

DEDICATION

This book is dedicated to my loving and supportive husband

Alva

together we have walked this journey of faith for over 40 years.

Foreword

I made the decision very early in my Christian walk to believe and receive the Word of God, to make the Word my final authority. As I studied the Bible I learned my authority as a believer and who I was in Christ Jesus. Agreeing with the word and saying what the Word said about me and life's circumstances has resulted in living a life of peace, joy, victory and abundance!

As a young wife and mother, I learned what God's Word said about me and dared to believe it! I learned to speak the scriptures ~ in other words, "I called things that were not as though they were!" Romans 4:17

Speaking, praying and believing God's Word over my life delivered me from anxiety, fear and worry and Jesus healed me from all the physical effects! God is so faithful and His Word is definitely the truth, it is my truth and the pathway for my life!

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IT IS WRITTEN!

Jesus said, "It is written"

As Christians, Jesus' life is the example we are to follow as we walk through our journey of life. As you read *Matthew 4:1-11*, you will see what Jesus did when faced with temptation and adversity. As we are faced with the temptations and adversities of life, we are to do this also!

Matthew 4:3-4 "Now when the tempter came to Him, he said, 'if you are the Son of God, command that these stones become bread.' Jesus said 'it is written, man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceeds from the mouth of God.'"

Jesus is telling us that we should live our lives according to the Word of God. When we do, our thoughts, our words, our conversations and our actions should reflect His Word!

The food we eat gives strength to our bodies, but it is not our main strength. More importantly, the Word of God is our bread, our daily bread, our bread of life! It gives God, we are renewing our minds and living in the light of the Lord.

The <u>Word</u> mentioned in Matthew is a spoken word, it is a rhema word. A rhema word is a specific word or scripture for a specific time. God spoke the heavens and the earth into existence. He just spoke and it was. He said "let there be.... and it was". When Jesus was here on earth, He didn't say anything except what the Father told Him to say.

Jesus said in this passage, "it is written" three times to illustrate the importance of using the power of the Word of God. Since we look to Jesus as our example, we should follow His example on how He overcame temptation and adversity. When the number three (3) is used in the scriptures it refers to completeness or spiritual perfection. Take notice when Holy Spirit uses numbers to speak to us, here He is telling us we can obtain completeness by speaking the Word of God! That promise alone is worth remembering!

We should say "it is written" and use the authority given to us to speak the Word when we are faced with temptation and adversity. The Word is our power. The Word is our sword to stand in victory against the evil of this world and to obtain our inheritance as we live in the Kingdom of God. Yes! We must have this mind set, as victory begins in our minds and in our thoughts. Our spirit must have authority over our minds and over our thoughts. We must stop thinking like the world. Our thoughts should be in the Spirit realm; we should be thinking and meditating on the promises of God! Remember it is written, "For out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaks." Matthew 12:34b.

As born-again believers, the promises of God are yours and they are mine. The promises of God are "yes & amen"! They are the words we should be using to walk in our authority in order to have victory over the devil and the world. We should be using our authority ~ the Word of God ~ to overcome temptation and adversity in life just as Jesus did! He said "it is written." I have some questions for you now.

- Do you believe that the Bible is true and the inspired Word of God?
- Do you believe that the Bible is your truth and authority for your life?

You should have answered "yes" to these two questions. If not, I encourage you to think about making the decision to do so ~ then move onto the next question.

• Have you ever thought to tell the Lord that you receive His Word as your truth and as your final authority? Making this decision will be life changing and lifesaving! Pray this way...

"Father, in the name of Jesus, I believe <u>Your Word</u> is true and I believe it is my truth. I decree that <u>Your Word</u> is my authority, my final authority for my life and for all of my life's decisions." Amen.

"It is written"

Matthew 4:5-7 "Then the devil took Him up into the holy city, set Him on the pinnacle of the temple, and said to Him. 'If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down. For it is written: 'He shall give His angels charge over you. And In their hands they shall bear you up, lest you dash your foot against a stone.' Jesus said to him. 'It is written again, you shall not tempt the Lord your God.'"

God's promises and spiritual laws were created for Kingdom living and for our benefit and blessing. We need to use wisdom and not be foolish or tempt God. We can't go out and play in the cold rain or snow without the proper clothing or covering on our head and expect not to get a cold! We know that our actions are very important. Consequences are the results of our actions. If we choose to speed while driving a car, most likely we will receive a ticket, or worse, cause a wreck and injure ourselves and/or others. Also, we must realize that there are consequences for our actions in the spirit realm. When we

are not obedient to God and His spiritual laws, trouble comes our way. We open the door to attacks of the devil by our disobedience!

James 3:16 says strife opens the door to every evil work.

We can't allow anything such as taking offense, being envious, or living in un-forgiveness, bitterness or strife to occupy or take up space in our mind or hearts. Be aware that satan uses these devices to come against us. When we give in to our flesh, we are flinging the door wide open for the enemy to come in and occupy.

Think about James 3:16; every evil work ~ every work of satan! When you allow these attitudes and actions in your life, you are a target for the devil. Now take a look at 2 Corinthians 10:5 "casting down arguments and every high thing that exalts itself against the knowledge of God, bringing every thought into captivity to the obedience of Christ." Take a few minutes and meditate on these truths!

God is not causing your problems or troubles. You allow the enemy to take ground in your life. Satan is battling to occupy your mind, but God wants you to yield to Him so His power and blessing can be released in you! Fill your mind with the Word of God and push out the thoughts of the enemy!

Romans 6:16 "Don't you realize that you become the slave of whatever you choose to obey? You can be a slave to sin, which leads to death, or you can choose to obey God, which leads to righteous living." NLT

You will be influenced, dominated and ruled by whomever or whatever you yield to. When you yield to the things of God you receive blessing and power to overcome ~ power to overcome whatever life brings to you! Thinking on the promises of God and agreeing with His Word causes you to speak life-giving words. Life-giving, because your thoughts become your words and your words become your actions and your actions become your character and your life!

When you yield to the ways of your flesh or to the ways this world, you come under attack from the demonic realm & destruction and trouble are released in you.

"It is written"

Epesians 6:12 "For we are not fighting against flesh-and-blood enemies, but against evil rulers and authorities of the unseen world, against mighty powers in this dark world, and against evil spirits in the heavenly places." NLT

The devil is looking for whom he may devour. We open the door to the devil by our thoughts, by our actions and by our decisions. Think about that! Satan uses people to come against us, but in reality we are fighting against the evil spirits of the spirit realm! When we decide to think, to speak or to act like the unrighteous in the world around us we no longer have God's protection surrounding us.

We have the authority and power to live in victory or to live in defeat. God has given us authority, power and responsibility and it is up to us. It is our choice!

"It is written"

Take a few minutes and look at these two scriptures.

Matt. 6:31 "Take no thought, saying...

Prov. 23:7 "for as he has thought in his soul, so is he"

These scriptures are talking about our "thoughts". When does a thought become our own thought? It becomes our thought when we speak or verbalize it! We all need to recognize that when we speak and act, something is happening in the spirit realm because words are creative and powerful! We should use our God-given authority when negative thoughts come into our minds, don't speak them or act on them. Speak and act on the Word of God and watch how our mighty God blesses!

Ephesians 1:3 "Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with <u>every spiritual</u> <u>blessing</u> in the heavenly places or (realms) in Christ."

Ephesians 2:6 "and raised us up together, and made us sit together in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus."

We have divine privileges and resources available to us now. The word "spiritual" in the above scripture and in I Corinthians 12:1 is the same Greek word referring to the manifestations of Holy Spirit. This means that the manifestations of Holy Spirit are among the blessings we receive from Him through Christ Jesus. All are available to us today, right now!

We call ourselves "believers" or "born-again believers", but too many Christians today find it difficult to believe what the Word says about them or that it applies to them. Too many believe intellectually, but not with their spirit. Too many believe that if God wants me healed or if God wants me to be successful or if God wants to protect me or provide protection NO...there are no "if's or buts" with God regarding His Word or with faith. The Bible tells us we should live and walk by faith and not by sight. We should not live by our feelings or circumstances or by what we see. So remember, if God's Word says a thing

then it is for you, it is for me! If the Word says it ~ then it is so!! Learn to walk in the power and authority of the Word! Jesus is the Word, the living Word, your bread for life! If it is written ~ then we can decree that Word ... "You will also declare a thing, and it will be established for you; so light will shine on your ways." Job 22:28a

When I found this above scripture I was very excited. We have been given much authority, authority over the whole earth, over the fish of the sea and fowl of the air. We have been given dominion over the devil and devil or demon spirits through Christ Jesus! Amen!

I began decreeing the Word of God and believing that what I decreed would be established! I believed my circumstances would change and what I prayed for would manifest.

<u>Testimony:</u> When the Lord taught me these truths I was very excited. As I saw the promises in the Bible, I began using them in my prayers and decreeing them for a specific time or situation. I would read them out loud to myself and prayed using them until I could recite them from memory. You see, I had to ask myself the same questions I asked you on page three (3). When I believed and realized that God's Word was true, it became the truth for my life! It became my reality! I began decreeing the healing scriptures over my body and believed God to

heal me of fear, anxiety and worry. I rebuked the devil for putting the symptoms of anxiety on me and spoke peace over myself. I had learned that the Word was true therefore, my life and my body must respond to the creative Word of God. One day I realized that I had not been ill or had any symptoms for several months and was feeling really well. God had totally healed me and I have never had any reoccurrences, it has been over 35 years! So it has been over and over again in my life. God's Word is true and I have made it my truth! His Word is the pathway for my life!

Over the years, I have found the importance of using the Word to build up my faith. I received what the Bible said about me, as a child of God. I learned how much God loved me and how His grace, mercy and faithfulness covered me and protected me always! I learned to walk by faith and to not look at the circumstances or facts of life but to look to and lean on my truth, the Word of God!

I want to emphasis that decreeing, praying or speaking the Word of God is not a <u>formula!</u> It is all about your love relationship with Father God and your faith and trust in Him. Remember, the Word is alive, the Word has power and it is creative!

As you decree His Word ~ watch the power of the Word change your circumstances and your life!

"death and life is in the power of the tongue" **Proverbs** 18:21.

I encourage you to be what Christ has authorized and empowered you to be. It is your responsibility to cooperate with God and take authority over the devil and bind him in all areas of your life. Decree the promises of God and release the power of His Word to bring forth those things which are not. God has given us much power and authority and with this authority comes responsibility. He gives us an anointing and the grace to obey His Word and commands. He also has given us the choice to choose, choose life or death. The choice is evident by the thoughts we think, by the words we speak, and by the way we act!

Now faith comes by hearing and hearing the Word of God! As you are speaking or decreeing the Word, speaking the promises into your life, faith rises up into your spirit! You can believe the Word of God, but until you put your beliefs into action you are not living in faith. Faith without works is dead. You can't please God without faith. Therefore, faith and belief have to work together in order for the power of God to work in your life. The only way to fight your battles is by using your faith and speaking the Word of God! That is why the

Word says we are to "fight the good fight of faith" I Timothy 6:12.

You now know and have received that the Word of God is your truth. You can look to the promises instead of the circumstances and you can choose to say what God says about your life. Most importantly you can know that God is your source, He is your provider. You can never out give your Father, for He is so good and faithful always! His promises have neither flaws nor shortages. You don't have to try and figure out in your mind the how or the why ~ but you are to trust and rely on your Father for all things ~ always!

The Lord has given us His Word, His power and His authority and when we practice these truths we become immersed in His Love. As we practice the truth of His Word and make the needed changes, we will see His love and grace manifested in all areas of our lives ~ His love will flow out from us and cover all those around us. His love will cover those who are hurting, those who are in the darkness and bound by the strongholds of satan and cover those who depend upon their own intellect. As we allow our light, the light of the Word, to shine forth in our lives others will see it and be drawn to the Christ in us! Isn't that what we are commissioned to do? Go thee therefore and spread the Gospel of Christ!

The Kingdom of God is in us, Jesus is in us! We are the blessed and have been given....

- Authority, power and dominion on this earth
- Authority, power and dominion over the devil and our enemies
- Power and authority to cast out devils in Jesus' name
- Power and authority to minister to and bless others
- Jesus, He is our healer so we can walk in health and have power and authority over sickness and disease
- Jesus, He is our provision and gives us power and authority to be successful and be blessed
- Jesus, He is our protector so no plague nor calamity can come close to us
- Angels to work for us and to accomplish the Word that we speak

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NOTES

About The Author

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"In the beginning was the Word and the Word was with God and the Word was God." John 1:1

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