

A dramatic sunset or sunrise over the ocean. The sky is filled with dark, heavy clouds, with a bright glow of light breaking through near the horizon. The sun is low on the horizon, casting a golden light across the water and the sky. The waves are visible in the foreground, and the overall scene is serene and powerful.

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THE POWER SOURCE OF THE UNIVERSE LIES IN GOD'S WORD

“Let no corrupt word proceed out of your mouth, but what is good for necessary edification, that it may impart grace to the hearers. And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption”. Isn't that tremendous? We are sealed with the Holy Spirit of God! “Let all bitterness, wrath, anger, clamor, and evil speaking be put away from you, with all malice. And be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God in Christ forgave you. Therefore be imitators of God as dear children. And walk in love, as Christ also has loved us and given Himself for us, an offering and a sacrifice to God for a sweet-smelling aroma.” Ephesians 4:29-5:2 (NKJV)

In Paul's letter to the Ephesians, he continues to write about the things God wants us to stop doing as well. What God's Word is really talking to us about today is being conformed into His image, His likeness. God wants to establish His kingdom, and *“...the kingdom of God is within you.”* Luke 17:21 (NKJV) It is within your heart, and your midst. Kingdom is KING-meaning royal, DOM-meaning dominion. ROYAL DOMINION!

Jesus said, *“But if I cast out demons by the Spirit of God, surely the kingdom of God has come upon you.”* Matthew 12:28 (NKJV)

In religion is it all carnality, or “in the sweet by and by”. However, in a true relationship with God everything He wants for us is spiritual, and it is available here and it is now. It's a NOW thing! *“...and of His kingdom there will be no end.”* Luke 1:33 (NKJV) That is the real difference between “religion” and “spirituality”. It is about getting ahold of the things of God.

THE NEW CREATION IS REAL

“Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new.” 2 Corinthians 5:17 (NKJV) We are all a new creation in Christ Jesus. It is a finished work, and everything is finished, all the way from Genesis to Revelation. That is why Christ came, the second Adam, to regain everything that was lost. EVERYTHING!

“And so it is written, “The first man Adam became a living being.” The last Adam became a life-giving spirit.” 1 Corinthians 15:45 (NKJV)

“In conclusion, be strong in the Lord [be empowered through your union with Him]; draw your strength from Him [that strength which His boundless might provides]”. Ephesians 6:10 (AMPC) God desires for us to have all the power and strength He has. Jesus said, “... All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth...” Matthew 28:18 (KJV) Then the Word of God also says, we are heirs of God, and joint heirs with Christ. (Romans 8:17) Therefore, by renewing our mind through the Word of God, we come into this new creation where old things are passed away and behold all things have become new. It is NOW that we are moving into another kingdom, another dimension! Ultimately what God wants, is each and every person connected into Him.

“The secret [of the sweet, satisfying companionship] of the Lord have they who fear (revere and worship) Him, and He will show them His covenant and reveal to them its [deep, inner] meaning.” Psalms 25:14 (AMPC) A sweet satisfying companionship with God! We all need that! The Word of God further says, “...this is eternal life: [it means] to know (to perceive, recognize, become acquainted with, and understand) You, the only true and real God, and [likewise] to know Him, Jesus [as the] Christ (the Anointed One, the Messiah), Whom You have sent.” John 17:3 (AMPC) The greatest thing we will ever experience in life is to KNOW Him.

YOU HAVE AN ENEMY! YOUR ENEMY IS THE DEVIL!

“Put on God’s whole armor [the armor of a heavy-armed soldier which God supplies], that you may be able successfully to stand up against [all] the strategies and the deceits of the devil.” Ephesians 6:11 (AMPC)

“Therefore submit to God. Resist the devil and he will flee from you. Draw near to God and He will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners; and purify your hearts, you double-minded.” James 4:7-8 (NKJV) See it is a simple mathematical formula here, SUBMITTING TO GOD + RESISTING THE DEVIL= A FLEEING DEVIL! *“Therefore gird up the loins of*

your mind, be sober, and rest your hope fully upon the grace that is to be brought to you at the revelation of Jesus Christ;” 1 Peter 1:13 (NKJV)

“that you may be mindful of the words which were spoken before by the holy prophets, and of the commandment of us, the apostles of the Lord and Savior,” 2 Peter 3:2 (NKJV) If our minds are full the Word of God, then we are not easily persuaded by the enemy’s lies.

“Be angry, and do not sin”: do not let the sun go down on your wrath, nor give place to the devil.” Ephesians 4:26-27 (NKJV)

“For where envying and strife is, there is confusion and every evil work.” James 3:16 (KJV) We must realize when this happens (envying and strife) that we are moving into the devil’s kingdom, and out of God’s kingdom. We are coming into union with the devil more than with God. After all, we are products of our own environments.

“For we are not wrestling with flesh and blood [contending only with physical opponents], but against the despotisms, against the powers, against [the master spirits who are] the world rulers of this present darkness, against the spirit forces of wickedness in the heavenly (supernatural) sphere.” Ephesians 6:12 (AMPC) We must see that in our relationship with God, we are wrestling. The word *wrestle* here in the Greek is *palé* (Strong’s #3823) and means wrestling, a wrestling bout; hence: a struggle, fight, conflict, contest.

Wrestling takes every bit of energy we have; spiritually and oftentimes physically! We are wrestling with the devil and he does not want us to ever be conformed into the image of God’s Son. (Romans 8:29) He specifically invented “religion” to keep people in that bondage (the bondage of “religion”). Therefore, Jesus told the scribes and pharisees (i.e. the religious people); *“... ye compass sea and land to make one proselyte, and when he is made, ye make him twofold more the child of hell than yourselves.”* Matthew 23:15 (KJV) We begin to see how the enemy could not beat the church, so he had to join it. I am talking to you

about the enemy's playground, and where he really works. The devil does not want anyone to progress, rather it is his will that people begin to regress through oppression!

PUTTING ON GOD'S COMPLETE ARMOR

"Therefore put on God's complete armor," (we must do this) "that you may be able to resist and stand your ground on the evil day [of danger], and, having done all [the crisis demands], to stand [firmly in your place]. Ephesians 6:13 (AMPC)

We have a warning here in 1 Peter: *"Therefore humble yourselves under the mighty hand of God, that He may exalt you in due time, casting all your care upon Him, for He cares for you. Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil walks about like a roaring lion, seeking whom he may devour. Resist him, steadfast in the faith, knowing that the same sufferings are experienced by your brotherhood in the world."* (That is powerful isn't it?) *"But may the God of all grace, who called us to His eternal glory by Christ Jesus, after you have suffered a while, perfect, establish, strengthen, and settle you."* 1 Peter 5:6-10 (NKJV)

Then, James tells us, *"Therefore submit to God. Resist the devil and he will flee from you."* James 4:7 (NKJV) **SUBMIT TO GOD, RESIST THE DEVIL, AND HE WILL FLEE.** Do you know what that word flee means? It means to run with terror! Isn't that amazing? Sometimes we forget just how much dominion and power God has given us.

ANXIETY IS ADVANCED WORRY OR FEAR

"Do not fret or have any anxiety about anything, but in every circumstance and in everything, by prayer and petition (definite requests), with thanksgiving, continue to make your wants known to God." Philippians 4:6 (AMPC)

We must learn to cast our cares over on to Him. This is not like a fishing pole where you cast your cares on God and then reel them back. If we do not hand them over to Him, there is nothing He can do with them. When

we worry about things repeatedly, we lose our peace, and our joy, because we are caught up in things that we do not need to be caught up in. We are caught up in these things BECAUSE we have not completely given them over to God.

People use to tell me, “You are in denial”. They told me this because I refused to get all freaked about things that would happen. I would then tell them, “No, I just see something that you do not see. I am looking at the promises of God, and I am going to stand strong. I do not have a “plan B”, because plan B is unbelief!” When people begin saying things like, “Well, if God doesn’t do this, then I’m going to do this.” That is when they are in unbelief. With this mindset, they might as well have a plan B. No, we must stand firm.

THE FIRST STEP OF FAITH

Casting our cares on God is foolishness to the world; but it is the first step of faith. That is why the Amplified bible oftentimes refers to trust as, “trusting in, relying on, and leaning on”. Trusting fully in Him is our first step of faith. Are we really going to trust God with this circumstance? Can God really handle this for me?

“For we walk by faith, not by sight.” 2 Corinthians 5:7 (NKJV) “... we do not look at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen...” 2 Corinthians 4:18 (NKJV) This is why we need a vision from God. We need a hope from God. And then we need to stand on the things of God!! “Therefore do not cast away your confidence, which has great reward. For you have need of endurance, so that after you have done the will of God, you may receive the promise:” Hebrews 10:35-36 (NKJV)

To receive the promise, we must do what the promise is calling you to do, right? This promise is calling us to do the will of God. Remember, “...*in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God.*” Philippians 4:6 (NKJV) Which this means you need to have a thanksgiving party. In addition to this, “... *whatever things are true, whatever things are noble, whatever*

things are just, whatever things are pure, whatever things are lovely, whatever things are of good report, if there is any virtue and if there is anything praiseworthy—meditate on these things.” Philippians 4:8 (NKJV) Right? We must think on the good things. Good things are all around us, but we must chose to think about them. We cannot continue to think about what people have done to us- for love, “...takes no account of the evil done to it [it pays no attention to a suffered wrong].” 1Corinthians 13:5 (AMPC) This is all part of spiritual maturity.

If we are concerned about what people say about us, chances are we probably will not get very far with God. If Jesus had been concerned about what people were saying about Him, He would have never fulfilled what God had called Him to do either.

Now, let’s go back. “*Therefore do not cast away your confidence, which has great reward. For you have need of endurance, so that after you have done the will of God, you may receive the promise: For yet a little while, And He who is coming will come and will not tarry. Now the just shall live by faith;*” (Now how are we supposed to live? We live by faith!) “*but if anyone draws back, My soul has no pleasure in him. But we are not of those who draw back to perdition, but of those who believe to the saving of the soul.*” Hebrews 10:35-39 (NKJV)

FIGHTING THE GOOD FIGHT OF FAITH

We have all heard the saying, “Another level, another devil.” This is so true, for every time you graduate in God, there is going to be something bigger. David battled the lion, the bear, and then the giant. It didn’t even stop with one giant, there were multiple giants fought. [For more information on this topic please request the pamphlet: Defeating Giants in the Earth]. This is true for all of us, every battle gets bigger. There is no “happyville” in the realm of the spirit. We must take responsibility of your own actions. It is spiritual immaturity that blames other people.

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day [of danger], and, having done all [the crisis demands], to stand [firmly in your place]. Stand therefore [hold your ground], having tightened the belt of truth around your loins and having put on the breastplate of integrity and of moral rectitude and right standing with God" Ephesians 6:13-14 (AMPC) We must keep wear this breastplate constantly, and understand what it is. He has MADE us in right standing with Him! Isn't that amazing? Integrity is lost in the body of Christ today.

**WHEN WE STAND AGAINST THE ENEMY AND WE ARE RESISTING,
WHATEVER HE IS BRINGING UPON US, AND THAT REALLY WORKS**

Now, think about this, *"how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power, who went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with Him."* Acts 10:38 (NKJV)

So, the enemy was there in the days of Jesus oppressing people just as he is today, however there was healing available to all those who were oppressed by the devil, right? Nothing has changed.

Now think about this. My bible says there is, *"one God and Father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in you all."* Ephesians 4:6 (NKJV) Isn't that right? Jesus is our example, and we are to follow in His footsteps. (1 Peter 2:21)

Why do you suppose that Jesus said in Luke, *"The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he hath anointed me to preach the gospel to the poor; he hath sent me to heal the brokenhearted, to preach deliverance to the captives, and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty them that are bruised, To preach the acceptable year of the Lord."* Luke 4:18-19 (KJV)

It is God who has anointed every one of us! And what is this anointing for? This special anointing from God is for the purpose of setting captives free and recovering sight to the blind in natural and the spiritual realm. There is more spiritual blindness today than anything else. People do not want to believe that the enemy is still doing the same work he has always

done, deceiving people. If we begin to believe the lies of the enemy, then they (the lies) will begin to manifest in our lives. If we say what the enemy is saying about us and to us, after a while we will begin to believe his lies. Therefore, we must have the Word of God to stand against his (the devil's) lies.

“... be not slothful, but followers of them who through faith and patience inherit the promises.” Hebrews 6:12 (KJV) What do they inherit? They inherit the promises. We must understand the concept of this. Here in Romans we read of the faith of our father Abraham who, “... *not being weak in faith, he did not consider his own body, already dead (since he was about a hundred years old), and the deadness of Sarah's womb.*” Romans 4:19 (NKJV) What made Abraham so strong in faith? It was that the mountains facing him in the natural realm were not even a consideration for he was fully persuaded of God's promises! Without a shadow of doubt this man was strong in faith! Abraham possessed the faith of God, believing in the promise of God. *“Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord and in the power of His might.”* Ephesians 6:10 (NKJV)

IT IS NOT OK TO BELIEVE THE ENEMY'S LIES

We have a strong warning here in Hebrews regarding unbelief. *“Beware, brethren, lest there be in any of you an evil heart of unbelief in departing from the living God”* Hebrews 3:12 (NKJV) If we are in unbelief we are moving away from God. However, if we want to move into God we will pray and seek, He is going to tell us, **“I MADE YOU ACCEPTED IN THE BELOVED!** (Ephesians 1:6) Right? Isn't it time to jump back into your Daddy's arms and do it all over again?

The idea is, sometimes we must get a vision of how God looks at us. We are all in constant warfare, and if we begin to believe the enemy, it will be according to our believing. The enemy can tell us that we are sick, but that is a lie! Whose report are we going to believe? It is not OK to believe the lie of the enemy. We need to believe what God says about us. Satan is the accuser of the brethren. Not only does he accuse us, but he accuses us before God night and day. (Revelation 12:10) However, we have an

advocate (1 John 2:1) that stands there, and He (Jesus) says; nope, I made him accepted in the Beloved (Ephesians 1:6). There is nothing there that stands between you and God, EVER! *“If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.”* 1 John 1:9 (NKJV)

I am trying to get back to simplicity here and show you what is happening in people’s lives daily, because we are in a greater warfare than ever before. We are going to see greater manifestations of demon forces than ever before, but at the same time, the world is going to be crying out for deliverance like never before. There is an hour coming, and people are seeking deliverance.

EVERYBODY THAT HAS THE BAPTISM OF THE HOLY SPIRIT HAS THE POWER TO HEAL AND DELIVER

Ok now back to Ephesians. *“And having shod your feet in preparation [to face the enemy with the firm-footed stability, the promptness, and the readiness produced by the good news] of the Gospel of peace.”* Ephesians 6:15 (AMPC) So, how are we supposed to face this enemy? We face him with the good news, right? The Gospel is the good news!

When people say, “oh I’m just a sinner saved by grace”, that is a lie! You are born of God, and you cannot sin. Right? *“No one born (begotten) of God [deliberately, knowingly, and habitually] practices sin, for God’s nature abides in him [His principle of life, the divine sperm, remains permanently within him]; and he cannot practice sinning because he is born (begotten) of God.”* 1 John 3:9 (AMPC) YOU CANNOT SIN! *“Blessed is the man who the Lord will not impute sin.”* Romans 4:8 (KJV) *“As far as the east is from the west, so far has He removed our transgressions from us.”* Psalms 103:12 (NKJV). Think about this for a moment, if you get in an airplane and begin flying east you will always go east, right?

Now going back to Ephesians, think about this: *“... [to face the enemy with the firm-footed stability, the promptness, and the readiness produced by the good news] of the Gospel of peace.”* See there is only one way we can

get the victory, and that is through the Word of God. The enemy is going to come along and accuse you, but you have already been accepted in the beloved, (Ephesians 1:5-6) and you are already washed in the blood of Jesus. Jesus has made you righteous. *"... from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn from the dead, and the ruler over the kings of the earth. To Him who loved us and washed us from our sins in His own blood,"* Revelation 1:5 (NKJV)

"Let your character or moral disposition be free from love of money [including greed, avarice, lust, and craving for earthly possessions] and be satisfied with your present [circumstances and with what you have]; for He [God] Himself has said, I will not in any way fail you nor give you up nor leave you without support." THIS IS GOD TALKING TO US! *"[I will] not, [I will] not, [I will] not in any degree leave you helpless nor forsake nor let [you] down (relax My hold on you)! [Assuredly not!]"* Hebrews 13:5 (AMPC) ARE YOU GETTING THIS? NOTHING CAN SEPARATE US FROM THE LOVE OF GOD WHICH IS IN CHRIST JESUS! God will love you all the way to hell, but He will NEVER quit loving you, even if you quit loving Him.

Now think about this; *"So we take comfort and are encouraged and confidently and boldly say, The Lord is my Helper; I will not be seized with alarm [I will not fear or dread or be terrified]. What can man do to me?"* Hebrews 13:6 (AMPC)

When the enemy comes to accuse us, we can say; *"The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? The Lord is the strength of my life..."* Isn't that good? *"...of whom shall I be afraid?"* Psalms 27:1 (NKJV)

WE TAKE THE SWORD OF THE SPIRIT, WHICH IS THE WORD OF GOD

We take the sword of the Spirit, which is the Word of God, right? When we have the sword of the Spirit, we can boldly ask the enemy things like, "What are you going to do to me?" And "just who do you think you are?" I love it when the enemy asks me, "Who do you think you are?" Then I can respond, "Well, how much time do you have devil?" We can preach to him for hours about who we are! Right? We are ambassadors for Christ

Jesus! We have a whole list of who we are in Christ printed out here. Just request it and we will send it to you.

“When the wicked came against me to eat up my flesh, my enemies and foes, they stumbled and fell. Though an army may encamp against me, my heart shall not fear, though war may rise against me, in this I will be confident. One thing I have desired of the Lord, that will I seek: that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the Lord, and to inquire in His temple.” David is speaking of that heavenly temple, right? Think about it. *“For in the time of trouble He shall hide me in His pavilion; in the secret place of His tabernacle He shall hide me; He shall set me high upon a rock. ⁶ And now my head shall be lifted up above my enemies all around me; therefore, I will offer sacrifices of joy in His tabernacle; I will sing, yes, I will sing praises to the Lord.”* Psalms 27:2-6 (NKJV)

Just how do we enter His courts? *“Enter into His gates with thanksgiving, And into His courts with praise...”* Psalm 101:4 (NKJV) Yes, we enter into His courts with praise! That is good stuff isn't it? That was David's attitude about the whole thing. You see God has blessed us with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly realm. (Ephesians 1:3) This is exactly why David could say, *“I foresaw the Lord always before my face...”* Acts 2:25 (NKJV) We are in the tabernacle of David. Everybody needs to get a hold of this. We are in this place! *“If then you were raised with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ is, sitting at the right hand of God. Set your mind on things above, not on things on the earth. For you died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God.”* Colossians 3:1-3 (NKJV)

One time this lady came into my tent during a service with a broken leg and she said, “God broke my leg.” WHAT? So, I said, “if I took a bat and broke my son's leg, (who was sitting right next to her) would you think I really loved him?” Come on, really? Even when we feel we are so full of the love of God; we cannot even compare to His goodness. God would never break our legs no more than we would break our children's legs.

His love goes far beyond the love that we have for our children; it is boundless.

Going back to Ephesians. *“Lift up over all the [covering] shield of saving faith...”* Now think about that; the covering shield of saving faith. *“...upon which you can quench all the flaming missiles of the wicked [one].”* Ephesians 6:16 (AMPC) We can quench all of them!

“But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.” 1 Corinthians 15:57 (NKJV)

“Now thanks be unto God, which always causeth us to triumph in Christ, and maketh manifest the savour of his knowledge by us in every place.” 2 Corinthians 2:14 (KJV)

WE ARE MORE THAN CONQUERORS IN EVERY SITUATION

“Nay, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him that loved us.” Romans 8:37 (KJV) The phrase here more than conquerors in the Greek is the explosive word: *hupernikaō* (pronounced hoop-er-nik-ah'-o) which means to vanquish beyond, i.e., gain a decisive victory: more than conquer, to gain a surpassing victory! This indicates that we, as the children of God; the Royal Seed of Abraham, are beyond victorious. We are super-victorious!

Sometimes we must rehearse these things in our minds, and remember we ARE more than conquerors, and there is nothing the enemy can come against us with. Is there anything too hard for God? (Genesis 18:14) NO!

“Little children, you are of God [you belong to Him] and have [already] defeated and overcome them [the agents of the antichrist], because He Who lives in you is greater (mightier) than he who is in the world.” 1 John 4:4 (AMPC)

We have already overcome them, all the agents of the antichrist! God has already given us the surpassing victory through our Lord Jesus Christ! You are more than conquerors! More than, that is powerful! WOW! There

isn't anything that can even compare. Greater is He that is in us than he that is in the world!

When the disciples came back and said to Jesus, *"Lord, even the demons are subject to us in Your name."* Luke 10:17 (NKJV) Jesus responded to them by saying, *"... I saw Satan fall like lightning from heaven. Behold, I give you the authority to trample on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy, and nothing shall by any means hurt you. Nevertheless do not rejoice in this, that the spirits are subject to you, but rather rejoice because your names are written in heaven."* Luke 10:18-20 (NKJV) Remember when Jesus came back in His glorified body, He told His disciples, *"All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth..."* Then what did He say? *"Go ye therefore..."* Matthew 28:18-19 (KJV) Now, do we see that? The power was His, and He gave it to them and said... "GO"! He has given it to us too, and we can go in the power of His might! Dominion has now been restored back to man.

We must continue to exercise this. It is like if you do not use your muscles by exercising them, they become weak. It is the same in the realm of the spirit. *"...the kingdom of heaven suffereth violence, and the violent take it by force."* Matthew 11:12 KJV) We must take it by force. We take it by force using the Sword of the Spirit!

OUR WEAPONS OF WARFARE ARE NOT CARNAL BUT MIGHTY THROUGH GOD TO THE PULLING DOWN OF ALL STRONGHOLDS

We must get violent with this whole program. We must realize we do have an enemy, (an unseen enemy) and the weapons God has given us are, *"... weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty through God to the pulling down of strong holds;") Casting down imaginations, and every high thing that exalteth itself against the knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of ..."* Every thought is brought to the obedience of what? *"...Christ"* 2 Corinthians 10:4-5 (KJV) In other words, Christ meaning the written Word. That is the way I would put this, the Living Word and the written Word. Now think about this, every thought brought captive. In other words, we cannot let our minds

run away with imaginations that are contrary to the written Word. Those are vain imaginations, right?

“Because that, when they knew God, they glorified him not as God, neither were thankful; but became vain in their imaginations, and their foolish heart was darkened.” Romans 1:21 (KJV) This is not where any of us want to be in our thought process.

Therefore, our weapons of warfare are not carnal, but MIGHTY through God to the pulling down of strongholds. So, what are the strongholds we need to get rid of? The strongholds are the thoughts that the enemy has put in our minds which are exalting themselves against the knowledge of God. The devil is not all present and all knowing, but he can put strongholds in our mind that will last the rest of our life if we do not deal with them. That is why we need to RENEW our minds with the Word of God.

“... be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind...” Romans 12:2 (KJV) When we begin to read His Word we are conformed less to the vain imaginations of carnal thinking, and instead we are now in unison with who we really are in the Word of God! This really is who we are! We are what the Word of God says we are. He says, we are sons of God; so, we are! He says we are blessed with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly realm, so we are! This is all because God’s Word says so, that’s it! That is how powerful it is. When we then begin to speak His Word, our life is programed by what we say. We are prophesying our own destinies. We are where we are because of what we been prophesying.

Again, let’s go back to Ephesians. *“Lift up over all the [covering] shield of saving faith, upon which you can quench all the flaming missiles of the wicked [one].”* Ephesians 6:16 (AMPC) Quenching all the flaming missiles! Wow! You see, what they would do back then, is light arrows on fire and shoot them. That is why they were called flaming missiles. Now think about this; we can quench ALL the flaming missiles. Yes, every flaming

missile that the enemy can shoot at us, but we have to know the Word of God.

Satan came to Jesus and said, ***“If thou be the Son of God...”*** Matthew 4:3 (KJV) Well hello, God had already spoke from heaven and said, *“This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.”* Matthew 3:17 (KJV) Everybody heard it, and Satan was there too; he heard it as well! You know that is Satan’s favorite word; **“IF”**. IF is a word of doubt and unbelief.

REVELATION OF THE HELMET OF SALVATION

Back to Ephesians again. *“And take the helmet of salvation and the sword that the Spirit wields, which is...”* (WHAT?) *“... the Word of God.”* Ephesians 6:17 (AMPC)

We must understand something here, taking the helmet of salvation. We know that this salvation, will be revealed [for you] in the last time. *“Who are being guarded (garrisoned) by God’s power through [your] faith [till you fully inherit that final] salvation that is ready to be revealed [for you] in the last time.”* 1 Peter 1:5 (AMPC)

Jesus is our horn of salvation. *“And hath raised up a horn of salvation for us in the house of his servant David;”* Luke 1:69 (KJV)

That salvation means to be delivered from the hand of all those that hate us. Salvation is deliverance, protection, safety, and healing. *“And I heard a loud voice saying in heaven, Now is come salvation, and strength, and the kingdom of our God, and the power of his Christ: for the accuser of our brethren is cast down, which accused them before our God day and night.”* Revelation 12:10 (KJV) NOW salvation is come, and the kingdom of God and the power of His Christ!

This is going to happen very soon! It is going to come upon the people who are real believers, not the people that have the attitude of “Well, I go to church and pay fire insurance”. It is going to happen to the people who are really looking for it to happen. He will appear to them who look

for Him. Jesus has really been appearing to people radically, through the whole bible, but even more so now.

“So Christ was once offered to bear the sins of many; and unto them that look for him shall he appear the second time without sin unto salvation.” Hebrews 9:28 (KJV)

IT IS WRITTEN; THE SWORD OF THE SPIRIT IS THE WORD OF GOD

Back to Ephesians. *“and the sword that the Spirit wields, which is”* (WHAT?) *“the Word of God.”* Ephesians 6:17 (AMPC)

So, what did Jesus say to the devil? IT IS WRITTEN. *“It is written, That man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word of God.”* Luke 4:4 (KJV)

Satan was asking Jesus if He was hungry. Of course, He was He had been fasting for forty days. The idea is, that the devil will hit you at your weakest point. If you study this concept all the way through the Word of God, you will see that is where he always hits, at our weakest points. He is going to try hit us in our weakest points too. But that is a good way to tell you where we are weak. So, we better strengthen up our armors where it is getting thin, right? We better get some scriptures in us and figure out what is happening. That is how we discern the enemy. We can use his strategies against him! So, did we get this? We use the sword of the Spirit right back at him!

“And since we have the same spirit of faith, according to what is written, I believed...” We believed what? We believed the Word of God. *“... and therefore, I spoke, we also believe and therefore speak,”* 2 Corinthians 4:13 (NKJV) When we believe the Word of God, we speak the Word of God. When we Speak the Word of God, we are prophesying our destinies, and we will have the perfect will of God for our lives.

Therefore, Paul would say, *“But what saith it? The word is nigh thee, even in thy mouth, and in thy heart: that is, the word of faith, which we preach;”* Romans 10:8 (KJV) He is talking about the sword of the Spirit!

Everyone is in warfare, and the only way to fight is to use the Word of God. The people that get defeated are the people who do not believe they are in warfare; therefore, they are ignorant of the need for weaponry.

“The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly.” John 10:10 KJV Remember this is why Jesus (the Word of God) came.

Isaiah says, *“Behold, I have created the smith that bloweth the coals in the fire, and that bringeth forth an instrument for his work; and I have created the waster to destroy. No weapon that is formed against thee shall prosper; and every tongue that shall rise against thee in judgment thou shalt condemn. This is the heritage of the servants of the Lord, and their righteousness is of me, saith the Lord.”* Isaiah 54:16-17 (KJV) The waster (your adversary) was created with a purpose to destroy. He wants to destroy your faith, everything you have, and ultimately everything God has called you to be.

SATAN IS AFTER OUR MINDS

People can be in ignorance. The Bible says, *“My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge...”* Hosea 4:6 (KJV) People can be moving in things, bound by things, and can be completely unaware of what is holding them hostage. Mind control is out of proportion. Satan is after our minds. God wants our minds, but He will never control us unwillingly. We must possess Him. That is the difference. People can become possessed unknowingly by the adversary when they are not guarding their hearts with all diligence. (Proverbs 4:23)

Peter asked Ananias, *“Ananias, why has Satan filled your heart to lie to the Holy Spirit...”* Acts 5:3 (NKJV) Think about that for a moment, how could Satan fill his heart? You cannot fill a heart that is already full, right? It is when one has an empty heart that the enemy can fill it.

Back to Ephesians one last time. *“Pray at all times (on every occasion, in every season) in the Spirit, with all [manner of] prayer and entreaty. To that end keep alert and watch with strong purpose and perseverance, interceding in behalf of all the saints (God’s consecrated people).”* Ephesians 6:18 (AMPC)

The Holy Spirit is ever making intercession for the saints. *“And he that searcheth the hearts knoweth what is the mind of the Spirit, because he maketh intercession for the saints according to the will of God.”* Romans 8:27 (KJV)

Well, He is in us and if we do not pray, He is not praying through us for somebody that needs prayer. This is how it works. He is not just floating around in us so, we had better pray in the Spirit for this person or that person. That is where the blessing is; for us to pray for others, because there is no selfishness in that prayer. There is no “I, I” or “me, me” in that. *“Pray without ceasing”* 1 Thessalonians 5:17 (KJV) Jesus said, *“... men ought always to pray and not to faint”* Luke 18:1 (KJV)

STANDING IN THE GAP; MAKING UP THE HEDGE

What is prayer? Prayer is us talking to God, and God’s talking to us. We are standing in the gap and making up the hedge. We need more people doing this.

“And I sought for a man among them, that should make up the hedge, and stand in the gap before me for the land, that I should not destroy it: but I found none.” Ezekiel 22:30 (KJV)

That is sad to think about, isn’t it? See we must understand that man has the earth leased, and God has no right to move upon this planet. That is why God looked for a man that would stand in the gap and make up the hedge. Why? It is because when we begin to intercede and pray, that gives God a right to move. That is scripturally sound. God gave man, *“... dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that*

creepeth upon the earth.” Genesis 1:26 (KJV) God gave man that dominion, and the idea of that is that we need to exercise our dominion.

Son of man is God in man, working through man, in his (man’s) dominion. This is because God is IN all of us, WITH all of us, and WORKING THROUGH all of us! (Ephesians 4:6) He has always used man to establish what He wants in the earth, and it is no different today. His kingdom come, His will be done, in earth as it is in heaven. The idea of this is we must establish God’s kingdom, and everything He wants in our earthen vessels.

“But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, that the excellence of the power may be of God and not of us.” 2 Corinthians 4:7 (NKJV)

So, first we establish the kingdom of God in our vessels, or earth (pointing to myself), then we establish His kingdom in the earth around us. Those are principles of God, and this cannot be done any other way.

I go to hospitals and pray for other people and the Holy Spirit taught me that when I go to pray for a person, I pray like I were praying for myself. We should pray for that person like we would want someone to pray for us. How would we want somebody to pray for us if we were dying of cancer?

I am talking about wrestling with principalities and powers. You see Satan is, “... *the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that now worketh in the children of disobedience:*” Ephesians 2:2 (KJV).

We can come under this demonic influence very easily, and not even be aware of it. He could lead us around by our nose, and we would not even realize it, if we are not sensitive to the Holy Spirit. We must get through that demonic atmosphere, and dwell into God’s realm. Right?

“Thus saith the Lord, The heaven is my throne, and the earth is my footstool: where is the house that ye build unto me? and where is the place of my rest?” Isaiah 66:1 (KJV) It is through praise that we enter His tabernacle. Then what do we do? We speak the Word of God! It is written

for a purpose! For instance, *“Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on thee:”* Isaiah 26:3 (KJV)

YOU ARE IN A BATTLE

To fight the good fight of faith is a powerful thing. We are all in a battle. Some people will say, “I do not want to play this game”, then I will tell them, “Well you are playing anyway, and you are losing.”

It is not that hard to play, because we have got all the weaponry that we need.

“... count it all joy when you fall into various trials, knowing that the testing of your faith produces patience.” James 1:2-3 (NKJV)

Jesus (the Word of God) is our example, and we are to follow in His footsteps (1 Peter 2:21). He is an overcomer; therefore, we too are overcomers! ***“He who overcomes (is victorious), I will grant him to sit beside Me on My throne, as I Myself overcame (was victorious) and sat down beside My Father on His throne.”*** Revelation 3:21 (AMPC)

“Therefore God also has highly exalted Him and given Him the name which is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of those in heaven, and of those on earth, and of those under the earth”

Philippians 2:9-10 (NKJV)

God not only gave Jesus a **name** before which every being in three worlds shall bow and confess His Lordship but, God has given to Him a **name** which is above every **name**. Then God gave Jesus Christ the highest place in all the universe, making Him head over all things. Jesus inherited His most excellent **name** from God, and the **name of Jesus Christ** is available to us to fight our present-day battles - and win. That’s the victory! The **name of Jesus Christ** has been given to us. Have we really allowed ourselves to receive it - and all its benefits?

As believers, we are to be representatives of Jesus Christ. When we pray to God our Father in the **name of Jesus Christ**, we are exercising our God-given power of attorney. *“And whatsoever ye shall ask in my **name**, that will I do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If ye shall ask anything in my **name**, I will do it.”* John 14:13-14 (KJV)

“Jesus said to him, “I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me.” John 14:6 (NKJV)

THE POWER OF HIS NAME

Let’s look at the power we have when we use **His name**. The book of Acts in the Bible is an account of that power at work as New Testament believers accomplished great miracles using **Jesus’ name**. In the book of Acts, Peter tells the crippled man begging for money, *“Silver and gold have I none; but such as I have give I thee: In the **name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth** rise up and walk.”* Acts 3:6 (KJV) And he did!

Acts 3:16 (NKJV) tells us, *“...through faith in **His name**, has made this man strong...”*

Acts 4:12 (KJV), explains that in the wonderful **name of Jesus** there is salvation, and we receive salvation through no other **name**. *“...for there is none other **name** under heaven **given among men**, whereby we must be saved.”*

In Acts 4:7 (NKJV) the Sanhedrin asked Peter, *“...By what power or by what **name** have you done this?”* They knew there was something about that **name**, that it has power, and that Peter did not possess that power within himself only.

Moving on down we have this, *“But so that it spreads no further among the people, let us severely threaten them, that from now on they speak to no man in this **name**.”* Acts 4:17 (NKJV) The religious leaders, and officers commanded the apostles not to speak at all, nor teach in the **name** of Jesus. Why? Because of the **POWER!**

The high priest questioned Peter and the apostles after they were released from prison, “...*Did we not strictly command you not to teach in this **name**?...*” Acts 5:28 (NKJV) Then we have this recorded regarding what the religious people did to Peter and the apostles upon their release. “...*when they had called the apostles, and beaten them, they commanded that they should not speak in the **name of Jesus**, and let them go.*” Acts 5:40 (KJV) As it is written in God’s Word, men “...*have risked their lives for the **name of our Lord Jesus Christ**.*” Acts 15:26 (NKJV)

“*But when they believed Philip as he preached the things concerning the kingdom of God and the **name of Jesus Christ**, both men and women were baptized.*” Acts 8:12 (NKJV) The word ‘kingdom’ means royal dominion. Notice how the **name of Jesus Christ** is directly connected to the royal dominion of God.

BOLDNESS AS WE USE HIS NAME

“*But Barnabas took him and brought him to the apostles. And he declared to them how he had seen the Lord on the road, and that He had spoken to him, and how he had preached boldly at Damascus in the **name of Jesus**. So he was with them at Jerusalem, coming in and going out. And he spoke boldly in the **name of the Lord Jesus** and disputed against the Hellenists, but they attempted to kill him.*” Acts 9:27-29 (NKJV) Here we are shown that we are to be **BOLD** in the **name of Jesus**.

“*Now, Lord, look on their threats, and grant to Your servants that with all boldness they may speak Your word,*” Acts 4:29 (NKJV) This was a prayer the apostles prayed in Acts to have their **BOLDNESS**.

In Acts 16:18 (KJV), we read an account of devils being cast out of a girl in the **name of Jesus**, “...*But Paul, being grieved, turned and said to the spirit, I command thee in the **name of Jesus Christ** to come out of her. And he came out the same hour.*”

For Jesus said in Mark 16:17 (KJV), “*In my **name** shall they cast out devils;...*”

Jesus tells us this, *“For where two or three are gathered together in my **name**, there am I in the midst of them.”* Matthew 18:20. (KJV)

In Luke 10:17-19 (NKJV), we read how, *“...the seventy returned with joy, saying, “Lord, even the demons are subject to us in Your **name**.” And He said to them, “I saw Satan fall like lightning from heaven. Behold, I give you the authority to trample on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy, and nothing shall by any means hurt you.”*

The power in the **name of Jesus Christ** wasn't only for the early disciples nor limited only to the time when Jesus walked the earth. It's ours today for our overcoming power in every situation. Look to these examples from the Bible of the use of the mighty **name of Jesus Christ**.

Jesus said, *“...In my **name** shall they cast out devils;...”* Mark 16:17 (KJV)

In Ephesians 5:20 (KJV), we are told that we should be, *“...giving thanks always for all things unto God and the Father in the **name of our Lord Jesus Christ**.”*

They were washed (cleansed), sanctified (set apart), and justified (made innocent), all *“...in the **name of the Lord Jesus**...”* 1 Corinthians 6:11 (KJV)

Romans 10:13 (NKJV) tells us, *“For **WHOEVER** calls on the **name of the LORD** shall be saved.”*

Hebrews 13:15 (KJV) says we should offer, *“...the sacrifice of praise to God continually, that is, the fruit of our lips, giving thanks to **His name**.”*

James 5:14 (KJV) says we should be anointing the sick, *“...in the **name of the Lord**”*. Then in 1 John 3:23 (NKJV), there is great commandment for us all, that we should *“...believe on the **name of His Son Jesus Christ**, and love one another...”* We must BELIEVE in the **name of Jesus Christ** and the power therein - not because this booklet says so, but because the Word of God says so!

The Bible tells us in John 16:23 (KJV), “... *Whatsoever ye shall ask the Father in My **name**, He will give it to you.*” This one scripture alone gives the BELIEVER the right to use the **name of Jesus Christ** while Jesus stands as mediator for us with a direct line to Father God, interceding our petition to God.

BAPTISM IN HIS NAME

There are several different doctrines and opinions in the church today regarding what names we are to be baptized in. However, what does Gods Word tell us about this?

In Colossians 3:17 (KJV), the disciples were taught to, “...*do all in the **name of the Lord Jesus...***”

Peter taught people to, “... *“Repent, and let every one of you be baptized in the **name of Jesus Christ** for the remission of sins; and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.”* Acts 2:38 (NKJV)

In Acts 22:16 (NKJV), Paul says that he was told, “*And now why are you waiting? Arise and be baptized, and wash away your sins, calling on the **name of the Lord.**”*”

Acts 8:15-17 (NKJV), reads, “*who, when they had come down, prayed for them that they might receive the Holy Spirit. For as yet He had fallen upon none of them. They had only been baptized in the **name of the Lord Jesus**. Then they laid hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.*”

Acts 10:43-46 (NKJV) reads, “*To Him all the prophets witness that, through **His name**, whoever believes in Him will receive remission of sins.”* While Peter was still speaking these words, the Holy Spirit fell upon all those who heard the word. And those of the circumcision who believed were astonished, as many as came with Peter, because the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out on the Gentiles also. For they heard them speak with tongues and magnify God.”

Here we read of Paul's powerful encounter with some disciples as he begins the conversation with this, "... *“Did you receive the Holy Spirit when you believed?” So they said to him, “We have not so much as heard whether there is a Holy Spirit.” And he said to them, “Into what then were you baptized?” So they said, “Into John’s baptism.” Then Paul said, “John indeed baptized with a baptism of repentance, saying to the people that they should believe on Him who would come after him, that is, on Christ Jesus.” When they heard this, they were baptized in the **name of the Lord Jesus**. And when Paul had laid hands on them, the Holy Spirit came upon them, and they spoke with tongues and prophesied.” Acts 19:2-6 (NKJV)*

Hebrews explains that in the past (Old Testament times) God spoke to His people through prophets, but now God speaks through His Son, Jesus Christ, who is seated at the right hand of God. As we make our requests known to God in the **name of Jesus Christ**, they will break through to the other side. Beginning our prayer in the **name of Jesus Christ** is the scriptural way of addressing our Father God. *“God, who at various times and in various ways spoke in time past to the fathers by the prophets, has in these last days spoken to us by His Son, whom He has appointed heir of all things, through whom also He made the worlds; who being the brightness of His glory and the express image of His person, and upholding all things by the word of His power, when He had by Himself purged our sins, sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, having become so much better than the angels, as He has by inheritance obtained a more excellent name than they.” Hebrews 1:1-4 (NKJV)*

In Philippians 2:9-11 (KJV) we read, *“Wherefore God also hath highly exalted him, and given him a **name** which is above every **name**. That at the **name of Jesus** every knee should bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth; And that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.*

The **name of Jesus** was given by God to be used as an “access code” to break the destructive powers which are present today.

No force can stand against the Name of Jesus Christ.

In reading Ephesians 1:17-23, the apostle Paul prayed for us to understand God more deeply. Paul refers to the power of Christ which is in us, when we turn ourselves over to God through Jesus Christ - the same power (verses 20-24) *“which he wrought in Christ, when He raised him from the dead, and set him at His own right hand in the heavenly places, far above all principality, and power, and might, and dominion, and every name that is named, not only in this world, but also in that which is to come: and hath put all things under his feet, and gave him to be the head over all things to the church. Which is his body, the fullness of him that filleth all in all.”* Ephesians 1:20-24 (KJV)

In Revelation we read concerning Jesus, *“...his **name** is called “The Word of God.”* Revelation 19:13 (KJV) A **name** is as good as a person’s word, right? We can depend upon the Word of God and the power in the **name of Jesus Christ**.

*“But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his **name**: Which were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God.”* John 1:12-13 (KJV)

To begin to realize that power and become what God truly means us to be, we begin to believe in that **name** - the **name of Jesus Christ**.

Now let’s answer the question that I’m sure most of you are asking by now...” What about Matthew 28:19? *“Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the **name** of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit”* Matthew 28:19 (KJV)

The first thing we must take into consideration is the fact that Father, Son, and Holy Spirit are **NOT NAMES**, they are **TITLES**. Think about this, if I were to start talking to you about my father or my son, wouldn’t you eventually ask me, “What’s his name?” Secondly, we must see that in Matthew 28:19 the word **name** is singular, not plural indicating only **ONE NAME**.

There is resounding evidence to support the fact that sometime in the second century this scripture was changed by removing “in my **name**” and replacing it with “in the **name** of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.” Many Bible translations show the words “*in the **name** of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit*” in italics, which means that these words were not in the original text.

For further studies regarding the original version of Matthew 28:19, please visit: <http://www.jesuswordsonly.com/books/198-baptism-in-whose-name.html> (if it has not been removed)

THE REVELATION OF HIS NAME

Jesus is the Living Word that was manifested in the flesh and revealed Deity to us. In the same way the Written Word has the same purpose as the Living Word.

Both are the truth

*“Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the **truth**, and the life...”* John 14:6
(KJV)

*“Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is **truth**.”* John 17:17 (KJV)

Both are everlasting

*“**For ever**, O Lord, thy word is settled in heaven.”* Psalm 119:89 (KJV)

*“Heaven and earth shall pass away, but **my words shall not pass away**.”*
Matthew 24:35 (KJV)

*“Being born again, not of corruptible seed, but of incorruptible, by the word of God, which liveth and **abideth for ever**.”* 1 Peter 1:23 (KJV)

*“But the word of the Lord **endureth for ever**. And this is the word which by the gospel is preached unto you.”* 1 Peter 1:25 (KJV)

Both are life

*“I am that bread of **life**.”* John 6:48 (KJV)

*“For as the Father hath life in himself; so hath he given to the Son to have **life** in himself;”* John 5:25 (KJV)

*“Jesus said unto her, I am the resurrection, and the **life**: he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live”* John 11:25 (KJV)

*“Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the **life**...”* John 14:6
(KJV)

*“Being born again, not of corruptible seed, but of incorruptible, by the word of God, which **liveth** and abideth for ever.”* 1 Peter 1:23 (KJV)

*“That which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we have looked upon, and our hands have handled, of the Word of **life**;” 1 John 1:1 (KJV)*

Both save

*“And they said, Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be **saved**, and thy house.” Acts 16:31 (KJV)*

*“Moreover, brethren, I declare unto you the gospel which I preached unto you, which also ye have received, and wherein ye stand; By which also ye are **saved**, if ye keep in memory what I preached unto you, unless ye have believed in vain.” 1 Corinthians 15:1-2 (KJV)*

Both purify

*“Who gave himself for us, that he might redeem us from all iniquity, and **purify unto himself a peculiar people, zealous of good works.**” Titus 2:14 (KJV)*

*“Seeing ye have **purified your souls in obeying the truth** through the Spirit unto unfeigned love of the brethren, see that ye love one another with a pure heart fervently” 1 Peter 1:22 (KJV)*

Both sanctify

*“**Sanctify** them through thy **truth: thy word is truth.**” John 17:17 (KJV)*

Both beget to new life

*“Of his own will **begat he us with the word of truth**, that we should be a kind of firstfruits of his creatures.” James 1:18 (KJV)*

*“Being **born again, not of corruptible seed, but of incorruptible, by the word of God**, which liveth and abideth for ever.” 1 Peter 1:23 (KJV)*

Both shall judge

*“For as the Father hath life in himself; so hath he given to the Son to have life in himself; **And hath given him authority to execute judgment** also, because he is the Son of man.” John 5:26-27 (KJV)*

*He that rejecteth me, and receiveth not my words, **hath one that judgeth him: the word that I have spoken, the same shall judge him in the last day.***” John 12:48 (KJV)

Both are glorified

*“**He shall glorify me:** for he shall receive of mine, and shall shew it unto you.”* John 16:14 (KJV)

*“And when the Gentiles heard this, they were glad, and **glorified the word of the Lord:** and as many as were ordained to eternal life believed.”* Acts 13:48 (KJV)

As pointed out earlier, in Revelation 19:13, the name of Jesus is **THE WORD OF GOD**. For we all know that John 1:14 (KJV) reads, *“And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us...”* Therefore; to “believe on His name” or to “call upon His name” means to believe in and call upon the Word of God. All of it, not just the scriptures that we like.

*“But what does it say? “The **word** is near you, in your mouth and in your heart” (that is, the word of faith which we preach): that if you **confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus** and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you will be saved. For with the heart one believes unto righteousness, and **with the mouth confession is made unto salvation.**”* Romans 10:8-10 (NKJV) To **confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus** and **with the mouth confession is made unto salvation,** means to **speak** and **pray THE WORD OF GOD.**

*“Simon has declared how God at the first visited the Gentiles to take out of them a people **for His name**. And with this the words of the prophets agree, just as it is written: ‘After this I will return And will rebuild the tabernacle of David, which has fallen down; I will rebuild its ruins, And I will set it up; So that the rest of mankind may seek the Lord, Even all the Gentiles who are **called by My name**, Says the Lord who does all these things.”* Acts 15:14-17 (NKJV)

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*“Finally, brethren, pray for us,
that the Word of the Lord
may have free course,
and be glorified, even as it is with you.”*

2 Thessalonians 3:1

“So mightily grew the Word of God and prevailed”

Acts 19:20

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