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A Prophetic View Of Haiti

It's January in the year Two Thousand and Ten
Already tragedy has visited the world again

An earthquake reaching 7.0 on the Richter scale
Has devastated Haiti, a nation seemed destined to fail

Buildings are leveled and bodies are buried
Rescue teams dispatched and much aid being hurried

People from America along with nations everywhere
Have rallied to offer support, hope, comfort and care

This earthquake is the worst reported of Haiti in over 200 years
To see the dead bodies, the injured and the sad faces would bring you to tears

An earthquake of all things, as if things there were not bad enough
It would be an understatement to say that for Haiti things are tough

One of the poorest nations in the world and the poorest in America by economic
measures
Unlike us in the continental United States the people of Haiti don't have any
pleasures

This country is impoverished, one of the least developed and has been this way
for quite a time
It seems that corruption is hugely to blame since, there, it is a very prominent
crime

Regardless of the state of things as they stand in Haiti now
A resurrection needs to happen in Haiti someday, somehow

The world seems selfish as each nation focuses on their own goals and mission
Until a tragedy such as this earthquake that hit Haiti, gets every nation's
attention

The entire world is awake and alert now, wondering what it is we can do
Militia has been sent to keep order, along with water, clothing and food

Those who have gone are counselors, trauma workers, news reporters and

celebrities

There are also Red Cross workers, missionaries, doctors and nurses to meet medical needs

With a devastating tragedy such as this, you wonder what will come of it all
I choose to believe that people and even places are in position for growth after such a great fall

From a lot of people's perspectives there is no hope for Haiti and this was the very last blow

What I am seeing is a place that has been doomed for the last decade, will be ten times better "tomorrow"

I believe this is Haiti's M.O., which some may wonder what the meaning of those letters could be

It's not a Modus Operandi I am speaking of, but what I mean is God's Miracle Opportunity

You see, I believe that just like the world is watching, God is watching too
He's watching the tragedy, He's watching us and He wants to see what we will do

While God is watching, I believe He has something in mind for the Republic of Haiti

Whatever He will do for this place in ruins and its people, will be a miracle for all to see

In their ignorance and some in their lack of compassion, they have said this was Haiti's fate

Said it was God's way of punishing this nation, something on which they can't and should not speculate

A nation that is poor, full of corruption and now afflicted with insurmountable death and damage

Who once with courage, even as slaves, fought for freedom to defeat the French and come out of bondage

This tells me that things may look grim and seem impossible to change during this time of horror

But, the God I know and serve is great and His victories are what I know more of

I am praying effectually and fervently with all the faith I can find as well as many others

'Cause whether we know anyone in or from Haiti at all, they're still our sisters
and our brothers

As I pray, I am believing God to take the Republic of Haiti and give it a complete
overhaul

And, when that is done I will rejoice with all Haitians who will experience liberty
and justice for all

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A Remarkable Legend

It's no wonder why she was named after a precious stone
Just as precious as she could be
Ruby Ann Wallace was a legendary actress with the stage name Ruby Dee

She was an activist, humanitarian, playwright, screenwriter, a journalist and a poet
Though she was 91 years old when she went 'home'
To look at her beauty, charm and grace, you wouldn't know it

You cannot talk about Ruby Dee without mentioning the love of her life
She adored Ossie Davis, and you could see it in her eyes
She was his companion, his partner and his loving wife

They had three children together during their marriage that lasted until Ossie was gone
A daughter named Nora Day and one named Hasna Muhammad
And Guy Davis, a blues musician, was their only son

She was born in Cleveland, Ohio and Harlem, New York is where she was raised
She attended Hunter College High School in Harlem
Then graduated from Hunter College with a romance languages degree during her younger days

She acted in so many movies, stage plays and TV shows there are just too many to name
She was also an activist and friends with people like Dr. Martin Luther King and Malcolm X
Her acting on stage, TV and in the movies were not the only things that gave her fame

She emceed the March on Washington for Jobs and Freedom and was a member of the NAACP
She was a member of the Congress of Racial Equality, the Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee
And she was a member of the Delta Sigma Theta Sorority

Now after all that has been said already, you would think there could not possibly be anything else
Ruby Dee was an iconic beauty and a remarkable legend

She had a many-faceted life with a lot of accolades and experiences under her belt

In 1999 she was arrested for protesting; in 2003 signed 'Not in My Name' opposing the invasion of Iraq

She received countless awards, nominations and an honorary degree

For more than three decades she survived telling breast cancer, 'Now take that! '

She was as large as life and accomplished so much before she departed to heaven

She was an example of beauty, grace, strength and substance

Ruby Dee was a remarkable legend!

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Another New Year

Each new year brings so many things with it
The past year's goals, triumphs and downfalls we must admit
The new year also brings so much to look forward to
A refocus of our goals and mental notes of things we must do
We start the year off having the very best of intentions
To do better than we did the year before and to rectify our convictions
We make new goals like cleaning our house, saving more money or losing weight
Some of us even go as far as taking out a calendar and setting up dates
We make statements that we are going to do less, get more rest and take a
vacation
Before we know it we find ourselves filling up our time with all types of
obligations
"I've got to make this party, and I can't miss this wedding, " we say to ourselves
After a while we're so busy it's like we're stacking up commitments on imaginary
shelves
Oh, we're able to manage and get some things we wanted to complete done
But for the most part, every time we turn around it seems we have to run
Off to work, off to church, off to the grocery store, off to the laundry
We finally make it home each day with our bodies feeling like we're in a
quandary
There never seems to be enough time to do all we need to do in a day's time
So we run around like 'chickens with their heads cut off' like if we don't finish is a
crime
Let's try to make this new year one that is much different than all the rest
Try adding the word "No" to your vocabulary and make acceptance of invitations
much less
Let's try making more appointments at home for "me" time
And making more room on our calendars for some quality free time
It's okay to set some goals and to make a few other events a priority
But you won't even be able to make any of those if you are tired and unhealthy
How about taking some time to get a massage or to go for a long walk
And we certainly should be setting time aside so with the Lord we can talk
After all, He's the one who gave us the grace to make it to a new year
Spending some time with Him will increase our wisdom and help our focus to be
clear
As you are starting out another new year with many new things in mind
Don't forget to enjoy the life you've been given here on earth while you still have
time

Are You A Champion?

They come big and boisterous and arrogant and loud.
They try to get all of the energy and support from the crowd.

I'm talking about Dream Killers!

They look like they could pulverize and destroy and annihilate.
They have the size, the stature and they seem to be among the great.

I'm talking about Dream Killers!

Look at the battle between David and Goliath.
The Philistine seemed to have the advantage to begin with.

David, like your dreams, seemed to be so small.
But, David walked with authority and power that was tall.

God chose him to be the king of Israel, though no one would have thunk it.
After all, he was just a little shepherd boy out in the field who probably stunketh!

God wasn't looking at what David looked like on the surface.
He was looking at David's heart and knew he had purpose.

God knew that David was a Champion before he chose him.
He already knew David would defeat Goliath and astound them!

Them, those ones looking for David to fail.
Them, those ones who just knew this Giant would prevail!

This story about David is really a metaphor for you and me.
You might not think you are a Champion, but God can see.

You may not look the part or be the size you think you need to be.
How much faith do you have and how big is the Dream you do see?

You are a believer so there is a Lion in you!
It's not about your ability, but it's about what God can do through you!

Be courageous, go ahead and pursue the fight!

Knowing that it is by God's spirit you will win; not by your might.

Your destiny is before you and you are destined to win!
The question put before you now is, are you a Champion?

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Are You A Wife?

You say you want to be with me for life.

Well, I have a few questions for you and some food for thought, too.

Are you a wife?

According to the Word that's who I should be looking for.

A woman of Wisdom, Integrity, Favor and Esteem - all qualities Proverbs records.

Are you a help meet?

Since Genesis says that is what a wife was meant to be.

Someone who will Worship, Intercede, Fight in the Spirit and Edify me.

You say you want to be my wife, but do you understand what this means?

Since I will be responsible for you, you will have to take my name and your father's you'll have to leave.

I'm not looking for just any woman, a girlfriend or a tramp

If that's who I wanted, I could go anywhere to get that

I'm looking for someone I can honor and respect

Not someone who when I speak into her life she'll get the "sister girl" neck

You see, I am a priest, a provider and a protector

God has prepared my spirit, soul and body all together (to-get-her)

I'm the one she can count on to put no one but God above her

I'm a worshipper, a man of God, and a lover like no other

I have goals and dreams in life that I want to achieve

I need the one God has prepared for me, so to her I can cleave

I believe the qualities I possess would make any woman of God sure

That I am the physical manifestation of God's love for her

You say for the rest of your life you want to spend it with me

Well, my last question is, "Are you a wife, " my Woman Intended For Eternity?

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Are You Sure?

Say what? You want to marry me?

Well, I have a few questions for you.

And some food for thought, too.

Are you sure you're ready for me?

Or are you one of those shallow people whose only desire is what they see?

Are you the priest, the provider and the protector?

Do you love me unconditionally?

Has God spoken to your heart and said I was the one?

Did you seek the Lord to see if we should be one?

You see, I have to be sure that you are the one with whom I should spend my life.

'Cause I'm not just some woman or a girlfriend; I'm a wife.

That is what you're looking for, right?

I cannot just be happy because someone wants to marry me.

'Cause I'm an asset and not a liability.

I'm a woman of virtue, a help meet, and an intercessor.

I can throw down in the kitchen, keep a clean house and I'm a pretty fine dresser.

If that's not enough, there's even more to me.

I'm not a lazy person who will sit around and look.

While he works like a dog and caters to me, and I sit there and soak it all up.

I realize that it's not all about me, but about one life shared by two.

My husband won't have to worry about me walking around looking like a runaway slave.

I do know how to please my husband and have fun even though I'm saved.

And, yes, I have a calling on my life, and I'm committed to God's work.

But, I also have balance and my husband won't have to feel like he's competing with the church.

I'm not just a piece of a person, but I'm whole.

I'm not about to settle for less than what I was told - by my Heavenly Father, that is.

He knows best.

Before He allows you to take my hand, you will be put to the test.

He told me that my husband is a physical manifestation of His love for me.

And that is exactly what a husband should be.

My husband is the priest, the provider and protector of me.

He loves me like Christ loves the church, unconditionally.

Though he likes what he sees on the outside, he's interested in what is on the inside - my spirit.

He's ready for me spiritually, mentally, emotionally, physically and financially.
Say what? You want to marry me?
Are you sure?

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Bad To The Bone!

Taken by God from the rib of a man
Hand crafted by the Almighty's powerful hand
Fearfully and wonderfully made with a womb
With intricate curves in your body to make room
To form a male He used something as simple as dust
He knew you would have to nourish so He made you with a bust
To make the male using dust shows He didn't have to dig very deep
The female is so bad that before He made her, He had to put the male to sleep
He took woman from the part of the body that provides protection
Then equally yoked her with a man for the ultimate divine connection
He looked at the male and knew that him being alone was not good
So He made him a help meet to stand with him as he stood
God knew that a male all by himself could never reproduce
So He had to make a creature who was fit for the Master's use
Only a woman has eggs that can be fertilized and instantly become a human
being
Only in a woman's birth canal can a life begin and into the world a life God can
bring
A man is not insignificant because his body produces the fertilizer for the eggs
And even though he wasn't equipped like a woman, God did make him the head
But, when God made the woman, she was so bad it took Him all night long
So for those who think women are a lower class or inferior to men they are dead
wrong
If the woman had been made first, she could have carried on without the male
This was proven when Mary was impregnated by Holy Spirit and gave birth
without fail
But God in all His wisdom formed the male first and made the woman next
His word does say that two is better than one, so to make male and female was
best
If you ever wondered why it is that men just can't seem to leave women alone
It's because they are in search of a missing part of themselves and we are just
bad to the bone!

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Better Has To Come!

No matter where you find yourself in life, better is on the way.

You'll have more favor than before in your life because God designed it that way.

Benefits, advantage and access belong to you; established from the beginning.

Why are you crying and agonizing when adversity is present, when God's provision has you winning?

Prosperity is your portion given by God evenly measured to you.

Your growth is eminent due to your prosperity, but there are still things you need to do.

The blessing of the Lord makes you rich and adds no sorrow with it.

God will speak to someone greater who will begin to bless you specific!

If you are Abraham's seed, the reign from God will cause you to conceive!

You'll give birth to the twins, purpose and destiny, as you walk by faith and believe!

The lesser has to be blessed by one that is better than.

You've got to receive from one who has already grown before you can lay your hand.

You may be positioned as the lesser right now, but rejoice; there's a plan by your Maker!

The protocol that has been established for the Kingdom is that the lesser has to be blessed by the Greater!

Understand the devil's plight to kill, steal and destroy when he comes after you and me.

He could care less about you failing; he's after your victory! !

It doesn't matter what you see in front of you, and no matter how grim you're not done.

The joy of the Lord is your strength, so hold on 'cause better has to come! !

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Christmas Begins With Christ

One clear and starry night a child was born
In a manger wrapped in swaddling clothes was he adorned
Kings came from afar bearing gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh
For this child who is the Messiah according to the revelation they had heard
"Hark! " the herald angels did sing
But, many didn't then and still don't know that he is the King of Kings
From the time he was born, he was destined to die for our sins
Though he was without sin himself and hurt no one, many chose and still choose
today to deny him
He is the reason for this season we celebrate
When this little one was born, he changed everyone's possible fate
It is because of him that all who are alive still have a reason to live
He is the greatest gift of all gifts that anyone could give
For such a wonderful gift you might think there is nothing that could be given in
return
There is a reciprocal gift, but it's not something you can buy or earn
It is simply to receive what has been given, and that is the gift of eternal life
Many have tried to define the meaning of this season of giving called Christmas
But, this season of giving we know as Christmas begins with Christ

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Diversity Is A Good Thing

Where would we be without diversity
Something that includes not only them, but both you and me
We wouldn't have variety, or change or ethnic differences
We wouldn't be able to enjoy each other's accomplishments
Importance would be diminished of what each person has to say
We wouldn't be able to flourish in an environment like the USA
Without all of the different people we encounter where would we be
We certainly wouldn't enjoy celebrating events like Hispanic Heritage or Black
History
No matter where you are, diversity is in your face
It's in our neighborhoods, our churches and in the marketplace
We need to have awareness of others all around us
Something we must all learn and practice is others' acceptance
What if you couldn't share your ideas, your thoughts or your dreams
You would slowly die inside, feeling your life lacks any meaning
Without diversity, there would not have been people like John F. Kennedy and
Martin Luther King, Jr. to lead the way
Nor would we have a Black man, Barak Obama or a woman, Hillary Rodham-
Clinton, campaigning in a presidential election today
We can't just talk about diversity, but it must be in our thinking and in our
actions
No one group of people can get in their mind that they are the main attraction
It is a wonderful thing to live where there is such diversity
It's part of why this nation, America, is called the home of the brave and the land
of the free
Diversity is a good thing!

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Do You Know Who You Are?

I have been chosen into a royal priesthood.

No matter where I was from; no matter what neighborhood.

I am part of a holy nation.

Created by God through divine revelation.

I am one of God's peculiar people; one of His prized possessions.

My Identity has been confirmed through countless divine sessions.

He called me out of the darkness into His marvelous light.

I decided to follow His lead and serve with my heart, my soul and all my might!

I know who I am because God has revealed it to me.

When I began to worship Him, He opened my eyes so I could see.

I know who I am and I walk in it everyday.

It is undeniable and ain't nothin' the devil can say!

There ain't nothing the devil can say to make me deny who I am!

He didn't create me, and when he starts lying I use the Word to make him scam!

I am fearfully and wonderfully made.

Don't get jealous of all God made me to be and start throwing shade!

I'm not conceited, nor do I think of more highly of myself than I should.

I'm just confident in who God made me to be, let that be understood!

I know who I am, but what about you?

While you're looking at me you should know who you are too!

If you don't know, you better get to seeking God's face.

What would be the point of being among His children and feeling out of place?

There is a purpose and a destiny with your name on it!

You've got to get in the spirit, find out what it is and then go for it!

I know who I am, and I won't apologize because this was so before the foundation from afar!

Yes, I know who I am, but I am asking you, 'Do you know who you are? '

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Do You Really Know Me?

Communication, interaction or an exchange of ideas
Are vital necessities for knowing what someone is really all about
To know their character, their weaknesses, their assets and their dreams
You must take the time to relate to them, to feel them and to hear their heart
You have to spend time talking to them, working with them and observing them
In what they say, how they respond, what they do, and even who they spend
time around
You owe that to individuals you claim to know
You can't base your treatment of them on the grape vine or what someone else
said
Even though that's how you get your information about people
Yeah, you ask everybody else about everybody else when you don't really know
everybody else
So how is it that you think you will get to know someone by asking someone else
What if they don't like them and give a bad report or like them and give a false
report
Have you even discerned who it is that you are asking
Have you taken the time to relate to them, to feel them and to hear their heart
Have you spent time talking to them, working with them and observing them
In what they say, how they respond, what they do and even who they spend
time around
Because if you haven't done these things and you asked someone else about me
All you're going to get is their perception of who they think I am
Now that's not fair to me
Chances are they haven't related to me, felt me or observed me
In what I say, how I respond, what I do or even who I spend time around
Now ask yourself, do you really know me?

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Eighty-Nine Cents At The Thrift Sto'

Have you ever noticed when you compliment a lady about what she looks like or has on,

She will give you the background story about it to include where she got it from!

Girrrrl, I like those shoes you sportin'; they really look sharp on you!

'Oh, thank you, ' she's says and commences to tell you where you can pick up a pair too!

You ain't said nothin' about you wanted a pair of them same shoes for yourself.

You already a diva, and in your mind, you really don't need no help!

You say, 'Hey lady, let me see your hair. That hairstyle is on point! '

She'll say, 'Thank you, ' but she gonna tell you when she got it done, who did it and what hair joint!

'Ooh girl, ' you say. 'Let me see your nails 'cause they are just bad! '

She gonna grin and tell you what salon she went to and which technician she had!

You can compliment you sister and tell her how you like the way her sandals look on her feet.

She'll start talkin' about, 'Girl, I got these last Saturday around two o'clock on Today's Special on QVC! '

Instead of taking a compliment we receive and just saying, 'Thank you' and go,

We got to tell the whole background story about how, 'I got this for eighty-nine cents at the Thrift Sto'! ! ! '

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Forgive And Get Forgiven

Forgive and get forgiven,
Is the encouraging word today.

You want God to forgive you for your debts.
But, do you forgive others that way?

There was a king who forgave a man for the debt he owed to him.
The man who had been forgiven turned around and required full payment from somebody who owed way less than him.

If you want your creditors to be patient and forgive your debt, then you need to have compassion too.
Don't hold a debt over someone's head because of a debt owed to you.

And if you have a debt you owe, don't wait until the creditor calls before you say a word.
Don't duck and dodge and skip answering the phone you know you heard.

Pick up the phone and talk to the business or the person that you owe.
They may reduce or forgive the debt you have for all you know!

You've also got to give God the tenth of all he has given unto you.
You cannot expect God to continue to bless, when withholding the tenth is what you do.

It's like you pulled out a gun, pointed it at God and stuck him up when you don't give.
Then you walk around stressed out because of the debt you have and the way you have to live.

If you follow the principles of God, you can expect your life to be full of good livin!
Remember these things when someone owes you, forgive and get forgiven!

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Foxhole

At the bottom of a foxhole alone, claustrophobic, breathing nothing but dirt
For fear of the dangers all around I want to go to sleep, but I must stay alert
There's no one in here that I can talk to and no one to share what I feel
I've been down here so long now that I have lost my joy, my peace and my zeal
I'm talking about being in a place of rough times and failures suffered from
making poor choices in life
I didn't know it when I made them, but making poor choices can cut good
choices off like a knife
You really find out how choices cut off affect you negatively and how important it
is to have a good name
You end up with bad credit, never having enough, not to mention how it puts you
to shame
Ironically being down here has taught me many things and it has cleared up
some of my doubts
I realized that though I made many mistakes in my life, there is a purpose my
life took this route
While I'm down here I might as well take a good look at myself and accept
change for the good that it brings
It would be worse to be in a foxhole for such a long time then look up and realize
that I haven't learned a thing
The first thing I had to admit was that it took me a while, but I dug this foxhole
all by myself
If you want to be delivered from anything you can't start by trying to place
blame with everyone else
One of the popular excuses used is that the devil somehow got you into your
mess
The truth of the matter is that the devil tricked you into digging the foxhole,
which is what he does best
Another excuse that is used so much is that you didn't have anyone to help you
But, you can't use that one either because God gave you every tool you needed
to get through
Instead of using all of these excuses and prolonging your stay in the foxhole you
despise so much
Just come clean, tell the truth and release that confession you are holding onto
with such a tight clutch
Don't worry about being judged or condemned by the ones outside of the foxhole
If you trust God enough to confess your sins, he is faithful and just to make you
whole
Once you get out of this foxhole that you've been in for what seems like a

lifetime

Don't forget about how you got in the foxhole, but leave all the sadness, torment and weariness behind

Now that you have made it out of the foxhole that you dug which delayed your arrival at destiny

Help someone else out of the foxhole through prayer and with the wisdom you have received

This will help keep your heart towards others who wouldn't help free from anger and malice

It will also be a good way to keep all that you learned fresh and in good practice

It is important that the fruit of the spirit is cultivated in your life daily as a rule of thumb

You must be very careful to do this or you will run the risk of digging another foxhole to overcome

Now, understand that life has obstacles, hindrances and not so pleasant struggles that it brings

But, a foxhole is far beyond an obstacle, a hindrance or just some unpleasant thing

A foxhole is something that doesn't have to be in your life at all

Whether you live the life given to you abundantly or stay in a foxhole is strictly your call

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He Is Just Getting Started!

You are all excited for what God has done in your life as you should be.

But, God is up to some great and powerful things in your life that can't see.

The former things that He has done in your life are wonderful, but they have passed.

You need to understand that just because God has already done great things those are not the last.

God declares in his word that he is going to do some new things for you.

Before these things happen, he's going to first announce them to you.

You will hear new things that will be ed from on high.

There is so much that God willthat the only limit will be the sky.

There are new things that you are going to receive.

They will come from God's treasure chest that has treasure you can't even conceive.

Whether you think you have a voice to sing or not you are going to sing new songs!

They will be birthed out of the things that God is going to do for you after so long!

Whatever you do in this season, stay close to God and don't let your worship be departed.

God may have done great and wonderful things already, but know this; he is just getting started!

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He Was A Great Man: Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

He was a man of strength
He let God lead him in his human weakness
He was a man of vision
He let God's eyes guide him in a world of darkness
He was a man of courage
He wore the armor God gave him and pressed toward the mark
He was a man of intelligence
He let God's wisdom speak through him instead of his opinion
He was a man of passion
He let God's love override weariness in well-doing
He was a man of prayer
He let the Spirit of God give him strategies to gain our freedom
He was a man of greatness
He never tried to steal God's glory
He was a man of servanthood
He let God's example teach him how to serve others
He was a man of determination
He trusted God to overcome all fears
He was a man full of life
He loved God and God's people enough to die for it
He was a Great man

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His Resurrection

There is a day each year that is celebrated by many
They come out one of a few Sundays in the year dressed up all handsome and pretty
Some have hunts for eggs decorated with bright colors and designs
Some prepare large feasts with baked ham, all the trimmings and serve it with wine
Churches all over the place are packed with the saints and as well as the unsaved
Some of the children recite their speeches and some of them take part in plays
Other people don't go to church at all; they do something that is really quite funny
They gather their children and go to the malls to see the "Easter" Bunny
It's amazing how so many people will celebrate a day they know little or nothing about
But, when you try to share the truth about it they respond with anger and doubt
This day has nothing to do with bunny rabbits, eggs or getting all dressed up
It has a whole lot to do with Jesus Christ and what He saw when He looked into this cup
This cup was filled with the sins of the world, not wine, fruit juice or water
So Jesus went into a garden called Gethsemane, lay on His face and prayed to the Father
He said, "if it be possible, let this cup pass from me: nevertheless not as I will, but as thou wilt."
The Son of God, the One so faithful and true, though innocent, against him they had a case built
This was just before they brought Him to be wrongfully judged, beaten and finally crucified
He was hung on the cross with no fault found in Him, where they mocked Him and pierced His side
They didn't know what they were doing, so He asked the Father to forgive them before He gave up the ghost
But, then what happened three days later when they came to His tomb was what really mattered the most
Jesus lived then He died, went down to Hell, conquered death and the grave
He did all of this for love of mankind; so that you and I could be saved
So, on this day while remembering its meaning in your reflections
Remember that Jesus Christ is still alive and what we celebrate is His Resurrection!

Honor Thy Mother

Created by a God as a woman to give birth,

Her value is immeasurable and there is no price for what she's worth.

We call her Ma, Mama or some choose to call her Mother.

She is the Queen to whom we give honor, and only God is above her.

She suffered the agony of labor, the painstaking push or a deep, long incision.

None of us would be alive today had she made another decision.

God gave her the ability to conceive children and to deliver them into the world.

She toiled for nine long months, more or less, to give birth to a boy or a girl.

Only love could allow anyone to endure what a mother has, then train you up 'til you are grown.

Often times, a mother had to raise provide and discipline her children, and do it all alone.

No matter how bad she may feel or what is going on, a mother will still take care of you.

She's always waiting with a hug and ready to serve her children no matter what we do.

Give tribute to the wonderful woman who gave birth to you because there will never be another.

No wonder God said our days would be lengthened as we always continue to honor our mother!

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How Blessed Will You Be?

Do you want to be the man that God takes from, or who God gives to?

Well, the determination of that will all depend on what you do!

God has given to each one his measure.

Where your heart is will be seen with what you treasure.

Look at the parable of the talents and what each man did with what he received.

Two had faith to do something with what they got, but one buried his because he didn't believe.

The man who got only one talent and buried it had it taken away.

He didn't do anything with what he received, so when it was taken there was nothing he could say.

The talents were multiplied or added to by the other two men.

So the man took the one talent from the servant who hid it, and gave it to the one who doubled his talents to ten.

Why did he give it to the man who had ten and not the man who had two?

There is something to this, so let me explain it to you.

The man with the two talents had an inkling of how he should treat what was given to him.

He took the two talents and added two more to them.

The servant who received the five talents understood that God is a God of multiplication.

His master knew he would gain a greater return on his investment because of this faith identification.

Trust God and He will multiply your blessings and favor, and you will see!

What you do with what God gives you will determine just how blessed you will be!

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I Ain't Goin' To See Misery No Mo'!

Misery loves company, but I ain't goin' to see Misery no mo'
When you go and visit her, you start feelin' miserable almost as soon as you get
to the do'
She lures you over under the guise that everything is cool
Then you get into a conversation with her and you start feelin' like a doggone
fool
You feel like a fool 'cause you done let her suck you back in
By comin' over to her miserable place where she can get her claws back into you
again
Wit them claws she gets a real good grip on your emotions and before you know
it
Misery done caused you to be angry, betrayed, hurt and disappointed
You be thinkin' Misery just wanted you to come around
But, the whole thing about Misery is that she wants to bring you down
She wants to bring you down to her level of misery and pain
Just 'cause she so miserable in her life she almost insane
Misery always be lookin' at everybody else's life and talkin' 'bout them
'Cause the mirror of her life she supposed to look at is dim
Misery loves company 'cause she feels so all alone
Well, I done figured her out and I ain't goin' to visit Misery no mo'!

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I Love Matthew 5: 44

Love my enemies, bless them that curse, do good to those who abhor
This is what the Bible says in the scripture Matthew 5: 44

Pray for them who despitefully use and persecute me is what it says, too
That is a challenge that, though it can be done, it is very hard to do

I love this scripture with passion and it has become of way of life for me
It taught me what Jesus meant on the cross when he said in Greek,
"Aphiemi."

When your enemies do you wrong, they really don't know what they are doing
It is better to free yourself and them by forgiving, than revenge seeking and
pursuing

Those enemies that curse you, use you, persecute and on you they love to hate
They are not the real enemy you should be fighting against anyway

Our real enemy is in high places in the spiritual realm
It is with spiritual weapons that we have to fight the real one at the helm

For those who curse, hate and try to use you right in front of your face
You can love, bless and pray for them 'cause God has given you the grace

The more you exercise these godly principles, you will see the benefit all the
more

Maybe just like me, you will begin to love the scripture Matthew 5: 44

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I Will Not Compromise

You say I'm too hard, but I say I'm just not easy
You say I'll never get a man, and I say not if I have to be sleazy
You say that I judge others because of what they do
Have I judged anyone because I choose a life of virtue
Because I have certain standards I choose to follow you say that I'm wrong
Am I supposed to compromise my values and just take anyone who comes along
I guess you think that I should just get on with the world's program
Lower my standards, do away with the covenant I have made so that I can get a
man
I say I'm waiting on God, and you say I'm spooky
I'm waiting for my Boaz, not some fool they call Pooky
You say because I like to go to nice places and enjoy fine things I'm a gold
digger
Well, I'm one of the King's kids, and I'm not walking down the aisle with some
broke.....
Just like Jesus did right, when we try to do what's right we're despised
I don't care what you or anyone else says, I will not compromise

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I'm Talkin' About Marriage

This ain't no joke and it is a lot of work
You've gotta have tough skin or quickly you'll get hurt
You learn real fast that all that fuzzy, butterflies-in-stomach love stuff ends soon
Why do you think half of `em end up in doom
I'm talkin' about marriage, tying the knot, gettin' hitched, jumpin' the broom

Don't get me wrong `cause it is a good thing to be married
It's just that people go in thinkin' it's all gonna be a `bowl of cherries'
'Til all kinds of stuff happens that makes you think you made a mistake
Anything from nasty habits, to infidelity to somebody's identity being fake
I'm talkin' about marriage, tying the knot, gettin' hitched, those vows you take

Everybody's marriage is different, some are good and some are bad
So many factors go into it like personalities, mindsets and the upbringing you had
You can't base yours on other peoples' marriages that have lasted 60 years long
That don't mean a hill of beans `cause you could still end up drownin' in tears of your own
I'm talkin' about marriage, tying the knot, getting' hitched, those wedding bells';
ding dong!

You say you want to be married, but I say you better make sure
You will have marital bliss, but you will have some rough times to endure
Marriage can be great, but it will cause you to grow up real fast `cause about you it is not
You've got to be committed, forgiving and open-minded, thinkin' of that other person a lot
I'm talkin' about marriage, jumpin' the broom, getting' hitched, tying the knot

Divorce should be the very last resort, but so quickly to court many ran
If you are married, you should try to stay married for forever if you can
Just know that when you get married it's not about what they brought, but what you bring
Just know that marriage is good, but it is a lot of work and you have to be dedicated to that thing
I'm talkin' about marriage, tying the knot, gettin' hitched.....way beyond that pretty wedding ring

In Pursuit Of Worship

As the deer pants after the water brook
So does my soul long after you, Lord.
In pursuit of being in your very presence
And to live this life you have given me by your holy word

My heart's desire is to be one after your own heart
As I dwell in this life anew.
Knowing that every part of my life, and the style in which I live it
Is all a part of worshipping you.

I hide your Word deep in the wells of my heart
So that I will not sin against thee.
But, somehow this desperately wicked part of my being
Never ceases to deceive me.

Oh Lord, my Lord hear my humble cry
As I seek your everlasting mercy.
I know I don't deserve it, but I beseech you, my precious Father
Please don't take your spirit from me.

I will sing, I will shout, I will study, I will pray
Whatever it takes is what I will do
But, I declare that I will never give up as long as I shall live
In pursuit of worshipping you.

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Indian Giver

An Indian Giver is known as one who would give you something then take it back
The term came to be many years ago through some misunderstandings to be exact

Under normal circumstances I would not call myself an Indian Giver 'cause I'm really not that way

But I have to say that I'm an Indian Giver now because I'm taking back something I gave away

I gave away something I shouldn't have to someone many years ago that belonged only to me

That thing that I gave away so long ago to someone it didn't belong to, was my own personal identity

I gave it away when I accepted their view of me, my life, what I do, where I go and who I spend my time with

But my identity was given to me by God who created me and gave me identity as a gift

It began when an event took place in my life that they didn't approve of and said things that broke my heart

As the years have come and gone away, things they say to and about me seem to tear me apart

You see, I started seeking their approval for everything I did always concerned about what they thought

Then when they did not approve of something I did, I began to beat up on myself a whole lot

It was like if they didn't approve then what I was doing was somehow wrong or bad in some kind of way

God would even tell me the outcome if I shared it with them, but I would share things with them anyway

As time went by things got worse 'cause I got angry if I felt they were passing judgment on me

Instead of calmly telling them that I didn't receive their judgment I became more bound rather than free

It's a shame that things have to get so bad before we make a decision to do something about them

Then we run to God in prayer wanting Him to do something 'cause we know we can't do anything without Him

If we had gone to God in prayer at first instead of going through years of self destruction

We could have avoided a lot of grief, pain, anger and sleep, not to mention our destiny's interruption

When you allow rejection, judgment and condemnation to come in, you give away your identity
When it is God who created you to be who and the way you are, and if anyone is to judge it is He
No one else has a Heaven or Hell to place you in, nor does anyone have a right to control you
But, when their thoughts, opinions, judgments and negativity get you out of character, that's exactly what they do
The sooner you realize what has taken place in your life to cause you so much hurt
The process of healing can begin to make you whole and put satan under your feet in the dirt
You see, rejection, low self-esteem, fear of man and deep hurt are all spirits invoked by the enemy
They're strategically designed to steal your joy, kill your dreams and destroy your vision so you can't see
The devil will pull out all stops to get you, including using people at church, work, family and close friends
When he sees what buttons affect you and distort your true character, he'll use them again and again
We've been sent as sheep in the midst of wolves so we must be wise as serpents and as harmless as doves
This is not always an easy thing to do, so we must constantly be in communication with our Heavenly Father above
With His help we will overcome the wiles of the devil, we will be whole and our blessings will flow like a river
As we take back what rightfully belongs to us, our God-given identity, when we become an Indian Giver

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It's Time You Know Your Worth

Like a 2-carat diamond set in platinum cut in the princess shape
The value of it really began while it was in its original state
Like fine wine that has matured for years and developed exquisite taste
The value of it really started in the vineyard when it was only grapes
Like caviar that is served at affairs that are the most prestigious
The value of it is determined while it is just an egg inside of a fish
Like a dozen red roses brilliantly arranged and presented in a crystal vase with
Baby's Breath all around
The value of them really began in Spring when they were just planted seed in the
ground
Like fine art displayed in an intricately carved frame and placed in a mansion for
all to admire
The value of it really started as a canvas, a variety of colorful paints and an artist
who was inspired
Though all of these things have great qualities, are expensive and, in some
cases, are priceless
Only someone with the knowledge of their worth will go beyond the desire of
these things to possess
They will care for these things no matter what the expense because they are the
desires of their heart
Surely, your life is worth much more than diamonds, wine, caviar, roses or a
frame that displays fine art
Like a diamond you have endured the test of time and have resisted the hardest
of things
Like fine wine you have matured with time and joy to all who know you your
smile brings
Like the delicacy of caviar you deserve to be treated like a woman of prestige
and grace
Like a dozen long-stemmed red roses you are cherished, loved and embraced
Like fine art you should be adorned like a queen in her court and royally
respected
You should realize your value as a woman, mother, grandmother and great
grandmother who won't be neglected
Forget about mistakes made in the past that only come back to lie about what
you deserve
God has forgiven you for the apologies of your heart; He was listening and He
has heard
There is so much for you to gain in life, if you would allow life to give you these
pleasures

You must believe that nothing is too good for you to possess; even the desires
your heart treasures
There is a plan and a purpose with you in mind; it's the reason your mother gave
birth
I said all of this to say to you, "It's time you know your worth."

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Leave!

Why are you trying to hang onto
Someone who obviously doesn't care about you
Why are you making excuses for them
When all they do is hurt you again and again
What is making you stay in this bad situation
After all of the mental, emotional and physical abuse you have taken
Why do you let them have the run of your house
And disrespect you and yours while you sit there quiet as a mouse
They act like they don't even want to be seen with you
Until they need or want something, then they're calling you Boo
Do you still believe the lies that say, "I love and adore you"
While you're being hit upside your head and your eyes are black and blue
What is it going to take for you to leave this terrible place
A dislocated shoulder or a rearranged face
Don't you know that there is a better life than this
A life full of freedom, peace and joyful bliss
I know they said they would kill you if you ever tried to leave
But don't you know that's a trick of the enemy to keep you from getting what
you need
I know you don't have any money or any skills to get a job
But you have to knock on the door; not just stand there jiggling the knob
You can use all of the excuses, if, ands and buts
But all that's going to do is just keep you in a rut
Stop fooling yourself into thinking things are going to change
And stop walking in pride because you are so ashamed
I know that it hurts and that it scares the wits out of you
But don't let that stop you from doing everything that you need to do
Make yourself a list from A to Z
Of all the tedious details and the things you're going to need
You might have to change locks or get a restraining order
But, it would be better to do those things before someone has to report a murder
You ask, "What should I do if they want a reprieve? "
The only advice I can give to you is one word, and that is LEAVE!

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Let Me Speak For Me

No one can say what I want to say the way that I can say it
No one can express how I feel because how I feel they can't portray it
No one can tell you what I think since they don't live inside of my head
No one can tell you how I'm going to act or respond, what I thought, felt or said
I am perfectly capable of speaking for myself and I will speak when there is a
need
Before I speak I like to sit back and observe 'cause into mess, I refuse to feed
In this life of mine I've learned that opening my mouth is not always the best
thing
Sometimes it is better to allow things to flow naturally because everything has a
truth that it brings
Instead of trying to tell someone what I said, what I think, how I feel or what
you think you see
Or speculating that because I don't take action that as a person I am weak
Handle your life and situations the way that you see fit
If someone tried to speak for you, you wouldn't like it; not one bit
Don't be a busy body spreading gossip all around to everyone that you see
Study to be quiet, live a peaceful life and let me speak for me

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Let The Young People Come

Today we hear about so many young people dropping out of school
How they are being incarcerated, shot down and profiled 'cause some do act like
fools

That doesn't excuse the brutality, corruption or murder in cold blood at the hands
of police
Being troubled doesn't warrant being mistreated, tortured or killed like a dog in
the streets

The elders talk about our disgust and how these young people need to get
themselves together
But, I must ask the question, 'What in the world are you doing to make the
situation better? '

Do you think because you are older that you have all of the answers?
Do you spew out words that tear them down and spread discouragement like
cancer?

Some come from dysfunctional families, bad influences and neighborhoods
riddled with crime
Some have dealt with abuse, neglect, abandonment, drug-addicted parents or
parents doing time

You have some young folks with good family backgrounds that choose to get and
stay on the wrong path
But, that couldn't be the majority 'cause there are too many out their
failing.....you do the math

We need to pray without ceasing for the young people who seem to be troubled
We need to pray for their salvation, that they would have peace and for their
hope to be doubled

We cannot allow a few bad apples or bad seeds to spoil the whole entire bunch
There are many young people out here who pack a powerful and positive punch

But you need to understand that there is a remnant of young people who are on
the horizon
They love God, they're on fire, they're anointed, and ones you need to keep your
eyes on

You have young people who are clean cut, well prepared, well-spoken and they are well dressed

They would not dare leave home without the proper grooming or without their clothes pressed

But, some of them are coming with long weave, skinny jeans, t-shirts and high platform shoes

Some are coming with their hair in locks, long fingernails and might have multiple tattoos

Don't look at their outward appearance and overstate or underestimate the call of God on their lives

Get to know them by the spirit, which is what God is looking at, and don't look at them through your eyes

These are not just the leaders of the future, but some of them are the leaders for now

They have the education, the experience, the spiritual understanding and the know how

We have some dynamic young people today who have so much to offer to the world

Some of them could be mentors or role models for your own boys and girls

These young people are not coming to replace those of us who have been carrying the torch

Don't stand afraid that there is no longer a place for you and try to block them from coming forth

Let the young people come and share all the wonderful gifts that God has given them

Remember, it's not about you or the young people anyway, but it should be all about Him

Let the young people come today in the way that God has anointed

If you would just allow them the chance you will see that they are God appointed

Let the young people come and you will see that they might be able to teach you something

They have the ability to shift paradigms and change atmospheres, because they are serving The King

Let the young people come, and not only will you be in awe, your soul will be on fire

They will re-ignite you, cause your youth to be renewed and take you to a place much higher

Let the young people release the great things that they have been prepared to do

Just remember this one thing, that some time ago those young people were you

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Little Peon

You think I'm a little peon who has absolutely nothing really to offer
You treat me like I'm "the help" or some limo driving chauffeur
You totally blow me off when I try to lend my assistance
You meet whatever I offer you with your critical resistance
You can't even see how a little peon like me could do anything for you
You figure I don't have the monetary or material status as those people you are trying to pursue
You see that I'm a gifted individual, but you don't see how you can use my gift
You see what you think other people have as useful, but I'm the little peon you sift
You don't want to hear what I have to say or receive valuable insight I have to lend
You haven't seen much fruit at all from those swarming around you, but over backwards you bend
You think they are going to get you somewhere because of what they have and who they know
You haven't even discerned their motives and whether or not they are friend or foe
You only seem to go after those who you think are where you desire to be
You don't even realize how God's plan for your destiny could include a little peon like me
You are going to find out real soon how ignoring this little peon has been a big mistake
You are going to see how your ignorance has caused big delays in your ultimate fate
You are going to learn from this that you cannot be a respecter of persons
You are going to learn how a little peon can be sent by God so that you can increase and not worsen
You are going to see through this little peon's success how God was trying to prosper you
You are going to learn most of all that without God, you are a mere peon too

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Magic Pink Roses

A bouquet of magic pink roses I send to make you smile and cheer
These special roses are magic ones that will chase clouds out of here
For them to work their magic, there are just a few things you must do
Just trust me a little and follow the instructions 'cause this is all for you
First, close your eyes to see them and the way they are beautifully arranged
You should see that they are displayed the way you like them, and the
arrangement will never change
Now, flex your nostrils a little and take a deep breath through your nose
You should smell the fragrant aroma and feel a tingle all the way to your toes
Next, take your right hand and gently place it over your tender heart
You should feel it beating strongly with a flutter right from the start
Do not be alarmed that your heart is fluttering, and beating strong and fast
The magic of your pink roses is touching it so that the feeling will last
There is one last thing I need you to do for your magic pink roses to work
Go look into a mirror and give yourself a funny facial smirk
This should bring a smile to your face and you should be starting to grin
If for some reason the magic does not seem to be working, you have to follow
the instructions again
Keep repeating these clear instructions until you begin to smile
The magic pink roses shall take you to a happy place that will last for quite a
while
Keep your magic pink roses around because they will never wither or die
They will always be right there to take you from an emotional low to a high

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Mama's Apple Pie

I love my mama`s apple pie
It`s got a lot more in it than meets the eye
It has love and joy all wrapped up inside
With the apples and the butter and the sugar and spice

My mama`s apple pie is tangy and sweet
She knows just how I like it, so she makes it for me
All I have to do is ask, and it`s as good as baked
She takes extra special care not to make a mistake

On my mama`s apple pie, she pinches the crust
Then she sprinkles the top with powder sugar dust
She puts cuts in the top to let out all the steam
So the crust won`t tear and make an ugly scene

My mama`s apple pie is a very special treat
What makes it so good is that my mama is so sweet
Though my mama`s apple pie is what I`m speaking of
It`s not so much the apple pie, it`s my mama I love

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Maya Still Speaks

The Rock Cries Out to Us Today
For the soul we mourn so dear
On the Pulse of Morning this glorious day
The sad news we all did hear
A Brave and Startling Truth we must face
That Maya no longer we will see
We've been Touched by an Angel for many decades
Who is now forever young and free
I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings
Its song whiffs of hope eternal
Passing Time in this ol' world this Phenomenal Woman blessed us
With her wisdom, wit and love maternal
She taught us The Lesson to be immodest but remain humble
The Refusal to be less than, beneath or disrespected
When You Come to the place in life she came
To be mediocre is not accepted
I can still hear Maya's deep voice in my ears
If you listen real close you'll hear her too with joyous tears in your eyes
Maya still speaks with power, poise and presence
Saying, 'I may have left God's green earth today, but in glory Still I Rise! '

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More Than This!

God sees our needs long before we need them.

He has already provided and it is not news to Him.

The earth is the Lord's, and He owns the cattle on a thousand hills.

You don't need to trip on all that's going on; watch God work and chill!

God will never run out of blessings, and He has much more than you can ask or think.

Don't be jealous of others when they are blessed 'cause you yourself are on the brink.

You've got to trust God and believe in your heart that He will do it for you.

He knows your thoughts afar off, and He knows what's in your heart too!

The tribe of Judah went out before the battle's victory.

You ought to praise God because your outcome is not a mystery!

God has promised you that He would not leave or forsake.

He promised you that He wouldn't put more on you than you can take!

We can go to sleep in peace because the Prince of Peace doesn't sleep.

Quit worrying about the little stuff you can't do anything about anyway and stop you from getting a peep!

God is giving a circuit breaking anointing to trip every trick of the enemy.

You'll get ahold of this anointing when you spend time with Him in intimacy.

God's provision has been made, so pay attention to His word so you don't miss.

The little stuff you ask for, the Lord is able to give you much more than this!

My Daddy's So Funny

My daddy's so funny; always making me laugh
But, he's the best daddy anybody could have
Every time he comes around he has something funny to say
On days when I feel down daddy can always makes my day

My daddy's so funny even when he's not trying to be
He has a way with words and gestures that always tickles me
He makes funny expressions, and he's so witty too
He's so funny he'll make you forget you were feeling blue

My daddy's so funny, but he is also sweet
He will do anything to help someone else; even get them off the street
You can find him givin' change, or just standing up talkin'
To a person that most people would look at and just keep on walkin'

My daddy's so funny, but he is such a good provider
He would do anything to take care of his family, even use the car like a taxi
driver
I'll never forget the time he got up at 5: 00 in the mornin'
He walked me all the way to my train stop, even though it was stormin'

My daddy's so funny, but helped raise us girls so well
When my mama told us "no, " we couldn't run to him and tell
He taught us to be dainty and to act like ladies
He was always involved in our lives from the time that we were babies

My daddy's so funny, but he takes good care of my mother
No matter how tough times would get, he always stood by her
He has been with her for more than 50 years
With her he has shared much marital bliss and many tears

My daddy's so funny, but there is something you should know
He might laugh and joke a lot, but he takes life seriously though
His personality and the things he does are not for him to be seen
He just is who he is, and really loves people; from that we can all glean

My daddy's so funny, when you ask him what he has to give
He'll tell you in a minute, "I got mo' cold cash than you got days to live! "
My daddy is so funny, when I just think about him I laugh

I thank God for my daddy, one of the greatest gifts any girl could have.

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My Passion

My passion is to write
A gift I didn't know was inside of me
Until I desired to give someone something special
And wasn't sure what in the world that would be

After a long time
I decided I should pray and ask God what I could give
His response to me came as quite a surprise
But it was perfect, and I know it is with me for as long as I live

What He told me to do was to write something
In my human hesitance I said, "Who me? "
When I said that I got no response at all from Him
My disbelief must have angered Him 'cause without faith He won't be pleased

I got a pad and began to pen a poem
And a brief moment after I began to write
The words began to flow like rivers of living water
I felt as if I had come from a dark place into a light

It was being revealed right before my eyes
What was to be part of my destiny
This wonderful gift of writing I have
Which before that time I could not see

I always thought it would be to sing or act
Those are things I have always enjoyed
I still do both pretty regularly
But, writing is a passion I can't avoid

Writing to me is like the air I breathe
Something I must have to survive
If I were not allowed to write anything
My spirit would cease to be alive

It doesn't matter what it is that I write
Could be a letter, a poem, an inspiration, a play or a song
Give me a pen and paper, a computer to type or a rock and a chisel
And I could continuously write something all day long

Writing is my passion
I use this gift with every opportunity
Sharing it so that others can be blessed
Has encouraged some, challenged others and even set people free

Though my passion is forever to write
I am careful to praise God for this gift
Because whatever happens in my life
I don't want His anointing to lift

Every human God created has a gift inside
It could be to teach, speak publicly, cook or be a designer of fashion
I encourage everyone to know what the gift of God is in their life
Once you know what that thing is it will become your passion

If you need an example to help you understand
There is a very good example in Jesus the Christ
He was 100% man and 100% Deity
He too, before He was born, had a gift inside

No one else had this gift before or after his time
You see, the gift he had inside was life
He looked inside a cup one day and saying, "Nevertheless..."
The passion that drove him to his destiny was to die

As for me, I will write until I cannot write any longer
There is no such thing as having nothing to say
Because this gift has been inside me since before I was born
I am headed for my destiny, and my passion will take me all the way

Deidre Dixon

No More Tears!

Year after year you've been holding on with everything you've got
You had some good times and triumphs, but downfalls and disappointments
seemed to happen a lot
For each new year that came you said you were going to get closer to the Lord
But, so many obstacles came your way you got buried in your tears as they
poured
You said you'd spend more time studying God's word and in worship and praise
You started off that way, but it just fizzled out after a while as life seemed to get
crazed
Each year started out with a new sense of hope, just knowing that times were
gonna change for the good
Then your faith began to waiver because things didn't turn out the way you
thought they should
It seemed like every time you turned around the wails of your eyes would fill up
hot water
Of tears built up from the years of circumstances, situations and events that
made you holler
They would sting your face as they ran down the sides and under your chin down
to your neck
You'd wake up in the morning time with your eyes and lips swollen and looking a
wreck
Even though you had a good night's sleep you still woke up tired, but not
because you didn't rest
It just seems like you're in a everlasting season of setbacks and in the midst of a
perpetual test
Well, it's about time to dry your weeping eyes because the time you've been
waiting for is here
You can rejoice and get your praise on because your victory is now, not just near
Jesus came that you might have life and that you would have it more abundantly
right here on earth
This was planned in the beginning of time, before your mother ever conceived or
gave birth
It's not counting your chickens before they hatch when you are walking by faith
That is the only way you can please God 'cause He is not moved by tears running
down your face
What you do now is all up to you because you don't have to cry anymore
All of the dreams that seemed unattainable are now available 'cause God has
opened up doors
Don't look back, leave the old stuff behind and receive what's been stored up for

years

You may have cried your eyes out before, but the Rhema word for you is No More Tears!

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Roller Coaster Ride

I love riding on roller coasters; they give me a wonderful thrill
From the anticipation of the first dropp to the shock of going up the first hill
I love the way it takes off slowly then picks up speed as it moves towards the
edge
As I look below at the park I'm in feeling like I'm about to go over a ledge
It's funny how something so scary it makes you scream can give you such a
powerful rush
It's also funny how a roller coaster ride resembles relationships so much
Though there's a close resemblance in a roller coaster ride and a relationship
between two
The rifts in a relationship don't cause the same thrill, but will frustrate the hell
out of you
Every relationship has its ups and downs and takes many turns and twists
They will cause you to scream just like you're on a roller coaster ride, only in the
end you're pissed
Don't get me wrong, relationships can be great too and they certainly can be lots
of fun
You meet someone you are attracted to, get to know them and hopefully, the
two will become one
Nowadays with AIDS and STDs on the rise, not to mention the crazy people you
meet where someone will end up hurt
Most people prefer to be in a committed relationship with someone who, though
not perfect, they have good values and character with which you can work
You might have a few peaks and valleys in your relationship just like on a roller
coaster ride
But just like on a roller coaster, it would be safer to stay on until it is finished
before you exit from your side
Just remember while you're in your relationship that unless there is something
gravely wrong you should stick it out through the good and the bad
'Cause just like on a roller coaster ride it might scare you at times, but in the end
you'll know what a great time you really had

Deidre Dixon

See Through My Eyes

Things are not as they appear
With danger close and darkness near
Change your perspective and truth will grow clear
Begin to See Through My Eyes

You see the worse and the unbearable
To you, issues that are minute seem so terrible
Change your perspective and know I have beared it all
Begin to See Through My Eyes

Your vision has been blurred
From whispers of the enemy you heard
Change your perspective and hear My word
Begin to See Through My Eyes

You shall receive peace, comfort and joy
You shall know that fiery darts cannot destroy
Because you changed your perspective and let your faith cancel every evil ploy
And began to See Through My Eyes

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Set Your Promotion In Motion!

Promotion doesn't come from the east, west or the south.

It comes from the Lord, so open up your mouth!

And give Him praise!

Don't wait for the manifestation of what you asked God for.

Don't wait until He opens Opportunity's door.

Praise Him now!

Your promotion is surely on its way to your hands.

But, there is something you need to understand.

It's not for you.

Your promotion comes from God to you, but it's for them.

'Them' is those people around who may have had a rough life that's grim.

They need you!

You have received freely, so freely you should give.

God is looking at your heart, not just how you live.

Before He releases.

Before He releases His promotion to you,

He is also going to look at the work that you do.

In His Kingdom.

Do you think your boss will promote if you don't participate?

If you sit there doing much of nothing all day, do you think he will elevate?

Don't fool yourself!

Don't be a fool, God is not mocked and you will reap what you sow!

Quit thinking He ought to promote you, when sitting on the pew is all you do!

You need to think again!

Look in the Bible to get an example for getting a higher position.

Look at Solomon's elevation, and know it was not of his own volition.

He did a work for God!

A natural example is Apostle H. Daniel Wilson who you can see.

He has worked hard to advance God's Kingdom and to set captives free.

All for God's Glory!

Get onboard and seek God for what you can do.

Don't look at what everybody else is doing; look at you!

This is personal!

No one else can do the work to cause your elevation.

Worship the Lord and get a revelation.

For yourself.

When you purpose in your heart to serve the Lord.

When you get in alignment with God's will and on one accord.

With His purpose.....

That's when your promotion will be set in motion!

She Was A Great Woman - Coretta Scott King

She was a woman of strength
She handled great responsibility as her husband fought for our freedom
She was a woman of vision
As she stood by her husband she could see what he saw and continue to stand
She was a woman of courage
She never backed down because of danger that was around
She was a woman of intelligence
Being educated never propelled her to an attitude of haughtiness
She was a woman of passion
Once Martin was gone she continued the quest for the accomplishment of his dream
She was a woman of prayer
Her communication with God let her know that she must carry on
She was a woman of greatness
She never tried to place herself out front
She was a woman of servanthood
She served others while not seeking to be served
She was a woman of determination
She traveled near and far to carry on the legacy of her husband
She was a woman full of life
She loved God, her husband, her children and all mankind until the day she was called home
She was a Great woman

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Significant To The Plan

Just as a potter molds clay on a rotating round
God formed the male species with dust taken from the ground
Dust serves no purpose and has no real use to man
But God used insignificant dust and made it significant in the land
Once He formed you He gave you dominion and power
He gave you a body full of strength and a spirit as tall as a tower
From the beginning God intended for you to land on your feet
He wanted this so much for you that created for you a help meet
A male was so important to God's entire plan
He sent his only begotten as an example; 100% deity and 100% man
Just as programmer performs diagnostics to check the computer's brain
God tested your mind by allowing you to give every animal and the female a name
He didn't do this because He thought that this was something you could not do
He did it to show the man what capability is inside of you
God had so much confidence in this creature called a male
He gave him rule over all creatures in the earth and made him the head of the female
You were created to be a leader with a purpose and destiny
He gave you favor in the garden to be close to Him and totally free
Even though sin came and interrupted the plan
God refused to let the sin that came keep Him separated from the man
Many women are so independent that they think they don't need a male
But when a woman tries to take the man's role she is out of order and set up to fail
We need you to help us out when we have something too heavy to lift
And when life seems overwhelming the comfort of your hug is a gift
If you ever wondered why for a man sisters will fight one another
It's because you are desired so much by them because you are significant,
brother
To make a woman who is bad to the bone God reached inside of the man
But this just proves that the male is much needed and significant to God's eternal plan

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Sista Cornbread

She made the bestest tastin' cornbread this side of heaven
"I ain't never had none better than this!" is what they said
If you went somewhere she was and ate, and didn't get any of that, you felt like
you didn't get fed
Now, this sista was full of laughter, she had a big heart, and a great big smile
It's no wonder that her last name was Peoples, 'cause a people person was her
style
It didn't matter if you were family or a friend, or just someone whose
acquaintance she had just met
She would look at you with that big grin of hers, and just that quick, a big hug
you would get
She didn't always have a lot, but whatever she had, she was always willin' to
give
That's why she could be so happy with a smile on her face, 'cause a life of givin'
is how she lived
The love she had for her family, friends and people in general was something you
could feel
She not only gave them her love and well wishes, but that cornbread she made
whenever there was a meal
Yeah, Sista Cornbread knew how much people liked her golden, sweet bread of
perfection
If there had been a campaign for the best cornbread maker, she most definitely
would've won the election
Some people didn't even know her real name, 'cause all folks talked about was
"the sista who made the good cornbread"
They never described her like most people describe a person, by sayin' they tall,
skinny, dark skinned, or maybe that their hair was red
She had a fame around these parts and other places just because her cornbread
was "on the ball"
There are some folks who have stuff that they make or do, but nobody never
hears about them at all
That just goes to show that people like to eat, and food is something that stays
in their heart and their head
And, that is why this sista we know and love so much will forever remain in our
hearts as Sista Cornbread

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Springtime

The thaw of winter's bitter cold
Singing birds and moving water
The layers of clothes we wear in winter
Have now become a bother
Newly planted flowers and freshly manicured lawns
Rainy days and bright rays of sun seen through the curtains drawn
Ducks taking baths in nearby puddles and the return of leaves on trees
Days are longer, hearts are fonder, later is the dawn
Book club luncheons and afternoon teas
Buzzing bees and kites on a string
An urge to clean the house thoroughly
Brings the glorious beauty of Spring!

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Stay Focused

The time for you to go away to embark on a whole new part of life is near
As you go to your chosen university to study for a degree in preparation of your
career

Feelings of excitement, fear and curiosity must be overtaking you at this time
As you think about leaving your family, friends, your home and all things familiar
behind

I know how you feel because I remember how I felt when I went away years ago
I was so frightened and intimidated and overwhelmed by all of the things I did
not know

It is because of my experience and the many mistakes that I made back in the
day
That I want to advise and encourage you to please stay focused while you are
away

Going away to college apart from your family is a whole lot different than going
to high school
There's a whole lot of temptation like those fine brothas and sistas who think
they can make you out of a fool

It's not just the fine brothas and sistas, but there are so many other distractions
that you will face
There are frat parties, concerts, hanging with friends and so many things that
will come to take you away

Stay focused on the reason you are going to college and the future you desire
when you are done
It is so easy to get sidetracked, off course and with your studies find yourself
straying away from

Because I care and want you to succeed, I had to break it down for you in
laymen's terms
'Cause there are so many "wolves in sheep's clothing" out there who
you should learn to discern

Be discerning about associations with the many different acquaintances you will
make

Be kind to everyone, but people's character is something into consideration you must take

It is good to be around those who are handling their business when it comes to school

Being accepted by others is alright, but getting those grades and graduating is what's really cool

Most of all, make sure you pray daily and stay close to God while you are away
It is your relationship with Him that will keep you focused on what you must do each day

Before you know it, you will be marching across that stage receiving honors with your degree

Because you stayed focused while you were away at school, your success is what everyone will see

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Summer

Weather in the 90's, lots of sun and steamy rain
People losing the weight which in winter they gained
Beaches full of people enjoying the sand and the water
Backyard barbeques with hamburgers and hotdogs for starters
Graduations, weddings and reunions for family and classes
Halter tops, bikinis, muscles shirts and sun glasses
Newly finished decks and manicured lawns
Lazy noon naps after church with the curtains drawn
Salads, lemonade, melon, and popsicles
Adults sitting out on the porch while the children ride their bicycles
A time for amusement parks and dune rides in a Hummer
A favorite time of the year for many is Summer.

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Thanksgiving

A day of reflection for blessings bestowed
A day spent with family and friends both new and old
A day of feasting, fellowship and fun
A day to give thanks for all God has done

This day has been celebrated year after year
By people of all cultures both far and near
It's a day most people reflect on how they have been blessed
All the ways, the people and things that brought blessings are addressed

There's turkey and dressing, cranberry sauce and lots of dessert to eat
Everyone fixing their plates, going for seconds while all diets cease
There's lots of greeting, laughter and eating being done
While the men look at football, children play games and women's conversation goes on and on

This is one of the greatest days looked forward to for the year
It brings people together in unity and makes hearts full of cheer
This day is set aside to give thanks for everything
This is the will of our Heavenly Father for everyday, not just for Thanksgiving

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The Constant

Man loves at times and for different reasons
He loves more or less in seasons
His heart gets warm like the weather in Summer & Spring
It sprouts, it blooms, it grows, it sings
Sweet melodies filled with good intentions
Then it begins to fall away and get cold
Like the leaves of Autumn and the Winter snow
So it changes from time to time; from season to season
Unlike another love I know
It stays the same all the time
It doesn't have to grow because it is the greatest love any man could know
It's a love that stays the same throughout eternity
This love is not just shown for Christmas or Valentine's Day
This love is constant in every way
It doesn't change with seasons or from day to day
This love is there in bad times and good
It stays there even when it should - not - because of our ugly ways
Even when we don't love this love stays because it is constant
The love of God is constant.

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The Encounter Continues

Now I have had a physical encounter with this man I met

Everything I thought he would be was confirmed when we met in person for the first time

He looked like the man in the picture I saw when I went in to read his profile

He was tall, dark, handsome and clean cut with the added feature of a nice smile

I watched him walk from the parking lot into the place where we had agreed to meet

I parked and went inside to retrieve him and take him to the place where we would eat

Immediately I felt comfortable with him as we drove not far to the chosen place

It was probably a little obvious how I felt since I couldn't seem to keep the smile off my face

I was a little disappointed about the restaurant, but that didn't matter much to me

More importantly I was finally with this man with whom I really wanted to be

Once we met one another in person I believe we were both pleasantly pleased

I saw that he was such a gentleman and polite, and he saw that I was not some sleaze

I look forward to spending some more time with this man and his delightful personality

I believe his thoughts might be mutual in regards to spending more time with me

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The Family Reunion!

'Twas the family reunion we have e'ry year
Folks coming from all over the country, or tryin' to scrape up the money to get there
We got Big Mama, Buddy, Shineequa, Mook and Bunny
We got Aint Lizzy, Uncle Po'Boy, Precious, Skeeta and Honey
They come in all shapes, sizes, colors, mentalities and legal backgrounds
They come from all cities, states, villages and backwoods with animal sounds
Some of `em come to enjoy the family wit e'rythang paid in full
Some of `em come unpaid, wit no money tryin' to scam family with their `bull'
Some of `em come all paid up, but add 15 mo' who ain't paid for nothin'
Then when they cain't get in, get fed, or get a t-shirt, they go away huffin'
Firs' we have a fish fry, then a picnic and las', a formal banquet
Some come dressed to the `nines', some come a'ight, then some look like they got on blankets
At the fish fry you always got them ones that try to get in line twice befo' e'rybody is fed
At the picnic you got folks wit high blood and `sugar' eatin' like they wanna be dead
Then we have the banquet at the end that's supposed to be fancy and elegant
Then you see who don't know how to dress, don't have no trainin' and sho' ain't got no etiquette
Now we cain't forget about the Sunday mornin' church service we always have e'ry year
They come in shoutin' and cryin' after they was drunk the night befo' and sangin' all in yo' ear
Yeah we usually have a dance fo' the adults and for all the kids on Saturday night
Jus' like any club you go to, when you get there you definitely gonna see some sights
You gonna see somebody who think they the best dancer and sharpest dressed
You gonna see somebody who got a bunch of weave on that head that look a hot mess
You gonna see some in the dance that really do have they stuff together
But you definitely gonna see some that watch e'rybody else like they better
Oh well, I guess the family reunion is somethin' for us all to enjoy each other, so I won't knock it
All I got to say is, at the nex' family reunion I'ma be watchin', so you better not get out of pocket!

The Feelings In Your Heart

Who put a limit on the time when someone should feel a certain way?

Can you really control how you feel about someone even though your mouth won't say?

We're quick to express our dislike for someone or to find something wrong with them.

When it comes to expressing our fondness or love for someone we quickly withdraw then.

It seems that we're afraid to open up our hearts and allow our feelings to flow true and free.

To fake and withhold and hide and run away seem to be the going mentality. So many hearts have been wounded and torn apart when they were allowed to freely flow.

But the real problem lies not in opening up your heart, but in just how far did you go.

You see, opening your heart to someone doesn't mean you have to get physical and jump into the sack.

Then your soul and emotions get all tied up without any commitment and you can't take any of it back.

You want to hold what you feel has been done to you against anyone else who tries to get in.

It's not their fault that you compromised your values and self worth to the point of stooping to sin.

We try to blame others when we are the real culprits of how relationships affect our mind, body and spirit.

We open our hearts and other things to people who mean us no good and have no business near it.

We must begin to understand that relationships are spiritual and in our lives a very powerful thing.

They can affect you in negative or positive ways with all of the attachments they bring.

If we are ever going to be in a position to allow our feelings to flow free and true.

We will have to take an introspective look at ourselves, seek God and allow our minds to be renewed.

How you feel about someone should not be based on how they feel about you.

And just because you feel a certain way doesn't mean getting involved is necessarily what you should do.

You have to use wisdom in how you distribute your feelings and learn how to guard your heart.

This doesn't mean being suspicious of everyone you encounter, but being

realistic about possibilities from the start.

When you are dealing with people you already know there is not one person who is perfect in everything.

Just like you every person you meet has shortcomings and adversity in their lives that into a relationship they will bring.

It is up to you get to know someone to an extent that you can properly discern the place they have with you.

Whether you met them for a reason, a season or a lifetime will determine what you should do.

Don't go farther than you should in hopes of being closer to someone 'cause when it doesn't work out you'll be hurt.

Upholding your values will command their admiration, and this is what will make a relationship work.

Be yourself and know that you deserve to be honored and treated with the utmost respect.

Doing this alone will give you much confidence in yourself and guard the heart you want so desperately to protect

Don't be tricked into thinking that in order to have what you want you have to compromise.

It's actually on the contrary, and when you realize this you will get the prize.

When you discern that someone is good people and you want a relationship to start.

You don't have to be afraid to open up and let them know what's really in your heart.

Just take it one day at a time and keep in mind that people and seasons do change.

That way if things don't work out the way you would have liked you can move on and not feel strange.

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The Internet Encounter

This is the story about a nice man I met
In the most unusual way on the internet
I received an e-mail saying someone was interested in me
So I clicked on his username to go to his profile and see
Much to my curiosity and pleasantly to my surprise
I was more than pleased to what initially met my eyes
Here was a picture of this strikingly handsome man
Who had shown that he was an interested fan
So I clicked on the spot that said I was interested too
Nothing else seemed to be working so I wanted to try something new
I was so hesitant about this internet thing, you see
At first I felt that going was somehow beneath me
Before I finally signed up, I went back and forth and stalled
But when I really took time to think about it, it's really not a bad thing at all
What's the difference than if I met someone on the street or some other place
You're not going to get to know anyone at all until you spend some time face to
face
So I decided to change my attitude about meeting a man
It's just by chance that you'll meet someone compatible, and not necessarily with
a plan
After I showed interest in this gentleman I didn't hear anything from him
So I decided to initiate a conversation and to him an e-mail I would send
I told him that if he would like I was willing to communicate more
I had to come out of my comfort zone and with this brother open the door
He shortly wrote me back and said that he would like to communicate
He then introduced himself to me which caused a slight rise in my heart rate
I was elated but nervous because this internet thing was all so new
But the fact that he responded positively to me was a relief to tell the truth
You see, being single and meeting new people is not an easy thing
You can't help but think about all the possible rejection it can bring
I believe a lot of people don't even meet because of this
But I really wanted to meet someone even if it meant I might get dis'ed
Taking the first step turned out not to be a bad thing at all for me
'Cause now I have met this man from the internet and a very nice man he seems
to be
We wrote e-mails to each other through the website for a short period of time
Then he gave me his personal e-mail address and in return I gave him mine
After a couple of messages we wrote to each other I told him there was more I
wanted to know

I received a message saying he trusted me and gave me the number to his phone

"Wow! " I thought to myself. "We will finally get a chance to speak."

I called the number he gave me, and when I heard his voice my interest was really peaked

This man's voice had a sound so rich, robust and strong

It made me anticipate a conversation with him and not want to wait very long

Even though we had not spoken directly, I could tell he was a lot of fun

His messages always had a bit of humor in them and I would smile when they were done

I finally caught up with this man that I met on the internet

We had our first real conversation over the phone, but in person we haven't met

I enjoyed speaking with him very much and he said he enjoyed speaking with me

So, wherever else this internet encounter goes I will be patient and wait to see.....

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The Journey

So you're on this journey called life and you're wondering where it will lead

For a while you didn't even realize you were on a journey; just thought you were your daddy's seed

Thought you were just born and the way life has turned out is just the cards you were dealt

You've been looking at life through your own self-made prescription, but this journey is not about what you've seen, heard or felt

This journey you're on has many twists, turns, dead ends, forks and seems like it's always under construction

This expedition was created long before you were born and like a stage play, it is a well thought out production

You've asked the question why, in your life, have you had to go through so many changes

You didn't create your own life, but several circumstances and choices have taken you through many stages

First you had your upbringing that started to formulate your personality

Some folks had a good upbringing, but some didn't and unfortunately that is a reality

Then you were out in the world where you started coming up with ideas of your own

Around this time is where most of us started feeling out cheerios and tryin' to act like we were grown

You have people who were brought up in the lap of luxury with everything handed on a silver platter

They get a little taste of life on their own and when things go south, they wonder what's the matter

Some of us got kicked out like an eagle bird where you had to fly or fall to your death

It might sound bad but that was the thing that helped some people turn out the best

Then you had those who were raised without rules, discipline or any kind of direction

Unless they got some sense about themselves later, they ended up in the Department of Corrections

A whole lot of people came from good stock, had everything they needed and more

But, for some reason they got to be adults and started acting like they were rotten to the core

Wherever you are in your journey right now, everything has happened for a reason

The thing you need to know is regardless where you are in the journey right now there is a thing that is called Due Season

You can't look around at other people's lives and think because they are doing well they must have done something right

You have no idea of the obstacles they had to face, the mistakes they have made and how to get where they are they had to fight

You can't look at people who seem to have a jacked up life and think they must have done something wrong

You have no idea how faithful, loyal and true they have been, how they been pressing toward the mark for so long

You have to look in the mirror of your own life and see what is going on with you

Are you on the path that was set before time, or did you stray away and do what you want to do

Have you seen your mistakes and tried to change, or do you keep making the same mistakes you made

Do you walk around complaining about your life, or do you take the lemons and make lemonade

There is something that many of us do not seem to understand about the journey we are on in our life

Where you are right now might be good or bad, but it is not the end and will not suffice

There was a plan put together that was completed from the beginning and at the end your journey you will win

The thing about it is that you can't give up, and you've got to make up your mind you're all in

Some people been through a hard time in life and some even attempted suicide

There is a purpose for you here on this earth 'cause if it wasn't you would have died

Some people turned to drugs and alcohol to try and cope with all of the obstacles that came their way

Some of those same people you wouldn't know if you tried, 'cause they are prospering in life today

Everybody has a journey to make and all of our journeys are not the same

Just because our journeys take different turns don't mean we need to look for someone to blame

Stay the course of your journey and soon you will see that the purpose for your journey is clear

You might say it has been a long road, but the destination you are to reach is near

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The Kingdom Of God

The Kingdom of God is a very broad and complex place

It encompasses every system of this world and every person who has accepted Christ

Some have grasped its true meaning and embraced its principles wholeheartedly

Some slap the word 'Kingdom' in front of everything and run around talking about it like they're poltergeist

The Kingdom of God has to be taken seriously and not only in word, but indeed

Just talking about it and using the word 'Kingdom' frivolously is of non-effect

The way we carry ourselves in every area of our lives shows our real mindset

And anyone with any inkling of discernment would not find phoniness hard to detect

We sometimes hear a thing and jump on the 'band wagon' 'cause it sounds and feels good to be a part

We do it without having a full understanding and not having a solid foundation that is steady

We talk and operate in utter ignorance like we have cornered the market on the subject

As for The Kingdom of God, you need to be Kingdom minded to be Kingdom ready

To be Kingdom minded, you have to take on the mind of Christ and see from a spiritual perspective

When your vision is focused through the filter of the Word of God, you can see things much clearer

When you can see clearer and have the knowledge of how things should be handled and how to function

Then you have the wherewithal to operate in the earth as it is in heaven like a mirror

Just like the kingdoms of this world have a governor, so does the Kingdom of God

The Kingdom of God is governed by Holy Spirit, the third person of the Trinity

Just like the kingdoms of this world consist of several systems and possess many provisions

The Kingdom of God consists of all of these systems and for its purposes it has every amenity

The Kingdom of God is synonymous with God's government or His way of doing things
It's God's order enacted in our lives, ministries, businesses, our actions and our thinking
Everything about the Kingdom of God is based on the Word of God and very clear
There is nothing obscure about its meaning that will leave you puzzled and blinking

Holy Spirit, the Governor of the Kingdom of God, serves a great purpose in our lives

He was sent from Heaven by God the Father when Jesus, the son of God ascended

Holy Spirit was sent to teach us all things, to comfort us and to be our daily guide

If you are going to be successful in anything, adherence to His leading is recommended

To be a part of the Kingdom of God is really the best and most wonderful place anyone could be

To be a part of it means you have been redeemed by the blood of Jesus and have an eternal destiny

It means you have been forgiven, released from condemnation and given supernatural power and authority

Being a part of the Kingdom of God means that you are a king and priest, and possess vast territory

When you begin to understand the Kingdom of God and what it really means to you

Your outlook on life, how you deal with things and people, and the things you pursue will change

You will begin to operate in the power and authority given to you when you received salvation

And things like fear, doubt, being downtrodden, suffering lack and having a heavy spirit will become strange

The Kingdom of God is a very broad and complex place

But its space is infinite, and if you desire to be a part of it there is more than enough room for you

Yes, the Kingdom of God will accept anyone who has a desire to become a legal citizen

To verbally confess Jesus Christ is Lord and believe his resurrection in your heart is all you have to do

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The Selection

Today I have an opportunity to make a selection
Of precious jewels to adorn me, catch the King's eye and gain his affection
I'm not sure if I should get something for my hair, a necklace or a ring
Before this important encounter that I will have with the King
As I enter this chamber I can't help but be totally amazed
By all there is to choose from as I just stand in the midst and gaze
All of the other maidens have selected jewels that look so gaudy
Their attitudes are so disrespectful, rude and haughty
I know that elegance, grace, wisdom and intelligence are traits I must exude
I cannot afford to give off an arrogant or prideful attitude
This selection I must make will say a lot about me in the King's eyes
I need to seek the advice of someone who is close to the King and who is wise
He will be able to assist me with making the right selection
From this enormous array of jewels from the King's collection
It is of extreme importance that the selection I make is just right
I don't know exactly the hour or day, but my encounter with the King could be
tonight
I must make absolute certain that I am the one the King will choose
If I am not selected by the King, my whole nation could stand a chance to loose
This wise man closest to the King helped me to make the perfect choice by far
He turned my attention to a simple pendant of a single star
He knew that this was the piece that would get the King's attention
It was the star representing my own people this wise man did not fail to mention
When I placed it upon my neck I knew this was the right choice
I wanted to scream in victory, but I didn't dare raise my voice
Somehow I know deep inside that when I have my encounter with the King
I am the one he will tell his servants into his chamber to bring
Once I am in his chambers, I will win his heart I believe
There is not one single solitary thing that I won't be able to receive
It's amazing how one simple selection can save a whole nation
And how the Lord God, Jehovah, can use me, a lowly maiden
I owe all praises to Him for the guidance and direction
It is only by the grace of God that I made the right selection

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There Is Healing In My House!

"Your body is a temple, a House, and it belongs to Me, " says the Lord.

"Holy Spirit resides in this house, as it says in 1 Cor.6: 19 in my word.

Inside this house resides the power to heal.

It has the power to stand against what the enemy will try to destroy, steal or kill!

You may become afflicted at times in your life, but I'll deliver you from it all!

Trust me, Jehovah Rapha, who is the divine healer no matter what the disease is called!

Stand in your most holy faith and believe what I can do!

This ain't even the first rodeo for many of you!

Yes, I've delivered you out of the wiles of the enemy on many occasion!

How dare you not walk in what I say belongs to you in any situation!

I don't care what a practicing doctor says, how bad your credit is, or how long you've been dealing with a thing!

I am in the house here and now, and with me healing for all I bring!

Get that anointing oil that's been sitting on the shelf and begin to douse!

Use your kingdom keys to bind every demonic spirit, and cast the devil out!

The kingdom suffereth violence and the violent must take it by force!

You've got to quit making covenant with sickness and disease, and from the devil get a divorce!

You are my children and all of the benefits of the kingdom are yours without a doubt!

Get ready to prosper and be in health as your souls prosper, 'cause healing is in
My house! "

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Twig In A Wig

Lucy so skinny with all that hair on her head

Cain't tell her she ain't fine; cain't tell her nothin

Her mama tried talkin to her and tellin her to be careful

Tellin her that everybody ain't yo friend

Lucy wouldn't listen; had a mind of her own and thought she was grown

Them streets started beatin her up pretty bad

Her mama tried talkin to her; tellin her to come on home

Lucy wouldn't listen; mind was gone and told her mama to leave her alone

Danny took her home with him

Lucy thought she was into somethin then and she was

Danny gave her a place to stay, food to eat but she had to pay them bills

Look at Lucy over there on that corner lookin like a twig in a wig

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Um, Um, Um!

The Lord had a plan in mind and sent you what you needed
But because it didn't come in your desired "package" you didn't receive it
Um, Um, Um!

You decided to go another route because this other person was a "somebody" in
your book
What the Lord sent you included all the provisions, and that's the one you
should've took
Um, Um, Um!

You were strapped and struggled through what God tried to make simple for you
Now, things have gotten so out of hand and in the hole you don't know what to
do
Um, Um, Um!

You forgot that God uses the foolish things to confound the wise
Instead of looking at things God's way, you looked at them through your own
eyes
Um, Um, Um!

So often we miss out on blessings because we're so into the outward look of
people and things
When God looks at the heart and not appearances when there is a blessing He
wants to bring
Um, Um, Um!

When those things or people we have rejected begin to prosper we have the
nerve to get upset
Instead of looking at the error of our ways so in the future the blessings sent we
can get
Um, Um, Um!

It's a downright shame that you aren't yet where you should be
All because you were so blind to what God was trying to do you couldn't see
Um, Um, Um!

You claim to be so spiritual, but at times it seems you are not in tune with the
Spirit
Your thinking is so carnal that when Holy Spirit tries to speak to you, you can't

even hear it
Um, Um, Um!

Since I'm not omniscient and don't know everything about everything like the
Lord
I can only imagine what He must be saying as He sits and watches us, and that's
one word
Um, Um, Um!

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Unified Authority

There is an authority that comes when we are unified.

We've seen it throughout history when people joined together and could not be denied.

Look what happened when people came together under the leadership of Dr. Martin Luther King.

There was authority that the races, religions and sexes who were unified did bring.

When we link up together, we cannot be stopped no matter who or what will try.

Even demons stay unified no matter what, even when they are about to die!

How is it that a defeated foe can maintain unity among his demonic ranks?

But when it comes to unity in the Body of Christ, our unity has tanked!

If we would come together and stay together, we could advance the kingdom of God on a greater scale.

While we're bucking against one another, the world seems to be going to hell!

We walk around talking about 'It's all about the kingdom' everywhere we go.

But then there's a scattering when it's time to come together to serve or sow!

Come on, people, let's join together and serve the Lord with unity!

When we come together on one accord, we will see unified authority!

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Walk Through The Door

When a window closes, the Lord will open a great door and effectual unto you.

And when that door opens, many adversaries will also come through.

In your carnal mind you might be saying, 'Why would the Lord do that? '

'Why would He open a great door and let the enemy come through the back? '

If you get in the Spirit, you wouldn't be concerned about what a lying devil can do or has done.

You would rebuke that devil 'cause you know the truth of your victory through the Son.

When God opens the door, it's up to you to walk through it.

Get your plan together and don't procrastinate you've got the power to do it!

The provision has been made and exceedingly more.

Your expected end was complete before the beginning of time, so what are you waiting for?

Walk in Kingdom power, authority and dominion!

Walk in your anointing God gave you, and don't listen to man's opinion!

Don't hesitate because it doesn't seem 'cool.'

Don't miss your blessing by being a fool.

A fool knows what to do, but yet they refuse to do it.

A fool bases what they do on everyone else's movement.

Walk in the power that the Father gave you purpose for.

Go forth in obedience and walk through that great door!

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Walking In The Spirit

Open your heart and let all the hurt out
Inside it's just sitting there
It's just causing pain and doubt

Open your heart and let all the peace within
Outside it's no good to you
Outside it just keeps sadness in

Open up and pour out all you've held inside
A doorway to freedom is open now
For your spirit to come alive

Open your heart and let wisdom have it's way
Outside it cannot help you
Inside is where it should stay

Let all the bad out and all the good in it
Your heart is where you begin to start
Walking in the Spirit

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What Would Have Happened?

What would have happened if you had been given away?

There certainly wasn't anything that was standing in the way.

Someone was busy enjoying life and wasn't thinking about having a baby.

But, when they found out you were inside of them giving you up was not an option, not even a maybe.

What would have happened if they had carried you around for nine months?

Then decided to give you to someone else to care for you and not really know what was what.

Do you think they would have gone on about their business as if they didn't care?

There would have never been a day to go by that they didn't wonder who you were with and where.

What would have happened if they hadn't given you a chance to know all the people who love you?

Your grandmother, grandfather, aunties and cousins, and all of the friends you have made, too.

Would it have been fair to all of those people to get rid of you when they were willing to help?

These people would do anything to provide for and raise you, regardless of how anyone felt.

What would have happened in your life if you had been given to some stranger?

You could have ended up abused, neglected or abandoned by someone filled with anger.

Do you think you would have been as blessed as you are with all that you have been given?

You can't really answer that question because of the wonderful life you have been living.

What would have happened in all of these years as you grew up with a spirit of rejection?

You see, no matter what people think when a child is given away these feelings become manifestations.

Some end up on drugs, suicidal, alcoholic, serial killers, or on the street turning tricks.

This happens just because someone made the choice that the child they were carrying weren't worth it.

What would happen if I didn't care enough to say these things to you?
Because I am someone who loves you so much, I must admonish you about
some things that you do.

I can't just let you give this child away because in the long run I know you and
the child will hurt.

Hang in there, my child, I am with you all the way right now and even after the
birth.

What's the worst thing that can happen with something as precious and
miraculous as a child?

Who is trained up as they should go, so that when they grow older they won't go
wild.

If you give your child away, my dear, you will never get a chance to see.

How God gave you a chance to impart into another life so they could be all he
intended them to be.

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What, When & Why?

Another Black, intelligent and promising young man,

Has been killed senselessly at a hateful cop's hand.

It hurts to my core even though I didn't know this young guy.

As I listened to the horrific story, I began to uncontrollably cry.

What is going to be done about police committing these crimes?

When will a law be passed for their immediate arrest when they murder and lie?

Why is nothing ever done until people begin to raise hell?

And even then, these criminals with badges are not immediately put in jail!

Almost every day, we hear about another death from a reporter.

About how a Black boy or man was shot in cold blood, harassed or beaten right in front of a video recorder!

The police involved in most of these encounters try to cover up the story and lie!

They don't give a damn about causing another human being to die!

What is the government going to do about this mess?

When will the Congress get involved and make changes to put law enforcers to the test?

Why is this repeated scenario being allowed in the United States?

This is a travesty that has to be resolved to eradicate the cancerous spread of hate!

The police everywhere are supposed to protect and serve and uphold the law fully.

The acts being portrayed make the police, as a whole, look like a lawless gang of

rogue bullies!

It reminds me of Pharaoh trying to have all the male children murdered.

To eliminate any legacy or allowing generations to grow any further!

What are we, the people of God, going to do?

When will we humble ourselves and pray and turn from our wicked ways too?

Why are we looking for the world to change what we, the people of God, can change through prayer?

We've got to stay on our knees and in God's face until we see the change we desire everywhere!

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Who's Changing Who?

We are change agents, supposedly
Those of us whom the Son has set free

Who say we are kingdom citizens
Who have God-given power and authority to help us win

We who are the light of the world and the salt of the earth
Us who have an inheritance that is innumerable in its worth

We have the favor of God on our side
We have the Word of God that cannot be denied

We have gifts and talents that God has given us
He gave us the power to get wealth that is not tied up in a trust

We should be the most powerful people in the world
We should be training up even more powerful boys and girls

It is a sad indictment on the church
We've been sleeping while the world has gotten worse

We have been given liberty, but we act as if we're bound
Like we have shackles on our feet and we're being held down

Instead of being change agents we've allowed the world to change us
What happened to the "Rosa Parks" who refuse to go to the back of the bus

We need to stand up and let the world know it's for God we stand
If we are asked whether we are Christians we should not hide our hands

The Pledge of Allegiance even says "one nation under God"
This land was never intended for the world to reek havoc and trod

Taking our rightful place is what we need to do
Then we won't have to answer the question, "Who's Changing who?"

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Worship

Worship is not just another song

It is not just another moment that you will long

For His presence

Worship is not just a moment in time

It is not just another time that you weep and cry

In His presence

Worship is, first of all, a wonderful lifestyle to live

It is a way of living and to God completely give

Of yourself

Worship has to be a way of truth while you are in the spirit

It is attuning your ear to the Lord and beginning to hear it

In its fullness

When you hear what God's voice says to you

You do everything in your finite power to do what He says to do

To bring Him glory

While you spend time with God intimately

You're prepared to receive the strategies

He will give you

He'll tell you how to live, where to go, when to move

As He instructs, He gives you directions so you won't lose

The revelation

Worship is how you consummate your relationship

It seals the covenant you have with Him and is a sign of your sonship

In the Kingdom

In this place, He will impregnate you

In this place you will conceive your destiny to pursue

With understanding

You'll understand the purpose for which you were born

You won't be pulled in all different directions or torn

About your anointing

We sing and dance and study His word and we pray

We go to church, do ministry, we lay hands to heal and to the lost we point the way

As gestures

Gestures to show that we belong to the family of God

Gestures that suggest we are not putting on a facade

We are real

God is searching for those who worship in spirit and truth

There is no amount of gestures or work you can do

To be identified

Change your perspective and seek after Him with your very core

Live your life in pursuit of worship until you can't seek anymore

When life changes

When you reach the eternal realm

Where 24/7 worship is at the helm

Of all who are present

Holy, Holy, Holy....Lord God Almighty is what all are saying

In a realm where worship is the way of life and not displaying

Our acts

You'll know that worship is not just a song

Nor is it a place where you have to long

'Cause you'll be there

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Your Fragrance

Are kindness, willingness to help and love top notes that will give your first impression?

Are your middle notes made up of friendly sincerity from the heart with effortless affection?

Will an encounter with you find a depth and richness in your base notes of a kind soul?

Can your fragrance be displayed as a valuable perfume encased in pure gold?

Will one find a fragrance that appeals to the senses and agrees with the chemistry that is rare?

All of the qualities anyone could want in a fragrance, in you, are they all there?

Are you a beautiful scent that lasts, is valuable and does not go out of style?

Is this what is exuded through the fragrance of your smile?

The spirit of your fragrance must be sweet even in the nostrils of God.

Notes of love, kindness, purity and gentleness are qualities that should be awed.

Whenever one encounters such a special fragrance is it you who is on display?

Will they get a whiff to remember that will make them take the time to say?

Can your fragrance be sprayed everywhere for all to enjoy and appreciate?

Your fragrance is one the world should want to wear and that we can all try to emulate.

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Your Hand: An Ode To Brothers Who Reached Out

Because you reached out, another man's life has changed.

Just in the nick of time the compassion in your heart pulled him out of the rain.

Life's precipitation had come to drench him and cause a torrential downpour of doubt.

Believing the lies that said he would never make in life and he had to accept the mediocrity that these streets give out.

By reaching out your giving hand you've done more than be your brother's keeper.

You pulled your brother out of the hands of the world's sinkhole that was trying to pull him deeper!

Into that place of desperation where the poorest choices and mistakes are made.

That would keep him in that cycle of bondage and continue to cause his blessings to be delayed.

By reaching out to be a blessing to someone else, you have made an impact on this tumultuous world!

You're an example to other brothers to reach out to those diamonds in the rough who are hidden in oysters of calamity though they are valuable pearls.

So many brothers who could help are only interested in helping themselves 'cause they have an 'I' Infection.

If it ain't 'I, me or my' they turn a blind eye even though they clearly see a brother going in the wrong direction.

Favor shall forever follow you and lead the way of your success!

The dreams you have dreamed shall come to pass and even your thoughts will be blessed!

Make room for the abundance that is inevitably bound to you.

You grew not weary in well doing and your season of reaping is now due!

Your life doesn't look the same today as your life once looked before.

No one could encounter your presence and know what it was like before you walked through the door.

The door that was opened to give you an opportunity to turn things around.

The door that was opened to you one day when you were lost and got found.

Now the gratitude for the hand extended to you, you have extended to another.

Forever will gratitude be extended to you for extending a hand to your brother.

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