THE JESUS SECRET - WHO I AM -

By Daniel Yordy

'Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for He who promised is faithful.'

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That key was this:

Speak what God says I am.

Author's Preface

I am the kind of person that is not satisfied until I have taken a key like the one Pastor Joel gave me all the way through the New Testament from Matthew to Revelation.

What does God say I am?

This book is simply a compilation, on many of the even pages of the book, of what I wrote down in my own personal exploration of that question. I share these with you along with my responses to what God says I am.

The Greek words of the New Testament and their meaning are always good to explore, but I have found that English words also have tremendous depth to them, if you know where to look. I use the Webster's 1926 dictionary, because that is the one I have.

For the first year of writing this book, it was not "The Jesus Secret." That was the final key the Lord gave me a few months ago that raised the entire work to a whole new level. The words in "The Jesus Secret" boxes are a prophecy of Jesus speaking to you. Receive them as such, remembering that the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy.

The Jesus Secret is meant to be a spiritual exercise. It is for practising, for speaking out loud. A quick once-through will do little for you. Speaking out loud the words in the various boxes, especially the headings of each day, <u>especially</u> when you don't "feel" like it will bring to you, over time, the same joy and knowledge of Jesus that it is bringing to me.

You will face much opposition from the accuser. Continue through that opposition until you have cast down every shadow of his voice.

And remember, nothing in this book is really about you and me.

All of it is about Jesus.

What Do You Want?

If knowing Jesus more deeply than ever before is somewhere inside your deepest answer, then:

This book will reveal Him to you more than you have ever known, and He will transform your life.

He has already transformed mine.

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(Put your own name, here.) *The Jesus Secret* belongs to you.

Let's keep on speaking our hope that we are just like Jesus and never stop, because when we speak what God Himself speaks, He will do what He says He will do.

The Jesus Secret

Once upon a time, God danced. His Son had done it again! God invited everyone to the celebration. Millions of people across the world held a invitations to God's great extravaganza - a festival above all other festivals.

Wine flowed freely. Tables groaned under the weight of the food. Great warehouses bulged with presents of every kind. Gift after gift flowed from heaven to earth, inviting multitudes to the Son's procession of triumph.

All of the lavishness and abundance of heaven was on its way to earth, all to honor the Son. This was God's special Son, His firstborn. Not only had this Son offered His life, defeated the enemy, and brought back to God His people, but now He had fulfilled in them every word God had ever spoken.

You see, the Son was, in truth, the very Word God speaks. I know this is hard to understand, but then, we're talking about God. And as the Word God speaks, the Son held the highest place of honor in the universe. God was so proud of His Son. God danced as He saw everything He had spoken through the Son coming back to Him fully accomplished. God had placed the faithfulness of His Son on display for all the Universe to be amazed.

Suddenly, discord clanged through the halls of heaven. Shoving his way through the festivities, self-appointed Accuser sauntered up to the throne, his chief slaves slithering behind him. Ignoring God, Accuser pointed his bony finger into the face of the Son.

"Did God indeed say?" he snarled contemptously.

Then, taking his glove from his hand, he struck the Son a severe blow across the face and, casting that glove down before the throne with utter disdain, he turned to God.

"Okay, here's how it works. You think you can just throw this big party any time you want. But I know as well as you that the word you speak will not come back to you unless someone believes it. Look at all these ridiculous fools you pander to, holding their silly invitations. You can say, 'The time is now come,' all you want, but if they will not believe the word you speak, they will not come to your precious party, will they?"

"Do what you will," said God, waving His hand in dismissal. As I said, His trust and confidence in His Son was complete.

As Accuser turned his back on God and descended to earth to speak his words, God said quietly, "It is time". Heaven moved towards earth, inviting the guests to celebrate the mighty victory of the Son.

'Come to Me, all you who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.'

The invitation extends to all, but not all come.

The first guest opened the first invitation, the first gift. Inside were these words: "I am the good and faithful servant. I bear much fruit for His glory. I enter into the joy of my Master."

Then, with every gift came also the voice of Accuser, "You, I don't think so. You can't say such things about yourself. God hates presumption, you know."

But the blind come - those who know they don't see clearly, who don't have life all figured out. They don't know the way forward; they can't see the path. They're frightened, yes, but they are much more ready to put their trust in the kind and gentle voice that speaks to them, Jesus. The blind - come.

The second gift was opened. It said, **"The power of the Holy Spirit is upon me. I heal the sick; I raise the dead; I overcome all evil with all good. I bear the glory and witness of Jesus. His glory is upon my face."**

"That's not right. You're lying if you say that. You're just a sinner, going to heaven. Only Jesus can do this stuff. God would never trust you anyhow."

But the lame and crippled come - those who have tried to walk forward in life, God knows they have tried. But at every step, their strength gives out and they fall to their knees in agony. They are used to the pointed fingers, the hard stares, "If you weren't so lame, you could walk." They hobble forward, their weakness collapsing under them. Regardless, the tender strength in the fingers of this Jesus is enough. The lame - come.

The next invitation was opened. The guest read these words: "My heart is so pure and holy that nothing coming from it would ever cause harm to another. I am filled with love so full, so rich, so overflowing, that people are made whole by my tender love for them."

"You've got it wrong. Your heart is deceitful and desperately wicked. Besides, no one can be like that. You're just a Christian. Forgiven. Period."

But the poor come - those who have nothing in this world, who have learned the hard way that riches and position and place count for nothing. All of it, a mockery of the heart. But the abundance of this Jesus flowing out of them draws them. The poor - come.

The next gift was opened. "I speak, and rivers of living water flow out of me, removing the curse, bringing life and healing to everyone I touch."

"This is dangerous. Listen, none of that can happen now. Not on this earth. You're just human after all. You're a loser; you can't expect God to do what He says." Accuser's voice became desperate.

But the brokenhearted come - those who have known mistreatment and abuse. Those who have had their dreams shattered, who have seen their hopes lie in ruins. Those who have failed, humiliated and broken and empty. Never has anyone looked at them like Jesus. The brokenhearted - come.

Another invitation was opened. Inside were these words: I am just like Jesus. I love as He loves; I overcome as he overcomes. Everything Jesus is, exalted in the heavens, I am, right now on this earth. God's will is done in me and through me, right here, right now."

"Listen to me, it doesn't happen now. Whatever you think you read in the New Testament, you read it wrong. It's all meant for heaven. God's will will not happen on this earth; it can't, not in this age. I tell you, it can't."

But the weary come - those who have tried to please God, to do what He requires. They have labored in His work for years, yet now it all seems so empty. It is hard, sometimes, just to get out of bed. Each day is a burden and a weight. But then, this shoulder to lean on, Jesus. The weary - come.

A sixth gift was opened. It read: "I have victory over death. I face the grip death has on my body and I defeat death and cast its hold off of me."

"Oh dear. Get away from this; it is clearly heresy. Everyone has to die, Jesus said so, somewhere. At least that's what you've been told."

"But Jesus said, 'If anyone keeps My word shall never taste death."

"I'm certain He didn't mean what He said. Surely you don't believe that?"

But those who weep come - those who awake in the night, lying there upon their beds with a horror and a longing surging through their hearts. "God, if You are doing something in the earth that I am not part of, please, dear God, do not leave me out. Do whatever it takes. I know I am worth so little. But, oh God, if it be possible, include me." Those who weep - come.

The next gift reads: I conquer all enemies. I win a crown and a throne, authority and power, making earth's greatest men as nothing. I sit upon the throne of Jesus, upon the throne of God."

Who will receive this gift, this invitation? Who will believe the Word God speaks? Who will come to God's celebration? Who will honor the Son? Who will reveal all that Jesus is?

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In the words of the New Covenant are claims and statements and promises so bold, so daring, so impossible that Christian thinking long ago blotted them out. "Death is abolished." "Be just like God." "Rivers of living water flow out of your belly." "Filled with all the fullness of God." *Doesn't happen here*, is the testimony of too many. *Can't happen till heaven*.

But the New Covenant speaks of a power so great, so unimaginable, so Universe-shattering, so secret and hidden few have even known of its existence. Fewer still have apprehended this power for themselves. It is a secret.

A scrawny little man, 2000 years ago, was the first to be shown this secret. He shared with us the doorway; he laid out its depths; he pointed to its full meaning and implications. But this man, Paul, got his head chopped off, and after he died the secret was soon forgotten. People still read Paul's words, but they no longer knew what he meant. It is hard to understand why Paul's secret is so hated by so many.

There is a power that can create universes with the utterance of a word. There is a power that can stand Death on its head, turn it inside out, and banish it from all reality. There is a power that can transform lives and make people whole and fill them with love.

Now, once again, that power is revealed to man on this earth. Once again, we are given the opportunity to apprehend that power, to experience it, to make it ours forever. The secret of that unimaginable power is right here, in this book. It is:

The Jesus Secret

I know this to be true:

If you enter The Jesus Secret, your life will never be the same. Everything that belongs to Jesus will now belong to you. Everything that Jesus is, right now above the heavens, you are, right now on this earth.

And the price for this Secret? The cost of a power beyond human experience? What is it worth to you? How much would you expect to pay? The wealthy pay millions for the chance to escape death. How much would it be worth to you, not to escape death, but to defeat it?

The price is simple. The trade is easy. The cost?

Only your <u>heart</u> - all of it - and forever!

Jesus Chooses Me

An Invitation

Dear Reader,

I invite you to share this joy with me, the Jesus Secret. All over the world little groups of believers are gathering around this Great Secret revealed in this little book.

The Jesus Secret opens eyes, it fills hearts with overflowing joy, it imparts great power - even victory over death!

Paul was the first steward of the Jesus Secret. Jesus didn't show His Secret to the other disciples; He showed it first to Paul. Then He gave Paul the responsibility of sharing The Secret with others.

I also am a steward of the Jesus Secret. I invite you to be a steward of the Jesus Secret as well.

This society of precious believers gathering around the Jesus Secret is a secret assembly. We are hidden, for a little while longer, unnoticed by the celebrities and politicians of the present world. That has always been our Beloved's way.

But there is coming a day, very soon now, when the Jesus Secret will be shown to everyone. For that day this little book is written. And for you.

But the Jesus Secret can be shown to you now only by Jesus Himself, through His Spirit. The words in this book can do nothing for you. Reading them, reciting them, will not enlighten you in any way - unless - unless - Jesus Himself opens the Jesus Secret to you.

With all of His heart, Jesus invites you into the Jesus Secret.

Jesus chooses you.

And, my precious brother or sister in the Lord, please, understand this. It is *accusation against* yourself playing in the dark corners of your mind that seeks to keep you out. If <u>that voice</u> convinces you that the sacrifice of Jesus is not enough for you, the cross of Jesus has not removed your fallen self, the blood of Jesus is not sufficient for your mistakes, or, even worse, the word Jesus speaks cannot be fulfilled in this present age, then the Jesus Secret is closed to you. Jesus has erected a great wall around His Secret, an impassable barrier. No accusation can pass it. To most observers, the Jesus Secret is pointless and ridiculous. To some it is even heresy. Only one small door penetrates the gloom of that barrier. On that door are written these words:

Is the Cross enough for you?

Only one group of people will pass through that door and enter the Jesus Secret. Those who believe in Jesus!

I believe in Jesus!

So many of God's dear people limit the cross in their lives because they do not know its power. They have never grasped the completeness and the sufficiency of that cross to remove everything God wanted gone.

So many of God's dear people limit the power of the life of the One who lives in them. They suppose they are putting "God-given" limits on themselves, but they fail to understand the treasure contained within them.

To limit the cross is to dishonor the Son. To limit the life of the Son who lives in us is to dishonor the Son. To limit the supreme value of the blood that bought us is to dishonor the Son.

I am crucified with Christ. But I live, only it's not me, it's Jesus who lives in me!

Never do we think that our human weakness is too much for the One who lives in us. Never do we think that God's will cannot be done in this earth in this age in our lives. Never do we think that we are not worthy of all the favor of God. Never do we think that our hearts are shameful or that we are unclean. Never, never do we limit God to heaven.

Instead we turn, forgetting all that lies behind, our hearts filled with a burning passion. Yes! Yes! It is so easy -- The Cross IS enough for me! There is no "self"; there is no fallen me. Jesus is my life. All of Him in all of me. I do not live before the cross, for by the cross I have entered into Jesus. The cross is behind me, its work finished. The Resurrected Christ is all that I am. I have no other life. I believe; with all of my heart, I believe.

Jesus is my life!

And so, leaving everything behind, no longer caring for any part of life in this world, I step through the door, through the cross, through the death Jesus wrought for me, through His words, "It is finished." I step through the door, and there, immediately, with arms open wide, with light and passion leaping towards me, is Jesus.

But oh, what a different Jesus this is; different from anything I ever thought. This is not the Jesus who walked the earth, limited, dependent upon the Father; this is the resurrected Jesus, filling the heavens with His glory. This is not the Jesus who suffered and died, who sweated and wept; this is the Jesus who stands above all heavens, the ruling King of Glory. And this is not a Jesus who sits far above, far away, far removed from me. NO! A thousand times NO!

This is the Jesus who lives in my heart!

This is the Jesus whose voice I know, who speaks to me and I live!

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Welcome, welcome, My son. Welcome, My daughter. You cannot know how long I have waited for this moment, how much I have hoped and dreamed of this very second, when you, you My dear and precious one, would say, once and for all, "The cross is enough for me," when you would step through the door into My Secret.

All that I AM, all that I have, all that I ever will reveal Myself to be is fulfilled in you. This is My Secret.

Thank you so much for your gift to Me. I knew, from the very beginning, long years ago, when I stood with My Father and together We planned how We would win you. I knew that I could never rest or be happy until the gift you have just offered to Me was My very Own, forever.

I AM speaking of your heart! Did you never realize how precious your heart has always been to Me? I cannot remember a time when I did not want your heart as My own.

And now, you have given it to Me, precious heart.

Your heart is mine, forever!

And forever, I AM all there is in you, and you are altogether complete in Me.

This book is **A Guide**

This book is meant to be a spiritual exercise of speaking what God says we are. As such, it is the principle of speaking who Jesus is in us that counts, not my particular take on various things. If upon occasion you disagree with my presentation of truth, do not, then, discard this exercise. Simply alter the wording to what you are convinced God is saying and keep on speaking who Christ is in you. As Christ reveals Himself in us, we will come to know all truth perfectly.

'Behold what manner of love the Father has bestowed upon us, that we should be called children of God...

'Beloved, now are we the children of God; and it has not yet been revealed what we shall be, but we know that when He is revealed, we shall be like Him, for we shall see Him as He is.

'And everyone who has this hope in Him purifies Himself, just as He is pure.'

Suggestions for using this Guide

- Start with the gospels; start with the words and example of Jesus. Do not start with Paul. If God said that I am conformed to the image Jesus, I must know, first, who Jesus is before I get to the power of this Jesus in me.
- **Peruse the whole book,** if you wish, to get a glimpse, a picture of who you really are.
- **Begin with Day 1.** If you wish, do Day 1 and Day 2 on the same day, and so on. If you wish, do them again for the second day, and so on.
- Go into a quiet place where you will feel free to speak out loud, even to shout.
- Speak out loud any part of any confession of faith on any page that is particularly quickened to you. What is emphasized is no more than a guide.
- What is boxed is the confession of faith for that day. <u>Speak</u> <u>out loud</u> what is in the box(es) for that day. Shout it, if you wish. (Speaking the confession out loud is not a suggestion. This guide will not bear full fruit unless you confess with your voice box the Lord Jesus.)
- Re-read and re-confess as many times as you wish.
- Speak the confession for the day over and over throughout the day. Vocally, when you are alone. Silently in your mind otherwise.
- Then, study the Scripture references for that day to confirm this is really what God is saying.
- Allow the dawning of the realization of who you are to **build**, step by step, in your heart and mind.
- Go through the guide over and over until every confession of faith, both those that are boxed and those you have underlined, are instantly and constantly at the tip of your tongue and in the front of your mind.

Be who you are!

THE JESUS SECRET

Who I Am

- Jesus is alive.
- Jesus lives in me.
- All things exist by the word God speaks.
 - I am just like Jesus; I see Him as He is.
 - I believe; therefore I speak.
- From the beginning, God determined that I would be just like Jesus.
- God sees me as I am. He sees Jesus in me.

Jesus Is Alive

Jesus is more than a force. He is more than a consciousness. He is more than an energy or a frequency. Jesus is more than a way of thinking. He is more than an idea or a philosophy.

Jesus is a person!

Jesus, the person, is fully human and fully divine. And Jesus is alive.

But there is MORE!

There is also

The Jesus Secret.

This Jesus, alive, divine, ascendant above everything else that exists, this Jesus lives in my heart. This person, Jesus, lives in me and fills every part of me full. I do not live alone. Everything I am is this Jesus, everything Jesus is fills me. Jesus is my Life; I have no other life.

Jesus is Who I Am!

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Of course, I AM alive! But I AM much more than alive; I AM the very source of all life.

And if I live in your heart, guess what! Your heart is as alive as I AM! And not only is your heart as alive as I AM, but your heart is the very source of the rivers of living water that will transform this entire planet over the next few years.

I AM alive! I live in your heart! Are you with Me? Of course you are; that's why you stepped through My cross.

Here is My Secret: Before you believed that My cross is enough, you were nearly as dead as the rest of them.

But now? Now you are as Alive as I AM!

Jesus Is Alive

Death rubbed its gritty hands in glee. Victory was at hand; triumph was in its grasp. It had tasted victory before, to be certain, but that was only a taste. This was the real thing, real and forever.

Here was the King of the Universe. It knew who He was; He couldn't fool Death, hiding Himself so, in a human body. But that human body was His biggest mistake. Death would make sure of that. That human body put the King of the Universe in Death's grasp.

Death reached out its hand for the final death stroke. Oh, the blinding white heat, the pain - and then, nothing.

Death took the bait! Death is destroyed. Death is forever dead!

Jesus is alive!

And Death? If I would only realize. If I would only believe.

Death no longer exists. Jesus has conquered Death.

'If anyone keeps My word he shall never taste death.' 'And whoever lives and believes in Me shall never die. Do you believe this?' Jesus, 'whom God raised up, having loosed the pains of death, because it was not possible that He should be held by it.'

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'But if the Spirit of Him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, He who raised Christ from the dead will also give life to your **mortal bodies** through His Spirit who dwells in you.' "Death is swallowed up in victory'... God 'gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.'

Jesus, 'who has abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. . .' 'that through death, He might destroy him who had the power of death. .' 'that He, by the grace of God, might taste death for everyone.' 'And as it is appointed for men to die once, but after this the judgment, so Christ was offered **once**. .' '... Christ, having been raised from the dead, dies no more. Death no longer has dominion over Him.'

Jesus is alive in me.

I follow Jesus. I am alive!

John 11:27-15:8

Jesus Lives In Me

I believe in Jesus.

I serve Him and follow Him. I am with Him wherever He is. Because I serve Him, the Father honors me.

Jesus draws me to Himself. I see Him; I see the One who sent Him.

My heart is not troubled. I believe in God; I believe in Jesus. I come to the Father through Jesus.

I know the Father; I see the Father, because I know and see Jesus.

I live because He lives. I know that Jesus is in the Father. I know that I am in Jesus and that Jesus is in me. I wait with great expectation for the moment when the Father comes to me with the Son to make me His home. How can a mortal body contain the Father? I know that when that happens, I must explode in the resurrection.

I have His peace. My heart is not troubled; I am not afraid. I have His peace. I bear fruit. I am clean.

I abide in Him; He abides in me. I bear fruit because I abide in Him. I bear much fruit because I live in Him.

Jesus lives in me.

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All of your life, My dear Heart, I have been drawing you to Myself. You know that I will win; My power is irresistable. But as you let Me draw you all the way into Myself now -- oh, the glory that I will show you!

Do not be afraid. Believe in Me. Love Me. Trust Me. Cast all of your care upon Me. I command you to trust Me. I fill your Heart. There is no evil there.

There is only one thing that can harm you: not knowing how much I love you. Let Me draw you to Myself. Do not limit Me.

Here is My Secret: It is I! It is not just you, it is also I! It is I who lives in your heart. I AM your life. There is nothing else, there is no one else.

And I? I AM the King of the Universe. When My Father spoke, I created everything that exists. I can do anything. Do not limit Me. I can do anything I want through you.

My life is all the power of heaven inside of you.

Jesus Lives In Me

Jesus lives in my heart.

These words come so easily, so glibly. Do I understand their meaning? Of course not. I am weak; God made me that way. But God also gave me the mind of Christ and a Spirit of revelation so that I might know what God has freely placed inside my heart, that I might know this Jesus who lives there.

"Jesus lives in my heart" is not a slogan, it is not a "ticket" to heaven. "Jesus lives in my heart" is far beyond anything I presently understand. This is the Master of the Universe I am talking about here, this One who lives in my heart. This is the Redeemer who defeated death and put away sin forever.

Jesus is my life.

I am saved by His life.

Is there any limit to what the life of Jesus can do inside of me? Is there any word God speaks in the New Covenant that this Jesus cannot fulfill inside of me? Is there any boundary He cannot overwhelm, any opposition He cannot vanquish? What is there in me that can hold out against the Love and the Power of this One who lives in my heart?

This is not some "cosmic Christ," some universal god permeating everything, that lives in me. This is no "new age" phenomenon. This is the Lord **JESUS Christ. Jesus** lives in me.

What *accusation* against Jesus, coming in the form of theological brilliance can move me? "*God's will can be done in heaven, but it cannot be done in the earth.*" "*It's right for us to believe that God will not do what He says in our lives, to imagine He is limited by us.*" Which of these accusations can take my astonished and overwhelmed gaze off the glory and the power and the beauty of this Jesus who lives triumphantly in me?

Jesus will do what He says; He will win in me.

Jesus lives in me, and I live in Him. I, _____ (insert your name) am fully in the genetic code, the structure, the makeup of His being.

I am complete in Him; He is all in me.

Day 5

All Things Exist By The Word God Speaks

How does God create?

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In the beginning was the Word. In the beginning God said, "Let there be light"; and there was light.

By faith we understand that the worlds were framed by the Word God spoke, so that the things that are seen do not come from visible things.

Before anything begins, God declares with His voice what its end will be.

God says, "My counsel shall stand and I will do all My pleasure."

God says, "I have spoken it; I will also bring it to pass."

God says, "I have purposed it; I will also do it."

God gives life to the dead. God calls those things that do not yet exist as if they already are. Abraham believed God — not considering his own body now dead — that what God had promised, He was also able to perform. Abraham did not look at the things that are seen, but at the things that are not seen.

God says, "For as the rain waters the earth . . . 'so shall My word be that goes forth from My mouth; It shall not return to Me void, But it shall accomplish what I please, And it shall prosper in the thing for which I sent it."

'The word is near you, even in your mouth and in your heart... that if you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus (the Word God spoke from the beginning) and believe in your heart that God has **raised** Him from the dead (the cross is enough for you) you will be saved.'

I believe; therefore I speak.

God creates by speaking. First, God determines in His own heart what He wants. God "sees" in His mind the final product. Then He calls that thing into existence. But what God speaks begins in weakness. The Word enters the void. The Word God speaks becomes flesh. Then, God's final intention is formed, step-by-step, through the creative process.

An architect "sees" the completed house as he designs it. He sees the rooms filled with furniture. He sits in the chairs and looks down the passage-

ways. He stands and looks at the view out the windows. He sees every color and the size of the trim. He then writes everything he "sees" onto a blueprint. He hands that blueprint to a good builder who also sees as the architect saw by looking at the plan. The builder takes the plan to the site, calls his workmen, and the lovely grass knoll, where the architect saw the finished house, turns to mud.

Jesus, the Word, is God's blueprint. Everything God creates is written, in its entirety and in its final form, inside the Word God speaks. And everything needed to process and form that final creation is in the Word as well.

Everything except one. God is a risk taker. He risks everything He desires in His confident belief that the one thing missing will come to Him. Jesus will win. God's word will come to pass. What God saw in the beginning will be reality in the end.

The missing ingredient is not really missing. It is there in the word God spoke. It just separates itself from the word God spoke, right in the moment of God's speaking. It lodges itself in the void; it plants itself in the hearts of those who begin in weakness.

That ingredient is **FAITH**.

Everything God creates begins its journey to completion in weakness. Every final creation of God begins as a seed that falls into the ground and appears to be dead.

There, buried in all the weakness of the earth, this seed must reach deep into itself and draw out of itself all the plan of the mighty oak tree it will one day be. It's all written there, in the genetic code inside that seed. But the seed must send its roots down; it must lift its arms up and press through the darkness, press through the earth, into the light of the One whose image it bears.

The Word God speaks, when I receive it in my heart by faith, becomes the Word God speaks to me. That Word inside of me is Jesus. Inside of that Word, Jesus, is the full blueprint, the complete genetic code of all that God is. And inside that Word, Jesus, is the full blueprint, the complete genetic code of all that I am.

But how much that Word is fulfilled in my life is dependent, entirely, upon Christ in me. My faith releases Him. The measurement I put upon His life in me is the measurement God uses to release His determination in me.

I believe the Word God speaks. I believe in Jesus; I do not limit God!

Day 6

I Will Be Just Like Jesus: I See Him As He Is

Before time begins, before the worlds are created, before any angelic being fills the heavens with praise . . . there is neither past nor future tense. God lives entirely in and through Himself, rejoicing together in His triune nature, the Father rejoices in the beauty and power of His Son. The Son basks in the glory of His Father. The Spirit radiates the goodness and beauty and strength of the Son and the Father. To the Father, the Son is everything. To the Son, the Father is everything. To the Spirit, the Son and the Father are everything. The Father, being the greatest and mightiest of All, raises up His Son and places Him above every other part of Himself.

The Father says:

"I magnify My Word above all My Name."

There, in the beginning, before time existed, the Father beholds His Son, raised in glory above all of Himself, and suddenly God stops, stunned, unable to believe what He sees. Suddenly, the Father, looking through the Son, catches a glimpse of the most beautiful thing in the entire universe. That's it. It's all over for God. God falls head over heels in love.

God sees me, Daniel Yordy. God sees me, ______, (put your own name in the blank), and His heart leaps into His throat. He can hardly believe His eyes. Yet there I am, the image of God's glory, the reflection of all that God is. There I am, Beauty and Might revealed. God will not rest another moment until He has me as His bride and friend, as His son and companion forever. In that moment time is.

God immediately counseled together with Himself. All the dynamics of God spun in fierce excitement. The Father, the Son, and the Spirit were in full agreement. They all knew they wanted me, that they would do whatever it took, pay any price, bear any cost, suffer any loss, endure any hardship. None of it mattered, each of Them would do the assigned task. God determined in His heart, right from the beginning, that **He will win me as His own**.

And so the Father looked steadfastly at the me He sees from the beginning. He gazed deeply at all that I am as He sees me in the end. He knows me, every part of me in my completed state. He knows my glory, my beauty, my strength. He looks fully and deeply at me and sees His own Son. He sees the reflection of Himself in all of His fullness. The Father motioned, "Are you ready?" "I am ready," the Son replied.

As God opened His mouth to speak, the Son, the Word God speaks, leaped forth to fulfill the determined purpose of God. God CALLED into existence that awesome creature that bears His image, and in that moment I was conceived in my mother's womb.

I exist now, because God called what He sees I am into existence.

And here I am, sitting in my chair, reading this book. Here I am, beset by weakness and limitation, sorrow and loss. Here I am, stumbling and falling short of God's glory, my face so often covered in mud. Here I sit, seeing myself as weak and fleshy, torn and divided, fully aware of my sin and my shame.

But suddenly, I sit up and take notice. "Could it be? Is it really possible that I am not who I imagine myself to be? Could it be that I am something very different from what I 'see' when I look at myself right now?"

I stop, suspended for a moment, and then the question flames in my mind. "If this that I 'see' myself to be is not who I am, then, for God's sake,

WHO AM I?"

And if I have to look at something invisible to see who I really am, if the visible things I see of myself are not telling me the truth, then how on earth do I know who I am? How do I get from here to there? What is my guide? Where is reality found?

God, from the very beginning, determined that I would be conformed to the image of His Son, that He might be, not one solitary person, but the firstborn among many brethren.

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And in the moment when God called me, the final me I really am, into existence, He justified me of every shortcoming I would ever know, and He glorified me forever in **WHO I AM**.

And the secret of who I am is right there, fully in the open, staring me right in the face my whole life.

Who I am is nothing more and nothing less than who Jesus is in me. To know myself, I simply look at Jesus. To know what I do, I simply look at what He does. Whatever He thinks, how He lives, whatever He does, that is what the real me does, that is how I live.

Jesus lives in me!

I Believe; Therefore I Speak

The question then is: how do I get from what I 'see' with my natural eyes to who I really am?

Jesus is the Word God speaks. I exist because God speaks. I believe; therefore I speak. I speak; therefore I am. 'Death and life are in the power of the tongue, and those who love it will eat its fruit.'

I become what I speak!

I speak that which is not seen and I am just like God, standing in faith and expecting that what I have spoken is what shall be. What I speak is who I am. (And I never speak anything about myself that God has not spoken.)

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In the New Covenant, God describes the real me in different ways.

First, God simply has me declare a thing to be true:

- 'I am crucified with Christ. . '
- 'My beloved is mine, and I am his.'

Second, there is the commandment:

- `... You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart...'
- ... reckon yourselves to be dead indeed to sin. .?

Third, there is the promise:

• "He who believes in me. . . out of his heart will flow rivers of living water."

• 'For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared to the glory that will be revealed in us.'

Then there is the example, the illustration:

• "And Jesus . . . reached out His hand and touched him. . ."

Of all these forms of God speaking to me in the New Covenant, the most frequent are the commandments: "Do not be afraid." "Give thanks in all things." "Love one another."

Many people imagine that these commandments are spoken as something outside of themselves. They think, "I am here, the commandment is there. I myself can do that commandment or not as I choose. I acknowledge, of course, that if I do that commandment, God will bless me, and if I do not do that commandment, things will not go so well for me." They think, "I must choose to do what God says, whether I want to or not."

So I try; I do the commandment for a little while. I begin to give thanks in everything. It works – for a while – and then – I forget.

And here I am again, torn and divided, sometimes in the Spirit, but all too often in the flesh, <u>or so I see myself</u>.

I am not under the Old Covenant! God found fault with the Old Covenant! The Old Covenant does not work for God!

God has established a NEW COVENANT with me. Every commandment He speaks is written in my heart already. Every commandment He speaks is simply another description of who I am.

Every commandment of God is just one more way for God to convey to me His description of that beautiful, glorious, and powerful being whom He sees from the beginning. **It is who I am!**

Here is the Jesus Secret. Here is the formula, the secret password, the key that unlocks the door into all the glory of God.

When God said, "Let there be light," that word was a commandment. Yet God spoke that word into nothingness, into the void. There was nothing in the void to prevent or assist the Word. Everything the Word needed for its fulfilment was in itself. Even the faith the Word would find was in the Word as it was spoken. God said, "Let there be light." And there was light!

Some Jews asked Jesus, "What do we do to do the works of God?" Jesus answered, "This is the work of God, to believe on the One He has sent."

God created me in His image. I am just like God. I work the same way God works. God believes in the word He speaks. He believes, He speaks, and the word comes to pass. I copy God. I believe in the word God spoke. I speak His word and the word I speak becomes my reality.

Jesus says through John, "AS I AM [the resurrected Christ exalted in the heavens], so are you in this world."

The power of fulfillment is in the WORD Himself.

I believe; therefore I speak.

From The Beginning, God Determined I Would Be Just Like Jesus

The Jesus Secret begins with the determination of God. I receive from God the measure of God's determination that I want. I receive what I believe.

If I believe with all my heart that God is determined to conform me into Christ's image, then what I believe, God will perform, because He has spoken it. I can believe anything God has spoken, and God will do it.

The Jesus Secret is this:

Jesus is revealed in me.

Everyone reads the Bible with a pre-conceived idea of what it means and how to interpret it. This idea works as a prism or set of strong-powered glasses, bending the view of every verse to fit that idea. Every New Testament verse and concept is defined by this one dominant way of thinking. Every verse not fitting into this way of thinking is ignored or explained away. <u>Everyone</u> does this, but few are aware of it.

Where do these pre-conceived ways of thinking come from? For too many, they come from a subtle merging of a few favorite verses with pagan elements, an improper use of the Old Testament, Judaism, the traditions of men, with the voice of Accuser crowning all, "*Did God indeed say*?"

I lay aside any pre-conception in understanding what God speaks. Any dominant verses are New Covenant only; they are powerful, close to God's heart and expressive of His purpose. And I believe what He says.

<u>There is a dominant verse</u> that stands above all others. There is one verse through which I understand and define <u>every other verse</u> in the entire Bible, both Old Covenant and New.

That verse is Romans 8:29

'For whom He foreknew, He also predestined to be conformed to the image of His Son, that He might be the firstborn among many brethren.'

From the very beginning, when God looks to the end of time, He sees me. And in seeing me, He sees <u>His Word fulfilled</u>. He sees Jesus in me. He sees His own image, His own reflection.

God Sees Me As I Am! He Sees Jesus In Me

Then God says, also in Romans: 'The word is near you, even <u>in your</u> <u>mouth</u>, and in your heart . . . that if you <u>confess</u> with your mouth the Lord Jesus and <u>believe</u> in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead . . .'

I believe; therefore I speak.

I speak the Lord Jesus. I confess who He is in me. I proclaim the commandment God has written in my heart. I believe in Jesus.

I deny myself. I do not believe in some fallen self that exists <u>separately</u> from Jesus. I do not confess what I 'see' with my eyes. I see me as God sees me. I see what God sees. I speak what God speaks. I work as God works. I speak and I believe and what <u>I SAY</u> comes into existence. It comes into existence because the power for its own fulfillment is <u>inside</u> the very word God speaks.

'So shall My WORD be, that goes forth from My mouth; It shall not return to Me void, But it shall accomplish what I please, And it shall prosper in the thing for which I sent it.'

And that Word, carrying within itself its own fulfillment, finds its home in me. It is fulfilled in <u>my faith</u>. I believe; therefore I speak.

God fullfills in me what He says in the New Covenant, as I believe what He says!

God sees His Word fulfilled in me!

Jesus wins in me!

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Notes:



- I follow Jesus.
- God's will is done in me as it is done in heaven.
 - I ask; I receive.
- I am a good man. I bring good things out of the good treasure of my heart.
 - I understand the Secrets of heaven.
 - I am a good and faithful servant.
 - I am the one Jesus is with; Jesus is with me.
 - I do what Jesus tells me to do.
- I give food to the hungry; I give drink to the thirsty.
 - I love my enemies.
- The kingdom of heaven grows in me and fills all of my being.

I Follow Jesus

I follow Jesus. I am a fisher of men.

I am blessed because I am poor in spirit; heaven's kingdom is mine.

I am blessed because I mourn (with those who mourn); I am comforted.

I am blessed because I am meek; the earth is my inheritance.

I am blessed because I hunger and thirst for righteousness; I am filled.

I am blessed because I am merciful; I receive mercy. I am blessed because my heart is pure; I see God.

I am blessed because I am a peacemaker; I am a son of God.

I am blessed when my enemies assault me; heaven's kingdom is mine.

I am blessed when people say terrible and false things about me and persecute me; I rejoice and am thrilled. I possess an incredibly great reward in heaven as a result.

I am the salt of the earth. My neighbors are blessed by God and kept from evil because of me.

I am the light of the world; I set my light where all can see it; I give light to all around me. People see my good works and give glory to my Father.

I do what Jesus commands; I teach others to do what Jesus commands. I am great in the kingdom.

I cast aside everything hindering the fulfilment of God's kingdom in me.

I don't resist violent people. If someone strikes me, I do not strike back.

If someone makes me serve them, I serve them more than expected.

I give to everyone who asks me. My possessions are available to anyone who wants to borrow them.

I love my enemies; I bless those who curse me; I do good to those who hate me; I pray for those who misuse me. I am a son of my heavenly Father.

I am perfect in the same way my Father in heaven is perfect.

The Jesus Secret

Follow Me, My dear one. Follow Me, and My light shines through you.

Every tear, every surrender, every longing, every kindness, every mercy, every heartache, every rejection -- through each of these my light always shines through you.

And I remember and hold every circumstance of your life. They are treasures in my hand, waiting for you.

I Follow Jesus

Webster's 1926 "follow"

I come after Jesus. I move behind in the same path Jesus walked. I accompany Jesus on the path He walks. I am the result of Jesus: He is the cause; I am the effect. I walk in, I proceed along the same course Jesus walked. I go in pursuit of Jesus. I endeavor to overtake (arrive with) Jesus. I strive after; I seek to attain to the same as Jesus attained. I accept Jesus as my authority; I take Him as my Master and Leader. I yield allegiance to Jesus. I adopt the opinions of Jesus. I obey Jesus. I take Jesus as my rule of action; I follow His advice. I copy Jesus; He is my example. I watch; I keep my eyes fixed upon Jesus. I follow Jesus.

I follow Jesus. I take up my cross; I follow after Him. I follow Jesus; I sit enthroned in heaven. I follow Jesus; He has made me a fisher, a gatherer, of men. I deny myself; I take up my cross; I follow Him. I follow Jesus; I do not look back. I follow Him; I know His voice. I flee from strangers because I do not recognize their voices. I hear His voice; I follow Him. I have eternal life, and I will never perish. I serve Him and follow Him; I will be with Him wherever He is. He draws me to Himself.

I imitate Christ. I go forth to Jesus outside the acceptable places of this world, bearing His reproach. I follow His steps. I follow the One who committed no sin, nor was deceit found in His mouth. I follow the One who, when He was reviled, did not revile in return; when He suffered, He did not threaten. I follow the One who committed Himself to God who judges right-eously. I follow the Lamb wherever He goes. I am with Jesus.

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I can do nothing better, I can aspire to no higher goal, I can seek no greater path than that found in these three simple words:

I follow Jesus.

All the words of the New Testament, all the impact of the gospel, all the salvation of Almighty God can be summed up in these three small words:

I follow Jesus.

This is me. This is what I do. My entire life and hope and purpose can be found here.

I follow Jesus.

God's Will Is Done In Me As It Is Done In Heaven

I don't let everyone know when I do good things for people. God rewards me openly.

I pray a lot, in secret. God rewards me openly.

God knows what I need before I ask Him.

God's will is done in me in the exact same way it is done in heaven. God's will is done around me and towards me the same as it happens in heaven. I do God's will in the same way that heaven does God's will.

I forgive others; God forgives me.

God keeps me from temptation. He delivers me from evil.

I fast, but I don't tell people; God rewards me openly.

I accumulate treasure in heaven; I have a vast treasure in heaven. My heart is with my treasure.

I see light; my whole being is filled with light.

I serve one Master only: Jesus. I give allegiance to no other.

I do not worry about my needs. God provides my food, my shelter, my clothing – everything I need.

I seek the kingdom of God above everything else; everything I need comes to me.

I do not worry about the future.

I do not judge others; I am not judged myself.

I measure what I give without limit. I measure God's power in my life without limit. God measures all things back to me without limit.

I first see Jesus clearly before I help my brother see.

I keep what is holy pure.

The Jesus Secret

You are My very own. Do not worry. Cast every care upon me, every need, every hidden hope.

Every moment of your future is with Me right now. Everything that you have need of is in My hand right now. I am in every step you take. I weigh every circumstance coming towards you, and I allow only those things that you and I will work together to create unimaginable good. Believe in Me.

You are My treasure and I am yours. What is important to you is far more important to Me than it is to you.

God's Will Is Done In Me As It Is Done In Heaven

This phrase is very familiar to me; but of course, I have known it differently: "Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven."

But what does this mean? What is God's will for heaven and how is it accomplished? Before I can know God's will for earth, I must know His will for heaven. And when I speak of heaven in this context, I speak of the dwelling place, the throne room, of God.

God is the dominant person in the room. No one sees anything else. What God says, rules; no one contradicts Him. Death and sin are not present. Pain and sickness are not known. A river of life flows from the throne and all things live in that river. The supernatural is the normal. The present immediacy of divinity is the normal.

Yet, there is heavenly suffering. God is love and love suffers long. But this suffering is pure and holy; it has no relationship with the pain and sickness brought by the curse of death. Believers know the suffering of love.

I do not suffer to make me good; the sacrifice of Jesus made me good. I suffer because I am good. I suffer for the sake of others; I suffer for the sake of Christ. I bear with all things because I love. Heavenly suffering is the longsuffering of love.

In heaven God is without limit. No one puts a measurement on God. No one says, "Thus far is God and no more." No one says, "God can do this here, but He cannot do that there," or, "My weakness limits God."

No one in heaven responds to God out of duty or obeys Him because they must. Every heavenly being responds to God in the delight of its own nature. Angels joyfully serve Him. Instantly responding to the voice of God is as natural to a heavenly being as sitting down to a wonderful dinner is to a hungry man. Is it a duty to eat? Must a hungry man make a hard choice between eating (doing God's will) or staying hungry (refusing God's will)?

Jesus said, "My 'meat' is to do the will of My Father."

In other words, the will of heaven is the source of my energy, my strength, and my sustenance. It is what I do. **The supernatural is my life.**

My heart is in heaven.

Matthew 7:7-9:8

I Ask; I Receive

I ask; I receive. I seek; I find. I knock; doors open to me.

Because I am always asking, I am always receiving. Because I am always seeking, I am always finding. Because I am always knocking, the doors of God are always opening to me.

I ask God for bread; He gives me bread. I ask God for fish; He gives me fish.

When I ask God to fill me, when I seek Him for more of Himself, when I knock on the doors of heaven, I am never afraid of receiving something evil, I am never afraid of being deceived.

God gives me good things because I ask Him for them.

I do to others what I want others to do to me.

I enter the narrow gate; I walk in the confined way that leads to life.

I am wary of men; I look carefully at their fruit.

I myself am a good tree; I bear good fruit.

Because I do the will of my Father, I enter the kingdom of heaven.

I hear Jesus speak; I do what He says.

I am a wise man; I build my house on the rock. I hear what Jesus says and I do it.

I ask Him and He responds to me. He touches me and I am clean.

I pray for my friend; Jesus heals him.

I believe. What I have asked is done for me.

I follow Jesus. I have no place in this world.

I come to Jesus; He delivers me from all evil.

I arise; I take up my bed; I walk.

The Jesus Secret

This is My secret: Ask! Seek! Knock!

Ask with expectation. Seek with purpose. Knock with determination.

Yes, there are obstacles and hindrances and wait times. But these prevent the half-hearted only. Those who want Me never stop.

My son, My daughter, I want you. Please, I ask you, 'Ask, Seek, Knock.' And don't stop.

I Ask; I Receive

I ask; I receive. I seek; I find. I knock; doors are opened to me.

Many Christians are afraid to approach God. Many people look at others who are seeking "more of God," who are seeking a "deeper experience," and claim that they want something unlawful or separate from the gospel. They fear that when people ask God for power, He allows pride and demons to take them; that when they ask God for the outpouring of the Holy Spirit, they get an outpouring of devils; that when they ask God for wisdom and revelation, they get only deception. Because of this fear, many of God's people stay huddled in the safety of their church structures, and never really ask, never really seek, never really knock, never go beyond the boundaries of the "acceptable."

I am not one of those. I know that when I ask God for bread, He gives me bread, not stones. When I ask God for fish, He gives me fish, not serpents. When I ask God for the fullness of the Holy Spirit, He gives me the fullness of the Holy Spirit, not anything else.

I am persistent. <u>I ask for all the fullness of God</u>, for the stature of the fullness of Christ. <u>I ask for rivers of living water</u> to flow out of my heart. **And I receive**. I seek God for the full revelation of His will. I find it. I know His will and purpose in me. I knock. I knock at the doors of heaven, and all eternity opens to me. I knock at every heavenly door on earth. All those that are God's doors for me, He Himself opens.

I never dishonor God by treating Him like the trickster god of human mythology who tricks people and then condemns them. I come to God; **I** believe that He is; He rewards me as I diligently seek Him.

I also know that not asking, not seeking, not knocking is a sad, sad choice to remain in the mixed-up mess that satisfies so much of Christianity. Until I arise from the dead, just like Jesus, I am not satisfied.

I ask. I seek. I knock. And I never stop.

God gives me good things because I ask Him for them.

I follow Jesus.

I reach out and touch Him; power flows through me and I am healed. He takes my hand; I rise from the dead.

I believe Jesus is able to do all things. **I believe; therefore, I receive.**

I preach. I heal the sick, cleanse lepers, raise the dead, cast out demons.

Because I have freely received from God, I freely give.

I do not fear anything in this world. I do not fear anything in this world. I do not fear anything in this world.

I confess Jesus before men; He declares my name to the Father. I bear my cross; I follow after Him.

I give to others the things that they need. I do not lose my reward.

I am meek and lowly of heart.

The Son reveals the Father to me. Jesus gives my soul rest; His light and easy yoke is upon me.

I cast out demons by the Spirit of God.

I am a good man and I bring good things out of the good treasure of my heart. I am a good man with a heart filled with good things.

I do the will of my Father; I am the brother/sister/mother of Jesus.

The Jesus Secret

You give only what you have received. You receive only what you ask for. You ask only for what you believe. Do not be afraid. Believe - believe in Me.

When you believe, you ask. When you ask, you receive. When you receive, you give. When you give, I touch others through you. My touch is your good treasure.

It is I whom you give. When you touch, I touch!

You are My dwelling place. I live in your heart. Do I live in a pig pen? Is my home evil? Of course not! You are more beautiful than you know.

I AM the good treasure in your heart. Give Me to everyone you meet.

Day 16

Day 17

I Am A Good Man/Woman

Webster's 1926 "good"

I am a good man. I am fit, adapted, and sufficient for the end for which I was designed. I am fully capable of being made just like Jesus. I am slated for a good end. I am favorable, beneficial, and fortunate. I convey what is favorable and fortunate. I give pleasure; I am agreeable and pleasant. I am characterized by pleasure and jollity. I approach the standard (Christ); I am capable, efficient, skillful; I am marked by approval, highly commendable, excellent, and admirable. I am characterized by moral goodness and virtue. I am kind, gracious, and friendly. I am well behaved, stouthearted, and courageous. I am socially in good repute, honorable, and untainted. I am of a sound and reliable character, having real and full value. I am excess, rather than lacking; ample, full, and thorough. I am considerable, not small or inefficient. I am a good man/woman.

There are few of the kindnesses of God towards me greater than the precious and holy ability to look in the mirror each morning, to look at myself, in spite of myself, and to say in all honesty and truthfulness, "I am a good man /woman." This kindness is especially meaningful for those who have labored for years under the <u>old covenant</u> injunction "the heart is deceitful above all things and desperately wicked;"*** who have been told, "You are bad; you are proud; watch out because the evil in you will lead you astray." Now that I can look in the mirror and before God say, "I am a good man/ woman," tears spring to my eyes in all humility. Such a precious, precious gift from God.

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I bring good things out of the good treasure of my heart.

I bear fruit because I abide in Him. I have gifts by the grace God has given me. I use His grace to minister my gift to the body of Christ. I distribute to the needs of the saints. I bless. The Spirit has given me a particular gift to give for the profit of all. In my earthen vessel is this incredible treasure.

I walk in the good works God has prepared for me. I am established in every good word and work. I nourish the gift that is in me. I do good. I am prepared; I am thoroughly equipped for every good work. I acknowledge

I bring good things out of the good treasure of my heart.

Matthew 13:1-17:27

I Understand The Secrets Of Heaven

I understand the Secrets (mysteries) of heaven's kingdom.

My eyes are blessed; I see. My ears are blessed; I hear.

I am the one who has received the seed on good ground. I bring forth fruit a hundred times more.

The kingdom of heaven grows in me and fills all of my being. I shine as the sun in my Father's kingdom.

I am the pearl of great price; Jesus sold His very life so that He would have the price needed to buy me for Himself.

I give what is in my hand; it multiplies. When everyone is full, I have far more left over.

I am always cheerful; I am never afraid.

I come to Jesus when He calls. I hear; I understand. Because my faith is great, I have whatever I desire.

I give the little I have; God multiplies it, and everyone is full.

I say that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the living God.

The gates of Hades, the place of the dead, cannot stand against my assault. I possess the keys of heaven's kingdom. I have authority to bind and loose on earth as it is in heaven.

I follow Jesus. I deny myself. I carry my cross. I follow Jesus. I desire to save my life; I lose it. I lose my life; I keep it.

I will be rewarded greatly for my good works. Because of my faith, nothing is impossible to me.

The Jesus Secret

What are you worth to Me? I saw you long ago. I must admit, at first glance you were a mess. But then I saw your heart. In that instant I fell in love. I could not rest. I sold My Life for you; I wanted your heart so much. I gave My Life for the Blood so I could buy you for Myself.

You are mine, all of you, even the field that still has weeds and stones in it. But your heart, My dearest Friend, your beautiful heart -- that, especially, is Mine.

I know this is hard to believe, hard to understand. But this is, after all, the great Secret of heaven. That I, the King of Glory, should trade My very Life for your heart!

Day 19

I Understand The Secrets Of Heaven

Webster's 1926 "mystery"

I understand the profound secrets of heaven. I understand the things wholly unknown, things kept cautiously concealed, the enigmas of heaven. I understand the things that have not been and cannot be explained, the truths of heaven beyond human comprehension.

The Son reveals the Father to me. My eyes are blessed; I see. I know the Father; I have seen the Father, because I know and have seen Jesus. The Holy Spirit teaches me everything. I set my mind on the things of the Spirit; my mind is in the Spirit. God has shown me the things He has prepared for me. The Spirit from God is in me: I know the things freely given to me by God.

I am a steward of the Secrets of God. God has made known to me the secret of His will. I have a spirit of wisdom and revelation from God. I know Him. I know that which is beyond knowing – the love of Christ. The word of Christ dwells in me, richly filling me with wisdom. I have heard, I have seen, I have handled the Word of Life. I have an anointing from the Holy One; I know all things. I know the truth. God abides in me. The truth is in me.

I know God's will.

When a movie maker records a movie, he uses a recording system to turn the sights and sounds of the movie into a digital format. The recording system then "writes" the digital format onto a DVD disc. If I want to watch the movie, I buy the disc. But having the disc really does nothing for me. I cannot "see" the movie by studying the disk. No amount of mental penetration can force that disc to give up its secrets. It is, entirely, a mystery. Rather, I place the DVD into a machine that is designed in the exact same format as the original recording device. That machine translates the "mystery" in the DVD into a movie I can watch and enjoy.

In the same way, I do not "know" the Secrets of heaven by studying the Bible any more than I "see" a movie by studying the disc. The original "recording equipment" who recorded those words in the Bible is the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit knows God. I am filled with the Holy Spirit; I am filled with the truth. The word of God as recorded in the Bible "plays" through the Holy Spirit in me, and I see and hear and understand all the Secrets of God.

LI Am A Good And Faithful Servant

Because I humble myself as a little child, I am the greatest in the kingdom of heaven. I receive Christ as I receive even the least in His love.

I am sent to seek and to save that which is lost. I win my brother back whenever we are separated.

Whatever I bind or loose on earth is bound or loosed in heaven.

Whenever I get together with a brother or sister in Christ, Jesus shows up!

I forgive, always.

I am with God; all things are possible to me.

I follow Jesus; I sit enthroned, judging all who come before God.

I have left everything pertaining to life in this world; I receive back from God 100 times more in this world.

I embrace all whom Jesus blesses.

I desire to be great in God's kingdom,; that's why I serve others. In fact, I want to be number one in heaven; that's why I love to meet other people's needs, all the time.

Mountains disappear when I speak.

I ask; I believe; I receive. I fall on Jesus, and I am broken.

I love the Lord my God with all my heart, soul, and mind. I love my neighbor as much as I love myself.

Because I always watch, I am ready for my Master's coming. Jesus blesses me as I give others what they need.

I am wise; I keep my lamp full.

I take everything God gives me, I risk it all in the marketplaces of this world – wisely, as He teaches me – and I bring back to Him a great increase from what He has invested in me.

I am the good and faithful servant; I enter into the unspeakable joy of Jesus.

I give away what I have been given; I have more in abundance.

The Jesus Secret

I AM the Good and Faithful One. This is not up to you, My dear Heart. You don't have to be great; you don't have to "make it"; you don't have to be a "giant of faith." Bless you, no! I am all of that already.

But here is <u>My Secret</u>: I, the Good and Faithful One - I live in you. Simply believe, and in believing, reach out your hand and touch someone else. And in that touch, everything I AM, you are. Everything I AM leaps from you.

I Am A Good And Faithful Servant

I take everything God gives me, I risk it all in the marketplaces of this world – wisely, as He teaches me – and I bring back to Him a great increase from what He has invested in me.

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Glory, simply defined, is receiving praise for a job well done. This parable of the talents is the most practical description of glory I am given. Jesus receives the adoration of the universe for conquering sin and death and for securing salvation. Jesus tells me in this parable that, as I am faithful, I share in His glory; I enter into His joy.

Is this what I do? Is it the joy and passion, the drive of my life, to faithfully "invest" every good thing God has imparted to me into the triumph of His kingdom? If I look at my own lack, my own shortcoming, my own weariness, my own fears, then I know that I will never "make it."

I cannot look at myself.

God's word is power. I speak His word to myself. I am the good and faithful servant. I invest His kingdom in the marketplaces of this world, as He teaches me. I invest into my family, my friends, my job; into my school, my church, my neighbors; into anyone I happen to meet. I invest the human things He has given me, my abilities, my talents, my strengths, my time, my money. I invest the anointing and the grace He has given me, His power upon me, and His spiritual gifts. I pray for others. I give a cup of cold water; I do the simple, little things that meet their needs.

As I speak this, I become what I speak. I do what I see myself doing. I live what I see; it is who I am.

However, if I speak what I am not yet always doing, am I lying? or, <u>am I</u> prophesying? <u>Because</u> Jesus fills my heart, I become what I speak.

When I hear these words of Jesus, "Well done," when they count, I will not be hearing them for the first time. They are no surprise to me. I have heard them in my own heart many times before.

I am faithful in a few things; I am made ruler over much. I enter into the joy of Jesus.

Matthew 24:42-28:20

Day 22

I Am The One Jesus Is With; Jesus Is With Me

I take everything God gives me, I risk it all in the marketplaces of this world – wisely, as He teaches me – and I bring back to Him a great increase from what He has invested in me.

I am the good and faithful servant; I enter into the unspeakable joy of Jesus.

Because I give away what I have been given, I have more in abundance.

I give food to the hungry; I give drink to the thirsty; I take strangers into my house; I clothe those who are naked; I visit the sick; I visit those who are in prison; **My Father blesses me**. I possess the kingdom that God prepared just for me from the very beginning.

I take; I eat of His body. I drink of His blood of the new covenant.

I stay; I watch. I watch and pray; therefore God keeps me from temptation.

I drink of the cup You give me, my Father.

I rejoice. I am not afraid.

I am sent in the authority God gave to Jesus. I go, making disciples of people everywhere. I immerse them in the name of God; I teach them to observe everything Jesus commanded.

I am the one Jesus is with. Jesus is with me!

The Jesus Secret

I AM with you! I AM with you! I AM with you! I live at all times in your heart. I fill every part of you. My Mind is your mind; My Thoughts are your thoughts. My Love is your love; My Joy is your joy. My Glory is your glory. Oh, My precious Heart, believe that I AM with you.

I send you -- Go!

And always, always, always, I AM with you.

Give, visit, clothe, feed, comfort.

As you share with others My Secret, My Glory fills the entire world. There is no stopping us.

What unspeakable joy I share with you! You cannot ever be alone; it is impossible. I AM always with you.

Day 23

I Am The One Jesus Is With; Jesus Is With Me

For forty years, the weight and grief of the slavery of his people in Egypt rode heavily upon Moses' shoulders as he trudged the back wasteland of the Sinai peninsula, following his father-in-law's sheep. Equal to his concern for the Israelite people, however, was the gnawing voice of condemnation. "You are a failure. You tried to help and look at what happened." Then one day, the fire of God inserted itself into Moses' life. God said to Moses: "I send you." Moses' immediate response, drawn from forty years of the same thoughts going round and round in his mind was: "Who am I?"

God's answer, also immediate: "I will certainly be with you. Moses, you are the man whose God goes with him. Moses, the living God, the Creator of heaven and earth, the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob is with you. That's who you are, Moses; you are the man whom God is with."

Jesus is with me. Who am I? I am the man/woman Jesus is with. Everywhere I go, the thought is ever present at the forefront of my mind, "Jesus is with me. I am the one Jesus is with." That is my identity; that is who I am. When I face accusation, Jesus is with me. When I face suffering and loss, Jesus is with me. When obstacles stand in my way, Jesus is with me. Always, always, always, Jesus is with me.

This confession of faith, this boldness by which I enter into the very throne room of God, does not come from me. Never does the thought enter my heart that any of this comes from me, that I have some sufficiency in my-self whereby I am what I proclaim.

No. I am what I am because Jesus is with me. Apart from Him, I am nothing. I am who I am in spite of myself, not because of myself. I am who I am because He is with me. I am valuable, not because of anything in myself. I am valuable because of the price He paid for me. His payment determines my value. His presence determines my mission.

I live; yet it is not I, but Christ who lives in me.

Jesus is with me!

I Do What Jesus Tells Me To Do

From the very beginning, God determined that I would be just like Jesus. He sees exactly what I am in my final state. That **IS** who I am.

The best way to see myself as I really am is to look at all the things Jesus and the Apostles commanded me to do. This is who I really am, doing those things effortlessly, as my nature, almost without thought. <u>I declare right</u> now who I am.

Jesus commanded me to love God.
<u>I love God.</u>
Jesus commanded me to love my brothers and sisters.
<u>I love my brothers and sisters.</u>
Jesus commanded me not to be afraid.

<u>I am not afraid of anything in this world.</u>

Jesus commanded me to watch.

<u>I watch and pray; God keeps me from temptation.</u>

Jesus commanded me to let my light shine.

<u>My good works testify of the goodness and glory of God.</u>

Transformation begins with the commandment of God. When I hear God's command, I am an observer. I can think about it; I can do it, or not. But somehow, God's command is outside of me, still not **a definition of me**. However, when I see myself as I am, and more than that, when I confess who God says I am, when I speak it out loud, it becomes mine. It becomes me.

Then the fight begins. As I confess who I am, I get a taste of being like Jesus. I taste love filling my heart, a tender delight for other people, the overflowing joy that Jesus said is mine all the time. Now, do I want that permanently?

When I confess with my mouth that I do what Jesus commands me to do, I am confronted with reality. This is who I am. <u>Now do it</u>. But as I do it, I am only being myself. I am doing what I am. I am not trying to obey some command that is outside of myself. And other people can tell the difference. As I do what I am, everyone, myself included, enjoys the reality of Christ.

No one wants to be around people who try really hard to be good Christians. Their sincerity is admirable, but their effect is prickly and uncomfortable. Everyone likes to be with those who love effortlessly, who laugh because joy fills their heart, who give because other people delight them.

The commandment is written in my heart; it is who I am.

I Give Food To The Hungry; I Give Drink To The Thirsty

I give food to the hungry; I give drink to the thirsty; I take strangers into my house; I clothe those who are naked; I visit the sick; I visit those who are in prison.

There are many ways to be hungry and thirsty. There are many lonely and exposed paths. There are many kinds of sickness. There are many types of prison cells.

Taking this exercise, this confession of faith, this declaration of who God determined me to be from the beginning, through the entire New Testament, I am struck by this one recurring theme. The essence of being like Christ is constantly to be meeting people's needs. First come the needs of the body of Christ, my brothers and sisters in the Lord, and then come the needs of everyone else.

There are two ways in which I meet people's needs. First, I meet them through the gift God has given me. I do not judge myself by the gift God has given someone else. I do not worry when my gift does not meet a particular need. I am a member of a body. There are others who do have the gift for those particular needs I am not equipped to meet.

Second, I meet the real and practical needs of all those who cross my path. My mind is set on what other people need. If I am a teacher, I teach with God's ability. If I am a helper, I help with God's ability. If I am a builder, I give what I have. Whether in large things or small things, I give what God has given me to give.

I meet other people's needs; God meets my needs.

As I see myself as I really am – one who meets people's needs – my life is radically altered. I become a servant. I think about other people's concerns ahead of my own.

I desire to be great in the kingdom of God; that's why I serve others. In fact, I want to be number one in heaven; that's why I love to meet other people's needs, all the time.

I am great. I meet other people's needs all the time.

I Love My Enemies

Webster's 1926 "enemy"

I love the person who is hostile to me, who seeks my failure, who seeks to overthrow me. I love those persons who try to injure me. I love those persons who are members of the armed forces of hostile nations. I love them; I pray for them; I seek to do them good, not harm.

I do not resist violent people. If someone strikes me; I do not strike back. If someone makes me serve them, I serve them more than expected. I give to everyone who asks me. I love my enemies, I bless those who curse me; I do good to those who hate me; I pray for those who misuse me. I am a son of my heavenly Father. I am just like God.

I love my personal enemies. I love the man who honks at me in traffic. I love the lady at the checkout counter who makes me stand and wait in line. I love the ones who misuse me, who make bad decisions that destroy my hopes and do so without concern. I love those who criticize me to my face and tell me I am a loser. I love them.

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I love those whom my nation or culture decries as enemies. I refuse to join the madness in this world of hating and fearing other peoples. I refuse to join the present hatred of Muslims. I refuse to give my assent to murdering people. I refuse to give voice to the demons calling the peoples of this world to war. I refuse to call any man "evil" or to place any people outside the power of a peacemaker.

My allegiance is to Jesus, alone. I do not follow a crowd to do evil. I do not follow one of the kingdoms of Satan to do evil. I am no friend of this world or of any nation of this world. I have no communion with the values and ambitions of this world. I do not love the things of this world. I do not pledge allegiance to any kingdom of Satan, any nation of men.

Jesus gives life; I am here to give life. Satan comes to steal, to kill, and to destroy. He sits enthroned on both sides of every battlefield of this world. He loves to destroy. I refuse allegiance to the constitutions and the philosophies of this world. I refuse to join myself to the worldly men who form the armed forces of this world for the purposes of killing and destroying.

I am just like Jesus. I insist on giving aid and comfort to my "enemies." I insist on laying down my life for others' sake. <u>I refuse to fight for the beast</u>.

The Kingdom Of Heaven Grows In Me And Fills All Of My Being

God's kingdom is within me.

I am the one who has received the seed on good ground. I bring forth fruit thirty, sixty, a hundred times more. I shine as the sun in the kingdom of my Father. I am the pearl of great price. I possess the keys of the kingdom of heaven. I have the authority to bind and to loose on earth as it is in heaven. I speak to mountains; they disappear. Because of my faith, nothing is impossible to me. I possess the kingdom that God prepared just for me from the very beginning. I possess authority to destroy everything that Satan or his demons try to do. Nothing can hurt me. I am not afraid. I know that God is pleased and thrilled to give me His kingdom.

> I am a citizen of heaven. I serve one Master only: Jesus. I am a sojourner and a pilgrim in this world. My kingdom is not of this world. I seek for a city that is to come.

I am an agent of another country. I work in secret to spread the power and influence of my country throughout the worldly country in which I live. My country is at war with the kingdoms of this world. I do not betray my country by giving my allegiance to the government under which I sojourn. I am not a dual citizen; I have only one Master. When my Master overthrows the worldly system in which I live, I will not be ashamed; I am with Him.

I am not here to destroy or to ruin people's lives, but to save them. I take care of the needs of any passing stranger, no matter what his race or standing, as if he were my beloved neighbor. I have left family and home for the sake of the kingdom of God, **I am here to seek and to save what was lost**. I take heed that I am not deceived by anyone that would get my eyes off Jesus.

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Another country, another kingdom, another King grows inside of me and fills all of my being.

I am a peacemaker.

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Day 13: 1 Cor. 13:4; John 4:34

Day 15: Matt. 7:9-11; Luke 11:11-13; Eph. 3:19; John 7:37-39; Eph. 1:9; Heb. 11:6

Day 17: Rom. 12:6,13,14; 1 Cor. 12:7,11; 2 Cor. 4:7; 2 Tim. 3:17; Phil. 6

*** Let me be blunt: The Old Covenant does not describe me, neither does it define my relationship with God. Inasmuch as the Old Covenant supports and helps us to understand the New Covenant, it is God speaking to us. But never do we take a verse from the Old Covenant and use it to define and regulate or even dispose of New Testament truth.

The man described by the Old Covenant died upon the cross of Christ. I - all of me - I live in the resurrection of Jesus Christ in me. The New Covenant states without equivocation that the old heart I once knew is gone forever and that my present heart is the dwelling place of Christ, with the law of God written upon it.

The Old Covenant is God speaking to us so long as we read it by the Holy Spirit and so long as it never counteracts any part of the New Covenant.

Paul fought his whole life against those who insisted on imposing the Old Covenant unlawfully upon the New Covenant church. He suggested at one point that they go castrate themselves.

Paul lost the battle in church history.

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- Day 23: Exodus 3:11-14
- Day 24: Rom. 8:29
- Day 25: Matt. 25:34-36; Eph 4:7; 1 Cor 12:4,11,27; Matt. 20:26-28.
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- I am immersed in the Holy Spirit.
- I deny myself; I take up my cross; I follow Him.
- I am here to serve and to give my life for others.
 - I watch and pray; God keeps me from temptation.
 - I stretch out my hand and Jesus heals me; Jesus makes me whole.
 - I am not afraid.

l Am Immersed In The Holy Spirit 🕻

I am immersed in the Holy Spirit.

I am he who repented. I believe in the good news of a new King in me.

I follow Jesus. He has made me a fisher, a gatherer, of men.

I am delivered from evil spirits; Jesus wanted to set me free.

I am healed by Jesus; Jesus wanted to heal me.

I am cleansed by Jesus; Jesus wanted to cleanse me and make every part of me whole.

I am the one whose sins were forgiven. I arise; I take up my bed; I walk.

I follow Jesus.

I answered the call to repentance. I am the friend of the bridegroom.

I stretch out my hand; Jesus heals me.

Demons who have afflicted me flee in terror because I am with Jesus. Jesus sent me to preach the gospel of the kingdom.

I am the man who has been given power by Jesus to heal sickness and to cast out demons.

I honor the Holy Spirit in everything He does.

Because I do the will of God, I am the brother/sister/mother of Jesus.

The seed of God fell on my good ground. I received it, and it brought forth fruit a hundred times more.

I have ears to hear; I hear His voice. I know the Secrets of God's kingdom. I hear what He says.

Because my measure of God is without limit, God is without limit in my life. Because I possess God without measure, more and more good comes into my life.

God's kingdom is full-grown in me.

The Jesus Secret

I live in your heart. I fill your mind. Your body is the temple of my Spirit. But sometimes you forget. It is in the places of forgetting that demons and pain and sickness creep into the shadows of the corners of your life.

Remember Me!

You are immersed in My Holy Spirit. Your heart is where I live. When you remember Me, all that hides in forgetfulness vanishes. My kingdom is full-grown in you. Your are immersed in My Holy Spirit; release yourself with all boldness into the fullness of My Spirit.

I Am Immersed In The Holy Spirit

Webster's 1926 "immersed"

I am plunged into the Holy Spirit as a surrounding, a covering. I am dipped, sunk, buried, in the Holy Spirit. I am engaged deeply, engrossed in the attention of the Holy Spirit. I am involved, overwhelmed, absorbed in the Holy Spirit. I am growing wholly under; I am submerged in the Holy Spirit. I am completely embedded in the Holy Spirit.

Jesus immerses me in the Holy Spirit, in the Holy Spirit and in fire. I am plunged into the Spirit without limit. I am immersed in the Comforter, in the Helper. I am engaged deeply in the One who comes alongside. I am immersed in the Spirit of Truth, in the One who shows me what belongs to Jesus. I am absorbed in Power. I am immersed in the Spirit of Holiness, in the Spirit of Life. I am completely embedded in the Spirit of the One who raised Jesus from the dead. I am immersed in the Spirit of Adoption.

I am immersed in the same Spirit as all my brethren, in the One who immerses me into the body of Christ. I am growing wholly under the Spirit of His Son, the Holy Spirit of promise. I am immersed in the unity of the Spirit, in the One Spirit. I am plunged into the Spirit of Jesus Christ.

I am immersed in the Spirit; I walk in the Spirit.

Is there more experience of the Holy Spirit than what I presently know? Infinitely and forever, yes! Yet, I am interested in one thing only. From the very beginning, God determined that I would be just like Jesus. When I am what God intended from the beginning, what does He see? What do I look like? Who am I? Whatever God sees, that **IS** who I am. I look for nothing less than all the fullness of Christ and all the fullness of the Holy Spirit.

How I see God is how I see myself; how I see myself is what I am.

I receive from God to the extent by which I measure Jesus in my life.

My measure of Jesus is without limit; God is without limit in my life.

I am not afraid. I am filled with faith.

I am the one who has received great compassion from God.

I am the one who touched Him. My faith has made me whole.

I am not afraid. I believe.

I hear His voice; I arise from the dead.

Jesus sends me. I have power over unclean spirits. He provides for my every need.

I often step aside to a quiet place and rest myself in His presence.

I take the bread and it multiplies as it passes from my hand. I gather up an abundance left over.

I am of great cheer. Jesus is with me. I am not afraid. I touched Him. He made me well.

My ears are opened. My mouth speaks.

I pass out food and it multiplies as it leaves my hand. I understand. God is my source; He is my provider.

I desire to follow Jesus. I deny myself. I take up my cross; I follow Him.

Because I desire to save my life, I lose it. Because I lose my life for His sake and for the gospel, I possess it again.

I confess Jesus before a sinful generation. He confesses me before the glory of His Father.

I see the kingdom of God present with power.

I believe. All things are possible to me because I believe.

The Jesus Secret

I do not eliminate you or replace you. I do not want you to "die" or "disappear." When you stop seeing yourself separate from Me, I live in you. As I fill you, you are never more real. As I fill you, you are never more yourself. The "self" that separates from Me is the one who forgets.

Deny the shadow. Remember Me! Please, it is you that I fill. All of you! I do not live in you as someone separate from yourself. What a contradiction in terms! I live in <u>you</u>.

My cross is what stands between you and the forgetfulness of the world. Remember Me!

Day 30

I Deny Myself

Webster's 1926 "deny" I declare any natural self separate from Christ not to be true. I dis- claim connection with or responsi- bility for a self separate from Christ.	I refuse to acknowledge a self separate from Christ. I reject as a false conception; I declare disbelief in the reality of a self separate from Christ.

This is the first meaning of "I deny myself." But there is also a second meaning seen entirely in the context of a soldier or a sportsman. A soldier devotes himself to one thing: victory. A sportsman pursues one thing: winning the prize. It is in this context that I deny myself. Because my goal is the victory and the glory of Christ, I fight for His triumph. I am a fighter; I condition myself to have every advantage in the moment of trial. I am free to do all things, but I never allow anything to turn my face. Because my goal is to win the prize, to be the greatest in the kingdom of God, my energy is directed towards meeting the needs of others. But I do take time for my own rest; my weariness benefits no one. As a sportsman, I lay aside the weight of carrying any part of myself. I deny a "self" completely. Christ is my life; I have no othr life.

But I never deny myself because "I am evil and evil me must die." As long as I believe that "I am evil and evil me must die," that is who I will be. If I believe it for 10,000 years, so I will remain.

I **AM** crucified with Christ. Nevertheless I live, yet not I but Christ lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh, I live by the faith of the Son of God who loved me and gave His life for me.

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I take up my cross; I follow Him.

Show me a person overflowing with joy, a delight to be around, who makes you feel wonderful, and I will show you one who carries his cross.

I am blessed when people say terrible and false things about me and persecute me; I rejoice and am thrilled. I get excited when problems and difficulties come my way. The trial of my faith is more precious than gold. **Momentary light affliction works in me an exceeding and eternal weight of glory**. What incredible wealth is piling up for me!

I Am Here To Serve And To Give My Life For Others

I desire to be first in the kingdom of God; I always take the last place; I focus my effort on being a blessing to the people around me.

I receive the little ones and the least as if they are the very Christ, and by doing so I receive not only Jesus, but also God Himself.

I give water to the thirsty in the name of Christ; I receive a reward.

I do not do anything that makes anyone who is weak to stumble.

I receive little children as if I am receiving the kingdom of God. I receive the kingdom of God with the same trusting expectancy a little child shows to a loving father.

Whether I have riches or not, I do not trust in them. I freely place them at the disposal of the King. Whether I have many possessions or few, I do not carry them. I enter God's kingdom with nothing. God is with me; with God all things are possible. For Jesus' sake and the gospel's, I place my family on His shoulders and off of mine. Because I do, I receive back my own family, and also many brothers and sisters and mothers and children and great extent of property in this present time, in the great family of God – and though I pass through persecution, I possess the life of the age to come.

I drink of the same cup from which Jesus drinks.

Because I desire to be great among the people of God, I spend my time doing things to bless and benefit those around me. Because I want to be the top man in the family of God, I spend my time doing what will bless and benefit everyone in the whole family of God.

I am here to serve and to give my life for others.

My faith makes me well.

I have faith in God.

The Jesus Secret

Here is My Secret: Give! Give a cup of cold water to one who is thirsty. Through your simple act My Father triumphs in the earth, His glory is unleashed.

You see, dear Heart, it is not just Me who leaps through you when you touch someone. No! There is One Greater than I who eagerly waits for His chance to move through the touch of your finger. Believe that He does.

I Am Here To Serve And To Give My Life For Others

I always take the last place; I focus my effort on being a blessing to the people around me. I receive the little ones and the least as if they are the very Christ. I give water to those who are thirsty. I do not do anything that makes anyone weak to stumble. I receive all others. I spend my time doing things to bless and benefit those around me. I spend my time doing what will bless and benefit everyone throughout the family of God.

I am here to serve and to give my life for others.

Here I am again: faced with the contradiction of the visible. But I don't really do these things. I am not <u>really</u> always seeking to bless and benefit those around me. In "reality," much of the time I sit on my rear and live for myself. But was I doing anything different twenty years ago? And will I be doing it any differently two hundred years from now?

I must find a different way. Does God's command have the power within itself to bring its own fulfilment in my life? Can I call what doesn't seem to exist as though it does? Can I declare who I am as God sees me in the end?

If I confess with my mouth that I spend my time doing things to bless and benefit those around me, if I believe in my heart that I really am the person who spends his time doing what will bless and benefit others, will I really become that person?

I am determined to find out! What do I have to lose?

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1	Webster's 1926 "serve"	here to be subordinate to, to act a
	I am here to be employed by an-	secondary part under. I am here to
	other and subject to His direction	wait upon, to supply the wants of,
	and control. I am here to work for,	to attend. I am here to contribute,
	to labor on behalf of, to exert myself	to promote, to be sufficient for, to
	continuously, to do service. I am	satisfy.
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I love. I love my brothers and sisters in Christ in the same way that He loves me. I lay down my life for my friends. I devote my life to blessing those who are important to Jesus.

l give water to those who are thirsty.

I Watch And Pray; God Keeps Me From Temptation

I do not doubt in my heart; I believe God that what I say will come to pass. I have whatever I say.

When I pray, I believe that I have what I ask for; it comes.

Whenever I pray, I forgive anyone I might have anything against. God forgives me; I forgive.

I ask to be reconciled to my brother when he has something against me.

I love the Lord my God with all my heart, with all my soul, with all my mind, and with all my strength. I love my neighbor just as much as I love myself.

Because I give what I have, I give much.

I am always careful not to be tricked by anyone who seeks to take my eyes off Jesus.

I speak what the Spirit gives me to

speak. I endure; I enjoy full salvation.

I take heed; I watch; I pray. I watch every second for my Lord's return.

I eat of His body. I drink of the blood of the New Covenant.

Father, I want what You want for me, not what I think I want at this moment.

I watch and pray; God keeps me from temptation.

I see the Son of Man sitting at the right hand of Power, and coming with the clouds of heaven.

I go into all the world; I preach the gospel to every creature.

I believe; that is why I was baptized.

I believe; I cast out demons; I speak in tongues. Evil cannot touch me or harm me. I lay hands on sick people, and they recover.

The Jesus Secret

When you speak, I work. When you give, I multiply it. When you forgive others, I also forgive them. When you ask, I bring the answer. When you cast out demons, I drive them far away. When you lay hands on the sick, I heal them.

When you watch, My Father keeps you. When you believe, My Father gives you His kingdom. When you speak, My Holy Spirit speaks through you. When you endure, I am your salvation. When you love, I move through you.

I live as you in this world.

I Watch And Pray

Webster's 1926 "watch"

I am awake. I keep vigil. I am attentive and vigilant. I give heed. I am on my guard, on the lookout. I keep guard; I act as guard. I am expectant; I look with expectation; I wait. I tend; I guard; I have in keeping. I give heed to; I observe; I keep in view.

I live in a world at war. From the moment of my conception, I was a target of hatred and fear. I have an enemy; my enemy hates and fears me. I am his destruction and he knows it. The last thing in this world he wants is that I, also, come to know it.

I am always on guard, without illusions of safety. I am never complacent or apathetic, or drop my guard. I know that my enemy knows my human frailty almost better than I know myself. He knows my past. He knows how to trip me up with the thoughts, memories, and feelings I am vulnerable to. He comes against me from different angles, from the unexpected. He accuses me, hoping that I will believe, or at the very least, tolerate, the accusation.

God keeps me from temptation.

I am not afraid of anything in this world.

Greater is He that is in me than He that is in the world. I resist the devil: he flees from me. I cast out demons. The weapons I use are mighty in God. I pull down strongholds. I cast down arguments. I cast down every high thing that exalts itself against the knowledge of God.

I am strong in the Lord and in the power of His might. I wear the whole armor of God. I stand strong against the craftiness of the devil. I withstand evil in its day. I stand firm against all spiritual assault.

I pray always with all prayer in the Spirit.

Webster's 1926 **"pray"** I entreat; I implore. I ask; I entreat to come; I invite. I ask earnestly for; I supplicate for; I entreat; I crave. I make request with ear-

Day 36

I Stretch Out My Hand And Jesus Heals Me; Jesus Makes Me Whole

Webster's 1926 "heal"

Jesus makes me hale, sound, and whole. Jesus cures me of disease, of wounds, of other derangements. Jesus restores me to soundness and health. Jesus repairs me. Jesus restores me to original purity and integrity. Jesus makes me whole; He frees me from guilt; He restores me from evil. Jesus causes me to grow sound, to return to a sound state. Jesus effects my cure.

Webster's 1926 "whole"

Jesus makes me to possess or to be in a state of health and soundness. Jesus makes me healthy, sound, well, healed. Jesus makes me not broken, unimpaired, uninjured, and integral. Jesus makes me whole, entire, complete, perfect, and intact.

Jesus wanted to set me free: I am delivered from evil spirits. Jesus wanted to heal me: I am healed by Jesus. Jesus wanted to cleanse me and make me every part whole: I am cleansed by Jesus. I stretch out my hand and Jesus heals me. I arise; I take up my bed; I walk. Demons that have afflicted me flee in terror because I am with Jesus. I am the one who touched Him. My faith has made me whole. I am not afraid. He gave sight to my eyes; He gave speech to my tongue; He straightened my body. Jesus heals me.

I am healed by His stripes.

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Sickness and disease do not belong to me; they are not my portion. Sickness and disease are neither from God, nor of heaven. I may bear with them long, but they are not mine, and every moment that I bear with them, I stretch out my hand to Jesus, believing that He heals me, He makes me whole.

When sickness comes, it bears a "spirit of sickness." I reject that spirit. I am not sick. My body may be awaiting with eager expectation the healing power that flows from Jesus' touch, but I am not sick. I do not "see" myself as sick. That does not mean I do unwise and rash things, but I do what the anointing of Christ strengthens me to do and I am free of the sickness that momentarily inserts itself into my body.

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I submit to God; I reject the devil and he flees from me. I confess my need of God, and I am healed. I am complete in Christ.

Jesus makes me whole.

I Am Not Afraid

I am not afraid of anything in this world.

Webster's 1926 "afraid"

I am not apprehensive, anxious, alarmed, terrified, or scared of anything in this world. I am not shrinking, faint-hearted, pusillanimous, or cowardly. I am not afraid, fearful, frightened, aghast, or timid.

The most frequent command in the New Covenant is **"Watch out, take heed, beware."** The second most frequent command is **"Do not be afraid."**

<u>I watch; I am not afraid.</u> <u>I take heed; I do not fear.</u> <u>I am wary; I am not fearful.</u>

I do not have a spirit of fear. I have a Spirit of power; I possess a Spirit of love; I have a Spirit of a sound mind. I do not have a spirit of fear. Love perfected in me casts out all fear. I am not afraid of anything in this world.

Webster's 1926 "fear"

I do not have the painful emotion characteristic of the apprehension of evil. I do not carry a primitive emotion marked by revulsion and agitation in the presence of anything in this world. I do not live in apprehension, alarm, dread, or terrified contemplation. I do not know fear, dread, fright, alarm, dismay, consternation, panic, terror, or horror.

I do not fear death. I do not fear those who can harm my body. The powers of this world can do nothing against me except that which God allows for the fulfillment of the mission on which He sent me.

I fear God; I give full regard to what He says about me. I do not fear men. I am not concerned about what people might think against me. I am not afraid of the antagonism on people's faces. If God is for me, who can be against me? God is for me; no one stands against me. Every weapon formed against me falls in ruin. I am not afraid of Satan. I stand against his attacks, but I am not obsessed with them. I resist him, and he flees from me. Satan spends more time fleeing from me than attacking me.

The love of God abounds in my heart! Perfect love casts out all fear.

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Notes:

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• I am Your servant; 'let it be to me according to Your word.'

- I live by every word from God; I am blessed.
 - I give; I am the one who gives.
 - I hear His voice; I arise from the dead.

• I see God; my whole being is filled with His light.

- The Holy Spirit teaches me what to say.
- I am here to seek and to save what was lost.
 - I drink His cup; I remember Him.
 - I have favor with God; God favors me.
 - The Spirit of the Lord sent me to heal the brokenhearted.
 - I love the Lord my God with all my heart, soul, strength, and mind.
 - I am always ready for my Master's return.

Day 38

I Am Your Servant; 'Let It Be To Me According To Your Word'

I rejoice. I am highly favored by God. The Lord is with me. I am blessed above all. I am not afraid. I have found favor with God.

The Holy Spirit has come upon me. **The power of the Highest overshadows me.** Jesus, the very Holy One of God, is being formed within me.

Because I am with God, nothing will be impossible.

I am Your servant. 'Let it be to me according to Your word.'

I am Your servant. 'Let it be to me according to Your word.'

I am blessed among all. The fruit of the life of Christ within me is blessed. I am blessed because I believe and the things God has spoken to me are fulfilled.

I magnify the Lord. I rejoice in God my Savior. He has regarded me; everyone forever will call me blessed. 'For He who is mighty has done great things for me.' I am saved from all of my enemies

and from the hand of all who hate me. I am delivered from the hand of my enemies; I serve Him without fear, in holiness and righteousness before Him all the days of my life.

I know salvation. My sins are removed. God visits me. I live in light. I walk in the way of peace.

I am not afraid.

My eyes see the Salvation of God.

I am strong in spirit; I am filled with wisdom. The grace of God is upon me.

I am always about my Father's business.

I prepare the way of the Lord; I make His paths straight. I see the Salvation of God.

The Jesus Secret

The Holy Spirit is the Power of My Father. The Holy Spirit overshadows you. He is Me in your heart.

Oh yes, I AM the Holy One of God. And I fill you, all of you, all the time.

When your heart whispers, "Let it be to me according to Your word," nothing will ever be withheld from you.

I AM birthed again in you. The life that is inside you is the very Holy One of God - Me!

Day 39

'Let It Be To Me According To Your Word'

Mary's experience is my experience. Just as the power of the Holy Spirit overshadowed Mary, so the power of the Holy Spirit overshadows me. Just as God spoke His word to Mary, and she believed, so God speaks His word to me, and I believe.

I am born from above with an incorruptible seed, the word of God. Christ is being formed in me. God is pleased to reveal His Son in me. I am a son and an heir of God through Christ.

There is power in the word God speaks. No word spoken by God can return to Him unfulfilled. It must accomplish the purpose for which it is sent, in the age and the place to which He sent it.

It must be fulfilled, but will it be fulfilled in me?

I mix my faith with the word God speaks. His word has its full effect in me. The very moment Mary said these words, Jesus was conceived in her womb.

The word is near me, in my heart and in my mouth. If I confess with my mouth and believe in my heart – that word is fulfilled in me.

I am Your servant. 'Let it be to me according to Your word.'

I belong to God alone. I belong to no other. I am baptized into the death of Jesus. I am raised in the resurrection of Jesus. I am no longer a slave to sin. I am now a slave to God. This thing is not up to me; it is up to Him. But I must embrace the power of His word.

I embrace the power of Your word, O God. There is no resistance, no doubt in my heart. No matter how inconceivable the thought, no matter how impossible, I know that Christ is in me. I know that the life in me is the very Son of God.

I know that Your Word, spoken by Your Mouth, must be fulfilled in Me. I must be conformed to the image of Your Son. I believe You. 'Let it be to me according to Your word.'

I Live By Every Word From God

Jesus immerses me in the Holy Spirit and in fire. He gathers me as wheat into His barn.

I am Your beloved son.

I live by every word from God. I worship the Lord my God and I serve only Him. I do not test my God by not believing what He says.

'The Spirit of the Lord is upon me.' He anointed me to preach the gospel. He sent me to heal the brokenhearted. He sent me to proclaim liberty to the captives.

The Lord sent me to proclaim the recovery of sight to the blind. He sent me to set at liberty those who are oppressed. He sent me to proclaim the acceptable year of the Lord.

I am sent for the purpose of preaching God's kingdom.

I am not afraid. I gather in men.

Jesus cleanses me. My sins are forgiven. **I have power to forgive sins**. I arise; I take up my bed; I walk.

I follow Jesus. I call sinners to repentance.

When God pours new wine upon me, I do not expect Him to pour it into the structures that held His wine yesterday. Yesterday's structure did not create yesterday's wine. I give God the full opportunity to do His thing completely differently today from the way He did it yesterday.

I stretch out my hand; He heals me.

Because I am poor, **I am blessed** and the kingdom of God is mine.

Because I hunger, I am blessed and filled full. Because I weep with those who weep, I laugh with His joy.

Because this world hates me and excludes me and mocks me and casts out my name as evil for being a Christian, **I am blessed**. I rejoice and leap for joy because my reward in heaven is very, very great.

The Jesus Secret

I AM the Word God spoke in the beginning. When My Father said, 'Let there be Light,' that was Me! I AM in your lips -- speak! Speak and watch the lights turn on.

My Words are Life. As you speak what I speak, you believe. As you believe what I speak, you are transformed.

I do not replace you; I fill you. I do not "make" you do My will. I love to do My Father's will, and I fill you. Speak who I AM in you until you believe. And then nothing will be impossible to you.

I Live By Every Word From God

I know that His commandment is eternal life.

Every word God speaks is certain in the moment of His speaking. God is eternal, but time is where He proves Himself. Every word He speaks, He has always spoken. Every word God speaks is fulfilled in the speaking, has always been spoken by God, and has always been fulfilled in the speaking.

God's words are fulfilled in time in this way: **Jesus will win.** That fact is not in question. The final verse in the realm of time is this: "Now when all things are made subject to Him, the Son Himself will also be subject to Him who put all things under Him, that God may be all in all."

The question is, when will He win in me?

Those who "let" Jesus win in them now, in this life, are assured a future of unspeakable, unimaginable joy and great, joyous responsibility in the ages to come.

How do I "let" Jesus win in me now? The power and the life are in the word God spoke. When God said, 'Let there be light,' that was a commandment of God. The void into which God spoke was utterly unable to produce light itself. Light became because God spoke.

But with me, there is another element. God's word – all that God speaks – must find a resting place in me before it can produce the life that is in it. That "resting place" the Bible calls **<u>faith</u>**.

Faith begins in me with the confession of my mouth. As I confess with my mouth the Lord Jesus (that is, the word God speaks, for Jesus is the Word and Light of God), the power that is in that word is released. As the power of God's word is released through my confession, I believe it in my heart; I think it in my mind; I do it in my life. Confession comes before the doing.

Trying to do God's commandment without first confessing and believing does not honor God; it does not come from faith.

As I confess Jesus, that is, as I speak His word, I believe; faith fills my heart and mind. I know Him and His word is fulfilled in my life.

And because God's word is fulfilled in me:

I am blessed.

l Give; l Am The One Who Gives

I love my enemies. I do good to those who hate me. I bless those who curse me. I pray for those who spite me.

When someone strikes me, I do not strike back, but I allow him to strike me again. When someone steals from me, I give him what he forgot to take. **When someone asks me for something, I give it**. When they take what is mine, I do not ask for it back.

I treat everyone in exactly the way I want people to treat me.

I love my enemies. I do good and lend, not expecting anything in return. Because I do, I expect a great reward from God; I am His son.

I am merciful in the exact same way that My Father is merciful.

I do not judge others; I am not judged. I do not condemn others; I

am not condemned. I forgive; I am forgiven.

Day 42

I am the one who gives. I give. And because I give, everything is given back to me. I cannot keep up with all that God gives back to me, it is simply too much.

Because **I give without limit**, God gives back to me without limit.

I am just like my Teacher.

I remove <u>unbelief</u> from my own eyes before I ever mention to my brother his need to see clearly.

I am the good tree that bears good fruit. I am the good man, and out of the good treasure of my heart I bring forth good.

I hear what Jesus says and do it. I build my house upon a foundation of rock. That is why I stand firm.

The Jesus Secret

My Father is Love. He doesn't have love; love is not one of His attributes. He is Love. Love is Who God is. My enemy wants the world to think that Love is wimpish, that real men kill their enemies.

But I have a Secret for you. Wimps strike back when they are hurt. My Father gives Me to His enemies and I lay down My life to win them for Myself. After all, it was you who killed Me once. Am I a wimp, or am I the greatest Power in the universe? Satan can be very persuasive, I know, especially when he speaks through "Bible" men. But guess what, real men lay down their lives for their enemies. The wimps who strike back will be the ones ashamed.

I Give; I Am The One Who Gives

God gives. That is His nature. His life consists of giving. The examples of this nature of God are everywhere. The sun gives its light freely; springs, lakes, and rivers give their abundance freely; the casting forth of seed in the plant/animal realms is prolific and constant. Nature works by giving itself, pouring itself out abundantly because that is God's nature. God gives, freely and abundantly.

Satan takes. He kills, steals, and destroys. Any lake that ceases to pour forth its waters becomes stagnant and polluted. To cease giving is to dry up receiving, to dry up the very sources of life itself.

This principle of giving is the foundation of economic law. <u>Free</u><u>market</u> prosperity is based on giving. A businessman or tradesman who seeks to please his customers in every respect prospers. Socialism, on the other hand, is based on greed. Businesses that do not wish to prosper by meeting people's needs instead use the power of government to force customers in their direction. (Socialism has many shades, but all of it is based on greed and the corruption of human power instead of giving.). But because giving is the nature of God, true prosperity, even in the natural world, can only come from a system built on serving people's needs – on the giving found only in economic freedom. Whatever a man sows, that he reaps.

Giving works in every aspect of my life. I give. At home, at work, at school, I give. And as I give of myself to meet other people's needs, to bless and benefit them, I am always surprised at how much comes back to me.

When someone asks me for something, I give it. I do good and lend, not expecting anything in return. I give without limit; it comes back to me without limit. Giving is who I am. Giving defines me.

But giving is not limited to physical things. I give life. I speak words of hope and encouragement and life to others. Life comes back to me. I give mercy; I give joy; I give hope. All these things belong to me, and I give them freely and abundantly everywhere I go.

l give; everything is given back to me. I cannot keep up with all that God gives back; it simply is too much.

Luke 7:1-9:36

Day 44

I Hear His Voice: I Arise From The Dead

I hear His voice. I arise from the dead. I speak.

Because He has forgiven me so much, I love Him so much more. My sins are forgiven. My faith has saved me. I go in peace.

I know the mysteries of God.

The seed of God falls on my good ground. I hear the word, I keep it, and I bear fruit with patience.

I set my light where all can see it. I take heed how I hear. Because I possess the abundance of God, I receive more and more and more.

Because I hear the word of God and do it, I am Jesus' mother/brother.

He delivers me from evil. I proclaim the great things God does for me.

I am the one who touched Him. And when I touched Him, power flowed out of Him; I felt it go all through me. I am filled with cheer. My faith has made me well. I go in peace.

I am not afraid. I believe. My loved ones are made well.

I hear His voice; I arise from the dead. I have something to eat.

I give, and when I give, it multiplies, and there is an abundance left over.

I follow Him. I deny myself. I take up my cross daily. Losing my life for His sake; I possess it again.

I confess Jesus and His words; He proclaims me in the glory of His Father and before all of heaven.

I see God's kingdom.

The Jesus Secret

I AM Life. I AM the Words that created the universe.

Death is My enemy. Death is a fit enemy for Me. Satan is a slave of Death. He flees in terror when you Remember Me. But Death - Death is My great triumph.

It was a simple thing when My Father spoke and I created the universe. But when My Father spoke and I rose from the dead -- that was real Power. When I triumph over Death through you - what a day! - that will be the greatest moment of the ages.

Listen for My voice. Have your ear tuned to Me at all times. When I speak, you will destroy Death! And when you speak My Words, I destroy Death!

Day 45

I Hear His Voice: I Arise From The Dead

I am the one who touched Him. And when I touched Him, power flowed out of Him; I felt it go all through me.

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Jesus speaks to me. I hear His voice. He speaks to me through the quickening of Scripture, through gospel messages, through devotional books. He speaks to me through friends and family, through my boss and fellow workers. He whispers to me through circumstances and experiences in which I find myself. He speaks to me through strangers, through movies, through my own meditations. He whispers to me through a still small voice in my spirit. He speaks to me.

He speaks to me because I listen for His voice every moment. I search for what He is saying in every circumstance. I meditate on His word; my heart beats with delight when I hear Him whisper to me.

I am lying on a funeral pallet, in a tomb, on a bed. I am, in fact, quite dead. My loved ones mourn for me; they weep. Then I, who am consigned to the place of the dead, I hear a voice. It comes through the gloom and mustiness. It penetrates the darkness. It is a voice of authority, of endearing love. I hear that voice. I recognize it. He is calling to me! I respond. Suddenly, I am back in my body, I am rising to embrace my mother, my sisters, my parents. Tears of grief turn to tears of joy and wonder. I walk, I run, I dance. I have something to eat! Life, life given to me by Jesus, is good, once again.

I hear His voice. The power of that Voice! The power in those Words!

I cannot remain in death. The grave has no hold over me. I rise from the dead. I rise from the dead. I am transformed. Sin and death cannot hold me. The grave disappears in defeat. Every limitation of the curse is gone forever. My physical body is swallowed up by LIFE! My corruptible, mortal body puts on an incorruptible, immortal body. Death is swallowed up in victory! I am filled with all the fullness of God. God, without limit, without end.

All of this comes from simply hearing His voice. My ear is tuned; I am listening. I am eagerly awaiting the sound of His voice.

I hear His voice: I LIVE!

My Eye Is Set On God; My Whole Being Is Filled With His Light

Because I receive even a little child as if it were Jesus Himself, I am receiving, not only Jesus, but also the Father. Because I always take the place of service, I am great.

I am not here to destroy or to ruin people's lives, but to save them.

I follow Jesus. I do not look back.

I pray for God to send laborers into His harvest.

I heal the sick. I proclaim the presence of the kingdom of God.

I possess authority to destroy everything that Satan or his demons try to do. Nothing can hurt me. I rejoice that my name is written in heaven.

The Son reveals the Father to me. My eyes are blessed; I see.

I love the Lord my God with all my heart, with all my soul, with all my strength, and with all my mind. I love my neighbor as I love myself.

I take care of the needs of any passing stranger, no matter who, as if he were my beloved neighbor. The will of heaven is done in my earth. God gives me my daily bread. He forgives my sins as I forgive the sins of others. He keeps me from temptation and from the evil one.

I ask. And because I don't stop asking, I receive. I seek. And because I don't stop seeking, I find. I knock. And because I keep on knocking, God opens His doors for me.

I am filled with the Holy Spirit because I ask the Father and He gives the Holy Spirit to me.

I cast out demons by the finger of God. The kingdom of God is upon me.

Because I hear the word of God and keep it, I am blessed.

I shine my light where all can see it. My eye is set on God. My whole being is filled with His light. His light shines out of me like a powerful lamp.

I am not afraid of anything in this world. I fear God. I am not afraid.

The Jesus Secret

I AM the Light of the world. I live in you. When you touch others, I shine through you. You are the Light of the world. Simple, isn't it?

What is My Secret? Keep your eyes on Me; I will reveal My Father to you.

My Eye Is Set On God; My Whole Being Is Filled With His Light

Twelve men traveled through the Promised Land. All of them tasted its fruit. They enjoyed its pleasures and marveled at its abundance. All of them also saw the people who lived there. They saw the strength of the fortified cities, the battle-hardiness of the fighters who claimed the Promised Land for themselves. And all twelve men returned to the people of God to report on what they had seen.

The twelve men gave a true and accurate report. The land is awesome, but it is filled with giants. Here are their exact words: 'We went to the land where you sent us. It truly flows with milk and honey, and this is its fruit. Nevertheless the people who dwell in the land are strong; the cities are fortified and very large; moreover we saw the (giants) there.'

Every word of this report is complete and accurate truth. But two of the twelve men departed fully from the other ten. These two had seen everything the other ten had seen, and they had reported everything the other ten had reported.

Caleb and Joshua saw God; the other ten saw themselves.

Here is the conclusion of the men who looked at themselves: 'We are not able to go up against the people, for they are stronger than we . . . we were like grasshoppers in our own sight.'

Here is the conclusion of the men who kept their eyes set on God: 'Let us go up at once and take possession, for **we are well able to overcome it.**'

Notice specifically that they did not say, "God is," they said, "We are." They saw God: **their own beings were filled with light**.

There is a "report" in Christianity that my human weakness and limitation prevents God from performing His perfect will in my life in this age.

I do not listen to that report. I do not see "the flesh." I do not regard my human weakness. I do not consider my propensity to fall short of God's glory. I do not see those things because my eyes are set on God. And because my eyes are set on God,

I am well able to overcome all things.

I shine my light where all can see it.

The Holy Spirit Teaches Me What To Say

I confess Jesus before men; He confesses me before God.

I do not figure out how I will answer my accusers. **The Holy Spirit teaches me what to say.**

Because I watch carefully, covetousness is not in me. I know that my life is not found in the abundance of the things I possess.

I am rich towards God. I do not worry about my life, what I will eat, or what clothes I will wear. God clothes me; He feeds me and gives me drink. Because I seek the kingdom of God, God gives me all things that I need.

I am not afraid. I know that God is pleased and thrilled to give me His kingdom.

Whatever I have, I sell and give it away. My treasure is in heaven and cannot be tarnished or lost. My treasure and my heart are in heaven.

I am always ready for my Master's return. When He knocks on my door, I

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My Holy Spirit fills your mouth. The Words of God spoken by your tongue, by your voice box - that is Me!

But here is a Secret: It is always the touch of your finger, first, that opens the doors of another's heart. First, let Me leap through your fingers, through your gentle touch, and then I will create Light in others through the Words you speak. I AM the Fruit that you bear.

open immediately. I watch, always.

I am ready for His coming. I am the faithful and wise steward who gives to God's house the things God gave me to give. I am blessed because my Master finds me giving at His coming. I will be ruler over all Jesus has.

I bear fruit.

The kingdom of God has grown within me until I am now utterly filled with His kingdom.

I enter the narrow gate. I am inside with Him when the door is closed. I am seated in the kingdom of God.

I always take the lowest seat. I never advertise my accomplishments. I let someone else honor me.

I humble myself; God exalts me.

When I serve a meal, I invite to my table the homeless, the disabled, and the blind. I am blessed. Though they cannot repay me, I will be repaid abundantly in the resurrection.

The Holy Spirit Teaches Me What To Say; I Do Not Advertise Myself

I do not advertise myself; God advertises me.

God is the Father of glory. He lives in glory. He loves the praise and adoration of His creation. He lives in the praises of His people. God gets excited when people tell Him how great He is, how wonderful are the things that He does. The acclaim fills His heart full.

But what God does not do is praise Himself. God always gives glory to others. The Father speaks wonderful things about the Son: "This is My Beloved Son; He pleases Me." The Son says good things about the Father: "The Father is greater and mightier than I." The Spirit does not talk about Himself, but He shows us the wonderful things of Jesus.

Because I am created in the image of God, I also love glory. I am invigorated and filled with life and strength when people speak encouraging and positive things about me and to me. Because I "do not know the voice of strangers," I do not practice Satan's version of glory, self-advertising. Selfadvertising is glory turned the wrong direction.

I always take the place of service. I take care of the needs of any passing stranger. I do not worry about my life. I don't let everyone know when I do good things for people. God rewards me openly. I always take the lowest seat. I never advertise my accomplishments. If I am to be honored, I let someone else do that. I do not think more highly of myself than I should. I always put other people's concerns of equal importance with my own.

When I am accused, when other people find fault with me, I do not worry. I do not "answer" them over and over in my mind. I know that when I do need to speak, the Holy Spirit will give me the words to say.

The Holy Spirit teaches me what to say. When I speak, I speak positive, encouraging words. I speak blessing to others. I am quick to praise others. I speak of the triumph of Christ in them when I speak to others. I speak of the wonderful things of Christ. I do not criticize others; I do not put people down; I do not speak evil of others. I do not practice pointing out to people their faults. I speak glory.

Luke 14:15-19:10

Day 50

I Am Here To Seek And To Save What Was Lost

He says to me, "Come." I come.

I bring to His feast the poor, the disabled, and the blind. I search the highways and the hedges, and I persuade people to come to His feast.

Because I hate an earthly attachment to my family and even to my own life, I am His disciple. I have counted the cost. I pay the price. I forsake all that I have. I am His disciple.

I leave the many who are righteous; I search the wilderness for the one who is lost. I rejoice with heaven when the one who was lost is found.

I rejoice with great joy when God brings my brother back home.

I am faithful in the little God gives me; He entrusts me with much.

I do not serve any other master, but Jesus. Not king, not country, not money, not position, not friends. I serve no other King, but Jesus. If others offend me, I forgive them. If the same one offends me the same way seven times in the same day, I continue to forgive him fully and completely.

The kingdom of God is within me.

God is merciful to me because I humble myself before Him.

I enter the kingdom of God because I receive it with the same innocent and joyful expectancy that a child shows to a kind and generous father.

Because I have left family and home for the sake of the kingdom of God, I enjoy now, in this present age, the very large family of God. All they possess is mine. In the age to come, I have eternal life.

I receive my sight. My faith makes me well.

I am here to seek and to save what was lost.

The Jesus Secret

If there is one lost, I do not rest until I have found that one. Do not think that hard hearts or cold minds can stop Me, or sin or wickedness or evil. Violence and murder cannot hold Me back. Death does not prevent Me. The gates of Hades do not stand against My assault. I never stop.

I never stop until that last, final one is found. Until I have reached that final frozen heart and it melts before Me and says, "Jesus, You are Lord." I AM the Relentless One. I live in your heart.

I Am Here To Seek And To Save What Was Lost

I bring to His feast the poor, the disabled, and the blind. I search the highways and the hedges and I persuade people to come to His feast. I leave the many who are righteous; I search the wilderness for the lost one. I rejoice with heaven when a lost one is found. I rejoice with great joy when God brings my brother back home. I am here to seek and to save what was lost.

Webster's 1926 "seek"

I inquire for; I ask for what is lost. I beseech and entreat what is lost. I try to acquire and gain; I strive after what is lost. I try to reach and come to what is lost. I make search for; I endeavor to make the discovery of what is lost.

Webster's 1926 "save"

I make safe; I procure the safety of what is lost. I preserve what is lost from injury, destruction, or evil of any kind. I rescue from danger. I deliver from sin; I rescue from condemnation. I bring into spiritual life. I keep from being spent, or wasted; I preserve.

The truth is, it is God who has lost something. God lost what is most precious to Him, the prize of His creation: man. In fact, God even lost all of those whom He had already determined would be conformed to the image of Jesus Christ. Now, I don't get the wrong picture here. God is not moping; He is filled with great faith. He is a God who risks everything and wins everything. Nevertheless, God's loss is real and His sorrow is real. God sent Jesus to seek out, to search the world over, and to save what He lost. And God has commissioned me with the same ministry of reconciliation. It is a most noble calling to search for and to save what was lost.

Webster's 1926 "lost"

Lost: Ruined or destroyed, physically or morally. Parted with; gone out of one's possession. Having wandered from, or unable to find the way; bewildered; perplexed. Occupied with, or under the influence of something harmful, so as to be insensible of reality. Taken from the possession of; denied to the efforts of. Hardened beyond sensibility or recovery; alienated; insensible. Lost.

This is my mission. I imitate Christ. In the way God assigned to me and with the particular gifts God gave me, I seek and I save what was lost.

I Drink His Cup; I Remember Him

Because I possess abundance from God, I will be given more and more.

I fall on Jesus and am broken.

Because I give the little that I have, I give a whole lot.

I take heed that I am not deceived by any who would get my eyes off Jesus.

I am not afraid. I lift up my head with joy; my redemption is near.

I take heed to myself. The cares of this life do not weigh me down. I watch and pray. I am worthy to stand before the Son of Man.

I drink His cup. I eat His bread, His body. I remember Him. I drink His cup, the cup of the new covenant in

His blood shed for me.

Because I carry myself as the younger, I am great in the family of God. Because I serve, I govern.

I strengthen the brethren.

I pray; God keeps me from temptation. I want God's will, not what I want at this moment.

I rise, I pray, and God keeps me from temptation.

My understanding is open; I comprehend the Scriptures. I am a witness of the things of Christ.

The Promise of My Father is upon me.

I praise and bless God.

The Jesus Secret

Here is My Secret: I live in your heart. Remember Me! I fill you with My Spirit; remember Me. Never, never let your eyes drift away from Me. When life hurts, remember Me. When things go wrong, remember Me.

Never be afraid -- remember Me! I cannot be far away if I AM in you. But I AM not just in you, I fill you. How can I not be right there, fully, at all times? Remember Me!

I am offensive to so many. They stumble over Me. They despise My cross. Many are crushed by My offensiveness because they will not trust Me.

But you trust Me. You fall on Me and are broken. You allow My brokenness to touch every part of your heart.

Be broken. Be broken in Me and remember Me. It is My brokenness that carries you. Remember Me!

I Drink His Cup; I Remember Him

I fall on Jesus and am broken. I drink His cup. I eat His bread, His body; I remember Him. I drink His cup, the cup of the New Covenant in His blood shed for me. I strengthen the brethren.

When times are difficult, I drink His cup; I remember Him. When things don't go my way, when life is confusing, and the world is turned upside down, I drink His cup; I remember Him. When I am assaulted by demons, when people abuse me, when they speak evil of me and spit in my face, I drink His cup; I remember Him. When I cannot buy or sell because I refuse the branding of this world, I drink His cup; I remember Him.

I drink His cup; I drink His blood; I drink His life. I drink the cup of the New Covenant in His blood shed for me. As I drink, I remember that all of my brothers and sisters in Christ drink from the same cup. They drink from the same life I drink from. The same life that fills my being fills them. We share the same cup. They remember as I remember. I honor and highly regard His body, His church, His people. We drink together.

I remember Him. I bring Him always to the forefront of my mind. I remember the kindness of His touch. I remember the delight and tender compassion in His eyes when He saw me. I remember the joy that brightened His face when I came to Him. I remember the power that flowed from Him as He placed His hand upon my forehead.

I remember that He restored my sight. I remember that He healed my body. I remember that He delivered me from great evil.

I remember that He suffered for me. I remember that He drew my sin, all of it, from me and took it into Himself. I remember that He died for me. I remember that He took everything in me that God hated and buried it with Himself, casting it far from the memory of God.

I remember that when He rose from the dead and ascended to the right hand of the Father, He carried me in Himself. I remember that He thinks about me, all the time. I remember that He carries me, right now, in His heart before the throne of God. I remember that He speaks for me before God.

I remember, and I am broken.

l remember Jesus.

I Have Favor With God; God Favors Me

Webster's 1926 "favor"

I possess the kind regard, the countenance, and the approval of God. I possess the commendation, the kindness, and the good will of God. I am supported, aided, promoted, and befriended by God. God regards me with favor; He aids me. God wishes my success; He is propitious towards me and countenances (shines His face upon) me. God treats me with consideration and tenderness. God shows partiality towards me. God gives me advantages for success. God sustains me.

He chose me and appointed me to bear much fruit that endures. I abide in Him; He abides in me. I bear much fruit because I abide in Him. I give glory to my Father because I bear fruit.

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God gives me every advantage in this life so that I might bear fruit for His glory. I enjoy His favor. I expect to be treated differently. I expect people to want to help me. I am a child of the Most High God. My Father is glorified when I bear fruit richly.

I am not arrogant. I am not better than anyone else. No one owes me anything. But I live with confidence in the favor of God, expecting good things. I expect preferential treatment, not because of who I am, but because of **who my Father is**.

"Father, I thank you that I have Your favor. Your favor is opening doors of opportunity. Your favor is bringing success into my life. Your favor is causing people to want to help me." I go out confidently; I expect good things to happen; I expect doors to open for me. There is something special about me: I have the favor of God.

God helps me in every area of my life, big and small. I do not take God's favor for granted. I give thanks for every good thing that comes my way. I give thanks when things don't go so well, expecting that God's favor is working all of the difficult things for my good.

God's favor belongs to me because I belong to Jesus. God's favor belongs to me because, just like Mary, I carry the very life of the Son of God in my bosom. Jesus lives in my heart.

God sustains me; God wishes my success.

The Spirit Of The Lord Sent Me To Heal The Brokenhearted

I am anointed to preach the gospel, but I am sent, first, to heal the brokenhearted. Healing the brokenhearted is what my Father does. Bringing God's healing to brokenhearted people is what I do.

I listen to people. When someone wants to share their fears and sorrows, their hopes and joys, with me, my heart is extended towards them; they have my full attention. People delight me. I listen with full empathy.

I never criticize. I never find fault. I never point out sin and weakness. When someone is caught in a sin, I seek to restore him or her to Christ by encouraging Christ within. I never speak down to others. I entreat everyone as if I am speaking to Jesus Himself.

When I speak to one who has offended me, I am not seeking to get even. That person delights me; I want to bless him or her. I never make grand pronouncements of weakness concerning others. I never make ridiculous claims concerning the "judgment" of God. Jesus is going to win; I know that. My delight is to watch Him do it and to share in His triumph.

I speak power and strength into people's hearts. I encourage; I never discourage. Discouraging people's dreams is easy; it puts me in control. I don't do it. Encouraging people in the deep longings of their heart is risky; it takes great faith. When I encourage, I release to God. I am no longer in control. I encourage people every chance I get.

I make it my mission to encourage people to discover who they are in Christ. I encourage people to know how much God loves them, just as they are. I seek to bring the tender love of Jesus into the hurting, broken places in people's lives. I never despise a person's weakness; I never misuse their pain.

Offensiveness is strength turned in the wrong direction; I show the brokenhearted how to turn that strength to God's glory. Pain is an opportunity to reveal God's love, deeply and tenderly.

I am not on a mission to fix people's problems. I am sent to meet people's needs. Everyone on this planet has a heart shattered by shame.

I heal the brokenhearted.

I Love The Lord My God With All My Heart, Soul, Strength, And Mind

I love the Lord my God with all my heart, with all my soul, with all my strength, and with all my mind. I love my neighbor just as much as I love myself. I take care of the needs of any passing stranger, no matter what his race or standing, as if he were my beloved neighbor.

Because I love God, I love my brother just the same. I show my love for God by the kind way I treat all those whose lives I touch.

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I love God because He first loved me. When I hated Him, God loved me. When I spit in His face, He tenderly cared for me. When I fought against Him, He fought for me. While I worshipped other gods, God made plans to win me.

I have been forgiven much; I love much.

What tender love! What incomprehensible love! Yet I know the love of Christ, though it passes beyond all knowledge. And in knowing His love, I love others. In receiving His love, I love others. I love those who belong to Jesus. I strengthen them; I feed them; I lay down my life for their sakes. I serve them.

I love God with all of my heart. The love of God is shed abroad in my heart through the Holy Spirit. My heart is good. My heart is filled with the love of God. I am well able to love God with all, with every part, of my heart. **My heart is acceptable to God**, and I love Him with all of it.

I love God with all of my soul. All of my emotions overflow with the joy and wonder of love for God. I am a very happy person.

I love God with all of my strength. My strength is good. **My strength is acceptable to God**. I use my strength to show God how much I love Him. Everything I do, I do for Jesus. I sweep the floor for Jesus. I engage in business for Jesus. I labor for Jesus. I participate in sport and recreation for Jesus.

I love God with my entire mind. My mind is set on Him. **My mind is acceptable to Him.** I do not allow anyone to belittle my mind. My mind belongs to God and I love Him with all of it.

I love God.

I Am Always Ready For My Master's Return

Because I always watch, I am ready for my Master's coming. Jesus will bless me, because I give to others what they need. Because I am wise, I keep my lamp full. I always watch; I am ready for my Master's coming. I take heed, I watch, I pray. I watch every moment for the return of my Lord. I follow Jesus. I do not look back. I am always ready for my Master's return. When He knocks on my door, I open immediately. I watch, always.

I take heed to myself. The cares of this life do not weigh me down. I watch and pray. I am worthy to stand before the Son of Man. He knocks at my door; I open to Him. He comes in to me; we sit and dine together. I have made myself ready. I am arrayed in fine linen, clean and bright. I am ready.

Webster's 1926 "ready"

I am prepared for Jesus' return. I am equipped and supplied with what I need for Jesus' return. I am prepared for immediate movement and action at Jesus' return. I am fitted, arranged and placed for immediate use at Jesus' return. I will cause no delay for lack of being prepared or furnished. I am prepared in mind and disposition; I am not reluctant. I am moved to willingness; I am inclined and disposed at Jesus' return, not slow or hesitating. I am quick in action and perception at Jesus' return. I am prompt and expert for Jesus' return. I am characterized by promptness, dexterity, and willingness at Jesus' return. I offer myself at once; I am immediately at hand upon Jesus' return. I am opportune, available, and handy for His need. I am prompt, expeditious, speedy, unhesitating, dexterous, apt, skillful, handy, expert, facile, easy, opportune, fitted, prepared, disposed, willing, free, and cheerful at Jesus' return.

The Return of the King.

The King returns. I am His friend. I stand at His side. He counts on me. I am there. I am ready. In whatever way He needs me in that moment, I am His. We triumph – **together**. We win – **together**. My sword is His. My life is His.

For <u>this one moment</u>, I live all other moments. My mind is never distracted; my arm is never weary. For this I live.

I am ready. Come, Lord Jesus.

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Notes:

JOHN

- I have the right to become a child of God.
 - I know His voice. I follow Him.
 - I abide in Him; He abides in me.
- I love my brothers and sisters in Christ.
- Jesus sends me in just the same way the Father sent Jesus.
 - I believe in Him.
 - Rivers of living water flow out of my heart.
 - Without Him I can do nothing.
 - I am His friend.

l Have The Right To Become A Child Of God

I have received Jesus; I have the right to become a child of God. I have been born of God.

I have received of His fullness.

I follow Jesus.

I am born again; I see the kingdom of God. I am born of water and the Spirit. I enter the kingdom of God.

I believe in Him. <u>I believe in Him.</u>

I do the truth; I come to the light; My deeds are clearly seen, that they have been done in God.

Everything I have received has come from heaven.

I believe in the Son. I have everlasting life.

I drink living water from Jesus. My thirst is filled. The water He gives me springs up in me like a fountain of water that flows with everlasting life. I worship God. I worship the Father in spirit and truth.

My strength, my sustenance, comes from doing the will of the Father and finishing His work.

I sow; I reap. I reap the fruit of eternal life for all who are touched through me.

I rise; I take up my bed and walk.

I sin no more.

I can do nothing of myself.

I honor the Son; I honor the Father.

I hear His word; I believe in Him. I have everlasting life.

I hear His voice. I live. I am coming out of the grave. I live.

'I can of myself do nothing!' 'I do not seek my own will but the will of the Father who sent me.' (NKJV)

The Jesus Secret

Because you receive Me, My Father gives you the right to become My brother, My sister. Do not limit God, ever. Do not look at yourself to decide who you are. Deny yourself and look at Me. I AM who you are. Yet all that you are, right now, I AM.

Never stop, never give up, never give in, until you know that Who I AM is all you are. It is your right!

You cannot know how important it is to me to have you standing by My side, shoulder to shoulder, My brother, My sister, just like Me.

l Have The Right To Become A Child Of God

I have the ability to become a child of God. I have the permission of God, the legal authority to become a child of God.

God determined from the beginning that I would be just like Jesus. Because I am heavenly, I am just like the Lord from heaven. I bear the image of the heavenly Jesus. I am a son of God through faith in Christ Jesus. The stature of all the fullness of Christ is my measure. I am filled with all the fullness of God. Christ is in me; I am complete in Christ. Christ is all in me. I am a partaker of Christ. I am born from above with an incorruptible seed. God's divine power has given to me all things that pertain to life and godliness. Through these promises I share in the divine nature. I am a child of God. I will be just like Jesus. I will see Him as He really is. I am born of God; I do not fall short of His glory. God abides in me; I abide in God.

I have the right to become a child of God. I have everything I need to become a child of God. Nothing can stand in my way. No human weakness, no ill feeling, no demon, no opposition, no accusation can keep me from knowing that I am a child of God. I stand on my right. I pursue my right. I insist on my right. God is not honored if I am "meek" on this point. I am meek in my conduct toward others; I am not meek on this point.

I press through much difficulty to enter the kingdom of God. The gates of Hades cannot stand against my assault. I endure. I stand fast. I will have my right. I am a child of God. I will be all that God has determined for me to be. I will be just like Jesus.

I love as He loves. I forgive as He forgives. I am holy as He is holy. I am perfect as He is perfect. I serve just as Jesus serves. I am one with my brethren just as the Father and the Son are One. I walk in life just as Jesus is raised from the dead. I walk as Jesus walked. I purify myself as He is pure. I am sent as Jesus was sent. I overcome just as He overcame. I will sit on His throne just as Jesus sits on His Father's throne.

I Am Born of God.

John 5:31-11:26

Day 60

I Know His Voice

I believe You. I am not afraid.

I labor for the food that endures to everlasting life. I believe in Him whom God has sent.

I come to You; I shall never hunger. I believe in You; I shall never thirst. **I** come to You.

I abide in Him. I feed on and drink Him. I follow Jesus.

Because I will to do His will, I know what is the truth, whether some teaching is of God or not.

I thirst; I come to You; I drink.

I believe in Jesus; **rivers of living water flow out of my heart.**

I sin no more.

I do not walk in darkness; I have the light of life because I follow Jesus. I abide in His word. I am a disciple of Jesus. I know the truth. The truth has made me free. I am free indeed.

I am of God; I hear God's words. I honor Him. Because I keep His word, I shall never see death. I keep His word; I shall never taste death.

I follow Him; **I know His voice.** I flee from strangers because I do not recognize their voices. I enter by Him; I go in and out and find all that I need.

I have life, and I have it abundantly.

I hear His voice; I follow Him. I have eternal life and will never perish. I cannot be snatched out of His hand.

Because I walk in the Day, I do not stumble.

I believe in You. Though I die, yet I will live. I believe in You; I will never die.

The Jesus Secret

I AM the Word My Father speaks. Listen carefully to Who I AM. Like a background of gentle music, like the whispering melody of the stars, I live in you. Come to Me, sit at My Feet, and learn of Me.

There are so many voices that try to sound like Me. The Christian world is filled with definitions of Me that are nonsense. My enemy's definitions of My Father and Me fill the minds of so many who seek to seek Me.

But as you learn of Me, Me as I really AM in you as you are, then you will sense instinctively the cacophony of the other voices and you will cling to the sweet, gentle reality of My Voice in you.

I Know His Voice

I thirst; I come to Him. I drink. I abide in His word. I am a disciple of Jesus. I know the truth. I am of God; I hear God's words. I honor Him. Because I keep His word, I shall never see death. I keep His word; I shall never taste death.

I follow Him; I know His voice. I flee from strangers because I do not recognize their voices. I enter by Him; I go in and out and find all that I need. I have life, and I have it abundantly. I hear His voice; I follow Him. I have the life of the age to come. I will never perish; I cannot be snatched out of His hand.

I am His sheep.

He speaks to me, in the gentle stillness of the night, in the sweet whisperings of the day. He speaks to me of life, of victory, of triumph. He speaks to me of strength in adversity, of overcoming evil with good, of being a blessing everywhere I go. He shows me how to be kind to people, to make them know the goodness of God. His voice is gentle and good.

He never speaks down to me; He always treats me like a deeply loved brother or sister. When He looks at me, I feel as if I am the most important person in the universe. He never criticizes or judges me. When He corrects me, it's only to steer me in the direction of victory and goodness. He believes in me. **He believes in me.**

He speaks to me through my brothers and sisters in Christ. I hear His voice in their gentle love and care for me. If they happen to speak harshly to me, I am big enough to bear it. I know that Jesus in them loves me.

Then, I hear another voice. It sounds good. It says the "right" things. Its argument is reasonable. Even Scriptures are thrown in. It promises results. Everyone is doing it. It agrees with tradition and with the facts. It pretends with great strength to be God speaking.

But I know. Something deep inside knows. It is not His voice; it is the voice of a stranger. I have only one response when I hear the voice of a stranger.

I run. I run to Jesus. No one can take me out of His hand.

I follow Jesus.

I Abide In Him; He Abides In Me

I believe in Him.

I keep my life because I lay it down. I serve Him. I will be with Him wherever He is. Because I serve Him, the Father will honor me.

He draws me to Himself.

I see Him; I see the One who sent Him.

I wash my brother's feet. I receive whomever Jesus sends to me as if it were Jesus Himself.

My heart is not troubled. I believe in God; I believe in Jesus. I come to the Father through Jesus.

I know the Father: I see the Father because I know and see Jesus.

Because I believe in Him, I am doing greater things than Jesus did in His ministry.

I keep His commandments because I love Him.

I live because He lives. I know that

Jesus is in the Father. I know that I am in Jesus. I know that Jesus is in me.

I have His commandments and keep them; I know that I love Him. I keep His word; I know that I love Him.

I wait with great expectation for the moment when the Father comes to me with the Son to make me His home. How can a mortal body contain the Father? I know that when it happens, I must explode in the resurrection.

The Holy Spirit teaches me everything.

I have His peace. My heart is not troubled; I am not afraid. I have His peace. I bear fruit.

I am clean. I abide in Him; He abides in me. I bear fruit because I abide in Him. I bear much fruit because I abide in Him.

Without Him I can do nothing.

The Jesus Secret

All of your life, my dear Heart, I have been drawing you to Myself. You know that My power is irresistible. You know that I will win. But if you let Me draw you all the way into Myself now - oh, the glory that I will show you!

Do not be afraid. Believe in Me. Love Me. Trust Me. Cast all of your care upon Me. I command you to trust Me. I fill your Heart. There is no evil there.

Only one thing can harm you: not knowing how much I love you. Let Me show you Myself. Do not limit Me.

I Abide In Him; He Abides In Me

Webster's 1926 "abide"

I stay, I continue in Jesus; He stays, He continues in me. I have my abode, I dwell in Jesus; He has His abode, He dwells in me. I sojourn, I make my path in Jesus; He sojourns, He makes His path in me. I remain fixed, I continue in Jesus; He remains fixed, He continues in me. I conform to Jesus; He conforms Himself to me.

I live in Jesus; Jesus lives in me.

JESUS lives in me. Jesus **LIVES** in me. Jesus lives **IN** me. Jesus lives in **ME**. I live in Him. He is my life.

The Word God spoke in the beginning, the Creator and Sustainer of the universe, lives in me. The Messiah continues in me. The Savior of the world lives in me. The One who died, who rose from the dead, makes His path in me. The resurrected Christ lives in me. The King of kings remains fixed in me. The Triumphant One seated at the right hand of the Father conforms Himself to me. The Coming King of the Universe lives as me in this world.

This is not some "cosmic Christ," some universal god who permeates everything that lives in me. This is no "new age" (*whatever that is*) phenomenon. This is **JESUS**. Jesus lives in me. Do you know if He lives in you?

Jesus **lives** in me. He resides, remains fixed in me. I am His dwelling place, where He rests Himself in the heat of the day. He lives in me. Life, vitality, vigor, activity, animation – active, alert, lively, vivacious – Jesus in me.

Jesus lives **in** me. Not alongside, not separate, not coexisting, not with, not beside. Jesus lives in me, and He lives as me.

Jesus lives in **me**. Jesus lives in my heart, in the dreams of my heart. He lives in who I am and what I am. He lives in my humanity. He lives in every part of me: spirit, soul, and body. He does not live in me as some being separate from me. Jesus lives in **ME**, ______ (insert your own name).

And I live in Him. I, _____ (insert your name) am fully in the genetic code, the structure, the makeup of His being.

I am complete in Him; He is all in me.

I Love My Brothers And Sisters

I keep His commandments; **I live in His love.** His joy fills me full.

I love my brothers and sisters in the Lord in the same way that He loves me. I lay down my life for my friends.

I am His friend; I do what He says. I am His friend; He tells me what He is doing.

I did not choose Him; He chose me. He chose me and appointed me to bear much fruit that endures.

I love my brothers and sisters.

The Spirit of Truth guides me into all truth. **He shows me the Jesus Secret.**

Whatever I ask the Father He gives me. I ask and receive; my joy is made full.

The Father loves me because I love Jesus. I believe He came from God.

In Him I have peace. In the world I

have tribulation, but I am fully cheerful. Jesus has conquered the world.

I know Him. I have kept His word. The Father keeps me.

I am one with my brethren in the same way that the Father and the Son are one. His joy is fulfilled in me.

The Father keeps me from evil. I am not of this world. Jesus sends me into the world in the exact same way that the Father sent Jesus into the world.

I am one with my brethren, as the Father and the Son are One; the world can believe as well. I am made perfect in one with my brethren. The world is in awe; the world knows that the Father sent Jesus and has loved Him.

I will be with Jesus, wherever He is. I will behold His glory, the glory given Him by the Father.

The love with which the Father loved Jesus is in me. Jesus is in me.

The Jesus Secret

My Love fills you, because I fill you and I AM love. My Joy fills you full. I chose you; I picked you out of all the teeming multitudes to know My love for you.

Love those whom I love. Love them with the love that fills your heart. Reach out your finger and touch, give a cup of cold water to the thirsty. Love your brothers and sisters.

Here is My Secret: Love is who you are. You love because Love overflows from your heart. You love because your heart is My throne.

I Love My Brothers And Sisters In The Lord

How do I love them? Let me count the ways. I love all who belong to Jesus. I remember especially those who are suffering for His name. I also remember those who minister Christ to His people. But I particularly love those believers with whom I fellowship, as well as all those believers whose lives my path touches.

I love God's people for their diversity, how unique each of them is. I love the different ways of doing things found in any gathering of people. I love to see someone else approach a problem differently than I do. I love to listen to other people's take on things. My life is so enriched; I always learn something as well. I am so glad everyone else is different from me.

I love the many races and cultures that are in the body of Christ. I love those in my fellowship who are of a different race or culture. God has blessed them with such a beautiful and different approach to His ways than what I know. The church is so greatly enriched, my life is so greatly enriched, by their contribution.

I love the brethren because Jesus loves them. I love them because they love the same Master I love. I love them because they drink from the same cup I drink. I love them because they worship and serve the same Lord I do. I love them because they belong to me and I belong to them; all that they are is mine, and all that I am is theirs. We are one.

I love them no matter what happens. I love them when they are unlovely. I love them when it seems that they ignore me or work against me. I love them when they offend me. I love them when they talk about me behind my back. I love them even if they betray me and misuse me publicly. I love them.

I am always delighted to see them. I always open my arms wide. I always seek to meet their needs, to be a blessing in any little way I can. Whether they have been a blessing to me or an offense, it makes no difference. I always seek to make someone's day, at the least with a smile and an encouraging word. I love my brothers and sisters.

The love with which the Father loved Jesus is in me.

John 18:1-21:25

Jesus Sends Me In The Same Way The Father Sent Jesus

I do not fight in human wars; I am a servant of a kingdom that is not of this world.

I am of the truth; I hear His voice.

Jesus sends me in just the same way that the Father sent Jesus.

I receive the Holy Spirit. If I forgive anyone's sins, those sins are forgiven – permanently. I believe.

I take care of those who belong to Him because I love Him. I give what He's given me to those who belong to Him because I love Him. I meet the needs of those who belong to Him because I love Him.

I feed His sheep.

I follow Him.

The Jesus Secret

Everything I AM, you are, because I AM in you. My Spirit fills your spirit; My Spirit fills your body. I live in your heart (and I know how to live); My Mind is your mind. My Joy fills you full. My Peace surrounds you. My Love overflows from you. I will never leave you; I AM with you.

Go!

I send you!

In the exact same way My Father sent Me, I send you. You are My Witness, My Proof, My Revelation. Everything I did, you do greater.

Heal the sick! Cast out demons! Raise the dead! Set people free!

Bless them!

Defeat sin! Defeat the evil one! Defeat the lie! Defeat death! I do it through you.

Believe in Me!

And, My precious Heart, feed My sheep. Take care of those who belong to Me. Meet their needs. Love them. They are as precious to Me as you are.

Day 66

Jesus Sends Me In The Same Way The Father Sent Jesus

'As the Father has sent me, I also send you.'

Webster's 1926 "send"

As the Father dispatched Jesus as His agent and messenger to convey a message, and to perform a work, so Jesus dispatches me as His agent and messenger to convey a message and to perform a work. I am sent in advance of the bridegroom to summon the bride.

I prepare the way of the Lord; I make His paths straight. The Spirit of the Lord is upon me. He anointed me to preach the gospel and to heal the brokenhearted. He sent me to proclaim liberty to the captives and to proclaim the recovery of sight to the blind. He sent me to set at liberty those who are oppressed and to proclaim the acceptable year of the Lord. <u>This is who I am</u>. I am sent to preach God's kingdom.

I am an ambassador of God. He has entrusted reconciliation to me.

I am sent to convey a message and to perform a work. While the message is more important than the work, it falls on deaf ears without the work. The work gets peoples attention. The work is what I do to bless and serve others. The message is the good news of a new King and a new kingdom. My work is the first part of my message. My words come out of my work.

My work, what God sent me to do, is different from the work He sent my brother to do. Every individual believer has a different and unique task set for him or her. I never judge my brother or sister because they are not doing the same work I am doing, or because they are not doing it in the way God leads me. That is not my business. My only business towards my brothers' work is to encourage them in giving themselves to the gift God gave them.

But the message of the work is always the same. It is a message of hope and of a changed life. It is a message of the power of God doing good things for and through people. It is a message of a people who love one another. It is a message of salvation and freedom.

I am the servant of another kingdom.

I Believe In Jesus

The Jews asked Jesus, 'What shall we do, that we may work the works of God?' Jesus answered them, 'This is the work of God, that you believe in Him whom He sent.'

As a believing Christian, trusting in Jesus for my initial salvation, I could do all of the commandments of the New Testament, perfectly. I could hear everything God speaks to me and do it exactly as God says. I could do this, theoretically, and if I did, I would still not be pleasing to God; I would not have found God's intent for my life.

As long as the commandment of God is outside of me, something I contemplate and choose to do (or not to do), I am not living the Christian life. Only when doing God's command is my nature, when hearing His voice and doing as He directs is as normal to me as breathing, only when it comes out of who and what I am as water comes from a spring, am I living a Christian life. However, what I "feel" like at the moment does not change who I am. Who I am is found in Christ, not in my present feeling.

The essence of the Christian faith is "Christ in you." I become a true Christian by changing how I think about God and about myself. So long as I see God as a miser and myself split between two natures, with an "evil" human nature gaining the upper hand much of the time, I am not living a Christian life. When I see that Christ is all in me, when I confess with my mouth the Lord Jesus and that confession becomes my belief about myself, when I see myself as God's finished product - the very image of Christ - then I live the Christian life.

'By faith we understand that the worlds were framed by the word of God, so that the things which are seen were not made of things which are visible.' In the exact same way Christ is formed in me.

How I see myself is how I see Christ.

The commandments of God in the New Testament show me who I am. They are a prophecy of who I am and what I do as the image of Christ.

I speak that prophecy. I believe in Jesus.

Rivers Of Living Water Flow Out Of My Heart

My sustenance comes from doing the will of the Father and finishing His work. The will of the Father is the source of my energy and my strength; it is my food. It is what I do. The supernatural is my life. The supernatural flows out of my heart like a river.

I love people. I love my brothers and sisters in Christ. My heart goes out to anyone I see that is in need. I delight in people. I am always thinking up ways to bless people, to show them kindness, to speak an encouraging word, to offer them something of mine that they might need.

But I know that it is not just my actions and words that are touching people. When I speak a blessing to someone, God is speaking a blessing. When I reach out a hand to help someone, the hand of God is helping them. The divine, life-giving touch of God Himself flows out of my heart, out of my hand, out of my mouth: rivers of living water.

When I bless someone, the supernatural touches that one and a miracle takes place in their life far above and beyond the human touch. When I give to someone the things they need, the river of God splashes upon them; their lives will never be the same. Everywhere I walk, not only the favor of God surrounds and emanates from me, but also His rivers of living water flow out of me, touching, healing, setting free.

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With great power I give witness to the resurrection of Jesus. Great grace is upon me. Many signs and wonders are done through my hands. The sick pass by and are healed. Wherever I go, unclean spirits come out of those who are possessed. The Holy Spirit comes upon me. I speak in tongues and prophesy. God works unusual miracles through my hands. I speak to one who is injured and he rises up healed. I am filled with joy and with the Holy Spirit.

God emanates from me; life flows out of me. Dead people do not stay dead as I walk by. The sick do not stay sick in my presence. Multitudes are convicted of their need for Jesus as I pass by. All of this, <u>all of it</u>, comes through me because:

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I believe in Jesus.

Without Him I Can Do Nothing

I can of myself do nothing. I do not seek my own will but the will of the One who sent me. I abide in Him; He abides in me. I bear fruit because I abide in Him. I bear much fruit because I abide in Him.

Without Him I can do nothing. With Him nothing is impossible.

I do not look for life apart from Jesus. I do not attempt to live life on my own. I do not rely on my own strength; there isn't any. I do not trust in my own wisdom; I don't have any of that either. I stay away from any influence that would take me away from Jesus. I never see myself as separate from Him.

But, at the same time, I enjoy the good things of life. I watch a good movie, or play a sport or game. I relax with a good book, and in all of it Jesus is with me. I listen for His voice; He speaks to me.

None of this confession of faith is real apart from Jesus. None of it comes from me. If Jesus were not in me, it would all be a sad, sad hoax. If these things I am confessing were not true of Christ in me, then I would, of all people, be the most miserable and deluded.

Some find self-esteem and human goodness apart from Jesus in them. I draw here an uncrossable line. <u>ALL</u> human goodness, heritage, and self-esteem apart from Jesus died upon the cross. Apart from Jesus, it's all worth-less.

But conversely, if without Him I can do nothing, then even more so, with Him all things are possible. Jesus made a simple statement. He said: "He that believes in Me, out of his heart will flow rivers of living water." He was referring directly to the visions of Ezekiel chapter 47 and Revelation chapter 22. This is big stuff. Yet, according to Jesus, this river of life from the throne of God is the normal expression for anyone who simply **believes in Jesus**.

Listen, either this is true, or Jesus was a babbling idiot. I can't have it both ways. <u>I cannot believe in Jesus and live a mediocre life</u>.

With Jesus, I am the source of God's river of life to others.

I Am His Friend

But this relationship is far more than Christ in me and as me. It is far more than believing in Jesus. It is far more than emanating the very presence and life-giving power of God.

I am His friend.

I care about Jesus as a brother; He cares about me as a brother. I am wrapped up in His concerns; He is wrapped up in my concerns. I love to spend time with Him; He loves to spend time with me. I love to do things with Jesus; He loves to do things with me. I am especially satisfied as I work side by side with Jesus; He is especially satisfied as He works side by side with me. We are friends; we are brothers.

Jesus has two great concerns. His immediate concern is for all who belong to Him, that they would come to Him, that they would learn of Him, and that they would be strengthened and encouraged in their walk with Him. He especially is concerned about their needs.

Because Jesus is my friend, I embrace His concern as my own.

But Jesus has a second great concern. That concern is the honor of His Father. In the beginning, God spoke His word. Everything was good. But then, another voice spoke that was not the voice of God. The words that came from that voice directly challenged, before all of creation, not God Himself, but the Word God speaks. The voice said, *"Did God really say that?"*

"God might be great, but His word, spoken by Him, will not and cannot be fulfilled in the physical world and in this age of darkness into which it was spoken." Satan challenged the honor, the validity, and the value of Jesus. And by doing so, he struck at God's most precious treasure: <u>His Word</u>.

Jesus is my friend. I stand shoulder to shoulder with Him in this, His great hour of triumph. Jesus demonstrates before all creation that the word God speaks is fulfilled. Jesus does not retreat to heaven before He performs God's will. Jesus fulfils the Word God speaks, in this age, in this earth, in the lives of those who **dare** to believe what God says.

Jesus fulfills His Word in me! I believe in Jesus!

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Because I Use What God Has Given Me, I Have More Abundance.

A Parable

Once upon a time there was a billionaire. This billionaire had far more money than he could possibly use himself, so he devised a plan. He went out into the town, selecting one hundred people. He chose a great variety of folks, men and women, young and old, some extroverts, some introverts, some more intellectual, some more physical in their make-up. He gave each one an unexpected gift of one million dollars to see what they would do. He planned to write a book of the stories of what each did with the money. It would be a fascinating study.

After he had selected his group of one hundred, he deposited one million dollars into the checking account of each. He said to each one, "Look, I'm going traveling for a while; there's your money; it is yours. Do whatever you want with it. I'll be back in twenty years to see how things have gone for you." Then he left.

After twenty years, the billionaire returned to that town. He went looking for the people into whose bank accounts he had deposited one million dollars twenty years earlier.

As he had suspected, he found that different people had done very different things with the money he had accounted to them.

There were some who had thought to themselves: "You know, the world is a risky place. What if I simply moved the money into an interest-bearing cash deposit account? At 5% interest, I would be able to draw \$50,000 a year. That's more than I make now, and at the end of the twenty years, I would still have the million dollars, just in case the guy wants it back." And that's what they did. For twenty years they lived quite comfortably on the interest at \$50,000 a year. Because they did not have to sweat it out at their old jobs to make a living, they were able to pursue their hobbies. In fact, after a few years, their hobbies were bringing in money as well, and so they lived very well. They had plenty of time to do the things that really mattered: spending time with their family, walking on the seashore, coaching kid's baseball, camping in the mountains. They enjoyed a wonderful twenty years. And at the end, they still had the million, just in case.

There was another group of people, however, who had taken one look

at that million-dollar figure in their bank statement and said, "Whoopee!" They had spent the money on everything they ever thought they wanted. In three years, every penny of that million dollars was gone; in two more years, everything they had bought had been hocked and the money spent. The last fifteen years they had worked at their old jobs, grubbing out a living as before. But at least they had the memory of a good time. "For a little while," they said, "life really sang."

There also was another group of people who had spent the million dollars quite quickly. Some put their money into a farm or a woodlot, with a good solid house, and barns and shops and equipment. Others invested the money directly into a store with an apartment above it or a small shop that manufactured things that others would need. These people had spent the last twenty years building their business, or working their farm. Their businesses had prospered, their children, and even their grandchildren had a place to grow up in, a trade to learn, a business to step into. They had earned more than they needed to live well and comfortably and had put money aside to be sure that their second sons and their sons-in-law would have seed money for their own businesses and farms. These people did not have near the million dollars cash in hand, but they had invested the money into a way of life that would continue to produce for them for generations.

And then there were those few who were both sharp and daring. They had invested that million dollars in undertakings that, while risky, could result in a large return if successful. They had invested wisely and carefully, but they had risked as well. Some of their investments had failed, but others had prospered, and after twenty years they really knew what they were doing. They had lived carefully, enjoying the risk and profit of investment more than an excess of present pleasure. But when the twenty years was up, their funds held double what they had originally been given, some far more than double.

After the billionaire had looked over the use these different groups of people had made of the money he had given them, he realized that many, many of the people who had received his money were not in any of those groups. In fact, only some had done anything at all with the money. The rest had done absolutely nothing. There was his money, still sitting in their checking accounts, untouched, and not earning any interest. It was as if it did not exist.

The billionaire was furious. He drove quickly to the home of the nearest one who had not touched the money. He walked up to the door and knocked. The house was run down, with broken windows, and the lawn not mowed. A bleary-eyed man opened the door. He had been at work for the previous sixteen hours, working two jobs trying to survive and pay his debts.

"What have you been doing the last twenty years?" the billionaire asked.

"Do I know you?" the man asked. "What do you think I've been doing? Trying to survive, that's what I've been doing."

"But what about the money I put into your checking account twenty years ago?" the billionaire shouted, beside himself with exasperation.

"What money?" was the only reply he received.

As the billionaire wrote his book, this is what he observed:

"I really loved the guys who took that money and risked it wisely. They won some and lost some, but they learned from their mistakes. They grew in wisdom and responsibility. When it comes right down to it, those were the ones most like myself. That's how I made my billions in the first place.

"I have a very great respect, though, for those who took the money and made a comfortable life for themselves and for their families. The businesses they built will go on providing for their children forever. When I visited them in their homes, all I felt was great comfort and security.

"The ones who put their money into an interest-bearing cash deposit were too timid for my taste, but you know, they have had a good life. The money is still there producing for them. I see no reason to interfere, let them keep on enjoying what they have. They could have had better, and I wish they would have, but at least they have made some use of the money.

"Those rascals who took my money and spent it on a few years of waste certainly made some poor choices. But, at the very least, they made claim on the money, they used it as if it were their own, and it was. I am more than willing to forgive them and give them a second chance. They learned a great lesson from that experience. They had plenty of time afterwards to think through how they could have done it better.

"But I cannot believe the number of people who never once looked at that money as their own. They never used it; they never touched it. Some of them forgot it was even there. But the worst ones of all were those that knew it was there, but did not touch it because they thought I was just playing a trick on them. They actually believed that whatever they did with the money, I would find fault with them, that I would be angry with them. I find it very, very hard within myself to forgive those scoundrels."

And so, in the end, every one of those who had not considered the million dollars as theirs, who had not touched it for whatever reason, lost it all. Some of it went to those of the second chance. Some of it went to those who would use it to increase the blessings to their families and neighbors in business and farming. But most of the money went to those who were just like the billionaire. Those who loved risk, who lived for increase, those who made that million dollars do everything it could possibly do.

Consider, for a moment, how offensive to the billionaire were those who did not touch the money because they thought he was up to some trick. They believed him to be a faultfinder, a miser, one who gets what he wants no matter what anyone else does or thinks.

This parable is the central message of Jesus.

Take what I give you, and use it to produce fruit for Me.

The Jesus Secret

I AM your certainty. I designed you exactly the way I want you for My purposes. You are not made wrong; you are made exactly for the precise part of My Expression I am showing and will show through you.

All of your talents and abilities I designed with such tender care. I live in your heart and I have anointed you.

There is no risk when you know that I AM your certainty.

Any voice that suggests that you are "on trial" to see if you "get it right" is not My Voice. Any voice that suggests that you are not needed or have nothing acceptable to give is not My Voice.

So give! Give freely. Give wholeheartedly. Give with utter abandon in every way that comes to you.

Find also that perfect niche that I have prepared you for in particular. Find it and let Me Sing in you.

You have everything to give. And I am pleased and honored when you give everything you are in every way you can. My Father is glorified when I bear fruit in you.

Because I Use What God Has Given Me, I Have More Abundance.

At the moment every Christian is born again, God deposits the following into their account:

- The down payment of the Holy Spirit inside them.
- The same power that raised Jesus from the dead.
- All authority in heaven and earth.
- A divine commission.
- Victory over death.
- Overcoming faith.
- All the riches of heaven.
- The right to become His son.
- All things pertaining to life and godliness.
- The measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ.

A very large number of Christians do make some good use of the things God has given them. They live good Christian lives, they pray for their children when they are sick. They are generous to others and hospitable. But, though they draw from their accounts for the needs and situations of this life, they have no real knowledge of the above list. They have no real idea of what is actually there.

Then there are those who are bolder in the things God has given. They pursue anointing for ministry, or for giving. They build orphanages; they develop prison ministries. They draw on their talents and divine gifts to lead exemplary lives and to provide wonderful help to many. These people are a blessing to all who receive of their ministry.

Conversely, there are some who get a revelation of anointing and gifts. They go out and make a big splash, with great boastings about what God can do. A few years later, you find them empty. Their faith is gone. But before you judge too critically, some of these do learn their lesson. They come back to God humbled and broken, no longer interested in the big splash, but now deeply useful to God and to His kingdom.

But there are also those few who look closely at the things God has deposited in their account. When God says that we have the victory over death, they want to know what that really means. When God says that those who believe in Jesus, out of their hearts will flow rivers of living water, they want to know the full extent to which that outpouring will go. When God says that He is determined that we would be just like Jesus, they are determined to know exactly what He means.

These are the risk-takers. And in that they are just like God. God is the greatest risk-taker in the universe. He risks it all, and, in the end, He wins it all. He sent the King of heaven to invade the strongholds of evil in the form of a human baby, the epitome of weakness. He challenged the king of death while wrapped in the humility and shame of the worst form of death conceived by the mind of evil. He challenged and He won.

Faith is risk. Faith declares: "I am what God says I am. I have what God says I have." But faith wants more than "having." Faith is determined to see the full potential, the full increase possible from what God has given.

These are the overcomers. These who take God at His word, who insist on the full experience of all God has said, who are determined to know what being filled with all the fullness of God really means. These make God's heart sing. These are the ones for whom He lives.

On the other hand, there are too many that never touch the things God has put into their account. Many of them don't know these things are there; many do not want to know. They go through life relying on their own smarts, their own strength. They believe in Jesus, yes, but they see Him as an insurance policy for the next life. These make God weep.

But there is another group that, I suspect, makes God furious. It is those who do see the things God has given them. They see, but they choose not to touch because they are convinced God is on their case. They are convinced God has set them up. They believe that those who do step out in faith and take risks are just "fleshly." "Religious works," they call it. And they do nothing so as not to do anything "of the flesh." They see God as a miser, as a faultfinder. They impugn His character.

Who am I? I am a man of faith. I am a risk taker. I am the one who overcomes.

I take everything God gives me, and invest it all – wisely, as He teaches me – and I bring back to Him a great increase of what He has invested in me.

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- The power of the Holy Spirit is upon me.
 - I am a witness of Christ.
 - I gather together with fellow believers.
 - I lay hands on the sick, and they are healed.

The Power Of The Holy Spirit Is Upon Me

I am immersed in the Holy Spirit. The power of the Holy Spirit is upon me. I am a witness of Jesus Christ everywhere I go.

I am filled with the Spirit. I speak in tongues as the Spirit gives utterance.

The Spirit of God is poured out upon me. I prophesy; I see visions; I dream dreams.

I am saved because I call upon the name of the Lord.

I repent. I am immersed in the nature of Jesus. I receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. The promise is mine.

I get together with other believers.

I give what I have in the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth. To those who are lame I say: "Rise up and walk."

I repent and am converted. My sins are blotted out. Times of refreshing from the presence of the Lord are upon me. I heard; I believe. I am filled with the Holy Spirit. I have been with Jesus.

God gives me all boldness to speak His word with power. I am filled with the Holy Spirit. I speak God's word with boldness.

I am of one heart and one soul with other believers in Jesus. I do not claim anything I possess as my own, but all of it is for the use of my brothers and sisters in Christ.

With great power I give witness to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus. **Great grace is upon me.**

Not one of my brethren in Christ lacks anything because those who have share what God has given.

Many signs and wonders are done through my hands. Multitudes are added to the Lord. The sick pass by and are healed. Multitudes gather, both sick and those tormented by demons, and all are healed.

The Jesus Secret

My Father does not want Me to be alone. He wants many sons just like Me, conformed to My Image. He sent His Spirit to find everyone who belongs to Me.

I do not want you to be alone. I have a body prepared for you, a local gathering of believers. Give yourself to them. Love them. Teach them the Jesus Secret, and they will remind you that I am here in your heart, when you forget.

The Power Of The Holy Spirit Is Upon Me

Webster's 1926 "power"

The Holy Spirit's ability to act physically, mentally, and morally is upon me. The Holy Spirit's faculty of doing and performing is upon me. The Holy Spirit's capacity for action is upon me. The Holy Spirit's capability of producing an effect, physical, mental, and moral is upon me. The Holy Spirit's thinking, reasoning, judging, and willing abilities are upon me. The might, energy, vigor, and force of the Holy Spirit is upon me. The Holy Spirit's ability to effect strongly is upon me. The Spirit's possession of sway and controlling force is upon me. The Holy Spirit's authority and command are upon me. The delegated authority of the Holy Spirit is upon me.

His power is towards me; I experience the exceeding greatness of that power, constantly. In fact, the same power that raised Jesus from the dead washes over me in wave after unending wave. The Spirit of Him who raised Christ from the dead lives in me. God gives Jesus-raised-from-the-dead life to my mortal body through His Spirit who lives in me. God is always working in me both the want to and the actual doing of His will. God performs His will through me.

The Spirit of God is poured out upon me. I prophesy. I see visions. I dream dreams.

The Holy Spirit has come upon me. **The power of the Highest overshad-ows me.** Jesus, the Christ of God, is being formed within me.

Power is relative. A racecar is more powerful than a go-cart. An aircraft carrier has more engine power than many racecars. The most powerful engine built is the rocket that breaks the hold of earth's gravity. Yet, the earth and all power in it would vanish without a trace were it dropped into the power of the sun. But the sun is only one small kink in a vast arm of power sweeping through the great clusters of galaxies.

All the power in the universe and all the power that created the universe are as nothing, an insignificant drop, compared to the power that raised Jesus from the dead. **That power is real power**. And it is the power that raised Jesus from the dead that is upon me. Power beyond the conception of the universe is upon me and towards me.

I Am A Witness Of Christ

I stand and speak the words of Life.

I obey God rather than men. I obey God rather than men. I obey God rather than men.

I am a witness of Christ.

I do not cease teaching and preaching that Jesus is the Christ.

I am full of the Holy Spirit and wisdom. I am full of faith. I see the glory of God and Jesus standing at the right hand of God.

Wherever I go, unclean spirits come out of those who are possessed. Paralyzed and lame people are healed.

I receive the Holy Spirit. **I preach Jesus.** I believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God.

I am a chosen vessel of Jesus. I bear His name before multitudes. I suffer many things for His sake.

I am filled with the Holy Spirit. **I preach Christ**, that He is the Son of God. I walk in the fear of the Lord

and the comfort of the Holy Spirit.

Through me, Jesus the Christ heals you. Through me, the dead hear the voice of Jesus and arise.

I honor what God has cleansed.

The Holy Spirit falls upon me as I hear the word of truth. The gift of the Holy Spirit is poured out on me. I am immersed in the name of Jesus.

Jesus immerses me in the Holy Spirit.

I am separated to God for the work He has called me to. I am sent by the Holy Spirit to do what He has given me to do.

I declare glad tidings – the promise God made to the fathers. I preach through Jesus the forgiveness of sins.

I am a light to the Gentiles. I am for salvation to the ends of the earth.

I am filled with joy and with the Holy Spirit.

The Jesus Secret

It saddens My Father that no one can see Him or touch Him or know how much He loves them. He sent Me, filling Me with Himself. Everywhere I went, the Father was in Me. When children sat on My lap, they sat on His lap. When I put an encouraging hand upon a disciple's shoulder, the Father touched through Me. I revealed the Father to those who could not see Him.

I send you, now, in the same way. Reveal Me to those who cannot see Me. You make Me real.

Day 77

I Am A Witness Of Christ

Webster's 1926 "witness"

I attest to the fact of Christ's life and to the events of His death, burial, resurrection, and life in me. I give testimony of Christ. I testify in Christ's cause; I give evidence before the courts of the universe. My evidence is the life of Christ in me. I testify that the work of Christ actually took place. I am the fulfilment of the New Covenant, and I confirm its authenticity with my life. I serve as and furnish evidence and proof that what Jesus says is true. I know it is true because what Jesus said is fulfilled in me. I know Jesus; I have beheld Him; I have personal knowledge of Him. I act as a witness of Christ; I establish His authenticity. I give testimony of Christ. I bear witness, I give evidence of Christ. I see and know Christ by reason of His personal presence in me. I have direct knowledge of Christ.

"Every word is established on the mouth of two or three witnesses."

I have heard, I have seen, I have handled the Word of Life. I have seen the Life; I bear witness to that Life. I am one with my brethren, as the Father and the Son are One; the world believes because of our oneness. I am made perfect in one with my brethren. The world is in awe; the world knows that the Father sent Jesus and has loved Him.

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Jesus made many extraordinary claims about what I would experience in my life if I believe in Him and follow Him. The proof of His claims, of course, is in the doing. Did He lie, or did He speak the truth? Telling others about Jesus has its place, but it is not the first part of being a witness of Christ. In fact, if I do not show evidence of the life of Christ in me as I speak about Christ, I belie Him.

But again, Jesus and the Apostles made incredible and extraordinary claims about what would be the normal experience of those who believe in and follow Jesus. Jesus was witness number One. He was God's first witness. Certainly, it is not hard to agree that these things were fulfilled in Jesus.

But one witness is not good enough for God. God's sense of justice demands a second witness.

I am a witness of Christ.

I Am A Witness Of Christ

I am a witness of Jesus Christ everywhere I go. I have been with Jesus. God gives me all boldness to speak His word with power. I am filled with the Holy Spirit. With great power I give witness to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus. Great grace is upon me. I do not cease teaching and preaching that Jesus is the Christ. I declare glad tidings – the promise God made to the fathers. I preach through Jesus the forgiveness of sins. My purpose is to be a witness of the things I have seen and the things God will yet reveal to me. I am sent to open people's eyes, to turn them from darkness to light. I am sent to turn people from the power of Satan to God, that they may receive forgiveness of sins and an inheritance. I am obedient to the heavenly vision.

Jesus said of me that I **will do** greater and mightier works than He did. He said of me that out of my belly **will flow** the rivers of the life of God. He prayed for me that I **will be perfectly one** with my brethren. He commanded me **to be perfect** in the exact same way my heavenly Father is perfect. Paul said that I **AM filled** with all the fullness of God. Paul said that the whole creation **will be set free** when I **am revealed**.

I am God's second witness. Every impossible, extraordinary, bizarre, and inconceivable claim of God in the New Covenant is fulfilled in me.

Actually, it is God's credibility that is at stake here. He loves it; He loves the risk and the triumph of winning. The first thing Satan said was, "Did God really say that? Did God really say that the whole creation would be set free when you are revealed? Did God really think you could be perfect the same way God is perfect? How ridiculous!" And in one sense, he was right. God has to show His stuff, or be found a liar.

I will bet on God.

God's Word is fulfilled in me. I am His second witness. I am the proof that what He claimed is true.

I speak that prophecy. I believe in Jesus.

Day 79

l Gather Together With Fellow Believers

I gather together with fellow believers. I am of one heart and one soul with other believers in Jesus. I do not claim anything I possess as my own, but all of it is for the use of my brothers and sisters in Christ. Not one of my brethren in Christ lacks anything, because what I have, I share with them. I strengthen the souls of the disciples. I exhort them to continue in the faith. I teach the things which concern the Lord Jesus Christ with all confidence.

Whenever I get together with a brother or sister in Christ, Jesus shows up! I consider my brothers and sisters in Christ; I stir them up in love and good works. I do not forsake the assembly of like-minded believers. I exhort them; they exhort me. I remember those who lead me in the faith, who have spoken the word of God to me. I follow their faith. I obey those who lead me in the Lord. I yield to my brethren. I pray for God's ministry.

There is nothing more precious to me than the gathering together of the saints. We worship God and sing praises together. We encourage one another. We pray for and lift up one another. We listen to one another. We sit together under the ministry of God's word. We yield to each other in great honor. We care for each other more deeply than anything in this world. We work together; we serve together; we fight for one another, together. We share with each other what each of us has according to what each of us needs. We are in this thing together – all the way. We look out for each other; we make sure each of us is winning.

Of necessity, this confession of faith is a personal confession. It all begins with "I." That is as it must be. I have nothing to give others unless I myself am filled with God. But this confession of faith does not end with me. It reaches out to include all who belong to Christ, but in particular, it reaches out to include every one of those precious saints to whom Christ has joined me in my local church.

I am a member of His body. I am one with all who belong to Him.

We are witnesses together.

Acts 14:1-28:31

Day 80

I Lay Hands On The Sick And They Are Healed

I speak boldly in the Lord; He bears witness to the word of His grace I speak. He grants that **signs and wonders are done through my hands**.

I strengthen the souls of the disciples. I exhort them to continue in the faith. I enter the kingdom of God through many tribulations.

Though I sit in prison, I pray and sing hymns to God.

I am not afraid. I speak and do not keep silent. Jesus is with me. No one can attack me to hurt me.

The Holy Spirit comes upon me. I speak in tongues and prophesy.

God works unusual miracles through my hands. I speak to the injured and they rise up healed.

I serve the Lord with all humility and with many tears and trials.

I keep back nothing that is helpful. I declare the whole counsel of God.

chose me to see Jesus; God chose me to hear His voice. I am His witness to all men.

My purpose is to be a witness of the things I have seen and of the things God will yet reveal to me. I am sent to open people's eyes; I am sent to turn them from darkness to light.

I am sent to turn people from the power of Satan to God, that they may receive forgiveness of sins and an inheritance.

I am obedient to the heavenly vision.

I am not afraid. God will do just as He says.

I lay hands on the sick and they are healed.

I explain and testify of God's kingdom. I preach the kingdom of God.

I teach the things which concern the Lord Jesus Christ with all confidence.

God chose me to know His will; God

The Jesus Secret

Here is My Secret: All that I AM, you are, because I live in your Heart and My Spirit fills all of your being.

Here is Who I AM: I AM Love. My Heart goes out to everyone who is in pain or is hurting.

May I touch them through you? I would really like to heal them, if you would be willing to give Me the chance.

Thank you, My dear Heart; I knew I could count on you.

I Lay Hands On The Sick And They Are Healed; I Cast Out Demons

I give what I have in the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth. To those who are lame I say: "Rise up and walk." Many signs and wonders are done through my hands. Multitudes are added to the Lord. The sick pass by and are healed. Multitudes gather, both sick and those tormented by demons, and all are healed. Wherever I go, unclean spirits come out of those who are possessed. Paralyzed and lame people are healed. Through me, Jesus the Christ heals you. Through me, the dead hear the voice of Jesus and arise. He grants that signs and wonders are done through my hands. God works unusual miracles through my hands. I speak to one who is injured and he rises up healed. I lay hands on the sick and they are healed.

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Some Christians use doctrine to give themselves an excuse not to help people or meet their needs. Some Christians get away with it by saying that God does not heal today. Others by saying there is no such thing as demons, or at least, that Christians cannot be affected by demons. Others, while admitting that God does heal and that Christians can be set free from the agony and confusion caused by demons, salve their conscience over not helping people and meeting their needs by putting the responsibility on the person who is suffering. *"If you would just get it right with God, you wouldn't have this problem.*" All of these "doctrines" are just foolish arguments that "<u>third</u> <u>servant</u>"*** people use to justify in their own mind their unwillingness to <u>meet people's needs</u>.

Reaching out and touching people, lifting them up and meeting their needs, whatever those needs might be, is the central drive and ministry of Jesus. **My central drive and ministry** is reaching out and touching people, lifting them up and meeting their needs, whatever those needs might be.

I have the power of God upon me, not for myself, but for others. If someone is sick (that includes everyone), I reach out and touch that one and he or she is healed. If someone is tormented by demons (everyone on the planet), I cast those demons out and bring the freedom of the Spirit of Christ to that person. I get down into the trenches; I climb down into the pit; I get right alongside of people in their pain and grief and hurt; and I bring them:

the HELP God has entrusted to me.

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*** I am referring to the parable of the talents. The third servant is the one who is convinced that God is a hard taskmaster and that servants had better focus on "keeping" what God gave instead of using what God gave.

Notes:

ROMANS

- I am justified freely by His grace.
- I am dead to sin. I am alive to God.
- I am not in the flesh; I am in the Spirit.
 - I died with Christ.
- I am free from sin; I am a slave of God. I am married to Christ; I am not condemned.
- The law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has made me free from the law of sin and death.
- From the beginning, God determined that I would be just like Jesus.
- I am transformed by the renewing of my mind.
 - God takes the cover off the life of Christ in me. All creation is set free.
 - I present my body a living sacrifice.
 - I am a member of His body.
 - I overcome evil with good.
 - I receive my brothers and sisters in Christ.
 - I seek glory.

I Am Justified Freely By His Grace

I am separated to the gospel. I am the called of Jesus Christ.

I long to see my brothers and sisters in Christ that I might impart some spiritual gift to them.

I am ready to preach the gospel to everyone. I am not ashamed of the gospel of Jesus Christ. The gospel is the power of God to my salvation.

I am just; I live by faith.

God gives me eternal life because **I** seek for glory, honor, and immortality by doing good.

Glory, honor, and peace are mine because I do what is good.

I am a Jew inwardly. I am circumcised in the heart, in the Spirit. My praise is from God.

I am 'justified freely by His grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus.'

God justifies me; I have faith in Jesus. I believe God; God counts my faith for righteousness. My lawless deeds are forgiven; my sins are covered. I am blessed; the Lord does not impute sin to me.

Day 82

I am of the faith of Abraham. Abraham is my father. Contrary to hope, in hope I believe.

I am not weak in faith; I do not consider my own body, now dead. I do not waver at the promise of God through unbelief. I am strong in faith; I give glory to God. I am convinced that what He has promised He also performs.

I have been justified by faith. Before God, I have never sinned.

I have peace with God. Through Jesus I have access by faith into grace. I stand in grace. I rejoice in hope of the glory of God.

I glory in tribulations. Tribulation works in me patience, perseverance, character, and hope.

My hope in God is proven true. The love of God is shed abroad in my heart.

The Jesus Secret

I must confess to you, My dear Heart, that I am so sad for those who claim to know Me, but who will not stand in My Grace. Do not be like them. I have removed your sin. My Sacrifice is <u>enough</u>. Your job is to know Me, deeply and intimately, My Life in you, and to reveal Me to those who are in need.

My Love already fills your heart. That's My Secret; know it and let it flow. Let it flow!

I Am Justified Freely By His Grace

I am 'justified freely by His grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus.' God is my justifier; I have faith in Jesus. I believe God; God counts my faith for righteousness. My lawless deeds are forgiven; my sins are covered. I am blessed; the Lord does not impute sin to me. I have been justified by faith. I have peace with God. Through Jesus I have access by faith into grace. I stand in grace. I rejoice in hope of the glory of God. My hope in God does not disappoint. The love of God is shed abroad in my heart.

Webster's 1926 "justify"

God has proven and shown that I am fully conformed to His law. I am vindicated. God defends me as fully conformed to right, to justice, and to duty. I am pronounced free from guilt or blame. I am declared and proven to have done that which is just, right, and proper. I am absolved; I am exonerated; I am cleared. I am vindicated, defended, and supported. I am completely innocent of any charges against me. I am justified freely by His grace.

Webster's 1926 "just"

I am conformed to the law of God; I am righteous before God. I am not guilty of any violation of God's law. I am pure and clean. I violate no one's right or obligation; I give to every man his due. I am equitable in action and judgment. I am fair and impartial. I have not transgressed the requirement of truth. I am correct, true, and proper. I agree closely with the copy, the pattern, the description of Jesus. I am accurate to His measurements.

I am innocent of all charges that have ever been laid against me. I am guiltless. I am worthy of God's favor and glory. I am justified freely by His grace. God has vindicated me. He has proven all who have accused me to be liars. If God is for me, who can be against me? If God proclaims my innocence, who dares to accuse me?

I stand in grace. Grace, the enablement and help of God, is the environment in which I live. Not only do I stand in grace, but I am filled with hope that I can do everything God has given me to do, very, very well, and that God will proclaim to all creation His pleasure in me. I know this is true, because as difficult things happen to me, I am filled with joy. The full and final proof that glory fills my future is this reality: **the love of God is shed abroad in my heart. God's love fills my heart. The love of God fills my heart.**

The love of God overflows in my heart through the Holy Spirit given to me.

I Am Dead To Sin And Alive To God

God demonstrated His love for me. When I was still a sinner, Christ died for me. His blood justifies me; much more, I shall be saved from wrath through Him.

When I was an enemy, I was reconciled to God by the death of His Son. I am saved by His life.

I rejoice in God; I have received the reconciliation.

The gift of the grace of Jesus abounds to me. I receive abundance of grace and of the gift of righteousness.

I reign in life through Jesus. By Jesus' righteous act, I am justified to life. By Jesus' obedience, I am righteous.

I am immersed into Christ Jesus; I am immersed into His death.

I am buried with Him through bap-

tism into death. I walk in newness of life in the exact same way that Christ was raised from the dead.

Day 84

I am united together in the likeness of His death. I am united together in the likeness of His resurrection.

I know that my old man was crucified with Him. The body of sin I once bore is done away with.

I am no longer a slave of sin. A slave of sin no longer. No longer a slave of sin! I died and am free from sin.

I died with Christ; I also live with Him. I know that Christ, having been raised from the dead, dies no more.

I reckon, I assert, I proclaim, that I am dead to sin. **I AM dead to sin**.

I reckon I am alive to God in Jesus. I AM alive to God in Jesus.

The Jesus Secret

My Father has an absolute law that cannot be changed. Every living soul must receive what he or she believes. Some are still convinced that the "man of sin" is very much alive in them and must still be crucified. Pay no attention. How can evil live in the same Heart I have made My Throne?

But I told you clearly that everything inside of you that God once hated, that needed to die, is DEAD. And I command you to believe it is so.

As you believe that you are really and truly free from sin and really and truly alive to God -- so shall you receive!

The others? They also will receive what they believe to be true. Believing that My Cross is finished in you is as important as believing that I live in you. Stand in My Grace.

I Am Dead, Completely, To Sin

I know that my old man was crucified with Him.

The body of sin I once bore is done away with. I am no longer a slave of sin. I died, and I am free from sin. I died with Christ; I also live with Him. I know that Christ, having been raised from the dead, dies no more. I reckon myself to be dead indeed unto sin. I reckon that I am dead to sin. I am dead, completely, to sin. I reckon even more that I myself am alive to God in Christ Jesus our Lord. I am alive to God in Jesus.

'I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me; and the life which I now live in the flesh, I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me.' I belong to Christ; I have (already) crucified the flesh with its passions and desires.

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Many Christians who love God and take His word seriously have become convinced of a certain reality about themselves. This view of who we are has a long history among Christians, dating back to the Roman darkness. That view is this: two natures live in me. One is Christ; the other is I. I am human; I am self; I am of the Adamic nature; I am fleshly; I am still fallen; I am prone to sin; and all of this – human, self, Adamic, flesh nature, all rolled up into one (the old man) – is entirely separate from Christ and is very much alive in me and must yet die the death of the cross at some future point. With this view, Christ in me becomes something quite separate from me. I can choose Christ's way, but I still often choose my own way, and my way and Christ's way are separate and opposed.

I am filled with all joy to be able to assure myself that <u>this view</u> is **disobedience** against the express command of God. God commanded me to consider that everything in me that was against God, that God hated, that needed to die, <u>IS DEAD</u>. It is already crucified. <u>The cross is behind me, not</u> <u>ahead of me</u>. I, as I am right now, all of me, I live to God, period.

Paul said that we become the new man by changing the way we think: about God, about Christ in us, and about ourselves. This confession of faith is changing the way I think.

I am alive to God in Jesus.

Romans 6:12-8:13

Day 86

I Am Not In The Flesh; I Am In The Spirit

I do not let sin rule in my mortal body. I do not obey its lusts.

I do not present the members of my body as instruments of sin. I present myself to God, alive from the dead; I present the members of my body as instruments to do what is right.

Sin has no dominion over me. I am under grace, not the law.

I obey from the heart the teaching given to me. I am free from sin; I present the members of my body as slaves of what is right and good.

I am free from sin. I am a slave of God. Holiness is my fruit, and everlasting life, my own.

God gives me eternal life in Christ Jesus my Lord.

I am dead to the law of Moses through the dead body of Christ. I am married to Christ who was raised from the dead. **I bear His fruit**.

I am delivered from the law of Moses. I died to its hold on me. I serve the law of God in newness of Spirit. I am not condemned. I do not walk according to the flesh; I walk according to the Spirit. 'The law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has made me free from the law of sin and death.'

The righteous requirement of the law is fulfilled in me; **I walk according to the Spirit.**

I set my mind on the things of the Spirit; **I live according to the Spirit. My mind is in the Spirit**; I am filled with life and peace.

I am not in the flesh; I am in the Spirit. The Spirit of God dwells in me.

Christ is in me. Though my body is dead because of sin, my Spirit is life because of righteousness. The Spirit of Him who raised Jesus from the dead lives in me. <u>God gives Je-</u> <u>sus-raised-from-the-dead life to my</u> <u>mortal body through His Spirit who</u> <u>lives in me</u>.

I put to death the deeds of the body by the Holy Spirit; **I live**.

The Jesus Secret

I must confess to you that I am very saddened by those who claim to know Me, yet refuse to obey Me - those who teach "Flesh, flesh," who proclaim, "Sin, sin." Do not be like them. Do not ever see yourself "in the flesh." You belong to Me; you are Mine. I have redeemed you, My dear Heart. You are NOT in the flesh, you are in My Spirit -- always.

Day 87

I Am Not In The Flesh; I Am In The Spirit

Those who live as if they are separate from God cannot know Him. When I received Christ, the Holy Spirit was given to me. Paul says clearly that if I have the Spirit of Christ - and I do - then I am not in the flesh; I am in the Spirit. I, me, who I am, all of me, \underline{I} am in the Spirit; \underline{I} am in that which pleases God; \underline{I} am in life and peace. \underline{I} am nowhere else. Paul also says that I am transformed by changing the way I think. I see myself as God sees me; I refuse to see myself any other way.

It is here, on this point, that Satan hits me hard. Look at what I do! Last night I ______ (fill in the blank). How on earth can I claim that I am dead to sin and alive to God? How on earth can I claim that I am not in the flesh, but I am in the Spirit?

Actually, it is God who makes that claim! And He commanded me to consider that what needed to die **IS DEAD**.

This is God's baby, not mine. God, with Jesus, freely gives me all things. No one can charge me with anything. God justifies me. No one can condemn me for anything. Christ intercedes for me. When I need to, I confess my sins and the blood of Jesus instantly and totally cleanses me from all sin. I am free! But I will never, never, never stop seeing myself as God commanded me to see myself.

I am a fighter. <u>I fight</u>. I am a conqueror. I am more than a conqueror. I will not allow any voice of accusation coming from anywhere to come into my mind to separate me from the love of God <u>in my thinking</u>. I change the way I think. I see as God sees.

In all things, I am more than a conqueror through Him who loves me.

I am free from sin. I am a slave of God. I walk according to the Spirit. The law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has made me free from the law of sin and death. I live according to the Spirit. My mind is in the Spirit; **I am filled with life and peace**.

I live in the Spirit; I live nowhere else.

I Died With Christ

I must ground myself in Romans. Romans 3-12 is the foundation on which I stand; it is the base upon which I make my claim. God is a legal God. The courts of men are but a reflection of the court of Almighty God. All dealings of God are based upon law.

The central pillar and focus and foundation of God's legal system is His Word. Jesus is the central pillar and focus and foundation of God's legal system. Jesus and the Word God speaks are two ways of saying the same thing. All judgment is given to the Son; all things are judged by the words Jesus spoke.

God's judgment is pure. The foundations of God's judgment are sure and absolute. With God, mercy triumphs over judgment. But mercy triumphs over judgment on one basis, and one basis only: **Christ died; Christ, having been raised from the dead, dies no more**.

In the day you eat thereof, you shall surely die. I died with Christ. The soul that sinneth shall die. I died with Christ. The wages of sin is death. I died with Christ.

For it is appointed unto men once to die. I died with Christ. I also live with Him.

My appointment with death is finished. I no longer have an appointment with death.

In Adam I was once dead, yes. But Adam is dead upon the cross and buried forever.

In Christ I am made Alive!

Death is behind me. **The cross is behind me**. I stand upon the cross of Jesus Christ. I live in His resurrection.

This is my place. You can look everywhere you wish; you will find me nowhere else. You can spend eternity searching fallen human flesh trying to find me. You are wasting your time; I am not there. No part of me is found there. I am a new creation. **ALL** old things are passed away. **ALL things are brand new**. I stand in Jesus; I stand nowhere else.

Day 89

I Am Free From Sin; I Am A Slave Of God; I Am Married To Christ; I Am Not Condemned

I do not let sin rule in my mortal body. I do not obey its lusts. I do not present the members of my body as instruments of sin. I present myself to God, alive from the dead; I present the members of my body as instruments to do what is right. Sin has no dominion over me. I am under grace, not the law. I am free from sin; I am a slave of doing what is right. I present the members of my body as slaves of doing what is right and good.

I am free from sin. I am a slave of God. I am dead to the law of Moses through the dead body of Christ. I am married to Christ who was raised from the dead. I bear His fruit. I am delivered from the law of Moses. I died to its hold on me. I serve in newness of the Spirit. I serve the law of God.

I am not condemned.

The tentacles of sin still reside in my body; I do not deny this present fact. From time to time, my body sins, it does that which is wrong. However, that is not ME! I am not the one sinning.*** My mind is given to the law of God, my confession is the word of God, with all my heart I love God. If I sin through the motions of sin in my body, I have an immediate advocate with the Father. I confess my sins and the blood of Jesus Christ cleanses me from all sin. I arise immediately and continue in the full joy of faith. But that is not **ME**. I belong to God; I am His slave; He is responsible for me.

I am not condemned.

The great <u>delusion</u> of man is that he is independent of God. The law shows me I am not. I am either dependent on Satan through sin or on God through righteousness. The death I died in Jesus removes me utterly from the control of both the law, which I cannot keep, and sin, which controlled me when I left God. Being controlled by sin has been replaced by being controlled by Christ. He is responsible for me. I am fully cast upon Him.

I am transformed by the renewing of my mind.

My task is to change the way I think, to change the way I see myself.

Day 90

'The Law Of The Spirit Of Life In Christ Jesus Has Made Me Free From The Law Of Sin And Death'

One of the most incredible statements found in the New Covenant is in Hebrews 8: **God found fault with the Old Covenant!**

The original law of God stated: "The soul that sinneth shall die." That word spoken by God is the law of sin and death. God found fault with that law. But God had spoken that law and could not set it aside, and so Christ died once for **ALL**.

Through Christ's resurrection a new law is birthed into the universe. That new law is the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus. This law is also called the law of faith; elsewhere it is called the law of love, and the perfect law of liberty. These are all speaking of the same law of God upon which the resurrection of Jesus Christ is grounded, and the same law of God that flows out to us from that resurrection.

The king of the Medes and Persians was similar to God in this way: once he spoke his word, even the king himself could not change it. In the same way, the Magna Charta was simply the king's own words, which he had spoken at one point or another, written down on paper. King John did not want to sign the Magna Charta because he knew that the moment he signed it, he would no longer be the authority in his own kingdom; his word would stand higher than he and would now judge all of his actions.

'You have magnified Your Word above all Your name.'

God binds Himself as He speaks.

He has exalted Jesus above every other part of His nature.

King Ahasuerus of the Medes and Persians spoke a word that all Judeans would be put to death on a certain day. That word could never be changed. Even the king himself could not change that word. However, Mordecai, a man who pre-figured Christ, gave the king a way out. Yes, on the set day, all those who wanted to kill Judeans had every right to do so. All those who wanted to kill Judeans had the full legal authority of the king backing them. No one could prevent them or hold them back. But at the same time, the king spoke a new word. That new word did not eliminate the old word; the old word still stood. The new word was this:

All Judeans had the full right of the king to fight back!

No one could hinder or prevent the Judeans from fighting back and killing their enemies who wanted to kill them. The Judeans fought back. On the set day, not one Judean died, but 70,000 of their enemies perished.

The law of sin and death cannot be set aside.

The cross of Jesus Christ does not set aside the law of sin and death. The resurrection of Jesus Christ does not set aside the law of sin and death. The law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus does not set aside the law of sin and death. All those who hate me still hold the full right from God to kill me. They accuse me day and night before God. They are set on their right to my death. I live in a world at war; a world at war against me.

BUT! The law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus gives me the right to fight back. It gives me the right to fight back and to win.

Faith is a fight. Faith is about fighting. Faith is about winning. Faith is about overcoming. Faith is about conquering all things set against me. I live by faith, not even my own faith - I live by the faith of the Son of God who loves me and who gave His life for me.

I fight! I am the one who fights!

This confession of faith is the fight. By this confession of faith, I fight and I win! All believers who "see" themselves in the flesh and who "see" the flesh in themselves have already lost the fight. Some have labored in that realm of unbelief all their lives. They still struggle today as they have always struggled. A thousand years from now, they will still be found struggling. What they "see" is what they are.

Unless they change their minds!

I am so grateful that God is changing my thinking. This is God's way out of the human dilemma. There is no other way out. I must believe that Jesus is my life. I believe!

I am transformed by the renewing of my mind: I see as God sees. I put on the new man by changing my mind! By faith I please God.

Day 91

'The Law Of The Spirit Of Life In Christ Jesus Has Made Me Free From The Law Of Sin And Death'

I cannot leave this truth quite yet. I come back to it over and over. Here is my grounding; here is my existence; here is my reason for being. Upon this rock I stand. In this reality I live. This guide I follow.

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Webster's 1926 "law"	of God concerning the Spirit of life in
The law, <u>the whole body of rules</u>	Christ Jesus, has made me free from
constituting the organic rule prescrib-	the law, <u>the whole body of rules</u> con-
ing the nature and existence of the	stituting the organic rule prescribing
Spirit of life in Christ Jesus, the divine	the nature and existence of sin and
command and revelation of the will	death.
Webster's 1926	violating and not conforming to God's
"Spirit, life, sin, death"	law, of departing willfully from God's
<u>The law of</u> the Breath of Life, the	path, of falling short of God's glory,
Life principle given by God, the Di-	and <u>the law of</u> the cessation of all vi-
vine Breath giving vitality, spirit, and	tal functions, the cessation of spiritual
vigor, in the Messiah, has made me	life, alienation from God, state of be-
free from <u>the law of</u> transgression	ing without life, energy, or activity,
and disobedience to God's will, of	total privation and loss.
Webster's 1926 "made"	caused, compelled me to act in, per-
The LAW of the Spirit of Life in	formed in me to do, to act, to work,
the Anointed One, Jesus, has formed,	to effect, to commit, to behave; it has
fashioned, constructed, fabricated,	prepared, arranged, performed, and
constituted ME in nature; it has	executed me FREE from the law of
formed me in thought and reality,	sin and death.
Webster's 1926 "free"	a special immunity from, not held in
The LAW of the Spirit of Life work-	forcible restraint to, not confined, re-
ing in My Lord and Savior, Jesus, has	strained, or restricted by, not united
<u>MADE</u> me not subject to the power	or combined with, not obstructed by,
and authority of, not held in a state of	open, clear of, independent from the

God chose the Greek word *Logos* to call the One whom He sent. *Logos* means "the word spoken"; it means "reason and order." There is no fickle-

bondage to, not obligated to, enjoying

law of sin and death.

ness or unreasonable changeability or whim in *Logos*. A ruler who rules by whim cannot be trusted. He might say one thing one day and do something entirely different the next. Because the ruler cannot be counted on, no one can live in certainty, no one is willing to invest, no one is willing to extend themselves. When a ruler rules by whim, poverty and misery are the result. God rules by His word, and His word does not change, ever. I can count on what God said. I can build my life on what God said. I can venture all risk on what God said. My investment is sure; my risk must pay off; my faith will bear its fruit.

'The law of the Spirit of Life in Christ Jesus has **made me free** from the law of sin and death.' I build my life on this absolute, unshakeable, unchangeable foundation of irrevocable divine **LAW**.

This law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus is the law of faith. It is the law of speaking who God says I am. It is the law of confessing with my mouth the Lord Jesus – Christ is all in me. This is a law that I exercise, that I work, that I cast all of myself upon. With this law, I risk all. In this law I risk my life, my future, my strength, my possessions, my family, everything and all of me. Upon this law I risk my reputation, my dignity, my hopes and my dreams.

The working and the triumph of this law in me is who I am.

'The law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has made me free from the law of sin and death.'

The Spirit of Him who raised Jesus from the dead lives in me.

God gives Jesus-raised-from-the-dead life to my body through His Spirit who lives in me.

I put to death the deeds of the body by the Holy Spirit. I live.

Putting to death the deeds of the body, those workings of sin that yet in present fact encumber my body on this earth, by the Holy Spirit, is the outworking of <u>the law of the Spirit of life</u>. It is the effect; it is the result. It is the cart that follows the horse.

Putting to death the deeds of the body by the Holy Spirit is the victory of Christ in me. It is the natural, normal outcome of a renewed mind. It is the outcome of speaking the truth in love.

From The Beginning, God Determined I Would Be Just Like Jesus

The Spirit of God leads me; **I am a son of God**. I received the Spirit of adoption; I cry out, "Abba, Father."

The Spirit bears witness with my Spirit that I am a child of God. I am an heir of God and a joint heir with Christ. I suffer with Him; I am glorified together with Him.

The suffering I go through now is not worth comparing to the glory yet to be revealed in me.

The whole creation is waiting with eager expectation for the moment when **God takes the cover off the life of Christ inside of me**. The creation will be delivered from its bondage to corruption through the glorious liberty radiating from me.

I have the first fruits of the Spirit. I groan; I eagerly wait for the adoption, the redemption of my body.

All things work together for my good because I love God and I am called

according to His purpose.

God knew me from the beginning. Knowing me, God determined that I would be conformed to the image of Jesus Christ.

He called me; He justified me; He glorified me.

God, with Jesus, freely gives me all things.

No one can charge me with anything. God justifies me. No one can condemn me for anything. Christ intercedes for me.

Nothing can separate me from the love of Christ! Not tribulation, not distress, not persecution, not famine, not nakedness, not peril, not sword.

In all things, **I am more than a conqueror** through Him who loves me.

I am persuaded that NOTHING can separate me from the love of God in Christ Jesus my Lord.

The Jesus Secret

Many Christians' image of heaven and hell is imaginary. They did not get it from My Covenant with you.

Here is My Secret: My Father determined long ago to have many sons just like Me. He has chosen you to be one of that glorious company. That's why you love Me.

My Father's purpose is not "where you spend eternity"; it is who you are. You are My image. I am fully the Son of God and fully the Son of Man. You are just like Me.

From The Beginning, God Determined I Would Be Just Like Jesus

'For whom He foreknew, He also predestined to be conformed to the image of His Son, that He might be the firstborn among many brethren.'

I love the way doctrinal "issues" vanish when I confess God's word with my voice. What does *predestination* mean? The word is not nearly as important as what God wants. For me, only one thing matters: When God saw me, finished, complete, all that He determined, what did I look like? Who am I?

Before any world was created, before time began, in the original state of the Triune God, single, alone, separate from all created works, God fixed <u>ME</u> in His mind. He did not envision me void or empty; He did not see me half-formed or as a "work in progress." No sin was present, no weakness, no loss, no shadow. And when He saw me, what, what did He see? Very simply, when God looked at me, He saw:

The Image of Christ!

The image of His Son is what God saw when He saw me, nothing else, and nothing less.

And when my time came to be born, God looked, as He had never stopped looking. He saw again who I am, and **He called me**. He called my name. He called me, the image of Christ, and I was conceived in my mother's womb. I was born in weakness; I was shaped under sin. But though I was born in sin, sin had no real hold on me; for in the very call of God that made me, God had already justified me. He had already glorified me in all the glory of Jesus.

To God I am not and have never been anything other than the one He sees – the image, the reflection, the visible picture of His beloved Son.

Webster's 1926 "determine"

From the beginning, God set my boundaries to the measure of all the fullness of Christ. God brought me to a conclusion by His authoritative determination. God resolved, fixed His intention, that I would be just like Jesus. God fixed my form and character beforehand, that when others looked at me, they would see Jesus. God concluded and decided; He obtained definite and first-hand knowledge of me as the image of His dear Son. God resolved and set Himself upon my shining forth all the glory of Jesus. Romans 9:1-12:1

Day 94

I Am Transformed By The Renewing Of My Mind

I am a child of the promise. I am His beloved, a son of the living God.

I confess with my mouth the Lord Jesus. I believe in my heart God raised Him from the dead. I am saved.

I call upon the name of the Lord; I am saved.

I present my body to God as a living sacrifice. My "dead" body is holy; my body is acceptable to God.

I am not conformed to this world; I am transformed by the renewing of my mind. I prove the will of God.

I do not think of myself more highly than I ought. I think soberly; God has given me a measure of faith.

I am a member of His body with a different function than others of my brethren. I am a member of each that belongs to Christ.

I have gifts out of the grace God has given me. I use His grace to minister my gift to the body of Christ, in liberality, with diligence, in mercy, with cheerfulness.

I love without hypocrisy. I abhor what is evil. I cling to what is good.

I am affectionate towards my brothers and sisters in Christ. I honor and give preference to each of them.

Diligent, fervent in spirit, I serve the Lord.

I rejoice in hope; I am patient in tribulation; I continue steadfastly in prayer. I distribute to the needs of the saints; I am given to hospitality.

I bless those who persecute me. I bless; I do not curse. I rejoice with those who rejoice; I weep with those who weep.

The Jesus Secret

It is true; you are what you believe. Those who teach that other "secret" are technically "correct." What you believe in your heart is what comes. They, of course, have a problem. They are dead. They left Me out of their "secret."

But I AM alive in you. What you believe is what you become. I AM changing the way you think. If you believe that sin is a problem for you, sin is a problem for you. Though I love you, I must let you have what you believe.

But if you believe that I AM All there is in you -- then, what can stop us? Together we must utterly win.

I Am Transformed By The Renewing Of My Mind

I present my body to God as a living sacrifice. My body is holy; my body is acceptable to God. I am not conformed to this world; **I am transformed by the renewing of my mind.**

I prove the will of God.

It is God's will for me to be conformed to the image of His Son. This is my mission; this is my task; this is my calling; I am sent to prove to all creation, to the entire universe, the will of Almighty God.

The Greek word that is translated "transform" is *metamorphosis*. Metamorphosis is also the word we use to describe the transformation of a caterpillar into a butterfly. I understand how I am transformed by looking at the illustration of a caterpillar being transformed into a butterfly.

A caterpillar spends all of its time eating. It must eat in order to be full of enough energy to take it through the transformation process. During this time of constant eating, the Monarch caterpillar sheds its skin five times. Then, when the time comes, the caterpillar wraps itself in a chrysalis and becomes completely still.

Little is known of the process that takes place inside that chrysalis. It is known that a chemical comes out of the caterpillar's brain that turns its body into a liquid soup. The energy taken into the caterpillar's body through its constant eating powers the transformation process and is consumed by it. The final formation of the Monarch butterfly can be seen through the transparent shell; it is awesomely beautiful. Then the strength of life deep inside the butterfly is pushed into all of its new body by the force of pressing against the outer shell until it is entirely cast off. What emerges is a beautiful creature that soars in the heavens.

I, like Abraham, <u>do not consider my body</u>, now dead. I am strong in faith, giving glory to God. Though my body is "dead" because of the present fact of sin working in it, that sin <u>is not me</u>. On the contrary, I present this body to God as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God. I spend my time feeding on what God has said. I speak His word; I speak His word; I speak His word; I speak His word. I grow fat on the strength of that word. It energizes my whole being. While I speak His word by the Jesus-raised-from-the-dead Spirit that is

working in my body, I just naturally cast off the outer skin of the deeds of the body. I do that by the grace, the enablement, of God.

Then, when I am filled full of speaking His word, I come to a quiet and separate place. I am hidden in Christ, in the secret place of the Most High. Out of the renewing of my mind, out of seeing as God sees, out of seeing the invisible by faith, out of seeing myself as I really am – the image of Christ –, I am transformed. Christ is formed in me. Those that are around me are able to see the awesome beauty of Christ in me, within my present human state.

But I do not stay there! I press, I press, I press against the limitations of the human sphere, the restrictions of this present age. I press; I do not accept limitation. My measure is the stature of all the fullness of Christ. I do not limit God. I push; I push; I push. I groan within myself, not that I should die, but that death should be swallowed up by life.

I am filled with all the fullness of God. Out of my belly flow rivers of living water. I overcome all things. I am changed, in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye. My lowly body is made into one like His glorious body by the power with which He is able to subdue all things to Himself, by the power that is working, working, in my present body right now!

l am transformed by the renewing of my mind.

God calls those things that be not as though they are. I speak what God speaks. God declares and proclaims the end of the matter, the goal, the final product right from the start. I speak what God speaks. By faith I understand that what exists does not come from what exists; it comes from the invisible, the word God speaks. I speak what God speaks. I declare what God declares. I proclaim what God proclaims.

Let it be to you according to your faith. 'Let it be to me according to Your word.'

I change the way I think. I am transformed by the renewing of my mind. I have put on the new man, which is renewed in the knowledge that Christ is all in me. I speak what God speaks; I grow up into Christ.

The power that is in the Word God speaks unites with my firm belief in that word to produce its life in my life.

God Takes The Cover Off Christ's Life In Me: All Creation Is Set Free

I am not afraid of what God has said. I do not regard people who do not respect God, who cry, "heresy," "deception," when I speak what God has spoken about me.

I do not care how wild, bizarre, and outrageous the things God has declared about me are. I live by every word God speaks. I speak what God has claimed about who I really am.

God said, "For the earnest expectation of the creation eagerly waits for the manifestation of the sons of God." I am a son of God. God is telling me something about myself.

God said that the whole creation, the whole universe, heaven and earth, groans anxiously, waiting, longing, hoping, for **ME!** God said that there is coming a time when He is going to manifest, unveil, take the cover off, *apocalupsis*, reveal, me. And when He does that, God says that all of creation will be set free in the glorious liberty that flows out of me, the same glorious liberty that is working in me right now.

God says rivers of living water flow out of me. God says I am filled with all the fullness of God. God says I overcome all things. God says that Christ is formed in me. God says that from the very beginning He determined that I would be conformed to the image of His Son. God says He will reveal Christ in me.

I believe what God says. I do not limit God. He is able to do in me everything He has spoken.

Do you want to know what I am like? Look at Jesus. Do you want to know what Jesus is like? Look at me. I live in Him; He lives in me. I am one spirit with Him. I speak His word. I declare the things God has spoken concerning me. I speak His commandment; it is fulfilled in me. I am His glory. I am just like Him.

I am not playing a game here. God is in certain earnest. God has commissioned me to **prove the will of God** by being transformed in my thinking. I am not afraid of what God has said. I speak what He says. **God reveals Christ in me.**

Christ is all in me.

I Present My Body A Living Sacrifice

I am not weak in faith; I do not consider my own body, now dead. I do not waver at the promise of God through unbelief. The body of sin I once bore is done away with. I am no longer a slave of sin. I died, and I am free from sin. I present the members of my body as instruments to do what is right. Sin has no dominion over me. I am under grace. When sin working through the fact of its present tentacle in my body causes my body to do what is contrary to the will of God, it is not me who does it. It is sin doing it. I myself serve only the law of God.

I am not condemned. **I am not in the flesh; I am in the Spirit.** Christ is in me. Though my body is dead because of sin, my Spirit is life because of righteousness. The Spirit of Him who raised Jesus from the dead lives in me. **God gives Jesus-raised-from-the-dead life to my mortal body** through His Spirit who lives in me. I put to death the deeds of the body by that same Holy Spirit; **I live**. I suffer with Him; I am glorified together with Him. The suffering I go through now is not worth comparing to the glory being revealed in me.

I present my body to God as a living sacrifice. My "dead" body is holy; it is acceptable to God. I prove the will of God. I am always being delivered to death for Jesus' sake. The life of Jesus is revealed in my mortal flesh.

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I consider thoughtfully and deeply Paul's thread of teaching concerning my body and the fact of sin still in it. Like Abraham, I do not consider my own already dead body in my confidence in what God has spoken of me. I know that the crucifixion of Jesus has put to death sin's death-hold on my body. Sin has no dominion over me. When sin works in my body, it is not me doing it, it is sin. However, the Jesus-raised-from-the-dead Holy Spirit is working in my mortal body. Through that Spirit, I put to death the outer deeds of the body in the fact of present sin. This is my task, my "suffering."

But I do not castigate my body; I do not despise my flesh; I do not demean my human nature. My body, though dead because of sin, I present as a holy and acceptable sacrifice to God. It is in my body that I prove the will of God. It is in my "dead" flesh that the life of Jesus triumphs. It is in my mortal body that **the life of Jesus** is revealed. It is my human nature that is filled with all the fullness of God.

In my body I prove the will of God.

I Am A Member Of His Body

I am a member of His body. I am a member of each that belongs to Him. I use His grace to minister my gift to the body of Christ. I minister my gift in liberality, with diligence, in mercy, with cheerfulness. I am affectionate towards my brothers and sisters in Christ. I honor them. I give preference to each of them. I continue steadfastly in prayer. I distribute to the needs of the saints. I am given to hospitality. I bless; I do not curse.

I rejoice with those who rejoice; I weep with those who weep. I am of the same mind toward each of my brothers and sisters. I do not judge my brother. I pursue the things that make for peace and the things that will build up and encourage my brothers and sisters. I am like-minded with my fellow believers. I have one mind with them. I receive my brothers and sisters.

My body belongs to Jesus; His body belongs to me. My body is a member of Jesus; I am a member of His body. When His body is blessed, I am blessed. When His body increases. I am increased. When His body is encouraged, I am encouraged. When His body rejoices, I rejoice.

When His body weeps, I weep. I suffer with all those who suffer for Christ. I open my arms and receive all who belong to Jesus.

I am a member of His body. I am a member of everyone who belongs to Jesus. I am a member of them organically and intrinsically, interlaced and committed. I can do nothing else; His body is my delight.

We are the body of Christ; I am a member in particular. "As the body is one and has many members . . . so also is Christ." Christ is a body. I am His hands and His feet, His voice and His ears. He is my head; He is my mind. He touches others through me. I need Him to touch others through me.

My brothers and sisters are the body of Christ as I am. My brothers and sisters are members of Him as I am. They are His hands; they are His feet. They are His voice; they are His ears. He is their head; He is their mind. **He touches me through them**. They belong to me; I belong to them. I am of one mind with them – the mind of Christ. **I am one with them; they are one with me.**

I am affectionate towards my brothers and sisters in Christ.

Romans 12:16-14:23

I Overcome Evil With Good

I am of the same mind toward each of my brothers and sisters. I do not set my mind on high things; I associate with the humble. I am not wise in my own opinion.

I repay no one evil for evil. I have regard for good things.

If possible, I live peaceably with **all** men. I live peaceably with <u>all</u> men. I live peaceably with ALL men.

I do not avenge myself. I yield to angry people.

When my enemy is hungry, I feed him. If he is thirsty, I give him drink. I let God take care of the rest.

I am never overcome by evil. I overcome evil with good.

I am subject to the governing authorities in what is right before God. (I am subject to them for the sake of peace, but they do not have my allegiance. I serve one master, Christ.)

I do what is good. I pay my taxes. **But** I don't owe anyone anything except to love them.

I cast off the works of darkness; I put on the armor of light. I walk properly as in the day.

I am clothed with the Lord Jesus Christ; I make no provision for the lusts of the flesh.

I receive those who are weak in the faith; I do not dispute unimportant things. I do not despise anyone who believes this or that is important.

I do not live to myself. Whether I live, or whether I die, I am the Lord's.

I do not judge my brother. I give an account of myself to God.

I pursue the things that make for peace and the things that will encourage my brothers and sisters.

The Jesus Secret

Don't get Me wrong, My dear Heart, I AM a Fighter; I love a good fight. You are with Me, and My fight is your fight. Evil is My enemy, and Death, and the Lust that likes to hurt you and other people. I hate these guys.

My weapon? Doing good, of course. Every time I do good to someone through you, it is a mighty, shocking blow against My enemies. Just give a cup of cold water to one who has tried to hurt you badly, and watch evil vanish from the earth.

But I am so very, very sad for those who use evil to respond to people who do them harm. They do not know Me.

I Overcome Evil With Good

As much as is in me, I live peaceably with **all** men. I live peaceably with <u>all</u> men. I live peaceably with ALL men. I do not avenge myself. I yield to angry people. When my enemy is hungry, I feed him. If he is thirsty, I give him drink. I let God take care of the rest. I am never overcome by evil.

I overcome evil with good.

I am a good man; I bring good things out of the good treasure of my heart. (See Day 8)

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overthrow, overturn, defeat, crush, overbear, and overwhelm, lay prostrate, and beat evil with good. I gain the superiority over - am victorious over - evil by doing what is good.

Webster's 1926 "evil"

I overcome people who have qualities tending to mischief and hurt by doing good to them. I overcome people who have a nature that tends to badness, people who are mischievous, hurtful, and worthless by doing good things for them. I overcome people who exhibit bad moral qualities; I overcome people who are corrupt, wicked, wrong, and vicious by doing good things for them. I overcome people who threaten me with pain, sorrow, distress, injury, and calamity by doing good things for them. I overcome people who are pernicious, injurious, hurtful, destructive, sinful, corrupt, perverse, and vicious by doing good things for them.

I do not just love my enemies; I do them good. I seek to meet their needs; **I give them <u>aid and comfort</u>**. Whenever someone seeks to harm me, whenever someone with viciousness and hate comes at me to cause me and my loved ones harm, I move in the power and nature of Christ Himself. I know that **nothing can hurt me** except that which My Father Himself allows according to the mission for which He has sent me personally, I move quickly to give this evil person good things according to his needs.

I am just like Jesus. And **I do not give voice** to the blasphemy that claims that laying down my life for my enemies is weak and ineffective. By doing good things for people who seek to hurt me, <u>I render evil helpless and exhausted</u>. By laying down my life, I overcome death. Jesus wins in me.

I Receive My Brothers And Sisters In Christ

Because I am strong in the Lord, I bear with the ideas of those who are learning their way with Christ. I do not please myself.

I please my neighbor for his good, so that he will be strengthened in faith.

I am likeminded with my fellow believers. I have one mind with them; with one mouth, we glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

I receive my brothers and sisters. Each of them is unique and sees life differently from me.

I receive my brothers and sisters. God made each of them differently; He is not boring.

<u>I receive my brothers and sisters.</u> In the exact same way that Jesus received me, to God's glory. God fills me with all joy and peace. I abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit. I am full of goodness. I am filled with all knowledge.

I have fully preached the gospel of Christ.

I receive women in ministry and assist them.

I greet all those who belong to Jesus.

I note those who cause divisions among Christians and who deliberately offend fellow believers, and I avoid them.

The God of peace crushes Satan under my feet. Satan is crushed under my feet.

God crushes Satan under my feet.

The Jesus Secret

My dear Heart, I want you to know Me so deeply, so intimately. Spend time with Me. When you really know Me, you will know how much I love your brothers and sisters in Christ. My heart yearns for them. I long to receive them into My arms.

Right now, you are My Arms. May I use your hands to reach out and tenderly receive those whom I so dearly love? May I embrace them through you?

Oh My dear one, you are never more close to Me than when you tenderly receive one of these dear ones who belong to Me. And when you tenderly receive those who do you harm, I crush Satan under your feet.

I Receive My Brothers And Sisters

I do not judge my brother. I pursue the things that make for peace and the things that will build up and encourage my brothers and sisters. I please my neighbor for his good, so that he will be strengthened in the faith. I am likeminded with my fellow believers. I have one mind with them. I greet all those who belong to Jesus.

I receive my brothers and sisters. Each of them is unique and sees life differently from me. I receive my brothers and sisters. God made each of them differently; He is not boring. <u>I receive my brothers and sisters</u>. In the same way that Jesus received me.

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Jesus opened His arms to me and welcomed me to come to Him, without condemning me for any weakness, without condemning me for the evil mess I was in, without condemning me for fighting against and blaspheming God. Jesus wrapped me in His heart, held me close to Himself, and carried me on His heart to God. Jesus loved me when I was unlovely, and loves me now that I am found in Him. Jesus delights in me now and fills my heart with His dreams and with His goodness.

In the same way, I receive all of my brothers and sisters.

I open my arms and my heart to them. They are always welcome. No matter what they have done to me or anyone else, I never think ill of them; I never look down at them or treat them as "less anointed" or "less in favor with God" than I. I wrap them in my heart; I carry them in my heart. I love them.

I delight in my brothers and sisters. I always delight in all the different ways and expressions that being with them so richly gives me. I delight in their dreams; I delight in the strength and goodness of Christ that flows from their hearts. I delight in all they have to give to the body of Christ.

When my brothers and sisters are weak, I receive them. When they are confused, I receive them. When they don't do things the way I would do them, I receive them. When they offend me, I receive them. When they do me harm, I receive them. I love them.

I receive my brothers and sisters in the Lord.

I Seek Glory

God is the Father of glory. He loves to show off His stuff. He exults in demonstrating what He can do. He lives in the praises and acclaim of people awestruck at the wonders He performs.

Satan's challenge was no surprise to God. God set him up. How else could God show off the thing He values most – His Word, His Son? When darkness is greatest, Light shines. When evil is blackest, Good triumphs. When hatred reigns supreme, Love overwhelms it. When God's word is challenged – when it is blasphemed and mocked – when His own people do not believe what He has said – when the void spits out His word – when His disciples hide in fear – out of the invisibile – out of the impossibile – out of mockery and outrage and slander – <u>God's word is fulfilled in those who believe</u>.

That's big stuff! God is absolutely incredible!

God created me in His image. God made me like Himself. That's why I love glory just as much as God does. What is glory? What does a dad hear when he walks into the backyard where his children are playing? "Daddy, Daddy, watch. Look at me, Daddy. See what I can do!" His children are seeking glory. They desire their daddy's praise and affirmation and approval for the "awesome" things they can do.

Glory is someone else praising me for who I am and what I do. When those who lead me in the Lord speak well of me, when they acknowledge the good things of God in me, when they walk with me as if I am a necessary part of their life and ministry, then I am filled with the fruit of God. Abundance of joy carries me. When I speak well of others, treating them the way I love to be treated, when I acknowledge and acclaim the good things of God in them, walking with them as if they are a necessary part of my life and ministry, then I am giving them strength and joy beyond what I can comprehend.

On the other hand, those who advertise <u>themselves</u> speak like Satan. Those who speak critically of and to their brethren, who see "the flesh" in others and attempt to discourage and put down "the flesh" do more damage and harm to precious ones who belong to Jesus than they can understand. I do not advertise myself; God advertises me. I bless; I do not curse.

The suffering I go through now is not worth comparing to the glory yet to be revealed in me.

Glory from God, the glory for which I seek and hope, is a future glory. God has given me a great task and mission, along with everything I need – strength, power, and wisdom – to accomplish that task and mission. But God wants me to do more than just "accomplish"; He wants me to finish this thing spectacularly – to the full extent of the grace, the divine ability, He has put in me.

A few years ago, a young lady competed in figure skating in the Olympics against several others who were thought to be far better skaters than she. Knowing this, she thought to herself, "Since they are so good, I will go out on the ice and simply do my best. I do not need to win!" She skated her heart out. It was one of the most inspiring displays of beauty ever seen in the Olympics. The crowd was stunned; with one voice, they rose to their feet. I even suspect many watching on television joined them; what else could one do? It was awesome. Every one of the other skaters messed up. The gold was hers.

That sense that comes upon the mighty completion of an awesome, beautiful, and highly skillful performance, that sense that drives the audience to their feet in wonder and joy, that moment **IS GLORY**.

<u>Reward was a big deal to Jesus</u>. He conditioned everything He asked us to do with reward, reward, reward. Everything He did was with a view towards the glory and joy set before Him. I have no time for ungodly muttering that would teach me to think small and undeserving. I want to be great in the kingdom of God; that is why I am constantly doing good things for everyone I meet. A small man – a man who doesn't aspire to greatness – doesn't do anything for anyone except himself.

I do well what God has given me to do.

"<u>Well done</u>, good and faithful son, enter into the joy of your Master."

I live to hear those words. To do all He has sent me to do, to do it very, very well with all the ability He has placed in me, and to hear His approval, His acclaim, His affirmation – that is glory.

When I stand before His throne, if I have no glory, I will have nothing to give to Jesus. Without glory, I cannot give Him my glory. I seek glory.

I seek glory, honor, and immortality by continuing to do good.

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*** Most Christians through Church history have rejected Paul's claim, here, that when he sins, he himself did not do it, but something else in him, for which he is not responsible committed the act. Even during his lifetime, Paul was accused regularly of teaching a gospel that gives license to sin.

But most people have never understood the gospel Paul preached. Attacking "sin" or "flesh" cannot result in any kind of victory. Victory over sin comes only through the acknowledgement, the belief, the embracing of Christ being all there is in me.

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FIRST CORINTHIANS

- I am the temple of God.
- I am one spirit with the Lord.
 - I flee from idolatry.
 - I have love. I pursue love.
- I prophesy; I speak in tongues.
- I bear the image of the heavenly Jesus.
- The Spirit has given me a particular gift to give for the profit of all.
 - I have victory over death.

I Am The Temple Of God

The grace of God is mine. He enriches me in everything, in all speech and knowledge. I come short in no gift.

I eagerly wait for Jesus to be revealed in me.

I am blameless in the day of Jesus.

I speak the same thing as my brethren; there are no differences between us. I am perfectly joined together with them in the same mind and judgment.

God sent me to preach the gospel. I preach Christ crucified.

I am chosen to bring to nothing the important people of this world.

I am in Christ Jesus. I glory in Him. I know nothing except Jesus Christ and Him crucified.

I speak with the demonstration of the Spirit and power. I speak the wisdom of God to those who are mature.

God has shown me the things He

has prepared for me: I love Him. The Spirit from God is in me. I know the things that have been freely given to me by God.

My mind is Christ's mind. Christ's mind is my mind.

I receive my reward according to my labor. I am God's fellow worker. I am God's field; I am God's building.

I build on the foundation of Jesus Christ: gold, silver, precious stones. My work endures the fire.

I am the temple of God. I keep His temple holy.

I do not deceive myself; I do not rely on the wisdom of this world. I do not boast in myself.

Everything belongs to me. **All things are mine.** Various ministries, the world, life, death, things present, things to come – these are all mine.

And I am Christ's.

The Jesus Secret

Learn to see all reality as I see it. You are Mine, and I AM yours. All things belong to Me. Because I live in you, all things belong to you. You are My field; build your life with the jewels that I give you.

You are not double-minded, My dear Heart. Don't let people tell you differently. My Mind is yours. See as I see. It's all yours, all of it. Take it and use it for My Glory and your happiness.

But do not touch what is evil.

I Am The Temple Of God

My body is the temple of the Holy Spirit who is in me.

Here is my body. It is not yet redeemed; not until the resurrection, the redemption of the body. It is dying because it has sin in it. The fact of sin, working contrary to me and to my will, is still present in this body. It is a dying body. It is a lowly body. It is the body of sin. It is the flesh; the fact of flesh still attempts to claim this body. All these are facts, yes. But here is the truth:

My body is God's temple! The very life of Jesus is revealed in my mortal flesh!

I deny the "facts"; I do not acknowledge a self separate from Christ. I speak the truth. The Holy Spirit has claimed my body as His own, and His power, the same power that raised Jesus from the dead, is working, working, working in my body. My body is holy. It is acceptable to God. In this body, I prove God's will.

In the day when literal temples were built for various deities, the temple of a god had a specific and clearly understood function. The temple that Solomon built and that God filled with His presence had the exact same function. The temple was a building, one of a kind in all Israel as the place where Yahweh resided. Yahweh, the God of Israel, was not to be found in any back alley or on top of any convenient hill. Yes, He spoke to His prophets and led them, but the place of His manifest presence, the place of sacrifice and worship that He accepted, was His temple.

If anyone wanted to worship God, they journeyed to His temple. If anyone wanted to offer a sacrifice to God, to seek His counsel, they journeyed to His temple. In His temple was where they expected to find Him. In His temple was where His glory and His will were revealed.

I stand in awe. I look at my body. I cannot believe what I see! It is the very temple, the holy, holy place of God's residence. It is the place, set aside for God, where He resides, where He reveals who He is. When people want to see God, they come to me to see Him.

The life of Jesus is revealed in my mortal flesh.

I Am One Spirit With The Lord

I am a servant of Christ; I am a steward of the mysteries of God. I am found faithful.

I do not judge myself. I know of nothing against myself. He who judges me is the Lord. I judge nothing before the coming of the Lord. My praise will come from God.

I am full. I am rich. I reign as a king. I am a fool for Christ's sake. I am wise in Christ. I am weak; I am strong.

When reviled, I bless. When persecuted, I endure. When defamed, I encourage.

I do not keep company with any "brother" who is sexually immoral, or covetous.

I will judge the world and angels.

I am washed. I am sanctified. The Spirit justifies me in Jesus' name.

All things are lawful for me, but I am not under the power of anything.

God will raise me up by His power.

I am one spirit with the Lord; I am joined by marriage to Him. I flee sexual immorality. My body is the temple of the Holy Spirit in me.

I am not my own. I am bought with a price (the blood of Jesus). I glorify God in my body and in my spirit, which are God's.

I am bought with a price; I do not become a slave of men.

I am careful that my liberty in Christ doesn't cause my brother to stumble.

Though I am free from all men, I make myself a servant to all, that I might win them to Christ. I become all things to all men, that I might by all means save some.

The Jesus Secret

We are One, you and I. I bought you, all of you, with My Blood. You belong to Me and to no one else.

Stay away from those who try to join you to earthly causes, especially from those who teach you to pledge your Heart (My Throne, if you please) in allegiance to the bloody battle flags of the kingdoms of My enemy. Your body belongs to Me, not to the kingdoms of this world.

However, be gentle and kind, even to those whose hearts are divided, one moment praising me, the next worshipping country. I still love them, but I cannot keep them from their end. Do not share in their idolatry, and I will keep you from their nightmare.

Day 107

I Am One Spirit With The Lord

This temple of Solomon that God lived in had three parts. There was the outer court, open to the light of the natural sun, filled with many people, and the stench and dust and noise and slaughter of sacrifice. It was a loud and bloody place.

Then there was the Holy Place, lighted by the menorah, the seven branched lamp stand. Solomon had actually ordered seven menorahs built for the temple holy place. The light from forty-nine lamps provided a soft and beautiful glow that gave a sense of reverence and worship. Here the priests of God moved. Here they brought the worship of the people before God in the form of incense on the alter of incense. Here they ate the bread of His Remembrance.

But at one end of the holy place was stretched a heavy, thick cloth, the veil, covering the most special place in the temple. Behind the veil was the Holy of Holies. Inside that room was the ark of God's covenant upon which sat the mercy seat, God's throne, the place where God would meet with man. In the Old Covenant, only once a year on the Day of Atonement, one man, the high priest, representing all the people and carrying them on his heart, would enter before the manifest presence of God to sprinkle the blood of the sacrifice to atone for the sins of the people. There, God would meet the high priest and have mercy upon His people.

In my body, the issues of life are being decided. In my body, the working of the Holy Spirit is contending with the fact of sin. I bring every member of my body in obedience to doing what is right and good. However, the quiet light of God's truth shines in my soul - my mind, my will, and my emotions. I eat His bread; I remember Him. I worship Him, singing praises and making melody in my heart to the Lord.

But in the core of my being, in my spirit, in my heart, the veil that once separated God from His people is torn aside, rent by Jesus long ago. There, at the very center of me, of who I am, at the very center of my dreams and hopes, in my spirit, is His law, written in my heart; there is His throne, His mercy, before which I stand in all boldness. <u>In the very center of me resides Almighty God.</u> For you see:

I am one spirit with Him. I am filled with all the fullness of God.

I Flee From Idolatry

I run to obtain the prize. I run to gain an imperishable crown. I do not run with uncertainty. I discipline my body and bring it under subjection.

I do not lust after evil things. I am not an idolater. I do not commit sexual immorality. I do not tempt Christ. I do not complain.

I stand; I take heed, lest I fall. God delivers me from temptation.

I flee from idolatry.

I do not seek my own, but I seek the well-being of others.

Whatever I do, I do it to the glory of God. I give no offense. I please all men, seeking the profit of many that they might be saved. I imitate Paul. I imitate Christ.

I know God's spiritual gifts. The Spirit has given me a particular manifestation to give for the profit of all.

I am a member of the body of Christ. One Spirit immerses me into one body. I drink from the same Spirit as all my brethren.

I need my brethren. I am set in the body as it pleases God.

When another member suffers, I suffer. When another member is honored, I rejoice.

We are the body of Christ; I am a member individually.

I earnestly desire the greater gifts of the Spirit.

The Jesus Secret

You can live just like I live. It's easy, I live in you. Believe it. Believe it utterly. You will never escape idolatry by yourself. I don't expect you to.

Here is My Secret: Fill your mind (My Mind, you know) with the absolute realization that I fill you, all of you, and that there is nothing else.

Do not concern yourself with sin. Do not belabor over your weakness. If you forget Me for a moment and do what is wrong, for goodness' sake, come running to Me. I'm right here, filling your Heart.

Victory over sin will never come from trying to fight against sin. Goodness, no! Victory over sin comes from filling your consciousness with the realization that I AM in you, so that nothing else remains.

I Flee From Idolatry

I am stunned. How can this be? How can I be the very temple of Almighty God? How can Christ live in my heart? How can I be filled with all the fullness of God? Yet, this impossible reality is true. It is true. I am God's holy temple!

I am holy! I am holy! I am holy!

My body is holy; my strength is holy; my mind is holy; my emotions are holy; my will is holy; my heart is holy; my spirit is holy. I am holy! I belong to God; I am bought with a price, the blood of Jesus; every part of me is set aside for His use alone. I am holy! I am holy!

What then is this wild, filthy thing that paws at my door as if I should give it some value? What is this sexual immorality? What is this lying, this hatred, this selfishness? What are these evil thoughts, these evil desires, this greed, this envy? What is this idolatry, this worship of worldly value? What is this gaudy glitter, this cheap shine? These paw at me, they fawn, lying there in their filth, imagining that I would invite them in. I turn and vomit.

I am holy! I am holy! I am holy!

I flee from idolatry, from the idea that I should serve my body and not the God who lives in it. I flee! I flee! I flee! I am no toughie; I do not attempt to "stick it out" in the face of temptation. Not me! No, these sick things only ever see one side of me, the backside of my heels, because I am running. I flee; I run to Jesus. Nothing can snatch me out of His hand.

I submit to God. I resist the devil and he flees from me. The devil spends all his time fleeing from me. But idolatry? The filthiness of the flesh? No, the field is theirs. They can claim it as their own as far as I am concerned, because

I am the one who flees from them!

I am bought with a price: the blood of Jesus. I glorify God in my body and in my spirit, which are God's.

I Have Love. I Pursue Love.

I earnestly desire the greater gifts of I rejoice in the truth. I bear all things. the Spirit. I believe all things. I hope all things. I endure all things. I have love. I have love. I have love. I never fail. I suffer long and am kind. I do not envy others. I do not parade myself. I I am a man/woman in the Lord; I have put away childish things. am not puffed up. I do not behave rudely. I do not seek I pursue love; I greatly desire spirmy own. I am never provoked. I itual gifts; I especially want to prophthink nothing that is evil. esy.

The Jesus Secret

I AM Love, My dear Heart, and I fill you. You have Me. I really do belong to you, utterly. We are completely One. And because you possess Me, you have Love. Absolutely and totally.

Do not limit Me with small thinking. Love is not just OF God; God IS Love. I AM love and I fill your Heart to overflowing.

I Love people. All people. (I leave not one out.)

I suffer long and am kind. I do not seek My own.

I rejoice in the truth. I bear all things.

I believe all things. I hope all things.

I endure all things. I never fail.

I AM Love and I AM yours.

Your part is this: believe and release. Fill your consciousness with the conviction that the Love that created the universe fills your Heart to overflowing. And then reach out your hand in tenderness and love, and I will leap from your fingers into every sad and painful place in this world.

Let's do it, My dear Heart, you and Me. Let's do it!

Nothing and no one can resist the power of My Love. In the ages to come, I will prove it, yes. But I AM the power of the age to come. Right now, I prove My Love through you.

Day 111

I Have Love. I Pursue Love.

The love of God is shed abroad in my heart through the Holy Spirit who is given to me.

How many years did I read those words, longing for them to be true, hoping that someday, by the grace of God, they would be speaking about me! I give thanks to God through the Lord Jesus Christ! All the years of lack, all the years of laboring under a false view of God and a false view of myself, God restores to me a hundred times over.

God is love. God lives in me. I am one spirit with Him. As He <u>IS</u>, so am I in this world. If I am the temple of God, then:

I am love.

When God looks at me and calls me as I really am, He sees the most beautiful thing in all the universe; He sees LOVE.

Webster's 1926 "love"

I am a feeling of strong personal attachment induced by that which delights and commands admiration. I am ardent affection. I am the manifestation of desire for and earnest effort to promote the welfare of God and others. I am strong liking; I am fondness; I am goodwill. I am tender and passionate affection. I am the object of affection. I am devotion and tenderness. I have love; I manifest love to God and others. I devote my love to; I am in love with God and others. I take delight and pleasure in God and others. I have a strong liking and desire for God and others. I am deeply interested in, I am pleased with, I like God and others. I am love. I love.

I suffer long and am kind. I do not envy others. I do not parade myself. I am not puffed up. I do not behave rudely nor seek my own. I am never provoked. I think nothing that is evil. I rejoice in the truth. I bear all things. I believe all things. I hope all things. I endure all things. I never fail. I pursue love.

Love is the most beautiful thing to God in the entire universe. He gave His life to win me for Himself.

I am beauty; I am love.

I pursue Love; Love pursues me.

I Am Love.

Here is a man who practices all the gifts of the Spirit. He speaks in tongues. He prophesies. He exercises great faith. He embraces what Jesus said and moves in it in confidence. He understands the mysteries of heaven. He knows everything about God. He speaks to a mountain, and - whoa now - it moves! He casts out demons. He moves in all the gifts and powers of an anointed Christian.

Every bit of it is worthless, a complete waste of time.

Here is a woman who focuses in the opposite direction. She sells everything she has and gives her money to feed the poor. She works in the soup kitchen. She builds orphanages and invites the poor into her home. She is not into the power stuff; she is into service. She does everything she knows to meet people's needs. In fact, she gives her own body to be burned as a sacrifice to Jesus.

It's a waste of time, worth no more than a dog pile in the yard.

Love is not a choice. I repeat. Love is not a choice.

Choosing to do the acts of love when I don't "feel" like loving does not take me from being outside of love to being inside of love. My "feelings" do not remove me from love in the first place, they only make me forget that Love lives in my heart. However, when I <u>do not believe</u> that Love fills me and overflows from my heart, then my "acts" of love become an imitation of the Christian life, a mockery and waste of my time, worth nothing to God.

Love is the Holy Spirit abounding in my heart. Love is a river of life in which I live. Does a bird choose to fly? Does a fish choose, each day, whether it is going to swim or not? Does a hungry man coming in from a hard morning's work have to force himself to eat the wonderful meal his wife sets before him?

All Christian virtue, all Christian grace, all Christian acts, spring out of the abundant, overflowing well of Love that fills my heart.

I love because I have Love welling up in my heart. I love because I am love. I do the things of love because I absolutely delight in people and I cannot imagine doing anything else besides meeting their needs.

God is Love. I am filled with all the fullness of LOVE.

I Pursue Love.

I pursue love because I am love.

Every Christian virtue, every act of Christian service, every expression of Christian power comes, first, out of love. If it does not come out of love, it is not Christian. Love is first. From Love comes all things.

But love has an object. Love is always directed outward towards someone else. I love people. I love because I am filled with the love God has for me. I love Him because He first loves me. I am filled with Love because I am filled with all the fullness of God. Love is not something that can be contained. Love must extend out of me to meet the needs of others; otherwise it is not love.

Other people, all other people, and especially all those who cross my path, and more especially, all those who are members of my local fellowship, these are the objects of my love. I live to meet their needs.

But I cannot meet people's needs without power. If I have no ability to meet people's needs, then Love must be bottled up inside me. If I have no power, Love is thwarted. Love is the source, but without power Love can do no good for the object of love.

The heart of Jesus' message in both example and word was "Meet people's needs." But if I have no ability to meet people's needs, I cannot follow Jesus. So Jesus told His disciples to wait until they were endued with power. And in the Book of Acts, power comes upon me.

All the power of God is towards me. The greatest power in the universe, the power that raised Jesus from the dead, is upon me. I have Love; I have the power to love; and <u>I am a member of a body of love</u>. It is not that I have to have the particular gift that will meet this particular need. But I am a member of a body of love, and some one of my precious brothers and sisters does have that gift, and together, we meet this person's need.

I pursue Love.

I live for the ones I love. I meet people's needs.

I draw on all the power of God and I meet people's needs.

I Prophesy; I Speak In Tongues

When I speak in tongues, I speak mysteries to God. When I prophesy, I encourage, challenge, and comfort those listening to me.

When I speak in tongues, I am built up in the Lord. When I prophesy, I build up the church.

I wish everyone spoke in tongues. I wish more that everyone prophesied.

In church, I speak in English so that people will understand what I say.

I am zealous for spiritual gifts so that the entire church may benefit.

I pray in the Spirit (in tongues.) I pray in English. I sing in the Spirit. I sing in English. In the church I speak in English, that I may teach others.

I am not a child in understanding. I am a babe in malice; in understanding I am mature. When I come to church, I give what God has given me. If I do speak in tongues (aloud to the church), I limit myself and wait for someone to interpret. Otherwise, I just speak in tongues in my own prayer life to God and am quiet in church.

If I have a prophecy, I give it, and wait on others who also have a prophecy to give. I am quick to yield to a brother who also has a word from God.

My spirit is subject to me, even when under the power of God's anointing.

I desire greatly to prophesy. I never come against anyone who is speaking in tongues.

In the church service, I do everything decently and in order.

I declare the gospel by which I am saved. I deliver to others what I myself have received.

The Jesus Secret

My dear Heart, there is so much that fills what is called "Christianity" that I never said. As I told you, My enemy has filled My kingdom with his nonsense, nonsense I do NOT remove.

Here is My Secret. If I speak it in the New Covenant, believe it, accept it with a simple heart of joy, and live in it by the Spirit. If I do not say it in the New Covenant, then quietly separate yourself from it.

I like it when you pray to Me in tongues. It makes you so beautiful to Me. Isn't that enough for you? It is the simplehearted who receive My gifts, not the self-sufficient.

I Prophesy; I Speak In Tongues

Hundreds of women were anxiously, excitedly frightened. For an entire year, they had been separated from all men except one, a eunuch named Hegai. They had prepared themselves for this time. For months they had bathed in tubs filled with perfumes. They had learned etiquette and décor and how to give pleasure. They knew their stuff. They were ready. One by one, each of them spent their one night with the king. It was do or die. Not literally die, but it might as well be.

Out of all those hundreds of women, each of whom enjoyed one night with the king, only one would be chosen. Only one! The others would spend the rest of their lives in the king's harem, with only the lingering memory of the touch of a man, the fading image of love and being loved. They would never see a real man again.

So day-by-day, the one chosen for that night prepared herself. Her whole life hung on this one night. She must be ready! She must be liked! She must be chosen! She knew how to do it, how to make herself shine. Day-by-day, each one chose her favorite dress, made of her favorite material. She had her hair made up in the way she knew was most stunning. She chose the scents she liked best, the jewelry that made her skin glow and reflected the soft light of her eyes. She was beautiful.

And morning-by-morning, woman after woman left the king's bedroom, unwanted and unchosen!

Until it was Esther's turn. Of all the hundreds of women in that harem, Esther was the only one whose tender heart turned with thoughts of affection towards that awful and fearsome man she had never met. What did he like? What turned him on? What made his heart sing? Esther did not know.

And so Esther turned to <u>the one who **did know**</u>, the king's servant, Hegai. "Hegai," she said, "you know what he likes. Make me beautiful in his eyes." That night, the king found his love.

I have no idea what Jesus likes in His bride. But I know the One who does. The Holy Spirit adorns me with the jewels, the clothing, the perfume that Jesus loves. I never despise His gifts; I never think, "I don't need that." I want Jesus' heart to go all over me when He sees me. I want <u>HIM</u> to think I am beautiful.

I greatly desire spiritual gifts.

l Bear The Image Of The Heavenly Jesus

'By the grace of God, I am what I am.' His grace toward me is not in vain. I labor more abundantly than anyone, yet it is not I, it is the grace of God with me.

I am not deceived; I stay away from "friends" who do not love Jesus.

Because I am heavenly, I am just like the Lord from heaven. I bear the image of the heavenly Jesus.

I shall not sleep, but I shall be changed. When the dead are raised incorruptible, I shall be changed.

My corruptible mortal body must put on an incorruptible, immortal body. When my body is transformed, death is swallowed up in victory. God has given me the victory through my Lord Jesus Christ. **I possess victory over death**. Victory over death is mine, given me by God.

I am steadfast, immovable. I always abound in the work of the Lord. My labor in the Lord is not in vain.

I lay aside a portion of my income as God prospers me to be used for the benefit of other Christians who do not have enough.

I watch. **I stand fast in the faith**. I am brave; I am strong. Everything I do is done with love.

I submit to those who give themselves truly and wholeheartedly to serving God's people.

The Jesus Secret

You are not "of the earth," you are of heaven. Yes, you have an earthly body, and even your resurrected and incorruptible physical body will still allow you to live and function fully in the physical universe. But you are first a heavenly being. Do not define yourself by earthly definitions. I AM the Lord of heaven. I fill you. You are just like Me.

Death is My enemy. I utterly hate and despise Death in all of its forms. I AM Life. I give Life. Through death, I destroyed Death. I AM the Mighty Victor over Death.

Here is My Secret: You and I, together, will end every form of death before this thing is over.

Sound like fun? I can't wait. Do not limit Me! I AM more powerful inside of you than you have ever thought.

Day 117

I Bear The Image Of The Heavenly Jesus

I am created in the image of God. From the very beginning, God determined that I would be conformed to the image of His Son. I bear the image of the heavenly man, Jesus. I put on the new man, renewed in knowledge according to the image of Him who created him, where Christ is all and in all. I am the image of the One who is the express image of the person of God.

Webster's 1926 "image"

I am an imitation, a representation, a similitude of Jesus. I make Jesus perceptible to human sight. I am a visible presentation of Jesus; a reproduction; a likeness. I am the imitation of the heavenly Jesus in solid, earthly form. I am the form, the aspect, and the appearance of Jesus. I am the cast, the likeness, and the semblance of Jesus. I represent; I am regarded as representing Jesus. When others see me, they know they are seeing Jesus. I possess the qualities of Jesus such that I bring the thought of Jesus vividly to people's minds. I am the representative, the type, the embodiment of Jesus. I bring to others' minds the memory and the sensation of Jesus. I am the reflection of Jesus as a mirror reflects the light that shines upon it.

An image, in Old Covenant times, revealed a god similar to a temple. But God allowed no image in His temple; He was known as the invisible God. All other gods had an image in their temple. That image was carved from stone or wood, a picture of what the god looked like. Most of them were hideous. The idea was that this image was the physical representation of the invisible spirit that was the god. When you wanted to see what the god looked like, or see the god in action, you just looked at his image. That's why Elijah laughed so much. "Maybe your god is sleeping; maybe he went out to take a leak!"

God did not allow any such image of Himself. God does not dwell in a temple made with hands. Stone or wood or human effort cannot represent Him. Man himself is to be God's image, whether for derision or for worship. I bear a great responsibility and privilege.

Jesus showed me what the Father is like. When I want to know what God is really like, I look at Jesus as He walked this earth. I show the world what Jesus is like. When they want to know what Jesus is really like right now, they look at me. As He is in heaven right now, so I am in this world.

I am the image of Jesus.

The Spirit Has Given Me A Particular Gift To Give For The Profit Of All

I am a member of the body of Christ. One Spirit immerses me into one body. I drink from the same Spirit as all my brethren. I **need my brethren**. I am set in the body as it pleases God. When another member suffers, I suffer. When another member is honored, I rejoice. I am the body of Christ and a member individually. **The Spirit has given me a particular manifestation to give for the profit of all**.

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I am the temple of God; I am being built as a living stone into God's temple, set alongside all other living stones. We are the body of Christ; I am a member of the body of Christ, joined perfectly with all other members of His body. It is not either/or; it is never one or the other. It is always both/and. Both are always true! It is never "Me and Jesus got a good thing going." It is never "You are nothing except as a member of the body." I am the body of Christ, **AND** I am a member in particular.

As the temple of the Holy Spirit, I enjoy all the value and pleasure of God. As a member of His body, I give to all what God has given me. And I know that God has given me a particular gift to give to His body.

My gift is different from anyone else's. My gift is unique. Only I can give my gift to His body. Without my gift, His body is deficient. With my gift, His body is rich. Without the gifts of others, I am deficient. With the gifts of others, I am rich.

The whole body of Christ is joined and knit together by what every member has to give. As each member of the body gives their gift effectively in ministry to the body, the body grows strong in love.

By myself, I am the image of the heavenly Jesus. But as members of His body, built up in love, Jesus really shines through us. By myself, I am a witness of Christ. But when the world sees how much my brethren and I love one another, they really sit up and take notice. As light shines through a diamond, every facet of that diamond shines the light in its own beauty and color and glory. But when people see the whole diamond, and the entire spectrum of light shining through that diamond, they are awestruck.

When creation sees all the light of God shining through His entire body, they fall on their face and worship.

I Have Victory Over Death

Of all the enemies of God, Death stands supreme. Satan rules over the world; and Sin over Satan; but Death rules all three. Death is supreme. Death is the great antithesis to God; His greatest opposite. Death is no sweet uncle that carries me in his arms to Jesus. Death is my enemy. I do not fear death. I do not fear the cessation of breath in my physical body. I know Jesus will meet me there. But Death itself is still my enemy; <u>Death wants to kill me</u>!

Going to heaven when I die is not my goal. My goal is the <u>**RESURREC**</u>-<u>**TION**</u>, when my lowly body is made just like His glorious body. My goal is the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ. My goal is all the fullness of God. My goal is the unveiling, the revelation of Jesus Christ. All those who have died and gone to heaven are waiting, longing, hoping for the same goal. Some of them get so anxious in the waiting that God has to tell them to settle down and be patient.

The goal of God, of all saints, and of creation is the defeat of Death. Death is the last enemy that will be defeated. The defeat of Death and my full conformation to the image of Christ are the same thing.

But Death is already defeated. God tricked Death by giving Death His own Son. Death, in its mindless greed, reached out to swallow up the Champion of God Himself. Everyone imagined Death had won. But through death, Jesus destroyed Death; He broke its power. Then Jesus turned and <u>took His</u> <u>mighty VICTORY over Death</u> and:

HE GAVE IT TO ME!

I died with Christ; I also live with Him. I know that Christ, having been raised from the dead, dies no more. Christ took upon Himself my appointment with death. My appointment with death is fulfilled. I no longer have an appointment with death. I keep His word; I shall never taste death. I hear His voice; I live.

I shall not sleep, but I shall be changed. When the dead are raised incorruptible, I shall be changed. My corruptible mortal body must put on an incorruptible and immortal body. When my body is transformed, death is swallowed up in victory.

Victory over death is mine.

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- Day 111: Rom. 5:5; 1 John 4: 16-17.
- Day 113: Acts 1:8; Eph. 1:19-20.
- Day 115: Esther 2:8-17; 1 Cor. 14:1.
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Notes:

SECOND CORINTHIANS

- I am the fragrance of Christ.
- The ministry of the Spirit upon me is glorious.
 - I walk by faith and not by sight.
 - I am an ambassador of Christ.
 - I am separate. I cleanse myself.
- I am ready to punish all disobedience when my obedience is fulfilled.
 - When I am weak, then I am strong.
- The life of Jesus is revealed in my body, in my mortal flesh.
 - I do not lose heart.
 - God always leads me in triumph.
 - I give generously.

I Am The Fragrance Of Christ

God comforts me in every difficult and trying circumstance I find myself in, no matter how big or how small. Because He comforts me, I also comfort anyone I meet who is in trouble. I give them the same comfort God gives me.

The suffering of Christ abounds in me; His comfort abounds in me.

The comfort I receive through suffering becomes God's ministry through me to others.

I do not trust in myself, but in God who raises the dead. God delivers me from death. He will yet deliver me.

I conduct myself in the world in simplicity and godly sincerity. I do not move with fleshly wisdom but by the grace of God.

God has established me in Christ with my brethren. God has anointed

me and sealed me. God has given me the Spirit in my heart as a guarantee.

I stand by faith. I affirm my love to those who stumble.

God always leads me in triumph in Christ.

God diffuses the fragrance of His knowledge through me everywhere I go. I am the fragrance of Christ to God among everyone with whom I come in contact.

I do not peddle the word of God. I speak in sincerity from God. I speak in the sight of God in Christ.

I am a letter written by Christ. He has written the word of His Spirit on the tablets of my heart.

I do not think of anything as being from myself. My sufficiency, everything I have and need, is from God.

The Jesus Secret

You are My Letter, My dear Heart. You are My Fragrance. I have written My Words upon your heart. Your Heart is My Throne, My Dwelling-Place. I fill it with My Glory. I radiate out from you like a heavenly fragrance at all times. Believe it. Do not limit Me. Do not limit Me.

Do not be afraid when things go terribly wrong. I AM your Comfort. Here is My Secret: My Comfort, which is so precious to you when everything else goes wrong -- that Comfort is the greatest gift you have to give to others.

Through ages to come, you will keep on giving that same Comfort to countless multitudes of others.

Day 121

I Am The Fragrance Of Christ

God comforts me in every difficult and trying circumstance I find myself in, no matter how big or how small. Because He comforts me, I also comfort anyone I meet who is in trouble. I give them the same comfort God gives me. The comfort I receive through suffering becomes God's ministry through me to others.

God always leads me in triumph in Christ. God diffuses the fragrance of His knowledge through me everywhere I go. I am the fragrance of Christ to God among everyone I come in contact with. I am a letter written by Christ. He has written the word of His Spirit on the tablets of my heart. I do not think of anything as being from myself. My sufficiency, everything I have and need, is from God.

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I am the image of Jesus. I am the temple of the Holy Spirit. This is not about me. It is about Jesus. <u>I do not think of anything as being from myself</u>. God wants to show everyone how wonderful Jesus is through me. God does not have a body. When Jesus was on the earth, He showed everyone how wonderful God is. I am Christ's body. Now that He is not visible, He reaches out and touches people with His love and power through me. I am the sweet fragrance of Christ. I am the fruit of His life and work.

Jesus is glorified, not just that He brings our salvation to God by His own arm, but that He shows how wonderful God is through us. God is glorified when I produce much fruit. That fruit is the life and love of Jesus touching other people. Glory is praise for a job well done. The greatest and most difficult task God has ever set for Himself is to conform me to the image of His Son. When people everywhere are blessed and touched by Jesus through me, God will have completed His greatest task. He will receive His greatest glory. I am the glory of God.

God diffuses the fragrance of His knowledge through me everywhere I go. I radiate the fragrant beauty of His knowledge everywhere I go.

I am a letter written by Christ.

I am a love letter written by Jesus to all who cross my path.

The Ministry Of The Spirit Upon Me Is Glorious

I am sufficient as a minister of the New Covenant through the Spirit who gives life.

The ministry of the Spirit upon me is glorious. It is exceedingly glorious. I have such hope; I use great boldness of speech. I am not like Moses, who covered up God's glory upon him.

My face is unveiled. The glory upon it shines more gloriously than what was upon Moses.

I behold as in a mirror the glory of the Lord. **The Spirit of the Lord is transforming me into the same image of the glory of Jesus,** from His glory reflecting on me, and my glory reflecting on Him.

I have this ministry of glory. I have received mercy. I do not lose heart.

I have renounced the hidden things

of shame. I do not walk in craftiness; I do not handle the word of God deceitfully.

I reveal the truth, and by so doing, I commend myself to every man's con-

science in the sight of God.

I do not preach myself. I preach Christ Jesus the Lord and myself the bondservant of my brothers and sisters in Jesus for Jesus' sake.

Light-out-of-darkness God shines in my heart the light of the knowledge of His glory. I am the very face of Jesus Christ.

In my earthen vessel is this incredible treasure. The excellence of this power is of God, not of me.

I am hard-pressed on every side, yet never crushed. I am perplexed, but not in despair. I am persecuted, but never forsaken. I am struck down, but not destroyed.

I always carry about in my body the dying of the Lord Jesus. At the same time, **the life of Jesus is revealed in my body.**

I am always being delivered to death for Jesus' sake. **The life of Jesus is also revealed in my mortal flesh.**

Death is working in me. Life is working in me.

The Jesus Secret

Look at Me. I AM altogether glorious. I AM altogether glorious. I AM the King of heaven. I AM the Lord of glory. You are an earthen vessel. What a wonderful combination!

I fill you utterly. You are My Image. You are My Glory. You are My Face. Do not cover your glory. Do not limit Me.

Day 123

The Ministry Of The Spirit Upon Me Is Glorious

The ministry of the Spirit upon me is glorious. It is exceedingly glorious. I have such hope; I use great boldness of speech. I am not like Moses who covered up the glory of God upon him. My face is unveiled. The glory upon it shines <u>more gloriously</u> than what was upon Moses. I behold as in a mirror the glory of the Lord. The Spirit of the Lord is transforming me into that same image, the image of the glory of Jesus, from His glory reflecting on me, and my glory reflecting on Him.

God is not playing games with this image stuff. He is in terrible earnest. God is a fierce, determined God. He is uncontrollable. He is fearsome and dangerous, though He is safe. He always gets what He wants. Nothing ever stands in His way beyond His appointed time. I never, ever, consider demeaning or belittling His intention. <u>I never cover up my glory</u>. I never abase or demean myself. I am <u>not like Moses</u>. The light of the glory of Jesus shines upon me. I will never cover it up. I do not advertise myself, but I boast of His strength and glory upon me.

I am glorious. I am the glory of God. Power flows from me and meets people's needs. Rivers of living water flow out of my innermost being, bringing life to everything they touch. I serve people. I meet their needs. There is such a light of the radiance of Christ upon my face that people cannot help but fall upon their face and worship God as His love envelops them.

Light-out-of-darkness God shines in my heart the light of the knowledge of His glory. I am the very face of Jesus.

In my earthen vessel is this incredible treasure.

The excellence of this power is of God, not of me. I always carry about in my body the dying of the Lord Jesus. At the same time **the life of Jesus is revealed** <u>in my body</u>. His glory literally radiates from the skin of my face. His power emanates from my hands. All of my human and physical weakness simply increases the wonder of what He does through me.

I Walk By Faith And Not By Sight

I believe; therefore, I speak.

I know that He who raised up the Lord Jesus will also raise me up with Jesus and will present me with my brethren. All things are for my sake. Grace, spreading through me and others, causes thanksgiving to abound to the glory of God.

I do not lose heart. My inward man is being renewed day after day.

The light affliction that comes in the present moment works in me an exceeding and eternal weight of glory.

I do not look at the things which are seen, the temporal. I look at the things which are not seen, the eternal. I know that if my body dies, I have a "body," a house from God eternal in the heavens.

But I groan. I earnestly desire to be clothed with the heavenly "body."

I groan and am burdened that my present mortal body will be swallowed up by life, clothed spontaneously by my heavenly body.

God has prepared me to experience my present body being instantaneously and spontaneously swallowed up in the life of my heavenly body.

He gave me His Spirit as a guarantee that it will happen.

I am confident. I walk by faith and not by sight. I am confident that I will be present with the Lord.

My constant aim, whether I am here or with the Lord, is to be well pleasing to Him. I must appear before the judgment seat of Christ. I will receive the things I have done in my mortal body.

Knowing the terror of the Lord, I persuade men.

The Jesus Secret

Be encouraged. Your heart is My most precious possession. Nothing in the universe is as important to Me as your heart. Yet, even though your heart is My Throne -- it is still, completely and for all ages, YOUR heart.

Don't lose your heart. Don't let any shadow of shame fall on your heart. When people call your heart evil and wicked, shut up your ears and turn to Me.

Do not look at anything that "appears" to be true right now. Look at Me: I AM, and I AM All there is in you.

Your mortal body is swallowed up in My Life. Groan for it to be so. Believe Me that it will be so.

I Walk By Faith And Not By Sight

I believe; therefore, I speak.

I speak this confession of faith because it is what God says about me. God knows who I am a whole lot better than I. I do not look at myself – I deny the presence of anything separate from Christ. I do not consider what I "see" with my natural eyes, or what I "feel" with my tired and weak body.

I do not lose heart. My inward man is being renewed day after day. The light affliction that comes in the present moment works in me an exceeding and eternal weight of glory. I do not look at the things which are seen, the temporal. I look at the things which are not seen, the eternal. I am confident. I walk by faith and not by sight.

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From the very beginning God determined that I would be just like Jesus. God spoke this determination with His voice; He spoke it through His Son. I see what God sees. I do not need to look at the present facts. They are there; God has already taken them fully into account. But I see what God sees. God sees me just like Jesus. I see me just like Jesus. Because I believe what God said, I speak what God said.

Because I speak what God sees, I walk by that vision. As I confess the Lord Jesus, what He does becomes what I do. I do righteousness just as He is righteous, not because I try, but because that is <u>who I am</u>.

All reason is based upon pre-conceived assumptions. Reason is a thought process that draws conclusions from accepted foundational principles. Reason itself is neither good nor bad; what matters are the assumptions upon which reasoning is founded.

If my reasoning is based on the assumption that the facts I see with my eyes define reality, then the conclusions I draw that undergird how I live my life must be false conclusions. Only an unreasonable person would arrive at such conclusions. On the other hand, if my reasoning is based on what God sees, if it is based on what God says I am, then the conclusions I draw that undergird how I live my life must be truth.

Since I am a reasonable man, I walk by what God says, not by what my eyes "see." I walk in truth.

I Am An Ambassador Of Christ

I do not commend myself.

The love of Christ compels me. If Jesus died, everybody died in Him.

I no longer live for myself; I live for Him who died for me and rose again.

I regard no one according to the flesh. Christ once walked in the flesh; I do not know Him in that way now.

I am in Christ. I am a new creation. Every old and fallen thing about me has already passed away. Everything about me is new.

Everything about me is of God.

God reconciled me to Himself through Jesus. I have the ministry of reconciliation, given to me by God.

I am an ambassador of Christ. God pleads through me to others to be reconciled to God.

Jesus became my sin. I am the righteousness of God.

I give no offense in anything. I commend myself as a minister of God in patience through every difficulty.

I commend myself by purity and knowledge. I commend myself by kindness, by the Holy Spirit, and by sincere love. I commend myself by the word of truth, by the power of God, by the armor of righteousness.

I appear as a deceiver, but I am true. I appear as unknown, but I am well known. I appear as dying, but I live. I appear as chastened, but I am not dead.

I appear as sorrowful, but I am always rejoicing. I appear as poor, but I make many rich. I appear as having nothing, but I own everything.

My heart is wide open.

The Jesus Secret

You read about Me in the Gospels and you see Me as I was when I walked the earth. That is right, and there is much that I must teach you through My earthly walk.

But that is not who I AM now. I AM, of course, the same person, and the words I spoke (speak) and the example I gave (give) you are the Word of truth. But I AM not now the limited, suffering Messiah. I AM the Resurrected Christ. I AM the One ascended above all the heavens. I AM the triumphant and victorious One. And it is as I AM right now that I live in your heart.

You are brand-new. Nothing of fallen man remains. You are altogether of God. Do not limit Me.

I Am An Ambassador Of Christ

I am a new creation. Every old, Adamic thing about me has already passed away. Everything about me is new. Everything about me is of God. God reconciled me to Himself through Jesus. I have the ministry of reconciliation, given to me by God. I am an ambassador of Christ. <u>God pleads</u> through me to others to be reconciled to God.

Webster's 1926 **"ambassador"** I am an official representative sent by the sovereign kingdom of which I am a citizen. I am a minister of state from that kingdom. I am a minister of the highest rank sent to a foreign country to reside there and represent my sovereign and my country. I am an official messenger of another King. I am an ambassador of Christ.

As the official representative of another kingdom; I am here on a mission. I am an ambassador of Christ. I represent Him. My entire focus is the triumph of His claim to the Kingship of this world.

Jesus is King. He is the only King. The kingdoms of this world are allowed by God for this age only to demonstrate the triumph of Christ. The "great ones" who rule over and manipulate people are usurpers; they have exalted themselves into the place that belongs to Jesus alone. <u>All</u> earthly kingdoms give their allegiance to the beast; they receive their power from the dragon. <u>All</u> earthly kingdoms join together to cast down and defeat Christ.

I am not of this world. I am a new creation. Every old and fallen thing about me is gone forever. Everything about me is new. Everything about me is of God. God came undercover into the kingdom of darkness and snatched me out of it. God brought me back into speaking terms with Himself. I hear His voice and follow Him. The voice of a stranger <u>I DO NOT HEAR</u>. I call upon Him and He delivers me.

And now He has sent me as His official representative. I work undercover. I have infiltrated the kingdoms of this world, the kingdoms of darkness, the kingdoms of Satan for one purpose. I am here to invite his slaves to step out of darkness; to reconcile them to God. God pleads through me to every heart enslaved by darkness: "Jesus is the King. Jesus comes to claim His rightful place. Be reconciled to God. Get back on speaking terms with the King."

I do not belong to this world. I am crucified to the world, and the world is crucified to me. **I am an ambassador of Christ.**

I Am Separate; I Cleanse Myself

I am the temple of the living God. I make no yoking agreement with unbelievers.

God lives in me. God walks with me. God is my God. I belong to Him.

I have come out from among those in this world. I am separate. I do not touch what is unclean.

My Father receives me. He is my Father. I am His son/daughter.

All of these promises are mine. I cleanse myself from all filthiness of flesh and spirit. I perfect holiness in the fear of God.

I am filled with comfort. I am exceedingly joyful in tribulation. God comforts me.

I rejoice. I have confidence in my brethren in everything.

I give myself to the Lord and to the

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My enemies want you to believe that My Power and Life in you are limited by your weakness and your humanity. But I designed your humanity specifically to be My Dwelling Place for the ages. Apart from Me, you were ridiculous and I loved you anyway. But you are not apart from Me.

Anyone who limits Me by their own weakness does not even begin to know Me. How is such a thing possible? Yet they whisper, "You cannot conquer sin and death, you cannot walk in the full, absolute power of heaven, you're just human, you know." They imagine that I AM not in you.

Let's blow them all out of the water, you and Me. Let's prove the liars wrong! OH YES!

ministry by the will of God.

I abound in the grace of giving financially.

I am rich through the poverty of Christ. I complete the giving that I desire to give. I give by what I have.

I give out of my abundance to meet the needs of my fellow believers. They give out of their abundance to meet my needs.

I give generously. I sow bountifully; I reap bountifully. **I give cheerfully**.

All grace abounds to me. I always have enough for everything I need, plus an abundance for every good work.

God multiplies the seed I sow. I am enriched in everything so that I may give liberally. My generous giving causes much thanksgiving to God.

I Am Separate; I Cleanse Myself

I am the temple of the living God. I make no yoking agreement with unbelievers. God lives in me. God walks with me. God is my God. I belong to Him. I have come out from among those in this world. I am separate. I do not touch what is unclean. My Father receives me. He is my Father; I am His son/daughter. All of these promises are mine. I cleanse myself from all filthiness of flesh and spirit. I perfect holiness in the fear of God.

I am the man who is victorious over the beast. **I am victorious** over his image and over his mark and over the number of his name. I flee from Babylon. I do not share her sins. I rejoice over her as she falls.

I am the temple of the living God. My body is His temple. I dare not give my body in any binding agreement to any association, plan, or endeavor of any unbeliever or group of unbelievers. I dare not give my body to the armed forces of any kingdom of this world to be their property, to be used by them to kill, to steal, and to destroy.

I cleanse myself from all filthiness of this world. I do not sit and worship the image of the beast that fills men's minds with worldliness. I do not allow the kingdoms of this world to implant their marks upon my body by which they can identify me, track me, and claim ownership over my body, over the very temple of the living God. I do not touch what is unclean. I am the property of Jesus. I have been bought with a price.

I do not pursue power in the political systems of this world. God's kingdom does not triumph through <u>the power that comes from the dragon</u>. When every other kingdom falls, when everything that can be shaken is shaken, **I am standing with my King**. I possess a kingdom that cannot be shaken.

I cleanse myself from all filthiness of flesh and spirit. I perfect holiness in the fear of God. I purify myself just as Jesus is pure.

Webster's 1926 "separate"

I am disunited, divided, disconnected, severed. I am kept apart; I am set apart from others for a special use. I am parted from; I am withdrawn. I have come apart. I cleave to another. I am formed as a separate body. I am divided from that to which I was once connected. I am disconnected, separated. I am disunited from the body of this world, disembodied even. I am unconnected, not united or associated with anything of this world. I am distinct; I am apart from others. I am separate.

I Am Ready To Punish All Disobedience When My Obedience Is Fulfilled

I do not war according to the flesh. I do not use the weapons of this world. The weapons of my warfare are mighty in God.

I pull down strongholds. I cast down arguments. I cast down every high thing that exalts itself against the knowledge of God.

I bring every thought captive to the obedience of Christ. I am ready to punish all disobedience when my obedience is fulfilled.

I do not compare myself with others. I do not boast beyond what God has given me. I glory in the Lord. God commends me.

The truth of Christ is in me.

God's grace is all I need. His strength is made perfect in my weakness.

I boast in my weaknesses; the power

of Christ rests upon me. I take pleasure in infirmities for Christ's sake.

When I am weak, then I am strong.

I do all things so that others will be built up in the Lord.

Christ speaks in me. He is mighty in me towards others. **Christ lives in me by the power of God.**

I am weak in Him; I live with Him by the power of God towards others.

I examine myself; I am in the faith. I test myself. **Jesus Christ is in me**. I am not disqualified. I can do nothing against the truth.

I am glad when I am weak and others are strong. I pray that others be made complete.

I am complete. I am of good comfort. I am of one mind with my brethren; I live at peace with them.

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I live in you. I live in you! I made you weak; that was Me who did that. You don't think I know what I am doing?

I AM the Triumphant One. I AM the Lord of heaven. I AM the mighty Weapon of God. Oh, how I relish the fight.

Release Me, oh My Father. Release Me. Let it be the time. Let it be now.

My dear ones who believe in Me, I will triumph through you. I will bring to shame all those limiters who claim that I cannot win in My dear ones.

Release Me, oh My Father. It is TIME!

I Am Ready To Punish All Disobedience When My Obedience Is Fulfilled

I do not war according to the flesh. The weapons of warfare that I use are not the weapons of this world. The weapons of my warfare are mighty in God. I pull down strongholds. I cast down arguments. I cast down every high thing that exalts itself against the knowledge of God. I bring every thought captive to the obedience of Christ. I am ready to punish all disobedience when my obedience is fulfilled. The gates of Hades cannot stand against my assault. The God of peace crushes Satan under my feet.

I live in a world at war. But in this entire warring world, there is no warrior, there is no fighter, there is no conqueror more fierce and dangerous than I am. I am here to fight; **I am here to win**.

I set aside every weight. I keep my body in subjection. I cleanse myself from all filthiness of flesh and spirit. I take upon myself all the armor of God. I exercise myself in every power and gift God has invested in me until I know its full extent. **I am here to win**.

I do not war according to the flesh. I do not rely on human strategies and tools; I do not fight against flesh and blood. People are not my enemy. Satan, and the world system he empowers, is my enemy. Death is my enemy. Every accusation against God - *that His word is ridiculous, that it cannot be fulfilled* <u>in this earth, in this age</u> - is my enemy. I cast those arguments down by proving the will of God in my body. I cast them down by bringing every thought into the obedience of Christ.

When Jesus "learned obedience through the things that He suffered," He did not learn <u>how</u> to obey by suffering for failure. It was Jesus' nature to obey God. Doing God's will was as easy to Him as eating. Yes, Jesus suffered, and He learned the meaning and extent of obeying God in the midst of human weakness and suffering.

"My obedience being fulfilled" is not my learning "how" to obey God as if the commandment of God is outside of me. <u>My nature is to obey God</u>; Christ in me fulfils all obedience. When I have finished all the work God has given me to do in this world, I stand ready. I stand by my King as He comes in His glory. As He openly defeats all powers that oppose Him:

I am ready for His use.

When I Am Weak, Then I Am Strong

Some Christians have the silly idea that human weakness is a problem; that my human "self" must yet die the death because it is unacceptable to God. How little they know of the glory of Christ. It is in my very weakness that Christ is glorified. If I were not a weak human, God's whole plan would be wiped out.

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In my earthen vessel is this incredible treasure. The excellence of this power is of God, not of me. I am hard-pressed on every side, yet never crushed. I am perplexed, but not in despair. I am persecuted, but never forsaken. I am struck down, but not destroyed. I always carry about in my body the dying of the Lord Jesus. At the same time, the life of Jesus is revealed in my body. I am always being delivered to death for Jesus' sake. The life of Jesus is also revealed in my mortal flesh. I do not boast beyond what God has given me. God's grace is all I need. His strength is made perfect in my weakness. I boast in my weaknesses; the power of Christ rests upon me. I take pleasure in infirmities, in needs, for Christ's sake. When I am weak, then I am strong.

I am so glad that I am human. I boast that I am filled with and beset by weakness and infirmity and loss. I am so glad, because it is here, and here only, in the midst of human weakness that the power of Christ is triumphant. It is here in the midst of my human weakness that God determines to demonstrate what faith in His word can really do.

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From the beginning, God intends to show His stuff. He proves that simple faith in His word brings light out of darkness, love out of fear, life out of death. He demonstrates that His love is more powerful than any other force in the universe. He proves that His word, surrounded and beset by all weakness and darkness and hopelessness, **prevails**.

When God sent His champion into the earth, He sent a newborn human infant, weaker and more vulnerable than any other creature. When God called me, fully clothed in all the glory of the image of Christ, I also appeared as His champion in this earth, in the form of a newborn human infant, in the utter weakness of human flesh. I am an earthen vessel.

I glory in my human weakness; the power of Christ rests upon me.

The Life Of Jesus Is Revealed In My Body, In My Mortal Flesh

I groan. I earnestly desire to be clothed with my heavenly "body." I groan; I do not want to lose my earthly body, to die. I groan and am burdened **that my present mortal body will be swallowed up by life**, clothed spontaneously by my heavenly body. <u>God has prepared me for this very thing</u>. God has prepared me to experience my present body being swallowed up in the life of my heavenly body without the unclothing of death. He gave me His Spirit <u>as a guarantee that it will happen</u>.

I am confident that I will be present with the Lord. My constant aim, whether I am here or with the Lord, is to be well pleasing to Him. I must appear before the judgment seat of Christ. I will receive the things I have done in this mortal body. Knowing the terror of the Lord, I persuade men. I myself am well known to God

Yes, I know that it is good to depart and to be with Jesus. But I also know that I was not created to die. When I no longer have my earthly body, <u>I no longer have</u> the incredible opportunity I now possess to see, to know, to experience the life of Jesus being revealed in my body, in my mortal flesh.

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It is here, in this body, in this earth, in weakness, in loss, in a world filled with trouble and evil and woe, that the greatest opportunity, the greatest prize, the greatest triumph has ever been offered to anything God has ever created. If I am "unclothed," if I die and leave my earthly body, that opportunity is forever gone. I will never have a chance at it again. But what I will do is give an account before the judgment seat of Christ. I will receive from God whatever <u>measurement</u> I have put upon the life of Christ in my human frame. I have received much from God; much will be required of me in return.

<u>I earnestly desire</u>. I am a knight; I do not run! I am a champion; I do not quit!

God believes in me. I believe in Christ who is all in me. I was created by God to know the most profound experience any created being will ever know.

I am created to experience my <u>mortal</u> body being swallowed up by Life!

I Do Not Lose Heart

Adam and Eve raced through the brush, desperately searching for anything they could find to hide behind. Eve, being quicker in thought, pulled some large leaves off a shrub. She corded them together with thin vines and they wrapped them around themselves, hiding, hiding. It was not enough. Light was coming! "Run. Hide!" cried Adam, pulling Eve behind the massive trunk of a tree. Hoping against hope that God would not see them. And when God did come, and drew them out where He could see them, astonished and amazed, He asked them what on earth they were doing. Adam's answer:

"I was afraid because I was naked!"

The first words uttered by fallen man are these. At the core of every human being, of every descendant of Adam, in the very center of each one's heart, lies:

SHAME

And out of that shame comes every form of anger, hatred, pride, arrogance, sin, debauchery, mockery, and fear.

Sin is not the issue: Jesus has already condemned sin in the flesh. Human weakness and shortcoming and failure are never the issue. The issue facing every man, woman, and child is found deep inside their hearts. It is shame.

My heart is not created for shame; it is created for glory. Glory is the antidote for shame. God fills my heart with glory. Sin is falling short of God's glory; <u>Satan attempts</u> to fill my heart with shame. **I do not lose heart**, and <u>I do not lose the hearts of others</u>. **I speak glory**. I speak confidence to others. "You are great!" "You can triumph." "I believe in you." Those are the words God speaks to me.

I am accepted in the One who is the Beloved. Shame is a lie!

Shame is not my portion. Shame does not belong to me. But I do not become free from shame by fighting against it. I do not become free from shame by "fixing my problem." Other people cannot free me from shame by "fixing my problem." There is only one answer for shame - I must replace it with:

GLORY!

Christ in my heart IS my hope of GLORY.

I Do Not Lose Heart

My heart is the most precious part of my being. It is in my heart that Jesus lives. My heart is the precious pearl that Jesus sold everything to have the "money" to buy for Himself. I dare not ever lose my heart.

I renounce the hidden things of shame. I do not allow the smoke of shame to touch my heart. I am FREE in Jesus; I have the full authority of Jesus to prevent even the shadow of shame from touching my heart. God is for me; who dares stand against me?

Out of my heart are the issues of life. I guard – the peace of God guards – my heart. I set a watch at all times around my heart to guard it and to keep it free from any taint of shame. I do not grow weary in doing good. I know that I will reap my reward. I know that the Father is well pleased with me.

I guard my heart by filling it with glory. **My heart is filled with glory.** I have full expectancy, I constantly believe and affirm, that <u>I will please God</u> in the task for which He sent me. God called me to this earth to accomplish the unique and special mission He planned just for me. I am confident that I can do it. I am so confident, not just that I can do what God gave me to do, but also that I will pull it off in such an incredible way that even God Himself will stand to His feet and applaud me as I come across the finish line.

The Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost will shout and jump and slap one another on the back as I prove to all the universe that Christ in me knows no limit, as I prove it in Their power. Christ in me overcomes all things; Christ in me swallows up death in victory.

It is God who has put this confidence in me. I have no confidence in myself, as if I am somehow separate from Christ. No, my confidence is in God and I boast in His triumph in me.

I belong! I belong! I belong! I am on the winning team. The Champion of the universe lives in me. The Champion of the universe is on my side; He is my friend; He is my greatest and most sincere fan. The Champion of the universe believes in me. He knows I can take <u>everything</u> He has given me and invest it all, wisely as He teaches me, and bring back to Him an increase far beyond what anyone could expect. He knows I can do it; I know I can do it.

The love of God is shed abroad in my heart. No difficulty I go through now in this world is worth even thinking about as I look steadfastly at the glory that I carry in my heart.

God Always Leads Me In Triumph

God always leads me in triumph in Christ. God diffuses the fragrance of His knowledge through me everywhere I go. I am the fragrance of Christ to God among everyone whom I touch.

Webster's 1926 "triumph"

God always leads me in the imposing ceremony of honor given to a victorious general who has overcome every obstacle, defeated every foe. God always leads me into His city crowned with life, bearing His scepter in my hand. God leads me in the procession of the fruit I have produced, the great work I have done for His name. I offer all I am, all I have done, and all I have produced from His investment of power in me as an offering of praise to the glory of Jesus. God always leads me to receive the honor of triumph. God always leads me to celebrate full and total victory and success with exultation. God always leads me to exult boastfully in the victory of Christ in me. God always causes me to obtain victory. God always causes me to be successful, to prevail. God always causes me to be prosperous, to flourish. God always causes me to gain the victory over, to conquer. God always causes me to win.

'In the world you will have tribulation, but be of good cheer, I have overcome the world.'

The suffering I go through now is not worth comparing to **the glory yet to be revealed in me**. The light affliction that comes in the present moment works in me an **exceeding and eternal weight of glory**. I get excited when problems and difficulties come my way. I greatly rejoice, though I have been grieved by various difficulties. The genuineness of my faith is more precious than gold tested by fire. The integrity of my faith **is found to praise, honor and glory** when Jesus is unveiled.

I know that God always leads me because I am always producing fruit for His kingdom. I know that God leads me because I am always offering to Jesus the fruit of my labor. I know that God leads me because I always celebrate full and total victory. I know that God always leads me because <u>I am always</u> <u>exulting boastfully in the victory of Christ in me</u>.

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I stay far away from anyone who says: "*Well, you know, brother* . . ." No! I do not listen. **God always leads me in triumph!**

JESUS WILL WIN! Jesus WINS in me! I will win! I WIN IN HIM!

I Give Generously

I give myself to the Lord and to the ministry by the will of God. I abound in the grace of giving financially. I am rich through the poverty of Christ. I complete the giving that I desire to give. I give by what I have. I give out of my abundance to meet the needs of my fellow believers. They give out of their abundance to meet my needs. I give generously. I sow bountifully; I reap bountifully. I give cheerfully. All grace abounds to me. I always have enough for everything I need, plus an abundance for every good work. God multiplies the seed I sow. I am enriched in everything so that I may give liberally. My generous giving causes much thanksgiving to God.

All things in this earth are mine. All the riches of Christ, are mine. Out of the procession of my triumph, I give. I give liberally; I share generously; I give with great, exuberant, unlimited JOY! <u>I have so much to give</u>.

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God comforts me in every difficult and trying circumstance I find myself in, no matter how big or how small. Because He comforts me, I also comfort anyone I meet who is in trouble. I give them the same comfort God gives me. The suffering of Christ abounds in me; His comfort also abounds in me. The comfort I receive through suffering becomes God's ministry through me to others.

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But of ALL the giving I have to give, none of it compares to the value, the beauty, and the glory of the most important thing I have to give.

My weakness.

My human weakness, my propensity to stumble and fall flat on my face, my perpetual dilemma of getting it wrong so many times, the tentacle of sin still residing in my body that so often besets me, it is this weakness that God has entrusted to me. Here, in my weakness, I find the power of Christ. And as I find His power **victorious in me**, I receive the greatest gift I can give. I give to those who so desperately need it the same **HOPE and COMFORT** that I so lovingly received from Jesus.

The comfort I receive from Jesus becomes God's ministry through me to others.

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Notes:



- I am rooted in Paul's gospel.
- All the fullness of God fills me.
- Rivers of living water flow out of me.
- I have full victory over all my enemies.
 - I belong to Jesus.
- I step out of darkness into His marvelous light.
 - Christ is unveiled in me.

I Am Rooted In Paul's Gospel

It happened to me.

I remember the jeers of the crowd, their insults, their accusations. I remember the soldiers spitting in my face, the blow that nearly snapped my neck, the thorns pressing into my skull, the searing pain.

As they hoisted the cross upon my back, I staggered forward. I could hardly walk, but the whip kept me moving. And the crowds. Why did they hate me so? I could hardly see through the blood smearing across my eyes.

I staggered and fell; my strength had failed me, I could no longer carry the weight. The guards pushed and cursed until someone else – someone else – took the weight of my cross from me. I stumbled forward, the whip again driving against my back.

My crime? I was a rebel. I had rebelled against God; I had defied His commandment to me; I had lifted my hand against my Maker. My sentence? Death. Death by crucifixion, the most horrible execution devised by the mind of evil.

We were out of the city gates now, I and my tormentors. Through bleary eyes, I saw a hill of rock just ahead. Already, two others had been crucified before me, their screams of death rage filling the air. My turn was next. The brutal soldiers grabbed my arm and threw me upon the wooden framework lying upon the ground. They stripped my clothes from me. I was naked and I was ashamed.

And I deserved all of it. I, Daniel Yordy, deserved to die in this despicable manner. I was a wicked, filthy rebel against God, an abomination, everything God hated. I had sinned without care; I deserved death without mercy.

Great nails were hammered through my wrists and ankles, biting deeply into the wooden frame. I did not feel anything; the pain would come later. I dropped down against the nails as the cross was hoisted into its hole. I hung there from that "tree," cursed by God and despised by man.

Then God departed from me. All my life, I thought He was not there. All my life, I had assumed that I had departed from Him. But, oh God, I did not know! God, oh God, you have departed from me. Such fear, such loss, such unending emptiness. I had thought I was lost before; I was wrong, completely wrong. I had never known lostness like I knew it then. I was accursed, rejected by men and abandoned by God. I no longer knew hope; I was no longer even human; I was a worm.

I could not fight against the lack of breath, pushing myself up for that next gasp of air in the struggle that fellow criminals could prolong for days. My life was over; I was condemned. Why struggle any further? Slowly, the weight and agony of my sin crushed me, slung me down against the nails. I could no longer grasp for air. Then I heard the words whisper in my ear, "It is finished."

I was no more. I, Daniel Yordy, I _____ (put your own name in the blank) received from the hand of God the just penalty for my sin. I died.

At this point, things became very, very confusing for me. I understood the condemnation of God. I knew my sin; I could accept the anger of God and His just curse upon me. Death was my lot, my end.

But what was happening now? Yes, they were taking my body from the cross. Yes, they were burying me in a tomb. Yes, the stone was rolled across the opening, leaving me in darkness. Yes, I was a corpse, lying in the grave, cursed and abandoned by God. This I could understand.

What I could not understand was what happened next. In a jarring flash, I felt Death's grip on me loosen. Loosen, it seemed at first, ever so slightly, and then in a blinding rush, Death screamed and vanished. Power and light surged through me, while heavenly laughter filled the air around me.

And then He came. He, the Living One, the Light-bearer. He came and I was no longer alone. In that moment, aloneness vanished forever from my experience. And then I heard His voice. His voice.

What was happening to my spirit? What was bursting through every part of my soul? What force was this tingling through every cell of my body?

Life! Life! Life!

I was no longer just not dead! I was alive! I, Daniel Yordy, was alive! I had never been alive before in all of my life.

Then I heard His voice again. I swear to you, I am not lying, these are the words that I heard.

You have kept your appointment with Death. Death has no more hold over you.

This thing did not stop. I did not understand what was happening to me. In a blinding flash of light, the stone covering my tomb blew away. I was out of the grave, my feet upon the earth, my heart in the heavens. I knew, then, that my body was different. It was alive like I had never known life. I looked again at the One whose voice flooded my heart with joy.

'I am the resurrection and the life. . . Whoever lives and believes in Me shall never die.'

I knew, then. He showed me. As alone as I knew I was, hanging there upon the cross, cursed and rejected by God. Dying and dead.

I was not alone. I was not alone. I was not alone. It was Jesus - He was there with me. It was Him all along!

I had died in Him.

Then I was lifting, soaring up into the heavens. I was ascending into heaven, or so I thought. But no, I had it all wrong. All the realms of heaven vanished beneath me. I looked at my feet. Strange. They were planted firmly upon the earth. I looked at heaven; all of heaven was open to me; I am seated there, upon God's throne. But I? I stand now, far above all heavens, ascended above all angels, all powers, all realms of glory. I AM the risen one, of one Spirit with the ascended Christ of God.

And then, astonished and overwhelmed, utterly unable to comprehend, yet I understood. Was it mercy that happened to me?

Yes, but far more than mercy. Was it grace that happened to me?

Yes, but far more than grace. Was it love that happened to me?

Yes, but far more than love.

I, Daniel Yordy, am seized firmly by the intent and determination of Almighty God.

From the very beginning, God determined that He would show all the universe the wonder and beauty of Jesus - through me!

God has triumphed in me. In me, God has vindicated His word, proven His will, demonstrated His power.

I am the light and glory of God, the revelation of my Beloved Master.

Jesus is forever in me and I am forever in Him.

I Am Rooted In Paul's Gospel

Paul alone, of all the apostles, received from God the Jesus Secret.

Abraham walked before God. Moses walked after God. The disciples walked with God.

None of them knew the Jesus Secret. They prophesied it, they foreshadowed it, they walked in its light. But none of them knew the Jesus Secret.

The Jesus Secret is horribly OFFENSIVE!

The Gentiles, of course, mock the Jesus Secret. To them it is a sick joke. But the Jews have always taken the Jesus Secret much more personally. It is a cruel and bitter insult to them, untenable. There are even Jewish Christians today who have ripped Paul's letters out of their New Testaments.

The Jesus Secret begins with this unalterable, unswerving premise:

The Jew is an abomination to God.

The Gentile is an abomination to God.

All men and women, both Jew and Gentile, are accursed by God, worthy of supreme humiliation, terror, and death. All men, women, and children who live or have ever lived upon this earth are despicable, cursed, wretched rebels against God, deserving only the worst humiliation and death. Forever dead. Without mercy and without hope.

Jesus did not take my place upon the cross! Jesus did not take my place upon the cross! Jesus did not take my place upon the cross!

Here is the Jesus Secret: It was I who died. It was I who staggered under the weight of that cross. It was I who hung from its nails. I, all of me, every part of me hated by God, worthy of death; I died.

The cross is enough for me.

I died in Christ. In that death, I am dead.

I have kept my appointment with Death. Death has no more hold over me.

All The Fullness Of God Fills Me

The cross is behind me. It has finished its work. There is no more for Christ's cross to do in my life. I am already dead. Everything old and fallen about me is forever gone. Everything I am is brand new.

I am alive.

There is no "evil self" or "deceitful heart" lurking in the shadows, ready to reassert its claim of reality - "*This, Daniel, is really who you are. Face the truth, loser, you're just a sinner saved by grace.*"

It is not the cross that transforms me into the image of Jesus. The cross of Christ is no longer at work in my life, putting to death parts of me that escaped the crucifixion of Jesus.

God commanded me to reckon, believe, confess, that every part of me that needed to die, is, indeed, dead. I can obey - or I can refuse and hold tightly to the illusion that my evil self is still there and that I, some woebegone creature, run pitifully back and forth between self and Jesus.

But, in obedience to God, I leave the cross behind me. I am transformed into the image of Jesus by nothing other than His life in me. I am saved by His life. Christ lives in my heart. I am filled with all the fullness of God.

I believe in Jesus!

The Jesus Secret

My Death is your death. My Burial is your burial. My Resurrection is your resurrection.

My Life, never to die again, is your life.

You walk in newness of life in the same way that I AM risen from the dead. You are alive!

You know me, I Who AM beyond knowing. You know My Love. As the knowledge of My Love fills your heart, you are filled with all the fullness of God.

There is nothing else.

You are complete in Me; I AM all there is in you.

Do you believe Me?

All The Fullness Of God Fills Me

I am created to be filled with God. No angel, no animal, nothing else in all the realms of heaven, nothing else in all the physical universe, was created as God's image. God reveals Himself through me.

In the same way that a glove is made to fit a hand, in the same way that a superhero suit is made to fit a superhero, so I was made to fit God. In every way that God in me stretches, I stretch. In every way that God in me reaches, I reach. Everything God can do, He can do in and through me. Everything God is, He is in me.

God is an invisible Spirit. He cannot be seen or felt or handled. God is not satisfied with not being seen or felt or handled. God made for Himself a body. As God lives in and moves through His body, all creation can see for themselves what God is really like. They can feel Him, they can handle Him, they can hear His voice and see the tender expression upon His face.

I am God's body. I am filled with all the fullness of God. God made me particularly to fit His desire in me.

I love as He loves. I forgive as He forgives. I am holy as He is holy. I am perfect as He is perfect. I serve just as Jesus serves. I am one with my brethren just as the Father and the Son are One. I walk in life just as Jesus is raised from the dead. I walk as Jesus walked. I purify myself as He is pure. I am sent as Jesus was sent. I overcome just as He overcame. I will sit in His throne just as Jesus sits in His Father's throne.

If this is what God says in the New Covenant (and it is), then why have Christians not been experiencing all of this up until now?

Two simple answers. One, how do I know they have not? God is the God of the little things. He gives a cup of cold water to him who is thirsty. He brings peace to the hurting heart. He is revealed in little acts of kindness more than in any other way. But on the other hand, so very few believe that what God says is true. Will Jesus find faith on the earth? Will there be a people who believe what He says?

Jesus finds faith in me.

Rivers Of Living Water Flow Out Of Me

The Secret of the gospel, according to Paul, is that it is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me.

I have NOT, in the past, believed this to be true. Rather, I have seen Christ and myself as two very distinct and separate individuals. With my mind, I was quite willing to acknowledge that Jesus could do anything He wanted. But since I saw myself as someone quite separate from this Jesus, then, obviously, all that had little to do with me.

In fact, in the past, I once thought that "Jesus lives in my heart," while true, was just a sort of slogan, a way of saying that I am a Christian and that I am going to heaven when I die. But the New Covenant allows no such thinking.

<u>As He is</u> (now, the resurrected Christ ascended above all the heavens, the reigning King of Glory) <u>so am I in this world.</u>

It is not Jesus as He was when He walked this earth who lives in me. It is Jesus as He is right now. That is why Jesus said that I do greater things now than what He did during His ministry on earth.

Jesus said, "He that believes in Me, out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water." Do I believe in Jesus?

I do. I believe in Jesus. I do not separate Him from myself. I do not think, "He is one thing, and I another." I do not limit God. All the He is, He **IS** in me. All that He does, He **DOES** through me.

God flows out of me in mighty rivers of living water. I believe in Jesus.

The Jesus Secret

Your faith in Me breaks the limitations of the earth; it breaks the limitations of the human. Those who see Me as the way to go to heaven when they die, and not as the Way to live now, do not know Me as I AM.

It is My Father's will that His will be done in the earth, in exactly the same way it is done in heaven. I AM My Father's will. Do not limit Me. Heaven invades earth to WIN.

Rivers Of Living Water Flow Out Of Me

I see a 'pure river of water of life, clear as crystal, proceeding from the throne of God and of the Lamb.' My heart is that throne. From my innermost being flows this mighty river of God. It is for healing. There is no curse in it, only God's throne.

I see His face. His name is on my forehead. Jesus is my light.

Jesus said that this is the river that flows out from me everywhere I go because I believe in Jesus. I believe in Jesus. Nothing can prevent this flow of healing, life-giving water from my heart. It is the love of God.

Not a trickle, not a stream, not even a river - **rivers**, huge torrents of power flow out of me. I believe in Jesus.

Living water, the water of life, Jesus, the power of Almighty God, the same power that raised Jesus from the dead, the power that works in me to do exceedingly abundantly above all I ask or think, these are the rivers that flow out of me. I believe in Jesus.

God heals, spiritually, mentally, emotionally, physically; God heals. He restores; He makes whole. This is His business. He does it through me. I believe in Jesus.

What can limit these rivers? What can prevent their flow? This is the power by which Jesus subdues all things to Himself. This is the power of love.

I am not satisfied with ideas or theology. I am not satisfied with limitation. I will not settle for "Christian" unbelief. I am not pursuing my own advertisement. I am not "running after signs." I want to see Jesus revealed in me. I want to see His life in my mortal flesh. I want God to prove His will in me. I want God to prove His will through me.

Heaven knows no hurt, no brokenness, no twisted limbs, no sightless eyes, no disease or sickness. Heaven knows no turmoil, no abuse, no broken hearts. It is God's will to bring heaven's glory to earth through me. God covers the earth with His glory. I believe in Jesus.

God's will is done on earth as it is in heaven - through me.

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I Have Full Victory Over All Of My Enemies

Webster's 1926 "victory"

I overcome my enemy in battle. I overcome all antagonists in all contests thrown at me. I gain the superiority in all struggles. I conquer; I triumph. I defeat my enemies. I make them subject under the feet of Jesus. I win brilliant and overwhelming success. I defeat sin. I defeat death. I defeat the accuser. I possess full victory. I am more than a conqueror through Christ who loves me. I overcome.

Satan's assault against God is based on one thing. Satan claims that God's word cannot be fulfilled in this earth, in this age, in the lives of those who belong to Jesus. Satan bases his claim on his own ability to accuse. It is not that Satan stands before God in heaven and accuses me. He stands before me and accuses God of perfidy and cruelty and me of weakness and unbelief.

But Satan's accusation is not obvious. He wraps his accusation against God in "Christian theology," in human wisdom, in "kind" explanations of why *God does not mean that His will be done on earth now, only after we get to heaven.* He wraps his accusation against me in the familiar voices of the people in my life, people I know and trust. He points out my faults, my limitations, every time I fall flat on my face. God gave me weakness for glory. Satan uses it as a weapon against me, if I allow it.

I do not. I stand firmly at all times against all accusation against God and against myself. If God said He will do anything, I do not move from believing with all my heart that He does it in me. No matter what ridiculous mistakes I make along the way, I will never hold them against myself, not for a moment. Whoever it was that did it is dead; I am alive in Jesus.

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I AM a conqueror. I defeat every voice of accusation against My Father. I fulfill His Word. I return to Him having accomplished everything He sent Me to do. I WIN!

And I win in you. It is I Who win in you. I defeat My enemies through your faith in Me. Stand firmly against every accusation against My Father, that I do not do what He says. Stand firmly against every accusation against yourself. Cast down My accuser; do not allow him to stand.

I Have Full Victory Over All Of My Enemies

I do not defeat my enemies because I am some great and mighty being. Me? I am weak. Without Jesus, I am nothing.

Having full victory over all of my enemies is knowing the Father. Knowing the Father is having full victory over all of my enemies.

I know and love the Father. The Father knows and loves me. I rest in His love, in the sweet intimacy of my communion with Him. And, in that perfect love, no demon ventures near, sin flees far away, death loses its grip, the curse has no meaning, my own weakness sings in harmony with His great strength.

I know the Father. This is my victory. The only thing that could limit Almighty God is my own ignorance. I cannot rely on "Christian doctrine"; it leaves me ignorant of God. I speak what God speaks; as I do, step by step, my mind and my heart are filled with the knowledge of God. Bit by bit, the ignorant bounds I once set about God disappear.

Can Jesus win in me? The testimony of so many believers is that He cannot. Not here, not now. Of course, in heaven He can win, but in the earth? in this age?

Yet I lie here upon my bed. I am very weak. Who am I - what am I - that I could win the victory over all of the enemies of God? Certainly I cannot in some great exertion of person. Getting out of bed is enough of a task for me. Then He comes to me; in the sweet stillness of His presence, I call to Him.

"What do you want of Me?" He asks. "To know You, my Father," is my reply, "and to speak Your Word with boldness in Your strength."

And in that moment, I know the secret of full and total victory. It is such a simple thing. Those who choose to limit God, to confine Him to heaven, will weep when they see how simple this whole thing is.

'For whatever is born of God overcomes the world. And this is the victory that has overcome the world - our faith. Who is he who overcomes the world, but he who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?'

I know and love the Father; the Father knows and loves me.

I Belong To Jesus

God is supremely jealous. His jealousy is as fierce and determined as the grave. In human experience, the grave lets no one go who belongs to it. God's jealousy is fiercer than that.

God is altogether scary. He is not under any of my definitions of "control." I picture a Universe-shattering lightning storm, with lightning strikes bigger than galaxies hitting anywhere and everywhere, and I have a dim and tiny picture of this God that I love and know. The fierceness of God's anger against the evil that holds this world in its grip is infinitely beyond my ability even to glance at it. He shelters me from His wrath.

God commanded me not to love this world, that is, the world system of demon-possessed men which holds this planet in its grip. All of the works of men's hands, all of the glory of human achievement upon this earth, all of the governments of men, his armies, his power, all of this is the BEAST that is at war with God.

God called me to bring <u>to utter shame</u> the celebrities, the politicians, the brilliant minds, the "great ones" of this world. I will fulfill my calling.

Then, when I see dear Christian brethren planting the symbols of the works of men's hands, the glory of this world, the bloody battle flags of the demon-possessed men who slaughter one another in mockery of God, on a pedestal, and teaching their little ones, these who have given their hearts to Jesus, to turn and pledge these self-same hearts in allegiance to the idolatry and the blasphemy of man in this world, I shudder, knowing the fierceness of the jealousy of God.

Father, have mercy upon those who do not see.

I do not belong to this world. I do not belong to any earthly cause. I cannot share in any institution of men. My only obligation to other people is to love them.

I belong to Jesus. I am bought with a price, the precious blood of Jesus. I am His bride, His wife. He will share me with no other. I am holy as He is holy. I am devoted to Him in the same way that He is devoted to me. I dare not take my body and prostitute it to the institutions of men in this world.

I am set apart. What others may do, I cannot. I am reserved for Jesus alone. I am different. I am separated. If need be, I stand alone.

Jesus managed to offend every single person who heard Him speak or sought to follow Him. At one point, He offended everyone so badly that even his disciples could hardly stay with Him. "Where else would we go?" Peter answered pitifully, "You're the only one we've ever heard who speaks life." Then, at His darkest moment, they all ran and left Jesus alone.

Jesus offended everyone deliberately and purposefully. His offense always struck at the heart of who people thought they were before God.

So many dear believers imagine that when Christ returns, it will be a glorious moment. They have never stopped to consider how offensive He really is. They have never asked themselves, "Will I receive Him when He comes again?"

Jesus said, "He who falls on Me will be broken; but he upon whom I fall will be shattered to pieces."

Down through the history of the church, there have been two kinds of believers: those who sought to bring Christianity into agreement with the kingdoms and governments and institutions of men in this world, and those who understood that they were separate, that they did not belong in any way to this world. It is the second group from which most of the martyrs of Christ have come; it is the first group that called for the death of these other "heretics."

One of the most terrible verses in all the Bible is Revelation 3:16: 'So then, because you are lukewarm, and neither cold nor hot, I will spew you out of My mouth.' (NKJV)

I receive all of my brothers and sisters in Christ; I never raise my finger in ridiculous accusations of "judgment" against any who belongs to Jesus. But I know that Jesus does what He says He will do. I can never give my heart to Jesus and, at the same time, give my heart in allegiance or 'patriotism' to any kingdom of this world or any cause of man upon the earth.

The final test will come soon. The radio identification chip is being prepared for every body on this planet. Already, in some countries, every farm animal must be chipped or shot. This is for real. And yet, so many dear believers are poised to receive the radio chip into their bodies: "*It cannot be the 'mark of the beast' because 'I am not raptured.*" *"The government says it's 'to save us' from harm, therefore, obeying the government is obeying God.*"

I belong to Jesus.

I am the servant of another kingdom.

I Step Out of Darkness Into His Marvelous Light

The life of Christ in me is more powerful than anything in the universe. Christ in me has already conquered sin; He has already defeated death; He has already triumphed in human weakness.

My human weakness is a most marvelous gift from God. I have this treasure in an earthen vessel. The light of the glory of God shines upon my mortal face.

Every time the accuser whispers his shadow across my mind, I acknowledge the good things of Jesus in me. As I confess my hope every day, that I am just like Jesus, I am transformed. I have never known His power like I know it now.

How is my transformation taking place? Spontaneously and instantly? Or slowly and gradually? I will never limit God or box Him in. My constant affirmation is, "Let it be to me according to Your word."

'But we all, with unveiled face, beholding as in a mirror the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from glory to glory, just as by the Spirit of the Lord.'

The Jesus Secret

My dear heart, I have come to you to reveal My Father to you. Here He is. He comes to you. You belong to Him as you belong to Me. He lives in you, just as I live in you.

As you become My Glory, My Image, the mirror disappears. The light that transforms you is no longer a reflection. You see Me as I really AM.

You are just like Me.

You stand beside Me, shoulder to shoulder. I share My glory with you.

Together We prove to all naysayers that God is faithful and true. You are just like Me.

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l Step Out Of Darkness Into His Marvelous Light

I walk in the light. There is no shadow of darkness in me. If darkness attempts to accuse me of shadow, I know that the cross is sufficient for me. Its work is finished. I stand in the light.

I am not dependent on "positive thinking"; I am not limited to the "power of intention" or the "law of attraction." Jesus is my life.

What unending adventure! What expanse of possibility! What far-reaching influence opens before me. I believe in the life of Jesus inside of me. I can do anything. Nothing is impossible to me. I will never limit God again.

But always, I have this treasure in an earthen vessel. No light of God shines through hardness. No tender touch comes through self-pursuit. I belong to Jesus; I am altogether His. I embrace my weakness, and I am broken before Him. Jesus is all I need.

I am \underline{NOT} a descendant of Adam. Nothing in the realms of fallen humanity in this world describes me. I stand fully and boldly in the light of God. No earthly cause beckons to me; I am a heavenly being. I dwell in a physical body transformed by the same power that raised Jesus from the dead in order to prove the will of God in this earth, just as it is in heaven.

I am heavenly minded; I am the only good this world will know. I am the light of the world, and I shine my light for all to see.

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You are my everything; You are my all; You are my everything, both great and small. You gave Your life for me, made everything new. You are my everything; no other will do.

How many times have I sung these words in the past, hoping, wishing, wanting them to be true, but never in bold and certain faith standing in the reality and the confession that these words are absolutely and irrevocably true. And casting down every shadow of doubt that would suggest otherwise. They are true because, after all,

I believe in Jesus.

Christ Is Unveiled In Me

The Greek word *apokalupsis* means "to take off the cover." It is usually translated in the New Testament as "revelation/revealed" or "manifestation/ manifested." The book we call "Revelation" is really "The Apocalypse of Jesus Christ." It is a very specific Greek word with a very specific meaning. Each time it is used in the New Testament, that verse is central to the plan and purpose of God. Each time it is used, it is talking about the same event.

The Apokalupsis of Jesus Christ.

An excited crowd filled the seats of the auditorium in an ancient city. There was no one, as yet, on the stage in front of them, only a large lumpy object covered by a gray, nondescript and bulky cloth. But though they could not see what was beneath that cloth, every audience member had a notion of what it might be. Rumors had circulated throughout the city for months. The master sculptor was finishing his *magnum opus*, his greatest work. What would it look like? Whose image would it bear?

Then two men walked out from behind the stage. The great Master of Ceremonies, dignified, eloquent, and beside him a scrawny little man who didn't look like much - but everyone knew who he was.

The two men stood, one on each side of the lumpy figure on the stage. The Master of Ceremonies began by praising the sculptor, telling the history of all his wondrous works. The MC built his crescendo well, leading up to this, the greatest and most glorious of all the master sculptor's works, the pinnacle of his skill and success.

The two men grabbed each a side of the cloth covering the master's work and pulled it back. The crowd rose to its feet in unison, wonder and acclaim in every voice. What was there in their midst all along, but seen fully by no one, was now revealed in the full light of day.

There, revealed for all to see, was the sculpture of a man, shaped and polished as the very image and likeness of God, with the glory of God upon his face.

God takes the cover off Jesus in me!

Christ Is Unveiled In Me

Webster's 1926 "unveil"

God removes the veil covering Jesus in me. God uncovers the secret of

Christ in me. God discloses to view Jesus in me. God reveals Christ in me. Jesus makes Himself known in me.

Webster's 1926 "reveal"

That which has been concealed and kept secret - Jesus - is made known in me. Christ is unveiled, disclosed, divulged in me. Jesus is made clear, displayed, shown in me. Christ is communicated by divine power through me.

Webster's 1926 "manifest"

God makes Christ evident to the senses through me. God makes Jesus apparent and distinctly perceived through me. God makes Christ obvious to the understanding, evident to the mind, and easily apprehensible through me. God makes Jesus open, clear, apparent, visible, plain, unmistakable, indubitable, indisputable, evident, self-evident in me. God shows Christ plainly, makes Him appear distinctly, in me. God puts Jesus beyond question or doubt in me. God displays, exhibits, reveals, proves, evinces, evidences Christ in me. I am the public declaration of Christ. Jesus is revealed in me.

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My dear heart, your heart is My Throne, My Dwelling Place forever. You are My Image, the full effusion of My Glory.

You are My evidence, My proof. My Word is fulfilled in you. My Love is made perfect through you.

Together We will rule. Together We will seek and save all that is lost. Together We will bring all things into subjection to Our Father.

My Father reveals Himself to all of His Creation through you. My Own Heart, you and I are One.

The Jesus Secret is secret no more. Christ is revealed in me.

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Notes:

A Second Invitation

Dear Reader,

It is my one desire that this little book serve only to join you in a closer relationship to the Lord Jesus Christ than you have ever known before. It has done that for me, holding at the same time the promise of a never-end-ing glory, much, much more to come. I know this, that Jesus wants you with Him more than anything else in all the universe.

However, God has made us members of one another. I encourage you to do more than use this book as a personal guide. As God leads, gather together with other believers who also desire Jesus with all their hearts and use this book, *The Jesus Secret*, as a focal point of confessing Christ together.

Share with one another the awesome things God is doing in your life through your confession of faith. Share with one another the awesome things God does through you for other people as you move in full confidence in the river of life flowing out of you.

And if you have the time, please write to me, either through e-mail through www.dyordy.com, or by sending me a letter at the address at the end of this note. I would love to hear the same stories you share with one another of how God is transforming your life.

I have no doubt that God will anoint me to write the second volume of *The Jesus Secret*, Galatians on to the end of the New Testament, soon, but I wait on His timing. I suspect that He wants me first to receive your responses before I continue.

I have sought the Lord and followed after to know Him for 32 years. But the last 16 months of writing this book has been without question the most glorious time of my life. And it is even more without question that I haven't seen anything yet.

What I groped for and longed for through all those years was always dimly just out of reach. I remember time and time again of crying out, sometimes on my knees with my face on the floor, other times in front of the mirror with my hands on my breast, crying, "Oh Father, please, if it is possible, give me Your heart. Let the same heart that beats in Your breast beat also in mine."

I thought He would never answer my prayer; my own heart was so limited and wretched. Or so I imagined. I weep now at all my years of ignorance. You see, dear reader, I never needed to ask God to put His heart in my breast. He had already done so.

'Now hope does not disappoint, because the love of God has been poured out in our hearts by the Holy Spirit who was given to us.' Romans 5:5

But I also know this: until my own brokenness was complete, until I knew and accepted my own great weakness, God could not let me know what was there inside me all along.

But Jesus promised that what He accomplished in some through the long hours of the heat of the day, He will fulfill quickly in many who flock into His glory now.

Dear believer in Jesus, be among those who rush into the great party of God, now, as the curtain falls upon this age of human folly. Give your life to the great honor of Jesus. His revelation is near at hand.

As you continue to confess your hope, that you are just like Jesus, you will see marvelous changes in your life. Some, bit by bit, others, in a mighty rushing roar that leaves you laughing for joy.

And please, I invite you, write down your experiences, or record them as you share them with one another, and send them to me. Your story of the sweet tenderness of Jesus shining through you could be the very thing that encourages another dear believer to step through the door and to enter the Jesus Secret.

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With all the favor of Jesus, I bless you.

'Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering for He who promised is faithful.' (NKJV)

The Jesus Secret

Something absolutely incredible is happening on this planet. Something so awesome, so seemingly impossible, so unexpected. A power fantastically great and good is finding its launching pad in the hearts of those who believe in Jesus. It is bursting out of their hearts in rivers of glory that will sweep all before them.

Do not be left out. Do not be swept aside by the flood. If Jesus lives in your heart, then by all means, find out for yourself what that really means.

Order a copy of *The Jesus Secret*. Order it today. The transformation of our minds into the image of Jesus doesn't happen instantly. We have just enough time; don't waste one day.

Order a copy. Order 10. Share them with those who are precious to you. I am providing *The Jesus Secret* at regular book value. The proceeds will go for two things: one, to get this little book into the hands of as many precious believers as possible, and two, to provide a place for believers in Jesus who want their lives to be a testimony of what Jesus can do through a community of the heart.

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