WANNA BE USEFUL???







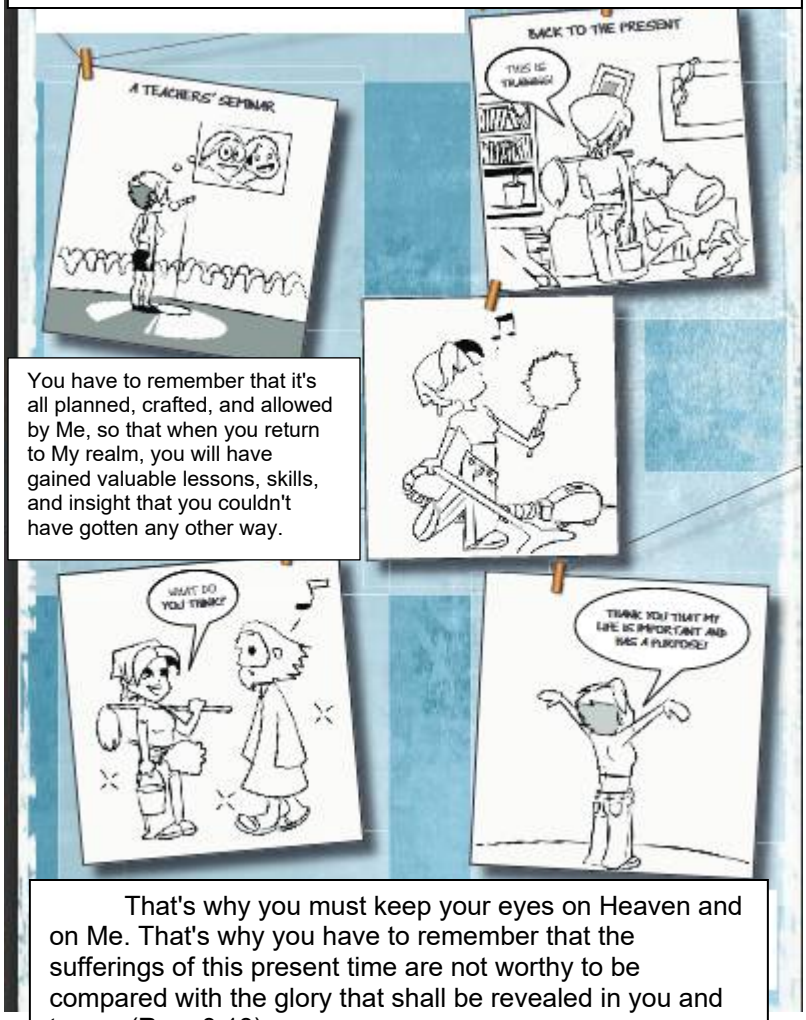
Keeping the heavenly vision means stepping back from the small, day-to-day reasons you're doing what you're doing, and remembering the big picture of why you're on Earth, and what you're supposed to accomplish while there. It's remembering that you're an ambassador from My Kingdom, sent to the world for a very short time, and that soon you will return to a place where all the struggles, difficulties, and problems won't matter anymore, and only the eternal things will come with you.

Keeping the heavenly vision is also remembering Me, remembering My promises of love and comfort to you, and how much I have in store for you when this life is over.

There are no words for how important it is that you keep this perspective, and how it makes Me sad to see some of you sometimes lose the heavenly vision when you become so wrapped up in the cares and trials of Earth. Your present existence is such a fleeting thing; your life is but a vapor. 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.



The Enemy seeks to take away your reason for living. Your carnal mind seeks to keep you and Me apart. When you forget the big picture, I seem so small and irrelevant, and all the carnal and worldly things seem so important and vital.



You have to remember that it's all planned, crafted, and allowed by Me, so that when you return to My realm, you will have gained valuable lessons, skills, and insight that you couldn't have gotten any other way.

That's why you must keep your eyes on Heaven and on Me. That's why you have to remember that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory that shall be revealed in you and to you (Rom.8:18).

Seek happiness and you will find her. How do you seek happiness and find her? By forgetting your own self, happiness, and personal desires. Seek and strive to care for others and bring happiness to them, and then happiness will find you!

Without a vision the people perish." (Pro. 29:18), so vision is almost your number one requirement in being here & in receiving any kind of training, whether it's here or anywhere!

4. IN OTHER WORDS, IF WE JUST PIDDLE & PLOD ALONG DAY-BY-DAY, IT'S MERELY A MUNDANE ROUTINE, dull & boring, & you're not really accomplishing that much for the Lord, although those little jobs have to get done. It all depends on how much vision you have for each of those jobs you're doing & how much glory you put into it, how much initiative & diligence & faithfulness is behind it because of your vision. Just like Grandpa says, pioneers must have vision & faith & initiative & courage to climb any mountain! Without vision all these little things are zero, they're nothing, they're boring. I remember very clearly when I first joined the Family that it was sweet Alf who envisioned me with the faith & initiative & diligence by his sample of just really digging in there with all his heart & getting any job done! When he'd cook a meal he would put his all into it, he would make it look nice & he would clean the kitchen spic-&-span before the meal was done. He would always be on time &

was always on the go & always happy & super cheerful & really challenged by every job, no matter how little or menial it was. I was surprised at first to see they weren't big things at all, & mostly accomplished on his own initiative!

5. SEE, ALF HAD A VISION--HE COULD SEE THE NEED: "The leadership should be hungry by now, they haven't eaten in six hours, I'm going to make a nice meal & have it ready for them by the time they're out of their prayer meeting." He was busy busy busy for the Lord all the time, & it'd "catch on" to others too. You know, our spirits are contagious whether good or bad & this is how I got some of my first training, from Uncle Alf, & thank the Lord for it!

6. I REALISED THAT I COULD MAKE MYSELF VERY VERY USEFUL IN THE FAMILY IN ANY SITUATION, if I just had that enthusiasm & that vision to try & use my initiative & faithfulness & diligence to the utmost in every given situation. "There's always a place for the man of gifts or talents, even if his only talent is to know how to work! There is always a good place for people who are willing workers & work well." "If it's not worth putting everything you've got into it, it's not worth doing it! So give it all you got!"

7. MAKE IT A CHALLENGE, CHALLENGE YOURSELF EVERY DAY with that idea of just really serving the Lord with gladness & getting as much done as you can for the Lord & really redeeming the time & cheering others up & teaching others.

8. I HAD TO MAKE A CHOICE SOMEWHERE ALONG THE WAY IN THE FAMILY WHETHER I WANTED TO GIVE IT MY ALL & really be what the Lord wanted me to be as Alf's wife, or I could just plod along after him & ride on his coat tails & be "myself". So I made the choice! It was so wonderful then to later be called to help take care of Davidito & live with Dad & Maria!

9. AND THIS IS THE TIME IN YOUR LIFE WHEN YOU ALL HAVE TO MAKE THAT SAME KIND OF DECISION. You've got to let your vision far surpass the day-to-day routine of things. You've got to pray for & hold on to the vision that all these little things that you learn here are your bootcamp & your training for what will mold your life & habits & attitudes for your very soon future! You, right now at this age, if you haven't already, need to make a choice as to what kind of adult, what kind of soldier you're going to be for the Lord.--It's up to you! &

10. YOU EVEN HAVE TO MAKE A CHOICE IN EACH MINISTRY YOU'RE IN AS TO HOW MUCH YOU WANT TO LEARN & BENEFIT FROM IT. Why not look at it as a challenge, "Well, I can sit here & 'watch' the baby or toddler, or play tea set & then colour with the toddler, then well, maybe we can go outside & play." You can go about it in a "baby-sitter" type way, which is even helpful in itself because you're still freeing the mommy or daddy to get their work done for the Lord,

11. OR YOU CAN REALLY PRAY & ASK THE LORD FOR MORE VISION & MORE GIFTS & TALENTS IN THAT AREA TO BECOME A TOP-NOTCH TEACHER! Why just settle for being a baby-sitter when you can learn to teach & train that little tiny child to be a future prophet & prince for Jesus! Our little ones only have a few more years before Jesus comes back! These little kids have a very very short time to learn all that you've learned & we don't have much time to teach them, so every minute counts. Don't you think you've got an awful lot to share & teach them? And if you don't, who will?

12. NOBODY CAN PUSH YOU, NOBODY CAN MAKE YOU GET THAT VISION, BUT YOU NEED TO DESIRE THAT VISION & faith from the Lord & His Word. You have to make a stand, a choice, how much you're going to put into each ministry & what you want to make of that child through the Lord's Spirit & help. Just think, you can pray for any gift in the World, you have access to any tool you want. We have Family pubs available to teach every given educational area possible, including all their schooling & childcare & cooking & kitchen & handyman & office work.--Every ministry in our Family is in print today. So we are without excuse, we have the personnel at our hand, we have the materials at our hand, we have the golden opportunities at our hand, but it all depends on what you're going to do with it!

13. YOU CAN TAKE FULL ADVANTAGE OF THIS TRAINING IN THE LITTLE THINGS & INSTANTLY APPLY EVERYTHING YOU LEARN TO YOURSELF, put it into action, pray about it, get on-fire about it & impart that same enthusiasm & faithfulness & diligence & initiative in everything that you do, & turn it into a fruitful, helpful service for the Lord!

To gain any victory, to fight through any battle, or to win any kind of war, you have to really want and desire the end result. You have to picture that result in your mind, and hold it out in front of you like a goal that you're shooting for. With every battle there is a victory, with every struggle there is a resolution--and you need to determine what that victory and that resolution means to you and really decide and know in your heart that you want it.

Don't face your battles figuring that you'll just scrape by without fighting hard to move forward. It's unacceptable to just hold your ground. You've got to advance, gain ground, overcome, and go on to greater victories.

That's why you need to understand why you're fighting. What you there on Earth call "battles," half the time aren't even battles, they're just attacks--with the Enemy doing all the attacking. It's not truly a *battle* until both sides have engaged each other. If one side is doing all the attacking and the other is just sitting there, it's more like an ambush, a rout, or even a massacre and a slaughter.

If you don't have the vision and then actually follow through and fight, then it's no battle. It's just you getting hit again and again and again, and there won't really ever be a resolution in sight. You have to make it a battle; you have to decide to *engage* the Enemy. But to do that, you must have a goal. It's all about sitting down and counting the cost.

Sometimes in the heat of a trial it can be hard to do that, and you don't feel like it. Sometimes it takes a little while, or a long while of really going through the fires of testing till you get to the point that you realize that you're going nowhere fast and that you really need to get your act together and get some victories. That's when you need to focus on the victory so that you can truly be the fighter that you need to be.

You can paint for yourself a picture of a glorious, triumphant future where the battles and attacks of today do not hinder or discourage the "you" of tomorrow. You'll have risen above them, and even if there are new battles to fight in the future, today's battles have been won and you've emerged victorious.

Believe Me, when you have that vision, it makes all the difference. Once you're pushing forward to a personal future that you personally truly desire to attain, there's no stopping you. I don't have to be pushing you and prodding you to attack and to make progress, because you're stirred up enough yourself. Once you've decided to halt the massacre and launch your own counterattack, then the battle is on and you've got yourself a fight!

That's a good thing! Once you've fully joined the fray, you have a fighting chance--and actually much more than that, because you have Me and I'm greater than any battle, enemy, weakness, mistake, or besetting sin. The game is practically over at that point, because once you really decide to get in there and hit the Enemy back harder than he's hitting you, you have the power to overcome him, and you're going to win! ("

THERE IS A DIFFERENCE! There are David's Mighty Men, leaders, real fighters for Jesus & there are even leadership "little people" in the Family, real dedicated labourers for the Lord, really on-fire & challenged & cheerful & turned on about whatever they do, no matter what it is! And there are plodders & day-to-day, ho-hum, "Okay, what do I do next? Is there anything more I have to do?" People who just kind of drag along & do only what's expected of them & do only what they're told to do & don't really press-in & enjoy serving the Lord!
LOOK AT GRANDPA, HOW HE TAKES ADVANTAGE OF EVERY OPPORTUNITY FOR THE LORD'S WORK. Everything he puts his hand to do he does with his whole heart, the best possible way he could do it. He jumps right in there, he does it wholeheartedly, faithfully, safely, prayerfully & it's done, & the next day he's right at another job, another project, another goal. You see? Vision & goals, that's something we should read in the MOP because it's really up to you!
24. MANY ARE CALLED IN OUR FAMILY, BUT VERY FEW ARE LEADERS MAYBE BECAUSE THEY DON'T CHOOSE TO BE LEADERS, they don't choose to be faithful, they don't make that choice in their own life to be faithful & obedient in the little things, so the Lord can't trust them to be faithful in the bigger things. It's a big job, it's a big responsibility, but what a challenge, what a blessing to be really on-fire for the Lord & really in love with Jesus & bringing forth fruit in everything you put your hand to do. How much better than being a stunted vine that doesn't really grow into a big strong tree bringing forth fruit every season. Every little fruit that a good tree brings forth can plant seeds in others & bring forth even more & more fruit!

REMEMBER, "WITHOUT A VISION THE PEOPLE PERISH" (Pro. 29:18), & all these little things don't amount to anything if you don't have a vision of how far they can go, how important they are in your training. If I sat & shared with you 500 little things a day it wouldn't do you any good without the vision of needing that real faithfulness & diligence & initiative, that obedience & willingness & cheerfulness & getting on-fire for the Lord about each little thing.

Where there is no vision, the people perish (Pro.29:18).

1. Ask God to enlarge your vision--to show you how much more He has for you beyond what you have ever seen, or felt, or heard, or known! It's there!--But He's waiting for you!
2. If you don't know where you are going, you will probably end up somewhere else.
3. Millions saw the apples fall, but Newton was the one to ask why.
4. God never puts any man in a space too small to grow in.
5. When you put a limitation on what you will do, you have put a limitation on what you can do.
6. Without the Way, there is no going
Without the Truth, there is no knowing
Without the Life, there is no living.
7. Failure to hit the bull's eye is never the fault of the target.
8. A great deal of what you see depends on what you are looking for.
9. Most of our inventions have been produced by fairly uneducated men--maybe they didn't know it couldn't be done.
10. A goal doesn't become a goal until you have set a deadline for its accomplishment.
11. Don't go their way--get them to come your way!
12. It's exciting to look forward and up to heights you're soon to attain if you keep fighting, climbing, winning and don't quit!
13. Everything God shows you always works out!
14. We've got a lot to be thankful for, but we've still gotta lot to do!
15. If you have built your castles in the air, your work need not be lost, that is where they should be. Now put the foundations under them.
16. Those whose look is fixed high cannot live low.
17. Always attack each challenge not with why we can't, but how we can.
18. Now we see through a lens darkly!--That gives a lot more meaning than glass.--To see beyond the scope of human or natural capacity, beyond our normal eyesight, see more deeply into the inner world, inner space with a microscope, and outer space with a telescope!
19. No vision and you perish,
No ideal and you're lost.
Your heart must ever cherish
Some faith at any cost.
20. Our plan is a well-trained, well-disciplined, well-planned effort that is bound to succeed by the help of God.--Because God has ordained it and God has planned it and God is directing it.
21. Nearly every great accomplishment took years of planning and laborious engineering.
22. Hitch your wagon to His star and there'll be no stopping you!
23. The pilgrim who never reaches his goal is not on a pilgrimage!--He's just a wanderer.
24. Keep your eyes on the goal,
And the victory in your soul!
And if you go, go all the way!
25. It just takes one little glimpse of Jesus to make it worth it all!
26. Better to die for something than to die for nothing!--Or better yet, better to live for something than to die for nothing!
27. We not only know what we are against, but we know what we're for, and we know whereof we speak. We not only know where we've been, but we know where we're going, and we're on our way.

You are in My perfect will. There's nothing on Earth that will bring you greater pleasure than to stick.

2) **You're not facing any more monotony or boredom than any other Family member.** No matter what the ministry, every Family member faces times when they feel sick of their job, sometimes to the point that they could scream! Every Family member goes through periods where they feel they can hardly get out of bed in the

morning, where it takes all their self-control and will power to just make it through the day. Every ministry can become monotonous, boring and tiresome at some time or another.

3) **These feelings of restlessness, frustration, resentment, boredom and anger are from the Enemy.** Even though they seem as if they're brought on by actual circumstances, they're not natural, not of yourself, and don't originate in your own mind or spirit. They're an attack!
4) **The Enemy hates you and wants to destroy your usefulness.** Unless you go on the attack as you never have before, he won't stop until you're completely defeated. He wants you out. He wants you down. He wants you dead!
5) **No, you haven't finished your job here.** You feel there are no more worlds to conquer, that you're just doing the same thing day after day, going through the motions. You feel that if you weren't doing what you do, then someone else would do it, so what's the difference? I'll tell you what the difference is: If you desert your plow, there will be significant losses to the Kingdom. Things will not continue going as smoothly as they are. There will be defeats--colossal defeats!
8) **It doesn't matter if you hate your job, if you're totally bored, if you're so restless and frustrated you could almost scream--just do it!** As you do your job wholeheartedly, fervently, by a miracle of My supernatural power, you'll regain the enthusiasm and vision you have lost. I will restore to you the joy of your salvation and the joy of shepherding. You'll have a new lease on life! You'll see a miracle!
9) **Right now you're held in prison by the Enemy.** You're a P.O.W.--prisoner of war. You're his captive and he's determined to not let you go. But I have the key to the jail cell in My hand, and I give it to you right now: Ask for prayer! Cry out with strong tongues and weeping, and I will deliver you. You'll be set free, and the angels will minister unto you. They'll bind up your wounds and bring you back to health. Those angels are special spirit helpers that I will give you as a reward for your obedience to Me in asking for prayer.
10) **You must fight--fight every minute, every second!** Rebuke the Enemy's negative thoughts. Rebuke his perspective. Rebuke the logical, reasonable "spin" he puts on things. Give no place to the Devil!
11) **After you've been rescued from the clutches of the Enemy, you must be strengthened in the Word.** I will set you free, I will deliver you, I will give you the spirit helpers that you need, but you must do your part. You must ask for prayer and then drink deeply of the Word. The Word is your only defense against the Enemy's return. The Word is what will build up your spiritual defenses. The Word is what will give you the strength to pick up the weapons and begin attacking again. The Word is the only protection you have in this spiritual warfare.
12) **As you're recovering and being strengthened, you must resist the temptation to analyze and talk about why you shouldn't be expected to do this.** I will not ask anything of you that is too much for you. You must resist the temptation to talk about your problems, how bad things are, how miserable you are. What you say, what you think, that's who you are! If you speak faith, enthusiasm, fresh inspiration, renewing and happiness, all these things will be given unto you.
13) **After you've been converted, strengthened, and salvaged--strengthen the brethren.** You'll be a light and a shepherd to others who may weaken or waver, helping to give them the faith that they can make it, they can hold on.
14) **Change your priorities to put first emphasis on the Word.** One of the ways the Enemy has gained a foothold in your thoughts is through your neglect of the Word. I know you love the Word, you believe the Word, and you know that the Word is the secret to life, happiness, fruitfulness, vision, power, everything! Without the Word you're nothing. But your thoughts of restlessness, frustration and boredom have compounded your already nervous nature to the point that you're no longer able to sit still. You feel like you'll explode inside if you don't get up and do something! The Enemy attacks your thoughts with distractions so you aren't even fed when you do manage to read the Word, until you lose faith to read the Word.

28. He is no fool who trades what he cannot keep to gain what he cannot lose!
29. We must not be limited by the scope of the acts of the Children of God of the past!
30. I'd rather die for something than live for nothing!
31. Without organisation and a vision, you won't make much progress.
32. We've got to keep in mind who we're aiming at and not just what we feel inspires us!
33. Keep your hopes high no matter how low you feel.

34. Sometimes when you are right in the middle of the action and get your nose so close to the details you can't stand back and see the overall picture, you can get things out of proportion, perspective and proper relationship with each other by being too close to your work.

35. The outlook for us in this World, and our future here could hardly be darker!--But the uplook could hardly be brighter or more glorious!

36. You've got to explode out of narrow confines
You've got to expand your vision
You've just gotta see the signs of the times
You've got to stand up to derision.

37. It doesn't matter where you come from if you aren't going somewhere.

38. Only he who attempts the ridiculous can achieve the impossible.

39. Nothing ever built arose to touch the skies unless some man dreamed that it should, some man believed that it could, and some man willed that it must.

40. There is no limit to the possibilities for a man with imagination.

41. If you aim at nothing, you're sure to hit it.

42. Aim for the top. There is plenty of room there. There are so few at the top that it is almost lonely.

43. The man who walks with God always gets to his destination.

44. The past is valuable to you as a guidepost, but dangerous if used as a hitching-post.

45. You've got a window on the World with vision, and on our great Future in the New Year for a New World coming soon!

46. Today the World.--Tomorrow the Universe!

47. Why piddle around in puddles when there are oceans to swim in and all space to revel in?

48. You've got to have a glory in the thing you do, an everlasting glory that'll carry you through!

49. We must see God in everything, to give Life meaning, reason, purpose, plan, design and a goal--the ultimate trip!

50. Look forward to the New Year with Faith for a New World.

51. Forge ahead with Faith for a fantastic full-of-love future!

52. We're out to win the World with His Word!

53. You can't do the Master's will without the Master's plan!

54. The poorest man is not he who is without a cent, but he who is without a dream.

55. If God be your partner, make your plans large.

56. The people whose aim is always low generally hit what they shoot at: they aim for nothing and they hit it.

Keep Up the Momentum!

133. ***(Jesus speaking:)*** **You have gotten a wonderful victory over your negative thinking, boredom, lack of vision, and the spiritual attacks of the Enemy through your yieldedness, your desire to obey and do My will.** This has brought forth victory in the spirit, one which comes as a result of your personal choice to yield. This is the first step to victory--yieldedness to My will--and without that personal decision of the heart to yield, I can't give the victory.

134. This is why you, My shepherd, have been able to claim the victory, because you have yielded to the main thing that I've asked of you, the bottom line of My will in your life--not to forsake your crown and place of service, but to continue in the calling that I've given you as a shepherd to those in My queen and king's house.

135. You've accepted that this is My highest will for you, in spite of your feelings or the temptation to move on. You've accepted and yielded to My will above your own desires, and this has opened the door to victory, freedom of spirit, relief from the burdens that were pressing you in spirit, relief from the attacks of the Enemy on your mind. I've blessed you with victory, and with the feeling of victory.

136. Now you walk in victory, you feel lighter in spirit, and your mate and others see a difference in your spirit because of this initial yieldedness. You're calmer, more at peace, because you've yielded and accepted My highest will for your life. You're beginning to see the pathway ahead of you more clearly and are not so buffeted by the lies of the Enemy, or the confusion of thoughts and spirit. I'm blessing you for your yieldedness and obedience.

137. But it's very important that you not let down your guard now and not assume that because you feel better, your outlook is clearer, your attitude is more positive, that you don't have to keep up the momentum of your initial yielding in spirit. Now that you've obeyed the things that I've shown you--you've asked for united prayer and given your testimony before others, you're taking personal P&P time with Me every morning and are striving to have Word time--you have to fight to keep up the momentum in order to go from strength to strength. You've yielded in the main area of accepting My will, but in order to do My highest will, you have to continue yielding every day to the things that I want to use in your life to make you strong and able to perform My will.

138. The Enemy will tempt you to think that you don't have to keep it up, that you don't really have to take personal Word time every day or follow through with the things that I've shown you. Your spirit is in the process of being healed, you are stronger, you have victory, and it's more important now than ever that you fight to strengthen that victory, to keep it, to hold on to it through regular daily spiritual feeding of My Word, through spending some time with Me.

139. You're going to be tempted to think that you just can't afford to spend time with Me and My Word every day when there's so much to do, so many people to minister to, so many sheep bleating for your shepherding. You feel you've already fallen behind in your work. You're going to wonder if I really expect you to continue this daily Word schedule now that you've yielded and gotten the victory. You'll be tempted to think that you can forge ahead now without it and carry on ministering and pouring out to others. You feel you've gotten a victory and there's no more need to spend time ministering to yourself and your own needs.

140. It's true that you have gotten a victory through your yieldedness, but that victory has to be strengthened through daily communion with Me, through letting Me speak to your heart, wash your heart, and comfort and love and uphold your spirit; otherwise you'll slowly drift back to your old ways.

141. This has been your weak area--that of not spending the time you need with Me--and you have to strengthen yourself in this area. Otherwise you will not be strong enough to continue to walk in the victory that I've given you. The Word is what will build up your spiritual defenses against any future attacks of the Enemy. You walk in victory now against today's attacks, against this battle, but you must continue to drink deeply of My Word and My Spirit in order to have the anointing of victory for future attacks of the Enemy. My Word and My Spirit are your only protection against the Enemy's attempts to penetrate and steal away your victory.

142. You can't let down your guard now. You can't set aside the guidelines that I've given you for your spiritual strengthening just because you've gotten the initial victory. The spiritual warfare continues and you must continue to raise the standard of My Word in your life in order to continue to walk in the anointing and strength of your victory.

143. You have the victory, but you've got to fight to maintain it, to hold it fast, and you do that through keeping your connection with Me strong. This would be the worst time for you to let down your guard and think that you can go on without taking time with Me and My Word, because you're not strong enough since you've been under the Enemy's attacks for months. If you let down your guard now and try to go on without the power of My Spirit, you'll be in even worse shape than before because the letdown, discouragement and defeat will be much greater. No one can go on without My power, My Spirit working through them, and the only way to get that power is by taking time with Me.

144. I expect you to do the things that I've asked of you for your own spiritual survival and usefulness to Me. I've given you victory, but I also expect you to keep that victory, to walk in its anointing by putting Me and My Word first, before your duties, before feeding the flock. You have to take the time that every shepherd needs with Me, your Great Shepherd. I'm pleased with the things that you've already done, the steps that you've already taken, but I want you to carry on, to keep up the good work and not think that you can now let your service in the wings overtake your time with Me. The warfare is too important, your spiritual health is too important, and your sample to the flock is too important. Your sample to the Family is too important. You don't have a good enough excuse to forgo your Word time with Me, and if there's any testimony that will speak loudly to the Family and be the greatest help to them, it will be your testimony of finding the strength you need from Me and My Word.

145. Your yieldedness and acceptance of My will was the first and most important step, and without this step, I would not have been able to give you the victory, but the yieldedness and acceptance won't last without a strengthening of your spirit through time with Me and My Word. You have to continue to fight for your daily Word time and make this a part of your testimony, because it's a very important ingredient in continuing to hold on to your victory.

146. You are very busy, and I understand this. If you can't set aside time to review or memorize quotes or verses on your own, you can do this with others, or make it a united Home activity, or make it part of your get-out.

147. As you do your part I will continue to do My part and bless your victory, enhance your victory, and help you to walk in the full blessings of full victory. But you must put forth the effort and work at staying close to

Me, putting the emphasis on My Word first in your life. If you can't get together a full reading list and add quotes to your quote book every day, but if you do what you can and I see your desperation of spirit to want to do these things, I will still bless it and count it unto you as victory. Your spirit and attitude has to be, "My time with the Lord and His Word is so important that I've just got to have it," and not, "There's so much to do that I just can't take time with the Lord."

148. As you fight to put priority on Me and My Word, this will cause your victory to blossom into its fullest state and you'll progress and move forward in spirit like never before. But if you do the least possible, the minimum that you feel you can get away with, you'll only walk in partial victory. It'll be victorious enough to keep you relatively happy and able to do your ministry, but you won't be growing, challenged and moving with the power of My Spirit. *(E*

57. Climb every mountain
Ford every stream
Follow every rainbow
Till you find your dream!

58. God said that our little pebble would roll and gather momentum, until it snowballed into a mountain, our little flame would be fanned into a forest fire that would sweep the nation, and our wave would wash the shores of the World!

59. The future is as bright as the promises of God!

60. Don't tell me it can't be done, or I'll show you how to do it!

61. Anybody who thinks the sky is the limit has no imagination.

62. Everything that man has ever dreamed of or imagined is somehow going to be fulfilled or is possible in the realm of God's possibilities.

64. Don't let all these nagging little details get your minds and hearts off the end of the road! There may be a lot of flats, car troubles, breakdowns, repairs, delays and changes, but we'll hit the road again and keep on rolling, and nothing can stop us till we've reached the end and that Heavenly City with its Space King Who makes it worth it all!

65. Our job is to reach the ends of the Earth with the Gospel--to get the Message across.

66. Without a vision the people perish--they backslide and sink back into oblivion.

67. If you have lost the pioneering spirit and you're not going forward to establish the Kingdom of God on Earth, and you're content short of that goal, and you're satisfied with what you've already got, and you're not interested in progressing until you see the Kingdom of God really established on Earth and righteousness covering the Earth as the waters cover the seas, then you're backsliding!

68. As long as the Early Church had the vision and kept in that hot contact with the Lord and His leadership, they were sweeping the World.

69. I'll never be satisfied until everybody on Earth is saved!

70. I like to set my sights high and aim at a goal that I know would be good if we could ever attain it. We shouldn't bring our goals down to the level of little faith, but rather try to raise our faith to the level of higher goals.

71. Heaven is not the end--it's only the beginning!

72. For us there isn't going to be an end--Eternity has no end!

73. If you tell me I can't do it, then I'm going to prove to you I can!

74. When you see the vision you've got to be willing to believe it, have the faith to trust and act on it. Even if it's crazy or they may think you're crazy, you've got to believe it and you've got to act on it and have the faith to try it and be willing to have the courage to really see it through in spite of what it costs. And it may look for awhile like you lost all and it's cost everything

27. THAT SPARK & THAT ENTHUSIASM, LIKE IN THE LETTER "GOD'S EXPLOSIONS", ONLY COMES FROM GOD! You've got to suck for it, you've got to desire it. The Holy Spirit is like a dove, if you repel the Spirit

then it's going to go somewhere else where it's more wanted. So thus it is up to us to accept the challenge, to accept that Teenage Challenge!
YOU CAN REALLY EXCEL IN SOME FIELDS & STILL REALLY SHINE IN OTHER FIELDS. You can choose to be that way, or you can choose to do the least for the Lord & follow the schedule & only do what's required of you day by day by day. Jesus will come & you'll go to Heaven & everything's going to work out all right. But what have you done with your life?

30. YOU HAVE TO STIR YOURSELF UP WITH A VISION, it's something you have to constantly pray for the Lord to re-envision you & rechallenge you & "Lord, I'm losing that fire for You. I really pray You re-envision me & give me more faith & vision & initiative & diligence in every area." It all comes down to your prayer life & your desire, "If you will ask anything in His name He will do it!" (Jn.14:14) It's just a matter of asking & receiving, see?

31. ALL THAT FAITH & VISION COMES FROM THE WORD, IT'S THE WORD. "Without faith it's impossible to please God, & faith comes by hearing the Word", so the Word is your source of inspiration to keep envisioned. That's another real important point, without the vision you'll perish, & without the Word you'll perish. The Word sparks all the vision & faithfulness & diligence & inspiration, initiative. You can't live on someone's glowing sample forever.

32. DORA & I ARE CONSTANTLY CHALLENGING OURSELVES WITH NEW IDEAS & different ways to do things & sharing the load, so to speak, because we know that we have a big responsibility here & we want to do our best for the Lord & that's what I wanted to share with you. Do your best for Jesus!

33. WHY BE CONTENT WITH ANYTHING LESS THAN THE BEST? You get your reward right here on Earth, your reward comes daily with the blessings God gives you for that faithfulness. Your reward is right here on Earth day by day. Why just drag through the day doing your least when you can do your best & feel rewarded & fulfilled & accomplished & turned on & inspired!--That's the reward day by day for faithfulness.

34. BUT WE'VE JUST GOT TO DO OUR PART SO THAT THE LORD CAN DO THE REST & we don't have much time to do it. So TYL! Do your best for Jesus! "When you're willing to be what God wants you to be, not what you are, but what God wants you to be, then He can mightily use you!" Are you doing your very best for Jesus?

What's the secret to happiness?--Giving, unselfishness, and making others happy, because it all comes back to you. Making *others* happy makes *you* happy. That's one of God's spiritual laws, just like gravity is a law of the earth. Sometimes it takes a while, but it's never left unfulfilled.

(Jesus:) It all comes back to spelling J.O.Y. Putting Me first and obeying Me falls into that category, as well as keeping things in My Spirit, then putting the needs of others next, and yourself and even your personal preferences and desires, last. *That's* the way to be truly happy and to hit the bull's eye

It doesn't matter where or how you are to go about fulfilling My plan. Just that you do and that you don't allow other things get in your way. There can be so many distractions, so many different sidetracks that pull you off and away from My highest will and unless you are hearing from Me you tend to miss out on them. So it's important that you stay alert and aware of all the things the enemy would put in your path to try to divert you off the path that I actually intended for you. My love I want you to get the most out of the time on Earth, so please don't waste your hours doing a little here and a little there, and daydreaming also. It's also a ruse of the enemy when you get that feeling of, "everything is useless; what's the point anyway?" Then you really don't put any effort into anything, even when it's important and I want it done. You have to guard against that attack, it's beginning to encroach on more cornerstone actions like witnessing and getting out the word in whatever way. It leaves you feeling like nothing is worth the effort, so you do nothing, and that directly stops Me from using you as much I want to. Stop so easily sinking and figuring it's hopeless. My love of all the people on Earth you are living one of the most meaningful lives, and that's the exact reason why the enemy keeps telling you the opposite.

Because he's a liar and he hates what you are doing. You are one of the biggest threats to his kingdom, and you have been given many purposeful tasks. Don't let the enemy steal them away by influencing you to feel " it's all useless!" That is a prime attack to get you away from My highest will and one that you must vigorously reject. Another one is the feelings of ," I am just not good enough". That also hinders you greatly from stepping out to be used as I want to use you, and grow as you need to grow. If you are always so scared of failure, or that you'll just end up disappointed that you never try to step out then you are not going to accomplish all that I want you to. I am setting up lessons for you to learn, don't stop halfway because you are so negative and insecure to ever try. My love you have so many things to do that are useful and uplifting. Why do you go around with the "I am useless" cloud over your head so often. If you really want to serve Me fully, then ditch the spirit of lifeless existence. That spirit of scraping by with your feet dragging on the ground, barely surviving. You don't have to be all depressed because you feel like everything including you is useless. That sort of thinking is not of Me, and I know that it's a pure lie of the enemy just for the purpose of stopping you from doing My highest will and from fulfilling what you are down there in the first place My love life can have so much more zest if you'd just throw out the self-pity and praise Me anyway. No matter how stupid and pointless your life seems, just praise Me and don't let the day get you down. I like to see you smiling, whatever the conditions, don't you think I deserve to see you smile? Just choose to not be a sad sack today. You have to force yourself at the beginning, but try and you will succeed. Talk to someone else and stop dwelling on the ridiculousness of your life. Just praise Me for it all, and if a few tears fall too, I'll wipe them away and then we can be happy together. I love you

The spiritual standard has remained the same since the days of My early disciples and the birth of the Family, and will remain the same. It should not have changed in your eyes, and if it has, ask Me to help give you the renewed vision to once again charge and attack and reclaim the land that you have given to the Enemy. Raise the standard in your personal life! Don't let the spiritual standard slide! Don't let the dedication level remain where it is--make sure it's up to the top of the charts, fully hitting the mark and helping to propel you forward!

41. This is a challenge to throw off your present mindsets. Don't limit Me with your thoughts or ideas of how I can change you. My abilities are limitless. If you're willing to put your will on My side and stretch yourself and become hot and on-fire again, I can make you into a wild and radical disciple just like before. Or if you've never experienced that in your life, just give Me a chance, and you'll see what a thrill it is to be in My Endtime Family. You'll finally see what it's all about, and why it's worth living and dying for Me.

42. It's really not worth living in the Family or dying for Me if you're half-hearted or have lost the vision. If your dedication has waned to the point that you figure, "Well, the Family's a great place, but people just aren't like they used to be … the fire has gone out … something is missing," then you need to ask Me to light your fire. I can and will, but you must be willing to forsake all your personal trips and give Me a solid chance at your heart. Let Me have full control and see if I won't make you into a new person--a happier, fulfilled, on-fire individual--moving forward and 100% sure that the Family is where you want to spend the rest of your life.

43. What do you think? Do you look around and see people who need a little more fire and umph in their lives? Look in the mirror. Are <u>you</u> one of them? If so, start right there with the person in the mirror and let's give you a makeover. Let's get back to discipleship and forget all these lies that the Enemy has put in your mind. Let them go and ask Me what step number one is to rewiring you and getting you back to the basics! Once you've taken <u>that</u> step, I'll show you what step number two is, and then three and four. And before you know it, you'll be making great leaps of progress! *(End of message from Jesus.)*

I want you to rise above the frustrations and feelings of hopelessness that try to drag you down. I want you to point your antenna straight up to Me, for it is then that all else fades into oblivion and there is only you and Me. It is only then that I can open your eyes to the new vision.

So when you stop pioneering it shows you have lost the initiative. Any army which ceases to attack loses the initiative, & attacking initiative is what wins a war. IT'S GOING ON THE INITIATIVE, TO THE ATTACK, THAT BRINGS VICTORY! The minute any army stops attacking & just settles down, it will be defeated, because the Enemy will then launch a counter-attack.--Or the army's very IMMOBILITY & ITS VERY LACK OF VISION & PROGRESS & INITIATIVE WILL CAUSE IT TO HAVE A LOSS of faith in its own cause & to quit & give up without even losing! This is one of the Devil's favourite tactics. THE DEVIL CAN NEVER WIN. THE ONLY WAY HE CAN GET THE VICTORY IS TO PERSUADE YOU TO QUIT, that you have a hopeless cause, so you might as well give up & quit & surrender & leave the field to him.--It's no use, he says.

5. That's the only way we can ever be conquered, if we stop attacking & give up & stop having the faith to take the initiative, stop attacking & winning new publications, new disciples, new tactics, new fields! Then you are doomed to defeat. You've already lost. ANYONE IN OUR RANKS WITH THIS ATTITUDE IS ALREADY LICKED BECAUSE HE HAS LOST THE BATTLE OF THE SPIRIT! He's given up & fainted in his mind & his body will soon faint with it & he'll quit & backslide. YOU'LL GO BACK DOWN THE CHAIN REACTION IN REVERSE FROM WHAT MAKES A PIONEER & you'll stop pioneering because you have lost the initiative, the spirit & courage, because you have lost faith; & you've lost faith because you've lost the vision!

6. What are the four things that make a pioneer?--First of all VISION! Because of the vision you have the FAITH. Because you have the faith, that gives you the COURAGE, & therefore with the courage you take the INITIATIVE & you PIONEER & make PROGRESS! Now if you STOP pioneering, it shows you have lost ALL these things. Why have you lost the faith & the courage?--Because you've lost the vision! Without a vision the people perish! If you're defeated, therefore, & your surrender & YOUR BACKSLIDING CAN BE TRACED ALL THE WAY DOWN THE LINE TO YOUR LOSS OF VISION, WHERE did you lose the vision?

7. How do you lose the vision?--Somewhere there's been a break in the contact with the source of power. Somehow these backsliders HAVE LOST TOUCH WITH GOD, direct personal intimate contact with God, that direct hotline!--They've gotten out of touch with it somewhere. Now in every Bible Kingdom God always had a Prophet & always used some man, God's man. If the people have lost the vision, just like turning a television off, it's because somehow or another THEY'VE GOTTEN OUT OF TOUCH WITH GOD, SOME BREAK HAS COME IN THE CONNECTION OR THEY'VE LOST THE VOICE OF HIS PROPHET. What is the people's connection with God? Well, each can have his PERSONAL CONNECTION. If he loses that, he's in bad trouble. But he can still have THE PROPHET. His individual TV set can go off & he can personally lose the vision because of his break, but that doesn't mean the station's quit broadcasting. The power's still there & all he has to do is tune in.

8. What's our connection with God? Well, God has so seen fit & chosen to choose for you A VOICE & A MAN THROUGH WHOM HE SPEAKS TO GIVE YOU THE MESSAGE, WHICH GIVES YOU THE VISION, WHICH CREATES THE FAITH, WHICH GIVES YOU THE COURAGE TO TAKE THE INITIATIVE TO ATTACK & PRESS ON & PROGRESS & CONTINUE TO GROW! But I dare say a good many of our BACKSLIDERS ARE PEOPLE WHO LOST TOUCH WITH GOD &/OR ME! THEY GOT OUT OF TOUCH WITH GOD'S MAN & THEREFORE OUT OF TOUCH WITH THE MESSAGE He had given the man to give them.

The Heavenly Vision!

105. ***(Jesus speaking:)*** **Can you see the Heavenly vision? It's so beautiful, uplifting, exhilarating, thrilling--like being atop Mount Everest!** You breathe the fresh clear air and feel the gentle breeze upon your cheeks that ever so slightly moves your hair, and you feel clean, refreshed and invigorated. You feel the warmth of the sun upon your face, and all of this works together to lift you up, to give you a new lease on life, to help you to turn over a new leaf, to look forward to the future with faith, vision and courage, knowing that you can make it, that together we can do it.

106. Together we're strong, together we're happy, together we're victorious! Can you see the Heavenly vision?! It's so important! What's <u>your</u> idea of the Heavenly vision? You think it's just looking ahead to Heaven, looking ahead to that day when we'll be together in My Heavenly Kingdom and all will be beauty and perfection and we'll be surrounded by love. You'll be together with all your loved ones who you've had to forsake and who you

miss, you won't have afflictions, and you won't have the same puzzles, battles and weights that you carry around today. In that day, all of this Earth will be passed away and will be made anew, and our relationship will be better than ever. Is that your idea of the Heavenly vision? Yes, that's one way, that's one part of it, the Heavenly Kingdom, the day when you'll come to Me and all will be perfect.

107. But there's more to the Heavenly vision than that, because Heaven is in your heart! Heaven is in your Home! Heaven is in each other--in your love and your unity. Heaven is in My Word. Heaven is in the prophecies you receive, My living Word that I put in your mouth and that you speak, which gives you life and strength and power. Heaven is in your sexual sharing. Heaven is in your honest communication. Heaven is in your teamworking. Heaven is in your loving shepherding of each other. Heaven is when you lift the other up, when you're touched with the feelings and the heartaches and heartbreaks of another, and you're moved with compassion to forget about yourself and what you wanted to do at that moment--what you thought needed to get done--and you stop to lift up your brother who's in need. All of this is Heaven!

108. So if you want the strength and the power and the vision and the vigor that comes from keeping the Heavenly vision, it's not only looking to that glorious day when we'll be together in My Kingdom, but it's also Heaven in your heart right now. It's Heaven in your Home today when you feel the wonder of My love as you love Me intimately, as you say those love words to Me that I put in your heart, as you love Me together with another.--That is Heaven!

109. 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!

110. So in this coming year if you're tempted to be discouraged or get down, to feel like it's just too much, that maybe you've reached the end of your rope and you've just battled too long, and you're weary and you wonder whether or not somebody else could do your job--then remember that it's the Heavenly vision that will give you strength! It's the Heavenly vision that will bring back that spark and that inspiration, that will refresh your spirit! All of these are ways that you can keep your eyes on the Heavenly vision, that you can be reminded of My love and My presence and My constant care in your life.

111. Heaven is My love! Heaven is My Word! Heaven is your Home and your precious brethren and your king and queen and the supply of all your needs. All of this is part of Heaven! Heaven isn't just the end of the road; it isn't just when you finally finish the job here on this Earth and we're together in the Heavenly Kingdom--that's just part of Heaven. Do you think that I would keep something as wonderful as Heaven all to Myself, all that time, and not share it with you?! Oh, no! I like to give you Heaven every day, every moment! It's part of My love gift to you, My precious brides, because you please Me so. Because you've given Me everything and all that My heart desires, I give you Heaven in return--not just in the future, but today! Now, this very moment, I hand you Heaven!

112. You're My Heavenly lovers, and you live in Heavenly bliss! I'm your Heavenly Husband and I want you to keep the Heavenly vision!

Apotheon - arch-demon of failure and ruin

61. ***(Jesus:)*** **I will reveal to you another spirit that has been hindering you that you must also rid yourselves of through the power of the keys,** before you can fully be free to do My will in this area. His is the realm of poverty and beggary, slothfulness in matters of business. He is the arch-demon of failure and ruin.

62. This evil spirit attacks both those of the world and My children. He especially fights you, My Endtime brides. He seeks to convince those who could have the best that they should settle for second best. He screams lying vanities in order to convince those who are handicapped in some way or who suffer loss that they are ruined and that they should give up and accept the low state they are in. He uses your natural weaknesses and the difficult situations you find yourselves in and plays upon them, magnifying them. He also works hard to convince you that you are comfortable where you are, that what you have is okay, that you shouldn't have to work to change anything, that it won't work anyway, and why bother, because it's not really necessary. He fights your faith and clouds your outlook and vision for My supply and the possibilities I lay before you.

63. ***(Channel:)*** **I'm seeing this demon that's shaped like a big weight, very broad and heavy on the bottom, with two sets of arms.** With one set of arms he is pressing down on his prey, trying to keep them sinking lower and lower. Each time they sink lower he tries to make them very comfortable in their current position, so they won't want to climb out of it. And with the other set of arms he's shielding their eyes so that they can't look up, almost as if to convince them that there's nothing up there, or they shouldn't look up, it's too high for them.

64. He continues to push down on them, and then repositions things to make them comfortable in their current state. He is extremely heavy himself. His whole power is his weight and the weight he places on his victims. Each time they accept a lower standard or lower position, he loosens the weight a bit, trying to make them comfortable, and then slowly begins pushing again, until they are again sinking even lower.

65. ***(Jesus:)*** **This demon, Apotheon, works alongside Satan within one of the highest echelons and domains of netherworld power and importance--that of destroying faith.** He goes about the earth to and fro amongst the children of men weakening and undermining faith, courage, and hope; seeking always to press down, to push down, to oppress, to cover the eyes of those who would turn them upward toward Me where there is light, hope, and growth, and where there is always forward movement. He seeks to suffocate and weigh down man's spirit and will to fight on, to rise above circumstances and conditions; thus his domain is one of poverty, failure, and ruin.

66. Many amongst those who know Me not fall prey to his powers and suffocating weight, but with a vengeance and diabolical mission--and as Satan's personal apostle--does he seek after My Endtime brides with an unrivaled evil intent.

67. His grip is like unto that of a python--suffocating and paralyzing. He seeks to paralyze people's faith, so there is no movement, no forward motion, no vision, no desire or ability to rise above or change things for the better, no desire to fulfill My plan or perfect will. The coldness you experienced [while seeing the vision] is indicative of what happens when Apotheon's weight is heavy upon you and your faith is slowly drained from you--you lose your fire, your heat, and your drive, because faith fuels your fire!

68. This one's power is akin to that of lethargy, but his domain and dominion goes beyond even that of lethargy, because he strikes at the core--the heart and spirit of man--where faith abides. His power and poison are particularly devastating and life-threatening, striking even My Own, My Endtime brides.

69. The antidote to drive this demon far from you?--Exposure, rebuking him by name, calling upon the power of the keys, and militantly going on the attack through feeding and fueling your faith with My Word, obeying My Word, putting on My mind, and putting your faith into action!

70. ***(Mama:)*** **As soon as I heard this evil one's name, the word "apathy" came to my mind.** Apathy is defined as "lack of enthusiasm or energy, lack of interest in anything, or the absence of any wish to do anything." When asking the Lord if this word has to do with Apotheon, He said:

71. ***(Jesus:)*** **Yes, this evil spirit is definitely the power behind the depression of spirit that is apathy.** He takes credit for the very sad, hopeless state of man when he is apathetic. When man has no drive, no energy, no vision, no hope of change, no initiative to take action and make things better for himself or others; when he becomes past feeling, to the point of being dead in spirit and mind, without any forward movement, paralyzed in complacency, this is the work of Apotheon. (3400:167-189)

Our spirit help:

72. ***(Angel:)*** **My name is Arcothon**. I have come to see you through this Time of the End and to teach you the art of **warfare.** You wonder why my name sounds so familiar to Apotheon. I am Apotheon's archenemy, the warrior angel designed to defeat Apotheon.

73. Arcothon is my name, for I fight through fire. I fight through the words that the Master gives me, and I turn them into fireballs that fight **and defeat him.** Apotheon is the archdemon of apathy, laziness, waiting, sitting, dragging down, draining the lifeblood out of you. You know the various manifestations of Apotheon, but you do not know my manifestations.

74. I am the opposite of Apotheon. I am fire, I am attacking, I am fight! I am a warring angel designed to fight; that is all I do. I fight through the weapon of prayer, of prophecy, of the keys, of hearing my Master's instructions, and of casting out Apotheon.

75. My Master's words are pure energy, pure light. I fight through light of the purest form. The purest energy known to man is light, yet I fight with an even greater energy, a purer energy, even purer than light. It is an energy that you do not fully comprehend as yet, for it is the energy of the power of God. This is the energy that runs through my body and through my veins and out my hands when I fight. I do not fight with conventional weaponry, with swords; I fight with pure energy, missiles of pure energy that nothing and no one can defeat!

76. Yea, you children of David can defeat Satan himself, and in time, the Spirit of God flowing through all of you collectively will win a great and mighty victory. All you need to do is to learn how to become a clean receptacle and a conduit of the power of God, and enough of it will flow through you that nothing on Earth will stand before you. For nothing of Earth can stand before even a small portion of the power of God.

77. So that is what you need to do: Allow me to help teach you to open yourself more to the power of God. Receive my help, allow me to teach you the art of war. Let our wonderful Husband, the King of the universe, the Source of all power, possess you. That is being a conduit of the power of God.

78. I am not the power; I am only a teacher to teach those who want to learn how to become a conduit. And once you link up with the Master, the Holy Ghost power will flow through you in unparalleled measure, and you will feel the power of the Spirit of God flowing through you.

79. This is the art of war, and it is this full possession by our Master, King of the universe, Holder of the powers, Source of the power, that will cause you to be effective in your warfare and become an unstoppable, unbeatable source

7. ***(Jesus speaking:)*** **There are always weak areas of your life where I call upon you to be strong, that My strength may be made perfect through you.** I understand these weaknesses, for I too felt them when I walked the Earth in My physical body. I know the human frame and its tendencies, and I understand the difficulties you face in looking at life ahead of you with all its uncertainties.

68. Living for Me and being true to the calling you've known since you were a child becomes an increasingly larger act of faith as time goes by, as things change around you--circumstances, people, the world.

69. And then there's the Enemy, always walking about as a roaring lion, competing for your soul, broadcasting the sights and sounds of this carnal world and all its supposed pleasures and liberties in ever greater volume, hoping to lure you from the still, small voice that tells you that all these things will pass away, that there is a greater Kingdom and a higher calling to which you are born, and to which your soul belongs.

70. All these things serve to get your focus off what's really happening behind the scenes in the true and all-powerful realm of the spirit. You start to forget what it's all about, what you're doing here, and what you joined the army for. You start thinking about civilian life with all its ease and benefits, where you're not constantly jostled from your comfortable position to face and endure ever-increasing challenges and tests--battles that only get more difficult, more life-threatening, and longer and tougher to fight as time goes by.

71. You start to get your eyes on each individual difficulty, on each little test, on every trying circumstance, and you forget what you're enduring these things for--because you want to be the best, because I've promised you the honor and glory of ultimate victory, because you know you have a

real chance of getting that crown if you'll just hold on and endure to the end.

72. But when you get your eyes off this vision, all you're left with are the difficulties you face from day to day. You get your nose so close to that old grindstone that pretty soon that's all that exists for you. You can't see beyond the immediate circumstances. And then the Enemy comes along with some really tempting circumstance, some really nice, profitable, convenient offer, and you just can't figure out why there's that little nagging doubt in your heart that there must be something wrong with it.

73. There have been many who have fallen prey to this device and fallen into his snare. They allowed themselves to lose the vision, to forget what they were here for, and when the Enemy came strolling along, they fell into his lap like ripe apples, ready for the picking. They didn't even realize that it was the Enemy who had been planning their defeat all along. They never saw it coming, and when all is said and done, they have a hard time seeing or realizing the great mistake they've made, the great rewards they've forsaken, the birthright they've sold for a mess of pottage.

74. So what does all this mean to you personally, and what do I mean by asking you and all My children to learn to rise above? It means I'm asking you to turn your eyes even more toward Me. It means I'm asking you to ask Me more about things that you see around you. It means I'm asking you to let go of your carnal viewpoints and perceptions of what's happening around you, and to learn to see everything happening around you as a result of the forces of the spiritual realm that are working either for or against you.

75. For you wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places. And you cannot fight these battles--or ignore them--by choosing to simply live your life from day to day dictated by the circumstances around you. You must look beyond them, to see My hand working through them, or the Enemy's hand behind them. You must discern which is which, and if it's from My hand, how I would have you use or follow it; and if it's from the Enemy, how to attack or counter it!

76. But you can't do these things in the flesh. In order to continue, in order to keep up with this next grade, it becomes necessary to do away completely with the sight and understanding and comprehension of the flesh, and learn to rely utterly and completely on Me to guide and place your every step. This you do through learning to ask Me everything, to depend utterly on My Spirit, and to not make a move without first checking it with Me

You also are so tired--tired of the same problems, the same faces, the same responsibilities. You're tired of living behind the scenes with the restrictions. Oh, the depression that comes over you when you look into the future and feel that you'll be doing the same thing with the same people for years to come.

54. You dwell on the fact that this Family is built on witnessing, soul-winning. You recall the fire that burned in your heart when you first joined the Family--the utter dedication, the passion, the driving motivation that compelled you to jump up each morning to memorize, review, and prepare to hit the streets! You reminisce about the good ol' days when you had what seemed like endless energy to do My will. You feel you've lost it all--the vision, the drive, the feeling of going forward. You're floating aimlessly, just putting in the hours, doing your job, but out of duty rather than inspiration. You feel you're being a hypocrite--all the while encouraging others to stick, when you yourself want to desert your post.

55. Desert your post? Does this sound rather extreme to you? After all, isn't this the day of the Charter, the day of choices, the day when there are lots of people trying new ministries and finding new callings for their lives? You feel you've done your time, you've given it your best shot, and you're actually entertaining the thought that it's possibly My will for you to do something else. You wonder if you've come to the end of this chapter of your life, and if it's time to turn the page, to begin again.

56. I don't fault you for wondering about that, for that's a natural conclusion for someone in your weak state. But I am here to tell you plainly, clearly, in no uncertain terms, that you are now in My perfect will. You're exactly where I want you to be. You have not come to the end of the road in WS. I'm not the one who is putting this desire for radical change on your heart. It's not My voice that's telling you that you can't do it anymore, that you shouldn't even be expected to do it anymore. I'm not reminding you of all the years you've served Dad and Mama, and now Mama and Peter, and making you feel like that's enough, that you've done your reasonable service, all that can be expected. I'm not the one who's tempting you to leave your plow in search of something else. I'm not the one who's enticing you to desert your post.

57. This is a war, and there's no discharge in this army. You're under attack! You've been on the front lines, advancing, leading the troops, gaining victories for years. You've been a tried-and-proven, trusted officer. But now you've put down your weapon, turned off your radio, and you're wondering why you're injured, why you're being

overrun by the Enemy, why you've been taken captive.

58. Right now you're a prisoner of war, a P.O.W. The Enemy has taken control of many of your thoughts, and he's torturing you. He's starving you, depriving you of your basic needs, and he's waiting for you to crack, to break, and to give up and die. He hates you with a vicious hatred, and he's laughing, overjoyed, gloating in pride that he's finally brought you to your knees.

59. This is no small thing. This is no little feeling of being stressed or pressured and needing a change, an experience that you can approach casually and talk about and toy with. This is not a little attack that will pass eventually, or that you don't need to worry about much even if it doesn't pass. This is a vicious assault on your life! This is the biggest, most aggressive attack the Enemy has ever waged against you personally. This is his all-out, full frontal, no-holds-barred attempt to kill you--not physically, but spiritually. He won't be happy until you're all the way out. He won't give up until you've become a terrible testimony, a reproach to the cause, a deserter, an enemy.

60. You're astounded at these words, even offended. You're saying at this moment, "I'd never do that! Never! I love the Family! I love Mama and Peter! I love the Word! How can You even insinuate such a thing?!" I'll tell you how I can say that--because it's the truth. I have to open your eyes to the spiritual warfare and show you that this isn't a result of your situation. You're not having these feelings because of your legitimate "reasons." You're not justified in your backsliding thoughts because of your valid circumstances.

61. I sympathize with you; things have been rough. You've passed through a dry spell. You've been under pressure, and the battles you've faced have been relentless. All that is true. But what is not true, legitimate and right are the conclusions you've drawn.

62. You've allowed the Enemy to come in through your thoughts--first in small ways, but then you've opened a bigger and bigger channel to his broadcast. Until now you've become dulled to where you can no longer recognize when it's his lies and when it's a legitimate point, something that should be entertained and voiced. The longer you've gone on in this state, the more dull and insensitive you've become to his attacks. That's why I have to clarify things for you in terms that are shocking.

63. You need the shock treatment! You need to see that you're in danger! You need to wake up! You need to seek Me in fear and trembling, seeing the seriousness of the situation.

It's only when you start to focus on all your struggles, all your battles and your pain that they actually become a problem. When you have the time on your hands and you find yourself sinking lower and lower into self then you need to get busy doing something for others. Stop thinking so hard about yourself. If you can't seem to pull out of it ...work on some compilations, do some editing, get a prophecy for someone, pray for someone who is way less fortunate... like Gentille, Andrew's lady, Stas, Annlaya and her mom, Kori with all her battles, even your own siblings out in the world who are also struggling. There is so much need you don't really have the time to be focusing on yourself and your trials. Even if you feel there's nothing you can do there's always someone to pray for... you have people out there who need the word too. Prayer works, but how can you really help these people if you're so busy focusing on what you personally want and desire. It's not practical for what we want to do, and what you need to do while there on Earth. Get up again now, and honey don't waste more time being condemned it's just a lesson you need to get down. And this past round has really hurt your pride, so allow it to soften you and humble you. You aren't perfect, but now it's in your face and you know you cannot spend anymore time down there. So here's my hand and the keys of resilience let's go on darling.