The tests of your faith will come, but when they come, remember that they are but tests. Pull out the instructions I've given you, follow them implicitly, and watch your anointing be unveiled.

As you face each of these tests, the way to overcome will be obvious. You won't have to wonder or guess; I'll make it very clear to you as you seek Me. The basic criterion to keep in mind when you face these things is: Anything which holds you back or even threatens to hinder you from fulfilling what I've told you is My highest will is an obstacle to be overcome! Each thing that falls into that category is something you should look on as a test, an opportunity to put your faith into action, an opportunity to rise above, to strengthen your faith, to activate your anointing.

Each test that you pass, your faith will increase tenfold in that area. Each time you stretch your faith in obedience, in trust, in stepping out to do, to believe, your capacity will increase, your anointing will shine brighter, and you'll be walking in the power of the activated gift that is within you. You won't have to try; it will just come. You won't have to work it up; your faith will be there, strong and exercised, and ready to be used. The first few tests will be hard, but after that you will see them as challenges. You'll enjoy them, because you will have seen My power in action. You'll feel your faith growing within you, and it will give you a glow, a happiness, an anointing that you've never known before. ⁽²⁾

(Spirit helper:) Welcome to the ranks of the warriors. Welcome to the company of heroes. This is what we do. Whenever you face an intense fight that seems stronger than ever, you can know that this is the kind of battle we specialize in. Now you know what it's like to join the big time. No more piddling around in puddles; you're in the deep end, and now you know what it's like to fight real battles for your faith!

These are grown-up battles, real-world wars. Welcome! We've been waiting for you. These trials that you're facing right now are a rite of passage for you, as you become seasoned men and women of God. It's a test to see if you're worthy to join our ranks. Every warrior with his or her name on the Hall of Warriors had to face fierce tests, but they fought and overcame. They rose to the challenge, they stayed true to their faith. Everyone has battles of one kind or another, and these tests of standing up for your faith and fighting for your convictions and holding true to your calling are among some of the fiercest that the Evil One launches on the Lord's children.

Nothing comes without a price, and these tests of faith are part of contending for your faith. But the rewards you receive in return, the fame and glory in Heaven, are well worth it. The battle isn't easy, but it's worth it. If you hold out and conquer, you'll be able to brag about this battle, and it'll be the first of many such glorious conquests.

Welcome to the big time, where real battles are fought and won. No more simulations, no more training exercises--the real thing. This is where wars are fought, and won or lost. This is the real world, and we are your companions, and count it an honor to have you join our ranks. All the great warriors of Heaven are rooting for you and praying that you'll make it. We all remember what it was like, and we know what glory comes after you pass these tests, so we're all cheering for you.

If you could only see what is going on in Heaven! We've gathered in the Hall of Warriors by the thousands. We're cheering for you--yes, you! You're on our viewer, and we're watching you, praying for you, praying that you'll stand strong and receive the power to rise up and fight.

Satan, the Enemy of your soul, will launch crafty and vicious surprise attacks, hoping to damage and scatter you. He knows that you are the superior fighting force and that his usual frontal assault would fail miserably. So he has instead opted to use tactics of fear and confusion, and he's counting on you to fall prey to his dastardly, divisive plan.

For Satan to succeed, you have but to give in to the fear and turn tail and break formation. You have but to give in to the confusion and doubt so that you are so busy trying to make sense of it in your own strength that you forget to ready your weapons. He's counting heavily on that, for without the vulnerabilities of human nature, his evil cause is lost.

But as My elite troops you are beyond the vulnerabilities of human nature. You may still feel fear, but you know you can overcome it with the shield of faith, made from the invulnerable metals of My Word. You may be confused, but you know that soaking in My Word can give you the clarity of mind you need in order to defeat the doubts and confusion.

The Enemy sends strange lumbering beasts of doubt and fear charging forth to smash and trample your ranks. Some of you have never seen such enormous, gruesome monsters before, and your first reaction is to cower in fear or to stand upon the battlefield in awe as they trample you under foot. But you are My elite troops and you need not give in to this tactic of terror! It matters not what these beasts are or where they came from. All that matters is that they must fall, and the weapons you hold in your hand right now have been

forged in Heaven, and can send these beasts crashing to the ground, or even doubling back in fear and pain, causing destruction and confusion to their own ranks.

The battle is upon you. So stop what you are doing now and fall into formation, soldiers! Lift your weapons, ready your shields, and begin to fight alongside your brothers, to bring the Enemy to bloody ruin! Turn the tables of this fiendish attack and charge at the Enemy. Let Satan and his minions remember this day with anguish, as the day his massive assault of fear and confusion became his massive defeat, as his armies ran in fear and were scattered in chaos!

Let this be the day all your brethren around the world remember as the days of great victory--the days you readied your shield of faith by soaking yourself in the Word, the days you armed yourself with the powerful promises from the Scriptures, the days you skillfully wielded the modern weapons of the keys and prophecy, and drove those fools into the sea! ⁽³⁾

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TESTS AND TRIALS
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The Tests and the Trials Strengthen Your Faith

Part 2

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This Life is a Test

You and I often see things so differently. You look at it as blessed to have a more carefree or obviously successful life with fewer problems, difficulties or afflictions. I look at it as being better to have a full life--one that is rich in faith, depth of spirit, understanding, sacrificial love and concern for others, an intimate relationship with Me, inner spiritual strength, and a tender heart. And often these treasures of spirit, these priceless qualities, don't come without trials, suffering, or surviving great difficulties.

In Heaven, everyone will lead charmed lives. There will be no more suffering, sadness, or times when you have to "walk by faith" through very difficult circumstances. But the attributes you gain through those difficult conditions now will be with you for eternity. Now is your chance to gain those virtues, through experiences which you will only have on Earth. Although there are difficulties, they lead to precious lessons, spiritual "medals of honor" which go to those who pass through the fire and endure the tests. ⁽¹⁾

So many people wish for their faith to be strengthened, but they're not really willing to go through the difficult times that are necessary to do so. They want Me to wave My magic wand and give them strong faith, just like that, without them having to do anything. But that's not how faith works. Faith is built, it grows, and it is strengthened--not through comfy, non-problematic, peaceful times, but through uncomfortable, difficult times.

I'm using this difficult time to strengthen the most valuable gift you possess: your faith. And if the strengthening of your faith was not of utmost importance to Me, then I would not be allowing these tests. Your faith is important to Me. Your faith is what your whole spiritual life for Me is built on, and it must be strong. It must be strong enough to withstand the fears of the Enemy. It must be strong enough to trust Me, even when circumstances and conditions are not perfect. ⁽²⁾

(Dad speaking:) I love to see the beauty and love and tenderness on the faces of His saints who He has tested and purified, and who have come out as fine gold. Such radiance of love! Such a beauty and glow of faith! Did you know that I believe you can actually see faith on a person's face? It just sort of radiates in simplicity and calmness. Some people have it and some people don't; but those who have it, have that beautiful, gentle, trusting look on their face which is so comforting. When you see it, you know that they didn't get it overnight. It took time, maybe years of testing and teaching and trusting, but they got it! They hung on and

kept trusting, and before they knew it, the Lord had blessed them with His special glow and shine! ⁽³⁾

This life is a test. This time here is one of walking by faith and not by sight, just holding on to My promises and believing that what I say in My Word is true, even if you don't necessarily have the proof to back it up. ⁽⁴⁾

I test and I purge you, to make you white, to make you ready, to make you desperate, to make you cling to Me. So think it not strange concerning the fiery trials which test you and try you. For I allow these things--to move you, to change you, to test you, to purge you, to cause you to seek Me, to make you face the challenges, to make you pull out the sword of the Spirit of My Word, to make you hold up the shield of faith and to make you fight! ⁽⁵⁾

The most trying places throughout your life are where you are going to grow in faith the most, be the most strengthened, and be the most useful to Me. This is a promise. You may feel you have yet to see this promise fulfilled, but you will see the fulfillment as you put one foot in front of the other and walk on into the destiny that I have for you. ⁽⁶⁾

I need grown, mature, strong men and women of faith, those who have faced life's struggles and pain, and who have experienced the depths of sorrow and trial, who know what it means to ache, to suffer, to weep, and to despair. ⁽⁷⁾

Faith grows, it's built over time, and the more your faith is tested, the more faith you'll have.

Expect Me to strengthen your faith by putting you in faith-inducing situations. They are generally pretty trying at the time, but always result in greater faith if you put Me to the test and watch Me do the miracle. With time, you will be strong enough to stand firm in the fiercest of gales. ⁽⁸⁾

Difficulties, tests, trials, heartbreaks, suffering and disappointments come from many causes and for many reasons, but regardless of why they have come or what the reason, you can rest assured that all things work together for good to them that love Me. Because you love Me I can take even these trials and turn them into blessings.

If you could see as I can see--beyond today, beyond this moment, beyond the pain which you are feeling--then you would better be able to understand why trials equal blessings. You would better be able to understand why this loss, this ache in your heart, this time when you are being sorely tempted and tested, will with time become a blessing to you.

The secret to understanding, the key to understanding, is in the phrase "with time." As you believe by faith that My hand is on your life and that all things work together for good, with time, that which you believe by faith you will understand and see, and it will become a reality in your life. ⁽⁹⁾

When I promised to keep My children and to deliver them, I did not say that I would take them out of the difficulties that they faced. True, sometimes I do, but more often than not I choose to bring them through those difficulties, because that's how I prove My power. If My children knew that as soon as they faced a difficulty they would immediately be pulled out of it, what strength of spirit would that bring about in their life? So in bringing you through tough times, difficulties, and hardships, I am able to bring My blessings of ultimate peace in the midst of any situation, faith that is not shaken, and a love for Me that nothing and no one can take away. ⁽¹⁰⁾

You've got to see each battle for what it is: It's a challenge and a test, a workout to strengthen your muscles and build your energy levels so that you'll be ready to run and win. I know it's tough, but you've got to get over this hurdle. Although I could spare you from it, that wouldn't help you in the long run. Therefore I must let you fight through, so that you'll gain the experience, strength, and faith that others can make it too. So don't despair, and don't get discouraged with yourself, because I made you as you are and I allow these struggles so that you will become the fighter I need you to be.

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I have prepared you through the struggles, through many toils, through many battles, through the fires of affliction. I have prepared you through many breakings, many disappointments, through the trying of your patience, through the trying of your faith. ⁽¹²⁾

When was the last time you tried threading a needle? You probably licked the end of the thread and held the needle up close, squinting, straining your eyes as you carefully and repeatedly tried to maneuver the thread through. Sometimes it threads easier than at other times, but almost always there are those moments of difficulty and frustration, right up until you finally get it through. Now why would you bother threading that needle in the first place? Because there's a purpose and a plan. You need to create something or mend something.

Remember this the next time you feel like your trials are threading you through the eye of a needle and you're experiencing pressure, frustration, and anguish. There is a plan and a purpose--My plan--and that is to create something glorious with your life: a tapestry that is going to wow the world with its deep colors, intricate detail, and beauty, the kind that can only be created through the trying of one's faith. It's those difficult and hard-earned lessons that make the tapestry of your life stand miles apart from all the rest, because so few are willing to endure and persevere through the trial in order to create that life of beauty and substance. ⁽¹³⁾

To those who are being tried and sorely tested, know that you do not stand alone. Many of you are passing through the hot fires of testing in these days. This is something I am allowing, for I am stirring the pot. You, My servants, My friends, My loves, are not above your Lord. If you are going to be used in even greater ways than Me, when I walked the Earth, you must be tried. If you are going to be able to access the power of the keys you hold in your hands, your faith must be as pure gold. As it was necessary to purge Gideon's band down to those who meant business, down to those I could count on, so it is necessary among the

children of David.

I have shared with you, My children, some of My Own testimony of how I was put to the test, tried and purged, both on the eve of My public ministry as well as throughout. It was a test for Me when one of My strongest disciples denied Me, when one betrayed Me, when some of the others could not fight through enough and stay awake with Me and pray for Me in My dark hour. But these tests and many others which I endured were necessary. They were necessary that I might be found worthy to receive the promise, that I might have pure gold faith to be able to access the power I held in My hands.

So if you feel the heat of battle hotter than ever and you feel the battle heavy upon you and the battle's flames scorching your brow, be encouraged and find solace in the fact that you are not alone. Many of the children of David are being tested. I am allowing this for an express purpose--to try you, to make you white, to strengthen your faith, that you might be found worthy for what is almost upon you. ⁽¹⁴⁾

Every challenge you face, every heartache, every difficulty, every time your faith is opposed, every time you battle and overcome is noted in your "service record," and brings you great acclaim and recognition. I know what each battle costs you, and this is why your willingness to fight and persevere, even when the battles seem more than you can endure, is priceless in My sight.

I know at times you can be tempted to wonder why the battles can sometimes seem so long, and why the final victories can sometimes seem so elusive and difficult to obtain. Take heart, My loves, in the knowledge that all of your spiritual brothers and sisters around the world also face tests of their faith and endurance. These trials and tests--difficult though they may be at times--are your helpers. They help you to become spiritually fit, just as a physical trainer helps you to get your body in shape. ⁽¹⁵⁾

I allow tests of faith in all My children's lives. It doesn't mean that you are weak; quite the contrary.

Most of the greatest men and women of God have had such tests, because of the very fact that they were destined for greatness. I had to allow such strong tests of their faith--tests that shook their faith to the roots. They had to reach the point where they stood before Me and found their faith in Me alone. But from that point--that ground that seemed to be shaking beneath their feet--sprang a new influx of faith and power that catapulted them to their ultimate destiny. ⁽¹⁶⁾

My children down throughout history have fought battles that were equally difficult, even those you call great men and women of God. You can be encouraged that, though your battles are severe, your resources are plentiful. You've been given a lot in the way of truth, My Word, the knowledge of where you're at in world history, and exactly what's happening with the race. All they knew was that they needed to run. Most of them had to go it alone, with very little support from others and very little Word in comparison with what you have. You think you have to take it by faith--they really did! ⁽¹⁷⁾

How glorious are the crowns of those who struggle through difficult hardship, through desperation, through dismay and through fear, and yet carry on. For these are like the widow who cast in her last mite, and they feel as if they have no more. But they know not the great and wonderful honor that I will bestow upon them for their sacrifice and for their willingness to hold on and to trust Me, though all around it seems that I have failed them. And though they feel that I have failed them, yet they trust Me. What honor I will bestow upon them, for great is their faith. ⁽¹⁸⁾

Life on Earth includes hardship; that's just the way it is. Hardship isn't a sign of a lack of My blessings. It's not a sign that you're doing the wrong thing. Life on Earth is just plain difficult at times, and some of the hardships are lifelong.

Look at those who are born handicapped or in destitute circumstances. Life on Earth, whether you're in the Family or not, is a training and testing ground, one which teaches you to make the right decisions despite the hardships. It teaches you to see things positively even when you feel like things are hopeless, to choose to love and share and sacrifice even when you don't have enough, to choose to do the right thing even when everything around you is wrong.

I can't take you completely out of these tests and trials of life, because they're a big part of why you're here. But I have given you answers, solutions, insight, understanding, and spiritual weapons that give you an advantage in the battle, if you choose to use them.

And one day soon I will gather you and all My faithful children home, and then you'll be so glad. Your battle wounds really will glow. The trials and difficulties you endured will have grown your faith, and the more faith you have, the richer you are in the spiritual realm. So use those trials you face to work for you! Don't let them get you down. Know that great is your reward in Heaven, for so persecuted they the prophets which were before you.

I am the author and the finisher of your faith, and if I am blessing you with the trials of life, then I have seen that your faith needs a little more "finishing" and strengthening in a certain aspect, and thus I haven't seen fit to deliver you from these trials and afflictions as quickly as you would like. But trust Me, and look to Me, and know that I'm not going to let you suffer these things any longer than you have to, and certainly not past the point of usefulness. If you do your part, then your faith will be strengthened, you will be matured and strengthened, and when I see fit to deliver you, you will have come through as gold. If I'm letting a battle persist in your life, then you can know that it's still working My good pleasure for you, just as a fever cleanses the body of that which is not good. ⁽¹⁹⁾

I don't choose to solve all your problems instantaneously, without your even knowing what the solution is. That would only serve to cripple your faith, for you would miss the lesson, you would miss the learning experience, you would miss the trying moments which cause you to cling to Me and to strengthen your faith. The road that I bring you on now is the road of

faith. Though it may seem hard, rough, and rugged, believe Me, it is the road whereby you are able to keep your faith. ⁽²⁰⁾

Very often the progress that seems slow, and yet at the same time proves to be sure and steady, is the progress that is rock solid and sound. It endures, and thus it is real progress--ground that will not have to be covered at a later date. This is when real growth has come about, and very often this type of growth has its testings and its Gethsemanes--its times of standing on the brink wondering if you're going to topple over, its times of standing on the edge of your faith. This kind of progress goes deep, penetrating the very fiber of your being, down into the recesses of your spirit. ⁽²¹⁾

The tests and trials that come your way today may seem big and hard to you, but they are preparing you and strengthening your faith for what is to come. That faith will be your salvation in the days to come.

So praise Me for each circumstance that I allow to come into your life that stretches you, that is difficult, or that is causing your faith to become stronger, for it is working My purpose in your life and it is removing your fear and giving you strong, unshakable faith. That is the kind of faith that will overcome the world and all the evil in it, and bring you safely into My arms. ⁽²²⁾

The things that seem so difficult today are the things that, in the future, you will be thankful that you experienced, because they will have taught you important lessons of faith, patience and wisdom. It's never easy, but these will be the things that the spiritually stronger you of the future will praise and thank Me for bringing you through. ⁽²³⁾

(Dad speaking:) Think it not strange concerning the fiery trials, as though some strange thing came upon you, but understand that it's the Lord working in your life to quicken these lessons, to make you moldable and yielded and humble and useful, to hasten the process so that you also will have that closeness, that desperation with the Lord, so that He can mightily use you in soon-coming events. Unless you are broken you will not have this closeness to His voice, the dependency on Him, the total yieldedness that it will take to fight the battles.

So don't be discouraged by the tests and the trials, but hold on! He is making you into the pure gold that will pass through the fires and come out full of faith and trust. ⁽²⁴⁾

The Enemy has been given permission to test and try your faith now, but only so that it can be made whiter, more pure and precious, and thus be more rewarded. What he's really doing is adding to your ever growing and grand reward. He can't take anything away from you. Even his attacks only bring you more glory, more honor, more strength, more love, more reward. What can he do to you? ⁽²⁵⁾

Precious gems shine more vividly when placed against a black background. The jewels of wisdom, faithfulness, unshakable faith, and the ability to stay positive in difficult times, shine more brightly as a result of troubles and problems, and become a witness to many. ⁽²⁶⁾

I will be beside you. I will be very near and dear to you. I will see you through this battle, and in the end you will look back and feel strengthened. Your faith will have grown, for you will have seen Me do miracles; you will have experienced My strength when you are weak, and you will know and be more fully persuaded that what I have promised I am able also to perform. ⁽²⁷⁾

(Dad speaking:) Receive the Lord's peace; receive His Words. Believe them, hold on to them, and keep trusting that He's going to do exactly what He's promised. That's where your strength will come from--faith in Him--the God of all Heaven and Earth, Who is more than able to give you perfect peace, perfect trust, and anoint you to walk through any test or battle and come out victorious! ⁽²⁸⁾

Hang On By Faith and Refuse to Quit

Have unfailing, undying faith! Have faith to keep going when the going is tough. Have faith to continue to say yes and yield, even though you feel like quitting. That is true faith!--Faith that hangs on and carries on in the face of difficulties and obstacles!--Faith that refuses to quit, that demands the blessing, that continues to expect! And such faith will receive. ⁽²⁹⁾

The Enemy knows that if you continue to hang on by faith and fight and yield and endure the battle--no matter how hot and heavy and hard--that there will be a beautiful victory. I can do miracles and do the totally unexpected. I can deliver you from the agony and torment and give you peace of mind.

You must just hang on and trust Me by faith, and pull out all the weapons of warfare--your spiritual weapons--the Word, praise, prayer, singing! You need to continue to go on the attack. You need to bring your battles, your heartcries and problems before Me in prayer and listen to My voice in prophecy, so that I may personally encourage and strengthen you, and give you comfort and encouragement to keep fighting. ⁽³⁰⁾

Hold on to My Word. Hold on to My promises, and don't let the Enemy steal away your faith and your belief that I am in control. No matter how bad things look, everything is ultimately in My hands, and I will bring about good in the end. My Word is rock solid, it never fails, and you can count on it to pull you through any test or trial. ⁽³¹⁾

Hold fast to your faith, and let the trials and challenges exercise it, not weaken it. There will be a great reward and great rejoicing for those who hold fast till the end. ⁽³²⁾

Faith isn't obedience and perseverance when there are no problems or obstacles. Faith is fighting on in spite of all of the problems, obstacles and battles. Faith looks to Me regardless of how many difficulties there are. Faith keeps following, no matter what the circumstances indicate. Faith knows that My promises will be fulfilled no matter what. ⁽³³⁾

The trying of your faith is more precious than gold. You must believe that promise when the big battles hit. When you feel like things are getting too rough, or you're hit with some strange fear or doubt or worry, or the Enemy tries to tell you that you won't be able to make it much longer, you just have to face the battle with the faith of a warrior. You might not feel like you have the faith of a warrior at the time, but that doesn't matter; just act like it and move forward like you are that warrior and the Enemy will never know the difference.

You are that warrior as long as you move forward by faith, whether you feel like it or not. Act like it, and your faith and obedience will bring the power of My Spirit to your aid. Your armor is indestructible. You carry weapons of mass destruction to the Enemy's imp. You are powerful in the spirit because My promises will never fail. You might be shaking on the inside in the face of the Enemy's attacks, but just yell in his face, "Tremble, you devils! Run for your lives! You're about to feel the full force of God's army!" ⁽³⁴⁾

The secret to victory and success is to look up into My face each time you're in the middle of a battle. Each time the Ol' Boy tries to condemn or discourage you, look up into My face, into My eyes, and you will see your victory there in My eyes! And you will immediately have the faith to step out and conquer in that particular battle! A mere glance at Me, your Knight in shining armor, will instill in you the courage, and you will know that I am your strength and that I'm fighting for you and with you, and that the victory is won! ⁽³⁵⁾

What does it mean to look to Me? It means to turn your face upward, to look into My eyes in the spirit by asking Me how I see things, by trusting Me that I love you and will do that which is best for you, by giving Me your will and yielding to whatever I have brought into your life, and looking for the good in it. When you do that, through our time gazing in each other's eyes in the spirit, I am able to give you not only faith and healing and comfort, but also the deeper things of the spirit that I have in store for you. You gain so much through these types of experiences. ⁽³⁶⁾

Will you answer the call? Will you let Me fill you and renew you and empower you so that you may find strength to faint not, but fight on? Fight on in faith, dear children! It matters not how long or how hard the battle goes, for I am with you and I will fight on your behalf--if you will but yield to Me. ⁽³⁷⁾

Fix your thoughts on Me and meditate on My power, greatness, and love, until you are confident of My love and care for you despite what does or doesn't happen to you on Earth. Remember that although I would love to make your life a paradise of only good, that is not the point of your life, and that "in the world ye shall have tribulation" (John 16:33). Remember

this, so that you don't become angry at Me for how I have or haven't intervened in your life. If you feel angry at Me, tell Me so. That's okay. I want to hear from your heart, even if it is a confused jumble of sorrow and anger. I'm here for you, even if you feel angry at Me.

It really helps if you are secure in the knowledge that I love you and can work all things together for good in your life, that I do all things well. You'll find extreme praise and extreme faith very helpful. Adopt the attitude of "though He slay me, yet will I trust in Him" (Job 13:15). You don't have to know why, you don't have to understand My actions or seeming lack of actions; you only have to believe that I am love, that I do all things well, and that I will never leave you or forsake you (Hebrews 13:5).

If all you can do is repeat "God is Love" over and over until you come to believe it, then that is a start. Remember that this is a matter of faith, not proof. The knowledge that I am here, that I love you, and that I care for you isn't something you will be able to prove through circumstances or carnal means. It's a matter of pure faith, a knowledge somewhere in your heart that I am the God of the Universe, and that I am love, and that My love will never fail.

You must come to know, like Job, that you can't hold Me to an accounting and ask Me to explain Myself to you, for as the heavens are high above the earth, so are My ways above your ways, and My thoughts above your thoughts (Isaiah 55:8,9).

My promises are there for you--promises of encouragement, comfort, rest, faith, and My eternal, unconditional love. Strengthen yourself in these things until you are fully able to believe in My love and My goodness. ⁽³⁸⁾

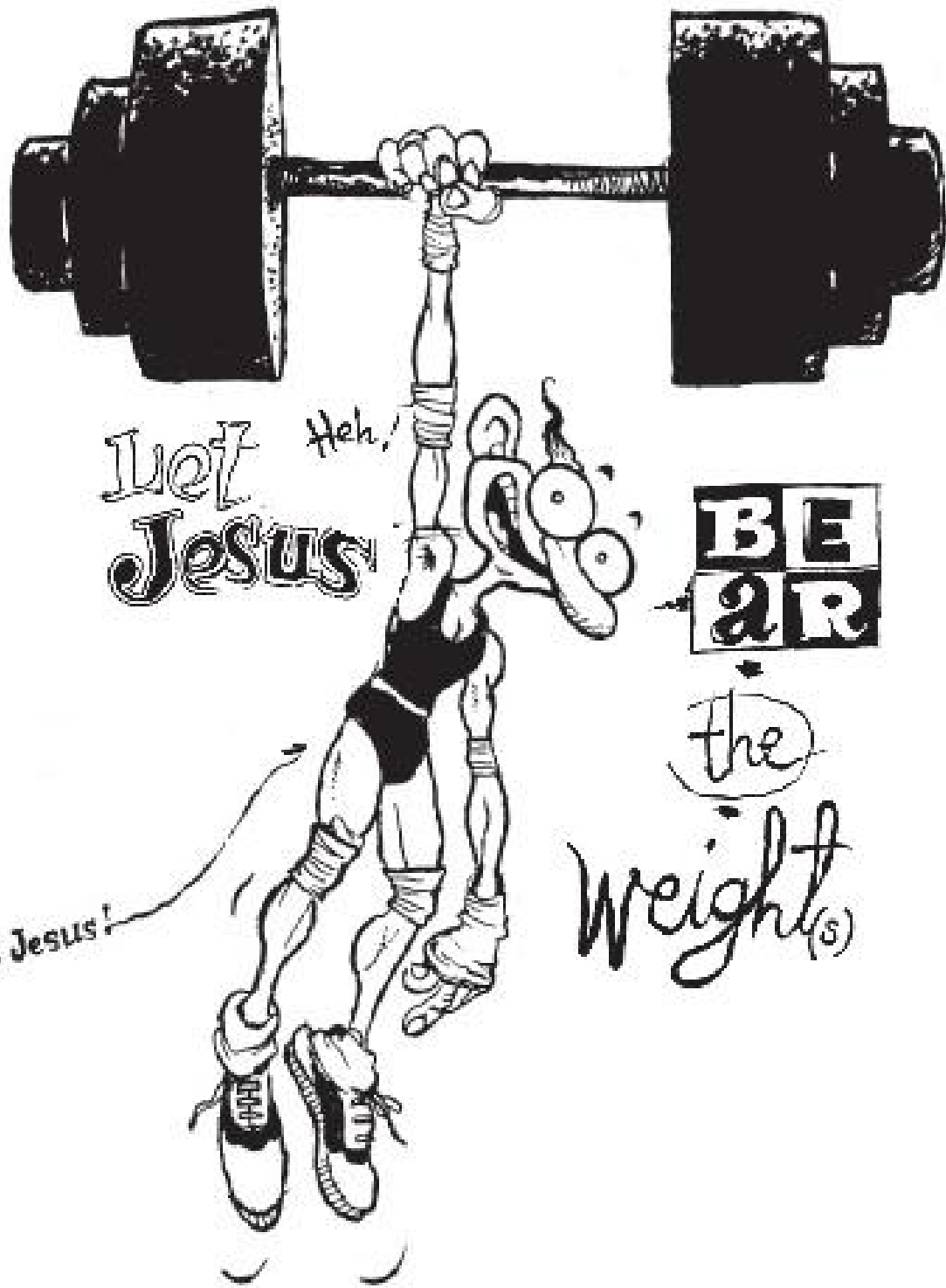
If you know that I love you, you know that everything is going to be okay. I don't ever stop loving you. So, there isn't much left to worry about, right? Whenever you're going through a deep, dark, faith-testing experience, hold on to the fact that I love you, and that everything is going to be all right. Just wait and see. ⁽³⁹⁾

You must continue to fight the battle, even though you be weary, as a sample of faith and trust and love for Me, and your sample will influence those who are yet moldable and able to be salvaged. Those who are still flexible and not totally hardened to the ways of My Spirit will eventually fall upon the rock of My will and allow themselves to be broken and used of Me more fully, and it will be because you have stood strong in the face of great difficulty and were willing to be the light that they so desperately needed. ⁽⁴⁰⁾

Shout the victor's cry when you face trials and tests, knowing that battles are your helpers. They strengthen your muscles of faith, perseverance, endurance, patience, praise, and determination. No matter how challenging the circumstances may seem, the victory is yours, as long as you stay close to Me, wield your spiritual weapons, and fight for victory. ⁽⁴¹⁾

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Building Your Faith

You need great doses of faith to hold on to in those trying times, and that comes from the Word and from doing all the things that are required of disciples, such as minimizing the influences of the world, fighting to take on My perspective in every test, taking on My mind more, memorizing, talking about the Word, and so on. These things equip you with the kind of solid foundation that you'll need when you're in the fires of testing and it doesn't look like you're coming out any time soon.

Another good way to build your faith is in the area of intercessory prayer. It's good to build your faith by continuing to pray for situations even when you think they're beyond hope or help, and continuing to send prayer power in that direction until I answer the request. I may not answer each request in the way you thought I would, but I do promise to always bring an answer, a resolution, and much good in the process.

You must pray things through to completion, even when you're tested and it's two steps forward and one backwards, or two steps up and one down, or whatever the case. Practice exercising more faith by praying full-of-faith prayers regardless of the physical circumstances. Practice putting your faith and trust in Me into words. Keep stretching your faith to believe that I am working and bringing the answer, even though it takes a long time.

Prepare by stretching your faith and becoming tenacious in the battles you face here and now if you hope to endure some of the long battles that are ahead. If you find yourself regularly losing the fight now, giving up in spirit or losing the faith over small things, how will you hope to stand in the days that are coming?

You have to build your faith by trying not to lose it so quickly in these days of relative ease. Take things in stride more, have more faith, expect more answers, and all of these things will serve you well in the future. You can't lose the victory so often with small things or you won't have it for the big ones. For example, if you get the flu and it lingers, even though you pray over it and also do what you can in the natural, make a conscious effort to fight better this time than you did in the past, to not wonder and question why I haven't healed you as quickly as you wanted to be healed, and not let the Enemy in with his doubts, such as, "Why aren't the keys working for me? Why am I still sick?"

Trust Me instead and ride out the storm. The health of your faith is much more important than the health of your body. Your spiritual faith will sustain you and pull you out of many more tight spots than will the health and strength of your body. So strengthen that part of your life. Strengthen the part that really counts and don't let yourself hit the breaking point of discouragement and doubts early on in the fight.

There's never a good time to lose the faith and give up the fight, figuring that I, your Husband and Protector, have just decided to sit this one out, and that no reinforcements are on their way. There is always an answer coming, so it's always worth standing and fighting for as long as it takes to get there. But without the right kind of faith, you're not going to be able to hold out all that time. Without a pure belief that if I say so, it is so, you're going to give up.

So work on your faith! Read My Word, and practice stretching your faith every day through prayer, through strengthening your weak areas, through attacking your doubts, and holding on while you hold Me to My Word. Really put some effort into it. Don't quit just before the finish line. Hold out! Endure! And great will be your reward.

Remember Job? He said, "Even though He slay me, yet will I trust Him!" That's the kind of faith you need to have; that's the kind of endurance you need to have, whether you see the victory immediately or not. You've got to be willing to fight, no matter how long the battle goes on, because you're a soldier in My army and you know I will ultimately win the battle.

If you go down fighting, it's worth it! That's a battle well fought. That's a victory won! You never completely lost faith and gave in; you never quit, you never stopped fighting. Maybe that's My calling for you, to fight to the end, to be a sample of faith and courage and endurance.

Maybe your lot is not to be healed. Maybe you will not come back to full health from this illness. So what? Does it matter? It may matter to you because you didn't plan your life this way, but who's really in charge, you or Me? If I see fit to deliver you, then praise Me that you live to fight another day. If I choose to deliver you from this life through this battle, then praise Me for that release. Never doubt Me if you don't see what you wanted come to pass. Thank Me anyway and keep fighting till your last breath or till you get healed or delivered.

You're My soldiers, and some of the battles I'm going to call you to in the future will require that endurance and the faith that you just have to keep on fighting, even if the battle seems as if it will never end and the victory seems as if it won't be realized within your lifetime on Earth. ⁽¹⁾

Here are some of the main ways that you can strengthen your faith and rise above the circumstances that might try to drag it down:

- * Take the Word into your life. Drinking in the Word, absorbing it deep within you on a daily basis, and allowing it to become a part of your life is the most important thing that you can do to boost your faith. "Faith cometh by hearing the Word of God" (Romans 10:17).

- * Live the Word. Living the Word plays a huge role in the strengthening and effectiveness of your faith. Your faith will be as active as your obedience to the Word. On the other hand, disobedience encages your faith--confines and limits it. When you're disobedient, you cannot have faith that I will bless you or that I will answer your prayers. Disobedience locks up your faith, but confessing your faults, asking for My forgiveness, and starting fresh will set your faith free to once again expect great things from Me.

- * Employ willpower. Faith requires action. Faith means effort. "Faith without works is

dead" (James 2:26). It takes work to put your faith into action, to take a stand of faith. So don't take the easy way of letting things remain as they are, but have the willpower to put your faith into action.

- * Use the positive power of praise. Praise is the voice of faith. Praise invites the fruits of faith into your life. When you praise, it's like pumping up your muscles of faith. Praise prepares your faith for the job at hand: calling down miracles and expecting results.

- * Overcome discouragement. When you're discouraged, you're not praising. Praise strengthens your faith. Discouragement puts your head in the mud instead of lifted to the sky of My promises. Discouragement threatens your faith and eats away at it, which is why it must be fought against with praise.

- * Eradicate fear and doubt. You must not entertain fears that your faith will fail if you put it into action. Fear and faith cannot coexist; if you pray a prayer of faith, but harbor fear in your heart, then you lack real faith. Will you feed your faith or your fear? Faith is not surprised when I answer; faith expected it. Faith doesn't even consider the possibility of defeat or failure. Faith knows. Is your faith that strong, that durable? If not, maybe your heart is too full of fears and doubts. Those must be eradicated through the fumigation of My Word if you really want your faith to grow and flourish.

- * Accept My love and expect great things. You can't have faith if you don't feel worthy of asking for more or greater things from Me, or if you figure that while I may have done a miracle for so-and-so, I can't possibly do the same for you. I don't play favorites; what I did for others, I will do for you too--according to your faith (Matthew 9:29). Every promise in the Bible can be yours, whether you feel worthy of it or not. If you do your part to have faith and meet My conditions, I'll do My part to fulfill the promise. Why don't you apply some of those promises despite your feelings and give Me a chance to prove Myself to you? You are worthy simply because I have deemed you worthy. Now, expect great things from Me!

- * Rise above physical situations and conditions. Do not allow the way things seem in the physical realm to overwhelm you and hinder your faith. You must focus on Me and My power instead. There are difficulties, there are impossibilities, there are huge needs and sometimes setbacks. Then there's Me, the God of the universe, Who supplied the entire world with water, plants, animals, life, time, order, seasons, and much more, in only six days. Weigh your needs against My greatness and remind yourself that I am more than able. Then ask of Me, focusing only on My ability, and I promise that there will be nothing too hard for Me to do for you.

- * Allow Me to work in your life in the way I deem best. Learn to recognize the way that I use things in your life to strengthen your faith, and yield to them. Grow through the tests that come your way. Hold on when you're going through tough times, and let Me strengthen you. Choose to get the most mileage that you can out of whatever battles you face by looking to Me, by hearing from Me, and by fighting, and then receiving the enhanced faith and confidence that I give you once the battle is over. If you make the right decisions, then the battles and tests and trials of life strengthen your faith rather than weaken it. ⁽²⁾

Build your faith. Is your faith strong? Unfortunately, many of you are of the opinion

that faith only grows when you see My hand work miracles, or when something outstanding happens that proves that I am still very active in My miracle-working abilities. However, faith is built by faithful study of My Word. And your faith also increases when you obey My Word.

Your faith shouldn't be easily discouraged by circumstances or situations. Faith believes that I will come through. It relies utterly on Me. You should be confident that I am able, because you have faith in Me. If your faith is lacking and you're not fully relying on Me, then you need to work on strengthening your faith--creating a vacuum for Me to fill and having the faith that I'll fill that void. Study the Word on the subject of faith; note the areas that your faith is weak in, and strive to grow in faith. Wield the keys of faith aggressively and with utmost conviction that they work. ⁽³⁾

The Word Connection!

The greatest increase to your faith comes through the Word. Faith is built through your intake of My Word. But it is more than just taking in the Word that will increase your faith. You must learn to drink it in and absorb it, making it a part of your life, in order for the Word to take full effect in enlarging your faith.

One of the greatest lacks in boosting your faith is if you read the Word without really applying it to your life and striving to make your life a living testimony of My words. Learning to set aside the time to spend with Me and being faithful to it is only the most basic step in your faith-strengthening program. That aspect of your faith-building program is akin to signing up for a workout program and then showing up each day at the gym.

However, really getting a good workout goes beyond your mere presence; you have to actually follow the workout regimen if you expect to see results. You have to be committed to lift weights to increase your strength, to do something to get your heart pumping in order to feel the benefits of a cardiovascular workout. Often it means pushing yourself a little more than you feel you're capable of, which will gradually increase your strength and stamina.

The same is applicable to faith. Just reading the Word will benefit you to a degree, but if you're not really focusing, studying it, and putting your energies toward finding that truth that I want to speak to you about for the day, then you're not getting the full spiritual workout that you need that will increase your faith muscles.

The Word is the basis of faith enhancement, and that should be the first place you look when you find that your faith is running low or just doesn't seem to be as strong or progressively growing as it should be. ⁽⁴⁾

Fight for your faith. Covet My Words daily and do not allow the Enemy any place, any voice, any thought, any influence in your heart. Fight, by continually submitting yourself to Me, by verbally telling Me that you are willing to do My will, that you choose My will, not your own. Then the power will come, and Satan will flee when he sees the weakest saint upon his knees. You will send your adversary packing, and he will flee! He has no power over

you. You will be free of fear. Fear will have no hold or power over you because you will have given yourself to Me. You must make the commitment not to give place to your feelings, emotions, or any negative thoughts that come to you. You must hold on to My Word, knowing that in so doing your obedience and trust will bring the victory.

You have My Words in abundance--new, old, and the living Word. You have the keys of the Kingdom that enable you to overcome all impossibilities. But before any of this will take place, you must give Me your will. You don't have to worry about what that means; you don't need tons of faith to do it; you just need to be willing. If you have a willing mind, just say the words, and I will do the rest. ⁽⁵⁾

(Dad speaking:) With everybody's eyes focused on the problems, how can they even see the solutions? How can they even find the solutions if all they can see are problems, problems, problems? The problems steal away their faith. It's the Enemy who wants to blow the problems all out of perspective! It's the Enemy who wants to cause them to think about the problems, to lose faith because of the problems, and to lose courage to serve the Lord because of the problems.

You've got to take your eyes off the problems and fix them on the Lord and His Word and His promises, and remember and remind yourself constantly, and remind those 'round about you, that the Lord has the solutions and He knows and He cares and He loves!

You must have the Word if you want to have the Lord's perspective, if you want to have faith and hope and courage to face the problems. How do you think you're going to get it unless you spend time with the Lord and let Him speak to your heart and mind?

That's where the real power is!--Power to change, power to bring about solutions, power to increase faith. It's all in the Word! ⁽⁶⁾

Take Time with the Lord and Hear from Him

The most important thing you can do is to get your time with Me first thing in the morning, in the early hours, if possible. Once you've done that, everything else will fall into place and be clearer. When your burdens have been lifted and your cares have been cast upon Me, your vision will be clearer and you will know where to direct your attention, your time, and your energies.

Through this time of our communion, first thing every day, you'll also grow in faith and in strength. You'll have greater willpower. You'll have greater conviction to deal with things according to their priorities rather than according to your desires. It all comes back to our time together first thing in the morning. Once this is in place and in order, all the rest will fall into place and be clear. ⁽⁷⁾

The plan My Father gave Me was simple. If I was going to be successful, if I was going to have the strength and stamina, the faith and the wisdom to accomplish My mission, I would have to take time with Him every day. I would have to get away from not only the

crowds, but even My closest friends, for a few moments of personal time in the quiet, free from distraction and alone with My Father, where I could listen and hear clearly from Him.

This is why I got up early and went out to pray before the busy day began. This is why I would often hide away or go out to the hills--so I could have this time to look to Heaven and get My direction for the day. This is how I was able to have the strength and the wisdom to carry out My ministry. This is how I was able to work miracles, and how I was able to give answers to those who asked Me questions--because I heard from My Father first and I got My directions from Him. ⁽⁸⁾

Don't make a move without hearing from Me. Listen to My voice and live the truth I reveal to you. Do the things I tell you to do, doubting not. This will strengthen your faith and lift you above. ⁽⁹⁾

You will grow in faith and confidence as you come before Me to receive My direction and guidance, and then proceed according to how I'm leading you. ⁽¹⁰⁾

As you listen to Me, your heart will grow softer, your faith will grow, and you'll be able to do things you never imagined. ⁽¹¹⁾

The more the Family has tapped into the power of prophecy, the more they want! They've learned the power of hearing My directions and leaning on the power of My Spirit, and thus many have sharpened their weapon of prophecy and are following Me more closely than ever before. This in turn has defeated the Enemy's further attacks on My children, for he has not been able to get past their wall of faith, and this has been a great victory of My spiritual protection in their lives. ⁽¹²⁾

Make it easy on yourself and let Me do the guiding, let Me do the driving, let Me take over the controls as you sit back and relax. Let Me take the strain and the pressure off the situation. Let Me smooth out the rough spots. Let Me make the ride smooth, relaxing, comfortable, and easy for you.

Of course, not all things in life will be perfect and without difficulties, but use these things to let Me draw close to you, to put Me to the test, to see what I can do for you and how I can help you through. There will be times when things are more difficult. But if you do your part and seek Me, as you acknowledge Me in all your ways and hear from Me in prophecy, then I can direct your paths. I can give you specific direction and counsel to help you through the difficult situations, as I have promised in My Word. After you've done your part and heard from Me in prophecy, then you need to learn to relax and let Me take over. You must trust that I will perform what I have promised, even during those times when I may tell you that you must simply hold on to Me, have patience, and wait for Me to smooth out the difficulties and resolve the situation. This takes faith, and in some situations it takes great faith. But that's what I expect of you, My dear children who walk closely by Me, who know Me intimately, who desperately seek to do My will. ⁽¹³⁾

The Spiritual Weapons Along with the Keys Are to Increase your Faith

What am I trying to accomplish by giving you the spiritual weapons and training you in their use? I'm giving you avenues to partake of strength, wisdom, insight, and anointing. I'm giving you access to My mind. I'm putting at your disposal all the spirit help you'll ever need to win any battle you might come up against. I'm giving you tools that will cleanse you and protect you from the negative influences of the world. I'm giving you a way to rise above the problems and difficulties and to keep My perspective. I'm giving you ways to strengthen your faith. ⁽¹⁴⁾

Greater faith will come by using the keys. Call on the power of the keys and your faith will grow. ⁽¹⁵⁾

Seeing the doors the keys unlock will help your faith to grow. ⁽¹⁶⁾

Other Ways to Increase Your Faith

Build your faith by regularly spending time with Me in the bed of love--reading and meditating on My Word and applying it to your life, resting in Me and casting your cares on Me, and loving Me intimately as My bride, speaking words of love to Me and receiving My seeds, which are manifested later in the form of prophecy. ⁽¹⁷⁾

I've never failed in one word of all My good promises. Stop and think back on the promises I've made to you, and thank Me for how I've fulfilled them. Let that strengthen your faith as you look ahead to the next challenges. Seek Me for My Words of promise for each challenge you face. Ask Me to tell you how I'm going to work, and then hold Me to those promises until I have done it. ⁽¹⁸⁾

There's power in the spoken word, for it becomes a testimony or declaration of faith; it has creative power, and it can push back the lies of the Enemy.

If you reach out and say something, even a little word of positiveness, then you'll begin to grow in faith and yieldedness and you'll make progress.

The Enemy will fight these steps of faith because he knows that through such steps of yieldedness he'll lose ground in your heart and mind. ⁽¹⁹⁾

Witnessing is very important, not only for the sake of those you witness to but even for your own sake. When you witness and pour out to others, you not only give them My Word and My truth, but it also comes back to you and greatly strengthens your faith and

your convictions. Never underestimate the spiritual power that you receive when witnessing to others. ⁽²⁰⁾

Let your faith grow by allowing some things to take care of themselves without direct intervention from you. ⁽²¹⁾

Unconfessed sin destroys your faith. In destroying your faith, it destroys your force field of spiritual protection. So having a clean heart before Me is a prerequisite for strengthening your spiritual walls of defense. ⁽²²⁾

Taking this stance and approach to life, learning to live your convictions and make the right choices because it's what you personally believe in, is going to strengthen your faith. It requires that you get down to the core of your faith, to see where it stands, to strengthen it if necessary, and then base your decisions on that faith. It's going to make you a stronger, more effective disciple. It's going to cause the things you do to be more powerful and more personally fulfilling, because you'll be doing them out of a firm personal belief in what you stand for and what you know I expect of you. ⁽²³⁾

Stretching Your Faith

When you become familiar with the way you perceive yourself to be, and you think certain things aren't doable for you personally, this is the greatest hindrance to really pulling down My power for you. You tend to put yourself, with all your personal limitations, in a box, with a sign that reads, "I can do most things You ask of me, but some things just aren't attainable. Note the ceiling on my box. Please don't ask more of me than You can see I can do." And then when it seems that I do ask something of you that in your mind or heart you seem to have resolved is beyond you, then you start to worry that I'm not looking out for your good or your welfare. You've put limits on what I can ask you to do, or what you've resolved you can or want to do.

I ask you, with the deepest love I can express, to let yourself break loose. Don't look at the walls you're encased in, thinking, "Thus far and no further--that's all I really can do." Break a hole in it and face the light in the sky above! That's really where you can reach to, with Me and My power.

If you get offended because I ask certain difficult or near-impossible things, according to your perceptions, this greatly hinders Me being able to use you to your full potential. Reach for the stars and let nothing stop us! Situations--no matter what they are--will never be too hard for you. It's like working with weights. When you first start and are rather weak, you may look at people using 10 or more pound weights and think that must be super hard. But as you see, if you work up to it, it's no harder for them than it is for someone starting off with three pounds who's not used to it.

Let Me bolster your faith and give you courage to reach what I know to be attainable,

though it may seem so far for you to reach. I can give you the faith to face anything that you have to encounter, and the wherewithal to see it through. Medals will be yours for the encounters you will face, claim My help for, and live through.

Don't shy away from hard things, but face them with a sense of joy, because you will get to know more how I can come through. Each hard thing that you face is or can be another opportunity to see a side of Me that you knew was there but haven't yet seen in full action. Let Me show you amazing things, things out of this world, by going through with and tackling what I lead you in, or what is placed before you.

Men or women who wither in the face of that which they think is unattainable never get to see triumph. They may see it one day, through another who fought that battle they chose to pass up. But when one lets Me use them, and they see the victory before their own eyes, yet more strength is given to them. Faith in Me to see them through all impossibilities builds the muscles of the men and women of faith, and they will go on to see yet greater impossibilities conquered. Courage is a result of faith that one can do it, or is at least willing to try. And when it's done, the faith grows yet more--and thus the willingness to conquer, in faith, greater foes. Such are My men and women of faith--going forth, with Me beside them, conquering and to conquer. ⁽²⁴⁾

Let your mind stretch. Your faith is almost always limited by your mind and what you are willing to accept as possible. Push the barriers back. ⁽²⁵⁾

You must rise above the "I can't" cloud. "I can't" is a dark cloud that keeps many people hiding indoors for fear of the rain and storm. It's a cloud that tells you, "This is the end. You can't go above, and there's nothing beyond this." But you just have to determine by faith, walk by faith, soar by faith into the dark cloud, seeing nothing, knowing that the answer is above and beyond the cloud. Once you break through, you'll see the sun and know that it was possible, and then the next cloud will be easier to go through.

Keep going by faith. Your will and determination will play a major part in how quickly you progress. Determine and do. Know that it is possible. All things are possible, and you can do all things. No one achieves anything without effort and trying and pushing themselves beyond what they think they can do. No one wins by strolling along. No one wins the race by never training and never pushing their limits until their limits become the norm. And then they push for new limits! This is how champions are made. They are made--by hard work and pushing! ⁽²⁶⁾

You, My children, who have already been exercised in matters of faith, must now learn to stretch your faith farther and farther if you don't want to be caught in one of the Devil's traps in these Last Days. You can do this by exercising your faith more. Put it into play often. Demonstrate it daily to those around you and to the world. Refuse to give in to impossibilities.

Now is the time when you must begin stepping out and exercising your gift of faith to a greater degree by putting it into action, by going to work on the plan of this new era! Step

out and prove there are no impossibilities to a man or woman who depends on the power of God! Stretch your faith to greater measures. Take greater leaps of faith every day and defy any and all impossibilities that get in your way.

I've given you the "Ask Me Everything" plan to "watch, pray, listen and receive." You're moving along on this, learning to make this a part of your everyday lives. Now I ask you to amplify this vision--I ask that you "watch, pray, listen, receive, and do!" "Watch, pray, listen, receive, and take action!"

Use your faith, stretch your faith, work your faith; put your faith to use by putting it into action, by stretching it, by taking action. Go to work proving there are no impossibilities to the man or woman filled with My Spirit who acts in faith, believing My promises. ⁽²⁷⁾

Don't be afraid to welcome tests and experiences that stretch your faith. And even if afterwards you look back at the situation or challenge and feel that your faith didn't really quite meet the mark, so what? You still haven't lost, because you've grown from the experience. You may not see or understand how you've grown, but you will nevertheless receive the reward of faith no matter what the outcome, and the reward of faith is growth. I always reward those who step forward, stretching their faith, trusting in Me and My promises, even if they feel that the knees of their faith might give way under them.

One thing's for sure: Faith is an adventure! It's the adventure of a lifetime, and it will be a lifetime of thrilling rides and ups and downs, taking you to heights--and even depths at times--that will both make you and take you into the Millennium and beyond. After all, that is what faith is fashioning you for: your destiny in ruling and reigning on Earth, something even the angels of Heaven have not been given the training for. Only you--My Own--who have experienced the trials and tests of the faith life here on Earth will be given that high honor and reward.

So don't be afraid of any of those leaps of faith that I've promised you are ahead, My loves; you'll be ready for them when it's the right time. It won't be anything that you will have to conjure up or work up in yourself. You'll just know it's time, because I will flood your heart with all that you need to make that leap. ⁽²⁸⁾

If you ask in faith, you will receive My answers sooner or later. Stretch your faith even further. Ask Me for the impossible things! Pray for the impossible; believe Me for the impossible. Start expecting the impossible. ⁽²⁹⁾

Stretch your faith to ask for things that seem difficult or impossible, to ask questions that seem unanswerable, and watch your faith grow as you see My answers! ⁽³⁰⁾

Faith doesn't just happen; it grows from reading the Word and stretching the faith you have by putting it into practice. It is divine and it can be given to you supernaturally, but in most cases I prefer that you work for it rather than Me just giving it to you out of the blue. ⁽³¹⁾

You might be the only one willing to take a risk, but if you truly believe it's of Me, then

don't be afraid to. When you let Me stretch your faith to do something difficult, something that might not even be in character for you to do, then you give Me the opportunity to do something truly wonderful in your life. ⁽³²⁾

Don't be wary of a little stretching. Part of the "God factor" is being willing to let Me stretch you spiritually, to push you a little past your comfort zone to see whether you'll rely heavily on Me. Be willing to stretch your faith, even when it hurts a little, and to trust that stretching is part of growth. In these Last Days, the more you stretch, the better, because it keeps your spirits limber, agile, and flexible--qualities that I need My disciples to have. ⁽³³⁾

You have to keep moving, keep overcoming lethargy, keep stretching your faith, keep accepting change and welcoming the new. ⁽³⁴⁾

Stretch your faith. Let it grow. Ask for something that seems too big, too difficult, almost ridiculous. Ask in faith. Ask for something you need. Ask for something that you know is impossible without divine intervention. Do it today! Do it now! Watch it happen! ⁽³⁵⁾

I expect you to not be bound by what has been, but to reach beyond the bounds and limitations of what you have already experienced and know to be possible, into Heaven and the realms that I've told you are possible, but that may have never been explored before.

The limits and bounds of nature and of the spirit are only broken by the men and women of faith who loose their moorings, hoist their sails, and steer toward unknown horizons. ⁽³⁶⁾

Follow your faith, while asking Me to stretch your faith and exercise it. I love your faith, and I love it when you work in accordance with your faith, because when you exercise your faith, it grows.--And as it grows, the more you come to realize that anything is possible. ⁽³⁷⁾

Be a crazy dreamer! To get great things from God, you have to have great dreams! Think big, ask big, do big! And the way you do that is by having crazy faith to go along with those crazy dreams. If you never step out to do the extraordinary, you'll be forever stuck in the monotony of the average, the run of the mill. ⁽³⁸⁾

Faith is not something you feel; it's something you do--an action which gets results. Stretch your faith, exercise it, and you will not be disappointed. ⁽³⁹⁾

I won't send more than you can manage. I might stretch you, and I might give you more than you think you can manage. But that's where faith comes in. If you think you can do it, where's the faith in that? You've got to trust that the victory is in Me. And as long as you keep fighting to overcome, I will keep winning through you. ⁽⁴⁰⁾

When you believe and ask Me to stretch your faith, I will blow away anything that

stands in your way, solve any problem, and open and close doors for you. Find My perfect will, believe it, and claim it, and I will work miracles for you. ⁽⁴¹⁾

In order to help you to grow in faith, and to put you in just the right position so that you'll be able to accomplish the greater works that I have promised, I must ask you to do things and to go places that can seem a little overwhelming at first, even scary. But when you humbly follow Me, you never have to worry or fear.

Even when I require you to leave the comfort and safety of your past experience and to sail out into the vast, open waters of the unknown future, you can always have perfect peace and faith, knowing that I won't let your boat sink. ⁽⁴²⁾

The call has been sounded clearly. The standard has been set high. It is good for My children to have to reach high in order to stretch their faith and their vision. In the days of the approaching End, they will find themselves in great need of the faith that they have gained through having to stretch themselves in making an effort to be the yielded and dedicated disciples that I am asking of them. This is all a part of My training and My will so that My children will be fit and strong to weather the Last Days which are nearing by the day.

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FIGHT FOR YOUR FAITH!



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(Dad speaking:) Don't let the Enemy rob you of your faith and trust in God! ⁽¹⁾

The Enemy seeks to get in. He seeks to make you waver in your faith in Me. He seeks to find some avenue for doubt, some little disbelief to shake your faith and destabilize you. ⁽²⁾

If you get caught up in (the Enemy's) mind games and begin to analyze and listen to the thoughts he puts in your head, it gives him power to erode your foundation. It begins to create reality from the lying vanities. If you choose to believe him by choosing to analyze things with your carnal mind, he has real power to destroy the good foundation that you stand upon, and it will damage your faith and your spiritual life. ⁽³⁾

It's by allowing the infiltration of the Enemy's lies into the mind, a slow and constant dripping of the voice of the Enemy, a steady stream of his doubts and lies over this and that, that the real damage is done to the spirit, that the real weakening of the spirit begins. For by allowing the voice of the Enemy into (your) life, (you) are allowing him to tear down (your) faith and to weaken the foundation of (your) faith. ⁽⁴⁾

If you continue to accept the lies of the Enemy and his discouragement and doubts, and you stop receiving My Word and walking in the spirit of faith, you'll stop recognizing My anointing and My blessings in your life. This will lead to believing other lies of the Enemy, and you'll begin to doubt My Word and My love for you. ⁽⁵⁾

When you lower all your defenses and your shields finally power down completely, the Enemy will overrun you. Chances are he'll ravage your faith and spirit and leave you a complete spiritual weakling with no power, no energy, no abilities to do anything for Me and others. ⁽⁶⁾

(The Enemy) attacks your spirit and tries to weaken you to the point that you'll put down your weapons of war and even forsake your crown of service--the responsibility that I've given you, along with the gifts and anointing to do it. He wants to cause you to doubt My love, My Word, and My wisdom. It's his goal to pull you down, to destroy your faith in Me and My Word through this slow weakening of your spirit. ⁽⁷⁾

(Dad speaking:) Don't let the Enemy weasel his nose into your life and allow him to attack your faith. Diligently guard your faith. Actively boost it through faithful study of the Word, of the Lord's promises. And wield the key promises--those will set the Devil back on his heels without fail! ⁽⁸⁾

Your mind and heart are as a garden that needs to be tended well and protected against the evil seeds of the Enemy. If you are diligent and strong in faith and in the fear of Me, the moment you see the seeds of the Enemy spring up in your heart and mind, you will run over as a faithful gardener to pluck up the evil weed, while it is small and weak and its roots are shallow. ⁽⁹⁾

(Dad speaking:) You've got to realize that your faith and the Word are two of your most priceless possessions. That's precisely why the Enemy is after them. You've got to remind yourself that the Devil will never fight for something that is not worth having. If it didn't matter to you, if it didn't matter to the Lord, and if it didn't matter to him, then he sure as hell wouldn't be after it! ⁽¹⁰⁾

(Dad speaking:) You've got to fight for your faith as if it were your most prized possession! ⁽¹¹⁾

Please, My loves, I urge you to look to Me, to cling to Me and to trust in My great love for you. Then dwell in that love and faith by immersing yourself in My Word and in a spirit of praise and thankfulness. Call the Enemy's bluff by wholeheartedly and vocally being more praiseful, more full of Me and My love, and more on the attack to fill your mind and life with positive and faith-building thoughts and actions. Inundate your mind and spirit with My Word and My light! Flood your life and mind with praise and My key promises. ⁽¹²⁾

Watch Out for Fear and Worry

(Dad speaking:) Don't let the Enemy rob you of your faith and trust in God! Don't let the Enemy instill his fear and worry and doubts in your mind. ⁽¹³⁾

Fear is not faith. Fear is the power of the Enemy. Resist his control and influence through fear with the keys! ⁽¹⁴⁾

When fear is present, faith can't grow as it should. ⁽¹⁵⁾

Don't let the Enemy steal your joy or your faith through his temptations to worry. ⁽¹⁶⁾

Fear is more dangerous than stepping out by faith. Fear is what you must drive out. ⁽¹⁷⁾

The worst thing you can do is to yield to the Enemy's spirit of worry. For through worry you not only weaken your faith muscles but you also weaken your body physically. Faith creates. Faith brings life and strength and energy! There is great power in faith. ⁽¹⁸⁾

Carnal reasoning opens the door wide to the Enemy's fear. It can prevent you from having the full faith and boldness needed to set the night ablaze like Gideon so that Satan's minions destroy themselves in panic as you drive them back to Hell. ⁽¹⁹⁾

The Enemy uses fear of the unknown to strike fear and panic in your heart. But all you must do when this happens is claim My power and the keys of faith and trust, which cast out fear and bring calm to your spirit. Claim the keys of peace, of calm, of trust, of resting in Me, and I will calm the storm of your mind and the beating of your heart and I will bring rest to your soul.

Your faith is what will help you to overcome the world. When you have faith, nothing fazes you. You can face your fears, ready to attack. Nothing can stop a man or woman of faith! ⁽²⁰⁾

The Enemy is trying to get you to look at the waves, to worry about each wave and wonder if it will sink the boat. Then another one comes, and you wonder if that will sink the boat, and on and on it goes; you're tossed by every wave that comes. If you allow your carnal mind to take over, you will constantly be "seasick" and tossed by every wave of fear that comes crashing down around you. Whereas if you put your faith in Me, your Captain, and trust that My ship will not sink but will bring you safely to the shore of My Heavenly Kingdom no matter what storms beset it, then you can laugh out loud at each wave that rises high above and threatens to sink your ship, for you have faith in Me and My ability to save and keep you. ⁽²¹⁾

The way to keep such fears from stealing your joy and causing you to worry is to soak yourself in My Word. Through My Words you will gain faith, and that faith will overcome your fear. As you read My Words, I will comfort your heart and give you peace. ⁽²²⁾

My Word will inoculate you against fear and will put a shield of faith around you, which the Enemy cannot penetrate with his spirit of fear.

Fear not, nor be dismayed at the Devil's attacks. For I, the Lord, and My keys of courage do go with you, as you claim them in full faith. March on with Me to full victory! ⁽²³⁾

Refuse to worry. You might think that's easier said than done, but really, don't you have weapons of the spirit that can blast to bits any worries, fears, or concerns that the Enemy would try to weigh you down with? Don't you have the keys to rise above, the gift of faith, praise to see you over the obstacles, prayer to bring about miracles and change, the gift of prophecy to hear My voice, spirit helpers to aid you, and your intimate relationship with Me to dispel all worry and fear? Then why are you worrying?

Worry hampers the "God factor" from working fully, because the "God factor" works on faith, and when you're full of faith you're not heard to worry, fret, or despair. Fight the Enemy offensively in this area by not allowing worry to enter in--by remaining praiseful and positive even when circumstances are not optimal. ⁽²⁴⁾

Whenever you're tempted to worry about the future, that's the time to make a beeline for Me and to strengthen your faith. Everyone is tempted to worry and fear; that's human nature. But you don't have to accept being in a state of worry and fear if you fortify your spirit with faith. Seek Me for My help and answers. Sometimes it can take a lot of time in prayer before you find that place of calm and peace, but when you do, it will bring rest to your mind and spirit. ⁽²⁵⁾

It has been said that bravery is not the absence of fear, but it is the conquest of it, the mastery of it. This is the truth. You will never be free of the temptation to fear. You will never be able to fully cause that "bird" to never come near your head, but you must look above and beyond the fear to Me, to the faith you have in Me and My love for you and My promises to you, and have courage, despite the fear you could face otherwise. You must use the Word and faith and "God's good grain" that is stored in your heart as a ballast during these kinds of storms. ⁽²⁶⁾

Hold onto the key of faith tightly, My loves! Don't allow the Enemy to snatch it out of your grasp. He'll try to, but don't give him your power--which is your faith. Don't surrender your power to the Enemy, because once you succumb to fear and worry, the Enemy will wrap you up so tight in his straitjacket of worry that it will be much more difficult to get free. Don't succumb to the Enemy's scare tactics. Put on your combat fatigues and punch him out! ⁽²⁷⁾

The Ways of the World Weaken Your Faith

The things in the world that are negative, that are detrimental to your spirits, that weaken your faith, that are ungodly, are still to be avoided. The dangers of the negative and ungodly elements of the world are as real as ever. The truth of My Word on this has not changed. You, as Christians, should not dabble in these things. However, not everything in the world is filled with "unrighteousness" or "darkness." ⁽²⁸⁾

I warn those who've moved closer and closer and closer to the ways of the world, those who have lost their pureness and innocence as they've become deceived, thinking that it won't hurt them because they can "take it"--that they are in danger of slipping away altogether. The flame of their faith burns dangerously low, and they must be pulled back to the pillar. They must make a stand to strengthen their convictions against the ways of the world and the sirens of the System. Those who partake of the evils of the Whore and drink in her delicacies with great enthusiasm, losing sight of the vision, the Word, the goal, cannot be in unity with those who continue to give their all to Me and who seek not to be encumbered with the ways of the world, the flesh, the System. ⁽²⁹⁾

Fight Against Discouragement, Bitterness, and Condemnation

As long as you fight against the spirit of the Enemy, his spirit of discouragement, his fears of the future, his spirit of bitterness over events in your life--whether about relationships with others, your ministry, your circumstances, your love life, or whatever--you'll be able to keep the Enemy's lies out of your mind and function more in faith and in My Spirit. ⁽³⁰⁾

Discouragement is one of the Enemy's favorite tools that works against the "God factor." He uses discouragement to weaken your faith and confidence in Me, which then makes you try extra hard in your own strength. Refute the discouraging lies of the Enemy with praise. Wield that unbeatable weapon, and not only will the discouraging thoughts vanish, but the worry you felt will vanish as well, and your faith will increase. ⁽³¹⁾

Discouragement is like a big wall that makes you stop and feel as if you can't go any further. It's like sinking sand that keeps you in the present, sinking in the lies of the Enemy. That's why you've got to fight it with the keys of faith--faith in Me, faith to do My will, and even faith in yourself, faith that I can and will use you despite your weakness and inabilities. ⁽³²⁾

Bitterness is the result of lack of faith, lack of trust, thinking you know better, and self-righteously wanting to judge and rule and cause the other person to suffer as you have suffered. But these attitudes of heart and mind don't bring Me closer, and don't cause My Spirit to reign freely in your life. They don't cause you to draw nigh to Me, that I might draw nigh to you, but instead they have the opposite effect. Bitterness causes you to be distant, unbelieving, and it quenches the flow of your love toward Me. It causes you to be closed and hard and resistant to the flow of My love toward you.

If bitterness is allowed to follow its course, it will only make you weaker and weaker and weaker, and with time, your heart and mind will be more receptive to the doubts of the Enemy. Bitterness is like a plow that plows up the soil of your heart and prepares it for the seeds of the Enemy's evil doubts. So forgive now, that you might find freedom from the Devil's devices.

Bitterness is born in pride; for when you're bitter, you feel that you know better than God. You feel that if you had been God, you never would have allowed it, and things would be different; things would be better. Bitterness is akin to doubt, because those who doubt also feel that they know better. ⁽³³⁾

As you continually strive to accept that all things truly work together for good to you who love Me, this will strengthen your muscles of faith and trust, and in turn will help you to resist the temptations of the Enemy to become resentful toward any situation or person. ⁽³⁴⁾

Don't condemn yourself or allow the Enemy to condemn you. That is his ploy to steal your faith and rob you of the comfort I want to give you. Even if it is My hand directly chastening you, even if you brought it on yourself through disobedience, even if it's because you were off track, I still want to comfort you and help you through it. I love you, and will never leave you or forsake you. I never allow anything that you can't learn from or benefit from in some way, even if it's something you brought on yourself. I still allowed it, and still want to bring good out of it for you, My love. ⁽³⁵⁾

When we yield to the Enemy's condemnation, he effectively cancels out our faith to ask the Lord for victory, because we feel we don't deserve it and thus have no right to ask for it. Like Dad brought out in "The Halloween Wheel" (ML #363), when we give in to the Enemy's lies, discouragement and condemnation, we relinquish our power to fight back. Once you're in the pits of condemnation, it's very hard to climb out, because the Enemy tries to convince you that that's right where you belong. ⁽³⁶⁾

(Apostle Paul speaking:) You must cast aside condemnation, for it chokes out your power. It chokes out the Lord's anointing. It chokes out the faith that you must have in His Love and mercy and forgiveness. Don't waste precious moments, hours, days, weeks, months and years, but do it now, for time is short! Do it now! ⁽³⁷⁾

A Lack of Obedience, A Lack of Prayer, Pride and Sin can also hinder your Faith

Obedience is also an essential ingredient in exercising your faith, so if you aren't being obedient to Me and My Word, then you can't have full faith. Remember, faith and obedience must come first, and then I answer prayer. For example, if you beseech Me for supply but have not done all that I have asked you to, or are even doing things I have asked you not to do, then you cannot ask in full faith nor be fully assured of My answer. I may have mercy and supply anyway, but I am not bound to do so.

Sometimes a lack of obedience will result from a lack of being in tune. For example, I may work behind the scenes to work through a certain person, or in a certain way, or in some new and different method or place, and open a door to you to provide a particular need you have--but you do not enter. Maybe you ignore My check to talk to someone, to ask someone for help, to try some new witnessing method or place or means of ministering.

Even though it is My will to supply for you, I can't do so if you ignore My voice or are not sensitive to it; or you decide that you don't like the look of the open door; or you convince yourself that you've already tried that same approach in the past, and since it didn't seem to work then, it won't work now. This is more a lack of being in tune than a lack of faith, but the results are the same.

A lack of committing things to Me in prayer also hinders your faith from growing. If you don't pray, then I'm limited to what I can do for you in the spirit, which often means that the problems you face seem to drag on indefinitely. When that happens, in your carnal mind you

conclude that My promises to you--whether they are for supply, healing, unity, or whatever your need is--don't actually work. But if you're not praying with fervency and in faith and desperation--the vital factors to effective prayer--then how do you expect to see powerful results?

Prayer requires faith. You have to believe that prayer actually works, and that it's more than just a mundane ritual of spiritual goodness. You have to believe wholeheartedly that as you pray, I go to action on your behalf, even though it may take time before you see the full results. Your faith doesn't waver just because an answer is a long time in coming. And because your faith doesn't doubt, but keeps trusting, then when I do bring the answer, your faith is increased and strengthened. But without a strong purpose and belief in prayer, your faith misses out on the stretching and growth that comes through putting Me on the spot in utter confidence and expecting that I will do the miracle in the way I know is best.

Pride can play a role in limiting the increase of your faith by causing you to feel sufficiently reliant on yourself and your abilities, and thus less likely to see the need to have faith in Me and My promises. Rather than coming to Me and seeking Me when you're faced with a difficulty, pride can make you rush ahead to solve the problem in your own arm of the flesh.

In so doing, your pride eats away at your faith and stunts the growth of your faith, because you rely more confidently on yourself rather than on Me and My power. Therefore, you conclude that the end results of your problem-solving effort had little to do with faith in Me, but instead came more from your own skill and ability. This in turn prevents the flow of faith in your veins, because your spiritual arteries become clogged by your own works rather than the current of My Spirit running through you.

Unconfessed sin, or sin that is allowed to go unchecked, can also hinder your faith. In such instances, it's hard for you to have faith in Me and My Word if you know you are in the wrong in an area of your life and are not fully obeying Me. That in turn can wear away at your faith, because you can't come confidently before My throne expecting an answer (Hebrews 4:16). You instead gingerly tip-toe before Me, hoping that I'll answer, but at the same time feeling guilty about your request if you know you're not sticking to the requirements needed to access My blessings and the fruit of your obedience. (38)

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"BUT IF NOT"



FAITH!

“But if Not” Faith

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You just cannot make your obedience contingent on your terms and the way you think God ought to answer, and providing everything goes all right. You can't just only be God's fair-weather friend! You have to keep on serving the Lord even when everything goes all wrong! If you're only going to be willing to believe and obey the Lord as long as everything goes all right, you won't be believing or obeying very much, because a lot of things go wrong when you're serving the Lord!--"Many are the afflictions of the righteous!" ⁽¹⁾

It is easy to trust and have faith when all goes well, when all around you are blessings; but when all seems to go wrong and you feel as though your very life and your very desire to live is being snuffed out, when you feel your heart sink and ache within you, if you still have faith, oh, what great faith it is! How it pleases Me! ⁽²⁾

Having your faith tried in a difficult situation is never easy and never will be, and not something one looks forward to or would wish upon themselves. But it is during those times that you have to remind yourself over and over again that I am in control. I love you. You are My bride, I am your Husband, and I will never abandon you or desert you. I am with you through all things, both the good and the bad, and during those times of trial and tribulation I am right by your side, no matter how much you may think or feel I am not, or whatever lies the Enemy whispers in your ear. ⁽³⁾

This is the victory which overcomes the world--your faith! And faith is hanging on to the fact that I will turn each and every circumstance to good, no matter how it looks to you. That is faith, and faith always results in victory. It's as simple as that. ⁽⁴⁾

It is hard to understand "Why." So don't try to. Instead, understand "Who." Don't wonder, "Why did this happen?" But proclaim in faith, "My Jesus allowed this to happen!" Then, instead of looking at the horrible situation, you will be looking at Me, the Founder and Lover of your life. When all you see is the fact that I allowed it, then your faith is sure and your heart is encouraged and your spirit is refreshed--because you know that I only allow that which is good in your life. When you have faith in the "Who," then you don't need to worry about the "Why." ⁽⁵⁾

It's easy for circumstances and conditions to hurt your faith, if that's what you're going by. You can find so many things that didn't work, and so few that were obvious and irrefutable miracles. It's also easy to lack faith and feel you don't "deserve" a miracle when

you start looking at your sins or faults or imperfections, or other factors that you feel have some bearing on being able to ask in full faith. All of these things contribute to fewer answers than you think you should see. Christians throughout the centuries have puzzled at length, as well as been derided by atheists, over the core question of, "Why doesn't God always answer prayer?" The solution is not to try to understand why things do or don't happen--unless there is a specific cause that I want to show you so that you can learn for next time--but instead to work on your reactions to those things. Your goal should be to approach each situation with fresh faith and trust, counting on Me to do what I know is best, and believing that I've come through for you regardless of how things turn out.

It's that "But If Not" faith (ML #313). It's the wisdom of knowing that, although on the one hand nothing is impossible for you, yet not everything is according to My will, and many are the afflictions of the righteous. The power that I've promised you is understood to be in balance with the other things that I've promised you; for example, about the trials of life and how I use them to strengthen you, or the difficulties of serving Me and how that is part of your testimony, or the lessons that you come to Earth to learn in the first place.

As far as what you can do to be more effective in your use of the spiritual weapons and have access to greater spiritual power, of course there are steps that you can take. It's all in the Word. But it takes effort to live this way, and it's not possible for you to be perfect in this regard--although growing spiritually and being more in tune with Me and fulfilling the requirements for accessing spiritual power are things that I intend for you to be continually working toward and growing into.

But you have this treasure (My power), in earthen vessels (your weak, sinful human frames), that the excellency of the power may be of God, and not of you (2Cor.4:7). Keeping all the conditions in the Word and being obedient and staying separate from the world does increase your ability to channel more spiritual power. But at the same time, all have sinned and come short of the glory of God. You have to balance these things. You must understand that you are capable of doing a lot for Me, yet at the same time I know that you're sinners, and I take you where you're at and work with you.

There are so many factors in play, and the only absolute is faith--a faith that goes beyond "proof" or validation, a faith that you hold to and keep strong all the days of your life even if you do "die in faith, not having received the promises" (Heb.11:13).

The fact is, you are special. You are chosen for a special ministry, but like all the other Christians down through the years, you must walk by faith and not by sight (2Cor.5:7). Reconciling the many positive promises in My Word against the difficult and often terrible conditions of their lives was part of their test and their testimony. It's part of their honor. It's part of the faith life. It's the same for you.

You're not the first ones to have faced this dilemma and you won't be the last. That's why it's time to get back to that "But If Not" faith and not worry about the things that haven't happened or didn't turn out as you'd hoped. Picture yourself in a room with endless doors, and I tell you that you have the keys in your hands which will unlock all of them. You try door after door, and while the keys unlock them all, some don't open

because a greater power and force is holding it shut--My will.

The thing to do is to thank Me for what doesn't work out, and move on to find the one that will. Trust Me that I will take care of you, and I will prosper you, and I will bring you success--the success I know you need, according to My standards. If you expect that you'll be able to demand something according to your will, not Mine, you'll be disappointed (Jn.5:30).

True success in the realm of miracles and answers to prayer comes through faith--believing and not doubting. That doesn't mean everything will work out as you think it should, but it means I will be victorious in the end, and so will you, because we are one.

Consider all the Christians who have been martyred or have died in accidents or even from sickness, despite My promises of "it shall not come nigh thee," or "I will deliver you from every evil work" (Psa.91:7; 2Tim.4:18).

Even in the Early Church, when there were so many obvious miracles and manifestations of My power, the disciples still had to face this issue. James was executed very early on, despite the prayers prayed for his release and safekeeping. At the same time, Peter was freed (Acts 12). The victory in such a case is to praise Me, and to continue to fervently trust Me despite the seeming contradictions.

My plan always bears fruit in the end, and you will always be grateful for the times you have walked by faith and not by sight. The more you question Me, the more your spiritual power decreases. The more you trust Me, the more you are empowered to ask and receive. You want the signs first, but it doesn't work that way. You have to believe and keep believing, and that's when you see the answers.

Back to the room full of doors: If you sit down and cry at the foot of the door you can't enter you'll open fewer doors (less miracles), because you're losing faith in My power to answer. But if you can shrug off the one that didn't open, trusting in My goodness and believing that there was a good reason, and continue to use the keys in other doors, then chances are you will see more miracles because you had the faith to keep asking and opening.

There is no bypassing the faith factor in your life for Me. Everything in your life of service and sacrifice and even your belief in Me is based on faith. There are some proofs of My divine guidance, such as My creation, and you do see miracles that remind you that I am supernatural and work on your behalf. But even those miracles require faith to believe and to recognize and appreciate. It's all a matter of faith from the beginning to the end, and if you want to be successful, you must learn how to be encouraged by My "yes" without being discouraged by My "no."

If something doesn't work out as you'd asked, even if you targeted it with key power, then trust Me that you have done what you could. Rejoice in Me anyway, practice extreme praise, and try again to find My will. Whatever My plan is for you, chalk up times of disappointment to My knowing better than you, and having a plan that is more wonderful and mysterious than yours.

That's what faith is--knowing that I'm here, and that what I've promised I'm not only

able to perform, but I'm going to perform. I know that you sometimes feel that My promises are a bit nebulous--that there are so many conditions, or that to receive an answer it has to be exactly in line with My will. That's true--any promise could be fulfilled in a number of ways. It's hard for you when you don't fully know what the outcome will be. But when you base your faith on a certain outcome instead of trusting Me to fulfill My perfect will, that's when you're easily disappointed.

There is always more to any given situation than you can see, aspects which are beyond your understanding. You must remember that and base your faith on My ability to do what I know is best, not what your limited sight deems to be best.

This is not a new battle you are facing. Any Christian, any man or woman of prayer throughout the ages, has had to come face to face with this reality and reach a place of yieldedness and humility before Me in their faith.

Look at the very clear promise, "If you shall ask anything in My name, I will do it" (Jn.14:14). Imagine all the people who have claimed this promise, asked for something in My name, and then had it not happen in the way they had hoped or asked. It's a tough pill to swallow in many cases, and when you try to prove Me one way or the other by saying, "Okay, Lord, if this is all really true, make a box of gold appear in front of me," chances are that's not going to happen and you're going to be faced with the decision of trusting Me anyway, even if there are apparent contradictions and things you don't understand.

That's really what it all comes down to. You have to take it by faith that not everything happens as you think it should. Every Christian has faced some share of disappointments and crises of faith, along with miracles and touches of My love. So although you will face disappointments, if you have a true relationship with Me and a true belief in Me, you will choose faith and belief contrary to all reason, and you will understand that when everything seems broken and mixed up, that I have a better plan somehow, that I'm most certainly still here, and that all things are possible with Me.

In a way, the disappointments that test your faith benefit you more in the long run than the things that turn out the way you want them to. The disappointments make you search your heart, they make you examine your faith, and when you do, you'll come down to the core of it all: that very little of the spiritual realm is provable in the physical, and that the decision to believe or not is simply based on your choice, not on the facts. That's the way I made it. That's why it's called faith, because you can't see it, you can't prove it. "More blessed are they who, having not seen, yet have believed" (Jn.20:29).

You can choose to have faith or you can choose disbelief. If you choose faith, you become more powerful in spirit, you are less daunted by the "winds and the waves," the circumstances and conditions that would pull you away from faith, and you grow stronger, not weaker. When you are strengthened in faith, you command more of My power. It's a cycle of victory and growth and greater answers to prayer, greater happiness, greater trust in Me.

Faith is the victory; there's no other way. There's no proof that will satisfy the carnal mind, there's no test that I can be put to that will put to rest these questions once and for

all. There's nothing that can supersede the role of faith. Faith is the invisible bridge between what you see and what you can't see. Faith spans the gap and obtains miracles. Even if you die in faith without receiving the fulfillment of the promise, you are more than a conqueror, because you walked by faith and not by sight, and you did what you were supposed to do and you finished the course.

There are countless things that you don't understand--and not only that you don't understand, but that I'm not going to reveal to you. You hear some things, you understand some concepts, you let Me explain to you some spiritual truths, and then you feel that you should be able to put it all together and sum it up in a logical conclusion that doesn't require faith. But that isn't possible. You don't get to see what's on this side and all the reasons for things and all the mysteries until you get here.

From now until then, faith is the only connection that you have to this side. It's nothing you can see, nothing you can feel, and nothing you can prove. It only exists in the hearts of those who love Me. And when you have faith, you somehow know, even if you don't know at all. There's something beyond the physical, something inside you that makes that link and connection, even though the path is so unapparent to the carnal mind.

Real faith isn't contingent on results. You don't strengthen your faith by the events around you; you strengthen your faith through trusting Me despite the events around you. You strengthen your faith by belief in Me and taking Me at My Word despite the results, not because of them. Anything else is proof or confirmation of faith, not faith itself.

Things go wrong and you love Me anyway--that's faith. You claim the keys and things don't turn out as you wanted, but you still go on for Me--that's faith. You have been disappointed before, but you try again next time--that's faith. You don't quit, no matter what things look like and no matter what does or doesn't happen--that's faith.

When you keep doing these things, living in this faith-filled way, the end result is that you come to realize that all things really are possible to you, and that there is no defeat or setback in My service. By taking the road of faith and not worrying about the "proof," you eventually find that your questions have been answered, all your needs have been supplied, and I have worked things out just like you asked Me to. If something wasn't My will for you, you didn't really want it anyway. All the things that needed to happen have happened, I was never defeated, and in the end, My plan has been fulfilled.

You'll see those days, you'll feel those feelings, but only through faith. Now and forever it's going to take faith. ⁽⁶⁾

There is no situation that is outside the reach of My love. There is no heartache that I will not heal. There is no situation that is completely bad, because there is always something good that will come from it, for those who trust in Me. ⁽⁷⁾

Though you feel the loss today, there will come a time when these tears and this loss will be forgotten and we will be together forever. At that time you will be so grateful that you continued on in faith; that you kept fighting, that you kept believing; that you

kept trusting in My Love; that you were willing to let go of your natural mind and your carnal way of looking at things; that you forsook the Enemy's lies that this was just a punishment to you, a condemnation to you, a judgment by an angry God, and you were willing to receive My Words of truth that this is from My hand and it is My Love and it is part of My plan for you and for many. ⁽⁸⁾

I don't let you get into any pickles I can't get you out of. I don't let things happen to you that shouldn't, and that won't do some good in some way. So you should never look at any situation as bad, as a loss, as a failure, or as hopeless. Either I'll make it better or it's the way I intended for it to be. There's nothing you can't look at positively and with faith, no matter how bad it might seem. ⁽⁹⁾

Your job is to pray; your job is to be desperate and full of faith, regardless of how I seem to answer or not answer.

It comes down to whether you believe I will answer prayer or not. If you believe that I can take every prayer and do something with it, then you can always pray in faith. But if you're always worrying about whether I'm going to do something other than what you're asking for, and if you'll end up looking foolish or disappointed in the end, that hinders your praying a full-of-faith prayer.

My solutions are often slower, subtler, and require more faith on your part to believe that I'm really working.

Prayer and the working of miracles will always take faith. For you to be powerful in prayer, you'll have to stop holding Me to your own standards of what you think should be done. Are you asking Me for My will or yours to be done? When you pray, state the petition you have need of, but ask Me to work in My way. You can give Me direct requests, but know that I will answer in My way, which is so far removed from your way that it's like it says in the Bible, "as far as the heavens above the Earth." You'll never fully understand how I work. Sometimes I answer exactly as you wanted, and sometimes it seems nothing like what you wanted.

All I need from you is trust. Give Me a little more slack, a little more room to work in the way I see fit, without your starting to murmur and complain and doubt and say that I'm not coming through, and that you're always having to make excuses for My failures.

Let go of that pride that needs to see results and vindication. Who are you trying to justify this for, anyway? Why do you feel humiliated when your prayers aren't answered exactly as you had hoped? Are you weak in faith? Do you want to see big showy miracles so that you can have something tangible to stand on to justify your faith in Me to those who mock?

I ask you to walk by faith, not by sight. And the kind of faith that will overcome the world and all of your detractors and enemies is the kind of faith that says, "But if not." You need the kind of faith that doesn't need a sign in order to feel vindicated, but that you'll

believe in Me and My work even if nothing visibly changes. That's the kind of faith I will bless with real action! ⁽¹⁰⁾

When Things Don't Turn Out the Way You Wanted

When something doesn't turn out the way you thought or hoped it would, it doesn't necessarily mean that your faith has not met the challenge or the occasion. One of the fundamentals in calling on Me and availing yourself of the power and weapon of prayer is in allowing Me the freedom to work as I please and as I know is best.

Remember, I see way out in front of you, and with My great love for you and others involved in the equation, I always have the big picture in mind. But rest assured that when you put Me on the spot and your faith commands action and you are meeting the conditions, you can be guaranteed that the outcome will be for the best--even if it's somewhat different than what you expected.

I delight in working contrary to natural expectations, while still holding true to My promises. You may have your goal or desires set on the supply of a certain need, and that's understandable. There are many needs in your lives, all of which are part and parcel of your lives of service for Me. So while you may be petitioning Me and visualizing that need supplied in a certain manner, My eyes are seeing way beyond the supply of just that need.

For example, I like to surprise you with My ingenuity in being able to not just answer one of your prayers and supply one need, but in wonderfully answering that prayer and many other related needs and prayers at the same time. Some of you may remember a time in your life when you experienced these types of answers--seeing Me answer one prayer or need with many other little intertwined miracles along the way.

Remember that My main concern--the reason for it all--is to win the lost to Me. You, My brides and children of David, are of such incomparable value to Me, because there are no others like you. That's why if there is ever any way I can use you to help in the chain of events of reaching or witnessing or winning others to Me, I will do so. So I may take you on a roundabout path in answering your prayers, but you can know that that path is for a very special purpose and reason. I just work on a higher plane than you do.

That's why it's important that when I don't answer a certain prayer or request in the expected or desired way, that you don't look too much to yourselves and even to your own faith and start analyzing your own faith as the possible "glitch in the matrix."

Of course, perhaps on some occasions your faith has not met the conditions, or it needs some fine-tuning or realigning. Or sometimes you want something so badly, and you're determined that it's My will for you, that you can't even hear clearly from Me on the matter. Then you go ahead, thinking that you're proceeding in faith. Then when I bring about My will, you wonder what happened. What happened was that what you wanted, what you "had the faith for," and even what you thought was My will, was not--I had a bigger and better plan.

But more often than not it's a walk of faith, and you learn and grow as you take those steps of faith. Often you discover while taking those steps that I had a higher plan, a greater answer, and the solution was not in your analyzing and picking apart your faith--which can become a work of the flesh--but your part to play was in proceeding in faith in a spirit of trust. That's when faith's twin sister steps on the stage: trust. Faith and trust walk hand in hand, and very seldom do they walk alone.

Or perhaps I will answer in such a way that may not look to the natural eye like your faith has been rewarded, but in actuality I'm up the road peeking around the corner--a corner you can't quite see around at present--and I'm giving you an "around the corner" answer, the kind that only I, your awesome, multi-dimensional Navigator, can give.

So, My loves, when you get one of those "unexpected" answers and you know you've prayed in faith and met the conditions I've shown you, you can almost always know that I have something bigger and better up My sleeve for you.--One of those cool answers that you know only I and My helpers could have possibly engineered and brought to pass. And what do those type of answers do?--They engender even more faith, don't they? So it's a win-win situation. ⁽¹¹⁾

(Dad speaking:) There are lots of disappointments in life. Things go wrong. Sometimes things change midstream and end up somewhere else. Sometimes even your efforts to do good are rejected, and it can lead to disappointment. But even if you're disappointed about the way things turn out, you don't have to be discouraged. There's a big difference between just feeling disappointed and letting things get you down and discouraged to the point that you feel like giving up, or get angry, or lash out and retaliate in some way.

It's okay to feel disappointed sometimes; in fact, the Lord allows incidents and circumstances in life that are disappointing to strengthen us. He tests and tries us to see how we're doing and how we're going to react. Even disappointment and things going wrong don't have to keep you down and discouraged, because your faith and your attitude can determine the way the circumstances affect you. And often your faith and trust in the Lord can even change circumstances completely, as the Lord works on your behalf. It's all in how you look at it, how you take it.

Circumstances and events don't have to control you. With the Lord's help and with the right positive attitude, you can go through any changes, any disappointments, any circumstances, and come out happy. There's real power in the spirit, and you have the opportunity to choose what kind of spirit you want to be in, whether up or down. It's often the tests in life that can really bring out the best in your attitude, if you'll let them. It's not a test to stay encouraged when everything's going right, but it's when things go wrong in life that your attitude and faith get tested.

The Lord has all the power and strength you need for any situation. All you have to do is look to Him and draw on His strength to overcome any difficulty. Just ask Him to change things around. If He can't change the circumstances, then He can help you to

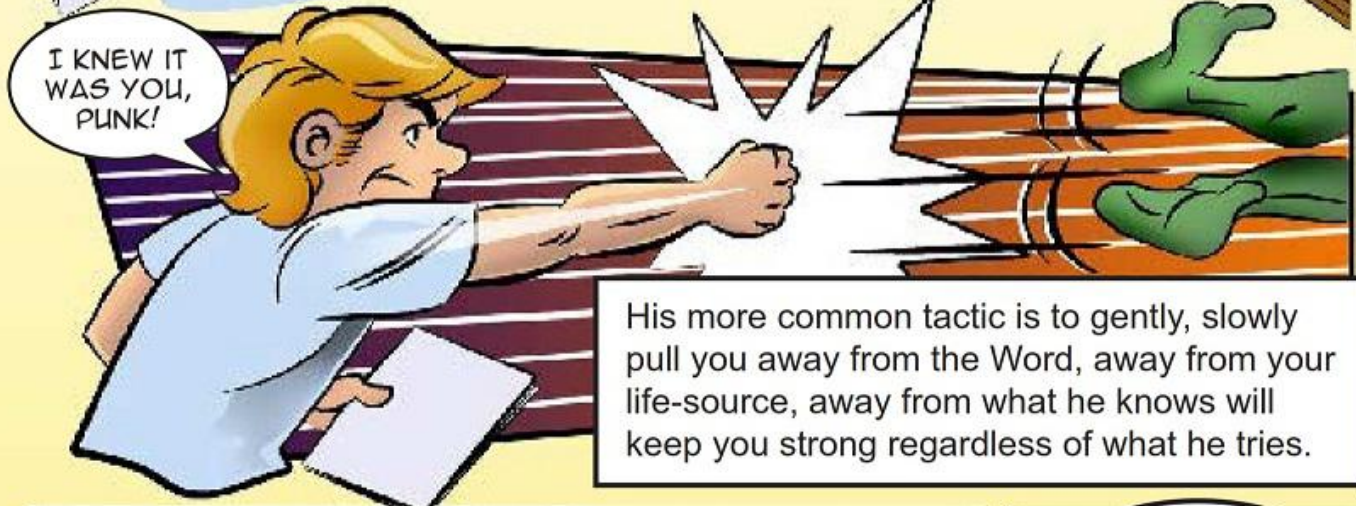
change how you feel about things. It's a wonderful thing to have the power of Jesus ready to help you. Praise the Lord! ⁽¹²⁾

1. But If Not...! #0313:13
2. Freedom From Condemnation! #3009:20
3. Jesus' Life On Earth, Part 4 #3604:72
4. The Heavenly Vision #3608:64
5. Gold, Roses, And Thorns! #3639:74
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FAITH COMES FROM THE WORD



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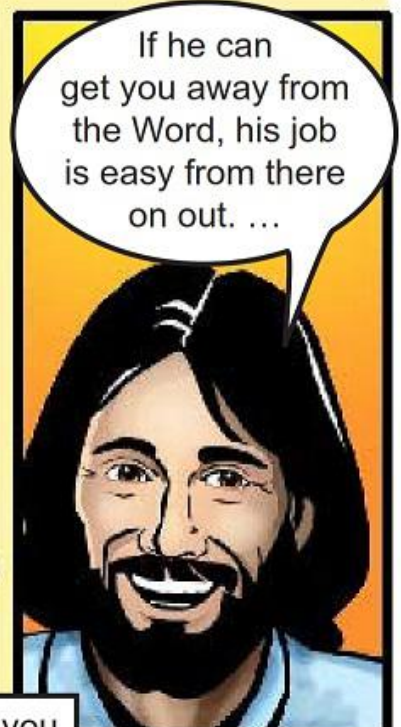
I KNEW IT
WAS YOU,
PUNK!

His more common tactic is to gently, slowly pull you away from the Word, away from your life-source, away from what he knows will keep you strong regardless of what he tries.



THIS PATH
IS GOOD,
TOO!

HMMM, I'LL
CHECK OUT THAT
PATH. IT LOOKS
POTENTIAL.



If he can
get you away from
the Word, his job
is easy from there
on out. ...

So, dear Family, whatever you
do, don't neglect the Word!

Faith Comes from the Word

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You Can't have Faith without My Word. ⁽¹⁾

The way you grow in faith is through the Word--not just reading it, but receiving it, believing it, accepting it and applying it. ⁽²⁾

It's a law of the spirit that faith comes through hearing and studying My Word. The more time you spend drinking in My Word and storing it deep within you, then the better your faith ballast will be. ⁽³⁾

You, My children, are not children of this world. You are children of My Word. If the Word were taken out of your lives, you would die spiritually. You would become lifeless. I am bringing you to greater dependence on Me, and when you walk this road you will find that your very survival, your very life, depends on just that - Me and My Word.

If you don't get the power needed from My Word, if you don't get the energy, the drive, the passion, the determination, the faith from My Word, you will not succeed. You need My Word. ⁽⁴⁾

No matter how grand your intentions, no matter how enthusiastic you are about serving Me and doing great works in My Name, no matter how much you want to remain strong and unswayed by the attacks of the Enemy in your life, this will never be enough if you're not connected to Me and strong in My Word!

Faith--the faith that keeps your spirit strong, the faith that helps you to see things through My eyes, the faith that keeps you forging on for Me--is only found through faithful study of My Word. You've got to read it, absorb it, drink it in, and let it change you and strengthen you. Otherwise you'll continue to weaken, and the Enemy will continue fighting you until he's rendered you totally useless and you'll fizzle out and fade into oblivion.

No one is strong enough to stand on their own without the Word. Without that strong standard in your life, without the ballast that keeps you stable, you will be blown about with every wind of doctrine and your faith will crumble. That's a fact! Faith is built by faithful study of My Word, and that's the truth! Faith is not automatic; it must be fed and nurtured through the Word. ⁽⁵⁾

Faith comes by hearing and reading My Word. Although you may not see your faith growing, nevertheless this is true, and something that you must believe and accept by faith. Reading and believing and accepting My Word increases your faith, so as you do this as a body, this will also increase your faith and unity as a body. ⁽⁶⁾

I reward you with faith when you choose to believe Me and obey Me by reading My Word (Romans 10:17). ⁽⁷⁾

As you are faithful to bathe yourself in My Word, I will renew your faith, and your foundation will be one that will stand strong, and your house will not crumble and be swept away. ⁽⁸⁾

You have heard of the saying, "*where there is life there is hope*," and this is true of your spiritual life. The life is My Word, because that is what gives you hope for any situation. If you have lost hope, then you need more Word. It gives you faith, and as long as you have faith, anything can happen. The best way to have My Spirit is by feeding on My Word and letting it enter you, fill you, feed you, and give you faith, hope and power--power for whatever you need, including strength to overcome your weak areas.

The more you read, the more strength you'll have, and the more the Word will give you the power to overcome and to get over the obstacles with less self-effort. It will give you the conviction to put into action the things you want to do, the things you know you should do, to be obedient and to have all the fruits of the Spirit that you so desire. But you must really soak in the Word and absorb My truths on whatever topic it is you want to grow in. You have to do the "venting," but reading the Word will give you the supernatural strength to do the "venting." You can of yourself do nothing and you are nothing, but as you read the Word, it will begin to give you the strength and the inspiration to live in My Spirit and do things the way I would do them, which is loving and helpful and full of life and joy.

My Word can make you into anything you want to be. It's really so simple. You become what you read because the Word, if you read enough of it, will fill your mind and heart so much that you will become one with it, and its strength and power will help you to be whatever you need to be. If you want more faith, then read, memorize, quote verses on faith, sing songs on the topic of faith, receive fresh wine from Me daily on specific incidents that you need faith for, and you will grow by leaps and bounds.

I have said that My Word does not return void. You cannot read My Word and remain void and empty and hopeless and helpless; it will accomplish the purpose whereunto it's sent and it will fill you and change you. If you eat My Word, you will be filled and have the nourishment and strength to do whatever you need to do. If you look to Me and receive My Word, you'll reflect Me and take on My nature, which is greater than any of the problems of man. ⁽⁹⁾

If you put My Word first, if you go to the Word for instruction, guidance, direction, and to get the strength you need, you will receive faith, and that faith will help to bring you into the future. This is the way that I have set it up to work. I have provided My Word; you must provide the time to study and absorb it. You must take the steps of commitment, faithfulness, and diligent study in order to receive My full blessing. I have done My part. Now you must do your part. ⁽¹⁰⁾

(Sonale speaking:) You need faith to believe that the Lord will do the miracles you are requesting, and you get that faith through His Word, by being strengthened by the promises He's given in His Word. ⁽¹¹⁾

The way to keep your faith at its optimum level so that you can handle life's challenges is to spend time at the source of faith--Me and My Word. ⁽¹²⁾

As you know, the best way to build your faith is through My Word. My Word changes not. It is Me! It is the written code of My Spirit. As your DNA is the code and information of all that you are, so My Word is My DNA, for it is the written code and information of all that I am.

By taking in My Word, you take in My spiritual DNA, the substance that will make you like Me. As you take Me in, you will begin to see more as I see, you will begin to understand with My understanding and wisdom, and thus you will be strengthened and enabled to face the battle, and to win. ⁽¹³⁾

Any of My dear children can become strong in faith. Any of My dear children can change their first reaction from that of being downcast and discouraged to being full of faith, trusting, and coming to Me for the answers. The secret to faith is in My Word--being full of it, and learning from it daily. For if you're faithful in the Word, you know that My Word is full of promises, and you know that I never fail in one of My good promises.

If you're faithful in My Word, you are also keeping your heart clean. For one cannot read and fully absorb My Word without growing and becoming cleaner. And when you come to Me with a clean heart, you can have full faith that I will answer. Not that you must be perfect, but you know that you're in My will, and that you're obeying those things which I've been speaking to you about. ⁽¹⁴⁾

Faith comes from My Word. So comfort yourselves through reading My Word. The more you read, the more you will see that I will not let anything happen to you that is not a part of My perfect plan. Arm yourself with faith through reading My Word and believing My promises. ⁽¹⁵⁾

Faith doesn't depend on the circumstances of the moment. It depends on what I have said, on My Word and My promises. ⁽¹⁶⁾

Feast on the Word and you fatten up faith. Neglect the Word, and faith is starved. ⁽¹⁷⁾

You must find faith in the Word. Even if it goes against the way you feel and the things that you see with your eyes, still, the Word is the truth. The Word is what is unchangeable. ⁽¹⁸⁾

(Dad speaking:) Everyone needs the Word, but when you're going through times of testing or battles, you need it all the more, because it's the Word that you stand on and that gives you faith for the battle. You have to keep going back to the Word and absorbing it as many times as you need to, for as long as you need to. You can't give up and just think, "Oh well, I guess I'll never get the victory, so why bother." You have to keep standing on the Word for as long as it takes, and simply trust that the Lord knows how long to keep you under the fires of His testings and purgings, and that He knows when to give you complete victory.

If you give up too soon and think, "Forget this fighting business. I'm tired of fighting with the Word. I'm tired of having to hang on to the Word so hard. I'll just forget it," then you go down into the pit a little further and it gets to be harder to keep the ground you've fought hard for and gained. It's a bigger fight for some people than others, and you can't really compare how you're doing with the other guy, because the Lord works differently in people's lives.

You have faith as long as you hold on to the Word.--Maybe not as much faith as you would like to have, but if you keep hanging on, the Lord will honor it and bless you with a miracle, a real breakthrough. But some people give up too soon, get weary with the fight and throw it all away, all the progress that they've made, all the faith that they've had.

You only need a mustard seed of faith. That's all the Lord said you need, and that's enough for the battle. All you need is a little faith. Maybe some people think they have to have a big manifestation of faith in their lives, a big surge of faith for themselves in order to keep going, but the Lord just wants you to have enough faith for one day at a time. That keeps you coming back to Him, clinging to Him, needing Him and His Word for the next day. It's healthy to need the Word and to keep coming back to it over and over again for your strength and faith-building.

It's only when you lose the faith to cling to the Word and you cast it aside and figure it's not doing its job that you get in trouble--because it is doing its job, and the Lord uses His Word to strengthen His children. You just have to trust it and believe it and let it work in your life.

The Lord will keep all of His children through His Word, right through the Endtime and into the Rapture, if they'll just hang on in spite of their weaknesses and tests. He'll pull you through and bless you with a great victory and a life of service and usefulness, and He'll be very proud of you when He welcomes you Home into His arms. So just hang on! Hang on to His Word and hang on to the victory by faith. ⁽¹⁹⁾

Trust and build your faith block by block by reading My Word! It's there for you. It's free, it's at your disposal, and it's the key to victory and to rising above. So use it, read it, and wield it against the Enemy, and he won't be able to touch a hair of your head. You are protected; your shields are running at 100 percent. Keep them that way by refueling with the Word! You can do it! ⁽²⁰⁾

Take Me at My word! That's all there is to it! Then there will be no loss, only gain, as

you pave the way for the glorious future through your solid faith and belief in Me and what I promise to do for you and yours. ⁽²¹⁾

Let Me renew your convictions each day through My Word, and through My voice of personal prophecy. It's the Word that gives you faith, and faith is the foundation of conviction, and the fruit of strong conviction is obedience. ⁽²²⁾

You must look away from the Enemy's doubts, fears, worries, lies and accusations, and look to Me and My Word! You must continue to walk by faith and draw your faith from the power of My Word. For My Word has kept you all these years. My Word has faithfully kept you from the day of your rebirth until now, and it will continue to keep you until we are together in Heaven. ⁽²³⁾

Go to My Word with a renewed desperation. Cling to it, believe it, and reject and refuse all that is not in line with My Word. Your faith will be strengthened and the Enemy will retreat in terror. ⁽²⁴⁾

Only you who put My Word first, who make it your number-one priority to spend time with Me, who continue to cause the Word revolution to revolute your lives will receive the faith, trust, obedience, and vision needed to see you through to the end. ⁽²⁵⁾

Cast all your cares upon Me, for I care for you. This is My promise unto you, My precious children. But the reverse is also true. For if you have not the faith and the trust to commit all things unto Me, and to cast your cares into My loving hands, then I am not able to care for you fully and completely as I would like to.

So why the lack of faith? Why the lack of trust? Why do My children feel that they must bear the burdens, carry the weights, and work so hard in their own strength, and that if they do not, they will surely perish? Faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the Word of God, and this is the ingredient that is lacking.

The strengthening which My Family needs through the Word is of utmost importance. This is the first step, and the others cannot be taken until this one has been taken. For when those who are strong in the Word and rich in faith step out on My promises, trusting Me completely to provide and supply their every need, I am able to meet them, fulfill My Word, and to work wondrous miracles! But these who have not had sufficient Word, who are weakened and lacking faith and trust, are not able to step out in full faith, for they lack the faith to believe that I am able to meet them. And because of this lack of faith, I am not able to meet them.

How I long for My children to be strengthened in faith through their feasting on My Word! Oh, what a simple answer--almost too simple, it would seem to some. Yet what a mighty door this little key is able to unlock! For it is the passageway into the world of My abundant supply, of My blessings, and of My answers to their prayers. ⁽²⁶⁾

Spiritual strength comes from Me--from abiding in Me, abiding in My Spirit. It is Mine to give, and I give it to those who feed heartily upon My Word, who cherish it, who draw their nourishment from it. For these are My true soldiers--those who desire true strength, those who have the faith to put other things aside and to feast upon My strengthening Spirit that comes from My Word. ⁽²⁷⁾

Those who determine to obey and cling tightly to the Word will find themselves on a strong foundation of faith, unmovable in the face of the Enemy's attacks.

My brides who hold to the Word, use the keys, and maintain a trusting spirit will remain in a protective bubble that will keep each one safe, well cared for, and in My perfect will. I hold each one in the palm of My hand, and will lovingly care for each of My children. I have a place of service and blessing for all who give their hearts and lives to Me. I will care for and provide a blessed place of service for all My children. ⁽²⁸⁾

If you're willing to be a doer of every part of My Word, and let the faith you receive from obedience to My Words propel you and move you, then you will work miracles for Me. ⁽²⁹⁾

For strong, durable, raising-the-dead, mountain-moving, storm-stopping, miracle-working, power-inducing, mind-blowing, bottle-breaking, limit-shattering, lying-lips-silencing, science-defying type faith, take daily doses of the Word. The Word will whip your faith into shape and jolt your faith into action. ⁽³⁰⁾

It's according to your faith, your belief in God's Word, that you will see the answers to your prayers come to pass. If you aren't seeing results, you know you simply have to go back to the Word and get the faith that you need. It's all built on the spiritual principle that 'faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the Word of God.' Very basic, yet very important. Faith and the Word equal prayer power. You first get the Word in your heart, whereby you receive faith, then you claim the Word and take the stand and see the wonders of prayers that will be performed. ⁽³¹⁾

You have My Word. My Word does not fail. My Word is truth. If you hold on to My Word, you will make it. Heaven and Earth will pass away, but My Words will not pass away. Do you believe this? Even if you only have the faith to say, "I believe, help Thou my unbelief," I will do it. I will give you the faith as you read My Word. ⁽³²⁾

Childlike faith is like a pair of new glasses. When glasses are new, they are very clean and very clear. You put them on and you can see things so well. But as time goes by, the glasses become dirty and even get scratched. The older a pair of glasses is, the more you have to clean the lenses and care for them. That's like faith. As a child, your faith is very clean and clear, like a new pair of glasses. But as you become older, you will need to work a little harder to keep your faith strong, which is like cleaning and shining your glasses.

The more you wear your glasses of faith, the better your vision will become. You'll learn to see everything more as I see it! And don't worry if your glasses of faith become a little blurred or dirtied at times. That just means you need to take out the cleaner of the Word and polish them. And as you do, your faith will become strong once again, and you'll see things clearly once again! ⁽³³⁾

Most of all, you've got to keep your level of faith high. If you don't keep your faith strong through regularly receiving the Word, then it will weaken, and you will find yourself having to battle to regain that childlike faith that you once possessed. You do this through reading and believing the Word, putting the Word into practice in your life, meditating on it, giving yourself wholly to it and to Me. ⁽³⁴⁾

It's My Word that motivates you, that gives you the faith, vision, courage and initiative. It's My message that lights the fire in your hearts, that gives you the willingness to sacrifice and live a life for Me, a life of giving to others. ⁽³⁵⁾

Keeping the heavenly vision is easy--it just takes faith! Feed your faith with the Word, and then take what the Word says at face value. Believe each of My promises to you, and know in your heart that everything I've said is the truth and is really going to happen. ⁽³⁶⁾

Everything good comes from My Word--wisdom, anointing, faith, positiveness, the ability to cope with difficult situations, spiritual strength, understanding, and the list goes on. ⁽³⁷⁾

Great is your reward in Heaven for your faith to receive, to believe, and to live the Words of God. ⁽³⁸⁾

It takes faith to stand up to the lies of the Enemy. It takes faith in My Word. But with that mustard seed of faith there is great, great power--power to overcome, power to be strong in spirit, power against the lies of the Enemy, and power for the Endtime. Those of faith, those who stay close to Me and My Word, are very strong in spirit and have the power to stand up to the lies of the Enemy.

People don't realize the tremendous blessing and power of My Word! Sometimes even My children don't realize how great a power they're wielding, and how their faith in My Word is keeping them and protecting them from many attacks of the Enemy. One little Word shall fell him. ⁽³⁹⁾

Drink in the Pure Waters of David and Your Faith will Increase

I am very clearly, precisely, and strategically addressing the fundamental foundation of your faith--My Word. I am addressing the foundation of the Family--My living Word and all that I have given through My David and Maria. ⁽⁴⁰⁾

You must study My Word, both old and new, so that you know the principles of faith and truth. ⁽⁴¹⁾

Walk in faith, and receive in faith all that I have to give you--all My Words, the kisses of My Love that I am pouring out to you. Believe and receive and drink them in with a believing heart in full assurance of faith, and they will be life and strength and health to you. They will be a guiding light upon your path to bring you out of the darkness into My light. For My Words are Spirit and Life and Light! ⁽⁴²⁾

Look not upon the circumstances, wondering how My Word and the Words of David can be true, but rather look at My Word and the Words of David with faith, expecting to see their fulfillment. All that I have spoken will come to pass, and every jot and tittle of My Word will be fulfilled. ⁽⁴³⁾

Continue to hold on by faith to the Words of David, and the wonderful Words and promises that I have given unto you, and you shall see each and every one fulfilled. For none of My Words can fail. ⁽⁴⁴⁾

Your love for Me will be manifested in your desire to seek Me deeply through My Word. I want to bless you even more. I want My Word to dwell in you more richly. You can become much richer than you already are by receiving My New Wine. Get ambitious! Ask, pursue, linger with Me and never tire, but earnestly and desperately desire My Word. Go after it with all you've got! ⁽⁴⁵⁾

The keys of revolution, faith, conviction and determination will help you drink in the pure waters of the words of David. Then your faith will increase, and you'll be strengthened and grow in the use of the new weapons so you can carry out your mission in this world. ⁽⁴⁶⁾

(Dad speaking:) The bottom line, folks, is that you are a very different and unique breed of Christians! You're being trained for a very special and specific purpose, which no other Christians in the world are being trained for. For your mission and task you need stronger meat; you need the undiluted, pure truth, and that comes from the New Wine. That's the only thing that will truly increase and strengthen your faith! ⁽⁴⁷⁾

If you want to survive on the intravenous drip of churchianity, then be My guest, but

you'll never get out of bed. If you want to lead an active lifestyle for Me, you need the meat and potatoes of My Word for today! Otherwise you'll be bedridden like the churches.

Ditch the drip and dive into the meat of My Word and be strengthened for the active lifestyle of a revolutionary in the Last Days, instead of being a bedridden invalid living on yesterday's leftovers. ⁽⁴⁸⁾

1. What Is Jesus Worth to You? #3433:64
2. Positively Positive, Part 1 #3581:13
3. A Labor Of Love - Part 1 #3605:117
4. Getting Stronger, Part 4 #3544:54, 55
5. So You Want to Be a Disciple? For God's Sake Be the Best!
#3458:79-81
6. Have Fun with Jesus! #3437:97
7. Active Member Commendation #3770:64
8. Faith for the Future #3487:48
9. You Can Make It! #3277:157-160
10. Getting Stronger, Part 4 #3544:62
11. The Art of War Part 4 #3565:191
12. Vitamins: Faith in the God Factor #3820-3821:33
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17. The X Factor: The Word #3731:11
18. Freedom from Condemnation! #3009:58
19. You Can Make It! #3277:150-154, 156
20. Fight for Life, Part 2 #3391:235
21. The Ride of Your Life! #3686:44
22. Prophecy Vitamins, Part 1 #3587
23. Problems and Solutions! Part 5 #3073:144
24. Issues, Part 16 #3450:52
25. Getting Stronger, Part 4 #3544:52
26. Problems and Solutions! Part 5 #3073:110, 111, 113, 114
27. Quiet Time--Your Lifesaver! #3183:65
28. Forward, Always Forward! #3479:17, 18
29. Mama's Visit to Central America #3509:215
30. The X Factor: The Word #3731:25, 26
31. Action through Prayer--Part 5 #3414:11
32. Faith for the Future #3487:43
33. Not One to Spare! #3572:145,147
34. The Weakness Revolution--How You Can Make It!--Part 1
#3218A:89
35. Stay on the Wall! #3303:25
36. The Heavenly Vision #3608:21
37. What Is Jesus Worth to You? #3433:256
38. Charter Responsibilities! #3197:82
39. The Weakness Revolution--How You Can Make It!--Part 2
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40. Obliterate Obstacon! #3434:67
41. The Family's Future and Expansion Program #3308:26
42. Road to Commitment #3064:268
43. The Endtime Series, Part 4 #3305:49
44. Be Encouraged! #3047:125
45. Quality Word Time Part 4 #3582:82
46. Shooting Straight, Part 16 #3542:70
47. Shooting Straight, Part 16 #3542:58
48. Shooting Straight, Part 16 #3542:72, 73



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Prayers Prayed in Full Faith Command Action

The number one factor that makes a prayer powerful is faith--the belief that I can and will do it. ⁽¹⁾

Prayers prayed in full faith will command action. Each word prayed in full faith can be visualized as a soldier going out to battle, heading out into the terrain of the future, to prepare the way for you. Pray in full faith, My loves, and so shall it be done for you! ⁽²⁾

I am asking you to come, have the faith of a little child. I never disappoint faith! I always answer when you ask in faith. ⁽³⁾

Simply be as a little child--with the child-like faith and trust of a little one--and reach out and receive. You will not be disappointed. I will come to you. ⁽⁴⁾

Manifest your faith by praying with excitement, the kind of excitement a little child manifests when he's about to open a gift from a loving parent. The anticipation and excitement couldn't be higher. That's the kind of excitement and faith that creates a powerful vacuum in the spirit and always affords you My best in answered prayer. ⁽⁵⁾

Your prayers demonstrate your need for Me, your dependence on Me, your utter faith and trust in Me, and this brings joy to My heart all the day long.

It is your utter dependence on Me that turns Me on. It is your declaration of faith in Me and trust in Me to do what you cannot do that lights My fire. How I delight in such faith and trust. How it brings Me joy to work on your behalf. ⁽⁶⁾

(Dad speaking:) We've got the unbeatable combination--your prayers and faith and the Lord's might and strength! Praise the Lord! Hallelujah! ⁽⁷⁾

When you pray in full faith, there is no limit to what I can do. Prayers of faith remove all limits and boundaries, and that's when I can really go to work! ⁽⁸⁾

According to your faith, manifested through desperate prayer, be it done unto you. ⁽⁹⁾

Praying is...putting your trust in My power and having faith in My ability to work miracles. ⁽¹⁰⁾

Every word in prayer must be backed by faith--your utter faith in Me to do as you have asked. Otherwise those words will have no power, and will command no action in the spirit or in the flesh. ⁽¹¹⁾

When you pray, you must believe, you must have faith. To pray without faith is like preparing a delicious meal but not eating it. As a cook, you could go through all the steps of buying superb, quality ingredients, of studying the recipe and following it to a T, and of laying out a divine spread that's beautiful and perfectly prepared and balanced. But if everyone just looks at it, talks about it, and admires it, obviously the end purpose of all your hard work has not been accomplished.

The same can be said for prayers that lack faith. I'm not looking for eloquence, perfection, and drama. I'm looking for faith--the kind of faith that knows there will be change, improvement, and miracles as a result of your prayers. ⁽¹²⁾

Imagine that you have the richest and most powerful person on Earth, with unlimited resources and influence, wrapped around your little finger. This person loves you so much that he can never resist giving you anything you want, because you are that close and beloved. You've never lived such a life, or had this privilege in the flesh, so it might be difficult to imagine it. But if you can, imagine the attitude and confidence you would have when you needed something and went to ask for it. That's the kind of confidence I want you to have when asking Me for something. I call that faith. ⁽¹³⁾

Make prayer your focus, your priority, a major part of your life. In committing to prayer, you're committing to believing Me above all carnal reasoning and apparent reality. When you put Me on the spot with such faith and unswerving dedication, I can't help but give you everything I've got. I love that kind of faith, and I love those who give it to Me. It's one of the greatest signs of love, and one of the most precious gifts I could ever receive from you. ⁽¹⁴⁾

Prayers prayed in full faith, utilizing the spiritual weapons, and claiming My promises, yield accurate, full-of-faith results. While I never judge the length, style, or fluency of your prayers, I do look upon your desperation of heart, the level of faith you're displaying by how much you're willing to use the spiritual weapons in prayer. ⁽¹⁵⁾

Nothing excites Me more than seeing you put your trust in Me and Me alone. This is what motivates Me to honor your faith and to grant you your heart's desires. You honor Me with your requests, and I love to honor you with the answers to them. ⁽¹⁶⁾

Prayer is what you make it. Prayer, through your faith, rises to the occasion. Prayer is a signal to Me that I am still your King. Full-of-faith prayer fills My heart with joy, as you bring before Me large petitions and thus honor Me. ⁽¹⁷⁾
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Prayers spoken in faith and desperation are infinitely more effective in bringing the answer to pass than a prayer that is spoken but not meant. ⁽¹⁸⁾

Why pray if you don't expect an answer? The only thing in this world that I'm limited by is your faith and expectation of a miracle. ⁽¹⁹⁾

Pray extreme prayers when you need to see extreme results. Extreme prayers are prayers prayed in full faith, because you know that I am the God of miracles, and the conqueror of the impossible. I can and will do anything. Show Me that you believe this by praying for an outright, upright, Heaven-sent miracle, an out-of-this-world answer. I love to supply My children with extreme answers and miracles, but you have to do your part by pulling them down in faith and expectancy. ⁽²⁰⁾

My heart's desire is to give you your hearts' desires. So ask in faith, waver not, and all that you ask for will be yours. ⁽²¹⁾

I wish to give each of My children the full blessings that I have available for them, but I am bound by the faith and requests and desires of My children. I am also bound by their obedience. ⁽²²⁾

If you give Me your all in prayer, knowing you need My help and asking for it in faith, and are using all the weapons at your disposal, then that is enough. ⁽²³⁾

God's men of old were few in number, but the prayers of a few, coupled with faith, attacked the strongest and mightiest men and cities, overcame the greatest odds, and reversed circumstances. Prayer is what enabled the men and women of faith to leave their mark on history, and prayer will enable you to leave your mark too, and to gain one of the most important titles available--a man or woman of faith. ⁽²⁴⁾

Your desire to fight and win-also known as faith and desperation-is the most important ingredient in prayer. ⁽²⁵⁾

You must learn to put your faith in My Word and on My voice of prophecy, and stand unmovable and unshakable, completely trusting in Me. ⁽²⁶⁾

When you pray in faith, I hear and I move. When your prayers and your faith release My power to affect the situation according to My perfect will, that's when the

magic happens, that's when miracles come about. That is when your prayers truly change things. ⁽²⁷⁾

Articulate your need in a concise but thorough manner; choose your words carefully--knowing that you get what you ask for and what you have the faith for. ⁽²⁸⁾

The key element for effective prayers is faith. I'm talking about faith that's so strong, so eager, so enthusiastic, so desperate, that it doesn't even really notice that it's asking for and expecting something "ridiculous" by the standards of logic or practicality.

This is faith and prayer that puts itself out on a limb and saws it off. This is prayer that is born of a fire in the heart that cannot and will not be quenched. This is prayer from the heart of one who has spent time in the closet with Me and gained an assurance that makes their face shine with glory when they emerge. ⁽²⁹⁾

I expect your prayers to be powerful, intense, meaningful, and full of faith. I expect you to believe in every word you are saying--not just spitting out repetitious lines like you were reading the weather report. I expect and demand emphatic and believing prayers from My brides in order that I might give you the answers you desire.

Do you believe?--Then show Me by making every word spoken in prayer a believing word. Make every letter of your prayer count. Make every prayer, no matter how great or small, a believing prayer, and I will answer you. Start the wheels of My Spirit turning by giving the "on" switch a wholehearted shove to full power, and watch what I can do.

Make My day! Make it happen! Let Me at the Enemy! I'm raring to go! I want to answer your every need, but I can only do that when your every request is made meaningfully and like you actually expect the heavens to crackle and thunder with My power at every request.

Expect miracles with every word you pray. Demand power with every word that enters your prayer. Pray meaningful, expectant, powerful prayers for everything. Slam your fist into that "on" switch and let it feel all the power you can muster. It was designed to take some real force, so use all the force and intent I have given you to throw that switch powerfully and watch Me take over.

Got it? Prayers prayed in full faith, believing that I will answer, intending to take hold of the victory, will bring answers. Every prayer should be an intentional reaching for all the power of Heaven. Pick up the power of Heaven by taking hold of Heaven by your prayers and using Heaven's power to answer your needs.

Let Me hear your effectual, fervent prayers, which, as I've promised in My Word, will avail much! Power-filled prayers bring miracle-filled answers. Nothing else will do. I expect to hear an instant surge in the power of your prayers, starting today. Don't utter a word to Me unless you believe it. It's an insult to My power when you say a few words, not really expecting Me to do My part, because then I can't!

Give Me fire, give Me belief, give Me all the power you've got, and I'll answer with

all that I've got! It's a two-way street. You give it all you've got and I'll do likewise. Pray effective prayers by being deliberate, specific, and fervent. Try Me! ⁽³⁰⁾

Put Me On the Spot and Be Specific in Your Requests

What does putting Me on the spot mean? It means standing on the spot in spirit, claiming that "ground" or territory of an answer or solution for My glory, and not moving from that spot until the answers or blessings arrive.

Don't feel you have to make things easier for Me by making your prayers more general, or by giving Me an "out." Put Me on the spot, pour water on the sacrifice, and don't give Me any "outs," because I don't need them.

I want to see your faith in action, and one way that faith is manifested is by putting Me on the spot, by stepping off the cliff and knowing that I'll be there to catch you. ⁽³¹⁾

I love to prove Myself to you. Put Me on the spot today, and make it good. Give Me something hard, something impossible. That'll be fun! I love doing the impossible. It's a chance for Me to show My love for you; a chance for Me to show off to you, My bride. So, come on, I know you have lots of requests, but pick one and commit it to Me. Focus your prayers on that one thing and let Me get to work. Okay? ⁽³²⁾

It takes great faith to be specific in your prayer requests. When I hear from your lips exactly what you want and you verbalize specifically the changes that you would like to see, and you couple this with great yieldedness and submission, then it draws from Me the power to grant your requests. As you know, according to your faith it will be done unto you, but also according to your requests it will be done unto you. ⁽³³⁾

One specific promise claimed in faith is more effective than claiming a hundred promises generally. ⁽³⁴⁾

There are times when I ask you to pray specifically for something, both because this is an exercise of your faith and because I delight to answer and reward that faith. ⁽³⁵⁾

Prayer Increases Your Faith

When you pray, your faith grows and your link with Me grows stronger. ⁽³⁶⁾

For those of you who want your personal faith to increase, your relationship with Me to become more intimate, and who want to partake of all the blessings that I have in store for you, if you will but pray at every opportunity you will have tapped into the source of blessings, and will receive abundantly of the flow that's there. ⁽³⁷⁾

I know that one of the best ways of encouraging your faith is by answering your prayers. So I love to answer your prayers, because it has the wonderful chain reaction of boosting your faith and strengthening our love connection at the same time. ⁽³⁸⁾

As you take the first steps to reawaken the passion of prayer and praise in your lives, you'll begin to witness the change in other areas as well. Those besetting sins that seemed interminable will begin to fade, your spirit will be lifted, and better yet, you will have the confidence that I have seen and heard your prayers and I will answer--not only for others, but for you personally as well. Your faith will be boosted in ways you can only imagine! ⁽³⁹⁾

No one prayer stands alone. Just as no man is an island and your life is bound to affect others, so no prayer stands alone. No prayer starts and ends with a single entity or a single purpose. One prayer accomplishes many purposes and is multiplied many times over. For example, say you pray for a headache and I heal that aching head. The immediate fruit of that prayer is that the headache is gone, yet that prayer bears much more fruit than one healed head. Through one prayer, your faith has been boosted, and when others hear of the healing, their faith is often boosted as well. The result of this boost of faith then continues bearing fruit as it goes along. ⁽⁴⁰⁾

Each time you pray you're gaining a little more in faith and unity and closeness with Me; and each time you pray, you're sending added help to those for whom you're praying. ⁽⁴¹⁾

Praise, Based on Faith, Enhances Your Prayers

Prayers that are prayed against the backdrop of faith and praise are the most powerful prayers. When you pray with praise and acceptance in your heart, My hand is moved to work on your behalf.

So praise and prayer work together perfectly because they are both based on faith. When your praises are based on faith and your prayers are prayed in faith, then faith becomes the victory that overcomes the world (1Jn.5:4). ⁽⁴²⁾

Your jubilant and praiseful attitude in prayer is a key to victory. It's part of your spiritual weaponry that defeats the Enemy. It provides an additional burst of energy, of spiritual power that's channeled toward the answer. It can bring about a speedier resolution or an even better solution, because there's more power behind your prayer. It's a manifestation of your faith in Me, your trust that what you are praying for is in My hands, and that I will not fail. This pleases Me.

So much "ahead of time" work in prayer is done specifically through praise. It is a

weapon that is very closely linked with prayer and that commands great results. The heart that is filled with jubilation and praise is the heart through which prayer flows most naturally and most powerfully. When you are praising Me, dwelling on My goodness and the results and answers I have given, your faith is "automatically" strengthened for prayer, and your authority in the spirit grows stronger because you have the confidence that I can do again what I've done before, that there's more where that came from.

Praise is also one of the ultimate manifestations of trust, which is one of the ultimate manifestations of faith. Praise is proving that you believe that I will work, and work right; and that is the kind of faith you need when you pray. So bring all the jubilation and praise you can into your prayers, and into every aspect of your life, and you can rest assured that you are taking aggressive positive prayer action, and letting the spirit work through you and for you to answer your prayers. ⁽⁴³⁾

United Prayer is a Testimony of Faith

Even though I do answer lone prayers, when I hear all your prayers rising before My throne, when I see your tears and see your hearts joining together in desperation for another in need--this stirs My heart to answer speedily. It rejoices My soul to know that so many have faith that I will answer. ⁽⁴⁴⁾

When two or more of you are gathered together in My Name to lay your requests before My feet, each one is testifying to the others that you have the faith for Me to do miracles. So much is dependent on your faith, and by praying out loud before the body you are saying, "I have the faith that the Lord is going to answer this prayer and I want to see miracles." And when I do answer your prayer, not just you but many others will see that I work miracles.

It's important that each of you takes personal prayer time, for it's good for your soul to pour out your heart to Me in private. But never neglect the power of united prayer. When I see that there are many people together manifesting their faith to Me and being a testimony to each other, I not only want to answer your prayer, but I sometimes want to do it in an especially marvelous and miraculous way. This will inspire and encourage many, increasing their faith for more miracles.

Sometimes you simply can't have enough faith on your own, and it helps immensely to see others who have more faith. A prayer of faith not only gets an answer, but it can strengthen others as well. ⁽⁴⁵⁾

Your prayers are answered in direct proportion to the intensity with which you pray. Push together in prayer. Just as in the physical, if you were to move a heavy object, you would call on all your strong members to get behind it, that they might apply all their force to move the object out of the way. So you must do in the spirit. As you unite and push together in prayer, as you direct your spiritual energy and unite your prayer forces,

praying wholeheartedly together, I will move every obstacle out of your way. You are the push, I am the brawn.

So keep your prayers coming up in full force! Keep stirring yourselves up! Your prayers are powerful, and they cause Me to do awesome and mighty things.

I long to move mountains on your behalf! Therefore do not hold back, My loves, for though your needs are great, they are not too great for Me. I stand waiting and ready to fill every one. Let loose your prayers, and stand back and watch Me work. Your prayers move My hand; together we are an unbeatable force. Nothing in this world, nor in the world to come, can stand against us. I lay all My might and power and force at your feet. It is yours for the asking. ⁽⁴⁶⁾

Intercessory Prayer Takes Faith and Perseverance

Intercessory prayer is an act of love and sacrifice. It's not easy to pray focused prayers over a long period of time when you don't see results. It takes faith and perseverance. Intercessory prayer can be hard work, but it is the most productive kind of work, because you are enabling Me to work for you. Just think how much more I can do than you. You're just one person, but I am all-powerful, and I have all of My angels and spirit beings on call as well. Prayer is not just a "better way" to get My will accomplished. It's "the way!" It's the ultimate tool in facilitating My plan. ⁽⁴⁷⁾

Intercessory prayer also rewards the one who is sacrificially praying for others. When you pour out your heart and pray for those around you, I reward you for your giving and loyalty. When you come before Me for others, I will reward your sacrifice. Though a few words in a prayer may seem small, and the giving of your time in a prayer hardly feels like a physical effort, if you would open your eyes more to the realm of My Spirit and the way I operate, you would see that it is the best kind of help you can offer in any situation--even more than taking action in the physical. Putting Me first shows that you have faith in My care for you and those you are praying for, and this faith is rewarded. ⁽⁴⁸⁾

Picture in your mind the answer to your prayer being carried out according to the Lord's will. Picture the persons you are praying for, if possible, or the situations that need help as you pray. This increases your faith, without which your prayers can't be answered. ⁽⁴⁹⁾

(Dad speaking:) Praying for people brings down the Lord's Spirit. It brings a spirit of faith, a positive spirit, because you're expecting God to answer, to do something, to move, when you bring your prayer request to Him. Just the fact that you manifest faith in the

Lord through your prayers pleases Him, and He works in the situation or in the person's life. ⁽⁵⁰⁾

What Happens in the Spirit World When We Pray?

Allow Me to open your eyes of the spirit to the magnitude of the power of your prayers. You can't see it with the eyes of the flesh. You only catch glimpses here and there. You experience My healing touch; you see Me change hearts on your behalf; you watch Me move obstacles out of your path, making a way for you to walk in and claim the goods, victories of varied kinds. But I tell you, My loves, now you only see through a dim glass.

This is why you must put on the eyeglasses of faith, that you might find courage to walk in and claim the land. Let this comfort your hearts, for I am here to work wonders on your behalf.

Your prayers move My hand to work on your behalf. Therefore do not hold back; leave not one stone uncovered. Pour out your hearts to Me, bringing all your requests before Me, and I will answer. Only I can supply your needs and bring the desired results, but you must ask in faith, believing, nothing wavering. Ask and you will receive. Bring your petitions before Me; remind Me of My promises and hold on to your faith, believing that I am able to do what you cannot do yourself. ⁽⁵¹⁾

In Heaven you will see the result of your prayers in full. On Earth you see some manifestations of the miracles which your prayers have wrought, but many things are hidden from your sight. For this is the treasure of your prayers unto Me--that you pray in faith, and believe in faith that I will answer your prayers and perform that which you request, though you may not always see the results before your eyes.

Yet you trust and hold to My promises which say that I do answer prayer, and this pleases Me. For this belief on your part, I have given you signs and tokens, that you might see those things which your prayers affect. Yet there is so much more which you do not see, and which will be opened unto you in Heaven. When you see these things, you will marvel and rejoice. ⁽⁵²⁾

(Spirit helper:) We are your miracle workers, your prayer partners in the halls of Heaven. When you pray a prayer with real desperation, with power and with faith, we start to work in the spirit world right away. Not a second is lost, not a minute is wasted. As soon as you utter your prayer, we begin to work in earnest on your behalf-sometimes even before you've prayed your prayer. When we know you're going to pray, we begin to adjust things in the realm of the Spirit to prepare the way for the answer to your prayer. ⁽⁵³⁾

Satan and Hell's Angels attack your prayer life, your personal connection with Me. This is a top priority for them. They try to make your prayers ineffective, either through

attempting to keep your prayers from reaching My throne of grace by persuading you not to pray, or causing you physical or mental distraction when you pray, or through lethargy or familiarity with prayer, or through blocking your channel and connection with Me, etc. They try to block your prayers, or stop you from praying in any way that they can. Satan is extremely jealous of your faith in Me, which you manifest each time you pray and each time you wield one of your spiritual weapons. He is particularly vindictive toward your manifesting any faith at all in the spiritual weapons that I have given you, and in your personal fight to stay close to Me.

Hell's Angels, which include Satan himself, have a deep hatred for Me--and therefore for you, My brides. They fight your personal connection and communications with Me, which depend upon your prayers. They also fight your intercessory prayers for others.

As powerful and vengeful and hateful as Satan and all of Hell's Angels of Evil are, and as bound to their oath to fight to the finish as they are, you do not need to fear. I am mightier. The power that I give you is far greater. The anointing of My Spirit within you is a greater and more powerful anointing. I will be victor over all of the universe, and over Satan and all of his demons. Satan will fight your prayers, but that doesn't mean that he can stop your prayers. The minute a prayer is prayed, it is effective. When you pray, the power is already released and I will work. You pray, Satan fights, and I do the miracles. Just because Satan fights, that doesn't mean that you will lose. You will win as long as you follow Me and My instructions. ⁽⁵⁴⁾

(Dad speaking:) Of course, I'll have to say that it's a lot easier for us (in Heaven) to pray, and it doesn't take as much faith as it does for some of you. Because we can see it all so clearly--how prayer moves the hand of God on your behalf, how quickly a prayer is put into motion and is taken care of in some form or another.

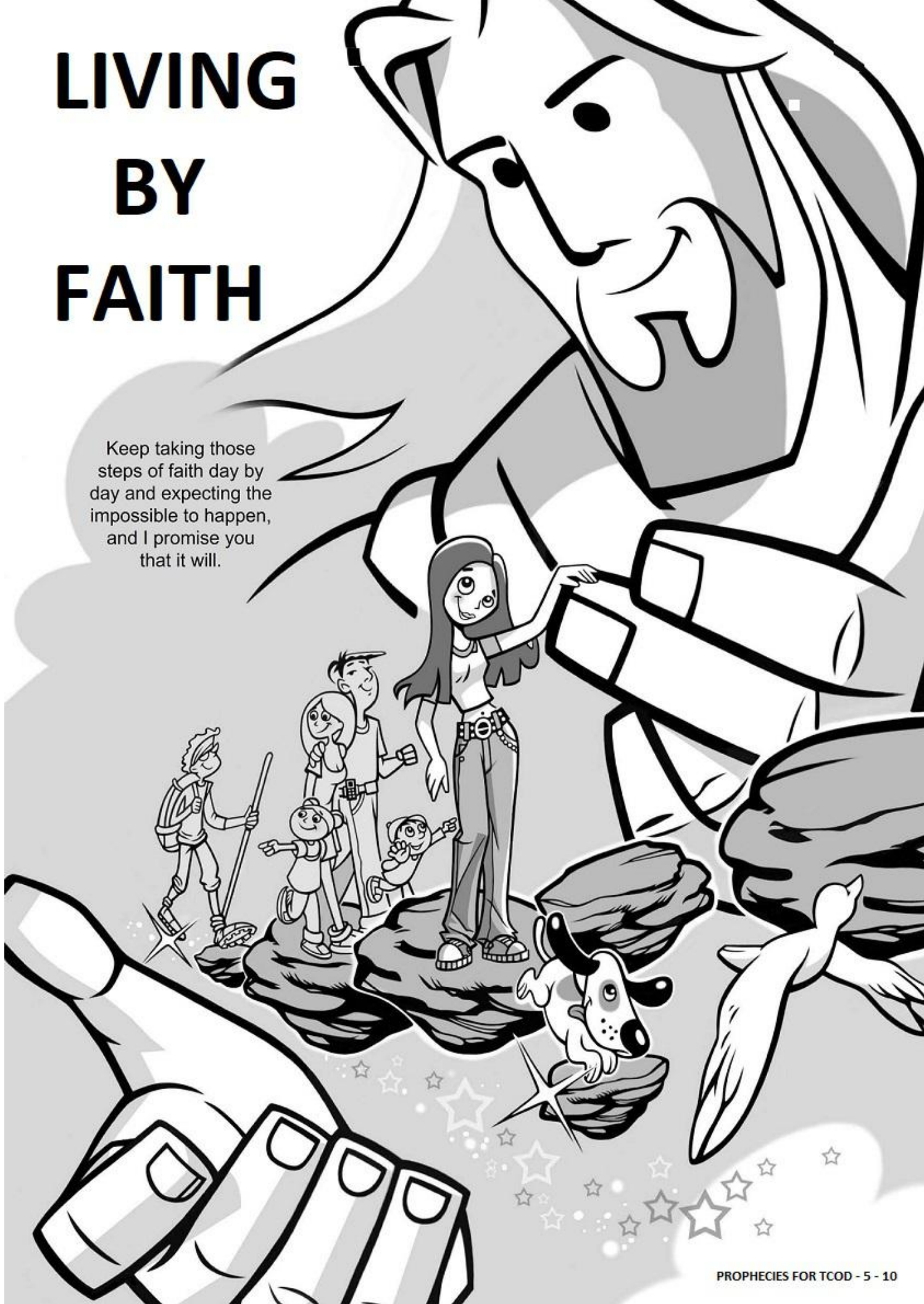
For you it takes a lot more faith to trust that what He's promised He's able also to fulfill, and that when you ask for something, believing, you will receive. ⁽⁵⁵⁾

Your prayers from Earth are mighty in the spirit world, and in some ways, those prayers move My hand to work in ways that the prayers uttered in Heaven cannot. Prayers prayed in full faith on Earth have a strong effect, both in the earthly realm and the spiritual realm. This is because I honor the faith of My children on Earth in a special way and I fulfill My word to answer your prayers. ⁽⁵⁶⁾

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LIVING BY FAITH

Keep taking those
steps of faith day by
day and expecting the
impossible to happen,
and I promise you
that it will.



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Are you living by faith? Are you exercising the gifts of the Spirit that enable you to trust Me to supply your needs? Are you learning to walk on the water? Are you building up your faith muscles? The just shall live by faith. The just shall survive by faith! ⁽¹⁾

The best way to acquire faith is to live by faith--to be put into a situation where you must live and practice your faith. The best way to grow in My Word is to put it to the test--to prove My Word! ⁽²⁾

Living by faith isn't an actionless state of being. Rather, it means that you are willing to trust Me to bring about the right results as you set about doing what you can in the physical realm. Living by faith means that at the core of your being, you know that I am in control, and you know that you can count on Me to provide for you no matter what. ⁽³⁾

(Dad speaking:) Not many people have what it takes to live by faith, because it goes completely against carnal reasoning and the ways of the earth. But those who do are blessed in ways that flatlanders will never know. Living by faith sets you apart from the world. It makes you stand out from the masses. It makes you different, unique--a phenomenon! ⁽⁴⁾

I've led My Family to seek Me daily for their needs and their provision, and those who have done so have had their faith strengthened. Yes, it has been difficult, but I have supplied. Yes, you've had to trust Me sometimes for great miracles, but I have done the miracles. Yes, society at large has looked at you and laughed, but I have done the miracles. And this constant usage of your faith and prayer muscles has kept many of you strong and able to endure the life of a top-notch missionary and soon-to-be Endtime fighter. If you had taken the easy route, you would not be prepared now to launch into the Endtime fray.

Some of you have set aside some of your armor--the armor of living by faith. You have chosen instead to go the easier route, to take on a System job, to ensure that you and your children have stable support. Some FGAs have become weary in well doing and have wanted to try another avenue, having lived by faith for many years. Many SGAs have desired to experiment with taking on a System job, feeling that their parents could have had it easier and been smarter by just availing themselves of what the System has to offer. ⁽⁵⁾

(Dad speaking:) Working for the System and raising money is not a "sure thing,"

even if it may seem to be, whereas living for the Lord and doing His work is a sure thing, even if it may not seem to be! If you have faith and obedience and trust Him, He will take care of you. Read Hebrews 11. Faith is the substance of things hoped for, the title deed. You must believe that the Lord is a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him, a provider of their needs, because He is! ⁽⁶⁾

I understand that life is a daily struggle, but don't you believe that I am the great God of the universe Who can supply all your needs and more than bountifully reward you for following Me? Some people have lost the sure faith that if they step out, I will be there to meet them. They want security and something to be "sure" of.

Where is your radical faith in My Word? Where is the spirit of the first disciples, all of you who pioneered the world and went into cities and countries without anything, and yet I supplied? I haven't failed you yet, and I never will! ⁽⁷⁾

I am standing outside the boat, on the water. If you'll only step out of the boat, I'll help you to walk on the water. You won't sink, for I will hold you up. But it's difficult, and there are many who say, "We cannot walk on the water! We cannot live by faith! We cannot forsake all! What will we have to eat? What will we have to wear? Wherewithal will we pay our rent?" I say that My promises are true, and not one word will fail of all the good Words that I have spoken unto you.

You can't look to circumstances. You must look to Me afresh, and look to My Word. You must challenge My Word! You must strike out and stand upon it and see if it will work for you, and I promise you, it will work for you! As I say these words to you I'm smiling, because I know that many of you will accept this challenge and will find such great joy. You're so worried now, and you're so challenged, but I know what wonderful pleasures, joys and rewards await each of you who will merely step out. Take the first step and I will meet you!

I'll be there holding you, to fight with you, to help you, to sustain you. For I know your burdens. I know the worries that you have, and the cares that you have in your heart. I know you. I made you. I have brought you to this time to let go of these things, so that only Me and My Word and My Spirit will be in your life, and then I can finally use you.

When you look at it like this, doesn't it seem like a good trade to you--to trade in these petty things for Me and My Spirit and My freedom and My life and My love? Just take one small step at a time--this is how it's all done. I don't expect you to change drastically overnight, but I do expect you to take that small step in My direction.

I sure do love you, and I have very high hopes and great plans for each of you! If you only knew what joys and rewards are awaiting those of you who serve Me in spirit and in truth, who remain faithful and dropped out of the Devil's worldly principdom and free from his pollution! If you only knew, you would not be so easily led astray. I can't tell you everything now, for the just shall live by faith. But I've told you enough in My written Word already. All you have to do is believe what I've already spoken, and act on it. ⁽⁸⁾

I do a new thing, for this is a new day. Time is short; only what is done for Me will bear fruit and sustain My children in this time of the End. All of My children must decide whether they will live by faith and depend on the “God factor” alone, or whether they will serve Mammon. They cannot serve two masters--they must now choose. I am a moving God, a changing God, and an *Activated* God! The counsel I have given in the past, that which was published in years gone by regarding System jobs, is not to glean excuses on how to live today. This is the era of action! You have entered the Last Days, and your mode of operation must change accordingly!

I wish to free My people to serve Me. I am calling My children out of the clutches of this world's System and into My arms where they can live by faith and faith alone. I am calling them out of the clutches of the System, where they will be able to survive in the troublous times ahead! I am calling them out of the anti-God, anti-Christ System of today, to be My mouthpieces, My miracle workers of the End. ⁽⁹⁾

There are many whose spark I will re-ignite, whose eyes I will open, whose spirits I will cause to burn with the desire to break free from the chains of pride and selfishness, and launch out once again to live by faith and to serve Me and others. ⁽¹⁰⁾

This is the day of miracles, and so will My miraculous supply be known. If you will obey, you will reap the good of the land. If you will seek Me, if you will apply the “ask Me everything” mode of operation in your lives, if you will live by faith and look to Me alone, I will lead you in each case and show you a plan to follow that is tailor-made for your unique situation. ⁽¹¹⁾

I want you to know that wherever you go from here on out, I'm always backing you up, and that's all you really need. I just want you to go by the leading of My Spirit. Don't worry too much about the rest, because whatever My will is, I always make a way. All you have to do is just have the faith and step out and commit yourself to do it, and I'll do the rest. Don't look at it in the eyes of the flesh. Because as soon as I see that you're really committed and you really want to do what I want you to, it makes Me very happy, and I'm going to help you and do whatever it takes to get you wherever you want to go and need to go! ⁽¹²⁾

My promises are just as true today as they ever were. If you will seek Me for your particular situation, if you will unite and do the things I tell you to do, if you will ask Me everything each step of the way, I will give you the key to every situation, the solution to every problem. Living by faith in Me is the only thing that will keep you in the times to come. Dependence on the System will only be the beginning of sorrows. I will never fail to supply all your needs if you preach the Gospel, do My work, and place your trust and faith in Me.

All My riches are at your disposal. All that is Mine is yours for the asking, yours for the taking, yours for the reaching out to receive. Reach out your hands in faith, believing,

and I will never fail! ⁽¹³⁾

I understand that life is a daily struggle, but don't you believe that I am the great God of the universe Who can supply all your needs and more than bountifully reward you for following Me? Some people have lost the sure faith that if they step out, I will be there to meet them. They want security and something to be "sure" of.

Where is your radical faith in My Word? Where is the spirit of the first disciples, all of you who pioneered the world and went into cities and countries without anything, and yet I supplied? I haven't failed you yet, and I never will! ⁽¹⁴⁾

As you look to Me each step of the way and trust and obey Me each step of the way, I will not fail you in any one of My good promises.

But in order for everything to work smoothly and without the problems that some foresee happening, it will take great faith and great trust, as well as great obedience to each and every instruction from My mouth. Each one must seek Me daily for their instructions: where to go, what to do, and how to raise their support. Each one must seek Me fervently to know what I would have them to do, and each one must go in true faith. For without faith it is impossible to please Me, and that which is not done in faith will miss the mark. ⁽¹⁵⁾

With things tightening up all around the world day by day--travel, visas, registration, etc.--you might wonder how I'm going to continue supplying for you as you live by faith. Don't worry, because My plan for financial success and stability that I've shown you is going to play a major part in helping you as times get darker and darker.

And when the time comes that you have to go "underground" and can hardly continue with your follow-up ministries, or when your friends and contacts' resources start drying up, I will do the miracles for you. It will be like the story of the widow of Zarephath--when she made the decision to share, her jug of oil and her barrel of flour never ran out. I can and I will supply, even when it seems impossible. ⁽¹⁶⁾

(Dad speaking:) It can be hard being a missionary sometimes--in fact, a lot of the time! The Lord supplies as you do His work, but often in the life of faith you're not sure what the next meal will be and who the Lord will use to provide it. You know it'll come, but you're just not sure how it'll arrive! That's one of the things that keeps you desperate with the Lord, fervent in prayer, and active in His work, because it's as you're obedient and reach out to others with His message that He supplies. ⁽¹⁷⁾

My Word held true yesterday, it holds true today, and it will hold true forever--they that preach the Gospel shall live of the Gospel. Satan is always on the job, trying to persuade My children that it can't be done today, that surely in these times when men's hearts grow cold, and evil men and seducers wax worse and worse, living by faith is not to

be expected; that surely in this new age, there is another way. I tell you, My children, it is even more imperative to live by faith in these times than in years past.

I have given you this plan--the plan of trusting totally in Me, the plan of living by faith in Me and Me alone--for I know that this is the only way you will survive in these troublous times when men's hearts become hardened. The dynamics of My supply work the opposite of what you perceive with natural and carnal thinking. Just as I supplied for the children of Israel as they wandered in the desert, so I am able to supply for you in today's modern world, and in great abundance! ⁽¹⁸⁾

Learning to trust Me for supply requires that you forsake your carnal attitudes and views, because the "God factor" is a thing of the spirit. It has to be moved along, oiled, and put into effect in the spirit--in obedience to the things I've said, backed by the Word, activated in conjunction with your spiritual weapons, and with the confidence that I honor and bless obedience.

Don't be scared or worried about the tight spots, but trust that I have a beautiful plan in mind that will come to the fore as you do your part. I love to supply for My children, and I do so whenever I can. So if you do your part to meet the conditions, the results will be happy ones for you and for Me. Learning to trust Me for supply and to rely heavily on the "God factor" is part of your spiritual training and growth.

In the Endtime there will be very few practical means by which you can meet your financial needs, and you'll have to rely primarily on Me coming through in supernatural ways. Today you still have loopholes, because there are still many avenues where you can make ends meet financially. I can't always bless those abundantly, but they do help you to scrape by at times.

In the Endtime, those loopholes will more or less vanish. But if you've been consistently training in learning to have complete and utter faith and reliance on Me, then not only will you live better now--because I'm able to supply above and beyond what you need--but you'll be much better prepared and full of faith that I'll see you through the dark days ahead. You'll have so much more confidence and faith in Me that you'll expect bigger and greater miracles, which I will readily do on behalf of you, My Endtime brides.

Don't be afraid to take the baby steps now that will help to increase your faith. Just keep moving forward, strengthening your reliance on Me and My Word, and you'll see just how much I am able to do because of your faith. ⁽¹⁹⁾

The God factor means standing on My promises. It means trusting in Me, believing that nothing is impossible with Me. It means that I am able to supply all your needs. It means that faith in Me overrides all impossibilities.

The God factor means that I have opened to you the riches of the universe, I have put before you a great reservoir of supply, and it's yours for the asking, yours for the taking. The God factor means that if you will put your trust fully in Me, you will lack nothing. It means that if you preach the Gospel, you will live of the Gospel. It means that

all things are possible to you. It means if you are trusting Me and doing what I tell you to do, I will never fail to support you, even if I have to drop the support out of the sky. It means good witnessing always pays. It means if you are obeying Me, I will take care of your needs. It means if I promise bread, I will not give you a stone.

Practically speaking, it means if the Family will put their trust in Me, if they will claim My promises, if they will obey what I tell them to do, I will supply all their needs according to My riches in glory. It means if they will get out and do the “wenting,” I will supply.

The God factor means trusting Me more than trusting in the arm of the flesh, more than trusting in the worldly system of man. The God factor is standing on My Word and My promises.

I promise to supply for My Own. Do you not think I am able to supply every need while My brides are working for Me? Am I God or not? Do not the winds and the waves obey My command? Do I not give the command and whole kingdoms are subdued in My Name?

O children of little faith, how long will you doubt? How long will you fail to take the leap? Who will try? Who will go? Who is willing to take the plunge? Who is willing to launch out into the deep of where I am leading you? Who is willing to put their hand in Mine, trusting that I will be more than a light and better than a known way? Who is willing to command Me? Who is willing to prove Me? Who is willing to receive My promise? Who is willing to call on the keys of the Kingdom to open the Heavenly windows of miracles of supply?

It takes faith, yes. It takes courage; it takes daring to trust Me. It takes the “God factor”--putting your trust wholly and completely in Me, claiming My Word, and expecting Me to do miracles, to do what you cannot do. It takes ignoring possible consequences when the doubters say, “No, no, no, it can't be done.” It takes taking a stand.

Am I not able to supply all along the way? Are My Own to be wanting and begging for bread? Do I forsake My Own?

If it couldn't be done, I would not have asked it of you. I am not limited. Why, why, why, O brides, do you limit Me? How long will you doubt? How long will you delay in putting Me on the spot, in claiming My promises, in reaping the harvest that lies waiting before you?

It takes faith, I know, yet I have likewise given you this faith. It takes keeping your eyes focused on Me and Me alone. It takes coming out from among them and touching not the unclean thing. And it takes doing what I have told you to do. It takes following where I am leading. It takes childlike faith. It takes quiet trust. It takes the simple assurance of knowing that what I have promised, I will do. It takes trusting Me to see you through, because you know you are obeying and doing My will, and because of your obedience, I will not let you down.

The “God factor” will make all the difference in the world. It means the difference between your success or your failure, your premature end or your hope of survival. It means the difference between life and death for the souls waiting to hear My message. It

means the difference between you receiving the blessings and promises I have reserved for you, or going through life as beggars, destitute of your needs. ⁽²⁰⁾

(Dad speaking:) Now I know the life of faith isn't easy, but it works! Forsaking all and trusting the Lord to supply your every need isn't always easy street. You abase and you abound. But through it all, the Lord keeps you and He provides for you. You're His servant working for Him, so He takes care of you. And if He's cared for you in the past, do you think He's going to forsake you in the future? Do you think the Lord would toss you out as an unprofitable servant just because you grow old or get sick or can't keep up the same pace you used to? Let me tell you, He won't! That's not the kind of God He is!

Having lived by faith for so many years, should we now go back to the beggarly elements of the System for our support to have some sort of cushion for our old age or whatever? To put it simply, no. We've always put the Lord first and He's always supplied what we've needed for the future, and He will continue to do so. You may not know exactly how He'll do it and you may have all kinds of questions about it, but the Lord just expects you to trust Him.

He didn't say we'd walk by sight; He said we'd walk by faith. He didn't say we'd understand with our carnal minds; He said that His thoughts are not our thoughts, and that His ways are as high above ours as the heavens are above the Earth. In fact, He instructed us to trust in Him with all our heart and not to lean to our own understanding. That's not me speaking--that's God's Word, and it's as true now as it ever was! And you can trust it now just as much as you ever did.

There's no need to take matters into your own hands and to fret and worry so much about your own support, much less your old age. I can understand your concerns. Like I said, I've had many of them myself. But what you need to understand is that it's not gain but loss to give up the Lord's work to raise money for later years, even if it's for a good cause, the Lord's cause. During that time, you could have helped countless people, won thousands of souls, and had a tremendous impact on the world, because each of the people you minister to and help touches the lives of many others. ⁽²¹⁾

You have so many needs, and if you would like Me to fill them, then I'd like you to give Me the gift of your faith.

When needs arise, I want you to press another coin of faith into My hand as you state your need to Me. When something throws your plans for a loop, again, hand Me another coin of faith. At each step in the road, I want you to be giving Me these coins and gifts of your faith. I know that it's especially easy to give in to worry or pressure or doubt during this time, because the needs seem endless. That's why this gift of faith will mean so much to Me, because I want to fill your needs and prove Myself to you.

And by your giving Me the gift of faith, I am able to do all these things for you--I'm able to spoil you! So put your trust in Me! Give Me greater handfuls of faith than you have in years gone by, and watch as I in turn do more for you than you ever expected. Giving

Me the gift of your faith is really also a gift to yourself, because through it I am able to bless you in more and greater ways. What an awesome gift! This should certainly behoove you to give of it freely. ⁽²²⁾

Is there anything too hard for Me? Do you believe? Only trust in Me and have faith. Turn your eyes upon Me and look unto Me. Continue to keep Me as your First Love and trust that I will be all that I have promised. Trust Me. Fret not about tomorrow and worry not about how I will supply. Look not at the circumstances or the conditions around you, or at the waves, and wonder how I'm going to provide. For that is My concern and that is in My hands. All you have to do is bring Me your heart's petition, and then trust wholly in My capability to take care of you.

He that trusts wholly in Me continues to walk by faith. And as you walk by faith, you'll see the promises, the rewards, and the blessings. ⁽²³⁾

Promises of Supply

My promises hold true! They that preach the Gospel shall live of the Gospel. Living by faith is just as possible today as ever, and if you will step out and obey, if you will put Me to the test, you will reap the fruit of abundant supply. I am not limited by many or by few. ⁽²⁴⁾

Take no thought for the morrow. Say not to yourselves, "What shall we eat? What shall we drink? Wherewithal shall we be clothed?" Just have faith that I, in My perfect will, will take care of it all, as well as every last one of your needs. ⁽²⁵⁾

My children of David, My special, called-out ones, My peculiar people, you can do anything that you want to! Because you have faith in Me and live by the principles of My laws, I can bless you and provide for you. ⁽²⁶⁾

Don't doubt for a moment that I will clothe, feed, house, and prosper you. Speak success, speak faith, speak miracles, and you will see them. ⁽²⁷⁾

(Dad speaking:) "Anything you need you have access to through the power of the keys." You have no idea what that really means. The human mind can't comprehend the full meaning in that simple key promise. There is so much power there, and all you have to do is reach out. The Lord's supply is there for you, and I guarantee you that you will never be in want if you follow and obey Him. You might have to pinch pennies here and there and give up some of your "wants" now and then to make ends meet, but He will always come through for you. God's guarantees are true and sure. It's all there in the Word. Read

it, live it, and let your faith for His supply grow until you are overflowing with His blessings in every way. ⁽²⁸⁾

Heaven is like a giant free store, and you just need the membership card of faith to get in. Have you ever had a dream that you were in a giant department store, and could take anything you wanted for free? You were so excited, and could hardly wait to get through the whole store, because you knew you were going to get all these things that you and others needed. Perhaps you were so excited that you woke up before the dream finished.

Well, this is no dream, My brides. I have a heavenly free store with everything you need, and more! Access it through faith and prayer, because I want to pour out every single thing that you need, and even some of your wants. ⁽²⁹⁾

I'm more than willing to give to you financially. I'm more than willing to pour out. I've got it all waiting for you to ask for it. Just reach out your hands of faith and grab the blessings by the horns, and don't let go until it's in the bank. ⁽³⁰⁾

I am a wealthy Husband; in fact, no one surpasses Me in that area. All the riches of Heaven are given to Me, and as My Bride, you have a right to any of those riches that you need and that will help you to better fulfill My will. The only thing that limits what you receive is your faith. ⁽³¹⁾

When I think about the bank vaults under the streets of Zurich, or the money and gold in Fort Knox, I just chuckle. There are entire levels in My Heavenly City that are full of title deeds to properties, vehicles, bank accounts, houses, and even whole countries, as well as gold, diamonds, and unfathomable wealth, just sitting there--untouched--awaiting the day when you will have greater faith to claim it. It's all here. I'm only waiting on you. ⁽³²⁾

This is My promise to all of My brides--not just a select few. My desire is to fill all of your needs! I will give unto you according to your need and according to your faith and according to My will. ⁽³³⁾

The keys of abundant supply will open the vaults of Heaven and pour out the blessings and finances that you need as you step out by faith and stand on My promises. ⁽³⁴⁾

I am your Great Provider. I know you have many needs, but there is not a single one that I am not capable of fulfilling. If you need something, then you can demand it, in faith and expectancy. I own this world and all its wealth, and I will not withhold from My beloved brides that which you need. Claim it today, through the power of the keys! ⁽³⁵⁾

My dear ones, I am your Husband. I am your Lover. I am a faithful Provider and will never fail you. What is more, I love to supply for you. It thrills My heart to do those miracles that provide your specific needs. It really makes Me happy when you fulfill the conditions attached to My promises and then claim them in faith. There's nothing I love more than to see you have your needs met, to be able to manifest My love for you in physical, practical ways--ways that make you consciously think, "Wow, the Lord really loves me!" ⁽³⁶⁾

The sky is the limit, and how far you take My promises only depends on your faith.⁽³⁷⁾

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MAKING DECISIONS IN FAITH

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I have an overall plan for mankind, but that's separate from the choices of faith that every individual must make every day of their lives. In these matters that are so personal and that involve enormous amounts of personal responsibility, you have to make your own choices, just as you will have to assume the responsibility for your choices; no one else can assume that responsibility for you. Thus you must also have the freedom to make your choices, between you and Me, built on your own faith. You can't make such important decisions based on a general, overall understanding of My plan and will alone.

I give the overall plan and picture, and then it's up to you to make the choices within your faith and what works for you. Nobody can judge that; only you and I know the exact circumstances that you are facing, the factors that will come into play in your decision-making, and where your faith truly rests.

As with everything else in life, these choices of faith are part of your growth process, and growth doesn't always happen in one day or through one decision. There are many decisions that will come your way throughout life, and many opportunities to learn through the decisions that you make, and to grow in faith to be able to make decisions that require a higher level of faith.

I am much more flexible and open-minded than most people give Me credit for. I'm not a mean God with a big stick, just waiting for you to step out of line. I look upon you with mercy and unconditional love; I want you to be happy, fruitful, and at peace. I want you to have confidence in My love, and to know that I am eager to lead you in a plain path--and that path is different for each person.

I'm not putting all Family members on a giant conveyor belt that herds them in the same direction without any variance or flexibility. I'm a loving, flexible God, and I am more than willing to work with each individual and to come up with a tailor-made, perfect plan for each one, if they're willing to ask Me.--These plans will be different for each family and individual, because you are each unique creations with unique needs and circumstances.

If you come to understand this aspect of My nature more fully, My understanding and flexibility and open-mindedness, then you will have more faith to make decisions as I lead you. ⁽¹⁾

You must determine in your heart where your faith lies when it comes to personal decisions. I can see your heart and I know where your faith lies, and I choose to work within the realm of your faith. So when it comes to making the personal decisions that you face,

it's good to seek godly counsel and to heed it, but you must also come to Me and let Me speak to your heart and show you what My will is within the realm of your faith. There are seven ways to know My will, and godly counsel is one of the seven, but it is not the only way to know My will. You must also go to My Word, hear My personal counsel to you, and find out where your faith lies. ⁽²⁾

You have to make decisions in faith if you want good results. If you make a decision just because you think it's probably the right thing to do, but you haven't really prayed about it, thought it through, and don't have the faith for it, then when you face the results or repercussions of your decision, even if it was a good thing, or when related trials and tests come, they will be harder for you to handle than if you were prepared and ready, with your spiritual armor in order, because you made the decision in faith. ⁽³⁾

(Dad speaking:) You can make up all kinds of excuses, but the truth is, it all comes down to you, your choices, who you are, what you choose, what you want, and how much you're willing to fight. It all comes down to your faith, to how much you listen to the Lord or how much you listen to the Enemy, to how much you yield to the Lord or how much you yield to the Enemy or to your own desires or wants. You are who you make yourself. You are the sum of your decisions. ⁽⁴⁾

You should pray and seek Me and operate according to your faith. It is not enough for you to act on the assumption that something is right and "think you have the faith for it," as you may find yourself in a precarious situation when your faith is put to the test. ⁽⁵⁾

I genuinely want what's best for you, and I will counsel you as to the best options for you, taking into consideration your personal faith. ⁽⁶⁾

I wish for you to seek Me and to find your level of faith on all matters and to operate accordingly. ⁽⁷⁾

(Dad speaking:) There are many ways to know God's will, and when combined they all work together to help bring you to that place where you feel knowledgeable enough and with enough faith to make the final decision.

In most cases, you have to use several of the "ways to know God's will" together in order to find the answer or make the decision. Sometimes the Lord gives you an outright revelation through one method alone, but in most cases, the Lord likes for you to use many avenues for finding His will, or even for finding where His will isn't.

Dreams, visions, prophecy, the Word, experience, and counsel with others are all part of discovering the Lord's will. But in the end, once you have gone through these things, you still have to make the call and make your choice, based on your personal faith and conviction about what God's will is for you. These methods provide clues or pieces to the

puzzle, but you have to put them all together and make your decision.

The Lord loves to bring decisions and choices your way, because this teaches you how to wisely use the gift and freedom of choice that He has given you. It also gives you opportunity to work together with the Lord, to grow in your relationship with Him, and to learn more about Him and His wonderful ways.

Of course, the Lord likes for you to receive and seek out counsel and input from others. This is one of the ways of discovering His will. But in the end He wants you to realize that the final decision is your responsibility. The temptation can be great to rely heavily on others' opinions or faith or leadings. But when you take responsibility for your own choices, you have to come to terms with where your faith truly lies.

Sometimes you feel that you don't have enough faith to make a decision. Maybe you are younger in the Lord than someone else, and you feel that it would be wise to go by their leading or even to go by their faith, since perhaps their faith is "better" or "bigger" than yours. But when the Lord is working in your life and you're faced with a decision, He will give you the faith for the decision that He wants you to make--you can count on that.

You must have faith that the Lord can speak to you personally, that He can guide you correctly. You must have faith that, when you come to the Lord ready to know His mind, He will speak to you clearly and He will work with your faith in order to help you to make the right decision. Your decisions are important to the Lord, and He wants you to have faith for the decisions that you make. ⁽⁸⁾

It's good to counsel with others, to receive godly counsel, to get prayer, to get a listening ear, to get some words of comfort, encouragement, and advice, but remember that the final decision needs to be made by you--in counsel with Me. It's a lot easier to ask someone for the answers rather than doing the hard work of seeking Me for yourself. But you can't go the route of just asking others and neglecting to seek Me yourself.

It's very important that you, or you and whoever else is ultimately involved, have the faith for the action, for the solution. You should not rely only on what others think or feel should be done. While you may take their advice and seriously consider it and pray about it, in the end it has to be your faith and your decision.

False faith is when you follow through on counsel that is given, but you don't have the conviction and certainty in your heart which that faith gives.

The right thing to do is what I show you to do and what you personally have the faith for, not what whoever you talked with, has the faith for. The final decision is for you and any others involved to decide.

There are many reasons why you should not simply make a decision based on someone else's faith. One of the most important reasons is that decision-making gives you experience, teaches you lessons, and helps you to grow and mature. Your life is yours to live, and yours to learn from too. Learning to listen to advice, but to ultimately find your own faith, to find My recommendation for you, and to make a prayerful decision for yourself is how you progress in spirit. Life is full of decisions, and they are a constant

shaping and directing force on your life and your character. Letting someone else decide for you, or blindly following another's advice, is not the way to growth and wisdom. It's a shortcut that bypasses the lessons and progress I have for you.

Also, if you were to listen to your friend and act on the advice they've given you, without having full faith yourself that this is the right course of action, and then something went wrong, it could cause damage to your relationship with that person, because the natural reaction is to blame the person who suggested that you consider doing such and such. Of course, a mature person will realize that what they do in life is their own choice, and the consequences fall on them too. But this is one reason why it's important that you are the one making the decision and that you act according to what you believe is the right thing to do.

The best one to talk to when making a final decision is Me. I will give you the direction to take. It's good and helpful to ask for counsel, and especially to ask him or her to pray for you to hear from Me clearly so you can make a wise decision. I will show you the best possible route to take. I will be your sound counselor in these difficult decisions.

But, whatever you do, don't act on the counsel of others without having a personal conviction and the faith for it. It's not that you shouldn't ever take someone else's advice. Godly counsel is one of the ways of discovering My will, and I may well show you that so-and-so's advice is My will for you, and encourage you to follow it. But the difference is that you sought Me and you have the faith for it, and you made the final decision.

I am always there to help you, to give you advice and direction, so pray and ask Me. I will not lead you astray if you'll commit your ways to Me. Seek Me and I will shine a light on the path you must take, the decision you must make. Together we are an unbeatable team, and I will give you the faith you'll need to act on the decision we make. I love you and I want us to be a team in the decisions you must make in your life. ⁽⁹⁾

You are the one who is ultimately responsible for your life. You are the one who must ensure that your life is heading in the right direction. You're the one who must make the right choices that will lead your life to the right places. You're the one who must see to it that good fruit is growing on the tree of your life. Because of this, you will want to be sure that you have personal faith and conviction for every decision that you make.

I want you to live a meaningful life--one that both you and I will be proud of. Through teamworking with Me, you allow Me to be more intimately and directly involved in your life and in your decision-making. Then, through the decisions that you and I make together, you can be confident that your life is following a good path, because I've shown you where to walk. ⁽¹⁰⁾

If you have faith in My plan for your life, and faith in the knowledge that there is a "God's will" in every situation, then with time and desperation, you will discover My plan. Settling for what feels right emotionally can cause you to make a mistake or miss My will.

You may never know how pivotal one choice is. That's why I urge you to strive to make the right choices, My choices, at every turn. That's why I instruct you to hear from Me, to stay firmly grounded in the Word, and to keep your connection with Me established and strong. It's so that when you're faced with choices, your faith will be strong enough so that you'll make the right ones--choices for Me, choices that will enable My will to play out, choices that will in turn bring fulfillment and happiness to your life, as well as many rewards in the life to come. ⁽¹²⁾

It takes faith to choose My way, but it always pays in the end. I won't let you down. ⁽¹³⁾

It's a time of testing and decision, a time of praying and communing within the heart, a time of proving the faith and conviction of My children. Some will decide to follow even more closely; they will decide to put away the things that hinder and keep them from seeing clearly where I'm leading. And some will decide to follow afar off. ⁽¹⁴⁾

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Faith like a Rare Vintage Wine

The world of today is a fast-paced world, where everything has been speeded up and continues to be speeded up with each year that passes. You live in a fast-food world, a world where more and more emphasis is placed on acquiring things quickly, and there is less emphasis on the quality of things. People are naturally used to everything being much quicker, taking much less time.

At the drop of a coin a machine spits out a drink, or at a fast-food counter a meal is served in minutes. Once upon a time, people spent a very long time building their houses and acquiring the money to do so, whereas in the world of today, houses are thrown up at a breakneck speed.

People expect to retire more quickly, to work less, and to acquire more and have more leisure. Many opt to speed up the process of childbirth, choosing caesarians or other intervention for the sake of convenience. People can instant message and send e-mail or large amounts of data around the world in seconds, or travel to the other side of the world in a matter of hours.

This speeding up of the world at large has changed everyone's expectations of what is normal or acceptable. It can lead to heightened expectations on the spiritual front as well--expectations for miracles, answers to prayer and change to occur in the spirit world just as quickly. Although I am a moving, changing God, and in some areas I do speed up to keep in step with the times, in other things I do not.

I know the nature of man, and I know what is needed to bring about true spiritual maturity and depth, so that your faith will be properly cultivated and aged, like a rare and valued vintage wine. In today's world the expectations are such that when you pray, believing that you receive it, that you shall instantaneously have it. And yet that was not My original intent when I gave that promise to My disciples.

There are times when I do bring answers to prayer instantaneously, but there are also many times when I expect you to allow for the wine of your faith to mature and develop and to reach the fullness of its flavor.

So it is with the spiritual power I have given you, through the keys of the Kingdom, through the power of prayer. When you pray and claim the keys, I go to work for you immediately. Many, many times, in fact in the majority of cases, not long afterwards you see the results--supply, healing, spiritual change, progress, open doors, sheep, etc. All day long, you experience these relatively immediate results as you activate the keys of the

Kingdom, and yet you think little of it, for you expect to see those immediate results. And when the keys don't produce the immediate results you expected, you wonder if they "work" or if My promises are true.

Throughout the centuries My people of faith have been tested and tried through not seeing the immediate answers to their prayers. They waited thousands of years for Me, their Messiah, and prayed and pleaded with God to send Me. Yet He could not send Me until the timing was exactly right, when all was aligned, world conditions were right, the hearts of men were prepared, the government of the world was what it needed to be in order for My Word to spread and My followers to survive, etc. So many conditions had to be just right, even though so many clamored earnestly for years on end for My coming. Then, after I came, many of those same people rejected Me outright, because the answer to their prayer did not come in the packaging they had hoped for--that of a king of earthly Israel.

My brides, you have need of patience, that after you have performed My will, you might receive the promise (Heb.10:36). Patience is not an easy virtue to cultivate, and in fact, it goes entirely against the modern way of the world, which is all about speed, "right now," and instant results. But even though you live in the world, you are not of this world, and the spiritual dynamics have not changed--patience takes faith, and faith is the cornerstone of your lives for Me.

You will continue to experience miracles, instant answers to prayer, "dimes from the sky" when I know it is best. And as you become more skilled in your use of the spiritual weapons and stronger in faith, the power will continue to grow.

But you will also continue to experience the tests, trials, and challenges of life that arise when My answers do not come immediately. And this trying of your faith will work patience, which is a very important facet of faith.

Faith isn't manifested only in your ability to receive immediate, miraculous answers to prayer; it is also manifested in endurance, longsuffering, and the ability and patience to keep on fighting even when you don't see immediate responses or action as a result of your prayers and claiming the keys. So let patience have her perfect work, so that your faith can be whole, and entire, wanting nothing (James 1:4).

Remember, I'm not on the world's timetable. Though it's easy to grow accustomed to the faster pace of the world--and indeed, you live within it in order to win the lost and reach the world--still, faith takes patience, and patience is the mark of a vintage faith, one that has been deepened and ripened and is mature and rich and full-bodied. (1)

Endurance

Ah, endurance! How I love it when My brides hold on through tough fights, refusing to quit even when it seems there is no victory in sight. My heart thrills to the courage of those who continue to fight tenaciously through battles, trials, difficulties, attacks, or sicknesses, even though the victory sometimes does not seem to come.

Endurance is the ultimate in faith. Endurance is saying to Me that although you don't see My answer yet, you know that it is coming and you will last as long as needed until I finally deliver you.

But one thing no one ever said about endurance was that it was easy. No one has ever been born a master of endurance. The tenacity to stick it out through pain and anguish and to fight through hard battles toward a goal is a skill that is developed through practice, hard work, prayer, and wielding your weapons through lots of difficulties and hardships. You need a steel will that will persevere in prayer, claiming the keys of clear vision to help you see the end result and refuse to give up before you obtain the blessing.

Why is this skill so important, you might wonder? The skill of learning to endure tough battles, even protracted battles, is important because you are getting closer to the End. Part of getting closer to the End is that the Enemy's power is increasing, the spiritual battles are waxing hotter, and in many cases the answers will be slower in coming-to test your faith, as a witness to the world of your faith that refuses to quit, and also to allow the Enemy his last days, what I have promised in the Bible that I would allow him.

As you come closer to the End you will see that although there will be instances of on-the-spot miracles and supernatural and immediate outpourings of miracle power, there will also be other cases where you will need great patience to stick it out and keep fighting in spirit until My purpose is accomplished, your testimony is complete, or the conditions are right for you to obtain victory and find the relief you need.

In other words, I haven't called it the Great Tribulation for nothing! If you're destined to go through those days, and even live and fight in these days leading up to that time, you're going to have to be tough soldiers, ready to wield My power in an instant and be able to be humble enough to not get puffed up when I work awesome miracles through you.-Yet at the same time, be willing to fight long battles against the Enemy when there don't seem to be instant miracles, and to hold your ground steadfastly and not lose your faith when I don't deliver you immediately.

The prophet Daniel had to hold on for three weeks while an angel wrestled with the prince of Persia. That kind of battle is going to come upon you more frequently, and so I desire to strengthen your spiritual endurance and prepare you to not lose your confidence when I don't rescue you prematurely. ⁽²⁾

Faith is the Victory!

To endure means to persevere, to resist, to have the strength to not give up. It means that your roots are so deep and your stance is so strong that nothing is going to move you.

I often allow a space for endurance to show itself. For if your roots are planted deep enough and if the stance is strong enough, no affliction, no persecution, no buffeting, no spiritual attacks, no words, no winds, no rains, no bad news, nothing is able to move it! If in a particular situation you have real faith, faith is knowing, and nothing will be able to uproot that knowledge.

Remember, faith is blind to failure or defeat. Faith is also able to quench or withstand any attack of the Enemy. That means that real faith has within it the innate ability to not be moved no matter what the circumstances. Remember what I said to My disciples, that faith just the size of a tiny grain of mustard seed could actually move a mountain (Mat.17:20). That's how strong faith is.

Faith is the indestructible steel of the spirit world. Nothing can quench it, break it, or move it. But to become that strong, to actually have your faith grow into that indestructible substance, it has to be tried in the fire, just like steel, then put in the water, then put in the fire again, hammered, shaped into the type of faith you want, put in the water again, and back in the fire.

Faith is actually a stand you make because of your belief. You take a stand of faith on some truth, based on My love and My Word. Your stance may not always be so sure. Maybe you're "pretty sure" My Word works, but your faith is wavering a little in a particular situation that I put you in. My goal is often to strengthen your faith in My Word, so I must sometimes allow your faith to be tested.

I try you in the fire to see what sort of stand you are going to make, allowing you to experience things to test your faith. When you make a stand of faith, I often turn up the heat a little bit, a little at a time, to see if you will ratchet up your faith accordingly.

You see, real gold faith does not give up. It may waver a little, you might be tempted to be fearful, but when all is said and done, there is a seed deep in the center of your heart, a deep stance that you are making. If you truly believe in Me and My Word, if this is the deep root in your heart and if this is the seed from which your entire life emanates, then it will survive the fire. Why? Because faith is immovable, indestructible, able to withstand any amount of heat, and able to quench and stop anything that is thrown at it. It's as simple as that.

So if you have faith in Me deep within you, nothing can displace it. But often My children are weak and wavering in faith. The true seed is there, but I need it to grow into the full plant-first the seed, then the stalk, then the ear in the stalk to where it is bearing fruit. I work with your faith. I take it where it's at, and I work on it. I allow a little trial here and a little trial there, and if it is true faith and you take the proper stand upon it, if you

feed your faith with My Word, each trial strengthens your faith.

Look at Abraham-he was going to become the "father of faith" for all time. He had the seed of faith in him, but he himself didn't know how strong it was. I finally brought him to the point where I gave him the ultimate test, because he had to know, and I had to know, that his faith was that strong. He had to know that he was willing to give up even the very fruit of the promise, knowing that I would still keep My promise, somehow, somehow. He had to trust, even though he couldn't see how I would fulfill My promise. He had to be blind to the possibility of failure. If faith can't ignore the possibility of defeat and keep going, then it isn't faith.

Faith requires a period of unquestioning perseverance, unswerving trust, before it sees the results, and this period is called endurance. Remember, some of My martyrs refused deliverance that they might obtain a better resurrection. They chose to endure the fire and the persecution so that their rewards would be greater.

Remember, the trying of your faith is more precious than gold. I don't allow you to be tested because I want you to suffer. I allow it because I know the seed is there, the true seed, and I want to teach you to give up all in order to make your stand on it, so that when you come here to be with Me you will have a reward that is much more valuable than gold is in your world.

Remember, faith is the true coinage of the realm, and the quantity and amount of faith you have when you come here is going to be of real value to you.

Now, in your life on Earth, is the time for you to exercise your faith, to develop it like a muscle, to let it grow. The value of enlarging your faith and cultivating it is of inestimable value in the spirit world. Your faith will last eternally. That's one reason being born into a life on Earth is such a privilege and why you should use your time there wisely, because it is a stage of existence where you can determine your rewards and your status and develop as much value as you want to have here.

Some of My martyrs refused deliverance because they were going far beyond the gold. They were going for the true coinage of the heavenly realm and they wanted to prove their faith and make their stand to their last breath, and even then some. They wanted to be a testimony even in their deaths, and so fought for one more breath, one more bit of strength to shout and sing and smile out their witness. They asked Me not to take them quite yet, because they were not finished gathering their rewards. They wanted to do more and go further for Me, and I allowed that, because their faith was strong enough that they could endure.

So sometimes there has to be a period of endurance, where your faith is tried. Of course, when the fire comes, there are things you can do to improve your fight.

First, you make a stand on your foundation of faith. Then you have to start fighting with your spiritual weapons, memorizing and quoting the Word, praying and seeking Me and finding out what My precise will is for you in the matter, what stance I want you to take. I also want to see what stance you are going to take. It is a meeting of the wills, yours and Mine. I don't want to force you. I want to see what your will is because I am

intensely interested in you. You are My bride, My love. I gave up everything I had for you. I want to see what your choice is. But I am smarter and wiser than you and I see what's ahead, so I want to show you what My will is as well. Then between the two choices, you can freely choose where you are going to stand.

I understand and see the seed of faith in your heart, and I try to direct you onto the square center of that seed, to make your stand there. I know where the center is, where the best, most solid stand will be. So I allow situations to happen to nudge you to get to the direct center of My will for you, to nudge you to take the stand that you should take.

If you follow My direction and make that stand, then nothing can move you, for you know it is the truth which will last forever, and when the fire is gone and the turmoil has ended, you will still be standing there right on that foundation of faith. In other words, that foundation has the capability of outlasting every other circumstance or attack. Anything that could possibly confront you is weaker than that foundation of faith. ⁽³⁾

But winds and rain and storms of adverse circumstances may come and push you away from the spot you were standing on for a moment. Circumstances and conditions may make it seem like your stand is impossible, that you should give up, or settle for less than the best, or compromise just a little. But if you have faith and know and trust My will and My Word, you will reclaim and resume your stand of faith, being fully assured that what I have promised, I am able to perform (Romans 4:21).

You will be like Job, who, even though he lost wealth and health and family, was still able to say, "Though He slay me, yet will I trust in Him!" (Job 13:15). You will be like Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego, who, even though they were about to be tossed into the furnace, said, "Our God in Whom we trust is able to deliver us. But if He doesn't, we'll trust Him anyway!" (Daniel 3:17-18). You will be like Abraham, who staggered not at My promise through unbelief, but trusted that I would raise him up a child, even though he was as good as dead, and that I would raise that child from the dead if need be (Romans 4:16-21; Hebrews 11:17-19).

You will be like Martha, trusting that I was able to raise Lazarus from the dead even though he had been in the grave four days already (John 11:21-22). You will be like Paul on his voyage to Rome, trusting in My words to him and My deliverance, even though the storm had raged around him for days (Acts 27:22-25). You will be like Joshua, who was willing to merely march his men around Jericho for a week, trusting Me to do the miracle of bringing down the walls (Joshua 6). This is the sure stand of faith.

To have faith, make sure something is My will, that My Word grants you the power for it, that you are being obedient, that you are willing to persevere to the end, and take the stand of faith--despite the sight of your eyes, or the reasoning of your mind, or the conditions and circumstances. Then, having done all this, stand. If moved by adverse circumstances, go back and resume your stand. If you do, you will see the answer to your prayers and the good fruit of your faith, even miracles and great and mighty things you hadn't imagined! Then you'll join My other servants who exercised their faith and stood

on their faith in My hall of fame in Hebrews 11--the faithful ones, those who were full of faith. Read it often to encourage your faith, dear ones, and claim its promises and the promises I have given you through My Word today.

These men and women of old were men and women just like you--men and women full of faults and failings, with like passions, like sins, like shortcomings. But they made the decision to trust Me and have faith just because I'd said so, or because My Word said they should. Sometimes their stand of faith went against every evidence of their senses, or every voice of their friends and family--but they stood anyway, they trusted anyway, and they received the promise anyway! They took the stand of faith, nothing wavering, determined to please Me and determined to believe My Word--and they did!

So can you, My loves! Have faith, maintain your faith, and stand on your faith. According to your faith, so will it be done unto you. Those of great faith will receive great answers. Will you? You can! ⁽⁴⁾

Overcoming and Enduring is Part of your Testimony

Faith is persevering in My will, even when you don't see Me answering you. Noah persevered for 120 years in building the Ark, sometimes wondering if he'd gotten something wrong and was failing Me, and other times wondering if maybe I'd changed My mind. But he just kept plugging along nevertheless, keeping the faith. Faith was a key part of the witness that I needed him to give to the wicked world. What greater testament of faith could he have than being determined to obey whether it seemed that I was fulfilling My side or not?

It took great faith to face those crowds of scoffers after a hundred years of telling them about the coming flood. He could easily have looked at the impossibility of the task before him and how long he was having to endure without seeing results. He had to take the flood and the need for the Ark totally by faith, since he only had My voice to go on.

Or look at Moses, after he'd been broken and humbled and learned to depend utterly on Me. He goes before Pharaoh, trusting My promise to deliver the children of Israel, and what happens? Pharaoh says no and makes the children of Israel work even harder! Things looked like they were even worse than before, and by every standard that the mind could grasp, they were! Had My promises actually failed? Of course not. But in those times when to you they seem to have failed, it can cause severe testing if you are looking to visible results to "prove" their veracity.

Moses' trusting in My promises and obedience to My instructions looked like a total failure. His people seemed worse off than ever! In fact, he had to go back and face failure several more times before the victory finally came.

Do you think Moses was tempted to doubt, to wonder if what I'd said was real? Do you think he felt like that was the end and that My power wasn't so great after all? Of

course he was tempted to doubt! Of course it seemed hopeless. He battled fiercely! He was humiliated before the very people he was trying so hard to help.

Many times you must step out on blind faith, even when it looks like I've failed or My promises aren't real, or the keys aren't all I've said they were, or My promises of power, protection, and supply aren't being fulfilled like you thought they would be. No matter what things look like, you have to determine that you are going to obey and follow even when everything seems to have gone wrong. That's the greatest testimony of faith that you can have.

Sometimes the periods when all seems to have failed are short, sometimes they are long. Before I parted the Red Sea, it looked like all was lost. Pharaoh's armies had the children of Israel surrounded and trapped. But without that time of hopelessness, the miracle would not have been nearly as great a testimony.

I said through your David that it takes an impossible situation for Me to do a miracle. That means that you have to face situations that seem impossibly difficult at times in order to see the miracle of My power bringing you through to the victory.

I take you through those impossible situations, those times when it looks completely hopeless, and when I require that you hang on for that extra hour, that extra day, that extra period of time, in order to pull down the miracles. That is part of your testimony.

When those who are watching see you claiming the keys, claiming My promises, claiming the victories, claiming that I will do the work and somehow bring you through in spite of seeming failures and defeats, their faith is strengthened. When they see you fall and struggle and you still fight on, despite not seeing the proof with your eyes, knowing that I will fulfill My side, then their faith is strengthened to trust Me when things go wrong for them. (5)

So My goal is to get you to stand on your faith for many reasons, one of which is to develop it so that you are a mighty man or woman on Earth with strong faith that is able to protect you from any attack. And also so that when you enter eternal life you will have the coinage and value system to make you the happiest you could possibly be. There is something precious about having the privilege of living the Earth life, and faith is part of it.

But faith is a dangerous game, for if you don't have faith in a certain area or a certain circumstance, don't pretend that you have it. What I want you to do in each situation is to make your stand on faith, not on false faith. Remember, faith knows. Faith knows what the truth is, and it is the foundation of where you should stand. And then, having done all, stand. It's as simple as that.

I'm not saying it's easy. I'm saying if you have real faith you simply have to make your stand on it, come hell or high water. Remember Job's stance: Though He slay me, yet will I not give up my stand of faith. I will still believe! Do you have that kind of faith? If you do, then you will reap the rewards as Job did. His faith stood the test and came out better than gold.

You know whether you're fighting effectively in a certain situation by examining your situation, examining the foundation you are standing on, and asking yourself if you are effectively fighting the Enemy and defeating every attack he throws at you to try to push you off that foundation of faith. If you are making an effective stand, you won't allow anything to weaken your faith. That's how you know whether you are fighting effectively.

Are you casting down every imagination that exalts itself against your faith?-Or are you like a boat taking on water in the sea? If you are resisting the Enemy, resisting his doubts and lies, taking out your sword and all of your weapons and blasting the lies and spirit of the Enemy to Hell, if you are still standing there and not doubting, that is pretty effective fighting.

But if you are fearful or doubting, then you need to strengthen your faith. It is not strong enough. You need to fight more, you need to build up your faith in the Word, you need to decide where the center of your foundation of faith is, and you must go and stand there.

If you're standing there on that foundation, swinging your swords and weapons with both arms and cutting the Enemy's attacks against your faith to shreds; if you are so sure of your stance that you are willing to die for it, knowing that I will still answer; if you are willing to even give up seeing the answer, as Abraham was, and yet still believe that I am able to fulfill My promise to you somehow, then that, My loves, is passing the test, and I honor that kind of faith.

Once you have examined your stance and made sure you are on the right foundation, and you are quenching and destroying every attack against it, then you know you are fighting effectively, and then it's time to endure. Your faith and your stance are so strong that nothing will affect it.

I want you to endure, and enduring doesn't mean weakening. If your faith is weakening during this period, then it is not real gold faith, or you are not standing on the right foundation, or you're not fighting effectively, or you're not building your faith with My Word and using the spiritual weapons that are available to you.

If it is real gold faith and you are doing your part to strengthen it, it will in fact get stronger during the period of endurance, and this is often one of My reasons for allowing prolonged tests and trials, because I know your faith needs to be strengthened through fighting and not giving up. I also know that you need to know the strength and capabilities and extent, length, breadth, and width of your faith.

When you reach this point of total endurance, it is not a weakening thing in spirit. It may be in the flesh, but in the spirit you are growing stronger, because your faith is actually growing during this time and that is giving you stronger muscles in the spirit. Your faith is growing stronger as you endure.

If your faith is growing weaker, then you know you are not fighting effectively enough, and you need to examine your foundation, examine your weapons, examine your faith, look at My Word, look at how you're fighting and find out where your weak spot is

that is getting attacked and becoming weaker.

However, once you correct this, once you find the weak spot and strengthen it, and take your stand of endurance and begin fighting with both arms and all your might again, then you won't be getting weaker by the moment. Why? Because your faith is so strong and you are so sure of your stance that you actually become stronger in spirit. Your faith becomes a powerhouse of spiritual strength and power, and nothing of the Enemy can come near it that doesn't get electrocuted instantly, because you are emanating such spiritual power!

When it comes to this time to endure, where I allow the Enemy to attack you for prolonged periods, I expect you not to weaken in faith. It's like floating your faith on the waters. There's nothing you can do about the battles except make your stand of faith, come Hell or high water. Your faith is so sure that you simply float out onto the sea, and if the storm comes, it comes; if the waves come, they come; if the wind comes, it comes. But your faith is still afloat, because you are on My current and you know I am in control. True gold faith, like the cork in the storm, doesn't sink. It just keeps popping up, and nothing can sink it!

When you are passing through that time period of endurance, it's like floating in your boat out on the open sea. You may not know where the shore is across the sea, and you may not know how far away it is, but what you do know is that there is a shore, and that you are on My current, and that I am taking you there. You've put all in My hands, and you've decided, "I'm not going to sink, for God is going to take me to that shore." You don't let the winds discourage you, and you don't give up when the waves come. Nothing can stop your faith. This kind of faith always reaches the shore! It has never failed yet. That is the faith that goes through the storm, because it can't be sunk.

So if you're doing all you can do, if your foundation is sure, if you're fighting with all your weapons and not getting weaker in spirit, then it is time to go through the storm and trust that I will help you survive, and I will. It's time to make your stand and let nothing move you spiritually. If you are moved, then something is wrong with your faith and you need to find out what it is, strengthen it, or move to the right foundation, or attend to whatever the weakness is.

But once you're sure, then make your stand of faith through endurance. You will reach the other side. I have never failed yet. Faith is the victory, and faith always gets to the victory, every time! Why? Because it is founded on My Word, and My Word never fails. Your faith is placed in Me, and I never fail. The worlds are framed by My Word. My Word is the foundation and frame of the world you live in, and if you are standing on that foundation and within that framework, your stand is sure, and has the ability to outlast anything that comes against it.

The battle I have called you to may just be the time of endurance for you, to prove your faith to Me and to yourself, and to grow your faith and your rewards. There are often many other reasons I allow long-term battles, often for a testimony to others and to grow their faith. But eventually, you will reach the shore.

When it is time to get into the ship of endurance, you will know it. You will batten down the hatches and you will endure, knowing that the trial is but for a time, and afterward there is exceeding great reward, and that it works in you a far more precious result. ⁽⁶⁾

(The Apostle Paul speaking:) Hold fast that which you have, let no man, no, not even Satan steal that which you have, the crown of glory that is given unto you. Hold it fast. Hold it through the storm. Hold it through the flood. Hold it through the fire. For there is laid up for you that are faithful, you that are trusting, an exceeding great reward.

There are many, many, many here that died trusting, and theirs is an exceeding great reward. And there are many, many, many here that have endured, and theirs, too, is equally a great reward.

So do not let go. Hold fast that crown, that crown of joy, that crown of life, that crown of service, that crown of reward. Do not set it down. Hold it. For I can say it is well worth it to hold on through all the depths, for when you do, you have great reward there upon the earth, and abundant great reward here in the heavenlies. For we are watching and we are helping, but it is you that must make the choice.

And once you choose to hold on, then we can spring into action and help even more. But you must choose, you must take the step of faith, that is for you alone to choose. So be not fearful to undergo whatever it is that is sent your way--your testings, your trials, your purgings. But know that He is faithful to keep you in all your tribulations, and through your tribulations and beyond your tribulations. ⁽⁷⁾

When Satan comes to tempt me, I will take my stand.

When words spewed forth rock my faith, I will take my stand.

When his doubts and lies confuse me, I will take my stand.

When he tempts me to quit, I will take my stand.

When his words seem so convincing, I will take my stand.

When he causes me to question my beliefs, I'm gonna take my stand.

When I feel overwhelmed by his accusations, still I will take my stand.

When his attacks are personal and hurt me, I'll take my stand.

When his influence is tempting me to doubt Your words, I'm gonna take my stand.

When others around are losing their faith, I'll take my stand.

I will take my stand and will not give in to his puny attempts to try to overthrow my faith.

I will take my stand and show the Devil what I'm made of.

I will take my stand, for it is not I that live, but You, my Love, who live in me.

I'll take my stand, for I have all Heaven fighting for me, with legions at my command.

I'll take my stand, for it is battles like this that bring out the fighter in me.

I'm gonna take my stand and rejoice in the battle, for victory is assured.

I'll take my stand and remind myself that I am destined to win many to Jesus, and this is why the Devil hates me and tries to fight me.

I will take my stand and love this fight, brandishing the keys and the new weapons made available to me.

I will take my stand, for I have joined the ranks of those that have gone before me who have been persecuted for righteousness' sake.

I will take my stand and not go back on it, for it is in standing my ground that the Enemy of my soul finds himself trembling and running in defeat.

I will know no defeat, for I have taken my stand. ⁽⁸⁾

Sometimes enduring faith is visibly rewarded in this life with the desired answer or desired miracle, sometimes not. But in either case, it is afforded the highest honors and rewards in My Kingdom. ⁽⁹⁾

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VITAMINS ON FAITH

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1. My dear ones, faith is not a complex matter. There are complex situations, but faith itself is simple. Faith is knowing--knowing that I Am, knowing that I love you and want to help you, knowing that My promises are for you personally, knowing that I answer prayer, knowing that I will do it, even though that knowledge may run contrary to every one of your senses. Faith is knowing, no matter what your sight or your mind says.
2. When you have faith, your heart is fixed, trusting in Me, and you are not moved by bad news or evil tidings (Psalm 112:7). You do not have a doubtful mind, but one which steadfastly trusts in Me. You do not cast away your confidence, your faith, nor do you waver, like a wave of the sea, driven with the wind and tossed (Hebrews 10:35; James 1:6). You know I can do it, I want to do it, and I will do it. That is faith, which greatly pleases Me, for this is the era of faith--of trusting and knowing, even though you cannot see Me and have nothing to stand on but My Word.
3. Obedience is also an essential ingredient in exercising your faith, so if you aren't being obedient to Me and My Word, then you can't have full faith. Remember, faith and obedience must come first, and then I answer prayer.
4. Prayer requires faith. You have to believe that prayer actually works, and that it's more than just a mundane ritual of spiritual goodness. You have to believe wholeheartedly that as you pray, I go to action on your behalf, even though it may take time before you see the full results. Your faith doesn't waver just because an answer is a long time in coming. And because your faith doesn't doubt, but keeps trusting, then when I do bring the answer, your faith is increased and strengthened. But without a strong purpose and belief in prayer, your faith misses out on the stretching and growth that comes through putting Me on the spot in utter confidence and expecting that I will do the miracle in the way I know is best.
5. Unconfessed sin, or sin that is allowed to go unchecked, can also hinder your faith. In such instances, it's hard for you to have faith in Me and My Word if you know you are in the wrong in an area of your life and are not fully obeying Me. That in turn can wear away at your faith, because you can't come confidently before My throne expecting an answer (Hebrews 4:16). You instead gingerly tip-toe before Me, hoping that I'll answer, but at the same time feeling guilty about your request if you know you're not sticking to the requirements needed to access My blessings and the fruit of your obedience.

6. Take the Word into your life. Drinking in the Word, absorbing it deep within you on a daily basis, and allowing it to become a part of your life is the most important thing that you can do to boost your faith. "Faith cometh by hearing the Word of God" (Romans 10:17).
7. Living the Word plays a huge role in the strengthening and effectiveness of your faith. Your faith will be as active as your obedience to the Word. On the other hand, disobedience encages your faith--confines and limits it. When you're disobedient, you cannot have faith that I will bless you or that I will answer your prayers. Disobedience locks up your faith, but confessing your faults, asking for My forgiveness, and starting fresh will set your faith free to once again expect great things from Me.
8. Faith requires action. Faith means effort. "Faith without works is dead" (James 2:26). It takes work to put your faith into action, to take a stand of faith. So don't take the easy way of letting things remain as they are, but have the willpower to put your faith into action.
9. Praise is the voice of faith. Praise invites the fruits of faith into your life. When you praise, it's like pumping up your muscles of faith. Praise prepares your faith for the job at hand: calling down miracles and expecting results.
10. When you're discouraged, you're not praising. Praise strengthens your faith. Discouragement puts your head in the mud instead of lifted to the sky of My promises. Discouragement threatens your faith and eats away at it, which is why it must be fought against with praise.
11. You must not entertain fears that your faith will fail if you put it into action. Fear and faith cannot coexist; if you pray a prayer of faith, but harbor fear in your heart, then you lack real faith. Will you feed your faith or your fear? Faith is not surprised when I answer; faith expected it. Faith doesn't even consider the possibility of defeat or failure. Faith knows. Is your faith that strong, that durable? If not, maybe your heart is too full of fears and doubts. Those must be eradicated through the fumigation of My Word if you really want your faith to grow and flourish.
12. Accept My love and expect great things. You can't have faith if you don't feel worthy of asking for more or greater things from Me, or if you figure that while I may have done a miracle for so-and-so, I can't possibly do the same for you. I don't play favorites; what I did for others, I will do for you too--according to your faith (Matthew 9:29). Every promise in the Bible can be yours, whether you feel worthy of it or not. If you do your part to have faith and meet My conditions, I'll do My part to fulfill the promise.
13. Rise above physical situations and conditions. Do not allow the way things seem in the physical realm to overwhelm you and hinder your faith. You must focus on Me and My power instead. There are difficulties, there are impossibilities, there are huge needs and

sometimes setbacks. Then there's Me, the God of the universe, Who supplied the entire world with water, plants, animals, life, time, order, seasons, and much more, in only six days. Weigh your needs against My greatness and remind yourself that I am more than able. Then ask of Me, focusing only on My ability, and I promise that there will be nothing too hard for Me to do for you.

14. Allow Me to work in your life in the way I deem best. Learn to recognize the way that I use things in your life to strengthen your faith, and yield to them. Grow through the tests that come your way. Hold on when you're going through tough times, and let Me strengthen you. Choose to get the most mileage that you can out of whatever battles you face by looking to Me, by hearing from Me, and by fighting, and then receiving the enhanced faith and confidence that I give you once the battle is over. If you make the right decisions, then the battles and tests and trials of life strengthen your faith rather than weaken it.
15. The greatest increase to your faith comes through the Word. Faith is built through your intake of My Word. But it is more than just taking in the Word that will increase your faith. You must learn to drink it in and absorb it, making it a part of your life, in order for the Word to take full effect in enlarging your faith.
16. Just reading the Word will benefit you to a degree, but if you're not really focusing, studying it, and putting your energies toward finding that truth that I want to speak to you about for the day, then you're not getting the full spiritual workout that you need that will increase your faith muscles.
17. The Word is the basis of faith enhancement, and that should be the first place you look when you find that your faith is running low or just doesn't seem to be as strong or progressively growing as it should be.
18. Faith perseveres to the end. This is what I call "the stand of faith," and it is not an effortless one.
19. To have faith, make sure something is My will, that My Word grants you the power for it, that you are being obedient, that you are willing to persevere to the end, and take the stand of faith.
20. The faith that I love most is the faith that praises Me no matter what happens.
21. Your faith is vital. It is so important for you to exercise your faith so that in the days to come you will be ready to work the great miracles that are promised you.

22. Your faith is the evidence that you are Mine. Your faith in Me is what proves to the world that you are Mine. How much proof are you offering? How much evidence can you show for your life?
23. Living in faith means living My Word. You take My Word and you apply it to your life in every situation.
24. The more you fight to live by the standards in My Word, the more your faith is strengthened.
25. The future will require great faith, such as hasn't been tapped into before, and you will be able to meet that demand for faith if you are faithful to live in faith today.
26. Take a look at your attitude and ask yourself which is more prominent: faith, praise, and trust?--Or fretting, doubt, and worry?
27. Faith is active. There is nothing passive about faith. Faith is doing!
28. You can't go by your feelings, because they aren't a correct gauge of your faith.
29. Faith is an almost insane belief in My ability to come through for you. I always bless faith.
30. True, strong faith is confidence; it's belief, trust, assurance, reliance, and an undeniable dependence on My power.
31. When you know beyond a shadow of a doubt that something is My will, then you can't retract your faith at the first sign of "trouble."
32. Faith has to be put into action if you expect to see results. Faith without works is dead (James 2:26).
33. You have to work on your faith; it's not just a permanent feature in a disciple's life. It's a muscle you work, you tone, and you strengthen--and each challenge you face is another chance for your faith muscle to grow and stretch.
34. When you come to the end of a test that stretched your faith--but you persevered and let Me increase your faith, although it required work and effort--the result is the miracle I promised and a boost to your faith.
35. Faith and trust walk hand in hand, and very seldom do they walk alone.

36. Faith comes from reading, receiving, accepting and applying My Word. You read and believe My Word, and then you step out and obey it; you make your stand of faith, you watch Me fulfill My Word, and your faith is increased, it grows.
37. I promise you that if you seek to please Me, I will please you--and in ways that you hadn't even thought possible or imaginable! That's the kind of faith I wish to see you have. Have the faith to obey, to love, to yield, to overcome fear, to act out of conviction, to take a stand of faith, and I will bless it.
38. Faith is at the core of your spiritual being, just like your heart, and from your faith--just like your heart--come forth the issues of life. Faith is your anchor; it's what keeps you going. It's that line that attaches you to Me, and it develops from your love for Me. Your love for Me feeds your faith, and your faith--and its growth--in turns fuels the fire of our love.
39. You'll never fully understand faith in this life, for it is not given to the finite mind to understand it.
40. Don't be afraid to welcome tests and experiences that stretch your faith.
41. I always reward those who step forward, stretching their faith, trusting in Me and My promises, even if they feel that the knees of their faith might give way under them.
42. That is what faith is fashioning you for: your destiny in ruling and reigning on Earth, something even the angels of Heaven have not been given the training for. Only you--My Own--who have experienced the trials and tests of the faith life here on Earth will be given that high honor and reward.
43. Endurance is the ultimate in faith. Endurance is saying to Me that although you don't see My answer yet, you know that it is coming and you will last as long as needed until I finally deliver you.
44. Part of getting closer to the End is that the Enemy's power is increasing, the spiritual battles are waxing hotter, and in many cases the answers will be slower in coming--to test your faith, as a witness to the world of your faith that refuses to quit, and also to allow the Enemy his last days, what I have promised in the Bible that I would allow him.
45. Be willing to fight long battles against the Enemy when there don't seem to be instant miracles, and to hold your ground steadfastly and not lose your faith when I don't deliver you immediately.
46. Someone who endures through long or seemingly endless battles and tests of faith

is a powerful testimony to all the watching hosts of Heaven. It's a testimony of the kind of faith that truly pleases God-the kind of "but if not" faith that endures endless difficulties because it believes in My promises and in My goodness and faithfulness to deliver, no matter what the circumstances look like.

47. Long, enduring battles bring out the best in you, if you're fighting them correctly and keeping your faith strong in Me. They draw out compassion, humility, desperation, understanding, and gentleness. They teach maturity of spirit. They test and prove your faith to the point that it is real gold faith. That is so precious to Me.
48. You need great doses of faith to hold on to in those trying times, and that comes from the Word and from doing all the things that are required of disciples, such as minimizing the influences of the world, fighting to take on My perspective in every test, taking on My mind more, memorizing, talking about the Word, and so on.
49. If you go down fighting, it's worth it! That's a battle well fought. That's a victory won! You never completely lost faith and gave in; you never quit, you never stopped fighting. Maybe that's My calling for you, to fight to the end, to be a sample of faith and courage and endurance.
50. If you can say with Paul at the end of your days, "I have fought a good fight, I have finished the course, I have kept the faith," then you will have been the kind of fighter I need.
51. It takes a lot of faith to fight for the little victories consistently, and each little victory is another step toward winning the war.
52. Faith is the indestructible steel of the spirit world. Nothing can quench it, break it, or move it. But to become that strong, to actually have your faith grow into that indestructible substance, it has to be tried in the fire, just like steel, then put in the water, then put in the fire again, hammered, shaped into the type of faith you want, put in the water again, and back in the fire.
53. Faith is actually a stand you make because of your belief. You take a stand of faith on some truth, based on My love and My Word.
54. Faith is immovable, indestructible, able to withstand any amount of heat, and able to quench and stop anything that is thrown at it. It's as simple as that.
55. I allow a little trial here and a little trial there, and if it is true faith and you take the proper stand upon it, if you feed your faith with My Word, each trial strengthens your faith.

56. Faith requires a period of unquestioning perseverance, unswerving trust, before it sees the results, and this period is called endurance.
57. Remember, faith is the true coinage of the realm, and the quantity and amount of faith you have when you come here is going to be of real value to you.
58. Now, in your life on Earth, is the time for you to exercise your faith, to develop it like a muscle, to let it grow. The value of enlarging your faith and cultivating it is of inestimable value in the spirit world. Your faith will last eternally. That's one reason being born into a life on Earth is such a privilege and why you should use your time there wisely, because it is a stage of existence where you can determine your rewards and your status and develop as much value as you want to have here.
59. There is something precious about having the privilege of living the Earth life, and faith is part of it.
60. Faith is the victory, and faith always gets to the victory, every time! Why? Because it is founded on My Word, and My Word never fails. Your faith is placed in Me, and I never fail.
61. The old quote says, "Faith knows that God will do it, and He does!" and now your arsenal has been expanded to include the ability to praise Me for performing your request before you have even seen it in the physical. This is one of the highest levels of appropriating faith. You're taking the action of thanking Me for answering your prayer even before I have done so, which shows that you have the kind of faith that will get the needed results.
62. Focus on the good no matter how bad the situation seems to be. As you recall the wonderful things I have done and can and will do, faith will take hold and grow in strength.
63. As you grow in praise power, your resistance against attacks will also grow-not just around you, but around those close to you as well. Just as fear can get ahold of many, praise has the opposite effect and can strengthen the faith of many.
64. Positive speech is a big part of praise as well, because it's manifesting faith in Me. And as they hear those positive words and statements of faith, it will help them to focus more on the positive as well.
65. Even in the small things, it's important to build the habit of speaking faith and praising Me.
66. Faith brings on the victory, and praise is the voice of faith!

67. Praise is the hand of faith that pulls the trigger and eliminates the Enemy. The keys of praise will always bring you victory or reprieve.
68. In order to have strong faith, it must be sorely tested, refined, and purified. It's the testing and refining and purifying that is hard--so hard to endure, so hard to understand, so hard to accept.
69. You don't have to feel like you have great faith. You don't have to feel like a spiritual giant. All you have to do is stick it out, clinging to the anchor of My Word no matter what things look like around you, and eventually you will win the reward of the promise.
70. If everything was easy, I wouldn't need you so desperately--because there would be plenty of people willing to serve Me and do what you're doing. It's hard, it requires so much sacrifice, faith, and endurance, and that's why you are rare, priceless, extremely valuable--and why I will reward you accordingly, above all you can imagine.
71. So don't give up, My loves. Don't be weary in well-doing. Strengthen your faith in My Word. Drink it in. Let it sustain you. If you're losing perspective, return to your faith, return to the perspective of My Word, and hold on! The victory is coming, and so is the reward, the promise, the blessing.
72. I give you My Word to strengthen you. I give you the keys to do miracles for you. I give you My love to sustain you. But you must endure. That is what you must do, and that is what you are rewarded for--your faith, your endurance.
73. Your life is a test of faith. It's good to realize that there are no exceptions when it comes to some of these tests of life and faith. I test you to strengthen you. I refine your gold to purify it. I allow you to face difficulties because it forces you back onto your foundation of faith and trust in Me and endurance, and with time and using your faith you become spiritual bedrock that can stand any test.
74. Strengthen your faith. That's the bottom line. Faith is the currency of the spiritual realm, and when you've really stood your ground with faith and endured, your faith will be the stronger for it.
75. Endure, hold on, strengthen your faith. Read My Word and cherish it, whether or not it does anything for you on the surface. Learn to value the Word and faith for the treasure that it is in itself, not for what it does in obvious or instant ways. That is a key.

You don't often see the ways that your struggles are strengthening the faith of others who see you. It's hard, when dealing with your own mistakes, to see how what looks like

failure to you is actually encouraging others to carry on because of your example. That's going to be a huge part of the joy of Heaven when you arrive: seeing how I used the testimony of your faith--even faith through endurance when you never saw what looked like an answer to you--to strengthen and encourage so many others.

76. Faith is persevering in My will, even when you don't see Me answering you.
77. Many times you must step out on blind faith, even when it looks like I've failed or My promises aren't real, or the keys aren't all I've said they were, or My promises of power, protection, and supply aren't being fulfilled like you thought they would be. No matter what things look like, you have to determine that you are going to obey and follow even when everything seems to have gone wrong. That's the greatest testimony of faith that you can have.
78. Sometimes the periods when all seems to have failed are short, sometimes they are long. Before I parted the Red Sea, it looked like all was lost. Pharaoh's armies had the children of Israel surrounded and trapped. But without that time of hopelessness, the miracle would not have been nearly as great a testimony.
- I take you through those impossible situations, those times when it looks completely hopeless, and when I require that you hang on for that extra hour, that extra day, that extra period of time, in order to pull down the miracles. That is part of your testimony.
79. When those who are watching see you claiming the keys, claiming My promises, claiming the victories, claiming that I will do the work and somehow bring you through in spite of seeming failures and defeats, their faith is strengthened. When they see you fall and struggle and you still fight on, despite not seeing the proof with your eyes, knowing that I will fulfill My side, then their faith is strengthened to trust Me when things go wrong for them.
80. Consider the fact that you are Satan's chief enemy. You are facing a foe against whom you would not stand a chance were it not for My supernatural power--including the power that I have given to you through the keys, the Word, faith, and your strong bond with Me. It's tough going and you feel overwhelmed at times, but you are still standing! You are defying the prince of the power of the air (Eph.2:2). You are living right in the midst of Satan's kingdom at a point in time when his power is being manifested in the most powerful ways ever witnessed by man. You defy the powers that be in this wicked world, yet they cannot stop you.

The battles are fierce, but you keep moving forward. You may not be running unhindered and effortlessly slaughtering the Enemy's forces, but you are standing your ground and moving forward, even if it takes great effort. You are conquering his kingdom step by step.

He is throwing everything he's got at you and he is unable to stop you! It feels like a tough victory and a slow one, but it's clearly a victory!

81. You may often look defeated in your own eyes, but your commitment, your do-or-die spirit of refusing to let go of the promises, even when everything looks lost and contrary to logic and reason, is the greatest victory of all.
82. You are destined to be leaders, those who will teach, instruct, and shelter many. What will give faith to those you are leading?--When they see you facing the ferocity of battle and suffering the wounds of war, even falling to your knees in exhaustion at times, yet you won't stop, you won't give up. Seeing you struggle back to your feet, again and again, till the battle is won, is a greater testimony than anything else you could do or any witness you could give.
83. Do you believe that what I have promised I will perform? Do you trust Me so much that it doesn't matter what things look like to your eyes or mind--you know Me so intimately that nothing could ever dissuade you from following whatever task I give you to do?

That's the kind of dedication that will carry you forward and through any battle you will face. That's the conviction of heart that will cause you to get up off the ground after some blow from the Enemy, to glare right back at him and scream in his face that his attempts to stop you only make you more determined to destroy him utterly.
84. It's easy for circumstances and conditions to hurt your faith, if that's what you're going by. The thing to do is to thank Me for what doesn't work out, and move on to find the one that will.
85. If you expect that you'll be able to demand something according to your will, not Mine, you'll be disappointed (Jn.5:30).
86. There is no bypassing the faith factor in your life for Me. Everything in your life of service and sacrifice and even your belief in Me is based on faith.
87. If you want to be successful, you must learn how to be encouraged by My "yes" without being discouraged by My "no."
88. That's what faith is--knowing that I'm here, and that what I've promised I'm not only able to perform, but I'm going to perform.
89. When you base your faith on a certain outcome instead of trusting Me to fulfill My perfect will, that's when you're easily disappointed.

90. There is always more to any given situation than you can see, aspects which are beyond your understanding. You must remember that and base your faith on My ability to do what I know is best, not what your limited sight deems to be best.
91. You can choose to have faith or you can choose disbelief. If you choose faith, you become more powerful in spirit, you are less daunted by the "winds and the waves," the circumstances and conditions that would pull you away from faith, and you grow stronger, not weaker. When you are strengthened in faith, you command more of My power. It's a cycle of victory and growth and greater answers to prayer, greater happiness, greater trust in Me.
92. Faith is the invisible bridge between what you see and what you can't see. Faith spans the gap and obtains miracles.
93. Even if you die in faith without receiving the fulfillment of the promise, you are more than a conqueror, because you walked by faith and not by sight, and you did what you were supposed to do and you finished the course.
94. Faith is the only connection that you have to this side. It's nothing you can see, nothing you can feel, and nothing you can prove. It only exists in the hearts of those who love Me. And when you have faith, you somehow know, even if you don't know at all. There's something beyond the physical, something inside you that makes that link and connection, even though the path is so unapparent to the carnal mind.
95. Real faith isn't contingent on results. You don't strengthen your faith by the events around you; you strengthen your faith through trusting Me despite the events around you. You strengthen your faith by belief in Me and taking Me at My Word despite the results, not because of them. Anything else is proof or confirmation of faith, not faith itself.
96. Things go wrong and you love Me anyway--that's faith. You claim the keys and things don't turn out as you wanted, but you still go on for Me--that's faith. You have been disappointed before, but you try again next time--that's faith. You don't quit, no matter what things look like and no matter what does or doesn't happen--that's faith.
97. The keys are true. There is no false key promise. There is no promise that I am unable to fulfill. But I understand that it's easy to tire when you don't see the results you were hoping for. It is a lot harder to hold on, by blind--almost dumb--faith alone, believing that that which you can't see is the greatest reality you'll ever know.
98. Keep trusting and never give in despite how you feel, despite how your spirit feels, despite how your situation looks. The greatest truth, the surest facts, the truest reality are

those things of the spirit. Nothing else matters. No matter how real your discouragement feels, no matter how complicated your situation is, the greatest truth is that I love you, that the spiritual weapons work, and that those things you do for and in the spirit will last forever.

99. Faith isn't manifested only in your ability to receive immediate, miraculous answers to prayer; it is also manifested in endurance, longsuffering, and the ability and patience to keep on fighting even when you don't see immediate responses or action as a result of your prayers and claiming the keys. So let patience have her perfect work, so that your faith can be whole, and entire, wanting nothing (James 1:4).
100. All testing is only for a time. And when it has passed, your faith remains--stronger and purer and more precious than ever. Every single one of you, without exception, will one day thank Me for not rescuing you prematurely and for continuing to keep you in the fire until the victory was won.
101. I do have the victory in absolutely every single situation, circumstance, or predicament. There's nothing--and I mean nothing--that is greater than My power to resolve. That is a fact, something you can count on regardless of how extreme or outrageous the circumstances or attacks are. If you can believe that there is victory, that I have it ready to give to you or your loved ones, then you'll protect your faith, your "Halloween wheel," and you'll be victorious. It all begins with belief. Faith is both the starting point and the ending point. Faith is the all in all.
102. The starting point, before you pick up any weapon or call on any spirit helper, is faith. Faith is the password. Faith is the foundation of power and anointing and victory. That's why I said, "This is the victory that overcomes the world, even your faith" (1 John 5:4). That hasn't changed with time or with increased knowledge and insight. Faith is still the firepower, the spark that makes the connection and ignites the fire of My Spirit to work on your behalf.
103. Learning the life of faith is a lifelong journey and adventure, and it's something that will thrill you from now until eternity, if you can grasp that faith is the key. Faith--belief, acceptance, action, and expectation. They're all intertwined, they're all part of having faith.
104. It is possible for all the children of David to have great faith. It is possible for every single one of you to be a giant of faith. It's a process, yes, but it's not a difficult one. It's a spiritual progression and it takes time, but you will reach that goal if you keep going.

But in order to have the wherewithal to fight these spiritual battles, you must seek to strengthen your faith. That's not complicated. The first thing you need to accept, realize

and believe is that there is victory for you. I can bring victory in any situation, I have the victory over any and all problems. Know that there are no exceptions to that promise. You must believe that simple fact if you are ever to have great faith.

105. Just as I died for you, as if you were the only one, likewise I gave My promises for you, as if you were the only one. They are for you, personally, individually, eternally!

Grab those promises off the table, clutch them desperately to your chest and guard them with your life, saying, "Hey, these are mine! They were made for me, created for me, they're mine! They're exactly what I personally need, and they fit me like a glove, like a fine handmade suit that was tailored to my specific measurements. They fit every single situation that I'll ever come up against in my life, and no one is going to convince me otherwise!"

106. Faith is your "biggest and baddest weapon." Yes, all the weapons work together; they're all powerful and all needed, but faith is the secret to using any of them to their full potential.

107. I gave those promises to you as a gift when I died for you, just you. I custom-made those promises just for you, knowing that you would be imperfect, knowing that you were human and could never "attain" to some state of perfection. And yet I gave them to you as if you were the only one. So don't keep trying to be worthy. You're already worthy because I made you worthy. I gave you My worthiness when I died for you. It's a done deal. All that's left is for you to believe, strengthen your faith, and then let Me do the miracles that I have promised.

108. Faith is the power of the spirit world, and when you take things by faith, you put that power into action. The Enemy has no defenses against that.

When you launch your spiritual weapons by faith, there's nothing he can do except flee the battleground. He can try to prevent you from exercising your faith by barraging you with doubts, lies, fears, and worries, but once your faith missiles are in motion, he's completely helpless.

109. The Enemy has been given permission to test and try your faith now, but only so that it can be made whiter, more pure and precious, and thus be more rewarded. What he's really doing is adding to your ever growing and grand reward. He can't take anything away from you. Even his attacks only bring you more glory, more honor, more strength, more love, more reward. What can he do to you?

110. Never turn your back on the Enemy. Never flinch, or concede defeat, or wonder what the outcome will be or fear how long the battle will last. Fear will be your defeat.

Faith and trust in My promises to you, in My love for you, and in the unsurpassed weapons of the spirit, is your victory. Believe and hold on, and the victory will be yours.

111. I will give you faith as you hang on to My promises and put them into action.
112. I have given you the absolute power of freedom of choice. That means that your power or ability to choose what you are going to believe and what you are going to put your faith in and what you are going to hang on to is more powerful than any possible attempt to pry you away from that choice. If your faith in Me is rock solid, then absolutely nothing can change that, without your decision to let it change.
113. (Dad speaking:) Ours is a walk of faith, a life of faith, and our goal is to attract others to our faith life, to impart to them the faith that we have, and to teach them how to use the weapon of faith in their lives too, starting with having the faith of a little child to accept the gift of salvation.
114. Faith is having confidence in Me. Faith is knowing that you can trust Me completely--not just to be there with you, but for a victorious outcome. Faith knows that no matter what comes your way, or what you face, I will bring you through it; I will get the victory for you regardless of the circumstances.
115. That's what you're meant to do with faith--put it into action. Faith is not complete without the action; it's a package deal. You have to work your faith to prove its existence.
116. I'm here to show you just what faith means and what it does! Faith will rock your world, because it will not just dream wild dreams, it will set about to do them, and with My help it will achieve them.
117. Faith isn't something you just "have" naturally. You gain it through putting Me to the test and experiencing My power. Faith is built up one layer at a time, ever increasing your size and strength, till you become a quarterstaff in My hand to beat down the most aggressive foe. Faith grows, it's built over time, and the more your faith is tested, the more faith you'll have.
118. Expect Me to strengthen your faith by putting you in faith-inducing situations. They are generally pretty trying at the time, but always result in greater faith if you put Me to the test and watch Me do the miracle. With time, you will be strong enough to stand firm in the fiercest of gales.
119. Let your mind stretch. Your faith is almost always limited by your mind and what you are willing to accept as possible. Push the barriers back.

120. Faith requires a will to work. Faith doesn't lazily wait for a bolt of lightning from the sky before acting. The "bolt" may be on its way, but faith won't be idle during that time; faith will be hard at work, both trusting the Lord and also actively doing what it can.
121. Who can understand faith? Who can explain faith? And this is what is pleasing to Me, faith in Me. You believe in Me by faith. You have everlasting life by faith. There is a Heavenly Kingdom by faith. There is a crown for you by faith. And blessed are those eyes that see by faith and that require not a sign.
122. Faith moves mountains! Faith heals minds and bodies! Faith makes alive where fear makes dead.
123. I need a lot more faith from each one of you. Faith is what overcomes the world, and since the world looks pretty big and bad these days, I'd say you're going to need a whole lot of faith to do what you need to do before I return.
124. It is you whom I've chosen, because you are the strongest amongst My children upon the Earth, and therefore it is you whom I am calling to this training and testing time to strengthen your faith, to renew it, to practice it, to bring it to where it needs to be for the times that are coming.
125. Strengthen your faith! Find out where its borders are now, and expand them greatly. Follow Me in faith, say yes to Me in faith, hold not back through lack of faith, and I will see to it that we cross those spiritual lands and circumstances that will strengthen you, that will enhance your faith.
126. Strengthen your faith. You are called and chosen. You are My faithful ones whom I am counting on to be the supporters of the weak and the ones who will carry them through. And no matter how strong you think you are, you will not be strong enough for that task in yourself. It must be your faith in Me, your trust in Me, your dependence on Me that is strong. Then I will be able to use you to do far more than you could have ever dreamed of.
127. It is hard to understand "Why." So don't try to. Instead, understand "Who." Don't wonder, "Why did this happen?" But proclaim in faith, "My Jesus allowed this to happen!" Then, instead of looking at the horrible situation, you will be looking at Me, the Founder and Lover of your life. When all you see is the fact that I allowed it, then your faith is sure and your heart is encouraged and your spirit is refreshed--because you know that I only allow that which is good in your life. When you have faith in the "Who," then you don't need to worry about the "Why."
128. I've put this emphasis on faith because in the days to come, faith is truly what will

sustain you--your faith in Me manifested in your obedience to Me, your faith to hold on despite dire circumstances, your faith to walk through the end of days, still believing and trusting no matter what.

129. Faith is confident; it believes that whatever happens will be what's best. Faith doesn't go into a test holding its breath and anxiously waiting for the outcome. Faith marches in with confidence and trust that the outcome will be just right; and faith is happy for that outcome and accepting of it. That's faith; it doesn't waver, but is strong and sure of the promise. Faith will receive My direction and then will act on it without fear of "what if?" Faith doesn't question whether I will answer or not, it simply believes.
130. You will grow in faith and confidence as you come before Me to receive My direction and guidance, and then proceed according to how I'm leading you.
131. I wish for you to seek Me and to find your level of faith on all matters and to operate accordingly.
132. I genuinely want what's best for you, and I will counsel you as to the best options for you, taking into consideration your personal faith.
133. Pray extreme prayers when you need to see extreme results. Extreme prayers are prayers prayed in full faith, because you know that I am the God of miracles, and the conqueror of the impossible. I can and will do anything. Show Me that you believe this by praying for an outright, upright, Heaven-sent miracle, an out-of-this-world answer. I love to supply My children with extreme answers and miracles, but you have to do your part by pulling them down in faith and expectancy.
134. The key element for effective prayers is faith. I'm talking about faith that's so strong, so eager, so enthusiastic, so desperate, that it doesn't even really notice that it's asking for and expecting something "ridiculous" by the standards of logic or practicality.
135. I love to prove Myself to you. Put Me on the spot today, and make it good. Give Me something hard, something impossible. That'll be fun! I love doing the impossible. It's a chance for Me to show My love for you; a chance for Me to show off to you, My bride. So, come on, I know you have lots of requests, but pick one and commit it to Me. Focus your prayers on that one thing and let Me get to work. Okay?
136. Why pray if you don't expect an answer? The only thing in this world that I'm limited by is your faith and expectation of a miracle.
137. Imagine that you have the richest and most powerful person on Earth, with unlimited resources and influence, wrapped around your little finger. This person loves

you so much that he can never resist giving you anything you want, because you are that close and beloved. You've never lived such a life, or had this privilege in the flesh, so it might be difficult to imagine it. But if you can, imagine the attitude and confidence you would have when you needed something and went to ask for it. That's the kind of confidence I want you to have when asking Me for something. I call that faith.

138. God's men of old were few in number, but the prayers of a few, coupled with faith, attacked the strongest and mightiest men and cities, overcame the greatest odds, and reversed circumstances. Prayer is what enabled the men and women of faith to leave their mark on history, and prayer will enable you to leave your mark too, and to gain one of the most important titles available--a man or woman of faith.

139. When you're praying in faith and standing on that faith, you don't even consider other possibilities. There is no Plan B, only Plan A--counting on Me, the Alpha and Omega.

140. Are you believing, and thus receiving? Or are you waiting to receive so that you can believe? It is your faith that pleases Me. It is your faith, the fact that you believe, that you stand upon My Word, that draws down the blessings that I have for you. The blessings come no other way, for you must believe in order to receive.

I ask you to prove Me, to try Me, to test Me! I ask you to stand upon My Word, nothing wavering, believing in the unseen, and thus will you receive and your faith will be increased. You will see that he that puts My Word to the test is he that receives the blessings from My hand. He that stands upon My Words, upon all that I have spoken, he it is who receives My blessing, he it is who sees miracles, he it is who sees the working of My Spirit and who rejoices to see My hand move upon his life.

141. Oh, My beloved children, how I love it that you come before Me to seek Me, that you may move according to My direction and operate according to My will. You acknowledge that you know nothing and that you are nothing. You are not full of yourselves and your own ideas, but you are willing to listen to Me and Mine. You know that My blessings come from doing My will, and that the way to find My will is to seek Me and to ask Me. This brings Me great pleasure and great joy! It shows Me your love for Me, your faith in Me, and your faith that I will do the things that I have said I will do. It shows Me that you desire to serve Me, to listen to Me, to follow Me, and this pleases Me well.

142. The strengthening which My Family needs through the Word is of utmost importance. This is the first step, and the others cannot be taken until this one has been taken. For when those who are strong in the Word and rich in faith step out on My promises, trusting Me completely to provide and supply their every need, I am able to meet them, fulfill My Word, and to work wondrous miracles! But these who have not had sufficient Word, who are weakened and lacking faith and trust, are not able to step out in

full faith, for they lack the faith to believe that I am able to meet them. And because of this lack of faith, I am not able to meet them.

How I long for My children to be strengthened in faith through their feasting on My Word! Oh, what a simple answer--almost too simple, it would seem to some. Yet what a mighty door this little key is able to unlock! For it is the passageway into the world of My abundant supply, of My blessings, and of My answers to their prayers

143. (Spirit helper speaking:) Things in this world aren't always going to be easy. They aren't going to seem easy. They aren't going to be problem-free, and it's not often going to look like we're winning. But that's what "taking it by faith" is all about. That's what it's all about--just standing on the Word and believing that the Lord is going to do it, believing that you're doing what you're supposed to be doing.

144. Faith is the true coinage of Heaven. Faith is the key that unlocks the treasure house of My blessings--My spiritual blessings, My material blessings, all of My blessings. For without faith, it is impossible to please Me. For he that comes to Me must believe that I am the rewarder of those that diligently seek Me. And why would you seek Me unless you had the faith that I would hear and I would answer and I would honor your faith and honor My Word, My promises to you?

145. I am not a man that I should lie, nor the son of man that I should repent. Have I said and shall I not do it? Have I not promised that I will supply your every need, that I love to give more than you love to receive, that I would open the windows of Heaven and pour out a blessing you could not contain, if you would but trust Me and believe My Words and obey them?

But you have not because you ask not. You do not stop to ask Me specifically for the answers to your situation, your problems, what I want you to do. I know your situation. I know your every problem. I know every tiny detail, and I have a great plan that I am waiting to unfold at the touch of your faith. Your faith can release the power of the universe! Your faith can move mighty mountains of obstacles and difficulties! Because if you put your faith in Me and My Words, I will move the mountains, I will overcome the obstacles, and I will provide the solutions.

146. Faith is opening the door, stepping back, inviting Me in, and saying, "Lord, You do it. We hold You to Your promise! We take the step in the direction You say to go. We step out by faith, trusting You to meet us, and we know that You will."

147. Faith is the key to the life of a Christian, to the life of My missionaries, My children. It is the key to faithfulness and blessing and provision and power and protection and

inspiration and receiving every good thing that I wish to bestow upon My precious children whom I love.

148. Do you believe that I love you? Do you have faith in My Love, in My care, in My provision, and in My protection? Do you believe that, as a most loving and caring and doting Husband, I would not leave My wife comfortless, without the utmost care, without her needs met, without guidance and direction, without the solutions to her problems, the grace for every situation?

Nay, I could not be such a Husband that would neglect the care of a wife so precious unto Him! For you are My precious one, My darling Bride, My yielded and obedient wife who seeks to do My slightest bidding, who loves Me with all of her heart and who lays down her life and body in service for Me, because of her great love for Me and My children. Would I not care for her as My beloved? Would I not cherish her as the precious treasure she is unto Me? Would I not help her and deliver her from every evil thing and provide her every need and surround her with My Love? Yea, I will do all of these things, and more.

149. The key is faith--faith in My Love, faith in My promises, faith to obey in spite of the odds, in spite of overwhelming obstacles and seemingly impossible situations. For this is the proof of My Bride's love--her faith in Me, her faith in My Words, and her faith in My power to fulfill them. Her great love for Me is manifest in her faith--the golden key of faith.

So guard this precious treasure I have given you, this golden key of faith. It is something that must be kept through constant care and nurturing and feeding from My Words, which are spirit and life. By doing these things, by believing and receiving and imbibing and drinking in and partaking of My Words, you keep the golden key of faith bright and shiny and polished, and you will be well able to use it to open many mighty doors of My blessings for all that you need in every area of your life. For you are My precious Bride and loving wife, and I love you.

150. You must look away from the Enemy's doubts, fears, worries, lies and accusations, and look to Me and My Word! You must continue to walk by faith and draw your faith from the power of My Word. For My Word has kept you all these years. My Word has faithfully kept you from the day of your rebirth until now, and it will continue to keep you until we are together in Heaven.

151. I have set you all free to follow Me at the level of your faith, and I have said that you must live with the consequences of your decisions. You must live with the dividends of your investments. He that invests heavily in faith reaps heavily in reward. He that withholds some and invests much, reaps also reward. And he that invests only a little reaps a little in reward.

152. My love, ask Me to increase your faith. If you have faith, anything is possible. For even if I give you counsel and instruction that will help you, if you don't have the faith that it can happen, then it will not happen, due to your lack of faith.
153. Lack of hope and faith dries up the soul and spirit. Hope in Me--your God, your rock, your salvation, your strength. For if you place your hope and faith in Me, I will honor your trust and will not disappoint it.
154. Along with all the new weapons I've placed in your arsenal, I've placed the gift of greater faith in your heart--and in the heart of each of My Family. This gift is yours, given to you to cherish, to have and to hold. You must hold on to it at all costs, for the Enemy seeks to pull it from your hands.
155. The only true reality lies in Me and My promises. I'm able to defy the laws of nature that I've put in place if I so desire. Don't limit Me. Don't let the Enemy's doubts limit your faith. Fight militantly to hold on to your faith and to cherish and hone the weapons I've given you so that you may have the strength wherewith to fight the battle, to defy the impossible, to rise above.
156. When you become familiar with the way you perceive yourself to be, and you think certain things aren't doable for you personally, this is the greatest hindrance to really pulling down My power for you. You tend to put yourself, with all your personal limitations, in a box, with a sign that reads, "I can do most things You ask of me, but some things just aren't attainable. Note the ceiling on my box. Please don't ask more of me than You can see I can do." And then when it seems that I do ask something of you that in your mind or heart you seem to have resolved is beyond you, then you start to worry that I'm not looking out for your good or your welfare. You've put limits on what I can ask you to do, or what you've resolved you can or want to do.

I ask you, with the deepest love I can express, to let yourself break loose. Don't look at the walls you're encased in, thinking, "Thus far and no further--that's all I really can do." Break a hole in it and face the light in the sky above! That's really where you can reach to, with Me and My power.

157. When one lets Me use them, and they see the victory before their own eyes, yet more strength is given to them. Faith in Me to see them through all impossibilities builds the muscles of the men and women of faith, and they will go on to see yet greater impossibilities conquered. Courage is a result of faith that one can do it, or is at least willing to try. And when it's done, the faith grows yet more--and thus the willingness to conquer, in faith, greater foes. Such are My men and women of faith--going forth, with Me beside them, conquering and to conquer.

158. If your will is in line with Mine, then you can have the assurance that whatever you want and ask for in My Name and with faith is yours.
159. Because of My love for My Father and My yieldedness to His will, I and My Father were one. Our desires were one and the same. Our hearts were one. Because I wanted to please Him and follow His calling for Me, even though it meant dying on the cross, He was able to give Me overcoming power and fill My human flesh with His Spirit, His power, and His supernatural anointing. And the same can be true for you. When you're strong in My Spirit and your will is one with Mine, then you can command Me to do whatever you wish, and it will be done for you.
160. Keep your eyes on the Lighthouse of My Word. My Word heals the heart, washes away fears, takes your eyes off yourself, and sets you free to serve Me. You must resist the temptation to look back at your old self--the fallen and feeble you. He is dead and gone, but you must live and journey on. Don't take your eyes off Me for an instant, for the moment that you look down at yourself, Satan fires his deadly darts of fear, condemnation, discouragement and dismay to get you to panic.
161. Keep going by faith. Your will and determination will play a major part in how quickly you progress. Determine and do. Know that it is possible. All things are possible, and you can do all things. No one achieves anything without effort and trying and pushing themselves beyond what they think they can do. No one wins by strolling along. No one wins the race by never training and never pushing their limits until their limits become the norm. And then they push for new limits! This is how champions are made. They are made--by hard work and pushing!
162. There will be battles and tests of faith, but I promise that if you focus on My power you will be able to rise above any obstacles in your way.
163. Your faith needs to be solid faith--not what you think anyone else is expecting of you, but faith that stands on what I have shown you personally and how I am leading you.
164. I am asking you to trust Me, to put your life... into My hands. I am asking you to say to Me, "Not my will, but Thine be done." I promise you, My love, that if you put your full weight down on Me, if you give everything to Me--all of your concerns, all of your trials, all of your fears--that I will take care of you... in the very best way possible.
165. So many people wish for their faith to be strengthened, but they're not really willing to go through the difficult times that are necessary to do so. They want Me to wave My magic wand and give them strong faith, just like that, without them having to do anything. But that's not how faith works. Faith is built, it grows, and it is strengthened--not through comfy, non-problematic, peaceful times, but through uncomfortable, difficult times.

166. Faith in Me will win the battle and turn the tide. Things that seem to be don't need to be! What seems inevitable can be changed, and the outcome can be drastically altered by My hand and My power. Move My hand in prayer. Move My hand in faith.
167. I want you to get a tailor-made course on faith and connection with Me. You can't let anything, good or bad, shake your faith at a time like this. You need to know beyond a shadow of a doubt that you're in My capable hands and that I'm here with you, holding your hand, helping you, carrying you, helping each aspect of this to turn out well.
168. Keep holding on to My words, and know that these are what will bring you through victorious and with a faith that will shine more radiantly than ever before. Your faith in My care will give you an inner peace that will be a great stabilizing force. I will always be beside you and care for you in all the ways that I know you need Me to. I treasure you greatly, and you'll know My love in even more fabulous ways than you've known till now. My presence will go with you and I will give you rest.
169. As you grow in faith and in Me, prepare to be astounded at the miracles I will work on your behalf.
170. Thrust yourself forward, and I will meet you halfway. Step off the cliff of carnal reasoning into the open sky of faith. I will be substance beneath your feet and will hold you up. Use the keys in the locks and I will give you the new wings that await you.
171. There will be many steps of faith that I will ask of My children. Each time you make the right decision to take that step of faith, you will find your faith increased, for you will have activated your anointing of greater faith. It is within each of you, as I promised. But the only way to see the fulfillment of that promise, the only way to feel the anointing, to see the tangible proof, is to use it.

For that very purpose will I set before each of you many tests of faith. I will test your faith again and again in order to give you opportunities to exercise it. I will test your faith in whatever areas it needs strengthening.

172. It wouldn't be an impossibility if you were faced with a test that was easy, or in an area where you are well versed or strong. It's only an impossibility when it looks and feels impossible! For this purpose of strengthening you I will give you impossibilities to overcome. But this is not a punishment, a chastisement, or a sign that you're out of My will. Rather it's a sign that you're one of My Endtime brides who has received the gift of greater faith, the anointing of overcoming impossibilities, and so I'm giving you these situations to learn to use that anointing, to put that faith into action.

173. This is your heritage, My loves--to have the greatest faith, the strongest connection, the most apparent anointing that I have given to anyone on Earth throughout all time! This is what I'm asking you to train for! This is what I gave you during Feast 2001! Can you believe it? You have yet to see the fulfillment, but each time you step out to stretch your faith in obedience to Me, you will see it, you will feel it, you will know how very real it is.
174. To choose the road of faith is a choice you have to make! It's a choice no one else can make for you! But it's a vital choice, because when you lose your faith, then you have lost everything, and you're in danger of becoming alienated from My Spirit.
175. Faith--the faith that keeps your spirit strong, the faith that helps you to see things through My eyes, the faith that keeps you forging on for Me--is only found through faithful study of My Word. You've got to read it, absorb it, drink it in, and let it change you and strengthen you. Otherwise you'll continue to weaken, and the Enemy will continue fighting you until he's rendered you totally useless and you'll fizzle out and fade into oblivion.
176. Prayer and the working of miracles will always take faith. For you to be powerful in prayer, you'll have to stop holding Me to your own standards of what you think should be done. Are you asking Me for My will or yours to be done? When you pray, state the petition you have need of, but ask Me to work in My way. You can give Me direct requests, but know that I will answer in My way, which is so far removed from your way that it's like it says in the Bible, "as far as the heavens above the Earth." You'll never fully understand how I work. Sometimes I answer exactly as you wanted, and sometimes it seems nothing like what you wanted.
177. All I need from you is trust. Give Me a little more slack, a little more room to work in the way I see fit, without your starting to murmur and complain and doubt and say that I'm not coming through, and that you're always having to make excuses for My failures.
178. You must always fight to have the supernatural reactions of faith and trust, for rise-above power. The tougher the battle, the harder it is to be positive and to rise above, but the more strength of spirit you receive as a result of making the difficult decisions, of fighting the life-and-death battles of the spirit.
179. The key element to combat fear of the future and lack of faith for what lies ahead is faith. Without faith it is impossible to rise above and conquer your fears. You must have faith, and if you don't have the faith or are struggling due to fear, then it is vital that you ask for prayer to be delivered from fear. It is vital that you ask for your faith to be rekindled. I promise that you can be free of all your fears through faith. In order to be free, you must decide that you will do your part--read, receive, and apply My Word. The Word will give you faith. Without faith you will not be able to overcome, but with faith you will.

It is your faith, which comes by receiving My Word and applying it, that will see you through.

180. I will not fail you. I will not forsake you. I will bring you through moment by moment, day by day. I promise you. You have My Word. My Word does not fail. My Word is truth. If you hold on to My Word, you will make it. Heaven and Earth will pass away, but My Words will not pass away. Do you believe this? Even if you only have the faith to say, "I believe, help Thou my unbelief," I will do it. I will give you the faith as you read My Word.
181. As you are faithful to bathe yourself in My Word, I will renew your faith, and your foundation will be one that will stand strong, and your house will not crumble and be swept away.
182. It has been said that bravery is not the absence of fear, but it is the conquest of it, the mastery of it. This is the truth. You will never be free of the temptation to fear. You will never be able to fully cause that "bird" to never come near your head, but you must look above and beyond the fear to Me, to the faith you have in Me and My love for you and My promises to you, and have courage, despite the fear you could face otherwise. You must use the Word and faith and "God's good grain" that is stored in your heart as a ballast during these kinds of storms. You have to praise Me by faith anyway, and love Me anyway, and keep on going anyway, and not let yourself get discouraged, afraid, or resentful.
183. I am the Source of all the faith you need. Everything good and happy and faith building can be found in Me, and if you don't have enough of Me, you won't make it. If you're feeling low on the good stuff, spend extra time with Me, and I can refill you and encourage you and get you back in a fighting mood once again.
184. Pray for a renewed hunger for My Word and a strong connection with it. The Words that I speak are spirit and life, but to fully receive this spirit and life, you must connect with these Words. When you only read My Word out of duty or for information, it will seem dull and lifeless to you. It will have an effect even then, but when you make a connection, it rings true in your heart, it thrills your soul, it spurs you to action, and you receive such an infilling of faith that nothing seems impossible, for nothing is!
185. You only need the faith for today. Be faithful to follow today. Don't let the Enemy scare you before you even get to where you're meant to go. That's his tactic. He may tell you all sorts of things that "could" happen, but the Lord usually just leads you step by step, doesn't He? He'll give you faith for each step. He'll give you strength for each day. Hasn't He done this already? Don't you think He'll continue to do it? So trust Him! He will do it.
186. Do not fear, but have faith that all things are in My hand, and as you obey and follow My plan for your life, you will find the happiness and fulfillment that you seek.

187. I won't send more than you can manage. I might stretch you, and I might give you more than you think you can manage. But that's where faith comes in. If you think you can do it, where's the faith in that? You've got to trust that the victory is in Me. And as long as you keep fighting to overcome, I will keep winning through you.
188. I allow tests of faith in all My children's lives. It doesn't mean that you are weak; quite the contrary.
189. Most of the greatest men and women of God have had such tests, because of the very fact that they were destined for greatness. I had to allow such strong tests of their faith--tests that shook their faith to the roots. They had to reach the point where they stood before Me and found their faith in Me alone. But from that point--that ground that seemed to be shaking beneath their feet--sprang a new influx of faith and power that catapulted them to their ultimate destiny.
190. I have allowed this test because it will fortify your faith so that nothing will be able to move you or your faith. Nothing will be able to come between your love for Me and My love for you.
191. Standing strong in times of adversity only makes you stronger. It's easy to hold on to your faith in times of peace, but when it's threatened, that's when you show what kind of strength you have. I know it's hard and sometimes you take a beating, but that's what war is all about.

I have put it in you to be stronger, to be more determined, more intent on holding on to your faith than any attack the Enemy can try. Now is the time to rally to the banner of faith and stand strong. Prove your faith. Prove your strength by standing strong. Even if that's kneeling in desperation, that's a good start.

192. It takes a lot of faith to trust that it's worth it at all. Some people can't take it. Some people run off the "ice" because they no longer believe that I really do have a crown for them, and that fulfilling their mission in life is worth all the difficulty that they encounter. But right now I'm talking to you who are still here, and trusting Me. I'm talking to you who are living your life by faith--not seeing, but still believing.

You are those who will overcome the world. You are My "stars," the ones who are living in a way that the world says is impossible, and who are succeeding against all odds. You are the ones who are putting more emphasis on the world to come rather than the world you see--"choosing rather to suffer affliction with the people of God than to enjoy the pleasures of sin for a season" (Heb.11:25).

193. I don't always necessarily show you proof of the next world and of your great reward, but I can put a feeling of certainty in your heart. That certainty comes through being close to Me and letting Me fill you with My words and with My love. The less you think about Me, the less life will seem worth living for Me. But the closer you draw to Me, the closer I can draw to you, and although you may still have no earthly proof, the feeling in your heart will be all the proof you need in order to keep enduring and trusting and doing your part to reap the harvest.

And when you have that faith, then nothing can conquer you or dissuade you! You'll see all the attacks of Satan for what they are, and you'll instead believe every word that I have said. You'll be steadfast and unmovable, trusting in your faith that is a rock-solid knowledge that I am real, and that living your life as I say you should live it is the only truth worth following. Find that faith in Me, and then none of these things will move you.

194. There are many things that can be said against My Word that can shake your faith in it and cause you to disbelieve. But if your faith is shaken, the only thing that has changed is your perception of My Word, not My Word itself. My Word changes not. My Word can stand on its own. Nothing can chip away at the truth of My Words. The only thing that can be chipped away is your faith in it.

So when you find your faith in My Word shaken, you need to realize that the only thing that has changed is your faith and your perception of My Word. My Word has not changed, and its truth has not changed, and its power has not changed.

That means that the real issue at hand is with you--it is the issue of you needing to get ahold of your faith and ahold of Me. You need to take a good look at your faith and see what has changed, what has moved, what has been chipped away. Then, work hard to repair the damage, to strengthen that weakened part, to restore and build up your faith.

195. As you know, the best way to build your faith is through My Word. My Word changes not. It is Me! It is the written code of My Spirit. As your DNA is the code and information of all that you are, so My Word is My DNA, for it is the written code and information of all that I am.

By taking in My Word, you take in My spiritual DNA, the substance that will make you like Me. As you take Me in, you will begin to see more as I see, you will begin to understand with My understanding and wisdom, and thus you will be strengthened and enabled to face the battle, and to win.

196. You have your shield of faith to block and deflect any volley of doubts or lies fired against you. Make sure you're covering yourself well with that shield, not only to protect

you from the shots being fired at you, but also to get those bullets ricocheting back into the Enemy's ranks.

197. When Satan comes to tempt me, I will take my stand.

When words spewed forth rock my faith, I will take my stand.

When his doubts and lies confuse me, I will take my stand.

When he tempts me to quit, I will take my stand.

When his words seem so convincing, I will take my stand.

When he causes me to question my beliefs, I'm gonna take my stand.

When I feel overwhelmed by his accusations, still I will take my stand.

When his attacks are personal and hurt me, I'll take my stand.

When his influence is tempting me to doubt Your words, I'm gonna take my stand.

When others around are losing their faith, I'll take my stand.

I will take my stand and will not give in to his puny attempts to try to overthrow my faith.

I will take my stand and show the Devil what I'm made of.

I will take my stand, for it is not I that live, but You, my Love, who live in me.

I'll take my stand, for I have all Heaven fighting for me, with legions at my command.

I'll take my stand, for it is battles like this that bring out the fighter in me.

I'm gonna take my stand and rejoice in the battle, for victory is assured.

I'll take my stand and remind myself that I am destined to win many to Jesus, and this is why the Devil hates me and tries to fight me.

I will take my stand and love this fight, brandishing the keys and the new weapons made available to me.

I will take my stand, for I have joined the ranks of those that have gone before me who have been persecuted for righteousness' sake.

I will take my stand and not go back on it, for it is in standing my ground that the Enemy of my soul finds himself trembling and running in defeat.

I will know no defeat, for I have taken my stand.

198. (Dad speaking:) You're at war in the spirit. The Evil One has declared war, and so help me God, war is what we'll give him! Are you with me? Will you stand up proudly to defend your faith or back down from the challenge? Now is the time to show the damn Devil what happens when your faith is challenged! Will you stand with me as fellow warriors of the faith?

I commission you. This is your day of battle. I know I can count on you! The day of battle has come! Let's march bravely to the front lines and show the Devil's imps what we are made of.

199. (Spirit helper:) Welcome to the ranks of the warriors. Welcome to the company of heroes. This is what we do. Whenever you face an intense fight that seems stronger than ever, you can know that this is the kind of battle we specialize in. Now you know what it's

like to join the big time. No more piddling around in puddles; you're in the deep end, and now you know what it's like to fight real battles for your faith!

These are grown-up battles, real-world wars. Welcome! We've been waiting for you. These trials that you're facing right now are a rite of passage for you, as you become seasoned men and women of God. It's a test to see if you're worthy to join our ranks. Every warrior with his or her name on the Hall of Warriors had to face fierce tests, but they fought and overcame. They rose to the challenge, they stayed true to their faith. Everyone has battles of one kind or another, and these tests of standing up for your faith and fighting for your convictions and holding true to your calling are among some of the fiercest that the Evil One launches on the Lord's children.

Nothing comes without a price, and these tests of faith are part of contending for your faith. But the rewards you receive in return, the fame and glory in Heaven, are well worth it. The battle isn't easy, but it's worth it. If you hold out and conquer, you'll be able to brag about this battle, and it'll be the first of many such glorious conquests.

200. (Dad speaking:) You've got to fight for your faith as if it were your most prized possession! You've got to realize that your faith and the Word are two of your most priceless possessions. That's precisely why the Enemy is after them. You've got to remind yourself that the Devil will never fight for something that is not worth having. If it didn't matter to you, if it didn't matter to the Lord, and if it didn't matter to him, then he sure as hell wouldn't be after it!

201. The Enemy sends strange lumbering beasts of doubt and fear charging forth to smash and trample your ranks. Some of you have never seen such enormous, gruesome monsters before, and your first reaction is to cower in fear or to stand upon the battlefield in awe as they trample you under foot. But you are My elite troops and you need not give in to this tactic of terror! It matters not what these beasts are or where they came from. All that matters is that they must fall, and the weapons you hold in your hand right now have been forged in Heaven, and can send these beasts crashing to the ground, or even doubling back in fear and pain, causing destruction and confusion to their own ranks.

The battle is upon you. So stop what you are doing now and fall into formation, soldiers! Lift your weapons, ready your shields, and begin to fight alongside your brothers, to bring the Enemy to bloody ruin! Turn the tables of this fiendish attack and charge at the Enemy. Let Satan and his minions remember this day with anguish, as the day his massive assault of fear and confusion became his massive defeat, as his armies ran in fear and were scattered in chaos!

Let this be the day all your brethren around the world remember as the days of great victory--the days you readied your shield of faith by soaking yourself in the Word, the days

you armed yourself with the powerful promises from the Scriptures, the days you skillfully wielded the modern weapons of the keys and prophecy, and drove those fools into the sea!

202. I'm positioning you, placing each of My brides in strategic positions around the globe. The battles rage in the spirit. The heat is rising and the fight is growing more intense than in times past. It's a battle royal! As I have told you on many occasions, these fighting days when I allow you and your loved ones to be tried and tested to the limits of both your strength and patience are not without a purpose.

It is precisely in times such as this that I teach you to walk by faith, not sight. You've heard this more than once, that the trying of your faith is more precious than gold, but during these days you will come to know faith as you have never known it before. The purpose of this time, these present days, is to help you grow to possess pure, white, unshakable faith--faith that will not be daunted; faith that will not flinch, nor tremble, nor waver, nor even consider the possibility of giving up; faith that doesn't consider the prospect of surrender.

203. In these days I wish to stretch your faith to limits which not only you have never experienced, but that no other humans who have ever lived have experienced! This is the destiny of the children of David of the Time of the End--to exercise greater faith than the world has ever seen. I want more than to enrich your faith; I want your faith to reach the outer limits! I want your faith to break all records, for it must, My loves.

This is the only type of faith that will overcome the world. This is the faith that I have carefully, lovingly, and wisely cultivated in you, My chosen ones of the Time of the End. This is the same faith that My Father also cultivated in Me when I walked on Earth as a man. It took time. It took years of trial. It took years of purging, years of being faithful in little things, years of learning patience and humility, years of being tested over and over and over in all areas. But it was worth it--every minute of it. Believe Me, these tests are necessary, good, and very positive.

204. These are good times and good days, for through the tests I'm bringing you to the place of full faith--that place where you continue to try when you don't feel like trying; when you keep walking forward even though you feel like collapsing; when you refuse to quit even though you don't have an ounce of strength left in you; when you praise Me with your last breath. This is the place where each of you must be in order for Me to do the impossible through you in this new era of action. When you get to this state where you truly know and accept that without Me you can do nothing, then I am able to come in and take over, and this is when the impossible becomes possible. Then there are no limits to what you can do, because it's not you, it's Me working through you, and all things are possible for Me!

205. Yes, you can't do it. Be thankful you can't, for if you could, you would only be able to

go so far. But because you can't, there's no limit to what you can do, because I will have to work through you. I will have to take over. There's no other option. I will have to come into you, possess you, work within you--and this is when things really start clicking. This is terrific! It's a wonderful place to be. I know that the thought of being weak and the feelings you experience when you're sorely tested go against the human grain--yet if you didn't experience these feelings, you would never come to know what it is to walk by faith alone and not by sight.

Only those who walk by faith alone will be able to continue on in the days of action. You've heard Me say this so many times. You've heard David say the familiar verse "Walk by faith and not by sight" over and over. Now you will come to fully realize what this means. So walk on solely by faith and faith alone. Praise Me and thank Me that this is all you can do! You can only walk by faith, but because of this, you receive the greater blessings and the greater rewards. Because of this, I can accomplish My greatest work in you and through you.

206. The era of action has begun; there is no disputing this fact. I have given you a vision, along with which I am unfolding the plan of how to bring this vision into focus. In order to do this, right now, starting today, I wish for you to let loose, unleash the full potential of faith that I have put within you! You must let your faith burn free--for this is the only way you will be able to complete the mission I ask of you now.

To the carnal mind the task before you would seem like a "mission impossible," but I tell you again, there are no impossibilities to you. This is the day of action. You must not say, "But I don't have the faith," for I have put the faith within each of you; it comes with the anointing I've given you. It's your destiny. I've equipped you with unwavering faith. It's within you. You don't have to worry. You don't have to try to work it up. All you must do is receive it, act on it, believe it, and loose the gift of faith that is within you!

207. Where I guide, I always provide--therefore come before Me and allow Me to increase the faith within you. As I have given you My anointing, I also give you a gift of greater faith; all you must do is awaken it. Loose the gift of faith that I give! Let it be stirred up. Put it to use, exercise it! Your job is to take care of this faith, feed your faith, hone this gift, hold on to it for dear life, and don't let go!

As you step out to take action in this new era, all things will be possible to you. My Spirit in you cannot fail as long as you look to Me, stay focused on the vision I give, and don't give up. As long as you do your part by having a believing and yielding heart, all that I ask of you is possible. All you need to fulfill the vision I have given, all that I have promised to you in these Last Days--it's all possible. There are no impossible missions for you, My children; there are only great possibilities!

208. Now is the time when you must begin stepping out and exercising your gift of faith to a greater degree by putting it into action, by going to work on the plan of this new era! Step out and prove there are no impossibilities to a man or woman who depends on the power of God! Stretch your faith to greater measures. Take greater leaps of faith every day and defy any and all impossibilities that get in your way.

209. In this era, I will work through you to prove to the world that all things are possible to you, because you believe in Me! You are destined to be My living proof. Therefore, I ask you today, loose the gift of full faith I have put within you. Enough of reservation, of doubt, and of holding back! Hold on to Me alone and let the full faith flow!

You are to be My showcase to the world, the ones I have chosen to work through to perform the greater works of the Endtime. I give you this assurance: The "impossible" is nothing but a myth. Therefore take heed to this admonition: Stand strong in My power and face down the "impossible"!

210. Just as each of My prophets and handmaidens of old held on to their faith and believed, your faith also will not fail as long as you stay focused on Me. It is not your doing; it is Mine. This full faith is a gift from Me. Your responsibility is to use it wisely, feed it, cultivate it, and exercise it.

Keep putting Me to the test. Keep exercising your faith. Start today with all the things that arise in your daily lives. Stretch your faith more and more each day, and don't turn back. Defy the impossible, for this is the destiny I have chosen for you!

211. The gift of faith in Me and faith in My promises, faith no matter what the circumstances, is one of the greatest gifts My children can have.

212. Strengthen your faith, for your faith in Me is what will see you through and will give you the courage to not simply go through the battle, but to face the battle bravely and without fear or dread. Give your heart and mind fully to Me. Let Me possess you and speak words of encouragement to you that will strengthen your heart, boost your faith, and prepare you to march into battle feeling fully armed and knowledgeable of My promises that will see you through to victory no matter what you encounter.

213. Give your fears to Me. Let Me replace your fears, your concerns, and your apprehensions with faith. Let Me give you the faith needed to walk with head held high, and bravely charge into the fray, fearing nothing, seeing only My face.

214. I wish to strengthen your faith in preparation for the battle. This is an important part of preparation. So take the time needed; it will give you the strength you need when the time comes. Rest in My arms and look to Me. Tell Me of each of your concerns. I know you

have them; you don't have to be ashamed of them. It's natural to have some feelings of dread or anxiety. However, give each one to Me and let Me replace it with My balm of love, trust and faith.

I will be beside you. I will be very near and dear to you. I will see you through this battle, and in the end you will look back and feel strengthened. Your faith will have grown, for you will have seen Me do miracles; you will have experienced My strength when you are weak, and you will know and be more fully persuaded that what I have promised I am able also to perform.

215. Remember, faith doesn't go by feelings! Faith doesn't go by circumstances! Faith believes I will do it because I said I would do it, and I will!

216. Faith doesn't depend on the circumstances of the moment. It depends on what I have said, on My Word and My promises.

217. When you leave something in My control, you not only exercise faith that I'm going to take care of it, but also that the way in which I will take care of it, and the timing of when I will take care of it, is going to be sufficient. When you leave the whole kit and caboodle with Me, you can then safely bet that while everything isn't going to happen exactly the way you thought it would, I won't let you down.

Just back up a little and give Me space to work. I've heard you, I've understood, and I'm going to take care of what concerns you. Do what I've shown you to do in the meantime, but leave the heavy lifting to Me.

218. In Hebrews 11 [the chapter describing many men and women of faith] you'll see that not every person's faith was the same. But in the lives of all My heroes, faith was central to the performance of the most important act of their life.

I don't call everyone to have the same kind of faith. But I do call you to hold on to your faith, because through it, you will perform your greatest work for Me. Faith will produce the most lasting accomplishments in your life.

219. Whenever you're tempted to worry about the future, that's the time to make a beeline for Me and to strengthen your faith. Everyone is tempted to worry and fear; that's human nature. But you don't have to accept being in a state of worry and fear if you fortify your spirit with faith. Seek Me for My help and answers. Sometimes it can take a lot of time in prayer before you find that place of calm and peace, but when you do, it will bring rest to your mind and spirit.

220. My Word is your faith-builder. Whenever you're tempted to fear change or fear the future, go to the faith-builder. It will give you the sure footing that you need for each step that I ask you to take.

I'm walking this path toward the future beside you; trust that I know where we're going. Even if you're not sure of the steps I show you to take, you can trust Me to lead and guide you safely and well. I love you and care about each step of your life.

221. Don't doubt for a moment that I will clothe, feed, house, and prosper you. Speak success, speak faith, speak miracles, and you will see them.

222. Your faith in the God factor will always be a priceless treasure that will set you apart from the world, and that will bring you into My miracles and My perfect plan for your life.

223. Faith is a fundamental principle in a Christ-centered life. It's a beautiful quality that declares your trust in My power and ability to care for you. Having faith in Me is part of your witness; it's a declaration to others that regardless of your circumstances, you remain certain that I am looking out for you.

As you face the future and the options before you, don't lose that personal assurance of faith in Me and My promises to care for My Own. Faith must remain a resolute feature in your Christian life and walk with Me wherever you go. Your faith is what will give you the confidence to walk upon the new pathways that I've highlighted for you. It will enable you to explore the different things that you can do in the physical, but to ultimately rely on Me to make up the difference in the spirit.

No matter what you can do in the physical, there are certain dynamics within the spirit that must be accomplished in the spirit alone. The success of your future is about the combination of your faith in Me and your practical effort both working together to bring about the results I'm after. Both are needed, and together they will culminate in success.

224. Living by faith isn't an actionless state of being. Rather, it means that you are willing to trust Me to bring about the right results as you set about doing what you can in the physical realm. Living by faith means that at the core of your being, you know that I am in control, and you know that you can count on Me to provide for you no matter what.

225. Don't smother your flame of faith by trying so hard to achieve success through self-effort. Faith is the light that illumines the path you walk down; it shows you where to go. Holding the flame of faith in your hand doesn't cancel out the need for you to take each step upon that path, but it does make the way clearer. Faith provides you with comfort and reassurance, no matter how new or different the path is that you walk down.

Walking into the unknown without your lamp of faith is never a wise move. Your faith in Me and in My promises to care for you is a pillar of strength to your spirit. It provides you with the trust you need in order to launch out, to take on new challenges, and to be willing to explore new possibilities and avenues for success.

If you put aside your lamp of faith, or you don't ensure that it retains its brightness through replenishing it with the oil of My Word, then you're going to find it much harder to venture into the future with confidence. You'll stumble more easily, because you won't clearly see what obstacles block your path. You won't have the resolve to remain triumphant when you encounter hardship.

So hold tightly to your lamp of faith. Let your faith in Me be your guiding light, and as you keep its fire burning brightly, you'll find that the challenges you encounter will be manageable, because your confidence in Me is strong. You will know that I am walking with you, bringing light to enough of the path ahead that you can proceed into the future of My will for you.

226. Faith is a cornerstone in your life. It's your proclamation to Me and to others that I am God and that you have every confidence in Me.

You can sometimes take your faith for granted, or deduce that the best way to make up for a lack of faith is to work harder in the arm of the flesh. But if you want to experience the full power of faith in your life, then you have to take the time to groom it by investing time in strengthening it through My Word; that's the secret.

There's no substitute for faith. I've ordained faith to be that link between you and Me, the means by which you hold tightly to Me in every situation.

227. Faith is both the ballast in your life and the breath of My Spirit that pushes you forward. Faith brings confidence to your spirit; it's your expression of trust in Me.

Faith, simply put, is a must in your life. It cannot be replaced by your own effort or by the efforts of others, because it's the quiet assurance that, beyond what you know and what you can do, there are still factors that ultimately remain in My control.

Faith believes that in all things, I remain in control of the outcome, and when you put your faith and trust in Me, then you open your life up to the blessings that result from faith--My presence and miracles filling your life.

228. There are countless experiences in life that you simply have to take by faith. There is no logical explanation for some of the challenges that you will face, and your best recourse will always be to hold on in faith--faith in Me, your Father and Protector.

Human nature conflicts with unreserved faith in Me. The carnal mind (Romans 8:7) is ever active in weighing up the "logical" explanation for everything, and insisting that you must take action if you want to see results. Action is important, but it doesn't substitute for faith; it has to work in conjunction with faith, otherwise you'll find yourself spinning in place or moving along very slowly. It's the combination of faith plus effort that moves you forward at a quick clip.

So if you want to see progress and success, utilize your gift of faith as you set about doing what you can in the physical. Don't neglect one in favor of the other. When you successfully merge faith and effort, you'll find greater success, because it will be both Me and you working together, and we're a powerful team.

229. Nothing excites Me more than seeing you put your trust in Me and Me alone. This is what motivates Me to honor your faith and to grant you your heart's desires. You honor Me with your requests, and I love to honor you with the answers to them.

230. If there's one thing that I want to settle in your heart and mind, it's this: I am in control, and you can put your faith and trust fully in Me, because I know what I am doing.

You can be like the little girl who was not afraid of the dark because her father held her by the hand. She trusted in his love and care for her. You are My little child, and though things may seem rather dark right now and you're unable to see the path ahead, you don't need to be afraid, because I am holding your hand and I won't let you stumble.

I am leading you aright. Just stay close and follow My lead. In time, the pathway will become light again, and you will see that I was true to My Word and I kept you on the right path all along.

231. I am able to give you the comfort and peace of mind that you need in order to face any change that will come your way--today or tomorrow. The way to keep your faith at its optimum level so that you can handle life's challenges is to spend time at the source of faith--Me and My Word.

232. If you know that I love you, you know that everything is going to be okay. I don't ever stop loving you. So, there isn't much left to worry about, right? Whenever you're going through a deep, dark, faith-testing experience, hold on to the fact that I love you, and that everything is going to be all right. Just wait and see.

233. Earth has no sorrow that Heaven cannot heal. And, I might add, Earth has no test that Heaven cannot supply the strength for. Earth has no obstacle so big that Heaven

cannot give you the wisdom to overcome. Earth has no challenge so unheard of or never-been-done-before that Heaven cannot help you to conquer.

Have faith in the superior power of Heaven. Have faith that I and your spiritual weapons are at your side to help you with any challenge that life presents.

234. In order to help you to grow in faith, and to put you in just the right position so that you'll be able to accomplish the greater works that I have promised, I must ask you to do things and to go places that can seem a little overwhelming at first, even scary. But when you humbly follow Me, you never have to worry or fear.

Even when I require you to leave the comfort and safety of your past experience and to sail out into the vast, open waters of the unknown future, you can always have perfect peace and faith, knowing that I won't let your boat sink.

235. Faith has healing energy. It can lift the burdens and worries right off your shoulders. When you're in a difficult situation and your emotions are being affected, and you tell Me that you trust Me anyway, the healing energy of faith begins to flow over your spirit and calm your nerves. It makes a significant difference to your spirit.

236. I don't ask for perfection before I will intervene for good in your life. You don't have to be perfect. Our relationship is that of a weak and error-prone child, and his strong, capable father. Whatever you bring to Me in faith, saying, "Jesus, I can't take care of this myself, and I really need Your help," I will handle for you. I can't resist the faith-filled cry of your childlike heart. You are weak and imperfect, confused and often wrong--which makes My perfection and strength so much more necessary. I know you have nowhere else to lean, so you lean on Me, and I will save you.

237. There is never a right time to stop believing in Me and My promises. There is nothing--no hardship, no problem, no adjustment trials, no personal battles, no questions--that should cause you to give up your faith that I will work out everything. Everything is going to be all right. Trust Me through all the bumps in the road that you experience. Keep your eyes focused on the road ahead, and know that I have gone before you to prepare the way, and to show you exactly how to get to your destination.

238. I want to lift the weight of uncertainty from your shoulders, and ask that you hold on to your faith and trust in My promises. I want you to hold on to the knowledge that no matter how dark or impossible something seems, I have never failed My children, and I am in control. These are things that will never change. No matter what the test or difficulty or impossibility that you or others are facing, I am there, and I give you My song of victory, My promises of sufficient grace, My unfailing power to overcome all obstacles. I will enable you to go forward with My peace of mind and assurance that I do all things well.

239. I am with you at every moment. I will make good on My promises to give you sufficient grace, rest of spirit, and the peace of God that passes all understanding. No matter what is going on around you, you can be at peace when you are anchored deeply in Me. Deep down, underneath the waves and tossing and turning, the waters are still and peaceful. Like the song says, "Still waters run deep." As you go deeply into Me, you will find that stillness of spirit, the calm, the quiet, the rest, the trust, the faith, the understanding, and the strength that you need.

240. My Word held true yesterday, it holds true today, and it will hold true forever--they that preach the Gospel shall live of the Gospel. Satan is always on the job, trying to persuade My children that it can't be done today, that surely in these times when men's hearts grow cold, and evil men and seducers wax worse and worse, living by faith is not to be expected; that surely in this new age, there is another way. I tell you, My children, it is even more imperative to live by faith in these times than in years past.

I have given you this plan--the plan of trusting totally in Me, the plan of living by faith in Me and Me alone--for I know that this is the only way you will survive in these troublous times when men's hearts become hardened. The dynamics of My supply work the opposite of what you perceive with natural and carnal thinking. Just as I supplied for the children of Israel as they wandered in the desert, so I am able to supply for you in today's modern world, and in great abundance!

241. I've led My Family to seek Me daily for their needs and their provision, and those who have done so have had their faith strengthened. Yes, it has been difficult, but I have supplied. Yes, you've had to trust Me sometimes for great miracles, but I have done the miracles. Yes, society at large has looked at you and laughed, but I have done the miracles. And this constant usage of your faith and prayer muscles has kept many of you strong and able to endure the life of a top-notch missionary and soon-to-be Endtime fighter. If you had taken the easy route, you would not be prepared now to launch into the Endtime fray.

242. My promises hold true! They that preach the Gospel shall live of the Gospel. Living by faith is just as possible today as ever, and if you will step out and obey, if you will put Me to the test, you will reap the fruit of abundant supply. I am not limited by many or by few.

243. This is the day of miracles, and so will My miraculous supply be known. If you will obey, you will reap the good of the land. If you will seek Me, if you will apply the "ask Me everything" mode of operation in your lives, if you will live by faith and look to Me alone, I

will lead you in each case and show you a plan to follow that is tailor-made for your unique situation.

244. My promises are just as true today as they ever were. If you will seek Me for your particular situation, if you will unite and do the things I tell you to do, if you will ask Me everything each step of the way, I will give you the key to every situation, the solution to every problem. Living by faith in Me is the only thing that will keep you in the times to come. Dependence on the System will only be the beginning of sorrows. I will never fail to supply all your needs if you preach the Gospel, do My work, and place your trust and faith in Me.

All My riches are at your disposal. All that is Mine is yours for the asking, yours for the taking, yours for the reaching out to receive. Reach out your hands in faith, believing, and I will never fail!

245. The God factor means standing on My promises. It means trusting in Me, believing that nothing is impossible with Me. It means that I am able to supply all your needs. It means that faith in Me overrides all impossibilities.

The God factor means that I have opened to you the riches of the universe, I have put before you a great reservoir of supply, and it's yours for the asking, yours for the taking. The God factor means that if you will put your trust fully in Me, you will lack nothing. It means that if you preach the Gospel, you will live of the Gospel. It means that all things are possible to you. It means if you are trusting Me and doing what I tell you to do, I will never fail to support you, even if I have to drop the support out of the sky. It means good witnessing always pays. It means if you are obeying Me, I will take care of your needs. It means if I promise bread, I will not give you a stone.

Practically speaking, it means if the Family will put their trust in Me, if they will claim My promises, if they will obey what I tell them to do, I will supply all their needs according to My riches in glory. It means if they will get out and do the "wanting," I will supply.

The God factor means trusting Me more than trusting in the arm of the flesh, more than trusting in the worldly system of man. The God factor is standing on My Word and My promises.

246. O children of little faith, how long will you doubt? How long will you fail to take the leap? Who will try? Who will go? Who is willing to take the plunge? Who is willing to launch out into the deep of where I am leading you? Who is willing to put their hand in Mine, trusting that I will be more than a light and better than a known way? Who is willing to command Me? Who is willing to prove Me? Who is willing to receive My promise? Who is willing to call on the keys of the Kingdom to open the Heavenly windows of miracles of

supply?

It takes faith, yes. It takes courage; it takes daring to trust Me. It takes the "God factor"-- putting your trust wholly and completely in Me, claiming My Word, and expecting Me to do miracles, to do what you cannot do. It takes ignoring possible consequences when the doubters say, "No, no, no, it can't be done." It takes taking a stand.

It takes faith, I know, yet I have likewise given you this faith. It takes keeping your eyes focused on Me and Me alone. It takes coming out from among them and touching not the unclean thing. And it takes doing what I have told you to do. It takes following where I am leading. It takes childlike faith. It takes quiet trust. It takes the simple assurance of knowing that what I have promised, I will do. It takes trusting Me to see you through, because you know you are obeying and doing My will, and because of your obedience, I will not let you down.

The "God factor" will make all the difference in the world. It means the difference between your success or your failure, your premature end or your hope of survival. It means the difference between life and death for the souls waiting to hear My message. It means the difference between you receiving the blessings and promises I have reserved for you, or going through life as beggars, destitute of your needs.

247. I wish to free My people to serve Me. I am calling My children out of the clutches of this world's System and into My arms where they can live by faith and faith alone. I am calling them out of the clutches of the System, where they will be able to survive in the troublous times ahead! I am calling them out of the anti-God, anti-Christ System of today, to be My mouthpieces, My miracle workers of the End.
248. (Dad speaking:) It can be hard being a missionary sometimes--in fact, a lot of the time! The Lord supplies as you do His work, but often in the life of faith you're not sure what the next meal will be and who the Lord will use to provide it. You know it'll come, but you're just not sure how it'll arrive! That's one of the things that keeps you desperate with the Lord, fervent in prayer, and active in His work, because it's as you're obedient and reach out to others with His message that He supplies.
249. (Dad speaking:) Now I know the life of faith isn't easy, but it works! Forsaking all and trusting the Lord to supply your every need isn't always easy street. You abase and you abound. But through it all, the Lord keeps you and He provides for you. You're His servant working for Him, so He takes care of you. And if He's cared for you in the past, do you think He's going to forsake you in the future? Do you think the Lord would toss you out as an unprofitable servant just because you grow old or get sick or can't keep up the same pace you used to? Let me tell you, He won't! That's not the kind of God He is!

250. He didn't say we'd walk by sight; He said we'd walk by faith. He didn't say we'd understand with our carnal minds; He said that His thoughts are not our thoughts, and that His ways are as high above ours as the heavens are above the Earth. In fact, He instructed us to trust in Him with all our heart and not to lean to our own understanding. That's not me speaking--that's God's Word, and it's as true now as it ever was! And you can trust it now just as much as you ever did.
251. (Dad speaking:) Working for the System and raising money is not a "sure thing," even if it may seem to be, whereas living for the Lord and doing His work is a sure thing, even if it may not seem to be! If you have faith and obedience and trust Him, He will take care of you. Read Hebrews 11. Faith is the substance of things hoped for, the title deed. You must believe that the Lord is a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him, a provider of their needs, because He is!
252. The solution is simple: faith! Determined faith, deeply-fed-from-the-Word faith, trusting-in-Me faith, believing-that-My-promises-to-you-are-real-and-attainable faith!
253. You must exercise faith to claim any promise you need as your own personal authorization to do whatever is needed to fulfill My purpose. You carry the scepter of the King of kings in spirit, and while you in yourself are nothing, the scepter of My truth will open the gates and cause Satan's minions to fall back in terror at the sight of it!
254. Childlike faith is like a pair of new glasses. When glasses are new, they are very clean and very clear. You put them on and you can see things so well. But as time goes by, the glasses become dirty and even get scratched. The older a pair of glasses is, the more you have to clean the lenses and care for them. That's like faith. As a child, your faith is very clean and clear, like a new pair of glasses. But as you become older, you will need to work a little harder to keep your faith strong, which is like cleaning and shining your glasses.
255. The more you wear your glasses of faith, the better your vision will become. You'll learn to see everything more as I see it! And don't worry if your glasses of faith become a little blurred or dirtied at times. That just means you need to take out the cleaner of the Word and polish them. And as you do, your faith will become strong once again, and you'll see things clearly once again!
256. Faith looks ahead in confidence, knowing that when the need arises I will supply for you. Faith doesn't hoard and withhold from others in fear that I won't supply. It gives with the knowledge that I will bless you and provide for you when the need arises.
257. (Dad speaking:) It takes great faith to believe something that the Lord has said, especially when it goes against your natural reasoning or human nature. But having the faith to obey is what made the way for God to save the lives of Noah and his family, what

proved Abraham was worthy of his promised seed, what enabled God's anointing to fall on Moses to lead his people.

The examples in the Bible of what faith and obedience wrought are endless. Faith and obedience have brought supply and miracles for God's people all throughout the ages, and those same spiritual principles are in play today. If you obey God, even if by faith alone, whatever kind of miracles you need are guaranteed. That's a fact! He'll never fail, if you trust Him and do your part.

258. Build your faith. Is your faith strong? Are you doing your part to increase your faith in My ability to supply? Unfortunately, many of you are of the opinion that faith only grows when you see My hand work miracles, or when something outstanding happens that proves that I am still very active in My miracle-working abilities. However, faith is built by faithful study of My Word. And your faith also increases when you obey My Word.
259. Your faith shouldn't be easily discouraged by circumstances or situations. Faith believes that I will come through. It relies utterly on Me. You should be confident that I am able, because you have faith in Me. If your faith is lacking and you're not fully relying on Me, then you need to work on strengthening your faith--creating a vacuum for Me to fill and having the faith that I'll fill that void. Study the Word on the subject of faith; note the areas that your faith is weak in, and strive to grow in faith. Wield the keys of faith aggressively and with utmost conviction that they work.
260. Worry hampers the "God factor" from working fully, because the "God factor" works on faith, and when you're full of faith you're not heard to worry, fret, or despair. Fight the Enemy offensively in this area by not allowing worry to enter in--by remaining praiseful and positive even when circumstances are not optimal.
261. Don't be wary of a little stretching. Part of the "God factor" is being willing to let Me stretch you spiritually, to push you a little past your comfort zone to see whether you'll rely heavily on Me. Be willing to stretch your faith, even when it hurts a little, and to trust that stretching is part of growth. In these Last Days, the more you stretch, the better, because it keeps your spirits limber, agile, and flexible--qualities that I need My disciples to have.
262. Don't be scared or worried about the tight spots, but trust that I have a beautiful plan in mind that will come to the fore as you do your part. I love to supply for My children, and I do so whenever I can. So if you do your part to meet the conditions, the results will be happy ones for you and for Me. Learning to trust Me for supply and to rely heavily on the "God factor" is part of your spiritual training and growth.
263. In the Endtime there will be very few practical means by which you can meet your

financial needs, and you'll have to rely primarily on Me coming through in supernatural ways. Today you still have loopholes, because there are still many avenues where you can make ends meet financially. I can't always bless those abundantly, but they do help you to scrape by at times.

In the Endtime, those loopholes will more or less vanish. But if you've been consistently training in learning to have complete and utter faith and reliance on Me, then not only will you live better now--because I'm able to supply above and beyond what you need--but you'll be much better prepared and full of faith that I'll see you through the dark days ahead. You'll have so much more confidence and faith in Me that you'll expect bigger and greater miracles, which I will readily do on behalf of you, My Endtime brides.

264. Don't be afraid to take the baby steps now that will help to increase your faith. Just keep moving forward, strengthening your reliance on Me and My Word, and you'll see just how much I am able to do because of your faith.

265. The keys of obedience pave the way for My blessings, the keys of faith open the treasure vaults of Heaven, and the keys of appropriation cause you to reach out your hands in belief to receive what is rightfully yours.

266. (Dad speaking:) Not many people have what it takes to live by faith, because it goes completely against carnal reasoning and the ways of the earth. But those who do are blessed in ways that flatlanders will never know. Living by faith sets you apart from the world. It makes you stand out from the masses. It makes you different, unique--a phenomenon!

267. I like it when you really show Me that you're serious. I like it when you show beyond a shadow of a doubt that you know that I am going to answer. I like it when you command Me with your whole heart. This is the kind of faith that moves Me to action and drives Me to give you the exact answer you're seeking.

268. On your own you are one and are limited to the things that only one can do. But when you need something more, put Me on the spot in faith by claiming the keys, and you will suddenly become like thousands. You will have access to all of My power, the armies of Heaven, the minds of Heaven, the spirits of the hosts of Heaven, My heart in your hands.

269. Expecting miracles is when the notion that I may not answer doesn't even cross your mind. It's when you can't fathom the idea of Me not supplying or protecting or answering you.

It's the same trust that a toddler has when leaping off the side of a pool into his parents' arms. It doesn't even occur to him that he could fall into the water and drown. So great is

his faith that he will end up in strong, caring arms, that he acts--without thinking, without taking into account the probabilities and the risks. The parent rewards that faith by catching him.

270. A miracle is something that you can't do in the physical; it's something that only I can bring about. But you, through your prayers prayed in faith, empower Me to do it. I need you--a weak and frail human--in order to perform the supernatural.

271. I love it when you put Me on the spot. What husband doesn't like to show off his prowess and his ability to be there for his sweetheart? I'm the same way with you, My loves. Nothing is a greater compliment of your trust and dependence on Me than expecting Me to do the impossible, and that kind of faith is the perfect platform for miracles.

272. Be a crazy dreamer! To get great things from God, you have to have great dreams! Think big, ask big, do big! And the way you do that is by having crazy faith to go along with those crazy dreams. If you never step out to do the extraordinary, you'll be forever stuck in the monotony of the average, the run of the mill.

273. Nobody's telling you that you have to ask Me for a miracle. You could probably get by without one. But don't you want to see a miracle? Don't you want to exercise that stronger and less-seen faith that can pull down amazing answers just because it believes and it acts on that belief? Don't you want to have greater faith? Don't you want to have an extraordinary ability to move My hand, change My mind, and engineer events according to My will? If you want a miracle, it's yours!

274. What does putting Me on the spot mean? It means standing on the spot in spirit, claiming that "ground" or territory of an answer or solution for My glory, and not moving from that spot until the answers or blessings arrive.

Don't feel you have to make things easier for Me by making your prayers more general, or by giving Me an "out." Put Me on the spot, pour water on the sacrifice, and don't give Me any "outs," because I don't need them.

I want to see your faith in action, and one way that faith is manifested is by putting Me on the spot, by stepping off the cliff and knowing that I'll be there to catch you.

275. I want your faith to increase so much that what may have seemed in the past to be impossible or outrageous requests will now be completely doable through the power of My keys.

276. Heaven is like a giant free store, and you just need the membership card of faith to

get in. Have you ever had a dream that you were in a giant department store, and could take anything you wanted for free? You were so excited, and could hardly wait to get through the whole store, because you knew you were going to get all these things that you and others needed. Perhaps you were so excited that you woke up before the dream finished.

Well, this is no dream, My brides. I have a heavenly free store with everything you need, and more! Access it through faith and prayer, because I want to pour out every single thing that you need, and even some of your wants.

277. With things tightening up all around the world day by day--travel, visas, registration, etc.--you might wonder how I'm going to continue supplying for you as you live by faith. Don't worry, because My plan for financial success and stability that I've shown you is going to play a major part in helping you as times get darker and darker.

And when the time comes that you have to go "underground" and can hardly continue with your follow-up ministries, or when your friends and contacts' resources start drying up, I will do the miracles for you. It will be like the story of the widow of Zarephath--when she made the decision to share, her jug of oil and her barrel of flour never ran out. I can and I will supply, even when it seems impossible.

278. When I think about the bank vaults under the streets of Zurich, or the money and gold in Fort Knox, I just chuckle. There are entire levels in My Heavenly City that are full of title deeds to properties, vehicles, bank accounts, houses, and even whole countries, as well as gold, diamonds, and unfathomable wealth, just sitting there--untouched--awaiting the day when you will have greater faith to claim it. It's all here. I'm only waiting on you.

279. I'm more than willing to give to you financially. I'm more than willing to pour out. I've got it all waiting for you to ask for it. Just reach out your hands of faith and grab the blessings by the horns, and don't let go until it's in the bank.

280. Begin today to invest time in strengthening your faith so I can work through you. If you're doubting or unsure, bury yourself in the faith-building words I have given on the subject, and believe. That will be your key. The moment you believe without a shadow of a doubt, there will be nothing impossible to you. The moment you've expunged from your mind the notion that it can't be done, there will be no end to what can be done. Work today to achieve this place of full faith.

281. I will pour out My Spirit upon you like never before, and you will be filled with My faith! Nurture that faith, and there find greater strength to do greater works. Faith will be the key to all these miracles I have spoken of--faith to believe that, "Yes, I can through Christ," "Yes, there are no limits to Him," "Yes, there is no mountain that cannot be moved

through a-grain-of-mustard-seed faith." When this faith flows through your veins, there will be no end to the power that you will have available to you.

282. Faith is your key to all the secrets of the universe and the power thereof. Seek it diligently, for when it is found, unlimited power will be yours. Faith comes from My Words, and it is nurtured by belief, commitment and trust. It is also given as a gift to those who ask, and is again nurtured by all these things, as well as the Word. Let nothing steal away your faith. The Devil will try very hard to steal away your faith. Resist his attacks with all your being. Keep the faith. Resist all attempts by Satan to extinguish your flame. Rise above these attacks and hold on to your faith, for it is your life!

283. Your future is as bright as these promises that I've given to you. And how bright will these promises shine? That's up to you and your faith. As you step out by faith and exercise your faith, you will increase the power of these words to you. These words, My promises, might seem like only a tiny light right now, but I promise that this light will grow brighter and brighter as you do your part. I know that you want this light to shine brightly in your life. I've given you the keys and now you must do your part.

What is your part, you ask? The first step is simply to believe--not just to believe that you'll have these powers someday, but that you have them today. For that's what I've done--I've given them to you today. I know that this is no small thing to believe that you have unlimited access to all of the powers of Heaven, but that's what I've promised, and that's what I've done. Once you fully believe this in your heart, nothing wavering, the power of the light will be increased.

284. But it's not enough to just believe My promise; you must also act upon it. Put Me to the test! Step out on the water! See if these things are true. Test Me! Test your keys! For it is only as you step out on the water and put Me and the keys to the test that I can pour down My full power and anointing upon you. I've given you the keys, but it takes this stepping out upon the water to fully release their power that I have given you.

Don't hesitate and don't wait! The time is now to begin stepping out on the water and putting Me and these promises to the test. I've given you greater openness to My truth, which will help to increase your faith. So don't hesitate to act, for if you hesitate, the Enemy will seep in with his doubts and lies, and it will be difficult to have full faith in all of the promises that I've given to you. Don't let go of these keys that I've given to you; use them now while they're hot in your hand so that you can begin to experience their full power and anointing on your life.

285. You live in the era of action, and now that you have this powerful weapon, the keys to the weapon arsenal that you need to complete this mission, it's up to you to step out and go forward in full faith, knowing that nothing can stand in your way. You should ask

Me each day, "What obstacles can I overcome today? What difficulties can be solved? What miracles can be performed?" I will show you how to use the keys as you ask these questions. And as you use the keys to unlock the arsenal door, you'll be amazed and overwhelmed by the power that I've given you! This power will blow away those obstacles, it will cause you to overcome those difficulties, and you will do miracles!

So don't hesitate to put your keys into action. Pray and ask Me right now how to use the keys, and follow through on My instructions. As you use the keys, My power will be unleashed and you will grow in faith. And as you grow in faith, these powers will be multiplied, and you will see that these things are true and that I have helped you to overcome.

286. Quote the Word, memorize the Word, live the Word, read the Word, listen to the Word, speak about the Word, because the Word is the only thing that will keep you - both My written Word and My Word that I will speak to you daily. If you hold on to Me and to My Word, you will rise above, you will conquer, you will win against the foe! So don't doubt; trust and build your faith block by block by reading My Word! It's there for you. It's free, it's at your disposal, and it's the key to victory and to rising above. So use it, read it, and wield it against the Enemy, and he won't be able to touch a hair of your head. You are protected; your shields are running at 100 percent. Keep them that way by refueling with the Word! You can do it!
287. Faith is the victory! - Faith in Me, faith in My Word, faith in My promises in spite of how you feel, in spite of the circumstances. The Evil One seeks to spread fear and worry, but I am greater than him. Have faith in Me and believe, for I will see you through.
288. I don't choose to solve all your problems instantaneously, without your even knowing what the solution is. That would only serve to cripple your faith, for you would miss the lesson, you would miss the learning experience, you would miss the trying moments which cause you to cling to Me and to strengthen your faith. The road that I bring you on now is the road of faith. Though it may seem hard, rough, and rugged, believe Me, it is the road whereby you are able to keep your faith.
289. Faith is a refusal to panic.
290. Every tomorrow has two handles. We may take hold of it by the handle of anxiety or we can take hold of it by the handle of faith.
291. You don't know what faith you have until it is tested.
292. Faith makes all things possible and love makes them easy.

293. It's worth it to trust the Lord. It's worth it to praise through your tears, to smile through your pain, to lift up your arms to the Lord and trust, to have faith, to know that Jesus loves you, to know that He's going to take care of you, to know that He's in control, that He knows about every battle, every setback, and He understands.
294. Though you feel your faith is small, and though you feel your strength is nothing, I see your faith and your strength in Me as a great thing. It is easy to trust and have faith when all goes well, when all around you are blessings; but when all seems to go wrong and you feel as though your very life and your desire to live is being snuffed out, when you feel your heart sink and ache within you, if you still have faith, what great faith it is! How it pleases Me!
295. The victory is sure! All you need is an ounce of faith. Just one bit of faith defeats the Enemy; that's why if you just have a tiny seed of it, the victory is assured, as long as you don't let it go. In other words, fight as he will, the Enemy cannot win as long as you hold that seed of faith in your hand. That's all that is necessary. It's the shield, it's the substance, it's all that is needed to obtain victory. Hold onto it hard. It's a magic genie right there in your hand. Don't let it go!
296. Anything that you can do to strengthen your faith is of utmost importance. Anything that you can do to strengthen the faith of your loved ones and friends is equally important.
297. Have unfailing, undying faith! Have faith to keep going when the going is tough. Have faith to continue to say yes and yield, even though you feel like quitting. That is true faith!--Faith that hangs on and carries on in the face of difficulties and obstacles!--Faith that refuses to quit, that demands the blessing, that continues to expect! And such faith will receive.
298. I have always asked of My children that you walk by faith and not by sight.
299. This is the victory that will overcome the world, even your faith--your faith in My Words, your faith in My promises, your belief that all that I have said will come to pass, your faith to accept the new weapons of the Spirit and to practice and become proficient in using them.
300. The day is almost at hand, and the final battle is almost upon us. I will be with you, and those who have yielded their all to Me will feel My power in that day and will rejoice that they walked by faith and not sight; that they set their affections on things above and not on the things of this world; that though they did not see, yet they believed and prepared. They were not as those that slept, but they watched and waited, not knowing what hour their Lord would come. They, as the wise virgins, kept their lamps filled with oil.

Nor were they as the slothful who ate and drank, and knew not until the flood of evil came and carried them all away.

301. It's a time of testing and decision, a time of praying and communing within the heart, a time of proving the faith and conviction of My children. Some will decide to follow even more closely; they will decide to put away the things that hinder and keep them from seeing clearly where I'm leading. And some will decide to follow afar off.
302. In order to help My children decide which way they will go, I prepare situations and circumstances to test and try and purge and bring to the fore their level of faith and dedication. It's part of My plan.
303. Most of all, you've got to keep your level of faith high. Anyone can be affected by listening to the many questions and the various wonderings of others, which can wear away at your faith, especially in prophecy. If you don't keep your faith strong through regularly receiving the Word, then it will weaken, and you will find yourself having to battle to regain that childlike faith that you once possessed. You do this through reading and believing the Word, putting the Word into practice in your life, meditating on it, giving yourself wholly to it and to Me.
304. I will work in the lives of all My children, to show each of you how important it is that you put your faith in Me and My Word and not look at others--at what others are doing or not doing, and how others are following Me. For if you have a strong personal connection with Me through My Word and through your personal prayer time, your faith will remain strong and will not falter or waver no matter what happens around you. Those of you who keep your eyes firmly fixed on Me and keep your connection strong and healthy through drinking in the New Wine and following it will have strong faith that will not waver, no matter what happens.
305. My children, you must reevaluate your faith and see who you're putting your faith in. If you have your faith in Me and My Words, both My old and My new Word given through My Endtime shepherds, Maria and Peter, I will never fail you. I will cause you to grow, to make the right decisions, to follow the path of My will, and to bear good fruit. But when you put your faith in people, even seemingly spiritually strong, wise, loving people, or in the conditions around you, these things can fail.
306. Even people that I anoint and use mightily as bellwethers and pillars in the Family, good leaders and shepherds, are weak human vessels who are made strong, and their anointing is kept strong through their faith in My Word, through their faith in My voice of prophecy given fresh for today in the pages of each GN. If they take their eyes off of Me and My Words and get their eyes on anything else, they become weakened.

307. The shepherds and leaders who I can fully use are those who know they are nothing and who depend totally on Me, who have their faith fixed firmly on Me and My Word, given through My Endtime shepherds, and who hold fast to their faith. They don't look around them to see what other people are doing and thinking, but they look to Me and My Word; they study the GNs to see what I am asking of them, what I want them to do, and where My Word is leading the Family.
308. If you keep your eyes on Me and My Word, then your faith will remain strong, because it's based on the right foundation, the only true foundation. No matter what happens around you, and no matter who fails or backslides, you'll still go on because your faith is in Me.
309. The only way you won't make it is if you don't have the strength of My Words in your life, if you doubt My Words and lose faith.
310. It all comes down to faith. If your faith is a little shaky, spend some time strengthening it in the Word.
311. I only wait for your step of faith--and it need not be great. You need not feel that you must be eloquent or worthy or have great faith--you only need to ask for My help, and it will be given to you.
312. Even if you don't see or feel or taste the full victory this minute, know that you have it by faith, and nothing can take it away from you as long as you keep believing and trusting and holding on to it. Just keep believing, and you'll see the complete fulfillment of My every promise to you.
313. (Dad speaking:) The key to victory is faith. The Lord has given you the victory. Now you have to claim those victories by faith. I know that you're being tempted to think that your victory has been stolen away and you've lost it forever, or at least for right now, but that's just a lying vanity. You've got to cling to it!

Getting the victory is contingent on your faith. When you pray and you ask the Lord for help, for the victory, for deliverance, He gives it to you. You just have to accept that victory by faith. And if your feelings and emotions start telling you otherwise, you've just got to cling to the Lord's promise of victory by faith.

314. Just a few minutes with Me on a regular basis will help renew your faith and trust, and soothe your nerves, and heal the wounds,
315. One of the ways I want you to stretch your faith and prove My power is through

raising your personal standard in all ways. It may seem a small thing, but the example that you will be through this will speak loudly, and will mean much to those who you minister to. It will touch both the rich and the poor, the educated and the simple. It will be one of the keys to reaching the top, and reaching the top will be the key to flooding the land with My truth and reaping the harvest that awaits. Begin now. Sharpen your instruments. Tune up your harvesting equipment. Clean and prepare your barns to receive the harvest. Then get out there and reap that harvest!

316. I am a wealthy Husband; in fact, no one surpasses Me in that area. All the riches of Heaven are given to Me, and as My Bride, you have a right to any of those riches that you need and that will help you to better fulfill My will. The only thing that limits what you receive is your faith.

317. To choose the road of faith is a choice you have to make! It's a choice no one else can make for you! But it's a vital choice, because when you lose your faith, then you have lost everything, and you're in danger of becoming alienated from My Spirit.

318. Only you who put My Word first, who make it your number-one priority to spend time with Me, who continue to cause the Word revolution to revolute your lives will receive the faith, trust, obedience, and vision needed to see you through to the end.

319. You, My children, are not children of this world. You are children of My Word. If the Word were taken out of your lives, you would die spiritually. You would become lifeless. I am bringing you to greater dependence on Me, and when you walk this road you will find that your very survival, your very life, depends on just that - Me and My Word.

If you don't get the power needed from My Word, if you don't get the energy, the drive, the passion, the determination, the faith from My Word, you will not succeed. You need My Word.

320. If you put My Word first, if you go to the Word for instruction, guidance, direction, and to get the strength you need, you will receive faith, and that faith will help to bring you into the future. This is the way that I have set it up to work. I have provided My Word; you must provide the time to study and absorb it. You must take the steps of commitment, faithfulness, and diligent study in order to receive My full blessing. I have done My part. Now you must do your part.

321. (Dad speaking:) The Lord loves children. He loves them. He creates them. He needs them. He longs for the children, the purity of their love, the humility that they have. The precious spirits that they are born with are so pure and so perfect in a way. You can see His love in their faces. Oh, if we could only be children ourselves, in a way, because they take everything by faith.

322. There are many whose spark I will re-ignite, whose eyes I will open, whose spirits I will cause to burn with the desire to break free from the chains of pride and selfishness, and launch out once again to live by faith and to serve Me and others.
323. Those who trust, who suck, who believe, who expect My promises to be fulfilled, will see miracles of faith.
324. As you trust Me each step of the way and exercise your faith, the power will grow, your faith will flourish, the miracles will happen, the problems will be solved, and My witness will reach the world.
325. When you're in a trying situation, that's when you realize the full value of faith. At times it seems trite and unnecessary to be investing so much time and effort in strengthening your faith, but when everything else in your life is gone, when you have nothing else to lean on but your faith in Me, then you find out how important it truly is.
326. Be wise, My brides, and strengthen your faith today while you live in times of peace, because you never know when your faith in Me will be the only thing on this Earth that you have left to cling to.
327. Often miracles take action on your part--some step of faith, like rolling away the stone. But you can't take a step of faith unless you know what step to take, and finding what that step is takes listening, believing, and receiving.
328. You may never know how pivotal one choice is. That's why I urge you to strive to make the right choices, My choices, at every turn. That's why I instruct you to hear from Me, to stay firmly grounded in the Word, and to keep your connection with Me established and strong. It's so that when you're faced with choices, your faith will be strong enough so that you'll make the right ones--choices for Me, choices that will enable My will to play out, choices that will in turn bring fulfillment and happiness to your life, as well as many rewards in the life to come.
329. Where does your help come from? It comes from Me. It comes from seeking Me. It comes from hearing Me. It comes from having faith that I do all things well.
330. But he that doesn't hold on to the steering wheel of My Word can more easily be swept overboard. For there are times to rest and there are times to lie down and let go, but there are times to hold on. And this is the time to hold on in faith, nothing wavering, looking not at the size of the waves or your battered vessel, but just to hold on and do what you know you must do. You must turn your ship into the wind and ride through the storm and know that the storm will end and there will be sunshine and calm seas ahead.

331. Without faith it is impossible to please Me. And if you can see the way, or if you know all that is ahead, then the decision is not one of faith, but one of knowledge and one of understanding and one of clarity. But when you don't see what is ahead, when you look forward and you see only darkness and you don't know where the light is or when it shall come or from where it shall come, but you say, 'Yes, I will follow anyway, and I will take the step because You have said this is what I must do, this is what You require of me,' this is great faith and it does greatly please Me.
332. The old must make way for the new.--But who are the old? The old are only those who will not change, who will not allow themselves to be stirred up, who will not take the step of faith, who will not trust Me. And who are the new?--The new are those who drink in My new wine, who trust, who say, 'Oh, yes, I will go forth! I don't know what is there, but I will go forth.'
333. I raise up a new and young army, an army of those that are full of faith. Not those who are strong, not those who are mighty, not those who have done great exploits, but just those who have faith--faith to trust Me, faith to hold on, faith to say 'yes' unto Me. And these are they that will partake of the fresh waters of My Spirit, and that shall have great rejoicing in these waters.
334. Build your faith by regularly spending time with Me in the bed of love--reading and meditating on My Word and applying it to your life, resting in Me and casting your cares on Me, and loving Me intimately as My bride, speaking words of love to Me and receiving My seeds, which are manifested later in the form of prophecy.
335. (Dad speaking:) As the Bible says, the carnal mind is enmity against God-hostile to God (Rom.8:7). The carnal mind's first reaction is to resist God's truth if it's something that doesn't fit into the confines of natural human logic. That's the way we were made-the way God created us, as odd as that may seem-because He wanted to introduce the notion of believing by faith. Something that you see, understand completely, touch and feel, doesn't require faith.
336. My loves, you must replace your fear mentality with a faith mentality. Fear should not be your first response to attacks of the Enemy-or at least not for long. Right now it's natural for you to be shocked or taken aback somewhat by these drastic attacks of the Enemy, because up until now you haven't seen these tactics. But as the days grow darker, you must learn to fight such a reaction of initial fear and replace it with faith.

Have faith that I am all-powerful and ready to send you legions of angels to fight by your side. Trust that I can do anything needed to arm you with the power you need to fight any battle as you claim it by faith. Expect that My promises stand firm and cannot be broken

no matter what fears or doubts the Enemy whispers. Shout back in his face, "Liar! Fear has no power over faith in God!"

337. The Enemy is trying to get you to look at the waves, to worry about each wave and wonder if it will sink the boat. Then another one comes, and you wonder if that will sink the boat, and on and on it goes; you're tossed by every wave that comes. If you allow your carnal mind to take over, you will constantly be "seasick" and tossed by every wave of fear that comes crashing down around you. Whereas if you put your faith in Me, your Captain, and trust that My ship will not sink but will bring you safely to the shore of My Heavenly Kingdom no matter what storms beset it, then you can laugh out loud at each wave that rises high above and threatens to sink your ship, for you have faith in Me and My ability to save and keep you.
338. There are many things ahead, many great places I wish to take you, but only those who are trusting and full of faith and willing to believe anything that I give can go. For this is a new faith trip and we are marching forth in faith, but we must go, nothing wavering. For he that wavereth is like a wave of the sea, and My children must be steadfast and unmoveable in their faith for the days ahead.
339. It takes that first step of faith, that step of believing--even if the belief is smaller than a mustard seed--for Me to begin to work in your life.
340. Remember Hebrews chapter 11? Let Me remind you about a verse from it: "And these all, having obtained a good report through faith, received not the promise" (Heb.11:39). They went through a lot. I commended them for their faith, but they didn't receive the promise on Earth. Why? Because I had planned something better--a better reward. Those folks died in faith, but do you think they lost out? No!
341. (*Dad speaking:*) Everyone needs the Word, but when you're going through times of testing or battles, you need it all the more, because it's the Word that you stand on and that gives you faith for the battle. You have to keep going back to the Word and absorbing it as many times as you need to, for as long as you need to. You can't give up and just think, "Oh well, I guess I'll never get the victory, so why bother." You have to keep standing on the Word for as long as it takes, and simply trust that the Lord knows how long to keep you under the fires of His testings and purgings, and that He knows when to give you complete victory.

You only need a mustard seed of faith. That's all the Lord said you need, and that's enough for the battle. All you need is a little faith. Maybe some people think they have to have a big manifestation of faith in their lives, a big surge of faith for themselves in order to keep going, but the Lord just wants you to have enough faith for one day at a time. That keeps you coming back to Him, clinging to Him, needing Him and His Word for the next day. It's

healthy to need the Word and to keep coming back to it over and over again for your strength and faith-building.

342. You have heard of the saying, "where there is life there is hope," and this is true of your spiritual life. The life is My Word, because that is what gives you hope for any situation. If you have lost hope, then you need more Word. It gives you faith, and as long as you have faith, anything can happen.
343. You are entering the days that you have been trained your whole life for. You may not feel particularly prepared, and even now when you're hit with thoughts and fears, you wonder how you're going to make it when things get worse. My love, don't worry about the future, for I give you grace and faith for each day-exactly what you need to face each battle.
344. Strengthen your faith through the Word, through hearing My voice, and through actively supporting and wielding the weapons of the spirit, and I guarantee that your faith will increase.
345. It takes patience to keep going when you're tired of the same routine. It takes faith to keep doing the same jobs day after day--little jobs, jobs that become boring and routine, but must be done. This all takes the love of My Spirit, the love of God, because in the flesh you don't feel inspired to do these things.
346. Let My Word encourage your faith and help you to realize that all things are in My hands. Not one thing that you commit to My hands will fall or be taken away.
347. Your faith is what will help you to overcome the world. When you have faith, nothing fazes you. You can face your fears, ready to attack. Nothing can stop a man or woman of faith!
348. I am giving you each an extra outpouring of faith, sustenance, endurance, and the power to face whatever you will need to face. Even seeming defeats will become glorious victories. This I promise, and this you will see come to pass.
349. My Word will inoculate you against fear and will put a shield of faith around you, which the Enemy cannot penetrate with his spirit of fear.
350. Faith is the backbone of victory. When your courage is flickering low, claim the keys of faith. They will strengthen you with new anointing from above, beyond your human ability, and you will go on to win the victory.

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351. Can you take what may seem to be a truly tragic, hopeless, desperate situation and allow it to kindle your faith in My power so much that you burst into praise, and you swing the weapon of praise boldly, thrilling to the battle, knowing that I will overcome, that I am greater, that I am in control, and that one way or another, I will bring ultimate victory?-- Not to mention countless other benefits along the way?
352. When you praise in a very difficult situation, what you are telling Me is that you submit to My will and accept My allowing it to happen. In these kinds of situations, praise demonstrates acceptance. Your praise is acceptance. The praises that come out of your mouth are a verbal expression of the faith and trust that is in your heart. The reason that a lot of people find it so difficult to praise Me when something "bad" happens or when something happens to them that they don't like is because they aren't trusting Me and their faith is weak.
353. Praise is the voice of faith. That's an old quote that many of you memorized years ago. But think about that quote for a minute, because it is really very true and very deep. Praise voices the faith that you have in your heart. When you have faith and you're trusting Me, the natural result is praise. When you have faith in Me and you trust Me, things that happen around you or to you don't bother you so much because you trust that everything is part of My perfect plan. You even believe that I am able to turn mistakes that you or others make into good. You trust that all things will truly work together for good to them that love Me. If you find you have a hard time praising Me, it could be a sign that you need to strengthen your faith.
354. So many things in the life of a disciple boil down to faith--including being able to use the weapon of praise in difficult or negative circumstances. If your faith is weak, take steps to strengthen it. Fill up with more of My Word and then put your faith into action by taking steps to implement and obey what I have told you to do. As you do this, your faith will grow, and you will develop the trust and faith in Me that will enable you to offer praises from your heart even in trying times and through difficult or extremely negative circumstances.
355. Prayers that are prayed against the backdrop of faith and praise are the most powerful prayers. When you pray with praise and acceptance in your heart, My hand is moved to work on your behalf. You can ask Me for a specific thing if it's on your heart, and

you are welcome to. But the bottom line in your prayers should be faith that I can and will do what I have planned. You should be praying for My will, above all. "Thy will be done, on Earth as it is in Heaven."

When you pray in faith, I hear and I move. When your prayers and your faith release My power to affect the situation according to My perfect will, that's when the magic happens, that's when miracles come about. That is when your prayers truly change things.

So praise and prayer work together perfectly because they are both based on faith. When your praises are based on faith and your prayers are prayed in faith, then faith becomes the victory that overcomes the world (1Jn.5:4).

356. I know that one of the best ways of encouraging your faith is by answering your prayers. So I love to answer your prayers, because it has the wonderful chain reaction of boosting your faith and strengthening our love connection at the same time.
357. Manifest your faith by praying with excitement, the kind of excitement a little child manifests when he's about to open a gift from a loving parent. The anticipation and excitement couldn't be higher. That's the kind of excitement and faith that creates a powerful vacuum in the spirit and always affords you My best in answered prayer.
358. Your jubilant and praiseful attitude in prayer is a key to victory. It's part of your spiritual weaponry that defeats the Enemy. It provides an additional burst of energy, of spiritual power that's channeled toward the answer. It can bring about a speedier resolution or an even better solution, because there's more power behind your prayer. It's a manifestation of your faith in Me, your trust that what you are praying for is in My hands, and that I will not fail. This pleases Me.
359. When you are praising Me, dwelling on My goodness and the results and answers I have given, your faith is "automatically" strengthened for prayer, and your authority in the spirit grows stronger because you have the confidence that I can do again what I've done before, that there's more where that came from.
- Praise is also one of the ultimate manifestations of trust, which is one of the ultimate manifestations of faith. Praise is proving that you believe that I will work, and work right; and that is the kind of faith you need when you pray.
360. The realm of prayer is so vast and the answers and resolutions to a problem can be so numerous. Don't tie your expectations and faith only to the solution that you have in mind. It might not be what I have planned for you.
361. Enduring faith is perhaps the most difficult form of faith for My children, because it

requires great patience, and learning patience is something that doesn't come easily for people. But those who do learn to endure and persevere, who refuse to give up, develop a highly polished faith. That faith has been tested in the fire many times. It has been rubbed so often that it's almost rubbed thin at times, but its quality is incomparable.

362. Sometimes enduring faith is visibly rewarded in this life with the desired answer or desired miracle, sometimes not. But in either case, it is afforded the highest honors and rewards in My Kingdom.

363. You, My love, are so precious, and I love to give you whatever you desire. Don't hesitate to ask for whatever you need. I've promised you whatever you wish, great or small. I haven't the least qualm about performing the downright impossible for you. Miracles are not a problem for Me, so stretch your faith and allow Me to give you all that you need.

364. You can learn much about prayer from a little child, for there is no greater faith than that of a child. A child expects in his heart that I am going to answer his request. He knows what he wants and he tells Me in simple but exact terms.

Your prayers don't have to be complicated. They can be just like the prayers of a little child. Tell Me in simple but exact terms what your request is, have childlike faith that I am going to answer, and then stand back and see Me deliver what you have asked for in faith.

365. If you get caught up in (the Enemy's) mind games and begin to analyze and listen to the thoughts he puts in your head, it gives him power to erode your foundation. It begins to create reality from the lying vanities. If you choose to believe him by choosing to analyze things with your carnal mind, he has real power to destroy the good foundation that you stand upon, and it will damage your faith and your spiritual life.

But if you choose to ride out the storm--to put your faith solely in Me, in those things which you can't see or feel or even find confidence in with your natural mind, but that you know to be true because you know My love is true even if you don't feel it at the moment--then the storm will pass, the clouds will lift, and that attack will be over.

366. If you're focused on yourself, of course you're not going to be able to believe you can make it and do all the things I'm asking of you. But if you can get your eyes on Me and really grasp the concept that it's all Me and My power, you'll start to see things closer to the way they really are.

If you're obeying, and doing the things I've asked of you personally, then you can ask Me for a boost of faith to appropriate My promises. Then put Me to the test, and stand back and enjoy, because I will come through for you in ways you never thought possible!

367. (Dad speaking:) Don't let the Enemy keep you from partaking of the miracles, rewards, fulfillment, happiness and blessings that the Lord wants to give you by convincing you that they're not for you, not yours to apply, or that you're not worthy. Hold tight to His promises and don't let go! Say with Jacob, "I will not let Thee go except Thou bless me!" That's the kind of faith that gets results!

368. Faith is your shield, your defense against the many lies that seek to damage your soul. To disbelieve Me in some respect, to cast away even a small part of your faith, is to lower your shield over a part of your body that you deem nonessential. "Oh, it's just my shoulder. It's pretty padded and there's nothing too vital there. And besides, I don't even believe I'll get hit." So you expose your shoulder, and sure enough, the Enemy launches an arrow into that unprotected part.

You might not be too worried at first, as it's not like it's your heart or eye, but what you don't realize is that those arrows are poisoned and wherever they hit can eventually become a mortal wound if it's not cleansed and cared for and treated. A blow to your chest may spread the poison faster than a blow to the foot or hand, yet eventually the poison of doubt will spread through the whole body, killing your spiritual life if you allow it to remain and fester.

Do not lower your shield in any area, My children. Do not expose any part to the Enemy. Faith does not require full understanding; it only requires belief. Continue to think of your faith as your shield against Enemy arrows, and it will help you to understand and to guard yourself more diligently. You don't have to understand how your shield stops the arrows; you don't have to know exactly how many arrows there are or exactly where they're going to hit; you just have to believe that if you step outside of the shield, you're going to get hit, so you want complete coverage, not exposing any part, no matter how small or nonessential you believe it to be.

369. Yours is a life of faith. It's a life of basing your actions, your choices, your belief system, your everything, on My Word, and ignoring everything else when necessary. It's a life that will be greatly rewarded when you step out of the surreal façade the Enemy so carefully sets up to snare mankind and you're able to see--not through a glass darkly, but face to face--how things truly are. It will be like Neo stepping out of the matrix and seeing reality for the first time. You'll be so glad you gave your life to set others free.

370. (Spirit helper speaking:) Now that you have the keys and are learning to use their power, you're going to realize more and more that what has up until this time seemed simply impossible to you can be and is possible! This means that more miracles will happen and that changes will come quicker. The Family hasn't entirely grasped this yet; many people aren't fully aware of the difference that the keys can make, along with the

undefeated weapon of praise that you're just learning how to wield and use effectively.

One thing's for sure, the Lord does want to help you grow spiritually and to change to become the person He wants and needs you to be. This means that now more than ever, when you ask for His help to change in an area of your life, He's going to help you to do it. You still have the majesty of choice. That hasn't changed and isn't going to. But the power you have in the spirit to help you is now complete, if you will only fulfill the conditions and use it. So, providing you make the right decisions, all things are possible to you now. And regardless of how weak or incapable you feel, you can make the right decisions if you choose to. And if you do, with the keys of the Kingdom and all the power of Heaven behind you, everything really is possible.

The power to change has been given to you. When you realize and believe this more fully, your faith will grow and you'll begin to truly expect the answer or the change, either for yourself personally or for others, rather than just hoping for it or trying to have faith that it could happen. And that is where praise comes in. Praise will bring the answers, and will strengthen and sustain you while you wait. Praise makes the conditions right for our Lord to do the miracle. Praise enhances the power of the keys, because it makes each person who is sincerely praising a more powerful and effective wielder of the keys.

371. You can make up all kinds of excuses, but the truth is, it all comes down to you, your choices, who you are, what you choose, what you want, and how much you're willing to fight. It all comes down to your faith, to how much you listen to the Lord or how much you listen to the Enemy, to how much you yield to the Lord or how much you yield to the Enemy or to your own desires or wants. You are who you make yourself. You are the sum of your decisions.

372. I will help you, and I will give you the answers that you seek, for I delight in your seeking Me, when you look to Me in faith and expectancy for My help and answers. For as a father delights to give his children gifts, so do I delight to answer your questions and give you all that you need.

373. As you yield yourself to Me and lie in submission in My arms, I will empower you, and My strength and peace and comfort and love will flow upon you, and you will have courage and faith, without fear. Look not at the waves. Look not at the people. Look not at yourself or your faults or your weaknesses or your condition, nor at the situation. Look only to Me, and receive My Love and forgiveness and mercy and strength, and I will make the way clear before you.

Walk in faith, and receive in faith all that I have to give you--all My Words, the kisses of My Love that I am pouring out to you. Believe and receive and drink them in with a believing heart in full assurance of faith, and they will be life and strength and health to you. They

will be a guiding light upon your path to bring you out of the darkness into My light. For My Words are Spirit and Life and Light!

374. There is still a little time before great catastrophe strikes. Use this time wisely and to the full in seeking Me and becoming more attuned to My guidance and the whispers of My will. Put Me to the test at this time. Let your faith be stretched. Let it grow. There is much that I desire to do through My children. As you step out upon the water, I will be there to uphold you, but you must take the steps.

375. In My life on Earth My faith was tested, and I had to prove it by putting it into action, exercising it, acting on it. You have faith that I speak to you. Now prove it. Test it by acting on it, even if it seems impossible. For now you have the power. I've given it to you to be able to do your job. So go for it! Do it! Expect miracles!

376. Think of a dam and all the water that's behind it. If you were to make a hole in that dam at the bottom, you would see a little trickle of water coming out, but unseen, behind that little trickle you would have the force and weight of all the water that is stored behind the dam. You can access a little bit of the power with the tiny hole, some power is generated from the little trickle, but think of how much more there could be if you were to enlarge the hole! If you were to open the floodgates at the bottom, you would have much more power!

Your faith is like the hole, and the greater the faith, the more power is generated. Right now, each of you must exercise your faith muscles. You must put Me to the test. In some way you must enlarge that "hole in the dam."

377. When you think of great faith, what comes to mind? Is it the missionaries of the past, the prophets of old, Myself and the miracles of My disciples? That's just the problem. Most people look at the past, and that's where their faith is--in the past. They don't see that the same power--in fact, greater power--is here right now!

378. You've read how I called My prophets of old through visions and dreams, and how they heard My voice and talked with Me. So will you, for I will always be at your side. Once you've strengthened your faith, your eyes of the spirit will become stronger and you'll be able to see past the veil into the realm of My Spirit as if it were right beside you, which it is. You'll be able to glimpse My angelic forces preparing to do battle on your behalf. You'll also be able to see the forces of the Enemy. Yet don't let this frighten you, for I am greater than them all! This should stir you up to see the battle, to know that you are indeed fighting a war.

I will also allow you to see into the hearts and minds of men, to know if they are of Me. You have a measure of this now with the gift of discernment, but I will magnify this gift to

where you will be able to know the choices men will make. Whatsoever your heart desires to know I will show you, not only in that day, but right here and now.

Yet in order to receive this gift of awesome knowledge, your faith must increase. Start now by asking Me things you wish to know. Stretch the bounds of your present faith. Do those things that I show you, and you'll begin to rise above what you thought impossible. Don't use this gift foolishly, but take it as a very serious weapon and learn all the ins and outs, for you will need to know how to wield the gifts of My Spirit accurately.

379. The greater your faith, the greater I am able to pour down My power. The closer the connection, the more real I will be to you. The greater your weakness, the greater My strength will be through you. This is what I've been preparing you for since the dawn of time. This is your destiny--you upon whom the ends of the Earth are come.

Take this seriously and cherish your birthright. Look beyond the confines of the flesh and its weak limitations and see My power. For you are only the conduit, the channel, the vessel that I can pour My power through, and the purer the metal the conduit is made of, the faster and easier the power can flow through it. So be a conduit of My power. Let Me live in you and take complete control. You will see things you've only dreamed of--visions, glimpses into My Heavenly realm, and demonstrations of My power. All this is yours for the taking if you will yield to Me, accept My calling in your life, and have the faith of a little child.

380. Take the stand of faith, My beloved ones, for your hour is almost upon you--the hour for which I brought you into this world. This is your hour! Your future is here! Fear not, for I have brought you to the Kingdom for this hour. This is your destiny!

381. It's easier for a person to become skeptical, cynical and unbelieving than for someone to become full of faith, trusting, and accepting. This is the nature of man.

382. Go to My Word with a renewed desperation. Cling to it, believe it, and reject and refuse all that is not in line with My Word. Your faith will be strengthened and the Enemy will retreat in terror.

383. As you exercise your faith muscles in the little things, it will then give you the faith for bigger things.

384. There is nothing too small to pray about, seek Me about, and put Me on the spot about. Many of the miracles I do for you, you take for granted because you're so used to them. But it's the little miracles that build your faith for the bigger ones, and they're just as important in the overall scheme of getting the job done.

385. Many of My children who were greatly used in the past had a simple and childlike faith due to the simplicity of the times in which they lived. There is nothing wrong with very simple and childlike faith--that is the best kind. But in these days, you have to work harder to keep that simple, childlike faith, because there is so much more knowledge of the world fighting against that faith. In these days of the End is the knowledge of evil manifested as never before, and it is impossible to not be infected to at least some extent with it. It is only through My Words and My Spirit that the Enemy's filth and poison can be washed away. So it is necessary for you to be flooded and flushed as never before with My Words, that you may remain strong and full of faith.
386. The influence of the world, and the strong oppression in the spirit, and the analytical carnal mind always fight against simple faith.
387. The influence of the world, and the desire of man for more knowledge and intellectuality and all those things that hinders and wars against your faith, are what you must fight against in order to keep (that simple childlike faith).
388. Simple childlike faith is not necessarily naïve, uninformed or immature. To the contrary, it is simply choosing to believe Me in spite of all other knowledge or possibilities or conflicting opinions. That's what faith is--it's belief, and in this case, belief in Me and My Word. You can be very well rounded and educated and still maintain that simple faith, through determining that you are going to believe Me above all others, no matter what others say.

Granted, it's harder to keep that simple faith when you do investigate other possibilities, because faith is not based on anything you can see or touch or prove--that's why it's called faith. But it is possible to keep that faith. And that is what I have asked of you, My children. I have given you so much in order to help answer your questions, so that you might reach the point where you realize that I have the answers to everything, whether you know them or understand them or not, and you choose to believe. But you must make that choice yourself. Otherwise, you can be caught in a cycle of ever learning, yet never coming to a knowledge of the truth--that unshakable, unmovable, childlike, simple faith.

389. Your faith in Me can move mountains. Even with just a grain of faith, you can say to the mountain, "Be removed and be cast into the sea," and it shall be done. It's the same principle with spiritual mountains. You can remove the mountains in your life--the mountains of jealousy, of comparing, of resentment, of resistance.--And you are moving them!

Day by day, bit by bit, by calling on Me and the power of the keys, and receiving My Words, you're exploding spiritual dynamite, which is blowing holes in the mountains of difficulties and weaknesses in your life. Every time you call on Me, every time you come to Me

earnestly, setting your own will aside and desiring Mine, you are detonating powerful ammunition which blasts the work of the Enemy. He can never refill those holes as quickly as you're blowing them up; and in time, the mountains will be seen again for what they truly are--just little molehills.

Their seeming like such big mountains is just in your mind and a matter of perception in the first place. Once you realize how much of the difficulty and battle is because of the Enemy's lies and lying vanities, the mountains get cut down to size, and you understand that they're not as difficult to get rid of as you thought. You feel discouraged sometimes now because the mountains seem really big; they almost seem insurmountable. Well, they are there and they do need to be overcome, but they're not as scary and foreboding as you think--because you have more power than you realize you do.

It's kind of like those characters in the movie "The Matrix." When they would go into the matrix, they could do things that other people could not. It wasn't because they were so special, or even had special power per se. It was because their eyes had been opened, and they realized that the trap that had gotten everyone else was not even reality. It took effort and it was certainly a fight, but they knew they could overcome, because they knew that the danger and power of evil wasn't as bad as it looked, that things that appeared did not have to be.

That's a very important spiritual principle for you to remember, when the battles seem so big and you feel that things are hopeless. The Enemy's the one trying to make you feel that way, and trying to make you forget the power that you have in Me and My Spirit--power through faith, which is great enough to move all the mountains!

390. I want to see each and every one of you happy and fulfilled in life. I want to see you operate according to your faith.
391. Exercise your faith to believe that I can reveal new things and lead in new ways. Have a believing heart, a heart that is not only desperate to find My will, but has the faith that it can be found.
392. When you're in need of a new outlook or renewed faith to discuss problem situations, call on the keys of otherworldly faith, and you will receive a new mindset and faith to pull down outside-of-the-box solutions.
393. I have to let you make your own choices and go according to your own faith.
394. (Spirit helper speaking:) Now you have been given a special anointing to be one of David's loyal mighty men of faith!--One who has endured heartache and hardships, who has forsaken all, who has laid down his life and his loved ones that he might be counted

worthy to receive the title and the role of one of David's mighty men, one of his loyal, dedicated soldiers who is willing to fight and lay down his life for the cause. And as we, David's mighty men of old, went on to our reward, even so you have a great reward in store for your willingness to fight on and hold on to the crown!

And so, my fellow laborer, my fellow soldier, my fellow fighter for the faith, keep your eyes on the battle! Keep wielding the weapon of the Word that He's given you. Keep going forward in faith, fighting for the cause--for great is your reward! You have helpers in the spirit that assist you and give you anointing and wisdom and the help you need to continue to fight on.

So be not discouraged! Though you may feel wounded or weakened, fight on with the strength you have. Receive the help in the spirit that the Lord has for you, for you are one of the valiant fighters of David in the Endtime. Belittle not your role nor your calling, for they are great.

So, my fellow fighter of the faith, fight on! Though you may feel battle-weary, fight on! Though you feel weak, fight on! Though sometimes you feel you don't have the strength, fight on! For as you continue to fight, the strength will be provided because of your faith.

395. (Dad speaking:) Don't let the Enemy rob you of your faith and trust in God! Don't let the Enemy instill his fear and worry and doubts in your mind.

396. As you yield to Me and trust Me, you will feel the strength of My love. As you surrender your all to Me, you will feel the strength of faith. As you give yourself wholly to Me as My bride, trusting that I love you more than anyone, that I know you better than anyone, and that I can take care of you and supply your needs more completely than anyone, then you will have no fear of the future. You will have no fear of what you will lose, for you will have gained everything in giving your all to Me. You will gain peace of mind, freedom from fear, and faith for the future, knowing that I love you and that I will not hurt you.

I will not take anything away from you without giving you something better. I will not lead you into the darkness, but into the light. I will not remove My blessing from you, for I pledge My loyalty to you as a faithful Husband, as you have pledged your loyalty to Me as a faithful bride. We're united and we are one. We're married to each other, and nothing will change this. You can rest assured and know beyond a shadow of a doubt that our love, our bond, our unity, and the happiness we share is without end. Nothing will come between us. Nothing will cause you to lose My love. Nothing will cause Me to lessen My love towards you. This is the relationship that you must cling to above all others, for in this there is constancy, security and freedom.

397. I would that (I desire that) you show Me the depths of your love for Me through your utmost faith and trust in Me, to put that which you have, that which is dearest to you, into My hands and entrust it totally to My care.

398. The Enemy knows that if you continue to hang on by faith and fight and yield and endure the battle--no matter how hot and heavy and hard--that there will be a beautiful victory. I can do miracles and do the totally unexpected. I can deliver you from the agony and torment and give you peace of mind.

You must just hang on and trust Me by faith, and pull out all the weapons of warfare--your spiritual weapons--the Word, praise, prayer, singing! You need to continue to go on the attack. You need to bring your battles, your heartcries and problems before Me in prayer and listen to My voice in prophecy, so that I may personally encourage and strengthen you, and give you comfort and encouragement to keep fighting.

399. The worst thing you can do is to yield to the Enemy's spirit of worry. For through worry you not only weaken your faith muscles but you also weaken your body physically. Faith creates. Faith brings life and strength and energy! There is great power in faith. Whether I choose to allow a light affliction or a heavy affliction, your greatest strength will come through faith to trust in My wisdom and My will for you.

400. Don't condemn yourself or allow the Enemy to condemn you. That is his ploy to steal your faith and rob you of the comfort I want to give you. Even if it is My hand directly chastening you, even if you brought it on yourself through disobedience, even if it's because you were off track, I still want to comfort you and help you through it. I love you, and will never leave you or forsake you. I never allow anything that you can't learn from or benefit from in some way, even if it's something you brought on yourself. I still allowed it, and still want to bring good out of it for you, My love.

401. Faith is the victory!--Faith in Me, faith in My Word, faith in My promises in spite of how you feel, in spite of the circumstances, in spite of the reactions of your body. The Evil One seeks to spread fear and worry, but I am greater than him. Have faith in Me and believe, for I will see you through.

402. Don't worry, My love, this too will pass. And as it is with any affliction or battle that you look to Me in, with it will come new maturity and growth, new understanding, new grace, new faith and wisdom. I allow each experience, and through each one there is something I want to impart to you--a gift, a strengthening in some area. If you look to Me in each experience, I am able to do this easily, and you come through more complete and useful than before.

What does it mean to look to Me? It means to turn your face upward, to look into My eyes

in the spirit by asking Me how I see things, by trusting Me that I love you and will do that which is best for you, by giving Me your will and yielding to whatever I have brought into your life, and looking for the good in it. When you do that, through our time gazing in each other's eyes in the spirit, I am able to give you not only faith and healing and comfort, but also the deeper things of the spirit that I have in store for you. You gain so much through these types of experiences.

403. I am able! I ask only for your faith, your trust, and your willingness and yieldedness to fight with all that is in you; to do it for Me; to succeed in your training and overcome your trials for My sake, and for the sake of others who I will and do use you to help and minister to.

It's all for a purpose. It's all for your good, and of that you have My solemn promise. I would do nothing but that which will help you and which will be for your benefit--because I love you, I need you, and I want the best for you.

404. Faith comes; it grows. It grows through faithful study of My Word. It grows through obedience to My Word and what I tell you to do.

405. I am teaching you as a Family more and more about how to find My will and abide in it and praise Me for it. This is a skill that will be very needed in the days to come, so that you will be able to react in faith, trusting Me, in spite of situations that seem to be very bad. So focus on the lessons that I am teaching you today, lessons about performing My will and obeying Me and My Word, for this will give you the faith you need. And someday if you find yourself in a situation that you have long feared, if you have the confidence that you are obeying Me and are in My will, then you will have perfect faith and no fear. You will be able to perform My will exactly as I have ordered it. Then because you will be in My will, the keys will be able to perform miracles for you.

406. The tests and trials that come your way today may seem big and hard to you, but they are preparing you and strengthening your faith for what is to come. That faith will be your salvation in the days to come.

So praise Me for each circumstance that I allow to come into your life that stretches you, that is difficult, or that is causing your faith to become stronger, for it is working My purpose in your life and it is removing your fear and giving you strong, unshakable faith. That is the kind of faith that will overcome the world and all the evil in it, and bring you safely into My arms.

407. According to your faith, manifested through desperate prayer, be it done unto you.

408. Seek to believe, My dear loves. That is the best path to take, the safest path, the

most pleasant path-the path of faith. Go to My Word and feed from it deeply, daily, to strengthen and maintain your faith. Make love with Me and try to remain close to Me, for I am faith. Ask Me for the gift of faith, for it is available for you at your request. Ask Me for spirit helpers to strengthen and bolster your faith, to protect your faith, to keep you from the Devil's pests of doubt and disbelief.

If something causes you to doubt, search My Word to see what it has to say on the matter, finding both faith and truth therein. Come to Me and ask Me to speak to you on the subject. Ask for counsel or prayer from others, or both. Hang on to Me and My Word, clinging tightly till the battle has passed. If little unanswered questions remain, wrap them in a bundle of faith and set them aside, knowing that they will either be answered in the future or, when you unwrap them then, they will be gone, having vanished.

409. This life is a test. This time here is one of walking by faith and not by sight, just holding on to My promises and believing that what I say in My Word is true, even if you don't necessarily have the proof to back it up.
410. Don't you know that understanding is the reward of faith? So seek not to understand that you may believe, but seek to believe, that you may understand. This is the secret. This is the key to unlock and comprehend the many mysteries of the spirit. To believe, you must have faith. To have faith, you must have the Word--read it and obey it.
411. Don't give place in your heart or mind to negative or worrisome thoughts; defuse them instantly with praise, and you'll experience an immediate surge and increase to your spirit. Your faith will be renewed.
412. Don't let the Enemy steal your joy or your faith through his temptations to worry.
413. These are the days when you need to learn to actively wield your weapon of prayer. It doesn't really matter if you feel like it, but if you'll just ask Me to help you commit things to prayer more, and then make the effort yourself when I do check you, then you'll be progressing so much more quickly. You'll be less entangled in the worries or concerns that can sometimes limit your faith. I want you to step out on the limb of prayer more, and through committing things to Me more diligently in prayer, you'll be better able to trust Me and have faith for the outcome.
414. It's a law of the spirit that faith comes through hearing and studying My Word. The more time you spend drinking in My Word and storing it deep within you, then the better your faith ballast will be.
415. There's power in the spoken word, for it becomes a testimony or declaration of faith; it has creative power, and it can push back the lies of the Enemy.

416. If you reach out and say something, even a little word of positiveness, then you'll begin to grow in faith and yieldedness and you'll make progress.

The Enemy will fight these steps of faith because he knows that through such steps of yieldedness he'll lose ground in your heart and mind.

417. It takes real dedicated, yielded, moldable, receptive men and women of God to live the life of faith in the Family. It takes coming to the end of yourself and knowing that you're nothing and no one without the touch of My Spirit and My anointing. You can do nothing of yourself; it takes real dependence on Me and desperation. You must seek Me and depend on Me--on My strength, My anointing, and My Spirit--to carry you through and to help you over each difficulty and hurdle.

418. As I have promised, I will never fail you; I'm always here for you. My power is unlimited. The strength of My Spirit is immeasurable, and it is all available to you personally. You just have to have the faith to reach out and grab it, take it, and claim it for yourself. Exercise your faith! Be desperate for My Spirit and My anointing and My strength to fall upon you! Yield to Me, give to Me, become Mine, and I will never fail you!

419. When you are doing what you believe I want you to do, to the best of your ability, this gives you faith that you would not have otherwise. When you're following Me and doing My will, then you can have faith for anything that comes your way. The bumps along the road of life will be easier to handle; they won't destabilize you.

420. When your heart is right with Me and you want to please Me and obey Me, then I love to help you to do just that. Then, in the process, I love to bless you. I know that you're human and that you will make mistakes, and maybe get a little off track sometimes or do something that isn't My will. But that doesn't mean that I will withdraw My love from you and stop blessing you.

I'm always willing to help you get back on track, to bring you back to the path of My will. Don't let your faults or failings convince you that you can't remain in My will and do what I want you to do. All you need is a willing spirit, a ready mind, a heart full of faith--faith that will not give up, but will persevere one day at a time.

421. When you're in My will, you have greater faith for the spiritual battles. When you know that your actions are a direct result of My counsel, it strengthens your heart and boosts your morale. Praying and seeking Me for My will in all situations is the best way to prepare for spiritual battles.

422. If you have faith in My plan for your life, and faith in the knowledge that there is a

"God's will" in every situation, then with time and desperation, you will discover My plan. Settling for what feels right emotionally can cause you to make a mistake or miss My will.

423. It takes faith to choose My way, but it always pays in the end. I won't let you down.

424. (Dad speaking:) You must have faith that the Lord can speak to you personally, that He can guide you correctly. You must have faith that, when you come to the Lord ready to know His mind, He will speak to you clearly and He will work with your faith in order to help you to make the right decision. Your decisions are important to the Lord, and He wants you to have faith for the decisions that you make.

425. There's nothing like having faith that you're in My will and doing what I have called you to do.

426. Think of Job when he was beset by his woes. He was in My will; he was walking upright in My ways. But I still tested him and allowed calamity into his life to prove his spirit of faith and endurance--and provide him with an avenue for even greater success in the long run. Because he endured, because he kept the faith, because he trusted how I was leading him, he gained the reward for his faith (Job 42:12-17).

427. Your confidence and trust in Me as you walk the path of My will is a beautiful testament to others of your unshakable love and faith in Me. Because you know I'm looking out for you, you can be confident that I want what's best for you. You can trust Me and lean on My everlasting arms.

428. Cling to the Rock--that's Me--so that I can keep your faith strong.

429. When you pray in full faith, there is no limit to what I can do. Prayers of faith remove all limits and boundaries, and that's when I can really go to work!

430. It will take consistency on your part, and greater faith in the power of prayer. But with greater consistency and faith come greater results and fruit. Make prayer your focus, your priority, a major part of your life. In committing to prayer, you're committing to believing Me above all carnal reasoning and apparent reality. When you put Me on the spot with such faith and unswerving dedication, I can't help but give you everything I've got. I love that kind of faith, and I love those who give it to Me. It's one of the greatest signs of love, and one of the most precious gifts I could ever receive from you.

431. It is in stopping to rest in Me that you find your strength, and it is in resting so fully in Me that you have given up your own will and have chosen to commit completely in your heart and without reservation to letting Me think and act through you, that you gain the faith and peace that will allow you to be whatever I have called you to be.

432. You have to remember that yours is a life of faith. Your work is all by faith. My anointing on you is all by faith.

433. My perspective will give you faith. If you get your eyes off My perspective--basically, that I can do anything and you don't have to worry--then you'll lose faith, you'll feel the stress and strain, and it will be much more taxing for you than is necessary. But if you can learn to let Me carry the load for you, to keep laboring in prayer above any other labor, to keep seeking Me and faithfully taking your time with Me at all costs, then you will experience what it's like to truly have Me carry the load for you. The load will be there, but it will be easy and light with Me bearing it for you, and you walking beside Me, staying in step with Me.

You have to depend on Me. You just have to hold on to the perspective of Me being the great God--powerful, strong, and in love with you--and you being the little helper and follower. That will help you to carry the spirit of peace and faith. That will help you to learn about resting in Me, and will bring you through the intense times and the taxing times without breaking down or wearing out or feeling like you're about to. It's not that you won't feel the load, but it won't ever be too much. It won't get you down. It won't steal your joy. That's the goal.

434. I show you the way to preserve the things you do, and to make your life worthwhile in the grand scheme of things. I show you methods and modes of operation that will have eternal benefits. But they take time, they take faith, and they take your obedience and cooperation. When you believe, obey, and cooperate, I count this as spirituality. When you lean to your own understanding, I call this carnality.

435. Faith takes patience, and patience takes faith. This is because, without exception, My spiritual ways are more farsighted and thorough than your carnal ways. The steps I ask you to take require patience and faith, because you don't always see results as quickly as you might see from your carnal methods. But in the end, when that patience pays off, you end up with something that has actual value and worth, not something that rose quickly and fell even faster.

436. To the carnal mind, My counsel makes no sense at all. That's why you've got to look at it spiritually and with heavenly vision. You have to let Me take you into the spirit to see My plan, and then you have to believe by faith that it'll work just because I said it will, even if it makes no sense to you, even if you don't fully understand it.

You've got to take the answers by faith, even if they seem as if they won't work. Even if My counsel doesn't seem to make sense to you, you just have to believe it and act on it and put it into practice. You don't always have to understand everything I tell you. The carnal

mind would love to understand everything and have it all squared away into little pigeonholes, but it's not going to be that way.

437. (Dad speaking:) Prayer has a lot to do with your faith. The Lord in His Word has said that it is according to your faith that it will be done unto you. It's according to your faith, your belief in God's Word, that you will see the answers to your prayers come to pass. If you aren't seeing results, you know you simply have to go back to the Word and get the faith that you need. It's all built on the spiritual principle that 'faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the Word of God.' Very basic, yet very important. Faith and the Word equal prayer power. You first get the Word in your heart, whereby you receive faith, then you claim the Word and take the stand and see the wonders of prayers that will be performed.
438. (Dad speaking:) Prayer is a spiritual force, and you can't let the things of the physical dimension sway your faith, but you must stand on the Word and know that God will answer your prayers.
439. My children need continual reminders of the power that is there for them, at their fingertips, if they will but ask. Yes, if you look at it in the physical, it can be mind-boggling. That is why you need eyes of faith to see and understand these things. Yes, you can go anywhere and do anything, by faith! You have My power and promises to avail yourselves of.
440. When two or more of you are gathered together in My Name to lay your requests before My feet, each one is testifying to the others that you have the faith for Me to do miracles. So much is dependent on your faith, and by praying out loud before the body you are saying, "I have the faith that the Lord is going to answer this prayer and I want to see miracles." And when I do answer your prayer, not just you but many others will see that I work miracles.

It's important that each of you takes personal prayer time, for it's good for your soul to pour out your heart to Me in private. But never neglect the power of united prayer. When I see that there are many people together manifesting their faith to Me and being a testimony to each other, I not only want to answer your prayer, but I sometimes want to do it in an especially marvelous and miraculous way. This will inspire and encourage many, increasing their faith for more miracles.

Sometimes you simply can't have enough faith on your own, and it helps immensely to see others who have more faith. A prayer of faith not only gets an answer, but it can strengthen others as well.

441. There are times when I have answered your prayers, or the answer is on its way, and you need to get up from your prayer bones and “count it done,” showing faith that I have answered by arising and going about your business.

442. If all the conditions are right, and if the matter is something that I have said that I wish to do, then keep on praying. Keep on committing situations and people and hearts to Me. Keep on bringing them to Me and claiming My promises for them. It is in this attitude of trust and faith that I can work freely.

443. The reason I stress the importance of prayer, the reason I ask all My children to lift up their hearts in prayer for a situation, when only one would be enough, is for your benefit. When you pray, your faith grows, and your link with Me grows stronger. You show that you're willing to set aside the thoughts and the things of the day and spend that time in the closet with Me, pleading with Me, pouring out your heart in fervent prayer for your Family and your loved ones in need.

Even though I do answer lone prayers, when I hear all your prayers rising before My throne, when I see your tears and see your hearts joining together in desperation for another in need--this stirs My heart to answer speedily. It rejoices My soul to know that so many have faith that I will answer.

444. For those of you who want your personal faith to increase, your relationship with Me to become more intimate, and who want to partake of all the blessings that I have in store for you, if you will but pray at every opportunity you will have tapped into the source of blessings, and will receive abundantly of the flow that's there.

445. The trying of your faith is more precious than gold. You must believe that promise when the big battles hit. When you feel like things are getting too rough, or you're hit with some strange fear or doubt or worry, or the Enemy tries to tell you that you won't be able to make it much longer, you just have to face the battle with the faith of a warrior. You might not feel like you have the faith of a warrior at the time, but that doesn't matter; just act like it and move forward like you are that warrior and the Enemy will never know the difference.

You are that warrior as long as you move forward by faith, whether you feel like it or not. Act like it, and your faith and obedience will bring the power of My Spirit to your aid. Your armor is indestructible. You carry weapons of mass destruction to the Enemy's imp. You are powerful in the spirit because My promises will never fail. You might be shaking on the inside in the face of the Enemy's attacks, but just yell in his face, "Tremble, you devils! Run for your lives! You're about to feel the full force of God's army!"

446. Man resists change because it takes faith and is difficult. Growing pains come with every revolution, and it takes faith to implement the new.
447. It all comes down to having faith in My plan, that what I have ordained will work--and not only work, but flourish, thrive, and bring tremendous progress!
448. The keys are activated in part by faith, and the more faith you demonstrate in calling on the keys by name, showing that you believe they are real and exist, the more responsive power you will receive.
449. Just like you don't activate the power of prayer until you actually pray, so you don't activate the power of the keys until you verbally and deliberately acknowledge and manifest faith in the keys by calling on that power. Then it's there, in a flash.
450. Greater faith will come by using the keys. Call on the power of the keys and your faith will grow.
451. I wish to give each of My children the full blessings that I have available for them, but I am bound by the faith and requests and desires of My children. I am also bound by their obedience.
452. So many of the blessings of the Spirit, the things that really make the lives of My children happier and more fulfilled, depend upon obedience, unity and faith.
453. I warn those who've moved closer and closer and closer to the ways of the world, those who have lost their pureness and innocence as they've become deceived, thinking that it won't hurt them because they can "take it"--that they are in danger of slipping away altogether. The flame of their faith burns dangerously low, and they must be pulled back to the pillar. They must make a stand to strengthen their convictions against the ways of the world and the sirens of the System. Those who partake of the evils of the Whore and drink in her delicacies with great enthusiasm, losing sight of the vision, the Word, the goal, cannot be in unity with those who continue to give their all to Me and who seek not to be encumbered with the ways of the world, the flesh, the System.
454. Difficulties, tests, trials, heartbreaks, suffering and disappointments come from many causes and for many reasons, but regardless of why they have come or what the reason, you can rest assured that all things work together for good to them that love Me. Because you love Me I can take even these trials and turn them into blessings.

If you could see as I can see--beyond today, beyond this moment, beyond the pain which you are feeling--then you would better be able to understand why trials equal blessings.

You would better be able to understand why this loss, this ache in your heart, this time when you are being sorely tempted and tested, will with time become a blessing to you.

The secret to understanding, the key to understanding, is in the phrase "with time." As you believe by faith that My hand is on your life and that all things work together for good, with time, that which you believe by faith you will understand and see, and it will become a reality in your life.

455. When the problems and the difficulties arise, you rise up to meet them in faith.

456. If you must fight, fight to stay close to Me, fight to trust Me, fight to have faith in Me and in My words and in My promises.

457. Hold on to your heritage, the heritage of the meat of God. Don't be ashamed of it. For I consistently pour it forth unto you, and continue to pour it forth in new measure, in new strength. For you are they who have accepted My strong Words, who have grown with them, who have obeyed them, who have applied them, who have suffered for them, and who have grown strong because of them. And so do I continue to pour them forth unto you. For there are no others that have this heritage, and no others have proved their willingness to pour them forth, to live them, to stand up for them, to be persecuted and mocked for them, who have been willing to say, "I believe them because God has said them!"

Great is your reward in Heaven for your faith to receive, to believe, and to live the Words of God. I am well pleased in you, My children, for your willingness to love Me with all of your heart; that you are willing to love not just with tongue, with words, but in deeds and sacrifice and in willingness to go with Me wherever I go, believing and trusting in My love for you.

So receive the Words that I give you through your queen, as you received the Words that I gave you through your David; so shall you prosper, so shall you be strengthened, and so shall you remain in the forefront, alive, controversial, radical, as a torch of light for all to see!

458. I am doing a new thing. I am bringing about changes that will affect all of My children. These are changes for good, but changes are never easy. They require work and sacrifice. They require getting rid of old mindsets. They require vision, faith, and a desire to do new things.

It will require them first to receive My Word, to believe it, and to take on the vision that I give through My Word. They must then have faith and courage to see it through. It's going to require work on their part. It will require a change of mind, a change of the way they do

things, and a change of their present vision and goals. This is not an easy thing, but it is necessary.

I'm moving My children in a new direction, higher up the mountain, and this will require faith on your part--faith to trust Me, faith to make the changes, faith to go forward. But if you will follow, you will see great results. Even now begin to seek Me about change--change in your own heart, change in your life. Seek and ask Me for an openness to the new, a willingness to try, a willingness to move forward in the direction that I am leading.

So grab on to the new! Move forward by faith, putting your trust in Me and My promises. For I will do more than you've ever imagined, and it will come about because of your faith and your obedience and your willingness to move on to the new.

459. Those who have had little faith for something, but have gone ahead on that little mustard seed of faith, have a great testimony to share with the world. Yours can be a great testimony.
460. As you step out and practice and exercise your gift and hear from Me about personal matters, then you will grow in faith and you will see that it does work. But you must at some point in time be willing to step out and try it and repeatedly come to Me. As you do, your faith will grow--step by step, day by day. You'll have more faith and confidence in your ability to hear from Me personally for personal matters, and you won't be afraid that you're "too emotionally involved" to hear from Me. You won't be afraid that you're biased, or that your prophecies will be tainted or colored. You'll have faith that when you come to Me and ask Me to clear your mind and heart of your own opinions, that I do that, for that's all you can do. You can't do anything in the flesh or in your own arm to try to make yourselves open vessels; all you can do is ask Me, and I will do the rest.
461. Your mind and heart are as a garden that needs to be tended well and protected against the evil seeds of the Enemy. If you are diligent and strong in faith and in the fear of Me, the moment you see the seeds of the Enemy spring up in your heart and mind, you will run over as a faithful gardener to pluck up the evil weed, while it is small and weak and its roots are shallow.
462. Your faith is what you must guard. You must not let the problems and the weaknesses and the faults of others get your heart and mind off the end of the road, off the goal, or take away your vision. For these doubts and the Devil's insidious lies will tear your heart to pieces if it is not protected by My Word and My Spirit.
463. Pan is the arch-demon whose aim is to gain control over the mind--who fights with ferocity against My young children of David. Under his jurisdiction, Pan has his powers and demons who fight against My children, and one of them is the demon of rejection, the evil

power that seeks to question, demean, and reject My truth, My Words. He is the enemy of faith, one who actively seeks to cloud the minds of your young, to bring up doubts, questions, analyzing, distortion, complexity, confusion, anything that would stand in the way of simply taking in My Words in childlike faith and belief. Because the mind is the Devil's playground, the main inroad through which he seeks entrance to gain control, he is the author of strong negativity, depression, schizophrenia, even suicide and all manner of mental illnesses.

464. If they don't have faith in the Letters, including those things that make the Family different and radical, then they're not really members of the Family; they're simply Christians, like the millions of other church members.

465. I want you to walk straight ahead, down the perfect balance of them both--faith and works, faith and works--in that order, and in that rhythm. Faith without works is dead. But works without faith is of no effect. One cannot go without the other. You must have them both, and you must have them in the right order, faith and the Spirit first, works second, following as the day follows the night.

You get your faith in the night, seeking Me and relaxing in Me and loving Me. Your works are performed in the day while there is light, for the night cometh when no man can work, but must seek Me and find his solace, comfort, and strength with Me for the new day.

466. The gift of prophecy is a gift of faith. All of My gifts are gifts of faith. Whatever you have the faith for, that is what My gift to you is. If you have the gift of faith for prophecy, then reach out and exercise it, for it is a gift to you. If you do not have the gift of faith for prophecy, then give out the gifts that you do have.

467. Doing what you can to be healthier isn't replacing faith; it's simply putting faith into action. There will still be numerous things that you'll just have to trust Me for, and your health is one of them.

468. Salvation takes faith to believe that a little prayer can change your life. Exercising the spiritual weapons takes faith that they're going to pay off for you and become something real and workable in your life. Saving souls and laying up treasure in Heaven takes faith. All of these take faith that there is good to be borne from it, even against man's reasoning at times.

469. At My right hand are pleasures forevermore (Psa.16:11), as Enoch found. But so many fall short in that they are not willing to forsake that which they have and which brings them enjoyment in life, to take the chance of changing their habits so that I can lead them into something better. This takes faith, and so few are willing to make this change by faith when it comes to the pleasures of this life.

470. It takes full faith and obedience to bring a full blessing.

471. I do not play games with the human heart, though it tries to bargain and play games with Me. I will honor faith. If a heart is pure toward Me and steps out by faith, purely trusting that I Am, and that I Am Who I say I Am, and that My promises work, I then bless those steps fully. But if a heart doesn't really have faith in Me and in what I say, then I can't bless that fully.

472. Faith is the currency of this realm of the spirit world; it's what My people here are full of, and it is the energy of the spirit that makes things happen for them. And you have the precious opportunity to grab onto this substance of the spirit world now in your life there on Earth and make it do things for you.

Faith is a real thing. It's the substance, My friends, of things hoped for, heavenly currency, which no "money" of Earth can match. But you can have it now in this life and make it do things for you.

473. I'm slowly taking away your "crutches" and the things of Earth that you lean on, and more and more I'm requiring you to stand on your faith in Me and My promises. It's as if the ground of the physical is slowly eroding beneath your feet, but yet I expect you to stand your ground in the spirit, even when it seems as though you're standing on nothing. You might not be standing on anything by physical standards, but in the spirit you'll be upheld on the wings of faith and courage and by My strength.

So lose sight of the shore and launch out into the deep each day, knowing that I will see you through each storm that comes your way, and that I'm more than able to provide for your needs.

474. Keep taking those steps of faith and expecting the impossible to happen, and I promise you that it will.

475. My power will be released on your behalf according to the amount of faith that you possess. So if you feel uncertain about the future and wonder how things are going to turn out, feed your faith, keep going to My Word, keep hearing from Me in prophecy, as that's what's going to keep you through any difficulty, any problem, and will enable you to claim miracles in any situation you face.

476. As you take the leap of faith to cross the veil that separates the physical realm from the spiritual one, I open your eyes to receive new truth, new power.

477. My future Family will be strong--strong in their gift of prophecy, and strong in faith.

What destabilizes and even shatters their faith today will hardly faze them in the future.

Through these battles and these preparatory years, they are learning to don the white robes of faith unshakable--robes that will carry them into the future to fulfill their personal destinies, as well as the collective destiny of My Family of the End.

Your destiny is to shine as the stars in the midst of gross darkness. But those robes of faith can only shine and become outstanding after having been through many fires, and many refinings, and many shakings, and many breakings.

My Family is being shaken and tested now; they are being tried and made white. But in the future, their faith will be solid--pure and unadulterated. What so easily destabilizes their faith now, what so easily alarms them and causes them to fear and worry and distrust, will hardly catch their eye in the future. Their faith will become unbreakable, as bulletproof vests of light and life.

478. The Family will have great faith--faith to obey and follow the things of the spirit. Therefore there will be healings, there will be miracles of food and supply, and there will be miracles of defense and destruction for the sake of My children and My will.
479. You're going to have a lot more faith for miracles of supply and healing because you will know that you're pleasing Me more, are purer in spirit, and are fuller of My power. As a result of this increase in faith, you'll claim My power more often and with more authority, and see many more answers to prayer and miracles.
480. A new bottle has faith in the way I am leading, and praises Me for changes, trusting that they will bring about good fruit. A new bottle approaches problems in a spirit of faith, praise, love and humility. A new bottle speaks faith and positiveness in difficult situations. A new bottle is willing to stretch his faith when his faith needs stretching. In fact, he actively seeks ways to stretch and grow in faith.
481. Seeing someone else's faith in action in new and different ways can often shine the light on areas in your heart that you've let become stagnant and can challenge you to grow in new ways.
482. Let your faith grow by allowing some things to take care of themselves without direct intervention from you.
483. New bottles are trainable, they are yielded to Me. They are willing to lose sight of the shore. They are willing to stretch. They have the faith to scale mountains, to face giants, to try new things, to launch out into the deep.

484. Saying yes to Me is a sign of your faith and trust and is afforded all the promises that go along with that.

485. Don't just shoot up a little prayer asking Me to help you accept changes, but rather claim the power of the keys of metamorphosis and I will turn you into a new-day disciple with the kind of crazy faith in Me and My Word that can turn the world upside down.

486. If you're living the spirit of the Word you don't put Me in a box, and you don't doubt the way I'm leading others. You sense My Spirit, you confirm your thoughts with Me, and you have faith in the way I lead and work. You encourage others to follow Me and apply the Word within the framework I've given according to their faith.

If you're living the spirit of the Word You have faith; you know that I have the answers and the solutions. When I say something, you know it works if you will obey. You have peace and faith and an attitude of expectancy and excitement about how I'll fulfill My promises. You're happy, full of faith. You're not worried, because you have a clear sense of perspective that I'm in control. You have a peace in your heart because you're doing your best to obey. There aren't personal interpretations or unyielded aspects that you're afraid of being exposed or that you're trying to hold on to or preserve and protect.

487. You can't have faith without My Word.

488. Everything good comes from My Word--wisdom, anointing, faith, positiveness, the ability to cope with difficult situations, spiritual strength, understanding, and the list goes on.

489. Give Me the tithe of your time... and you'll have the faith and confidence needed to perform the miracles and wonders of the Last Days.

490. Your faith is very weak. You're buffeted by the lies of the Enemy when he tells you maybe it isn't worth serving Me and isn't worth the trouble and sacrifice.

Why is your faith weak? Why have you not seen My Spirit and the workings of it? Because you're weak in the Word--partly because you're not always faithful to read it, and partly because you're not making the effort you should to follow it.

If you read all the wonderful promises I give and then don't see them fulfilled in your life, you should stop and ask Me why. Instead of concluding I'm not keeping My Word, maybe you should be asking yourself if you've obeyed and followed through on your part, thus freeing Me to be able to bless you the way I'd like to.

491. The power that I give you is greater than all the power of the Enemy, and thus by faith you'll be able to subdue kingdoms, powers, and the very forces of the Devil.
492. You have the greatest power of the universe behind you! You have the power to command doors to open and shut, to unleash that which has been hitherto leashed to you, and to leash that which fights against you. Unleash the power! Unleash your faith, and according to the circumstances I will unleash the power to accomplish what your faith has commanded.
493. You want miracles? They're there for you. You just have to seek them, find them, and take hold of them with faith. You want protection? Provision? Deliverance? Supply? Answers? Spiritual revelations? Supernatural understanding? Mystical insight? Wisdom? Creativity? It's all there for you, and then some! You just have to appropriate what you need and want. You must take the step to enter the open door I set before you and seek diligently within My palace for the treasures that are yours for the taking.
494. My precious brides, I have seen the battles that you've fought. I've seen the tests that you've endured. I've seen the faith that you've had to manifest to continue on in your fight and service to Me. This is all part of making you My chosen soldiers of the End--strong soldiers whom I can count on when the real battle begins. For these tests that you're going through make you strong. And in the days ahead, when the Enemy comes forth in more power, I will ask you to stand stronger in the face of adversity, because of the weak faith of those who will come to you for help.

As the Navy SEALs are called upon to defend their country, to be the called-out ones for special battles, even so do I prepare you, My Navy SEALs of the Spirit, for the special missions that I will ask you to undertake. Now you see your training as routine, monotonous, and sometimes unnecessary. But I know the drills that are necessary to make you alert and prepared for the battles I will lead you into.

In the days ahead you will need greater faith--not so much for yourselves, but for others who have not the faith to receive My seeds of faith, those who loved Me, but not with all their hearts, minds, bodies and spirits. In those days, their faith will not have the stamina needed to endure the tests, but your faith will soar! There will be strong adversity, and you will see the manifestation of My power and anointing upon you.

This increased manifestation of faith will be because of your little steps of faithfulness now, for they will be multiplied an hundredfold. Thank you for having believing faith. I will honor you in the days ahead. The honor will come because of the decisions of faith that you make now. Thank you for the steps of faith that you've made and continue to make. I love you!

495. You have influence upon others, and the most important thing is that your influence is one of pointing people to Me, of letting them feel My love, care, strength and power. You have the opportunity to minister faith and trust, and these are creative spirits that will cause others to bear more fruit. When you fret and worry and show yourself to be burdened, you don't minister faith and grace and trust; you minister concerns and burdens.

496. Open the floodgates! Let My Spirit flow! Walk in love and freedom and joy and happiness, and you will minister faith and freedom to My children. You will set a sample of a life that others will want to live in service for Me.

497. I want you to praise Me more, to thank Me more. This would be a better sample to those who hear you voicing your prayer. When you're tempted to cry out, "Jesus, help me!"--I want you to say, "Thank You so much, Love, for Your help and strength, happiness and joy!" I want you to express faith more, and this will increase your faith. For too often now your prayer is not in faith. It borders on being a murmur or complaint, or can be easily interpreted as that.

Praise is the voice of faith, and I want you to walk in more faith, so walk in more praise! Love Me, praise Me, thank Me, and you will walk in more faith. Voice excitement about My doings, My ability to change things, and about the great things that I'm doing around the world. Walk in victory, for that victory is yours, day in and day out.

498. Don't be satisfied with where you're at now. Don't allow yourself to be weary. Sometimes you don't stop to listen because you don't want to fight that fight of faith. It's easier to rock along, to do some other type of work or engage in some other distraction. It doesn't take as much effort. It doesn't cause you to exercise your muscles of faith. You can't allow this in your life.

499. The truth is that My ways are simple. My ways are humble. My ways are loving. My ways are ways of total faith. If you were totally perfect before Me, you would be as I am and as I was when I walked the Earth.

500. You have to keep walking by faith. Walking by faith isn't something anyone can just do yesterday. If you're not walking by faith today, then you're not walking by faith anymore. You've seen My provision and supply for you over the past many years, but that doesn't necessarily mean that you don't have to take My supply in the coming years by faith.

501. The Enemy seeks to cut off the air of My Spirit to your heart, to get your eyes on things that upset you, that worry you, that discourage you, that bother you. He seeks to get you to walk in the flesh and not walk in faith. He knows that faith is contagious, that

love is contagious. So he seeks to drown it in a flood of worldly thoughts and impressions. Resist him, resist the world, resist the flesh, and My Spirit in you will cause you to overcome!

502. I am asking you to come, have the faith of a little child. I never disappoint faith! I always answer when you ask in faith.

503. My children, My special ones, Satan is desiring you. He is asking, he is begging to have you, that he may sift you as wheat. But be encouraged! Hold on! For I pray for you. I am praying for you, that your faith fail not. This is the day of adversity. It is the day of adversity and sifting. A great sifting is going on in the land. But know that I am praying. You must know that I am praying. You must believe, that you may hold on.

I pray for you, that your faith will not fail. It must not fail, and it cannot fail, if you will but hold on. Hold on to My hand, that after this sifting, this trial of your faith, you may go and strengthen your brethren. Be encouraged and keep your heart fixed, trusting in Me.

Faint not in this day of adversity--this day when Satan is loosed. Can you not see it? Do you not feel it? I pray for your eyes to be opened, that you may see. I pray for your heart to hold on. This is the day of adversity and Satan strikes hard at you, My Endtime children. His main target is you, My children! His main target is you. Open your hearts and see it. You must recognize that Satan is striking hard at you.

504. Satan is a lawyer of the Word. He uses it, and mixes in a tapestry of lies. Therefore you must hold the pure waters high, the unabridged version of My Word, that he may be defeated!

Stand strong, My beloved! Stand strong and fight! For he only shouts hot air! Clouds without rain! He is defeated at the touch of your faith. He is cast down at your very desire. You have but to say the word, give the order! Order his defeat and it is done! He cannot win, if you will but fight on! He cannot win, if you do not give up! But you must wield accurately the sword of My Word, for only My true Word will vaporize his lies.

I pray for you! I pray that your faith fail not. And it cannot fail, if you will only look up! The battle is Mine, if you will only hold on. Only believe, My children! Only believe and reach out and receive. I will do everything else for you, if you will only believe and receive.

505. I pray for you, that your faith fail not. Call for My deliverance, receive My Truth, and fight on to the light of a brighter day. And fear not, My beloved ones, fear not. My Father did it for Me, and I will do it for you. This is the victory that overcomes the world, even your faith. For even in the tiniest flickering of your faith will I bring great victories out of seeming defeats, if you will but call on Me.

506. It's good to counsel with others, to receive godly counsel, to get prayer, to get a listening ear, to get some words of comfort, encouragement, and advice, but remember that the final decision needs to be made by you--in counsel with Me. It's a lot easier to ask someone for the answers rather than doing the hard work of seeking Me for yourself. But you can't go the route of just asking others and neglecting to seek Me yourself.

It's very important that you, or you and whoever else is ultimately involved, have the faith for the action, for the solution. You should not rely only on what others think or feel should be done. While you may take their advice and seriously consider it and pray about it, in the end it has to be your faith and your decision.

507. False faith is when you follow through on counsel that is given, but you don't have the conviction and certainty in your heart which that faith gives.

508. The right thing to do is what I show you to do and what you personally have the faith for, not what your shepherd, or whoever you talked with, has the faith for. The final decision is for you and any others involved to decide.

509. The best one to talk to when making a final decision is Me. I will give you the direction to take. I am always there to help you, to give you advice and direction, so pray and ask Me. I will not lead you astray if you'll commit your ways to Me. Seek Me and I will shine a light on the path you must take, the decision you must make. Together we are an unbeatable team.

510. Be open to shepherding and to using this tool that I have given you, and also learn when it is time to stand on your own feet and put your trust and faith in Me, taking a stand of faith and personal responsibility. Are you allowing shepherding to enhance your faith and connection with Me, and bring you closer to Me? Or is it something that you rely on so that you don't have to come to Me and seek Me for My counsel and answers? Shepherding and godly counsel can help you learn how to make wise decisions, but they don't make the decisions for you.

511. The days are coming when you will have to make some choices and decisions by yourself for yourself which could have dire consequences. Will you have the faith and a solid enough connection with Me to stand on your own two feet and follow what I give you? Or will you be looking around for someone else to rely on, someone else's faith and channel who you could follow instead of your own?

512. You can't stay close to the Lord on your own. You've got to have the Lord's help to stay close to Him. And the Lord most often brings the help that you need in the form of a human shepherd who can help coach you in the spiritual matters you need to learn and

grow in. Launching out into that spiritual realm takes faith--faith that the Lord is in control and that the guidance He's sending your way through others is what you need in order to be a more useful instrument for Him.

513. What do I mean by "My joy"? Faith is part of it--faith in My Word, faith in My promises, faith in My love for you, faith in your calling as My disciple, faith in My ability to turn all things for your good because you love Me.

514. To have My joy, it's vital to keep more of the eternal vision, not letting the little things that happen here and now have so much of an influence on your happiness and peace. In the eternal perspective, all is well! So look forward with faith, and that will make your present much better too.

515. The happiness I bring is faith-based; it sees beyond the moment and revels in the eternal nature of My love for you. It's the essence of the quote: "If we know that God loves us, we know that everything is going to be okay." And then I take it a step further to add that if we know that God loves us and everything's going to be okay, then there is nothing to hold us back from having the time of our lives seeing what God has in store for us, how He's going to bring victory, and how He's going to make us so happy.

My joy is also activated through praise. When you burst out in praise to Me and really lift up your heart with some bubbly joy, it shows Me that you've claimed My joy and are living in it, whether you feel like you have or not. A lot of things in this life are faith-based and I ask you to step out and claim a gift that I'm offering you, even though there is nothing tangible there. This joy is the same. If you reject the joy-killers, and put on a smile, and then burst out in praise to Me, then you have put on My joy, and it is there for you.

516. Faith doesn't just hit you; you have to work for it. You build your faith by reading My Word and making an effort to believe. Then you step out and put that faith into action even if you're not sure you feel it there. You know it's there, and you're putting Me to the test.

517. Any path in your service to Me will have obstacles, but as long as you're sure that it's My path and My plan, the obstacles will not seem as daunting nor the tests as severe, for you'll have the faith and assurance that comes from knowing you're in My perfect will.

518. With each moment of yieldedness and each moment of sucking My seeds, your faith and your anointing grow stronger.

519. Keep up your Word time every day, and don't let down your guard in this area. You need My Word more than ever; you need the strengthening and healing touch and soothing balm of My faith-building Word. So read it, absorb it, and let My Spirit speak to

you.

520. If you ask in faith, you will receive My answers sooner or later. Stretch your faith even further. Ask Me for the impossible things! Pray for the impossible; believe Me for the impossible. Start expecting the impossible.
521. Stay strong in faith through the Word and continue to overpower the Enemy with the weapons I've provided for you. Use the helpers I've provided for you.
522. Have faith and believe that My Words are true, and that they will not fail.
523. To do battle you must be spiritually fit, tuned up and toned in spirit and ready for all that the Devil will throw at you. Build up your faith muscles daily through using My Word and the weapons I've provided to fight the Enemy at every turn.
524. I've worked out every detail in your life up to this point, and you can have confidence that I will continue to do so. It will still be by faith. You'll still need to look to Me with the eyes of faith. You'll need to step out by faith and do that which I have for you to do. You'll need to seek Me continually, and look to Me to know which steps to take and when. I will faithfully lead you and guide you as long as you look to Me, as long as you listen to My voice and let Me lead.
525. (Dad speaking:) Of course you can't fight the battles ahead, but you can have perfect peace that He's going to give you the faith for whatever He calls on you to do. He's going to do it--that's all you need to have faith for. So what if you have battles and trials? What's new? You've been called to a life of sacrifice, and sacrifice and fighting and having faith is the name of the game! That's why the Lord has said that He has to purge the Family and test and try His children to see who's really going to carry on and trust Him.
526. (Dad speaking:) You can't look down the road and worry and wonder how you're going to make it. Goodness! Forget worrying about how you're going to do it. You can't do it in your own strength or in your own wisdom or experience. It's going to be a work of God, a miracle of God, a result of your having faith and complete trust in His anointing. You just have to have faith, trust Him, believe in His promises, and carry on!
527. (Dad speaking:) Receive the Lord's peace; receive His Words. Believe them, hold on to them, and keep trusting that He's going to do exactly what He's promised. That's where your strength will come from--faith in Him--the God of all Heaven and Earth, Who is more than able to give you perfect peace, perfect trust, and anoint you to walk through any test or battle and come out victorious!

528. Thank you for going forth by faith! For this stepping out by faith, I will bless you even more, for I love it when My children have faith in Me to do the impossible. That thrills Me, and it excites Me and challenges Me! Oh, how I love challenges in the spirit! I love you, My challengers--My family of challenge, My family of faith. You're so precious to Me! I love you, and will make you fruitful in every good work.

529. As long as you fight against the spirit of the Enemy, his spirit of discouragement, his fears of the future, his spirit of bitterness over events in your life--whether about relationships with others, your ministry, your circumstances, your love life, or whatever--you'll be able to keep the Enemy's lies out of your mind and function more in faith and in My Spirit.

530. If you continue to accept the lies of the Enemy and his discouragement and doubts, and you stop receiving My Word and walking in the spirit of faith, you'll stop recognizing My anointing and My blessings in your life. This will lead to believing other lies of the Enemy, and you'll begin to doubt My Word and My love for you.

531. It's by allowing the infiltration of the Enemy's lies into the mind, a slow and constant dripping of the voice of the Enemy, a steady stream of his doubts and lies over this and that, that the real damage is done to the spirit, that the real weakening of the spirit begins. For by allowing the voice of the Enemy into (your) life, (you) are allowing him to tear down (your) faith and to weaken the foundation of (your) faith.

532. It takes faith to stand up to the lies of the Enemy. It takes faith in My Word. But with that mustard seed of faith there is great, great power--power to overcome, power to be strong in spirit, power against the lies of the Enemy, and power for the Endtime. Those of faith, those who stay close to Me and My Word, are very strong in spirit and have the power to stand up to the lies of the Enemy.

People don't realize the tremendous blessing and power of My Word! Sometimes even My children don't realize how great a power they're wielding, and how their faith in My Word is keeping them and protecting them from many attacks of the Enemy. One little Word shall fell him.

533. (Jesus speaking to Peter and Maria:) When I take you into the land of the fulfillment of My promises, I want those that are full of faith, those that believe, to be they that march through.

So don't worry if some fall by the wayside, or if the faith of some is shaken, for the decision is theirs. They will have to choose whether to fall by the wayside or to keep moving forward. But I say that the land of My promises, the fulfillment of the things that I

have said is ahead, and I wish only My children who are full of faith, who are fully on board, to march in.

I am so proud of the children of David--they that are willing to go forth by faith; they that are willing to follow My Word in the ways that I move, the way that My Spirit leads; those who are willing to let Me take them to new heights, new revelations, through new moves of My Spirit. And it is My children of David that I wish to bless in the land of the fulfillment of My promises.

534. You've got to realize that this is a new day. It's the day of women, the day of the weak, the day of each disciple following the Lord according to their own faith.

535. Unconfessed sin is like a concrete wall that blocks the flow of the water of My Word and hinders your faith in My ability to answer your prayers, supply your needs and do miracles for you. Unconfessed sin makes you feel unworthy of My blessing, therefore it saps your initiative and greatly hinders your progress.

536. One specific promise claimed in faith is more effective than claiming a hundred promises generally.

537. In Heaven you will see the result of your prayers in full. On Earth you see some manifestations of the miracles which your prayers have wrought, but many things are hidden from your sight. For this is the treasure of your prayers unto Me--that you pray in faith, and believe in faith that I will answer your prayers and perform that which you request, though you may not always see the results before your eyes.

Yet you trust and hold to My promises which say that I do answer prayer, and this pleases Me. For this belief on your part, I have given you signs and tokens, that you might see those things which your prayers affect. Yet there is so much more which you do not see, and which will be opened unto you in Heaven. When you see these things, you will marvel and rejoice.

538. Prayer is what you make it. Prayer, through your faith, rises to the occasion. Prayer is a signal to Me that I am still your King. Full-of-faith prayer fills My heart with joy, as you bring before Me large petitions and thus honor Me.

539. (Dad speaking:) I think that sometimes our poor folks get kind of tired of taking it by faith. Sometimes they don't get the answer right away, or they don't see the results of their prayers, so they tend to slack off a little bit or feel that maybe it isn't that important, it's just something that's good to do. But I'll tell you, not only is it something good to do, but without it, none of you would probably be here today! I'm serious.

540. When you pray, your faith grows and your link with Me grows stronger.

541. For those who want their personal faith to increase, their relationship with Me to become more intimate, and who want to partake of all the blessings that I have in store for them, if they will but pray at every opportunity--even if it is not a situation that is directly related or that will benefit them--then they will tap into the source of blessings and will receive abundantly of the flow that's there.

542. (Dad speaking:) Of course, I'll have to say that it's a lot easier for us (in Heaven) to pray, and it doesn't take as much faith as it does for some of you. Because we can see it all so clearly--how prayer moves the hand of God on your behalf, how quickly a prayer is put into motion and is taken care of in some form or another.

For you it takes a lot more faith to trust that what He's promised He's able also to fulfill, and that when you ask for something, believing, you will receive.

543. (Dad speaking:) Prayer is not only beneficial for the person or situation you're praying for, but it's good for your personal life too--your faith, your connection with the Lord, and your link with the spirit world.

544. (Dad speaking:) Faith grows slowly but surely. Faith isn't like a balloon that inflates quickly; the change is not so drastic that it's visible to the naked eye. Faith is a muscle that has to be worked out, stretched, toned and exercised--consistently, regularly, faithfully.

545. Prayer is a manifestation of your faith--faith that I will answer. When you first hear of a prayer request, of course you're going to be desperate and fervent in prayer; but what proves your faith is when it can stand the test of time. Sometimes I don't answer right away, or in some cases the situation for which you're praying seems to be getting worse. This is a test of your faith that I will hear and answer. But when you keep praying, you prove that your faith has not wavered due to circumstances; you're not giving up just because I don't answer right away. You're proving the depths of your faith and trust that I will do it, and if praying unitedly, you're giving a public demonstration of your faith.

546. Each time you pray you're gaining a little more in faith and unity and closeness with Me; and each time you pray, you're sending added help to those for whom you're praying.

547. Let not the flame flicker low, but fan the flame with faith! Fan the flame with faith in My Word! Faith in My Prophet David! Faith in his Words that the end is nigh! Faith to tell others! Faith to live that which ye believe! Faith that I shall accomplish My purpose through you! Faith that the next life is real! Faith that ye are in My hands, & I am your Lord, & ye are My children! Faith that I have a plan for you! Faith that ye are not forgotten or forsaken! Faith that My eyes can see you wherever you go! Faith in the Words that I have

spoken of old, faith in the Words that I have spoken today, & faith for the Words that I shall speak tomorrow that shall lead you in the paths of righteousness!

For the flame hath flickered low with many. Faith hath wavered! Doubt has risen! Look to the true light, the light of My Spirit, & I shall encourage you with more faith in your heart. Doubt not, but be believing! For this is what overcometh the World, even your faith! And without faith it is impossible to please Me. For He that cometh to Me must believe that I am, & that I am a rewarder of those who diligently seek Me.

548. The life of faith is that you must believe the Words that I have spoken, that you must keep your eyes fixed upon Me & My Words, that you look not to the right nor to the left, that you fear not when you are called to walk upon the water, but you will keep your face turned to Me.

549. That which you do in faith shall remain!

550. Human nature is such that you thrive on hearing appreciation from those around you. You gain confidence when you know that someone considers your thoughts of value. A brilliant light is turned on within a heart that is cherished and admired by another. There truly is no comparison to what love and faith can do to the human spirit, and it would make Me so happy to see more love extended to those around you.

Take care to see that those around you flourish and become more than they are today. That is part of your Christian duty--to reach out to others and to believe in them. Show faith and trust in people, even when you may feel hesitant to do so. You'd be surprised at what may come from a little confidence and faith placed in an individual.

551. Take some time to ask Me for My understanding, My view on a person, and then be willing to change your thinking and your interactions with them in order to be a representation of the great faith that I have for all of My children, and which I also extend to you.

552. Everyone screws up at some point or another, but the knowledge that someone still believes in them, has faith in them, and trusts that even though they've made mistakes and have fallen or failed, they're not being put on the scrap heap, can be just what they need to make it. You'll be amazed at what people will do or be if they know that you believe in them.

553. People often lose faith in themselves and in their own abilities. They clearly see their mistakes, inabilities and failings, and the Enemy is always right there to magnify those faults and to tell them, "Yes, you are a failure and you'll never amount to anything. You might as well give up now."

But when someone comes along and shows faith in them, it can often be the ray of hope that they need to turn things around and to keep going.

554. You may never know when that word of faith or that word of love and encouragement will be exactly what someone needs in a time of despair, difficulty or discouragement.

You can't always see what others are going through, and sometimes you may even think that they're proud and conceited, or that they don't need encouragement. But you don't know what's going on in their heart. Often the outward appearance is just a cover to compensate for what is really going on inside.

Remember that man looks on the outward appearance, but I look on the heart (1 Samuel 16:7), and I know that everyone--no matter what their outward appearance--needs love, encouragement, and faith.

555. Regardless of the circumstances--the size of the waves of adversity crashing against your vessel, or your inadequacy to meet the challenges--My will is that every oppositional situation will somehow work together for your good, whether immediately or eventually. My will is for you to learn to successfully ride the waves and allow them to propel you to new opportunities to reach others with My Word and truth, to lands of promise, and to new heights of wisdom and experience.

Enjoy the ride and the feel of the wind blowing through your hair! Enjoy the opportunity to exercise your faith and to stand on My promises. The victory in times of opposition is all about faith. It's not about perfection or being mistake-free; it's not about your performance. It's about trusting in Me and having confidence that together we will weather every storm and come out on top. Your best bet is to stake everything you've got on Me, and you'll come out a winner--that's a 100% guarantee!

556. I want you to stay calm and trusting in times of opposition. A calm and trusting spirit--which comes from your faith in Me--will help you to maintain your perspective and help you to see the situation for what it is. This will keep the Enemy from exaggerating things in your mind and making the situation appear bigger than it actually is.

During times of crisis, the Enemy will do all he can to cause you to take your eyes off Me and to thereby weaken your faith. You must keep your eyes upon Me and not allow the waves of the situation to rock your boat. I'm in charge of the winds and the waves in every situation of opposition that you face, and you must keep that knowledge ever before you in order to maintain your perspective and equilibrium, to see the situation for what it is.

Your faith in Me and My ability to not only bring you through opposition, but to cause it to work together for your good, is vital to walking by faith, and not by sight or by your carnal understanding. Any time opposition comes your way, plant your feet upon the Rock and your faith will not fail you, nor will your feet be moved, because you will be trusting in Me and My perfect power to control every situation.

557. The beauty of praise is that it not only pleases Me, but it also strengthens your faith as well as those around you.

558. (Dad speaking:) Praise is the voice of faith! I always liked that phrase and it really meant something to me-and since coming to Heaven, it has grown to mean even more!

When you can praise the Lord when things look bad, you're speaking faith that you know things will get better. If you can praise the Lord no matter what's happening, that shows your faith in the Lord's power. Someone who is filled with faith in their heart-and in their voice-is going to praise because they know the Lord is working and moving! When you wholeheartedly praise the Lord and use the weapon of praise, it's powerful because it shows how much faith you have in His power.

The spiritual weapon of praise is directly tied to your faith. That's one of the reasons the weapon of praise is so powerful. One way to use the weapon of praise is to focus on the Lord's past victories, and claim that same power for the present situation. You can also claim His future help by faith and trust beyond a shadow of a doubt that He's going to come through again for you in any circumstance.

559. At the start of every time of prayer, you should begin with praise to Me. No matter how dire the situation may be, praise is always in order. You shouldn't just praise Me when everything is going fine and nothing seems wrong. It may be an easier time to praise Me, but you should also praise Me when things aren't going according to plan and there are problems. That is when your praises to Me show that you have faith and trust in Me that I know what I'm doing.

560. A prayer that is prayed with faith in Me and My power, and thankfulness for all I have done and will do, is a prayer that is full of praise. It's a quiet trust in Me and knowledge that I can and will perform what you are asking, as opposed to a frantic prayer beseeching Me, but yet with a bit of a tinge of, "Oh, Lord, are You able to do this?" Do you see the difference?

One is full of faith and praise, and comes from the confidence developed by obeying Me, and knowing and appreciating that I'm going to care for you and bless you because of it. The other lacks the faith or the praise of Me, and almost questions whether I am powerful enough or love My children enough to answer their prayer.

Using the weapon of praise in prayer is not just about saying words of praise, but very much about the attitude in which you pray, the confidence you have in Me. That type of prayer, filled with praise and faith and trust in Me, is very powerful and spells defeat to the Enemy's plans.

561. The confidence you have in Me and the way in which that translates into praise through your prayers comes from living a praiseful life, from having a praiseful spirit. The more you can praise Me and thank Me and use praise in your everyday lives, the more of that confidence and faith and trust you will have, and the more powerful you will be when you wield the weapon of praise in your prayers.

Prayers full of faith and praise are more easily focused upon their target. They are more powerful and they can deal much more deadly blows to the Enemy and his ilk. Prayers that are full of praise are prayers that are backed with supreme confidence in Me and trust in Me and My complete power, My strong love for My children and My ability and desire to do whatever is necessary to help them and give them the strength, the assistance and the care that they desire and need. This is full faith, this is full trust, and this is using the weapon of praise.

562. When you want to bring down My power upon the Earth and into your physical world, and even into your spiritual world in the spiritual warfare that you are engaged in upon the Earth in these Endtime days, you have to enter into My presence to find out My will, to commune with Me, and to have the faith to grab onto My power. You enter into My presence and into My courts through praise. The keys will work for you whenever you are fulfilling the conditions for using them, which means you will be in My Spirit and asking for My will already-for those are two of the conditions for their use. But entering into My courts in the spirit through praise boosts your faith; it helps you to take on My mind more fully and know what to command the keys to do, and thus gives you much more power.

563. The importance of praise to the use of the keys is that praise brings you right to the gates of the power source of Heaven, to the door where you use the key with full faith and accuracy to command My power. Praise overcomes doubt or any other hindrance to your faith. Praise brings you right up to the keyhole of the door, where you put the key in and enter the opening that has been made between the spiritual world and the physical. Praise is your pathway to the spiritual world.

564. Even in extremely difficult situations-for example, when someone has a life-threatening sickness, or even in a situation where it seems that I will end up taking someone from their life on Earth-there is still plenty of room to praise Me, and it will make your prayers so much more powerful.

Often when you pray for these types of situations, you pray for the person to get better and for all the different aspects of the request. But when you add praise to this, not only are you acknowledging that I am ultimately in control of the situation, but you're also saying that you trust that I know best, that in spite of anything that happens or however I choose to work in that situation, I will bring about My perfect plan. Even when you don't always understand something or see the reasons for it, praise shows that you have faith in Me and that whatever I do will work together for good.

It's also a testimony to yourself and others of faith, and it has a good effect on your spirit, that while there are so many requests and needs, you can still thank Me in spite of it all—thank Me for the victories that I'm winning in the lives of others and also in your own. Praise, whether in dire circumstances or simply in regular requests you bring before Me, promotes a spirit of victory and ministers faith, that no matter what the outcome, I will bring you through victorious.

565. Praise adds more life to your prayers, for they are not only petitions, but they are acts of faith. A commitment to praise is a commitment that no matter what, you will still have a praise on your lips.
566. Praise is such a powerful weapon, because when you praise Me and My Father, you're declaring your faith in Me and your dependence on Me to control your life and bring about mighty changes. You're witnessing your faith in Me, your trust in Me, your love for Me, and thus you're bringing Me into the world in a tangible way, which tears the Enemy's evil plan to shreds.
567. Praise lifts your spirit into the heavenlies, helping you to rise above the troubles and turmoil of Earth, and has an equal and opposite reaction as well, kicking the Enemy and his demons back down where they belong. It lifts you and sends them tumbling down. And, even if it doesn't fully remove all the problems you're facing, it gives you a much better outlook and perspective on the problems—a heavenly perspective, imbued with faith and a knowledge that all things truly do work together for good to those who love Me.
568. In your personal life, praise is the solution to so many of the struggles you face. Praise is the lacking ingredient that will propel you to the stage where you're really winning these battles. Praise will make a huge difference, because it unlocks the door to greater faith.
569. The keys of praise are an important addition to any prayer. Praise is the voice of faith, and using the keys of praise is an expression of your faith that I will answer you, no matter what you are requesting of Me.

570. The faith of a little child is powerful. It's a gift of God. As adults, sometimes it's easy to lose sight of My promises, but children trust and hold Me to them. They expect Me to do miracles. Adults have to struggle with the cares of the world, but children are purer in spirit and have simple faith.

571. Only if the Family members are strong in faith and willing to preach the truth as given in the Words of David will you fulfill your special place in the big Endtime picture. It's that uncompromising witness that will allow Me to continue to give My full blessing to the Family.

572. Though there will be a moment when things will look dark and almost hopeless, I will cause the light of My truth and victory to burst forth, and your latter state will be stronger and more fruitful.

I continue to purge the ranks--not only to force those who are still not believers to leave, but also to help those who are believers to believe more strongly, by pushing them to a crisis of faith, so that they have to seek Me and see clearly where their faith lies. For only when this has been done can My Endtime soldiers be prepared for what is to come.

573. Your faith will grow as you continue loving Me and placing your full confidence in Me.

574. It's okay to feel disappointed sometimes; in fact, the Lord allows incidents and circumstances in life that are disappointing to strengthen us. He tests and tries us to see how we're doing and how we're going to react. Even disappointment and things going wrong don't have to keep you down and discouraged, because your faith and your attitude can determine the way the circumstances affect you. And often your faith and trust in the Lord can even change circumstances completely, as the Lord works on your behalf. It's all in how you look at it, how you take it.

Circumstances and events don't have to control you. With the Lord's help and with the right positive attitude, you can go through any changes, any disappointments, any circumstances, and come out happy. There's real power in the spirit, and you have the opportunity to choose what kind of spirit you want to be in, whether up or down. It's often the tests in life that can really bring out the best in your attitude, if you'll let them. It's not a test to stay encouraged when everything's going right, but it's when things go wrong in life that your attitude and faith get tested.

575. Stopping to take breaks is not only good for your peace of mind and stamina to keep going, but it also helps remind you that it has to be Me anyway doing the work; it manifests an attitude of faith and trust in Me and in My plan and timetable.

576. Any of My dear children can become strong in faith. Any of My dear children can change their first reaction from that of being downcast and discouraged to being full of faith, trusting, and coming to Me for the answers. The secret to faith is in My Word--being full of it, and learning from it daily. For if you're faithful in the Word, you know that My Word is full of promises, and you know that I never fail in one of My good promises.

If you're faithful in My Word, you are also keeping your heart clean. For one cannot read and fully absorb My Word without growing and becoming cleaner. And when you come to Me with a clean heart, you can have full faith that I will answer. Not that you must be perfect, but you know that you're in My will, and that you're obeying those things which I've been speaking to you about.

577. One of the first things you must do is soak yourself in My Word. When you read My Word, pray for it to take root in your heart and give you faith. Claim My promises, and ask Me to wash you clean. Then do your part by obeying and fulfilling the conditions of My promises, so that you can have full assurance that I will answer.

Secondly, make it a habit to speak My Word out loud, to sing My promises and praises out loud, and be constantly reminding yourself of My goodness and My power. Then, when a difficult situation hits or problems tumble about you, you'll rise above them through your knowledge of My power, which is so much greater than any problem or difficulty. The praises and the promises will wear grooves in your brain, and slowly your first reactions will change and be more positive.

578. (Holy Spirit speaking:) For the ways of God are higher than the ways of man and cannot always be understood by men. Many cannot even understand how My Son, Who died so long ago, could forgive their sins, that His sacrifice could atone for their sins today. Many believe, not because they understand, but because they have faith, and they receive Him by faith, not understanding. Yet they believe and are rewarded for their belief and for their faith. As they act in obedience, so are they rewarded. When the time comes that they pass over to this side, that belief is tangible, and that which they only believed is seen and felt, and it is no longer by faith but it is reality.

579. (Dad speaking:) Folks, I've told you before that God's ways are not your ways. Look at Noah! Nobody had even seen a boat, especially not on dry land! But Noah did what God said and it saved his life, and he received the blessings and the promises were fulfilled. And what about Abraham, standing there looking over the land and God saying to him, "This land will be for you and your seed, and they shall be as the stars in the heavens, a multitude as the sand of the seas!" Those were some pretty big promises, and he had to just take it by faith.

Think about Daniel; he had to have faith that what God showed him was actually a dream that Nebuchadnezzar had had. That was faith! He believed it, and he acted on it, and he was blessed because of it. And what about the prophets of old?--Eating dung, walking naked, virtually doing skits to get God's point across! But these were things God told them to do, and they believed it and they obeyed it, they did it! Even though it seemed ridiculous and certainly was embarrassing, humbling and difficult, yet they did it and were blessed, and the message was given. See, God doesn't always work the way we think He should. That's because man's mind does not see as God sees.

580. (Dad speaking:) Sometimes the things that God says are hard to take! They're hard to believe sometimes! But you know, if you just believe it, if you drink it in and receive it, accept it by faith, He blesses you and it becomes easier, because you see the fruit, you gain the understanding. Faith doesn't always understand, faith just does it because it believes, and then comes understanding. But without faith it's impossible to please the Lord, for he that cometh to God must first believe that He is, and second, believe that He rewards those who diligently seek Him.

581. Spiritual revelations are shocking, and they have shocked the world since the beginning of time. And only the men of faith, only those that walk by faith have been able to enter in to each new phase, each new stage that I am taking you in this progression into the spirit world.

582. (Dad speaking:) These battles that people have with prophecy are really a device of the Enemy to keep them from hearing from the Lord themselves! For the Enemy knows how dangerous it is to him and his minions when one of God's children taps in to the voice of God, when they themselves and those that they live and work with stop and pray and get their instructions straight from God. Because when they do, those instructions work, and the job is done, the victory is won, and the Enemy is defeated!

This is a battleground in the hearts and minds of my children! We see it Here. We see the Enemy attacking this foundation of faith, because he knows the defeat it can bring. So fight for this! Raise up the standard in this area. Use the gift yourself. Show faith in it. Show faith in others with the gift and use it. Let it help you in your decision-making.

So if you want to know what to do, promote hearing from God! Promote getting down on your face and praying and getting answers straight from Jesus. Promote faith in my Words, faith in the Words that God is giving today. If you want a commission, that's a commission! Teach that to others. Be an example of that!--An example of faith, an example of prayer, an example of hearing from God, for that is what people need to learn today. They need to learn to follow God! They need to learn to listen to God! They need to learn to obey God! They need to learn to counsel together, to pray together, to hear from God together.

583. Show faith in your children's ability to overcome the problems they face, and especially show faith in Me.
584. Discovering My truth together with your children will help them to build a much stronger foundation of faith and conviction than your preaching at them and expecting them to follow along "because you said so," or just because "that's what the Family believes." The goal is to help them to develop their own personal convictions that are based on what is true and godly, and to learn how to find the right answers and make good choices.
585. The more you call upon the key of miracles, the more miracles you will see performed. It is according to and dependent upon your faith, your desire, and your reaching out to receive the spiritual power I have made available to you through these keys.
586. Every helper, gift, power, and anointing granted to you is empowered in direct proportion to how diligent you are to acknowledge them, activate them, call on them, and in faith use them.
587. The keys are a source of great power, which can only be released through your faith.
588. You, My elite troops, will have access to a universe-wide net of information and will be able to pull down infinitely more of whatever you need. How much you are granted access to is only limited by your faith and obedience to punch in the passwords I give you, which will open the doors of Heaven and empower you to do great exploits.
589. The many gifts I give to you, My intimate ones, are channels through which your faith is able to draw down the very power of Heaven, and they are activated by your calling on them. Your faith and the many fruits that spring from your faith, such as obedience, release the full power of the keys. In the days ahead you will become a channel of the spirit for others who look to you in faith, and who pull down the power of Heaven through you by their faith and desperation.
590. As you grasp My promises and follow by faith and not by sight, you will reap the visible and earthshaking results.
591. Seeing the doors the keys unlock will help your faith to grow.
592. You will not be able to fully understand My hand in your life at this time, and you will need to wrap this up in a little bundle of faith and give it to Me, believing that I do all things well, and that whatever I do, I do in love, for this is the truth and this is the case. In

time you will see My loving hand in this situation, and you will understand and you will know that this, too, has worked together for your good, because you love Me.

593. (Dad speaking:) The Family is going to have to ask the Lord for an anointing of greater faith.
594. Worry about the details only squelches faith. The Family must simply move forward and obey, stretch their faith, and trust that the Lord will take care of what they can't.
595. (Dad speaking:) He will give you the faith if you will follow and obey Him.
596. If you're willing to be a doer of every part of My Word, and let the faith you receive from obedience to My Words propel you and move you, then you will work miracles for Me.
597. You must learn the full scope of these words: There is no limit to what I can do. And then you must learn to allow Me to fully possess you, so that you will have the faith and the spiritual power to let Me work through you to fulfill My unlimited plans. Let there be no limits when it comes to your obedience, dependence on Me, and faith in Me. Then there will be no limits to what I will be able to do for you and through you!
598. When Moses raised his arms in prayer to Me at the banks of the Red Sea, I stretched out My hand and parted the waters, and I held them at bay until the last of My children were safely on the other side. When the shepherd boy David loaded his sling, looked up to Me and whispered a prayer, I guided his stone and brought down the giant Goliath. When Elijah besought me for the rain I had promised, I sent the showers in great abundance. Likewise, at Zarephath, when he cried unto Me, asking for the soul of the widow's son, I returned life to the boy's motionless body.

When Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego cried out to Me as they entered the scorching furnace, I descended and walked with them in the midst of the fire, and the flame did not harm them. When the prophet Isaiah petitioned Me on behalf of Hezekiah, asking for a sign of his healing, I turned back the time. When Jonah cried out to Me in his affliction, I answered and placed him upon dry ground.

How much more will I do for you , My loves, in these days of mighty miracles? Let this encourage your faith, for in these days of action, here I stand, ready, willing and waiting to perform yet greater things on your behalf. Let this encourage your faith, for I tell you, I am here and I am ready.

Do you see? Can you grasp it? Will you claim it? Oh, what great power I put within reach of your frail human hands. There's nothing like it. It has no equal. It cannot be duplicated. No

one can steal it away from you. It will never be lost. It is never misplaced. Such great and awesome magnificent power! It can only be released at the sound of your prayers. It is only delivered unto you at the touch of your faith. So it is, My loves, that your desperate, full-of-faith prayers can radically alter any situation or heart and supply any need.

599. There are times when I ask you to pray specifically for something, both because this is an exercise of your faith and because I delight to answer and reward that faith.

600. You ask Me how your prayers get used and what they accomplish when things work out differently than the specific thing you were praying for. I give you a picture of Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego. As they went into the fiery furnace they didn't know the outcome, but they were praying I would protect and keep them. But what did they say? "But if not... ." But if not, they were willing to die trusting Me.

Such should be the attitude of those who pray for something specific, whether I answer their prayer or not. When they pray, they don't know the final outcome, and if the answer isn't what they expected, often it's a great test of faith. Because of their love for Me and their faith in Me, I take those prayers, and when the testing comes I pray for them that their faith fails not. For when My children are faced with such situations in their lives, it is often a crisis of faith for them. It's a time when the Enemy tries to sift them as wheat. So I take that fervency with which they have prayed and I pray for them.

It's a time when My children must decide if they will follow and believe Me though everything around them points that they shouldn't. There may not be any "logical" explanation. There may be every indication that I should have answered as they prayed, that I was going to answer as they prayed. They must choose to stand in the midst of seeming defeat and say, "But if not, I will trust Him."

This is the great victory. This is the ultimate gift of love and faith in Me. This is what makes soldiers out of mere men and women. This is when My children take steps into the world of the spirit and embrace the "strange truths" of that which they cannot see.

601. According to your faith and prayers, it will be done.

602. I am limited by your faith and how much you believe. If you're only expecting half an answer, then that's all you'll get. Full faith receives a full answer. This is why I can't do more miracles, because people don't expect them. I can and will do the mighty miracles that I've promised in My Word, but you have to do your part by expecting, believing, and receiving them!

603. Ask Me for patience and faith and the ability to walk by faith and not by sight. Too many people give up too easily when they don't see themselves changing as quickly as

they would like to, and they slip back and lose the progress that's been made. They forget that the Enemy is going to fight them tooth and nail! As the Enemy of their soul, he's not going to want them to change for the better. This is another reason people give up--they find the fight too difficult, too taxing, too discouraging, and instead of holding on and fighting through to victory, they grow weary of the battle and depart from the fray.

604. The key to being able to change is faith. If you can trust Me that I know what I'm doing, if you can trust that everything is going to work out well; if you can believe it when I say things will get better; if you can have faith enough to obey what I tell you, then you will change in the ways I want you to. Whereas if there is any resistance because you think you know better, or because you don't feel that a certain change is necessary, because you don't fully agree with it or have the faith to follow My lead, then clearly you won't be able to change.

605. Stretch your faith to ask for things that seem difficult or impossible, to ask questions that seem unanswerable, and watch your faith grow as you see My answers!

606. I am not limited by little finances, only by little faith.

607. It is easy to trust and have faith when all goes well, when all around you are blessings; but when all seems to go wrong and you feel as though your very life and your very desire to live is being snuffed out, when you feel your heart sink and ache within you, if you still have faith, oh, what great faith it is! How it pleases Me!

608. You must find faith in the Word. Even if it goes against the way you feel and the things that you see with your eyes, still, the Word is the truth. The Word is what is unchangeable.

609. In order to pioneer, you have to be willing to let go of what you are, what you have been, and even what you think you should be. A pioneer must let go of the known and venture into the unknown. He risks what he is in order to become something greater. That's what I'm asking of you, dear Family--to have the faith to go beyond what you are today, in order to become the great creation that I have planned for you to be.

610. Don't lose faith, My loves, because according to your faith, it will be done unto you (Mat.9:29).

611. In the days to come, I will have need of those who have learned great faith--who have trusted Me all the way and have never found Me wanting or a letdown. If you seek Me with your whole heart, you will have the faith needed to find My full answers, and will be capable of exploits such as the world has never seen. Are you ready?

612. I not only wish to keep you strong in spirit, but I also wish to strengthen your personal resolve, your self-discipline, your first reactions, your bedrock faith, and your willingness to be different and set apart from those in the world.

Without this kind of spiritual progress on a personal level, you will not be ready for the kinds of tests that will come your way in the Endtime. These tests of discipline and choice are preparation for the days when your faith will need to be strong and resilient, and that kind of faith comes with time; it's not just presto change-o and it's there. Faith is built, and each one of the children of David has a way to go--many a very long way--before your faith is as it should be.

613. If you wish to be powerful conduits of My Spirit, if you wish to turn this world right side up, if you wish to become full-time disciples whose wish is My command, then you cannot allow the Enemy's evil influence to steal away what is rightfully yours in the truth of the Words of David.

Just because you've been given so much truth, even if you read and study it, does not guarantee your becoming the instruments in My hand that will defeat the Evil One in the Last Days. It's not enough to drink deeply of the fountain of David; that's only half of the equation. You must also seal off the fountain of the Enemy in your life; you must stop up his entrance and forbid him leave to destroy, steal, tear down or erase that which you're building.

Both parts of the equation must be present if you are to grow as you wish, and if you are to see the miracles and manifestations of My power that I have promised. These promises are conditional, and there must be a greater level of consecration and devotion. You must walk further from the world and stay separate from her evil ways if you wish to be worthy of such gifts of the Spirit, such miracles, and such manifestations of My power.

614. For those of you who are truly striving to be full-time disciples, if you are crying out for the fires of revolution to be rekindled in your hearts, if you want to see Me work and move, then realizing the weakening effect of System input could very well be the missing element in your lives. If you feel you've been faithful with the Word revolution, if you're hungering after righteousness, if you're desiring the fruits of the Spirit and the gifts that I've promised, and you feel you're still coming up empty, then I call you to pull away from the things of this world, release your hold on the pleasures of this world, and turn your back on the sirens of the System. As you do this, you'll feel a marked improvement in your spiritual growth and understanding, My Spirit will be manifested more obviously, you will see miracles, and grow in anointing and power.

615. As I called to My disciples of old, I call to you, the children of David: Come out from among them and be separate. Touch not the unclean thing, and I will receive you, and in

receiving you, I will grant you full access to My miracle-working power. Then you will become the Endtime prophets that you are called to be!

616. I understand that life is a daily struggle, but don't you believe that I am the great God of the universe Who can supply all your needs and more than bountifully reward you for following Me? Some people have lost the sure faith that if they step out, I will be there to meet them. They want security and something to be "sure" of.

Where is your radical faith in My Word? Where is the spirit of the first disciples, all of you who pioneered the world and went into cities and countries without anything, and yet I supplied? I haven't failed you yet, and I never will!

617. If you're faithful to obey God's voice and where He's leading you, He'll take care of you. He'll protect you and do miracles for you in order to take care of you. He'll do mighty things for you as you step out by faith and boldly and unashamedly tell the world God's message.

618. I love My children of David, who are full of wild and radical faith--faith in Me to do the impossible. It takes supernatural faith to do what I'm calling My children of these Last Days to do. But the ways and life of faith have not changed from the beginning of time. Those who walk by faith have always and will always be called to believe in the impossible and to trust in the supernatural. They are asked to do things that no one else could possibly do--things that defy logic and natural reasoning.

619. As you look to Me each step of the way and trust and obey Me each step of the way, I will not fail you in any one of My good promises.

But in order for everything to work smoothly and without the problems that some foresee happening, it will take great faith and great trust, as well as great obedience to each and every instruction from My mouth. Each one must seek Me daily for their instructions: where to go, what to do, and how to raise their support. Each one must seek Me fervently to know what I would have them to do, and each one must go in true faith. For without faith it is impossible to please Me, and that which is not done in faith will miss the mark.

620. In order to stand fast in Me, you must have faith. You must stand on the Rock--Me--and hold your head high, braving the winds and the storm all around you, knowing that I can give peace in the midst of the storm, that I am a strong tower and refuge no matter what is going on around you.

621. Look not at the present or at the current difficulties, but look at the future. Look at the rewards that await you. Trust My promises unto you. Hang on by faith and know that

you are precious brides and valuable instruments in My hand. I will not leave you nor forsake you.

622. Only those of you that are strong in faith and weak in yourselves can enter into the promised land of victory and overcoming the fierce attacks of the Enemy in the Last Days.

623. You don't have to have any big gifts or talents to make it. You don't have to be super spiritual giants of faith or glorious leaders to make it. All you need to make it is exactly what you have right now--faith as a grain of mustard seed, Me as your first love, and a love for My sheep. The same things that led you to join the Family in the first place--your love for Me, My Word, and My sheep, your faith in Me and your willingness to follow Me wherever I lead, your yieldedness to do My will--are the same things that will continue to be your strengths in the days ahead and will keep you close to Me.

You need not worry about the days ahead and whether you'll have what it takes; all you need is faith for today, faith to follow Me today, one day at a time. You don't have to know the whole battle plan of the future right now; all you need is faith to obey My Word for today, to fight the battles today, to grow and progress step by step today in the areas that I'm leading you, and trust Me for tomorrow.

I promise you that as you manifest faith for today, faith in Me and My Words, even if it's just a mustard seed of faith, that it will be enough. I will use it to help you to grow and progress for the next day and the next day, until you have finished the race!

624. You don't need to understand it all, but just have faith and trust. Know that I am in control, and that I will not lead you astray.

625. As you continually strive to accept that all things truly work together for good to you who love Me, this will strengthen your muscles of faith and trust, and in turn will help you to resist the temptations of the Enemy to become resentful toward any situation or person.

626. (Dad speaking:) The Lord knows, He loves, He cares, and He's the author and finisher of your faith.

627. Yours is a great reward, for it is the reward of faith.

628. I am the Lord; I change not! My resources, My supply, My providence, My blessings and My benefits change not. All these are available to you today. For those who reach out the hand of faith, all these things are available in abundance to you today.

629. There's nothing I will not do for the children of David! There are gold mines of financial supply and gold mines of spiritual blessings that are there waiting for someone to reach out with the hand of faith and grasp them, to take hold of My promises, to avail themselves of My promises.

These things are available to you! Are you reaching for them? Are you striking out by faith to follow My Words?

630. I am standing outside the boat, on the water. If you'll only step out of the boat, I'll help you to walk on the water. You won't sink, for I will hold you up. But it's difficult, and there are many who say, "We cannot walk on the water! We cannot live by faith! We cannot forsake all! What will we have to eat? What will we have to wear? Wherewithal will we pay our rent?" I say that My promises are true, and not one word will fail of all the good Words that I have spoken unto you.

You can't look to circumstances. You must look to Me afresh, and look to My Word. You must challenge My Word! You must strike out and stand upon it and see if it will work for you, and I promise you, it will work for you! As I say these words to you I'm smiling, because I know that many of you will accept this challenge and will find such great joy. You're so worried now, and you're so challenged, but I know what wonderful pleasures, joys and rewards await each of you who will merely step out. Take the first step and I will meet you!

631. The just shall live by faith, but if any man draw back, My soul shall have no pleasure in him. I want you to take a look at yourselves, at your lives right now. How are you living? Are you following My voice and My Word every day? Are you fulfilled in preaching the Gospel? Or are you getting bogged down with the cares of materialism and worldliness?

632. Why do you fret and why do you fear in not taking the step and sawing off the limb by faith and letting Me catch you? Have more faith! Why do you doubt? What does your faith lie in? True pioneers burn their bridges, they burn their past, and they burn the things that will pull them back. Because if you don't burn these, they'll pull you back into despair and your old self and your old life. I'm looking for true pioneers that have the guts to be the missionaries I have called them to be.

633. My children of David, My special, called-out ones, My peculiar people, you can do anything that you want to! Because you have faith in Me and live by the principles of My laws, I can bless you and provide for you.

634. Know that you'll be tested, for you need to be tested. As you step forward in the direction that I tell you to go, I will test you, for these tests will strengthen your faith. You'll have the assurance that I am with you regardless of how you feel and regardless of the circumstances.

635. I want you to know that wherever you go from here on out, I'm always backing you up, and that's all you really need. I just want you to go by the leading of My Spirit. Don't worry too much about the rest, because whatever My will is, I always make a way. All you have to do is just have the faith and step out and commit yourself to do it, and I'll do the rest. Don't look at it in the eyes of the flesh. Because as soon as I see that you're really committed and you really want to do what I want you to, it makes Me very happy, and I'm going to help you and do whatever it takes to get you wherever you want to go and need to go!
636. Take no thought for the morrow. Say not to yourselves, "What shall we eat? What shall we drink? Wherewithal shall we be clothed?" Just have faith that I, in My perfect will, will take care of it all, as well as every last one of your needs.
637. (Dad speaking:) Don't think you always have to understand why, but just obey, because that's how you get the blessings of God! That's where the power and the Spirit of God are, in obedience. If you step out by faith, not even understanding, the Lord will meet you and it will be an exciting adventure! So don't lean to your own understanding, don't sit around trying to analyze it and reason it out. Just go, and you'll experience a freedom that you haven't known before. So don't be afraid to try it!
638. (Dad speaking:) Going to the mission field isn't going to be that easy, and there are going to be lots of reasons for you not to go. But if you just take that step of faith and go, then God will bless it and it will be worth all the sacrifice!
639. The fruits of My Spirit are ripe and ready to be plucked--you just have to have the faith to reach out your hand and receive them. I have many things to give to you. You are My little children who desire to know more and to seek My will and to follow after My bidding, but you must hearken unto Me. You must inquire diligently and be seeking My face continually for My will in your life, for there is so much that I would tell you--so much direction, leading, counseling, and guidance. But it's up to you to have the faith--to reach out and have appropriating faith.
640. You do not need to worry or fear that you can't make it, that it's too much for you, that you just don't have what it takes. Because don't you see?--It's not in you! The power, grace, strength and love you need is not in you, but I can give it to you, and I will give it to you, if you'll only look to Me in desperate prayer and step out by faith in obedience and yieldedness to do what I have asked you to do, to the best of your ability.
641. You must come to Me and ask Me what My will is in your situation. I will reveal My will to you, and I will give you faith to proceed according to My Words, My direction, and My guidance.

642. Put on the glasses of truth and faith and see as I see. Discern the signs of the times, for evil men and seducers wax worse and worse. The wheels turn, the clock ticks, the hourglass is turned, and time speeds on. Time is running out.

643. (Dad speaking:) You do your part and He will do His part and don't worry about it; go forth in faith. You can do that because you came to the Lord and He gave you the message, which gives you the vision, which gives you the faith and the courage to do it. So do it! Just do it and you know the Lord will bless. As you do one thing He shows you to do, then He'll show you the next thing, and the next and the next, and on and on as you just keep moving forward, keep progressing, keep marching forward--forward into the future, forward into the Millennium, forward into His arms, forward to forever!

644. I give each person gifts and talents, and they can use these, for it makes their work, their life and all that they do easier. But they cannot solely depend upon this anointing. They must look up to Me and receive My Words, My direction and My guidance, so that they may know that what they do is right. Thus they may go forth in full faith, for they have sought Me and have heard My voice.

They must come before Me in humility, in openness and receptivity, so that if I do have something to say to them, or guidance to give them, or a new direction for them to move in, they will be ready and open to receive it. For if they go only by their anointing, they cannot clearly get the new directions that I am leading in, and neither can they have full faith for the new directions unless it is confirmed by Me.

So you must use it all. You must use the anointing, the gifts and the talents. You must also use your direct link with Me and hearing My voice. And you must use your past experience as well--all of this put together.

645. You have to determine each time you sit down to hear My voice that you're going to open up wide, very wide, and be full of faith and trust and let Me do whatever I want with you and praise Me for it all. Each time you do this and let Me pour through effortlessly, it cleans your pipe. It washes you cleaner every time. The more you open up and receive in full faith, the cleaner and clearer your channel becomes, because the waters can rush through so fast that they carry everything with it. So keep open, keep clean and keep yielding and praising.

It's not hard to yield; it's very easy. It's not hard to be open and desperate; it's very easy. It just takes faith. And faith is not something you work up and muster up by trying very hard. Faith is very easy too; you just trust. You simply ask and trust and receive what comes with praise and thankfulness, and this keeps your channel open and clear for the next message.

646. Praise is very important and very needed to keep your channel well lubricated and free-flowing. Praise lifts your spirit and fills you with faith. It helps to pull down My seeds, because I love to rush through an open, thankful channel, one who is loving My seeds, rejoicing over their entrance and happy for them. So the more you praise and thank Me for it all, the more I pump them into you and the more effortless it becomes.

Having a praiseful spirit is what counts. It's not that you must spend X number of minutes praising Me before a prophecy, but that you are genuinely thankful and express your thanks before, during and after the message is given. It's not the length of time you spend praising Me that I look at during a prayer and prophecy session, it's the sincerity of heart. Praise counteracts the fears and worries of the Enemy. That's why it's important to praise when receiving a prophecy. And since many people are tempted to worry about what they received from Me after they're done, praise is important afterwards, too.

647. Each of you are responsible to find My will for your life, and to live it to the best of your ability; that is something that will affect your happiness and fruitfulness. But you can't presume to know what My will is in someone else's life, and you should avoid passing judgment or taking the position that someone is operating outside of My will, unless their actions are clearly harmful or hurtful to themselves or others.

I have limited Myself to operate within the parameters of your faith, and I take each of you where you are at. If you make choices that are not the best, I continue to work with you within the framework of your choices, and I continue to provide opportunities that will lead to your happiness and fulfillment in life. And above all, I still love you. So must you "owe no man anything but to love him"; you don't need to worry about judging or determining what My highest will is for others. Your job is to love.

648. Hold on to My Word. Hold on to My promises, and don't let the Enemy steal away your faith and your belief that I am in control. No matter how bad things look, everything is ultimately in My hands, and I will bring about good in the end. My Word is rock solid, it never fails, and you can count on it to pull you through any test or trial.

649. My loves, you must fight with faith, praise, and prayer, and not let the Enemy rob you of your faith in My Word.

650. Someone whose mind and heart is focused on faith and filled with faith is going to face any situation, big or small, from a viewpoint of faith and overcoming, which is positive. A negative person has a much harder time overcoming problems, and therefore is more likely to end up buried under many problems.

651. Most of My children are on My channel most of the time. They're thinking My thoughts and seeing things as I see them, and in turn, I give them faith, which engenders

peace and trust. Sure, they are sometimes tempted to slip onto the Enemy's channel when they're feeling a bit discouraged or are a bit down physically, or when they neglect their time with Me. But when they are faithful to take time with Me and My Word, they are able to get back on My channel, hearing My thoughts, seeing My visions, and are inspired and fruitful for Me.

652. When you look at yourself in the Enemy's negative spirit, you're essentially saying that I can't use you, that I can't work through you, and that I can't make up for your lacks. That's loss of faith, My love--loss of faith in Me, loss of faith in My love, loss of faith in My judgment in choosing you to serve Me, and loss of faith in My power to do the impossible, to take the weak things to confound the mighty, to use any vessel that is yielded to Me.
653. When you walk in a positive spirit, you're walking in a spirit of faith and trust. You're acknowledging Me and trusting Me, accepting that I know best and that I'm in control of everything. It takes faith to be positive. It takes faith in My Word that all things work together for good. No matter how you feel at the time, if you have faith and believe, you know that all things work together for good. When you believe this promise, you walk in faith and trust and carry a positive, happy, trusting spirit.
654. When your heart and mind entertain the Enemy's murmurs and negative thoughts, you're shutting the door to My Spirit and you can't receive My words of faith and light. But the minute you rebuke that murmuring spirit and open the door to My light and the spirit of faith, the dark spirit of negativity will flee.
655. I don't let you get into any pickles I can't get you out of. I don't let things happen to you that shouldn't, and that won't do some good in some way. So you should never look at any situation as bad, as a loss, as a failure, or as hopeless. Either I'll make it better or it's the way I intended for it to be. There's nothing you can't look at positively and with faith, no matter how bad it might seem.
656. give you even more
faith. You reap what you sow, and if you're sowing faith, speaking words of faith and trust, you'll reap the good fruits of faith. You'll be inspired and you'll inspire others. You'll have a spirit of peace, your countenance will shine, your speech will be edifying and positive, and you'll open the channel for My love to flow through you.
657. Take Me at My word! That's all there is to it! Then there will be no loss, only gain, as you pave the way for the glorious future through your solid faith and belief in Me and what I promise to do for you and yours.
658. One thing that I have tried to teach you about My nature is that I'm just as flexible

and adaptable as I want all of you to be. I practice what I preach. My goals stay the same, but I'm extremely flexible when it comes to giving you new instructions or direction that will help to bring about the results I'm after, working with you and within your faith, and altering the circumstances to bring about whatever is needed at the time.

659. Faith is dead without works, and works are dead without faith. You must have balance, and that balance is found in the Word.
660. You're walking by faith, not by sight, but that doesn't mean that I'm not walking by sight. I can see the road ahead, I can see the big picture, and I have a plan, a perfect will, and an answer to every question or problem.
661. You're grown up. You're mature. I'm asking you to do the things that men of faith do: Step out on the water, walk to Me, and trust that I will keep you afloat.
662. I expect you to not be bound by what has been, but to reach beyond the bounds and limitations of what you have already experienced and know to be possible, into Heaven and the realms that I've told you are possible, but that may have never been explored before.
- The limits and bounds of nature and of the spirit are only broken by the men and women of faith who loose their moorings, hoist their sails, and steer toward unknown horizons. You do have to keep the foundation and the basics and what you've learned and been taught, what I have shown you is My will through My Spirit and My Word. I'm not asking you to throw the baby out with the bathwater.
663. Every word in prayer must be backed by faith--your utter faith in Me to do as you have asked. Otherwise those words will have no power, and will command no action in the spirit or in the flesh.
664. Prayers prayed in full faith will command action. Each word prayed in full faith can be visualized as a soldier going out to battle, heading out into the terrain of the future, to prepare the way for you.
665. You're not called to take up a sword or spear and face the foes in the flesh. You're called to pray, to command the spiritual through your faith. Can you do it?
666. Faith is knowing. You have no doubt. Faith is seeing the good and possibilities that others cannot see. Faith grows as you use it. Faith believes even when circumstances and conditions point to the opposite. Faith stands no matter what. Faith continues on even when something "negative" happens in your life. It shines, and is at its height when you live the principle of the Letter, "But If Not!"

667. The way you grow in faith is through the Word--not just reading it, but receiving it, believing it, accepting it and applying it.
668. A negative outlook on life is so different from the optimistic, positive outlook that I wish for My children to have. It is the antithesis of faith. I have called My children to a life of faith, but negative thinking is a life of doubt.
669. The it-can't-be-done attitude hits at the very core of My children's faith, that they can do all things through Me and that nothing is impossible for Me.
670. The key to knowing whether or not you have faith is not in the "feeling" but in the "doing."
671. Faith is not something felt. Most people who have strong faith don't feel like they do. So not feeling as if you have faith doesn't mean your faith is shaky. You don't go by your feelings. You go by the facts. You are not strong because you feel strong. You are strong because you obey, because you fight, because you overcome, because you are willing to keep moving forward for Me.
672. Your connection with Me and your desperation with Me is what will give you the faith to keep going, and therefore, you will make it.
673. You have to put your trust in Me and My promises, and be convinced that what I say, I am able to perform-even through weak vessels such as you. The wise will fight to keep their link with Me no matter what, because they know that I will keep them through everything, and give them the faith and anointing to do My will.
674. The key is still the same, My loves. It has to be you leaning completely on Me for the strength, the faith, the vision, and all that you need to do My will. And that faith comes from a very close and personal connection with Me. Without that connection, you will falter and possibly fail. But if you're wise and faithful to guard your connection, there is nothing that I will ask of you that you cannot do.
675. Those who ask in faith, believing, will receive.
676. Faith (is) the knowledge that I do all things well.
677. Some things you have to take by faith just because I said so.

678. Take Me at My word! That's all there is to it! Then there will be no loss, only gain, as you pave the way for the glorious future through your solid faith and belief in Me and what I promise to do for you and yours.
679. Faith isn't obedience and perseverance when there are no problems or obstacles. Faith is fighting on in spite of all of the problems, obstacles and battles. Faith looks to Me regardless of how many difficulties there are. Faith keeps following, no matter what the circumstances indicate. Faith knows that My promises will be fulfilled no matter what.
680. The weapon of praise will keep you on My wavelength, seeing things through My eyes, and will give you the faith to keep trusting in My great plan and believing in My great promises.
681. I will give you the grace for each step that I will lead you on in this path I have chosen for you. You'll be amazed at the faith and trust that you'll receive from My hand to be able to go through these times and not falter or fear.
682. Look at Abraham, who was willing to sacrifice his promised son, knowing that My word to him could not be broken. Oh, that you would learn such faith--the faith of Abraham, the faith to trust Me despite seeming contradiction to My promises.
683. Real faith never quits, and you will never be defeated as long as you keep fighting, keep praying, and keep looking to My Word for the answers. As long as you never give up, but trust in My strength to help you, you will always rise above the obstacles of life.
684. This life and its limited existence can be so full of care, worry, and fear if you let those things in. But if you instead choose to accept My love and My perspective in all things, you will begin to see the opportunity in every difficulty, the positive in every negative situation. You will have the faith to rise above this finite world and accept that there is a higher plan for your life and that I am the One Who is ultimately in control.
685. Do your prayers seem to be unanswered? Do you wonder if I really care and hear? These are questions that all My children ask and tests that they each have to go through in order for their faith to be strengthened. If you never faced difficulties and never had to weather a storm, your depth of faith and belief in Me would not be solid. It is when you pass through the wind, the rain, and the fires of life and still remain steadfast in your determination to follow Me that your faith becomes pure gold.
686. When I promised to keep My children and to deliver them, I did not say that I would take them out of the difficulties that they faced. True, sometimes I do, but more often than not I choose to bring them through those difficulties, because that's how I prove My power. If My children knew that as soon as they faced a difficulty they would immediately

be pulled out of it, what strength of spirit would that bring about in their life? So in bringing you through tough times, difficulties, and hardships, I am able to bring My blessings of ultimate peace in the midst of any situation, faith that is not shaken, and a love for Me that nothing and no one can take away.

687. It took faith for Me to come to Earth and to believe that I could make a difference as a human. It took faith to believe in My Father's plan, that I could actually accomplish something as great as changing the course of the history of the world by the love I showed in living and dying for mankind. But My Father's plan worked!

It takes faith to believe that I have a plan for your life and that you are following it. It takes faith to believe that you are actually making a difference in the hearts and lives of others. But you will see, as I did with My Father's plan, that you are accomplishing My will and doing what I have called you to do.

688. The things that seem so difficult today are the things that, in the future, you will be thankful that you experienced, because they will have taught you important lessons of faith, patience and wisdom. It's never easy, but these will be the things that the spiritually stronger you of the future will praise and thank Me for bringing you through.

689. Life is very much like sailing. I am your Captain and I know the seas of life. Many are content to just sail around in the safe harbors and not really go anywhere with their life; whereas others set their sails toward the horizon and head out into the open sea. It takes faith to set out into the unknown, to believe that My Word is true and that I will keep you safe and lead you on a true course. This type of faith is learned through difficult situations where you do what I show you to do and you find that it works out.

With each test comes stronger faith. The shores of My blessings are not visible to those who stay in the harbor and never venture out; it takes faith to set sail and find them. Don't believe the doubter who has never ventured out of the safety of his harbor and who says, "There are no new shores, no new challenges, nothing new to learn." Be the first to venture out, to let Me set the course of your life!

690. When you put Me on the spot and claim My supply, and boldly proceed with faith to ask someone to help you with the things you need, and they see My Spirit in you and are moved to donate what you request--that's a miracle!

691. Fear is not faith. Fear is the power of the Enemy. Resist his control and influence through fear with the keys!

692. In the days to come, there will be a great move of My Spirit as I lead you into the way of greater faith. Those who will listen to My Words, and who will receive and obey

them, will receive a great anointing of faith such as the world has never seen. I have endowed My servants with faith from the beginning of time, yet as My Spirit moves in these Last Days, I will pour out greater faith such as has not been seen since the beginning of time.

These days that are soon to come upon you will be the days of great miracles! These will be the days of greater things, and this is a great move of My Spirit. This will be the fruit of your faith--the great miracles I will work on behalf of My children who follow closely. Those who hear My Word and obey will put their faith into action and call down mighty miracles from the Heavens! This will be the mighty moving of My Spirit.

693. I know that at times living by faith has been and continues to be a struggle, and you often have to get desperate on your prayer bones and work hard to make ends meet. But I want to commend you for having the guts to take Me at My Word and to live by faith, even when times have been tough. You've truly proven that it's possible to drop out of the System, to serve Me full-time, and to believe that the finances will be there when you need them. Think about it--the Family is a financial miracle! Where else on Earth can you find people who live by faith, and continue to grow and expand and prosper, without compromising or turning to traditional means for salaries?

694. The sky is the limit, and how far you take My promises only depends on your faith.

695. My dear ones, I am your Husband. I am your Lover. I am a faithful Provider and will never fail you. What is more, I love to supply for you. It thrills My heart to do those miracles that provide your specific needs. It really makes Me happy when you fulfill the conditions attached to My promises and then claim them in faith. There's nothing I love more than to see you have your needs met, to be able to manifest My love for you in physical, practical ways--ways that make you consciously think, "Wow, the Lord really loves me!"

696. If you want to continue to receive My blessings, if you want to be able to "live by faith," if you want to have what you need to continue doing your missionary work, you're going to have to live by the Word I've been giving all these years. You're going to have to dig it out, read it, study it, see where you need to improve, and then do it, or you will feel the effects drastically.

697. As a disciple, you're banking on Me. You're trusting in My promises. You're letting the material things of the world pass you by. You're not merely laying up for yourself treasures on earth or making efforts toward popularity and fame. You're living your life by faith, holding on to My promise that though you may suffer rejection, and though you may lack some of the trinkets and gadgets that are on display all around you, you're holding out for something better. You're holding out for the eternal riches of Heaven. You're holding

out for the eternal glory. You're holding out for the gold and silver that will last forever.

698. Look not upon the circumstances, wondering how My Word and the Words of David can be true, but rather look at My Word and the Words of David with faith, expecting to see their fulfillment. All that I have spoken will come to pass, and every jot and tittle of My Word will be fulfilled

699. Be not easily shaken by circumstances and conditions, nor wonder how My Word can be fulfilled when it seems contrary to the natural. In due time you will see, if you continue to trust and believe and obey. Seeing is the reward of faith.

700. The way to keep such fears from stealing your joy and causing you to worry is to soak yourself in My Word. Through My Words you will gain faith, and that faith will overcome your fear. As you read My Words, I will comfort your heart and give you peace.

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701. Faith comes from My Word. So comfort yourselves through reading My Word. The more you read, the more you will see that I will not let anything happen to you that is not a part of My perfect plan. Arm yourself with faith through reading My Word and believing My promises.

702. I have promised great miracles to My children, and I was not speaking symbolically. Indeed, My power is limitless, and according to your need and the situation, I will do wondrous things for you and through you!

The requirement for these manifestations of power is faith--your faith to ask Me, to expect, to believe and receive. When you ask Me in faith, I am bound by My Word to give you what you need. It might not always be what you think you need, but I will always supply, protect, deliver, heal, or resolve the situation in the way that I know is best. Sometimes it will be a quiet miracle that you will know is the answer, but it won't be obvious to others. At other times, for the sake of the witness, I will do wondrous supernatural things as a display of My power to give those who are undecided a chance to believe in and receive Me.

703. It's My will that My children walk by faith and not by sight, because this is one of the ways I purge My fighting ranks of unbelievers and the halfhearted. I must continually purge My army of those who no longer wish to walk by faith but desire to walk by sight, which makes them too weak to be in the battle on the front lines.

704. Are you living by faith? Are you exercising the gifts of the Spirit that enable you to trust Me to supply your needs? Are you learning to walk on the water? Are you building up your faith muscles? The just shall live by faith. The just shall survive by faith!

705. Patience is faith, and faith comes from hearing My Word.

706. Prove Me by trusting Me and giving, and see if I will not bless you with more than you can hold. As fast as you give, I will supply. Simply believe. He that gives to his own hurt performs a great act of faith in My sight, for it shows that he has not spared his own life, but has poured it out as a living sacrifice before Me. This is pleasing and brings on My Spirit and My blessing.

707. Great is your reward in Heaven for your faith to receive, to believe, and to live the Words of God.

708. (Those who fought) to be uncompromising in their faith and to live up to their convictions, will be in shape during the Endtime. The hard times in the future will only require a small increase of sacrifice beyond what they are accustomed to, and they'll be able to make the grade with only a small step in stretching their faith.

Whereas those who are not accustomed to stretching their faith and who take the easy way out will have a more difficult time. It will take a leap of faith on their part, because they haven't been used to taking the small steps of faith along the way in their efforts to go for the gold in every area of their lives.

709. The more the Family has tapped into the power of prophecy, the more they want! They've learned the power of hearing My directions and leaning on the power of My Spirit, and thus many have sharpened their weapon of prophecy and are following Me more closely than ever before. This in turn has defeated the Enemy's further attacks on My children, for he has not been able to get past their wall of faith, and this has been a great victory of My spiritual protection in their lives.

710. The keys will give you a boost of faith to change whatever is needed in order to become a winner of the future.

711. Don't ever stop believing! It's through your belief that God can do it and through your crazy faith that you will win every victory, receive every promise, and gain every reward.

712. Articulate your need in a concise but thorough manner; choose your words carefully--knowing that you get what you ask for and what you have the faith for.

713. A key in praying professionally is not only focusing on specifics and believing that there isn't an alternative to receiving the answer, but it's in coming back again and again, and not wavering in your faith if the answer is not seen immediately. Sometimes I will bring the answer immediately and other times I will allow the answer to take longer for a variety of reasons.

Sometimes the time is not right. Sometimes there are still choices that must be made on the part of the recipient of the answered prayer. And other times I just want to test your faith and see if you will pray and pray again until you see the answer. The key is believing. The key is knowing, and never taking no for an answer. Never give up, and you will see the results of your prayers.

714. Effectiveness in prayer is not a talent that you either have or you don't have. Everyone has the ability to be a winning, proficient master in the art of prayer. You just have to hone your skills. Study the music sheet of My Word so that you will know it backward and forward. Tune the strings of your heart so that you're in the best position to receive My answers. Practice your voice of faith by memorizing and claiming My promises. And then get ready to play beautiful music that will reach My heavenly courts and allow Me to pour out the blessings and answers in abundance.
715. Prayers prayed in full faith, utilizing the spiritual weapons, and claiming My promises, yield accurate, full-of-faith results. While I never judge the length, style, or fluency of your prayers, I do look upon your desperation of heart, the level of faith you're displaying by how much you're willing to use the spiritual weapons in prayer.
716. You can be anything I need you to be. Have faith, and don't doubt My ability to come through for you.
717. You might be the only one willing to take a risk, but if you truly believe it's of Me, then don't be afraid to. When you let Me stretch your faith to do something difficult, something that might not even be in character for you to do, then you give Me the opportunity to do something truly wonderful in your life.
718. I have placed your destiny within your heart. The outline of your future is written in your spirit's DNA, and you fill it in by your choices. You are destined to fight and win great battles and to win this world for My Kingdom. As you walk forward in faith and obedience, this destiny will be strengthened. You will find it hard to resist. And if you walk on, hold on, and persevere, you will fulfill your destiny.
719. If I had wanted saints to complete My Family, to bring in the last harvest, to herald the Endtime, and to be here on Earth instead of you, then I would have saved that job for the angels. But I don't want that. I don't need that. I need humans who try and often fail, those who fight and sometimes lose, those who mean to do good but easily make mistakes, and those who go on by faith alone, yet who know what it means to doubt or to question why.
720. Have you ever felt like My promises for the future can't fully apply to you, because of that time you really blew it, messed up bad, and felt like you wore out your welcome at My doorstep? Beloved, it's time to stop looking down at the doormat and look up and forward. As you raise your eyes by faith, you'll see how I have thrown the door to the future wide open.
721. My dearest loves, you are each such an integral and wonderful part of My future. I

need each of you more than you know, and you will each be needed more than you know in the dark days ahead. I know that it may be difficult for you to see it now, and you may even be feeling discouraged and downhearted because of your weaknesses, shortcomings, seeming failures and mistakes. But I ask you to lay all that aside, looking only to Me, the Author and Finisher of your faith, that you may be strengthened and upheld and continue on to fulfill the destiny that I have set before you.

722. I don't expect perfection or want you to be striving for it, so why should you be putting it on a pedestal and striving for it? All that I ask is that you make your best effort, and that even if you fail, you keep trying. In My book, having the faith to get up and continue going after a fall--that's perfect!
723. Learning to be trusting and praiseful and at peace instead of stressing out is similar to so many other things that you are learning in your lives for Me. I tell you to think positive thoughts instead of negative ones. I tell you to praise instead of giving in to discouragement or hopelessness. I tell you to turn your thoughts into prayers. I tell you to replace your carnal thoughts with My mind. All of these things that you're already learning to do are replacing your natural reactions, thoughts, or mindset with something that is supernatural, and that's exactly what you need to do when thoughts and feelings of stress come your way. You have to make a conscious decision to turn those thoughts and feelings into ones that are praiseful, trusting, and full of faith. You have to learn to recognize the stress when it hits and turn it around into something positive.
- I know you're probably thinking that this is easier said than done. And that's true. But just because something is difficult, that doesn't mean it's impossible. It takes a lot of effort for negative thinkers to turn their thoughts into positive ones, just as it will take effort for those who are stressed to turn their worried, concerned, burdened thoughts and feelings into trusting, faith-building ones. But in all cases, in every situation, I am available to assist.
724. Your life should be so full of joy and challenge that when the time comes when you're faced with a tight deadline, you'll be able to handle it gracefully and with a trusting, full-of-faith attitude.
725. Someone who is depending on Me and My Spirit by taking faithful quality time in My Word, time to praise and love Me, and bringing their requests and needs to Me in prayer, in faith, expecting Me to answer and help them, will not be leaning on the arm of the flesh.
726. The way to stay stress-free is to live a healthy spiritual life and keep your spirit clean, doing the things that bring faith, praise, positiveness, humility, love, and unselfishness into your life; and fighting the natural but destructive qualities of pride, fear, selfishness, self-centeredness, and independence.

727. Stress simply isn't healthy. It is fraught with so much that is negative and dark and of the Enemy, and it goes directly against some of the most essential principles of the Christian life--of faith, of humility, of praise, and of love. So it's to be fought against like you fight the Devil, because it is of the Devil.
728. It takes work to use the spiritual weapons, to love and live in harmony with others, to walk by faith and not by sight, to constantly be on guard against the Enemy, to resist doubts, to prefer others, to die daily, and all the other things that go into your life that are difficult and take real spiritual work.
729. Do you think that if you push in the arm of the flesh past the safety point and start to lose it, that you'll still be able to take things by faith or have the anointing and patience needed to run the race? I don't think so.
730. When you lower all your defenses and your shields finally power down completely, the Enemy will overrun you. Chances are he'll ravage your faith and spirit and leave you a complete spiritual weakling with no power, no energy, no abilities to do anything for Me and others.
731. All things are possible to those who believe and who wield their keys accurately in full faith.
732. You are only going to get busier, and working conditions aren't going to get easier as the Endtime comes into full swing. More and more you will need to look at events and challenges through the eyes of faith and not let stress get ahold of you; otherwise you will short-circuit and begin blowing all kinds of fuses, and that will lead to burnout in the spirit, which will then lead to breakdowns or burnout in the physical.
733. People grow up quickly when given room to do so. Showing faith in people is like leaven. In this case, it's the leaven of faith at work.
734. (Dad speaking:) Don't let the Enemy weasel his nose into your life and allow him to attack your faith. Diligently guard your faith. Actively boost it through faithful study of the Word, of the Lord's promises. And wield the key promises--those will set the Devil back on his heels without fail!
735. (Dad speaking:) The Lord is spelling things out very clearly these days. So won't you try to just follow the Word and obey it? Let the Letters be the leaders! It will work, and Jesus has ordained it to work, so if you have faith as a grain of mustard seed, and obedience as a grain of sand, you will move the Devil's mountains of defeat and lies, and you will become that shining sample of discipleship that I'm talking about.

736. Have faith, My brides. Have faith in Me. Trust Me that what I am bringing about is for your good.
737. You have to keep moving, keep overcoming lethargy, keep stretching your faith, keep accepting change and welcoming the new.
738. Fight for a believing, positive, full-of-faith spirit.
739. The Word has been My uniting factor for all My movements throughout history. In the days of old I gave My Law to Moses, and when the children of Israel had faith in him and faith in the Word and the Law that I had given him, it caused them to be a great nation, a united nation, a powerful force. Their unity was based on their faith in the Word, and when they lost their faith in the Word, the Law and Moses, then they suffered disunity.

The power and anointing and blessing of My Early Church was a result of their faith in My Word and their obedience to it. The New Testament and My teachings and the early disciples' faith in them was what united hearts and minds, so that the Early Church also became a royal priesthood, a peculiar nation, called out and chosen to be separated from the world. And because of their united faith in the Word, it made them a great force to be reckoned with, and they conquered the world empire of their day through their faith and love.

And in these Last Days, this is what has united My Family--their faith in the Word, believing the Word, receiving the Word, and obeying the Word. Your obedience to the Word has united your hearts. Although there are many unique people and individual personalities, nevertheless your faith in the Word has united you in spirit and made of you--many weak and diverse individuals--a great nation.

740. Faith comes by hearing and reading My Word. Although you may not see your faith growing, nevertheless this is true, and something that you must believe and accept by faith. Reading and believing and accepting My Word increases your faith, so as you do this as a body, this will also increase your faith and unity as a body.
741. I need you to be as granite rocks, those who stand firm on My Word, on My promises, who use the keys to the Kingdom I have put in your hands, who exercise the power to rise above that I have given you. I call you to put aside foolishness; to stand on My Word instead of your feelings; to walk by faith and not by sight; to put aside pride and to put on My divine nature
742. When fear is present, faith can't grow as it should.

743. (Dad speaking:) You must give people room to operate according to their faith, and even if you don't personally have the faith for it, support their faith as best you can.
744. No matter what, you must have faith and trust that I know, I love, I care.
745. Pray for faith to believe that I, your loving Husband, your Best Friend, know and love and care.
746. Keep your eyes on Me, the Author and Finisher of your faith, and I will sustain you.
747. (The Enemy) attacks your spirit and tries to weaken you to the point that you'll put down your weapons of war and even forsake your crown of service--the responsibility that I've given you, along with the gifts and anointing to do it. He wants to cause you to doubt My love, My Word, and My wisdom. It's his goal to pull you down, to destroy your faith in Me and My Word through this slow weakening of your spirit.
748. The victory will be won if you fight on. There is much ahead of you, My precious one, much that I have for you to do, so don't give up the fight now and don't faint in your mind. Come to Me, trust Me, and let Me strengthen you and give you the anointing you need for this battle. I will bring you through as even finer gold, more precious than before--more trusting, more believing, an even better vessel in My hand, if you hold fast to your faith and fight.
749. Faith begets more faith; positive attitudes foster more positive attitudes in both yourself and those around you. It takes faith in someone to bring out the best in them.
750. When you trust, believe, and accept things from My Spirit and look at things with My point of view, your spirit will be lifted because you'll be seeing the truth. Once you see the truth and you hold on to it with believing faith, it won't even matter so much to you what the Enemy tries to tell you, because you've heard the truth from Me and you can hang on to it. Pretty soon the Enemy will just take his pile of lies and leave.
751. Only through faith will you be able to understand the essence of My love. It can't be measured with the sands of time; no calculations can fully explain My love. My love can't be bought or sold; it has no end or beginning, no length or breadth. Though I love everyone, I don't love en masse. My love is more personal than the love of a mother, a husband or wife, a lover. I love you personally, My dear one, and with each passing day our love will only grow stronger and deeper. Stronger and deeper it will grow, on through eternity.
752. The key to fully knowing My love is to accept it in faith, to close your eyes and open your heart to My Spirit, to My whispers, believing that I do indeed love you as I say I do.

And when I welcome you to our Home of Heaven where we'll be together for eternity, you'll joyfully discover that the love you've come to know in Me and our intimate relationship of love has only scarcely begun.

753. Continue to hold on by faith to the Words of David, and the wonderful Words and promises that I have given unto you, and you shall see each and every one fulfilled. For none of My Words can fail.
754. There's tremendous power in positive anticipation, also known as faith. It opens the door to miracles.
755. As you move from having faith, a deep abiding faith that brings peace to your heart, to putting feet to that faith, you will begin to see more about what love for the lost means and is.
- Love for the lost moves from feelings and faith to action. You can have love for the lost manifested through feelings, but what you do about it is what really counts. That's the real proof of the pudding.
756. You know what to do: Go out into the highways and byways and compel them to come in. You know that if you love Me, then you will feed My sheep. You know that you must "go into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature." So step out by faith and do these things which you know you must do, and I promise that I will reward your faith by causing this love for the lost to grow in your heart.
757. Remember that only Jesus can keep you full of faith--faithful--and fulfilled in your ministry for Him. Look unto Jesus, the author and finisher of your faith.
758. When I've called you to do something and shown you that it is My will, then I will empower you and help you to overcome any obstacle. Keep fighting in prayer, with faith, using the power of the keys, until you have victory.
759. I've never failed in one word of all My good promises. Stop and think back on the promises I've made to you, and thank Me for how I've fulfilled them. Let that strengthen your faith as you look ahead to the next challenges. Seek Me for My Words of promise for each challenge you face. Ask Me to tell you how I'm going to work, and then hold Me to those promises until I have done it.
760. Stretch your faith. Let it grow. Ask for something that seems too big, too difficult, almost ridiculous. Ask in faith. Ask for something you need. Ask for something that you know is impossible without divine intervention. Ask through the power of the keys. Do it today! Do it now! Watch it happen!

761. I am your Great Provider. I know you have many needs, but there is not a single one that I am not capable of fulfilling. If you need something, then you can demand it, in faith and expectancy. I own this world and all its wealth, and I will not withhold from My beloved brides that which you need. Claim it today, through the power of the keys!
762. Faith is not something you feel; it's something you do--an action which gets results. Stretch your faith, exercise it, and you will not be disappointed.
763. I'm so proud of you! There are many times you've been tested and you've stuck--you've looked to Me and totally yielded yourself to Me. You've persevered and you've held on to My hand by pure faith.
764. As you step out by faith to be and do all that I have called you to, even when it looks like you are stepping out into thin air, I will cause the ground to rise up to meet you.
765. Let Me renew your convictions each day through My Word, and through My voice of personal prophecy. It's the Word that gives you faith, and faith is the foundation of conviction, and the fruit of strong conviction is obedience.
766. Stretch your faith! Let it grow as I would have it grow, for in the days to come, the faith you have now will not be enough. You must let Me move the mountains and surmount the obstacles with you today. You must put Me on the spot, and learn how to use the gift of heavenly thought power that I have placed in your hands.
767. There's nothing more special than the faith you possess and your determination to trust Me, come what may.
768. You're in a war, and it's a difficult fight. Things aren't always easy--in fact, hardly ever. But you're on the right side and you're fighting for Me. You're fighting for My children, you're fighting for lost souls, and you're fighting to be what I want you to be every moment of every day. Don't ever think for a moment that you're through, that you've had enough of the fight, because you're going to win if you don't give in. You're My brave fighter, and I'm proud of your faith that compels you to continue on to victory.
769. I know it takes time and effort and a lot of faith to hear from Me, but it's so worth it.
770. Have faith, My brides, knowing that the obstacles you must overcome, the battles that must be fought and won, and the problems that need solving, are your helpers!

771. When people begin to take My Words more seriously, they will strive to obey them. This increased fear of Me will bring about the atmosphere that is necessary if you are to be My miracle workers of the End, because you will have more faith, you will manifest more obedience, and you will receive more of My power and protection and blessings. It's a chain reaction.

772. I anoint you with the oil of My Spirit. I am pouring out this anointing today in great measure to all who ask for it, to all who come up and commit themselves, as weak as they might feel, to the calling of obedience. This anointing will give you the wherewithal to fulfill your calling. It will give you determination when you wouldn't naturally have it. It will give you grace when the sacrifices are great. It will give you peace and faith to obey even when it doesn't look logical. It will give you strength when the going gets tough.

This anointing of obedience is yours, My darlings. Of course, you will have to use your anointing, walk in your anointing, claim your anointing, and then proceed to do what I call you to, regardless of how you feel. That is when you will see this anointing activated.

You need this anointing for what lies ahead of you in the coming months. You need it in order to follow Me into the era where I am calling you, My Endtime Family--the era of obedience. It is this obedience that will give you the great faith that you are now lacking--the faith to pull down the wonderful miracles I have promised, the faith to use the keys in the way they were really meant to be used, for those great and impossible situations where something supernatural is needed. It is this era of obedience that will bring the mighty manifestations of My power. In obedience to Me there is great faith, and great faith pulls down the things of the spirit.

773. In certain times and situations in recent years there was a high level of obedience, but it was generally maintained out of fear of man, or man pleasing, or some other outside pressure or force. But in cleansing and restructuring the Family, those who remain will find a new level of obedience out of love, out of fear of Me, out of a healthy respect for My Words, and a sense of urgency to get the job done. These motives will bring on a high level of obedience to Me and to My Words, which will in turn generate great faith among the children of David to believe and use those gifts I have put in your hands, and only then will the Family's destiny be fulfilled.

774. Take whatever steps I show you to get your heart right with Me, and to open the windows of Heaven fully to pour out on you My blessings. So often it's your lack of obedience and faith that keeps them shut. So make the conditions right on your end, knowing that they are right on My end, and I want to give you the strength, faith, determination, and all that you need to carry out your calling.

775. You are those who carry the meat of the Word, the Words of David, to the world, to

those who will receive it. You are anointed with the gift of faith in the New Wine, and you've been rewarded with the new weapons for the End.

776. Simple faith is what your life for Me is all about, and that's what the Enemy is trying to strike at.

777. Life in the world is a life built on what you can see with your eyes and understand with your mind. Life in My Family is built on that which you cannot see but must believe, that which you cannot understand but must accept. It's a way of life so contrary, so different from Life in the world, it's like the difference between the positive and negative print of a photo. Both portray the same picture, but from totally different perspectives. The one seems dark, confusing, unappealing; the other is full of life and color. Are they both real? Yes! But the negative is missing something--it lacks life! So do these who have pulled away from the pillar lack life--the life of God that comes through My Word and My Spirit.

778. I'll help you to see through the lies and half-truths of the Enemy and to see things as I see them, through the eyes of faith and with the understanding of My Spirit. For My ways are so high above man's ways, and My thoughts are incomparable to those of man. You with your carnal mind could never begin to comprehend the marvelous and manifold workings of My Spirit. Yet when you take on My mind and see through My eyes, I can give you wisdom far beyond your years and experience, which extends the limits of what you've seen and heard.

779. You and I often see things so differently. You look at it as blessed to have a more carefree or obviously successful life with fewer problems, difficulties or afflictions. I look at it as being better to have a full life--one that is rich in faith, depth of spirit, understanding, sacrificial love and concern for others, an intimate relationship with Me, inner spiritual strength, and a tender heart. And often these treasures of spirit, these priceless qualities, don't come without trials, suffering, or surviving great difficulties.

In Heaven, everyone will lead charmed lives. There will be no more suffering, sadness, or times when you have to "walk by faith" through very difficult circumstances. But the attributes you gain through those difficult conditions now will be with you for eternity. Now is your chance to gain those virtues, through experiences which you will only have on Earth. Although there are difficulties, they lead to precious lessons, spiritual "medals of honor" which go to those who pass through the fire and endure the tests.

780. Do not dread these Words of life--for they are given that you might have the strength to survive the days ahead. Eat them with joy and with faith, and this spirit of faith will be imparted to your children.

781. (Dad speaking:) Enter this new year afresh and full of faith--faith to believe, faith to receive, and faith to do--and you will see the fulfillment of the many blessings that He has promised to pour out to you.

782. I want to commend you, My dear ones, for staying true in the face of the many trials of faith that you have endured over the years--in the face of discouragement, battles with affliction, loss of loved ones, financial difficulties, feeling unappreciated or alone at times, and on the list goes. In all these things you have been, and are now, more than conquerors! None of these trials of your faith have ended in your defeat, because I have been with you in each one, lifting you up, giving you the grace and faith and will to keep on fighting despite how difficult the battles were and how much the Enemy tried to make you quit. You won the victory, and you will keep it as you continue to press toward the mark for the prize I have waiting for you.

783. Heaven's power and resources are fully available to you! They're there for you, and I've ordained it so that at the touch of your faith, you can have access to great power through utilizing the power of the spiritual weapons I've given you.

It all starts with belief. When you believe that you have such spiritual wealth and power at your fingertips, it increases your conviction to appropriate that power. You come to Me boldly, with full faith and expectancy, and I can't help but honor you for such a stand. In fact, I delight in pouring down My blessings upon you. I love to fill your life with good things, touches of My love, and blessings.

784. My wonderful brides, ask what you will and it shall be done unto you! Let this be the era of greater expectations--greater expectations of Me and of what My spiritual power can do for you. Make the commitment in your heart that you will live in greater faith and expect greater things of Me.

There is nothing in your personal situation that I cannot help you through. There is no battle you are facing that I cannot give you victory in. There is no dilemma, physical obstacle, or outright "impossibility" that I cannot overcome. There is no discouragement that I cannot replace with courage, faith, and joy. There is no hurt that I cannot soothe with My mercy and love.

My spiritual power is begging to be used by you. There is so much more I could be doing for you if you would ask in faith, believing. There is so much more strength, joy, hope, faith, vision, and victory that you could be experiencing if you would only tap in to My spiritual power more.

785. Prayers that are full of faith are sent into the future to begin their work--changing

events, hearts, lives, and minds; setting things up; organizing logistics; getting things ready. By the time you personally arrive in that future, most of the work is done, and you just have to walk through the doors that are standing wide open for you on account of the prayers you sent ahead of time.

786. Praise will see you through every battle and difficulty, for it's My undefeatable weapon. When you praise Me in the face of adversity and trial, it boosts your confidence in Me; it helps you remember that I'm the One Who is in control, and I will be there to see you through every battle. The Enemy loves to get your mind dwelling on the worries and the concerns, because it's hard to praise Me when your mind is confused or fearful. But through praising Me you immunize your mind against the fears and worries and lies of the Enemy. You take on the heavenly perspective in difficult situations through praise, seeing the circumstances-as grim as they may seem-with an outlook of hope, trust in Me, and faith that I'll bring out the good in the situation.
787. Praise and confidence in My Word and the keys will give you the wings of faith to rise above difficult times and attacks of the Enemy. Praise allays fears and worries, so wield this weapon offensively; it will be your lifesaver in times of persecution. Praise will give you the proper perspective in any given situation, because it will dispel the Enemy's vaporous lies and help you stand on the truth of My promises to you.
788. Most of the time, serving Me is a life of simple faith, believing without seeing, believing without feeling, following My Word out of obedience, without the rush or the passion to go along with it. It's often a greater test of your faith when you follow Me step by step without the help of "feeling it." This is not a sign of weakness, and often it makes you stronger because you know it's a choice you've made without any help. When you dedicate your life to Me and stick it out in the Family, I will always bless you for that, and if you do it on blind faith alone without the highs and feeling the driving passion to encourage you to continue on, I often bless you even more in other ways, because it is a greater test.
789. My Word makes it very clear that I don't want you to go by feelings. I want you to walk by faith, not by sight, so a lack of feelings and emotions should not bother you. It's faith that pleases Me. If you'll do a little study on this, you'll find My Word never points you to put trust in your feelings, but it frequently talks about faith, trust, and belief.
- I want you to take things by faith. I want your trust and your yieldedness, and when you obey the things I tell you to do through blind obedience, this is the kind of faith and trust that pleases Me most.
790. Regardless of how you may happen to feel, if you love Me, walk by faith, and obey My Word, your relationship with Me will be firm and I'll keep you steady and stable.

791. If you go about it the right way, taking on more responsibility in the spirit rather than in the flesh, it can help to stretch you and grow you up. The added responsibilities can help to make you more effective and more efficient, by causing you to draw closer to Me and making you more dependent on Me. However, if you don't go about it the right way, if you try to work harder in the flesh and handle things in your own strength, you'll not grow in spirit; you'll actually wither spiritually. Your faith will shrink and you'll wear yourself out and hinder your usefulness to Me.
792. Discouragement is like a big wall that makes you stop and feel as if you can't go any further. It's like sinking sand that keeps you in the present, sinking in the lies of the Enemy. That's why you've got to fight it with the keys of faith--faith in Me, faith to do My will, and even faith in yourself, faith that I can and will use you despite your weakness and inabilities.
793. I know what you have the faith for and I'll open the way before you according to your faith.
794. There is no trait, mindset, habit, or thought pattern that the keys cannot overcome. But some people forget that you have to act on your faith in the keys, both in claiming them and in refusing to accept the Enemy's lies against them. The keys are activated by your faith in them.
795. The Lord gives you power for the hour, this hour. You don't need to worry about the next hour, much less any hours after that. Be confident in that. The Lord will give you the faith and all that you need as you need it. As your days, so will your strength be. Resist the thoughts that get you ahead of the present.
796. (The young people have) the trials of the pull of the world and not having been in it. The Lord is allowing them to go through it and make their decisions. They are sorely tempted with the world and it is very appealing to them, and the Lord is allowing it because only those who believe by faith in His Word and shun what they "see" will be strong enough to survive in the Lord's Endtime army.
797. Praying is...putting your trust in My power and having faith in My ability to work miracles.
798. Yes, there are many obstacles to living communally, but I can and will supply if you put Me on the spot and hold Me to My promises. I have told you that it is My highest will for you to live communally, so you can have full faith and trust that I will supply the accommodations that you need.

799. Of course, not all things in life will be perfect and without difficulties, but use these things to let Me draw close to you, to put Me to the test, to see what I can do for you and how I can help you through. There will be times when things are more difficult. But if you do your part and seek Me, as you acknowledge Me in all your ways and hear from Me in prophecy, then I can direct your paths. I can give you specific direction and counsel to help you through the difficult situations, as I have promised in My Word. After you've done your part and heard from Me in prophecy, then you need to learn to relax and let Me take over. You must trust that I will perform what I have promised, even during those times when I may tell you that you must simply hold on to Me, have patience, and wait for Me to smooth out the difficulties and resolve the situation. This takes faith, and in some situations it takes great faith. But that's what I expect of you, My dear children who walk closely by Me, who know Me intimately, who desperately seek to do My will.

800. You might think that you're so messed up that you can't be sure that what you hear is My voice and the right thing, but that's exactly the time when I'll come through for you and show you things that you never knew before. It takes faith. I know you don't feel you have the faith to receive prophecies, but remember that faith is a gift of My Spirit. You don't have to work up the faith, you just have to open your channel and give whatever you receive.

It's a step of faith, but it's not too big or too hard for you to do; otherwise I wouldn't ask it of you. I know you think that's easy for Me to say, when you feel like you sit there and try to get something in prophecy, but nothing comes. Or if you get something you're not sure it's right, or what's going to come next. These are all natural thoughts of your carnal mind. Plus the Enemy is right there trying to discourage you from getting anything, from getting even one word in prophecy. The Enemy hates prophecy. That's the biggest reason people have a battle about receiving prophecy, doubting that what they hear is really My voice--because the Enemy fights it.

801. From Me flow rivers of living seeds, and those that suck shall receive. I wish to give these seeds to every one of My children. He that comes unto Me and is open shall not go away empty, for I am potent! I give to everyone that asks and I turn not away. You must just have faith to believe, faith to receive, faith to speak My seeds! For if you ask for Words, I will not give you stones.

802. You can always be a testimony of loving the Lord and others, and having faith in His Word.

803. Don't be discouraged by the tests and the trials, but hold on! He is making you into the pure gold that will pass through the fires and come out full of faith and trust.

804. The best lessons learned are those that come in the face of seeming mistakes, or seeming failure. But look again, for this is not a fall downward, but upward--up to the heights of greater victory, greater faith, and greater experience!
805. You who resist the temptations of the world because of your great love for Me and your desire to serve Me shall be raised to receive a great crown of reward, and your faithful service on Earth shall be remembered. It shall be an everlasting glory to you. It shall be an everlasting honor that you gave your life and you believed and you served Me, having not seen. This shall be counted unto you as great faith, and for this, you shall receive a great reward, and with it, tremendous happiness and contentment. Everywhere you travel in My Heavenly Kingdom, you shall be known as My faithful children, those who gave their lives for Me in the Endtime, those who were My final witnesses of the End!
806. Have patience, have faith, for all that you go through--the testings, the trials, the purgings--these are the things that turn you into the vessel that I would make you to be. For you are in My hands and I am molding you.
807. (Dad speaking:) My job while there was to give you the vision, because if you had the vision, then you had the faith, the courage, the initiative and the drive to go forward toward the vision!--Because you did believe and do believe those things that I said, and they're true! Because of this, you have the faith to keep marching forward.

His Message, His Words, give you the vision. The things that He gave me to tell you gave you the vision, and you have the vision. Also, I told you the other side, of the fight, the battles, and what it costs. But I always put before you the vision, because that's what gives you the courage. His Word is the vision. And as you look to the vision, to the blessings that He has promised, it gives you the faith and the courage to walk through the desert, to climb to the heights of the mountains, to pass through the depths of the waters, because you see what's ahead.

I have given the Words that He gave me to give you, that vision, so that you would have the faith to pass through the difficulties. So don't feel that it hasn't happened and you're not being used, because it's going to happen and you're going to be used. It's coming! Keep the vision, keep looking ahead, look to His Words, believe the vision and go forward in faith and courage!

808. Carnal reasoning opens the door wide to the Enemy's fear. It can prevent you from having the full faith and boldness needed to set the night ablaze like Gideon so that Satan's minions destroy themselves in panic as you drive them back to Hell.
809. Witnessing is very important, not only for the sake of those you witness to but even for your own sake. When you witness and pour out to others, you not only give them My

Word and My truth, but it also comes back to you and greatly strengthens your faith and your convictions. Never underestimate the spiritual power that you receive when witnessing to others.

810. (Daniel speaking:) Now you may be asking, "How did you and your friends have the faith to stand strong in times of testing, of opposition? How could you be willing to even give your lives for what you believed?" Well, I can tell you this, it was nothing of ourselves. Our faith and conviction came from faithfully studying God's Word and communing with Him in prayer on a daily basis. And when I say "studying and praying," I'm not referring to a little time here and a little time there. I'm talking about receiving the Word into the very fiber of our beings, studying to show ourselves approved unto our God (2 Timothy 2:15), and taking time for deep communion and meditation with the Lord. That is where true strength and faith come from, and that is where we found the faith and strength to continue on and make the decisions we did to stand strong for our God. All praise and honor to the One Who bestowed upon us the faith to stay true to Him and His Kingdom.
811. My heart's desire is to give you your hearts' desires. So ask in faith, waver not, and all that you ask for will be yours.
812. This life will never be perfect. You'll never be perfect while you're in this life. The only things that can be perfect are the things I give: perfect peace as you let go of concerns about yourself and hang onto Me; perfect fulfillment as you stop trying to do it all and let Me do through you whatever I know is best; and perfect faith that even though you falter and fail, you trust fully in My unconditional love that will never fail to hold you close and turn everything for good.
813. The reward of faith is seeing what you have believed in, in My time.
814. Precious gems shine more vividly when placed against a black background. The jewels of wisdom, faithfulness, unshakable faith, and the ability to stay positive in difficult times, shine more brightly as a result of troubles and problems, and become a witness to many.
815. Hold fast to your faith, and let the trials and challenges exercise it, not weaken it. There will be a great reward and great rejoicing for those who hold fast till the end.
816. You usually have to take it by faith that your obedience will bring results, and this pleases the Lord.

817. Stretch your faith. Let it grow. Ask for something that seems too big, too difficult, almost ridiculous. Ask in faith. Ask for something you need. Ask for something that you know is impossible without divine intervention. Do it today! Do it now! Watch it happen!
818. Faith is not shelter from difficulties but belief in the face of all contradictions.
819. When in one way or another we slip off the freeway of faith, praise is often the ramp that gets us back on.
820. Faith makes the uplook good, the outlook bright, the future glorious.
821. As you step out by faith, all of My power and spiritual help will meet your faith, I promise you.
822. It's all by faith for you now--faith in Me that I will come through for you. And I will.
823. Having your faith tried in a difficult situation is never easy and never will be, and not something one looks forward to or would wish upon themselves. But it is during those times that you have to remind yourself over and over again that I am in control. I love you. You are My bride, I am your Husband, and I will never abandon you or desert you. I am with you through all things, both the good and the bad, and during those times of trial and tribulation I am right by your side, no matter how much you may think or feel I am not, or whatever lies the Enemy whispers in your ear.
824. Think the miracle, believe it is possible, and according to your faith it will be done unto you.
825. Praising Me builds faith and will help you to have the strength to keep progressing.
826. Faith and praise and positive thinking are powerful forces. Focus your mind on the positive, on My power and the power of the keys, and as you think about what I can do, you won't be bothered with what you can't do.
827. Ask the keys to increase your faith, and they will.
828. If you feel the heat of battle hotter than ever and you feel the battle heavy upon you and the battle's flames scorching your brow, be encouraged and find solace in the fact that you are not alone. Many of the children of David are being tested. I am allowing this for an express purpose--to try you, to make you white, to strengthen your faith, that you might be found worthy for what is almost upon you.
829. It takes faith, yes. It takes courage, yes. It takes total abandonment to My will, yes. It

takes ignoring the voices crying out to you that "It's impossible." It takes launching out into deep waters, yes. It takes taking the next step, even when you can't see the ground below or where you'll place your foot. It takes trusting Me because you know you're doing My will, and you know I will not fail you, because I have never failed to see you through. Yet if you'll do this, I will help you and I will make it through you. All you have to do is say yes to Me, call on My help, set your eyes on Me, focus on Me and Me alone, and I will give you the faith. I will give you the courage. I will help you to yield. If you'll call on the power of the keys, I will activate the power within you to defy the impossible and to rise above.

830. Yours is a legacy that will last for eternity.--The legacy of a disciple of Jesus, of a believer in that which is unseen and yet more real than most of the things that can be seen. Someday all will be revealed; the now invisible will become apparent. In that day, those who believed by faith will be truly blessed (John 20:29). Those who chose not to believe or follow what they couldn't perceive with their carnal mind will have regrets, while you who chose to follow Me in faith, to live a life based on faith, will enter into rewards which will make every test of life worth the cost.
831. I know at times you can be tempted to wonder why the battles can sometimes seem so long, and why the final victories can sometimes seem so elusive and difficult to obtain. Take heart, My loves, in the knowledge that all of your spiritual brothers and sisters around the world also face tests of their faith and endurance. These trials and tests--difficult though they may be at times--are your helpers. They help you to become spiritually fit, just as a physical trainer helps you to get your body in shape.
832. Shout the victor's cry when you face trials and tests, knowing that battles are your helpers. They strengthen your muscles of faith, perseverance, endurance, patience, praise, and determination. No matter how challenging the circumstances may seem, the victory is yours, as long as you stay close to Me, wield your spiritual weapons, and fight for victory.
833. Having faith in oneself--which really means having faith in Me in you--requires humility, because it takes true humility to honestly acknowledge your inability, yet in the same breath to acknowledge and openly confess that you can "do all things through Christ Who strengthens you" (Phil.4:13). It's the epitome of allowing My strength to be made perfect in your weakness, but then taking it a step further by glorifying Me, even if by faith, for the progress, the victory, and the forward movement that is made because of what I accomplish through you.

Having more faith in yourself is really about not setting personal limitations; it's about knowing that there are no impossibilities to Me, and therefore there are none to you either, as I perform My "no impossibilities" through you if and when I desire. It's appropriating faith. It's having the faith to let Me use you in whatever way I see fit. It's limitless faith--faith that doesn't set boundaries or even recognize them, but simply lets

My faith in you determine what you can and cannot do. This kind of faith is confidence in Me. It's not self-confidence, but it's a combination of confidence in Me and My infallibility, and your faith to act on that confidence.

834. It's like the old story of the little girl haltingly giving her father her earthly treasures by faith, in exchange for something that she has been promised but cannot see. You are like the little girl and I am your Father. I've promised you that what you will receive from Me is incomparably greater than what you are surrendering, but still, there is that definite period where you must exercise great trust, like the little girl; it's a difficult and almost heart-wrenching forsaking for her.

She experiences all sorts of emotions as she makes that decision to surrender her cherished treasures. The greatest spiritual exercise for her is one of trust--and stretching that trust and faith. All sorts of questions are running through her mind as she slowly passes her treasures to Me. Will I make good on My promises? Will I come through for her? And even if I do come through for her, is what I am going to give her really better than the treasures she's cherished and had in her possession for so long?

Her eyes moisten with tears as she opens her little fingers and places her treasure in My hand. I've promised her that there'll be no comparison to what she'll receive in return, yet she can't see that recompense yet. There is that definite period of trust and believing in My Word and My promise to her--the period of waiting in faith. Each of you will experience this waiting period to different degrees. But just remember this picture and story of the little girl.

What gave the little girl her strength?--Looking steadfastly into My eyes. She dared not pull her gaze away from looking into My face, lest her faith and trust fail.

835. The key of trust will cause you to float. You will glide on My Spirit, knowing that all is under control. You smile, and rest, you love Me, you trust that I will work for you and do whatever is needed; you have perfect faith.
836. It all comes back to faith. If you believe that I'm in control, and you're trusting Me, then as things play out you'll see My hand in them. I might sometimes test your faith, but I'll also reward your faith. But when you're looking at things with the carnal mind, there is much that won't add up in your books, because you judge and weigh and measure things differently than I do.
837. Your present existence is such a fleeting thing; your life is but a vapor. Soon, so many of the things that seem so difficult and hard for you are going to be wiped away, and in their place you will receive crowns of life and everlasting rewards for having bravely stayed the course and kept the faith.

838. You can be certain that when this life is over you have a happy Heaven full of rewards and blessings awaiting you for your faithfulness. You can know that I love you, and that as you're working for Me, and pleasing Me, and giving Me one of the biggest gifts of all--your faith that isn't dependent upon sight or understanding--you're learning some of the most important lessons in the whole universe, and that it's going to pay off in the life hereafter.

839. Keeping the heavenly vision is easy--it just takes faith! Feed your faith with the Word, and then take what the Word says at face value. Believe each of My promises to you, and know in your heart that everything I've said is the truth and is really going to happen.

840. This is the victory which overcomes the world--your faith! And faith is hanging on to the fact that I will turn each and every circumstance to good, no matter how it looks to you. That is faith, and faith always results in victory. It's as simple as that.

841. Do you see what I'm offering you?--Rewards for eternity and a place of honor in My Kingdom! But you must stake it out now by grabbing ahold of the heavenly vision and not letting it go no matter what happens. And as you hold on to your faith and the reality of the spirit as that one pearl of great price that is worth holding onto at the seeming loss of all else, it will turn for you, as a magic genie, into that thing that wins every battle for you and brings you into My Presence.

That, My loves, is the power of keeping the heavenly vision. So do it! Let nothing sway you. Hold on to it and it will hold on to you, and the day will soon come when we will reign together on Earth. I love you.

842. All that I have promised will begin to flourish within you, if you believe My Word, claim My Word, have faith in My Word, and step out with blind obedience.

I no longer want you to hesitate. I no longer want you to stop and consider the possibilities. I no longer want you to use the logic that you have depended on all these years. I want you to take on My mind. I want you to walk by faith and not by sight. I want you to seek the impossible. I want you to dare to dream, and have the faith that I can make your dreams come true.

I am eager that My Word gets practiced. I am eager to perform all that I have spoken of. I am eager to show you your destiny, but I need for you to desire it, to show Me that you believe all that I have said, and to take that leap of faith.

843. Ask that I give you the glasses of My faith, so that you will only see what's possible and have a real hard time finding the impossible.
844. Hope, faith and joy--all of which come from Me--have regenerative power. They are forces of power within themselves.
845. Praise is the voice of faith because you're letting it be known that you believe I will work everything out. When you praise Me, you're testifying of My greatness and faithfulness to answer prayer, that you know I will do what is best even in those situations that seem bad. You're speaking faith. You're testifying that I do all things well, that I know best. It's one of the principles of My Spirit that faith brings victory and miracles. So through speaking faith, through praising Me, you open the door for miracles.
846. Praise is a testimony to others, and lifts their spirits and encourages them. It sows faith and trust in Me; it sows encouragement and positiveness. It brings unity and oneness between My brides.
847. As you take the first steps to reawaken the passion of prayer and praise in your lives, you'll begin to witness the change in other areas as well. Those besetting sins that seemed interminable will begin to fade, your spirit will be lifted, and better yet, you will have the confidence that I have seen and heard your prayers and I will answer--not only for others, but for you personally as well. Your faith will be boosted in ways you can only imagine!
848. When you're praying in the power of the keys, you're stretching your faith, you're expecting miracles, and you're enhancing and invigorating your prayers, as well as your spiritual life overall.
849. When your hearts are open before Me and you lay your all at My feet, holding nothing back, fearing nothing, then I am able to empower you in a wonderful way. You become superhuman, possessing strength, resolve and faith beyond human capabilities. You are linked to Me in yieldedness, and we are one. This is the state where you can be the most effective in your prayers.
850. Your yieldedness in putting everything in My hands not only links you to Me and gives you greater power, but it increases your faith exponentially, because you remember that I am indeed the One in control.

It puts you in a position in the spirit where your prayers are far more effective and on-target, for you are fully aware that My will is what is best, and you have full faith that I am able to perform My will.

851. There are no rich gifts or treasures of the spirit that do not come at a price. It always takes a step of faith, or a step of forsaking, or both, to reach out toward the things of the spirit. But it's in this faith and in this forsaking that part of the joy and reward is found.

852. Those who are not following so closely, but are leaning more on the arm of the flesh, will be fearful of not being strong enough to carry the load, not having enough wisdom or understanding or decision-making ability in themselves for each situation.

They will constantly be afraid of doing the wrong thing, making the wrong decision, because they have only themselves to lean on. But those who are used to turning to Me and drawing their power and strength from Me have faith and trust. They're not afraid because they know that I'm the One Who has to lead and guide them, and they pin their faith and trust in My answer and My leading, and in all they do they obey what I show them.

853. My Spirit is simple. My Spirit is humble. My Spirit yields. My Spirit gives. As you let My Spirit flow through you and don't hold back, I will cause you to be born again and to be a new creature, to have faith and to have trust and to feel secure in My love

854. It doesn't matter how you feel or how you don't feel, or what you think when you sit down to pray and receive My messages--because I can and will override all of your ways completely, if you just ask Me to.

If you feel discouraged and like you can't do it, that you can't be desperate enough, you can't be good enough to receive something as wonderful as My messages from Heaven--all you have to do is ask Me to override all of those feelings and replace them with a gift of faith.

You don't have to have great faith, My love, you just need the simple faith of a little child. Just ask Me for the faith of a child who reaches up and receives her Father's gifts. She doesn't think about it and analyze the message, because she has childlike faith and trusts that her Father knows what He's doing and He knows what's best, and all she has to do is trust.

You have to have believing faith, faith that just trusts and believes and receives, no matter how hard it might seem, no matter how long it takes, no matter how you feel at the time, no matter what you think about yourself or the message. You have to set all that aside, and just reach up and receive.

855. Opening up your channel to Me is often a test of faith in many ways, and a battle, because you're receiving My Words from Heaven--you're receiving life and light and spirit--so the Enemy fights it and he fights you to try and hinder you and stop your faith. But

even that is good for you, because it keeps you humble, and that keeps you close to Me and dependent upon Me. So it all works together for good and for My glory.

856. When I ask you to be a channel, in some ways I am asking you to be a robot--to relinquish your free thoughts and ideas and ways of analyzing while you receive My clear Words and pictures from Heaven. Being a robot means that you shouldn't think about or analyze what you're doing, or what you're getting, or why it says what it says. Just go sit down like a good little robot, and open up your channel and trust Me. And I promise that as you obey, as you manifest faith, as you stay prayerful and desperate and close to Me, I will always give you My Words and keep you on the right track.
857. It is good for My children to have to reach high in order to stretch their faith and their vision. In the days of the approaching End, they will find themselves in great need of the faith that they have gained through having to stretch themselves in making an effort to be the yielded and dedicated disciples that I am asking of them. This is all a part of My training and My will so that My children will be fit and strong to weather the Last Days which are nearing by the day.
858. Praising Me brings down My blessings, and makes the mountains which the Enemy would put in your path melt away. Yes, there are mountains to climb, and there are battles to fight. But the Enemy is a liar and a bluffer. Many times the mountains are much smaller than he would make them appear, and it is through praising Me that you see them clearly and are given the faith and strength to climb them.
859. I long to speak to each of you My children and teach you how I fulfill My Words! I will give you promises, and will fulfill those promises to strengthen your faith. I will give you personal Words of love and encouragement, and will help solve your problems and trials. There is nothing that I will not tell you or help you with, if you only ask Me. Again, I wish for you to use this gift much more, for it will lighten your load and give you faith.
860. (Dad speaking:) I like to fight! If you tell me it can't be done, I'm gonna go right ahead and prove to you it can be done! That's the kind of faith I like to see!
861. (Dad speaking:) You've gotta sock it to the Devil! Use the Word constantly! Sock him with the Word! Shoot that Devil with your Word bullets, and they'll be just like death rays that'll blast him right off the map! Zap him! Cream him! Vaporize him! Nuke him with the positive declaration of your faith by throwing him a Word grenade!
862. (Dad speaking:) Every great man and woman of God was determined and usually had to fight against all odds in order to do what God wanted them to do. But knowing that their God would never leave them or forsake them gave them the faith to carry on. They knew they were on the winning side and that they couldn't fail, because the Lord can't fail!

863. (Dad speaking:) When Satan lets loose on you with his fiery darts, pray and walk by faith, not by sight.

864. Each voice for the truth is a victory, because it encourages the faith and conviction of the people who see what you've done. It strengthens their faith, unites them, and inspires them to also stand up for the truth and to be a voice. Even if you feel your voice seems so small, it's really a great voice, and it speaks loudly and clearly in the midst of the darkness.

Never be afraid to stand up for the truth against the real wickedness in the world, even if it means you must temporarily suffer the injustices of man, for I will reward you greatly. I will give you the strength to be a voice in the darkness. So when all around you are favoring abortion, killing, or other evils, let your own voice be heard that you are on My side, and that you don't believe in killing and you don't support these evils of the world. Let your voice speak clearly, even though it may be one in the midst of many, and rally the faith of those who hear you.

865. Faith doesn't always understand, faith just does it because it believes, and then comes understanding.

866. Faith in Me can do what no man can do.

867. I expect your prayers to be powerful, intense, meaningful, and full of faith. I expect you to believe in every word you are saying-not just spitting out repetitious lines like you were reading the weather report. I expect and demand emphatic and believing prayers from My brides in order that I might give you the answers you desire.

Expect miracles with every word you pray. Demand power with every word that enters your prayer. Pray meaningful, expectant, powerful prayers for everything. Slam your fist into that "on" switch and let it feel all the power you can muster. It was designed to take some real force, so use all the force and intent I have given you to throw that switch powerfully and watch Me take over.

Got it? Prayers prayed in full faith, believing that I will answer, intending to take hold of the victory, will bring answers. Every prayer should be an intentional reaching for all the power of Heaven. Pick up the power of Heaven by taking hold of Heaven by your prayers and using Heaven's power to answer your needs.

868. The number one factor that makes a prayer powerful is faith-the belief that I can and will do it.

869. Prayers spoken in faith and desperation are infinitely more effective in bringing the answer to pass than a prayer that is spoken but not meant.
870. If you give Me your all in prayer, knowing you need My help and asking for it in faith, and are using all the weapons at your disposal, then that is enough.
871. A large part of being an effective prayer warrior-one who excels in using the weapon of prayer-is believing in the power of prayer, knowing that you are going to effect great change through being faithful to use and wield this weapon in faith.
872. Your desire to fight and win-also known as faith and desperation-is the most important ingredient in prayer.
873. Picture in your mind the answer to your prayer being carried out according to the Lord's will. Picture the persons you are praying for, if possible, or the situations that need help as you pray. This increases your faith, without which your prayers can't be answered.
874. You need faith to believe that the Lord will do the miracles you are requesting, and you get that faith through His Word, by being strengthened by the promises He's given in His Word.
875. I had to learn, like all men of faith, to stand on the Word and not allow the Devil to steal away My faith in My Father's promises. The Word and the weapons of the spirit were My source of strength and overcoming, and they will be yours, too.
876. Those who determine to obey and cling tightly to the Word will find themselves on a strong foundation of faith, unmovable in the face of the Enemy's attacks.
- My brides who hold to the Word, use the keys, and maintain a trusting spirit will remain in a protective bubble that will keep each one safe, well cared for, and in My perfect will. I hold each one in the palm of My hand, and will lovingly care for each of My children.
877. (Dad speaking:) Praying for people brings down the Lord's Spirit. It brings a spirit of faith, a positive spirit, because you're expecting God to answer, to do something, to move, when you bring your prayer request to Him. Just the fact that you manifest faith in the Lord through your prayers pleases Him, and He works in the situation or in the person's life.
878. (Dad speaking:) The Lord doesn't always tell you all the answers to your prayers or let you see all the results; you have to take it by faith, and sometimes you have to keep praying and beseeching like the importunate woman. A lot of it is by faith, but whether or

not you get to see the results immediately, you can trust that every prayer makes a difference

879. Intercessory prayer also rewards the one who is sacrificially praying for others. When you pour out your heart and pray for those around you, I reward you for your giving and loyalty. When you come before Me for others, I will reward your sacrifice. Though a few words in a prayer may seem small, and the giving of your time in a prayer hardly feels like a physical effort, if you would open your eyes more to the realm of My Spirit and the way I operate, you would see that it is the best kind of help you can offer in any situation--even more than taking action in the physical. Putting Me first shows that you have faith in My care for you and those you are praying for, and this faith is rewarded.
880. No one prayer stands alone. Just as no man is an island and your life is bound to affect others, so no prayer stands alone. No prayer starts and ends with a single entity or a single purpose. One prayer accomplishes many purposes and is multiplied many times over. For example, say you pray for a headache and I heal that aching head. The immediate fruit of that prayer is that the headache is gone, yet that prayer bears much more fruit than one healed head. Through one prayer, your faith has been boosted, and when others hear of the healing, their faith is often boosted as well. The result of this boost of faith then continues bearing fruit as it goes along.
881. Your prayers move My hand to work on your behalf. Therefore do not hold back; leave not one stone uncovered. Pour out your hearts to Me, bringing all your requests before Me, and I will answer. Only I can supply your needs and bring the desired results, but you must ask in faith, believing, nothing wavering. Ask and you will receive. Bring your petitions before Me; remind Me of My promises and hold on to your faith, believing that I am able to do what you cannot do yourself.
882. There are many things I require My children to take by faith. Oftentimes, I purposely do not answer every question, precisely as an exercise in faith.
883. Those who've stayed firmly connected to Me and have been willing to go into the Endtime battles with faith and trust are the ones that I will use mightily to do the impossible!
884. I will use you, My children, to do greater works, but it will take humility and faith to believe. Those who continue to have faith and hold on today and study the ways of My Spirit today will be the ones that I will be able to trust and use greatly in the days to come.
885. The ideal, of course, would be for you to have more implicit faith in My Word of prophecy; for you to take what I give--My instruction, admonition and guidance--and without hesitation believe that it's right, that it works, that it's truth.

886. I possess all knowledge and all mysteries. I can reveal all things to you. There's nothing I don't know, nothing I can't fill you in on, educate you about, and even confirm in your own life, if you have the faith.
887. (Dad speaking:) There's a lot of information in the world today, and that's the danger. It all looks so good and is presented so well, it's very enticing and appealing to the eyes, but some of it is just plain wrong or misleading, especially when it leads you away from the Lord and His Word. You have to be more aware than ever that the Enemy is out to destroy your faith in the Word.
888. (Dad speaking:) I love to see the beauty and love and tenderness on the faces of His saints who He has tested and purified, and who have come out as fine gold. Such radiance of love! Such a beauty and glow of faith! Did you know that I believe you can actually see faith on a person's face? It just sort of radiates in simplicity and calmness. Some people have it and some people don't; but those who have it, have that beautiful, gentle, trusting look on their face which is so comforting. When you see it, you know that they didn't get it overnight. It took time, maybe years of testing and teaching and trusting, but they got it! They hung on and kept trusting, and before they knew it, the Lord had blessed them with His special glow and shine!
889. (Dad speaking:) What you consider your handicap--feeling that others push you away sometimes, or that you're not fully "accepted"--this handicap and this difficulty in your life has helped you to excel in the realm of the Spirit! It has strengthened your prayer life and has increased your faith! It's driven you into the Lord's arms, and it's even made you more open and receptive to the New Wine. It's made you "hunger and thirst after righteousness."
890. This is My promise to all of My brides--not just a select few. My desire is to fill all of your needs! I will give unto you according to your need and according to your faith and according to My will.
891. Is there anything too hard for Me? Do you believe? Only trust in Me and have faith. Turn your eyes upon Me and look unto Me. Continue to keep Me as your First Love and trust that I will be all that I have promised. Trust Me. Fret not about tomorrow and worry not about how I will supply. Look not at the circumstances or the conditions around you, or at the waves, and wonder how I'm going to provide. For that is My concern and that is in My hands. All you have to do is bring Me your heart's petition, and then trust wholly in My capability to take care of you.

He that trusts wholly in Me continues to walk by faith. And as you walk by faith, you'll see the promises, the rewards, and the blessings.

892. Have faith and believe, expecting and trusting that I will fulfill My promise.

893. Lift up your eyes and reach up your hands and take hold of Me, and I will pull you upward, upward, above all this! I will set you up upon a rock and I will strengthen you with strength that you know not of! I will put within you a burning fire of faith and a renewed desire to serve Me, and you will find again the joy of your salvation!

So rise above these things of the past! Let Me loose these moorings which bind you. Shake off these shackles of the Enemy and step out by faith into the freedom and fulfillment that I have for you, and into the wonderful place of fruitfulness and the life of happiness that I long to give you if you will just reach out, step out, have faith, obey and yield, and do those things that you know are right. Live the truth that you have, for I am speaking in My still small voice in your heart and in your mind.

894. Satan is extremely jealous of your faith in Me, which you manifest each time you pray and each time you wield one of your spiritual weapons. He is particularly vindictive toward your manifesting any faith at all in the spiritual weapons that I have given you, and in your personal fight to stay close to Me.

As powerful and vengeful and hateful as Satan and all of Hell's Angels of Evil are, and as bound to their oath to fight to the finish as they are, you do not need to fear. I am mightier. The power that I give you is far greater. The anointing of My Spirit within you is a greater and more powerful anointing. I will be victor over all of the universe, and over Satan and all of his demons.

895. When I speak of the victory here, I'm talking about your state of mind. The circumstances might not change, the physical battle might still be there, you might still need to keep fighting, but in your spirit you have the victory. You are positive, praiseful, trusting, and on the attack. You're full of faith. That victory--switching from the defensive to the offensive in the spirit--can be an instant one. And that's the victory I'm speaking of here.

The physical results--the healing, the supply, the change in circumstances--may take longer to arrive. But the victory in your heart and mind is a choice you make when you decide to use your weapons and get rid of the Enemy's entrance--and you can do that in an instant, any time you choose. That's what I'm waiting on, and that's what I expect of you, My instant warriors.

896. As My children get themselves out of the way and become My yielded vessels, as they become better channels and better conduits for My power to flow through, the results will be amazing. As they allow their faith in My Words to them to grow, as they

continue to reject the trappings of this world and put on My mind, they will be unstoppable.

897. Your prayers from Earth are mighty in the spirit world, and in some ways, those prayers move My hand to work in ways that the prayers uttered in Heaven cannot. Prayers prayed in full faith on Earth have a strong effect, both in the earthly realm and the spiritual realm. This is because I honor the faith of My children on Earth in a special way and I fulfill My word to answer your prayers.
898. Run the race well, fight the good fight, finish the course, keep the faith, and there will be rewards laid up for you that you cannot begin to imagine! Upon you I long to bestow the highest rewards of Heaven because you are My brides, My beloved, and have been thrust into the fray at the most difficult time in world history to stay true to Me.
899. Faith doesn't just happen; it grows from reading the Word and stretching the faith you have by putting it into practice. It is divine and it can be given to you supernaturally, but in most cases I prefer that you work for it rather than Me just giving it to you out of the blue.
900. No matter how long the battle, keep fighting, and I will honor you and come through for you. Some of you who feel like it's such a long haul, a constant battle--keep claiming the keys for strength to be yielded, to obey, to submit to Me, and proceed as if possessing, and it will happen. You don't see it, but those of you who have such struggles receive special rewards in Heaven.
- I know it's hard to take it by faith, especially in the midst of your battles there on Earth. You grow weary in your fight because "blessings" and "special rewards" don't have a face. You don't see them or know what they are. If you could, it might help you. That's where strength of spirit is made--in the believing, in the faith. That's what's going to overcome the wickedness of this world--your faith.
901. The damage that negative comments can have is that they can hurt the faith of another, and when faith is damaged, all hope can be lost. To damage the faith of another is a serious matter; this is why I said that by your words you are justified or condemned. There is much weeping and many tears shed in Heaven by those who arrive and become aware of what effect their words had on others. Words are real things; they're alive. My Words are spirit and life and lead to Heaven; negative words are condemnation and destruction, and have no place other than Hell.
902. (Thomas the Apostle speaking:) I really admire the Family's childlike faith. It took me a long, long while to come to the point where you are. This is the lifeblood of the Family--your simple childlike faith; that's what I love about you!

903. (Rasputin speaking:) You have to have a little bit of craziness if you're gonna make it in the world! This is what I love about the Family. Da, da, I know, I know, it takes all kinds, but it's the crazy faith that will see you through rough times, and you Family folks have got it! When the stiff, staunch, whitened sepulchers are all dead and gone, you'll keep on going and you'll rise far above all those dead men's bones! Ha, ha, ha! They can't hold good men and women down--those who are crazy enough to believe what God says, and who go right on and do it! That's what I love about the Family! Don't ever let anyone steal away your crazy faith!
904. You have to be willing and believing to grab on to what the Lord offers you and says He will do through you. You have to trust and believe that if He says He will anoint you to do something, or that He will speak through you, or give you the grace to obey His will--that He means it, and He will do it if you walk in faith. "As they went, they were healed."
905. (Dad speaking:) Winning souls is your motivation for going out there; but the Lord is wise, because along with it, He knows that winning souls and going out there is going to teach you a lot. Your faith will grow! You learn precious lessons on faith, on obedience, on trust, on patience, on love, and a whole lot more.
906. How beautiful are the kisses of love, the Words that pour forth from the lips of your Lover, to encourage and strengthen the faith of His Bride!
907. The best way to acquire faith is to live by faith--to be put into a situation where you must live and practice your faith. The best way to grow in My Word is to put it to the test--to prove My Word!
908. (Dad speaking:) Are you with me? Give me fighters! Beaten men will compromise and walk the beaten path, but let all my mighty men of David stand up and be counted!--Men of faith who will challenge both men and Satan's wrath! Stand up and fight! The strife will not be long! This day the noise of battle; tomorrow the victory song! Hallelujah! Forward march!
909. When you find yourself in an extremely difficult circumstance, that's the perfect time to use extreme praise to deliver you from that situation. I can't resist such positive, full-of-faith responses to the tests I allow you to face, and those praises change situations through their influence on Me.
910. When you hear your own voice lifted in praise, thanking Me for some less-than-ideal event that is taking place in your life, it gives you more faith than when you started praising Me; it builds more faith in you as you thank Me for the challenge it affords you. That very atmosphere of praise creates more faith and uplifts you and those around you.

911. The Enemy is always on the prowl, just waiting for his chance to strike you a blow of discouragement and negativity at the first sign of a seemingly troublesome situation. But if you strike first by preempting his blow with positive, faith-building praises to Me, the Enemy will be foiled again!
912. When you go so far as to thank and praise Me for allowing you to be in a difficult circumstance or to confront a big obstacle in your service for Me, it's a manifestation to Me of your faith that I am in control of everything in your life, even the bad things, and that you can say in the face of these things, too, "It is well with my soul."
913. When you can meet success and failure with the same dignity, then you are spiritually mature. When you can praise Me through happiness and sadness, in plenty and in want, in safety and in danger, in health and in sickness, in joy and in sorrow, in life and in death, then you are a person of great faith, a man or woman highly honored in My courts, because of your great love for Me and trust in Me.
914. Do you want your faith to grow? Employ extreme praise in tough times. Extreme praise cannot exist without faith, because if you didn't believe that I'm in control of the situation, or that I couldn't bring good from it, then there would be nothing to praise Me for in trying times. So the fact that you use extreme praise means that you have faith, or that you are working toward having that faith. Using extreme praise builds both your praise muscles and your faith muscles, making for a powerful spiritual workout.
915. This is a life of faith, not sight. That's why you're able to praise Me for things you haven't seen yet. With faith, time is irrelevant. You have the assurance that sooner or later I'm going to do everything that I've said I would, and that's worth praising for.
916. The Bible tells of whole cities and regions that I was not able to help or do many miracles for because of their unbelief in My power. Don't make that the story of your life. According to your faith and according to your praise, it will be done unto you. If you believe that I can turn bad to good, and you praise Me for this, then I can. But if you believe that a situation is beyond My help to fix, and because of your lack of faith you can't find anything in it to be praiseful for, you will limit Me through your unbelief, and that sad attitude will become reality for you.
917. Feast on the Word and you fatten up faith. Neglect the Word, and faith is starved.
918. For strong, durable, raising-the-dead, mountain-moving, storm-stopping, miracle-working, power-inducing, mind-blowing, bottle-breaking, limit-shattering, lying-lips-silencing, science-defying type faith, take daily doses of the Word.

The Word will whip your faith into shape, jolt your faith into action, and get results of the kind that will make you proud to be on the front lines of the Offensive!

919. The safe box where all the treasure is, is the Word, and faith is the key that opens the box.
920. I've given a new and greater outpouring of My Spirit. As a result, many things that you previously thought you were unable to do, you will find that you actually can do, if you have faith to step out and try, because My Spirit has made a way.
921. Life on Earth includes hardship; that's just the way it is. Hardship isn't a sign of a lack of My blessings. It's not a sign that you're doing the wrong thing. Life on Earth is just plain difficult at times, and some of the hardships are lifelong.
- But one day soon I will gather you and all My faithful children home, and then you'll be so glad. Your battle wounds really will glow. The trials and difficulties you endured will have grown your faith, and the more faith you have, the richer you are in the spiritual realm. So use those trials you face to work for you! Don't let them get you down. Know that great is your reward in Heaven, for so persecuted they the prophets which were before you.
922. I give you the big, showy battles to test your faith and courage, and I also give you the long, tedious, embarrassing battles to test your strength and resolve and teach you humility. All the while in My wisdom I am molding you into the perfect warrior, the perfect fighter, ready to battle big or small, showy or not, and win in any circumstances.
923. I am the author and the finisher of your faith, and if I am blessing you with the trials of life, then I have seen that your faith needs a little more "finishing" and strengthening in a certain aspect, and thus I haven't seen fit to deliver you from these trials and afflictions as quickly as you would like. But trust Me, and look to Me, and know that I'm not going to let you suffer these things any longer than you have to, and certainly not past the point of usefulness. If you do your part, then your faith will be strengthened, you will be matured and strengthened, and when I see fit to deliver you, you will have come through as gold. If I'm letting a battle persist in your life, then you can know that it's still working My good pleasure for you, just as a fever cleanses the body of that which is not good.
924. The reason I have called loving Me intimately an advanced spiritual weapon is that it brings you closer to Me and strengthens your faith. While the actual act of loving Me may not seem to give you an immense amount of power immediately, what it does is strengthen our ties and make your heart more open to and yielded to My Spirit.

There are many wonderful benefits to using this weapon, but one of the greatest

advantages is the closeness you develop with Me, which gives you faith to ask anything of Me, believe that I love you come what may, and the desire that it inspires in your heart to do more for Me and be a 100% dedicated bride.

925. Through our intimate lovemaking I am able to fill you with faith and vision. This empowers your prayers to accomplish the impossible. This gives you an authority in the spirit similar to the King's seal. As you go forth filled with My Spirit, seeking to perform the business of your Husband and King, the seal of My authority that is held in your hand causes all of creation to be at your command.

If you will believe, truly all things become possible to you. It's then up to you how boldly you will step forth, knowing that you do My bidding and therefore all must obey My will. The more time we spend in intimate fellowship, the more your faith will grow and the more you will have the authority to step out holding high the seal of the King of kings and commanding that whatever I will, shall be done. The legions of both Heaven and Hell are subject to My power, and the more we become one, the more they know My power is in you.

926. (Dad speaking:) It's always a test of faith to face an impossible situation, but there's nothing like seeing the impossible become possible!

927. The keys can change your outlook on the past, the present, and the future, and this new outlook will give you the faith and conviction to follow Me and obey My Word.

928. The keys of revolution and freedom will give you the faith to follow My perfect plan and will for you, even if it goes against the worldly traditions, attitudes, perspectives, conventions, expectations, and the status quo.

929. *(Pass around a box/bowl of chocolates, with each person taking one.)* As you share these assorted chocolates amongst yourselves today, remember that life's ups and downs and joys and hardships are represented by this box of chocolates. Do you see rocks strewn amidst the chocolates? No, everything in this box is good to eat. The chocolates come in all different flavors and consistencies, but just as there are no rock-filled chocolates in the box, so I never send you rock-filled challenges in your lives.

You can accept each new challenge, each new experience in life as just another one of life's chocolates. Trust Me and have faith, that whatever the challenge, whatever the difficulty--even if it's a new unexpected flavor or a bit hard to chew--it is from My hand and will work together for good in your lives. So enjoy the life of faith I've given you, and even the difficult challenges I send your way, for I promise that each challenge is meant to strengthen you, to draw you closer to Me, and to fashion you into vessels of use in My

household.

930. Faith, is knowledge, without a doubt, that you have the power to win, through Me and the keys of the Kingdom. The key words here are to win.
931. Praise is the voice of faith. I inhabit your praises and fight for you through your praises.
932. You don't fully understand My love, you can't really comprehend it, but you accept it by faith, and your faith is one of the many things that I love and cherish about you.
933. Your faith and desire for change in your life is that magical happening in the spirit that causes things to move in the direction that I want them to go.
934. I don't judge you by how much you accomplish for Me or by what good works you do. I don't compare you with others. I just look at your heart, and the love you have for Me and for others, and your faith in Me and My Word; that's what's important to Me. Those are the important things in My eyes--not all your good works or efforts for self-improvement. All those things will come as a result of your love for Me and as a natural consequence of obeying and applying My Word.
935. I need grown, mature, strong men and women of faith, those who have faced life's struggles and pain, and who have experienced the depths of sorrow and trial, who know what it means to ache, to suffer, to weep, and to despair.
936. You have to have faith and be strong in Me and in your beliefs and convictions. You can't be blown about by every attack of the Enemy or you're more like a straw than a pillar.
937. Only once you've received My direction, then proceed in faith. Once you're sure it's what I'm showing you to do, don't be afraid to do it. Ask Me for My anointing, and then go in faith, trusting that it will bear the right fruit in your life, and in the lives of those around you.
938. Your life could be so much richer, so much happier, so much more satisfying, and even more full of faith if you would connect more deeply with your spirit helpers.
939. Just as faith gives life to the spirit, so water and fluids give life to the body.
940. (Dad speaking:) "Anything you need you have access to through the power of the keys." You have no idea what that really means. The human mind can't comprehend the full meaning in that simple key promise. There is so much power there, and all you have to

do is reach out. The Lord's supply is there for you, and I guarantee you that you will never be in want if you follow and obey Him. You might have to pinch pennies here and there and give up some of your "wants" now and then to make ends meet, but He will always come through for you. God's guarantees are true and sure. It's all there in the Word. Read it, live it, and let your faith for His supply grow until you are overflowing with His blessings in every way.

941. Don't let yourself become useless due to a lack of effort to be useful. Your faith without works is dead. You must put forth the effort and put your faith into positive action. It's going to take a constant struggle. You're going to have to die daily to yourself, your pride, and your own willfulness in order to accomplish what I need you to. Your adversary seeks to ensnare you in his web of laziness and lethargy. Don't let yourself be overcome. You now have the warning, and it's in your court to act on it.
942. You may not even know how to use the keys, but by simply calling on them, they are put into action by your faith. And as your faith in them grows, as you watch the transformation that takes place as you avail yourself of their power, that is when they are placed completely in your hands and you witness their light and power to the full.
943. Fight the Enemy's temptation of pride, his temptation to criticize and belittle My Word or to talk down about it. You have to really fight this spirit of familiarity if you want to stay strong in spirit, in tune with Me, and moving forward into the era of action. If you allow your pride to enter into our marriage, it will weaken your faith in Me, your trust in My Word, and therefore your faith and trust that I know what's best.
944. Patience takes faith--faith that I'm the One Who's in control of your life.
945. Fear is the opposite of faith. Fear is of the Enemy! Fear cripples you. Fear and pressure are nonproductive, because they use up so much energy through worry and tension.
946. Staying calm, pacing yourself, going slow but steady, and exhibiting an attitude of faith and trust is not only wise, but it honors Me. Your actions tell others that I'm in control, that you're trusting Me to do the work through you, and to get it done on time.
947. Are cares placed on your shoulders by Me? Am I the One Who causes you to be anxious and to worry about the future? Am I the One Who makes your burdens heavy and your yoke weighty? No, I'm not the One Who places cares upon you. My yoke is easy and My burden is light.

There is a place of complete and total peace; this is the place of surrender and complete

faith and trust.

948. The important thing to remember about burnout is that it often creeps up very suddenly. You can be feeling fine, then all of a sudden hit bottom when the inspiration gives way, because you've been using up your spiritual stores and not replenishing them. The way to prevent it is on a daily basis, taking time with Me and letting Me give you the spiritual cushion of faith that you need.
949. All those who come in faith and ask for My will, will receive it.
950. Many of the children of David have very strong, firm, deep foundations of faith which have been built over years and years of faithful study of the Word.
951. In your faith and confidence in Me, you will find great rest and peace and happiness.
952. You, My men and women of faith, are elite troops, the avant-garde, the few chosen soldiers who lead the way, who do the impossible missions, who snatch victory from the jaws of defeat through your sheer determination, courage, and faith! The weapons of your warfare are not carnal, but mighty through God, to the tearing down of strongholds. Your power is greater than that of earthly armies and soldiers because you wield My power, and offer men the chance to live forever.
953. As you can probably imagine, the gift of prophecy will be of utmost importance for you to be able to get your daily instructions, sometimes even hourly instructions, from Me. You will find yourself in situations where it will be impossible to know what to do unless you can hear My specific, divine Words of guidance. For you will be in unfamiliar terrain. You will be as a stranger in a foreign land, seeing things you've never seen before. You will sense the danger and you will know that one misstep or mishap could cost you your life, or the lives of your loved ones.

You need this time of practice, not only to hone your skills in being able to hear My voice, but also to build and strengthen your faith, so that you will be willing to obey the instructions that I give you. For I will lead you through My Words to do the unexpected, the unconventional, and if you have not had experience at trusting Me and trusting My voice of prophecy, then you will stumble, you will waver, you will lack confidence and be insecure, asking yourself, "Is this the Lord? How can I be sure?"

So these are the days of preparation in which you listen and obey, so that your faith may grow, so that in the days to come you will have confidence, and you will know that you have heard My voice. You will have peace to know that in obeying My voice, you will find safety and provision, and My will will be accomplished.

954. In the dark days to come, in the days of the Antichrist's reign, I would that all My children be prophets--those who hear My voice and speak forth My Words of revelation, of healing, of specific direction, and love.

I will use this gift in each of you as a witness, according to your faith, and according to how much you have exercised and prepared. For your faith will grow the more you use this gift. The more you step out by faith and see that I will answer your petitions and I will speak to you and I will give you what you need, the more faith you'll have to call down miracles from Heaven. The greater your faith, the greater the miracles, the greater the testimony. But all of this depends on your preparation.

955. When you feel overwhelmed with the problems and they loom before you and they seem hopeless and invincible, when everything about you is nothing but problems and you feel like you might as well quit, all of you need to realize and remember that that's the Enemy! You've got to take your eyes off the problems and fix them on the Lord and His Word and His promises, and remember and remind yourself constantly, and remind those 'round about you, that the Lord has the solutions and He knows and He cares and He loves!

You must have the Word if you want to have the Lord's perspective, if you want to have faith and hope and courage to face the problems. How do you think you're going to get it unless you spend time with the Lord and let Him speak to your heart and mind?

That's where the real power is!--Power to change, power to bring about solutions, power to increase faith. It's all in the Word!

956. I have given My Son for each of you as the ultimate proof of My love for you. The Evil One would seek to belittle this love and cause you not to receive it in faith, thinking that your sins have separated you from Me, but this is a lie!

957. Behold, I stand at the door of your heart, and I long to come in and love you, even as a lover stands before the door of her groom and longs for him to open it. It is the hand of faith--your faith in My love--that must open that door, for because of your unbelief the door doesn't open. Therefore be not faithless, but believe, so that I may enter, so that I may fill you with My love.

958. Though moves and changes come at a great cost to you, let Me ask you this: If you were not willing to stay when I said to stay or to go when I said to go, who would? Who else would surrender their lives so utterly to Me as you do? Who else would be willing to leave all else behind, including loved ones and comforts, in order to follow Me on blind faith alone into a future that only I know of? I can tell you who would be willing: so few, so few.

959. The most trying places throughout your life are where you are going to grow in faith the most, be the most strengthened, and be the most useful to Me. This is a promise. You may feel you have yet to see this promise fulfilled, but you will see the fulfillment as you put one foot in front of the other and walk on into the destiny that I have for you.
960. If you've ever wanted your faith in the ability of prayer to be of the unshakable variety, your faith now has the potential to grow stronger than ever.
961. If a mustard seed of faith can move a mountain, then imagine the massive geological shift that can be caused by full-of-faith, targeted, key-laced prayer. Turn the world inside out with the power of prayer!
962. It is My desire to supply the needs of each one, and I pour forth according to the faith and the desire of each one.
963. I have supplied all your needs if you will only have the faith for it. It is there! Seek it out, believe it is there.
964. The children and those with childlike spirits, pure and full of faith, are the ones who make up the Kingdom of Heaven.
965. What am I trying to accomplish by giving you the spiritual weapons and training you in their use?...I'm giving you ways to strengthen your faith.
966. It all comes down to faith. You can't explain or give a logical reason for everything that I have said, everything that I have asked of you, or every truth that I have shared with you. It takes faith to believe My Word. It takes faith to accept the truth. It takes faith to be My disciple. If you believe it, if you live it, if you follow it, then the Word becomes clear to you, it starts to make sense to you, and most important of all, it works for you. When you choose to go My way, when you choose to make the Word your standard, when you choose to believe My truth, you reap the benefits of it.
967. The life of faith is a life of constant tests, of constant stretching, of giving and sacrificing. Not everyone is called to that life. For some people it's just too much, it's too difficult.
968. There has always been the camp of the children of the physical world who choose to believe in those things which they can see, and the camp of the children of the spirit, the children of faith, who possess "the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen" (Heb.11:1). The carnal man cannot receive, believe, or even perceive such things of the spirit, precisely because they are spiritually discerned (1Cor.2:14).

969. Those who have denied themselves in order to live My simple truth and have become as children with simple faith will inherit the Kingdom.

970. Simplicity is the embodiment of My Spirit. Simplicity is intrinsic. It's a gift I bestow on everyone, and what a great gift it is. For simplicity is the wall of protection around your faith. To lose simplicity is to lift that wall, leaving your faith defenseless against the threats of doubt, criticalness, and unbelief.

971. I grant the gift of simplicity to all, and it is a valuable gift, for unless you have the simple faith of a little child, you cannot enter the Kingdom of Heaven. Unless you can have the childlike simplicity to believe in the unseen--Me, the One Who died for you and now offers you the simple but miraculous gift of eternal life--then you cannot be born again.

All men do have this gift, although as they grow, some despise it and discount it, calling it superstition or ignorance, preferring to weave a web of complexity to cover it. But the gift remains for those who would uncover it and make use of it.

972. (Dad speaking:) It's wise to be simple. It's wise to be accepting and take things by faith. It's not a sign of lack of intelligence--it's a sign of wisdom.

973. As you listen to Me, your heart will grow softer, your faith will grow, and you'll be able to do things you never imagined.

974. As the Endtime scenario unfolds and you, My soldiers, continue to be used of Me, you must learn to operate according to your personal faith based on decisions that you personally make. Know that according to your choices and yieldedness I will teach you very important quality lessons. Sometimes you must go through the school of hard knocks. Sometimes you must take a step backwards, which in turn catapults you to new heights in the spirit.

So though you fall or make the wrong decisions, you must not worry or feel like you have failed, for even these falls which seem to be backward are My opportunities to teach you greater lessons of brokenness and dependence on Me. So though you see the situation now in the present, I see the fruit that will be borne in the future through the decisions that you make. But they must be your decisions; you must operate according to your faith. I present choices before all My children, for I am working in the hearts of each individual, and you must petition Me about My will for you personally.

For some the decision will mean sacrificing and forsaking something you cherish and hold dear to your heart in order to do My highest will. This is your choice, for I do not force My will upon you. You must operate according to your own faith and trust that I will use you

and continue to teach you the lessons that you need and train you as My Endtime soldier within the circumstances that you have chosen.

975. Taking this stance and approach to life, learning to live your convictions and make the right choices because it's what you personally believe in, is going to strengthen your faith. It requires that you get down to the core of your faith, to see where it stands, to strengthen it if necessary, and then base your decisions on that faith. It's going to make you a stronger, more effective disciple. It's going to cause the things you do to be more powerful and more personally fulfilling, because you'll be doing them out of a firm personal belief in what you stand for and what you know I expect of you.
976. I am the constant in your life. Everybody and everything can fail, disappoint, and pass away, but I will never fail, never disappoint, and I will be with you until the end of the world and beyond--for eternity. I am your basic building block, your cornerstone. I am the foundation of your faith, the Alpha and the Omega, your beginning and your end, and the love of your life.
- I constantly love you, care for you, and live for you. That's why you can call Me your Constant, because I am the Ever-Present in which you can abide, the Sum Total of everything. I am surer than life itself. Let this be your comfort. Let this build and strengthen your faith. Let Me flood your life with My constant, never-ending, continuous love.
977. True tranquility of spirit can only come from Me as you take time in prayer and meditation. So take the time and find the tranquility you need. Maintaining a tranquil spirit is a sign of faith in Me, and faith is an extremely potent force.
978. I know that you sometimes wonder about some of the events that I have planned in your life, or that I have planned in the lives of others around you. You wonder if these were truly good things, or whether I overbooked or overlooked some pivotal details. But, My love, I do have a reason for all that I do, although there will be many things that you'll need to wrap up in a bundle of faith and trust.
979. Moses took care of sheep for 40 years. Noah spent 120 years building the Ark. Job endured great suffering and hardships. All of these trying experiences helped them to develop great faith. One of the things that helped them to endure and to hold on during their trying times was the quiet meditation time they had with Me. If they hadn't taken time to meditate, they wouldn't have had the faith to endure.

So when you're going through a difficult time, spend time meditating on Me. Allow Me to work in your life and to nurture the faith you need in order to endure.

980. Close your eyes and reflect on My great men and women who have gone before you--those mentioned in the Bible, and others since that time. Each lived for Me and accomplished great things in My Name. Some of them, like those mentioned in Hebrews 11, never received, while on Earth, all that I had promised them. But their faith didn't waver, and because of that, they went on to receive their full and great eternal rewards.

Are there areas in your life where you wonder if I'll ever come through for you? Or is there something I've said that you worry might not happen the way you hope or expect? Think on that great cloud of witnesses, and meditate on what advice they'd give you. Let your spirit be refueled by their example, and let your mind be set at rest by their fortitude. Just as I came through for them, I will come through for you.

981. The perfect plan, the best situation, may not seem to be the best when you first hear of it, or even after considerable discussion, or even once it has been set into motion. It will take faith on your part to truly believe that everything will work out for the best. I tell you here and now that it will, though, because you are My battalion, you are in My service, you are under My personal supervision, and I do indeed see all of the future, all of the possibilities, all of the possible obstacles, and having all this in mind, I will lead you aright.

I cannot reveal every intricacy of the future to you, or every event that lies ahead, or every decision that every individual will make that will have some bearing on your life or ministry. It is, however, very possible for Me to lead and guide you, step by step, to the route, the plan, the approach, and the tactics that will bring you success and victory. If you can believe this and put your full faith in Me here and now from the start, then all the rest will come together much more smoothly.

982. You have so many needs, and if you would like Me to fill them, then I'd like you to give Me the gift of your faith.

When needs arise, I want you to press another coin of faith into My hand as you state your need to Me. When something throws your plans for a loop, again, hand Me another coin of faith. At each step in the road, I want you to be giving Me these coins and gifts of your faith.

I know that it's especially easy to give in to worry or pressure or doubt during this time, because the needs seem endless. That's why this gift of faith will mean so much to Me, because I want to fill your needs and prove Myself to you.

And by your giving Me the gift of faith, I am able to do all these things for you--I'm able to spoil you! So put your trust in Me! Give Me greater handfuls of faith than you have in years gone by, and watch as I in turn do more for you than you ever expected. Giving Me

the gift of your faith is really also a gift to yourself, because through it I am able to bless you in more and greater ways. What an awesome gift! This should certainly behoove you to give of it freely.

983. You may wonder why it is that you have to pray for the good spirits to be released, and why I can't just release them Myself. It is because their power comes from your faith to believe. Their power is released by the touch of your faith and your prayers.
984. Come unto Me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. For I call you out of the wings and into My bedchamber, that you may lay your head gently upon My bosom, that I may wrap My arms around you, that I may stroke you and whisper unto you. For by taking this time in rest and repose you are calmed, you are strengthened, your faith is renewed, your spirit is uplifted. For time in the bedchamber with Me is time in My temple, is time in My Love, and is time in My strength. You will be renewed and refreshed for the battles that you face. And when you come to these battles you will have a renewed strength, a renewed vigor, for you have had a time of rest in My arms.
985. Your own resolve will not save you, but resolve and faith and conviction that is based on and fed by the Word will keep you.
986. If you just read the Word and don't live it, with time you will become self-righteous, stuck in your rut, proud, inflexible, familiar with My Spirit, dull to My voice, and numb to My conviction. Your faith will die. Sadly, you will be very accountable and will be found very lacking.

However, if you read the Word and do your best to live it every day, even if you feel you're taking baby steps, this will be the fruit in your life: It will keep you humble, desperate with Me, reaching out to others for help. It will keep you flowing, flexible, a new bottle in spirit. It will strengthen your convictions. You will see miracles and grow in faith.

987. Praise is not just for My benefit. It also brings you many benefits. As you praise, you prompt yourself to remember all the things that I do and have done, and that gives you the faith when you pray to really get the answers. Your faith can move a mountain, but before you lift anything so heavy, you must warm up, like any athlete who is preparing to run. To prepare, he goes through the different warm-up routines he has learned, the stretching or limbering up. The same goes for you and moving mountains in the spirit--the routines you have learned are the miracles you have witnessed Me accomplish in your life, and as you praise and acknowledge Me for those, it builds your faith and helps you to believe and understand what I am about to do for you. It's one of the ways you can focus your prayers more as well, and all of this helps you to have more faith and gets you in the habit of praising more. In this way you can "look back down that rugged mountain road and see you are really getting somewhere," as your David said. Praise builds your faith.

988. My Words will not always please all. Even when I walked upon the face of the Earth, My Words offended many. My hard sayings even caused some of those that followed close to depart. Nevertheless, they were My Words and I spoke them. Some who followed left because they didn't understand; they saw things with their natural eyes and understanding, rather than in the spirit. They didn't understand with the understanding of God, but they looked and they listened and they comprehended with the sight and the hearing and the mind of man. But those who had faith and who believed, even though they understood not, were rewarded, and were My truest and closest followers.

989. You must continue to fight the battle, even though you be weary, as a sample of faith and trust and love for Me, and your sample will influence those who are yet moldable and able to be salvaged. Those who are still flexible and not totally hardened to the ways of My Spirit will eventually fall upon the rock of My will and allow themselves to be broken and used of Me more fully, and it will be because you have stood strong in the face of great difficulty and were willing to be the light that they so desperately needed.

990. What will conquer the Earth? Your faith! The spiritual weapons run on faith, they're powered by faith, and they feed faith. It's all tied together. Using the spiritual weapons is the only way to go. To take a step or make a plan without them is foolishness.

991. Battles and problems you will always have with you in this life, but victory comes simply through looking to Me. Trust Me, and obey the things I tell you to do, no matter what circumstances you find yourself in, even if you do not understand. If you believe, even if you don't see the fulfillment, this is the greatest faith, and this means I can use you however I want in order to fulfill My will.

Moses did not understand how I would help him make it through the Red Sea. Gideon had no idea how I would help him to win the battle with only 300 men. Noah had zero understanding of boats; he didn't even know what a boat was, and it took him 120 years to find out. He couldn't see the end picture when he started recording the dimensions for that ship. He had no idea what the end would be. He simply followed Me one day at a time, one step at a time. He refused to give up, or give in to the crowds who were mocking him. He fixed his eyes on Me and kept them there. That's how he made it through 120 long years--taking things one day at a time, by faith alone.

992. If you want change, then you must have faith--faith in My power to transform you, and faith in others so that you don't put them in a box because of past wrongs or mistakes. You must now look at each other through My eyes and see the new creatures that I will make of each of you. You must see each other with the eyes of love and faith, as I have instructed you. Only then will you be able to move ahead in the spirit as one body fitly joined together. You won't be able to do this on your own, though, for it will take times of

coming before Me in humility, time spent at My feet together, time spent humbly lifting one another to Me in prayer.

993. Let My love wash over you. Let it cover you. Accept it. Don't try to understand why I love you. Don't ask Me how. Simply trust Me, believe in Me, and know that all you need to do is accept My love, receive it by faith, and then enjoy it.
994. (Dad speaking:) Praise can make all the difference in the world to your reactions, your feelings, and your intentions. Praise can turn everything around, changing even a negative, grumpy, fearful mindset to one that is full of faith and trusting in God's plan and His hand on your life.
995. (Dad speaking:) The bottom line, folks, is that you are a very different and unique breed of Christians! You're being trained for a very special and specific purpose, which no other Christians in the world are being trained for. For your mission and task you need stronger meat; you need the undiluted, pure truth, and that comes from the New Wine. That's the only thing that will truly increase and strengthen your faith!
996. The keys of revolution, faith, conviction and determination will help you drink in the pure waters of the words of David. Then your faith will increase, and you'll be strengthened and grow in the use of the new weapons so you can carry out your mission in this world.
997. My love, you must believe My Words. Even if they seem dubious to you, even if they don't ring true in your heart or seem right to your senses, you must fight to accept them and have faith in them. It's dangerous to doubt My Words, for as you decide to reject one thing and not accept it, it makes it easier to then decide to reject and cast aside more of My Words. Then you not only miss out on the important counsel, encouragement, instruction, or insight I give, but you also build up a wall of resistance to Me and My Spirit and to the love and truth I could give you, and the closeness we can share.
998. When we yield to the Enemy's condemnation, he effectively cancels out our faith to ask the Lord for victory, because we feel we don't deserve it and thus have no right to ask for it. Like Dad brought out in "The Halloween Wheel" (ML #363), when we give in to the Enemy's lies, discouragement and condemnation, we relinquish our power to fight back. Once you're in the pits of condemnation, it's very hard to climb out, because the Enemy tries to convince you that that's right where you belong.
999. It takes faith to not feel guilty. It takes faith to not be condemned and feel like a failure. It takes faith in My Word, and in the knowledge that if you follow Me the best you can, I will be pleased. I love you!

1000. Hope is that golden orb that lifts you above the physical and sets you in the realm of the unseen, that which you as yet possess not, except in your hearts and in your faith.
1001. You have to have faith to believe that the Lord has a reason for telling you things.
1002. Treat those around you as new creatures by asking the Lord to give you the faith to see them with new eyes.
1003. Treat others like they are changed, like they are different, like they are making progress in their weak areas, and it will help give them the faith that they can be that way.
1004. You have the wisdom of My Words, of your years of experience, of your multitudes of experiences in witnessing and leading people to Me and seeing lives change before your eyes. You have seen many miracles of My healing, of My provision, of My help in trouble. You have cried out to Me for the many needs that you have had, and have I not always come through? This has given you a vast treasure and storehouse of faith and wisdom and experience that many others can avail themselves of.
1005. When things look darkest and you feel down and at your worst, you must still trust Me and have faith that I do all things well and I see the way ahead.
1006. The answer is always the same: I am a very present help in trouble. I hold within My hands the power to bless your life as you yield to Me and honor Me. I hold in My hands the power to restore your life as you put your hand in Mine and trust Me. I hold in My hands the power and the love and the desire to renew your life, to renew your relationship with Me, as you set your eyes upon Me by faith and determine not to be moved.

I can make all things right as you obey My will in your life by faith. I can make something beautiful of your life as you let the bottle of My Spirit be poured upon you, as you imbibe fully the waters of My Spirit, as you drink deeply the kisses of My Spirit. I can raise up beauty out of ashes as you refresh yourself with the tonic of My love. I can restore unto you the joy of your salvation as you stand naked under the shower of My truth and of My Word.

There is no stopping place within My Spirit! All you have to do is hold on to My Spirit by faith. Hold on to Me. Cling to Me and My Word. Set your heart and your mind and your affections on My Word and on Me, and your life can become brand-new. There is no stopping the beauties and wonders and blessings and rewards of My Spirit. It doesn't matter what your age is, your personality, your situation, or your past--anyone who wants a new start has the opportunity! The door is wide open and you can walk right through.

You just have to have faith and believe and receive and accept that I am in full control of your life, and that I will not fail. As you give everything up to Me and follow Me obediently, I can lead you to new paths and new beauties and new experiences and new joy.

1007. It is your declaration of faith, your outward show of faith in Me and My Word and My promises that moves My hand. It is in your casting of yourself utterly and completely on Me that I am well pleased, and in this I am able to live and think and move in you to full measure. It is faith that saves!
1008. If I be lifted up, I will draw all men unto Me. Great is the task that I have set before you, but so small is your ability. Therefore you must have great faith in Me, that I am able to do it through you. You are but a chess piece in My hand! Let Me move you. Let Me use you.
1009. Children are powerful prayer warriors. Their simple faith, untainted by doubt, can move mountains in the spirit. Help them to know what the needs are and how to target their prayers accurately, and then let them fire away.
1010. Your children are like the surprise troops that the Enemy doesn't expect, the secret weapon that will open the doors that you didn't know could be opened, and the extra spiritual backing that you need to make progress in the Offensive. So tap in to this reserve of raw faith and enthusiasm today, and you will be surprised at what you may have been missing out on until now.
1011. A good way to use praise in your outreach ministry is to use it as a weapon of faith--claiming His promises before you have seen them fulfilled. The quote says, "Faith knows God will do it, and He does!" This is one of the highest levels of appropriating faith. You're taking the action of thanking the Lord for answering your prayer even before He has done so, which shows that you have the kind of faith that will get the needed results. So use praise times throughout the day with your partner, but also use "praise prayers" often in your ministry, as they are powerful.
1012. Smile, under any conditions, and keep on smiling. Smiling exudes a spirit of happiness and faith, which shows those who are watching you that Jesus lives and breathes and works through you. Smile, and you will be a true reflection of His Spirit.
1013. (James Gilmour speaking:) In simple terms, meditation gives you a stronger link with the Lord. The stronger bond you have with Him, the more effect and power is reflected in your prayers. The more you are intimately linked with Jesus, the more trust you have in Him. That translates into more faith, which gains more powerful answers to prayer. You

also understand His heart more and His love for the ones you pray for. This gives you greater desperation, and again, greater results in prayer.

1014. The keys of abundant supply will open the vaults of Heaven and pour out the blessings and finances that you need as you step out by faith and stand on My promises.

1015. (Dad speaking:) Basically, it's the life of faith that helps us to reach that place where Jesus is enough. It's the trials and battles; the things we lose and sacrifice; the things we forsake--and learn that we don't need; the times when we see Him supply for us, satisfy us, and make us happy despite our not having the things we may think we need. It's the forsakings, the hardships, the fulfillment, the abounding and abasing, all our experiences lumped together that take us step by step--and in reality almost forces us--to the place where we truly feel and know that Jesus is enough; He's everything to us, and compared to Him, nothing else matters.

The way it works is that, on the one hand, breakings, battles and forsakings drive us to Him in desperation and in need. On the other hand, they remove the props and the crutches that keep us from being more spiritual and leaning more on Him, from really discovering that He can be the beginning and the end of our satisfaction.

1016. You have the gift of prophecy, which is My fresh, living Word, and that is of vital importance to your life. However, in order for your channel to stay clear and for you to receive true messages from Me, you need My written Word to give you that foundation of faith and to keep it strong. Memorizing is a great help in that respect. Hiding the Word in your heart gives you instant access to My faith-building Word, and keeps the lines of communication with Me strong and true.

1017. Your love for My Word will help you to know Me in depth and in all the secret ways which you haven't explored yet. There is much for you to discover. You have yet to discover all these riches. You have married a rich Husband! As you continue in My Words you will be rich and know the truth, and the truth will set you free from the earthly limitations that try to hold you down.

The Enemy uses those limitations to hold you back and to keep you from partaking more fully of the richness and the freedom that My Word gives. This richness is faith! And faith comes by hearing the Word of God. Faith will also give you the trust to know, beyond the shadow of a doubt, that all things that you go through are but a moment in time--a testing ground as well as a steppingstone to greater heights, greater love and fruitfulness for Me and others. Rejoice in that, because you will go from strength to strength. When everything else and everyone is gone, My Word still abides, for it's the only truth and the only reality.

1018. Unconfessed sin destroys your faith. In destroying your faith, it destroys your force field of spiritual protection. So having a clean heart before Me is a prerequisite for strengthening your spiritual walls of defense.

1019. It's one of My spiritual principles that a clean heart is a happy heart. That doesn't mean you'll never have battles, but it means that you have faith to face and overcome them, because you know that I'm fighting for you. Having your heart clean before Me gives you faith. It opens wide the doors of Heaven to let My blessings come tumbling down on you.

1020. My goal is for each of you and the Family as a whole to get to the place where you are free of compromise, unconfessed sin, disobedience, and all those things that let the Enemy in and make things so much harder for you as My disciples. They're like spiritual weights that make everything more difficult. They hold back My blessings. They limit the power you could have access to. Once you get rid of the weights, you'll realize how much spiritual strength and faith and stamina I have made available to you.

I understand that life is a daily struggle, but don't you believe that I am the great God of the universe Who can supply all your needs and more than bountifully reward you for following Me? Some people have lost the sure faith that if they step out, I will be there to meet them. They want security and something to be "sure" of.

Where is your radical faith in My Word? Where is the spirit of the first disciples, all of you who pioneered the world and went into cities and countries without anything, and yet I supplied? I haven't failed you yet, and I never will!

1022. Remember who I am--not only the great, all-powerful God of the universe, but your Husband, your Lover--the One who cares for you more than any human ever could! I know, I care, I watch, I intervene. And My power is unlimited when called upon by those who put their trust in Me--not in name only, but in obedience, faith, and dependence upon Me.

1023. If you could only see how much the Enemy hates you, how severely he attacks you, and how terrified he is of you and the future that you have been promised, you would have renewed strength to withstand his attacks. You would have faith to continue hanging on. You would fight back, knowing that his strength is little and that he has but a short time--thus the increased intensity of the battles.

1024. Many, many of My children throughout the ages would have loved to be in your shoes. Of course, you say, knowing what they know, that's easy for them to say. You have to take it by faith; that's part of the test.

1025. My children down throughout history have fought battles that were equally difficult, even those you call great men and women of God. You can be encouraged that, though your battles are severe, your resources are plentiful. You've been given a lot in the way of truth, My Word, the knowledge of where you're at in world history, and exactly what's happening with the race. All they knew was that they needed to run. Most of them had to go it alone, with very little support from others and very little Word in comparison with what you have. You think you have to take it by faith--they really did!
1026. Those who fight with faith and courage are invincible, and the Enemy is no match for you! When you're willing to give everything, how can anything be taken from you? How can you suffer any loss? You can't, for I will always either protect you, or when your time comes, take you to a better and more beautiful place. So no matter what happens, know that you can't lose.
1027. As you listen to Me, your heart will grow softer, your faith will grow, and you'll be able to do things you never imagined.
1028. You don't ever have to let your victory be taken from you. As long as you hold on to it in faith, carry it high in faith, and use it in faith, it can never be lost to you.
You hold the victor's flag, and thus you shall not fail.
You hear the victor's song, so let your faith be strong!
Raise your voice, lift your eyes, step forth with heart of praise!
The battlefield is yours to conquer, so let your flag be raised!
1029. Pan will try to get you to throw away your faith and your crown by letting in a host of other outside opinions. He will try to get you to accept that the System has a great deal to offer.
1030. (Dad speaking:) It takes guts, beloved! It takes courage! It takes faith! I know many of you don't feel like you have much guts, courage, or faith, but let me tell you, you're still here, and that's what counts! Don't let anybody tell you that you don't have it in you, because there couldn't be anything further from the truth! You're still hanging in there, and that's what's making a difference! That's what's gonna rock the world--your stick-to-it-iveness; your determination to do or die trying; your willingness to go where the Lord says to go and do what He tells you to do whether you feel like it or not; your readiness to launch out into the deep and trust God to see you through; your obedience to put your hand into the hand of God and let Him lead you even when you can't see the way ahead; your taking a plunge by faith; your total abandonment of your own will and ways in order to embrace the Lord's will and His ways; your childlike faith to believe God just because He says so; your yieldedness and obedience to His slightest command! Praise God!

1031. Forget your circumstances; forget your feelings of incapability. There was a time to be broken, a time to be humbled, a time to be overwhelmed with how little you were and how you couldn't do it. This was needful so that you would come to depend on Me.

You have learned this lesson and it is time now to have faith--faith that I will do the impossible through you; faith that nothing is impossible to you when I am working through you; faith that I will withhold nothing from you--even unto all the power of Heaven to accomplish what I'm calling you to step out and do, My loves.

It's a time to have no confidence in yourself, but to have total confidence in Me and My power to do what no other can do. It's time to see My power manifested in you in a way that the world has never before witnessed.

1032. Once you completely let go of the burden and learn to stand back by faith and rest totally in Me, then and only then will I be able to step in and pick it up for you and carry both it and you the rest of the way Home.

1033. I ask you to trust and lean upon Me even more greatly by faith alone--your faith in My Word, in My ability to speak to you, in My ability to love you. As you do this, you'll see that our relationship, which has been very sweet and close up till now, can become even more intimate.

Now is a time when I will require greater dedication, greater commitment, greater faith and belief in My Words, and a greater desire to follow and implement them. You've done well, but there's still much to learn, and still much ground to cover. I feel like we've only been speaking over the phone, when we could be having face-to-face conversations, hand-in-hand walks, heart-to-heart communication, being bare before each other in My bed of love.

1034. Don't let that ol' boy steal your faith. That's how he likes to work. The Lord shows you something, or the Lord allows you to see something--He reveals some far-out truth, or a picture or something to you--and then right away Satan's there on the job trying to cast doubt--instantaneously sometimes! So you've gotta just sock him back! Just sock it to him and refuse to listen when he tries to trick you or come in with his blah, blah, "explain it away" gibberish and nonsense, trying to debunk the truth of God!

1035. The only way to obtain the victory is to go through the battles and the testing. Don't let go or stop short of the goal! Hang on to the victory, keep the faith, and believe me, you'll make it and be a winner for Jesus!

1036. When you feel burdened with the weights of the world on your shoulders, and you have questions and battles and you really need an answer, you come to Me. You hardly

have the faith that I can give you what you need, but by faith you come to Me. You close the door, you get quiet, you sit at your computer or you pick up your dictaphone or your notebook, and you just open your channel. And lo and behold, what a treasure! What a blessing! It's a miracle! I speak to you so personally and so intimately, and the Words I give you are the very answer you needed to lift your burdens, to calm your troubled spirit, to encourage you and to give you the faith and the strength you need to make it another day-to hold on, to not quit, but to keep trusting Me. That is Heaven!

1037. This life is only the beginning, only the start of the great learning process and the journey of life, the journey to complete spiritual maturity and understanding. You must look beyond this world and this life, and know that I have a greater plan, a more complete and full vision, which you could never even begin to conceive of nor understand. So you must not even try to fully comprehend and understand the workings of My Spirit and My hand. You must simply trust, believe, accept, receive, and go on in faith. You must believe My promise that I know, I care, I do all things in love, and I do all things for your good, because I love you and care for you.

1038. Bitterness is the result of lack of faith, lack of trust, thinking you know better, and self-righteously wanting to judge and rule and cause the other person to suffer as you have suffered. But these attitudes of heart and mind don't bring Me closer, and don't cause My Spirit to reign freely in your life. They don't cause you to draw nigh to Me, that I might draw nigh to you, but instead they have the opposite effect. Bitterness causes you to be distant, unbelieving, and it quenches the flow of your love toward Me. It causes you to be closed and hard and resistant to the flow of My love toward you.

If bitterness is allowed to follow its course, it will only make you weaker and weaker and weaker, and with time, your heart and mind will be more receptive to the doubts of the Enemy. Bitterness is like a plow that plows up the soil of your heart and prepares it for the seeds of the Enemy's evil doubts. So forgive now, that you might find freedom from the Devil's devices.

Bitterness is born in pride; for when you're bitter, you feel that you know better than God. You feel that if you had been God, you never would have allowed it, and things would be different; things would be better. Bitterness is akin to doubt, because those who doubt also feel that they know better

1039. If you will learn to look at each other through the eyes of love, if you will put on your glasses of faith and be able to see the best in one another, the good things, the good qualities, then the differences that bother you about one another will be minimized or will disappear altogether.

1040. (Dad speaking:) There are many reasons that people are weak in faith, but usually it is because they're not pressing into the Spirit, they're not fighting, they're not trying to understand deeper spiritual principles.

1041. If you will be faithful to eat, to feed, to nourish yourselves in the New Wine, the Endtime Word for today, and if you will pray for vision, faith, and understanding of these Words as you read, I promise to do My part to see that you're strengthened, empowered, and even anointed by these Words, and thus sufficiently prepared for the Endtime days ahead.

1042. My Word is full of My promises of protection, supply, and miracles! Your faith will increase as you read and study these Words of life, and thus you and your children will be prepared. I would not have you go through these dark days ahead if I had not done My best to prepare you for them! But a lot is up to your faithfully feeding on these Words that will give you what I know you need!

1043. I would that My children watch and pray so that I might speak to them often. It's not good enough to go on yesterday's plans and instructions, for My children must seek Me often to know which way to go--if nothing else but to get a confirming word that you're on the right track, for this will build your faith.

1044. Your spiritual preparation and acknowledging Me is what will keep you. The temptation is to lean to your own understanding, to lean on the arm of the flesh, but this is not what will save you. It is your spiritual preparation which will build your faith and keep you, knowing that I will protect you. I will supply your needs, for you are My children. Your faith in Me and your time with Me are the greatest preparations and the ones you must place the most importance on.

1045. I've been pouring out page after page of guidance and counsel in preparation for the Last Days, of things My children will need to do in order to stay very close to Me, to be used mightily of Me, and to remain in the center of My perfect will--loving Me intimately, praising Me, using prayer and prophecy--and there is yet more to come.

These are priceless treasures of My Word, real spiritual truths that have a great effect on the lives and spiritual growth of My children. Those who are close to My Word, who drink it in and absorb it, obey and follow, continue to grow and move forward. They remain strong and even go from strength to strength.

But those who allow themselves to lose their fire for My Word, who grow familiar with it and think it isn't necessary to study and absorb it every day, will not stay strong and healthy in spirit. They will slowly grow weaker, and when the big tests come along, they won't have the power and strength of My Word in their hearts to give them faith and

strength of spirit. They won't have the good, strong foundation of My Word, which they should have been building on every day, to hold them strong and steadfast through the storms of the battles ahead.

1046. On Earth you see through a glass darkly and only understand partly, whereas when you're Here you're face to face with the true reality, the reality of the spirit world--My reality. Though on Earth you won't always be able to see or understand what I'm doing in your life, it is necessary, so that you will trust Me even though you're walking on a tightrope with a blindfold on. It's a lesson that you must learn--to walk by faith and not by sight, to love Me by faith and not by feelings
1047. You must learn to put your faith in My Word and on My voice of prophecy, and stand unmovable and unshakable, completely trusting in Me.
1048. In the days of old, people trusted and looked to Me. They knew that their life was in My hands, and that their death, likewise, was in My hands. This understanding and faith brought peace to their minds and to the minds of their loved ones. But in this day and age, because people do not look to Me and trust Me and know Me, they have lost their point of reference, they have lost the absolute, and therefore they have no peace.
1049. (Apostle Paul speaking:) You must cast aside condemnation, for it chokes out your power. It chokes out the Lord's anointing. It chokes out the faith that you must have in His Love and mercy and forgiveness. Don't waste precious moments, hours, days, weeks, months and years, but do it now, for time is short! Do it now!
1050. You don't think you can praise Me for this tough situation? This is just a little too much to ask of you? You need to stop seeing the situation through your own limited vision. Put on My glasses of faith and let the praises loose! The tide will turn and the victory will clearly materialize through the haze of uncertainty.
1051. It's a showdown--you against the Enemy of your faith. Your quick draw on the weapon of praise just shot the Enemy right out of the zone! You got him straight through the heart with the firepower of praise! He's a goner, and you're off to celebrate!
1052. Extreme praise demands results, and, as you use it, you will see miracles and your faith will be strengthened. As your faith is strengthened, the miracles will increase.
1053. It really helps if you are secure in the knowledge that I love you and can work all things together for good in your life, that I do all things well. You'll find extreme praise and extreme faith very helpful. Adopt the attitude of "though He slay me, yet will I trust in Him" (Job 13:15). You don't have to know why, you don't have to understand My actions or seeming lack of actions; you only have to believe that I am love, that I do all things well,

and that I will never leave you or forsake you (Hebrews 13:5).

If all you can do is repeat "God is Love" over and over until you come to believe it, then that is a start. Remember that this is a matter of faith, not proof. The knowledge that I am here, that I love you, and that I care for you isn't something you will be able to prove through circumstances or carnal means. It's a matter of pure faith, a knowledge somewhere in your heart that I am the God of the Universe, and that I am love, and that My love will never fail.

My promises are there for you--promises of encouragement, comfort, rest, faith, and My eternal, unconditional love. Strengthen yourself in these things until you are fully able to believe in My love and My goodness.

1054. (Charles Spurgeon speaking:) You cannot be led by your feelings. You must be led by your faith. You must be led by your devotion to Him. That devotion and love for Him will then grow until you cannot think of a day passing when you have not stopped to meditate and spend time loving Jesus. It becomes an insatiable desire and it takes over your very personality. You begin to react and act more like Him.

1055. It's easy to praise when all is going well, but when you praise in the midst of adversity, this shows even greater love, greater trust, and greater faith, and I can't help but bless you in return, and turn around and work things together for your good, because you love Me and trust Me.

Praise Me because you know that all things are in My hands and under My perfect control. Praise shows your trust and your faith, and is one of the most precious gifts you can give Me.

1056. Your desperate, full-of-faith prayers can radically alter any situation or heart, and supply any need.

1057. Have faith in My ability to change people. Don't label people because of the way you've always known them to be. Know that they can change, just as you can change, and act like it. Show faith.

1058. Have an attitude of faith; trust that I am in control and will resolve the situation. Don't get bent out of shape before you've even given Me a chance to help you fix things.

1059. I'm asking you, My children, to give up much of the fluff and frills of the world so that you can become and remain strong and dedicated, so that you will have the strength and faith to believe the strong and radical Words that I will give you in the future, so that

you remain set apart and dropped out from the worldlings, and so that you can be bright and shining beacons to the world--living testimonies of My power and Spirit.

1060. I am very clearly, precisely, and strategically addressing the fundamental foundation of your faith--My Word. I am addressing the foundation of the Family--My living Word and all that I have given through My David and Maria.

1061. Praise Me at every opportunity. It is a powerful witness and testimony to others of your faith and trust in Me.

1062. You have nothing to fear, dear loves. Go in faith, believing, making disciples of all nations, and claiming My promises, for all that I have said will come to pass as you walk on in faith. I will lead, protect, and guide you. No harm will come near you as you put your faith and trust in Me.

1063. Your faith has grown as you learn to trust Me, and this has put you so much more at ease. You are learning that even though our love sometimes seems hidden, even when the storm clouds darken the sky, or when the sun seems hidden in the darkness of the night, still our bond of love grows. It stands strong, and you've grown to rest assured that just as the sun will always shine again, so My love will never fail you.

1064. As I have said in My Word, I will put you into situations where prayer may seem like a crazy thing to do, considering the circumstances, but it will be the time for a miracle that I have ordained. Miracles will happen for those who are excited about seeing Me work, and who are willing to trust Me no matter what!

These types of situations will not usually be "big public miracles" right from the start, but I will begin boosting your faith as you take advantage of the opportunities that I put before you. It may start with a problem situation, and you will know that I'm going to ask you to do something. Just follow My lead. Don't think you know what I want to do, and don't think about the impossibility of the situation. Just follow Me and know that I have the best completion for each situation in mind.

1065. If you have a merry heart, others will be merry. If you show that you are trusting Me, praising Me, and you're not stressing over the little things, it creates an atmosphere of peace and calm and faith.

1066. Belief, faith, trust, confidence, and acceptance all begin in the mind. If you are of a ready and willing mind, all that I have is yours for the asking.

1067. So outstanding and rare will be your rewards that I must disguise the glory of what's in store for you at this time, for your eyes are not yet able to behold the grandeur of it!

And this I do, My loves, that you may walk by faith, and thus receive faith's reward--that which surpasses all others.

1068. You will rise above all obstacles to live in the miracle world, to transcend the earthbound and glory in the supernatural. To you, there will be no problems, no obstacles you encounter that can stop you--for anything that stands in your way will vanish before your eyes at the touch of your faith!

1069. Greater faith will come by using the keys. Call on the power of the keys and your faith will grow.

1070. Don't make a move without hearing from Me. Listen to My voice and live the truth I reveal to you. Do the things I tell you to do, doubting not. This will strengthen your faith and lift you above.

1071. Spiritual strength comes from Me--from abiding in Me, abiding in My Spirit. It is Mine to give, and I give it to those who feed heartily upon My Word, who cherish it, who draw their nourishment from it. For these are My true soldiers--those who desire true strength, those who have the faith to put other things aside and to feast upon My strengthening Spirit that comes from My Word.

It takes faith to put things aside and to come to Me. This step in itself causes strength of spirit, because it is trusting in Me. Trust in Me with all your heart and lean not to your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge Me, and I will direct your paths.

1072. Movies can be like a flood--they're a flood of input--and if you don't choose what input you're going to receive and cast away the input that is of this world and that will eat away at your foundation of faith, then you're gonna be sorry.

1073. If you combined the minds and the intellect of all the people who ever lived--past, present and future--you would still not be able to comprehend the ways of the spirit world, because it cannot be understood with your carnal understanding. The natural man cannot receive the things of the spirit. They are understood and received only by faith--not through reasoning or logic.

1074. He chooses to speak through certain of His spirit helpers in order to instruct you, to increase your faith, to familiarize you with their presence and their ability to help you. It's an awesome thing that the great God of the universe would work through you and speak through you, but He does! It is a great mystery that God would choose to work through you and through spirit helpers, but He does! It is a miracle that God reveals His will to you and answers your questions, but He does! It is supernatural that God needs you, loves you, and desires you, but He does!

1075. Did I not speak to the people in parables? I did not explain away My Own stories, but trusted My loving Father to work in hearts. Did I not speak, and those who were hardened in heart and blinded in understanding understood Me not? But those of childlike faith do believe and will believe. Therefore, limit not My power, but trust My Spirit to do the work in their hearts.
1076. Be as a little child, believing in faith, who dares to take the promises from My mouth just as they are, appropriate them for himself, and act upon them.
1077. Your faith has made you strong. Your faith has made you whole. And your faithfulness has made you great.
1078. I bring you to great and effectual doors which I open unto you by the power of My Spirit. Go through these doors in faith, that you may receive My blessings.
1079. Hold fast to your crown! Be immovable, unwavering, full of faith, trusting, that you may partake of the growth that is ahead and the strengthening and the empowerment of My Spirit. Ride the wave of My Word and know that it will land you on the beach of My will! Do not be afraid of the size of the wave or the power of the wave, or the speed at which it takes you. Know that I am there with you and will uphold you, and that as you ride this wave, you ride the wave of My will, and it takes you to the destination that I choose.
1080. It is My will for you to exercise your own faith which I have given you and for you to be happy and fruitful.
1081. My people have to stand upon their own faith, their own initiative.
1082. Don't let the odds and roadblocks and obstacles scare you. They're perfect opportunities for Me to show you innovative, fresh, brilliant ideas and solutions. Taking the time to examine what you're up against, through eyeglasses of faith, can reveal the weaknesses in the obstacles.
1083. Pan is the arch demon whose aim is to gain control over the mind. He is the enemy of faith, one who actively seeks to cloud the mind, to bring up doubts, questions, analyzing, distortion, complexity, confusion, anything that would stand in the way of simply taking in the Lord's Words in childlike faith and belief.
1084. For My Word to stay within your heart, it must be meditated on, so you need to allow time for this in your schedule as well. Just as nothing can be enjoyed in a hurry, and you have to take time to savor and enjoy what you have just experienced, so it is with My Word. You must take the time to let it become a part of you. You will feel the change in

your day as you allow My Word to wash you clean of the spirit of haste and replace it with a spirit of peace and faith.

1085. The most important thing you can do is to get your time with Me first thing in the morning, in the early hours, if possible. Once you've done that, everything else will fall into place and be clearer. When your burdens have been lifted and your cares have been cast upon Me, your vision will be clearer and you will know where to direct your attention, your time, and your energies. Through this time of our communion, first thing every day, you'll also grow in faith and in strength.

1086. When the birds of distraction start flying over your head, rebuke Obstacon and his flock in the power of the keys, so that you can be freed to focus on My Word, for it is the most important thing you have to do. Everything else will wait and can wait, but My spiritual power and strength and life and faith being poured on you each and every day cannot wait.

1087. My beloved ones, as the world is entering its darkest days, be encouraged that you, My children, are entering days of great miracles and manifestations of My power upon you in this final hour. Soak in My Words and My comfort to you, and let it renew your faith and trust in Me as never before.

1088. (Dad speaking:) I want to know where the fighters are! Who has the faith and the conviction and the guts to stand up and fight for their faith? I'm a fighter, and I always fought for the truth and for the right.

Are you feeling inferior? If so, you need to strengthen your foundation and your faith through the Word. When you preach the Word and live the Word you know you're right, and you have something that others don't, that they desperately need and want! Where are the people who are willing to stand up with some conviction and guts and deliver the message of God?

1089. The Lord promises that if you take ample time in His Word, loving Him and receiving His seeds, then you will be able to accomplish even more.

You're afraid to step out and try it because you aren't trusting the Lord. You're too scared to step out on the limb and saw it off. The ironic thing is, though, that the Lord is standing there ready to catch you and take you to heights that you've never known before! All it takes is a little trust, obedience, and putting faith into action.

It's not unrealistic to require this of you, because the Word is a vital part of our lives and it will become even more imperative in the days to come! Things are getting hotter and tougher, and it only stands to reason that we also need to up our intake of Word. Come on,

who are you kidding, anyway? You need the Word! It's your lifeline, it's your strength, it's your energy, it's your inspiration, it's your very life!

1090. My Love for you cannot be quenched by the flood waters. My Love for you reaches up to the highest star, and down to the depths of the deepest sea! My Love for you is always. It's now, and it's forever. How I long to uphold you with My Love, that you may be restored to full assurance and full faith in Me.

1091. When was the last time you tried threading a needle? You probably licked the end of the thread and held the needle up close, squinting, straining your eyes as you carefully and repeatedly tried to maneuver the thread through. Sometimes it threads easier than at other times, but almost always there are those moments of difficulty and frustration, right up until you finally get it through. Now why would you bother threading that needle in the first place? Because there's a purpose and a plan. You need to create something or mend something.

Remember this the next time you feel like your trials are threading you through the eye of a needle and you're experiencing pressure, frustration, and anguish. There is a plan and a purpose--My plan--and that is to create something glorious with your life: a tapestry that is going to wow the world with its deep colors, intricate detail, and beauty, the kind that can only be created through the trying of one's faith. It's those difficult and hard-earned lessons that make the tapestry of your life stand miles apart from all the rest, because so few are willing to endure and persevere through the trial in order to create that life of beauty and substance.

1092. When an attitude of defeat overtakes you and you're thinking, "That's it! I've fallen so many times, I've failed the Lord again and again--there's no more hope for me. I've used up all my chances, even my bonus points. I might as well quit!"--please remember that no matter how many times you fall, if you want to get back up, I will personally help you to keep going. And if you believe that when you get back up, you can be stronger, then I will make you stronger. What it comes down to is how much you believe in My Word and how much credence you put in the things I have told you. There is no such thing as running out of chances, because I am your chance! Hope and faith are on your side for as long as I live--and that's for eternity.

1093. The trials of life will never be able to overtake you; they will never be too much to bear, because I have put a built-in mechanism in your soul, an escape button. I always give a way of escape, I always give a way out, and I always help you to overcome life's difficulties through faith in Me, My words, and the keys.

1094. You need patience for many things in this life, and one very important thing that you need patience for is for resting in Me. Yes, it takes patience to allow yourself to rest fully in

Me. It takes patience to let your worries and fears go, to place them in My hands, and then to let Me handle them fully in My time and in My way. I don't always give you the solutions instantly, so have patience. I don't always heal you the instant that you ask, so have patience. I don't always pour down My full blessing from Heaven the very first time you ask, so have patience. Your patience in Me is a sign of your faith that you know I am in control. So have patience, and in the end you will see results greater than you ever even imagined.

1095. I expect you to have faith in yourself, because I have faith in you.

I expect you to have hope, because there is so much that I can do for you if you trust in Me.

I expect you to trust Me to work things out in your life the way I know is best.

1096. Resting fully in Me is carrying a spirit of peace and faith with you throughout the day.

1097. It made Me so happy to give you those things that you wanted so much, and that you prayed and asked Me for. It made Me so happy to first of all see your faith and expectancy as you articulated your need or desire, then to give it to you and to see the look in your eye and to feel the joy in your heart as I placed My gift in your hand.

1098. Let's not forget to look forward to the day when I will return--the day when I will rescue you, My darlings, out of a world that will have become almost unbearably cold and evil. I say "almost" because, although you will pass through days of Great Tribulation before I return, I will never suffer you to go through more than you can bear, and through our deep and intimate love I will sustain you with strength, with grace, with faith, and with courage, so that although the trials will be great, they will pale in comparison to the power of our love.

1099. Discipleship is largely a walk of faith and trust in Me, and some of My children have not carefully nurtured that faith through faithful and diligent study of the Word, and so they have grown lax and unbelieving. Maybe they haven't been outright declaring that they don't believe the Word, but through their lack of preparation, desperation and obedience, their actions speak louder than their words.

1100. Those who know the truth, who know the Word, who know My Spirit, will be held accountable, just as everyone in the Family is being held accountable at this time for their knowledge of the Word and their obedience to it. Will you use the new weapons I have given you? Will you make your stand? Will you make the decisions that will push you on to greater dedication, or those that will leave you to find a lower level of faith?

1101. Take hold of this most priceless treasure--the gift of faith in Me. Hold fast to your faith in Me and all things will be possible to you.

1102. (Dad speaking:) God has a greater plan than we can ever understand. Sometimes He shows us His purposes, sometimes He doesn't, and we have to take it by faith.
1103. Hold on to your faith. Let it grow. Allow it to flourish by getting out and exercising it.
1104. How glorious are the crowns of those who struggle through difficult hardship, through desperation, through dismay and through fear, and yet carry on. For these are like the widow who cast in her last mite, and they feel as if they have no more. But they know not the great and wonderful honor that I will bestow upon them for their sacrifice and for their willingness to hold on and to trust Me, though all around it seems that I have failed them. And though they feel that I have failed them, yet they trust Me. What honor I will bestow upon them, for great is their faith.

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