His Love Persues Us

Understanding the Overwhelming Love of Your Father

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This book is for all the people that are hungry to know God and experience him in every dimension.

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**Introduction**

In the radiant summer of June 2023, I found myself absorbed in the digital world of Facebook, scrolling through various posts that ranged from the mundane to the profound. As I traversed this virtual landscape, a post from a dear friend, Miesha, seized my attention. It was a thoughtful reflection on the divine, a sincere discourse on God's profound, unyielding love and His endless pursuit to reach us with that love.

God's love is relentless, an unyielding force that saves and redeems us, shaping our lives to discover our true purpose and the inherent worth that we are destined to manifest. I invite you on this journey as we delve deep into Miesha's insights, where together, we will explore the overwhelming power of the Father's love.

As we navigate this exploration, you will come to perceive how the love and forbearance of God have catalyzed my liberation, shaping my journey as an author and influencing my work that touches the lives of countless readers. Through my writing, I have discovered a newfound freedom to express my thoughts, experiences, and understanding of this divine love, weaving it into a narrative that I hope will educate, inspire, and resonate with my readers.

Experience the transformative power of divine love as we venture into the depths of understanding God's relentless pursuit of us. This book seeks to reveal the profound impact of the Father's love on our lives, our purpose, and the very essence of our being. Let's embark on this enlightening journey of faith, love, and self-discovery.

**Note on Editing**

In the past, I had the financial means to hire a top-notch Christian editor and ample funds to spend. However, my ministry income has significantly decreased in the last couple of years, so I can no longer afford the editor I previously used.. I apologize in advance for any errors that may have occurred in the publication of this book. It is my prayer that you can forgive me.

**Point 1. The will of God brings you New Life and Real Love.**

As a creation of God, every individual carries within them a divinely ordained destiny and purpose. We have a reason to exist, a unique raison d'être crafted by God. However, many traverse life's journey oblivious to their intrinsic purpose and ignorant of God's Will. As disciples of Christ, we must seek and discover God's envisioned purpose for our lives. Unfortunately, many Christians remain unaware of their purpose, their raison d'être, leading them to wander through life unaware of their divine mission.

Unearthing the reason for your existence infuses your life with a profound sense of purpose and satisfaction. True contentment springs from sincerely pursuing your divine destiny and realizing your God-given purpose.

Consider the example of Andrew Wommack, an esteemed Bible teacher based in the United States. Wommack oversees a wide-reaching television broadcast ministry, runs his own Bible college, authored numerous books, and manages an online platform. He conducts seminars on life's purpose and guides people in discovering their unique purpose in life. During five talks held over a week in various cities, Wommack reserves one night for an invocation. He invites those uncertain of their life's purpose to come forward for prayer, beseeching God to reveal their purpose through the Holy Spirit. Remarkably, nearly 80% of the audience responds to this call irrespective of the city he is in. This statistic is both startling and upsetting.

Most Christians should be in touch with God and understand what they're created for. Jesus told a parable of the talents where he gave certain individuals a different number of talents depending on their abilities.

Matthew 25:14-30

*14 "For the Kingdom of Heaven is like a man traveling to a far country, who called his own servants and delivered his goods to them. 15 And to one he gave five talents, to another two, and to another one, to each according to his own ability; and immediately he went on a journey. 16 Then he who had received the five talents went and traded with them and made another five talents. 17 And likewise he who had received two gained two more also. 18 But he who had received one went and dug in the ground and hid his lord's money. 19 After a long time, the lord of those servants came and settled accounts with them.*

*20 "So he who had received five talents came and brought five other talents, saying, 'Lord, you delivered to me five talents; look, I have gained five more talents besides them.' 21 His lord said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant; you were faithful over a few things, I will make you ruler over many things. Enter into the joy of your lord.*

*22 He also who had received two talents came and said, 'Lord, you delivered to me two talents; look, I have gained two more talents besides them.' 23 His lord said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant; you have been faithful over a few things, I will make you ruler over many things. Enter into the joy of your lord.'*

*24 "Then he who had received the one talent came and said, 'Lord, I knew you to be a hard man, reaping where you have not sown, and gathering where you have not scattered seed. 25 And I was afraid and went and hid your talent in the ground. Look, there you have what is yours.'*

*26 "But his lord answered and said to him, 'You wicked and lazy servant, you knew that I reap where I have not sown, and gather where I have not scattered seed. 27 So you ought to have deposited my money with the bankers, and at my coming, I would have received back my own with interest. 28 So take the talent from him, and give it to him who has ten talents.*

*29 'For to everyone who has, more will be given, and he will have abundance; but from him who does not have, even what he has will be taken away. 30 And cast the unprofitable servant into the outer darkness. There will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.'*

It's up to us to seek our talents and what we're created to do. Otherwise, we may be a person who has squandered our talents. We may be a person with one talent who buried his talent, and the master was not pleased at all with him. We should seek out the purpose of God in our life and seek to live that purpose in our life. I've got a book called "*Finding Your Purpose in Christ,"* and I'd encourage you, if you don't know your purpose in Christ, to read that book and sort out and work out your purpose in Christ.

My book can be found here for 99 cents on Kindle in the USA.  <https://tinyurl.com/2wf6tann>

It's through the will of God and your purpose in Christ that brings you new life and real love. It leads to new life and real love.

**Point 2. God wants us to be directed by Him.**

As the Divine Architect, God has intricately woven our purpose into the tapestry of our existence, knowing His Will for our lives and understanding the reasons for our being. He yearns to occupy a position where He can guide and steer the course of our lives. As stated in the sacred verses of Proverbs, many men foolishly attempt to plot their course, disregarding the celestial compass provided by their Creator. Remember, God designed us, breathed life into our beings, and has a flawless Will for our existence. It is our sacred duty to discover and embrace this divine purpose.

God's role extends beyond being our Heavenly Father and the Father of Jesus Christ, our Savior. He desires to actively participate in our lives, assisting us in living out our purpose here on Earth. His involvement is not merely passive or observant; He wishes to guide our daily steps through the Holy Spirit's divine agency and the same Spirit's testament. This Holy Spirit earnestly desires to become an integral part of your life, providing you with daily direction and spiritual nourishment.

This active divine guidance is echoed in the profound words of Jesus. He proclaimed that anyone who follows Him must deny his self, bear his cross daily, and pursue the path illuminated by His teachings. It's a call to surrender, offer oneself up for divine guidance, and allow God's purpose to unfold through His loving direction.

Luke 9:23-24

*"23 Then He said to them all, "If anyone desires to come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross daily, and follow Me. 24 For whoever desires to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for My sake will save it."*

When Jesus said to take up his cross daily, he spoke about walking in the Holy Spirit or being led by the Holy Spirit.

Romans 8:14

*"14 For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, these are sons of God."*

Many individuals casually claim the title of a 'Son of God', conflating it with the broader understanding of being a 'Child of God,' and presume that they function as a true 'Son of God.' However, the authentic manifestation of a Son of God is characterized by guidance from the Holy Spirit, directed daily by His divine wisdom. This requires a conscious surrender of oneself, a daily renunciation of carnal desires, and a willingness to walk in alignment with the Spirit's direction, even when it contradicts our fleshly wants.

In His divine wisdom, the Holy Spirit may lead you to act contrary to your fleshly desires and guide you to cease certain actions that your carnal self-craves. Apostle Paul's reflective statement - the things I desire to do, I don't do, and the things I despise, I end up doing - is a poignant testament to the struggle of aligning oneself with the Holy Spirit's guidance daily.

Let me illustrate with a personal example. At this moment, I could easily succumb to my body's desire for rest and fall asleep within the next half an hour. Yet, I find myself led by the Holy Spirit to address some of the twenty points in this video before I surrender to slumber. This divine guidance implies an additional hour or more of wakefulness. Despite my desire for rest, the Holy Spirit guides me to stay up, preach, and share this message.

Indeed, my fleshly instinct may be to delay this task and proceed with it tomorrow, following a good night's sleep. However, in my sleep-deprived state, I am directed by the Holy Spirit to undertake this teaching, making me more reliant on His power and allowing His anointing to prevail.

God yearns to guide us, to bring us under the shelter of His instruction. He desires to be our Tutor, Guide, Director, Mentor, Master, and Father. His divine intent is to steer our lives, guide us along the path of righteousness and illuminate how we should

**Point 3. He waits for us to come home to Him and receive His guidance, care, love, and purpose for life.**

God exemplifies patience. His tolerance can span over five decades, patiently waiting for someone to submit and embrace Jesus. At the tender age of eight, I decided to follow Jesus. This was a time in my life when I was mourning the loss of my beloved cat. This creature had been my best friend, and the grief was intense. My parents wisely chose not to substitute the lost companion with a new one, allowing me to cope with my feelings for the pet I'd lost.

Then, a child evangelist visited our town. He brought a message of an eternal friend who would never abandon us, a friend who would always be present. This promise greatly appealed to me as an innocent child, especially considering my recent loss. I felt let down by my cat's departure, and I yearned for a steadfast friend.

At the age of eight, I accepted salvation. However, at fourteen, I experienced sexual molestation on a beach, a traumatic event that led to self-destruction. This path involved homosexual activities and a long-term addiction to soliciting prostitutes, a destructive cycle that persisted for 38 years until I was finally liberated from these chains.

For many years, my life resembled that of a vagabond. I maintained a connection with Jesus, yet the bonds of addiction kept Him just out of my grasp. Despite this, I fostered a profound intimacy with Jesus over time, though I remained shackled by my compulsions. I comprehended the grace and love of God, and I knew He pursued me fervently, even in the murkiest depths of my sins. It was only when I genuinely accepted that Jesus loved me—despite my flaws—that I reached a point where I could wait for His grace to liberate me from my addictions.

God patiently waits for us. For 38 years, as I was ensnared in my sins, He gradually cultivated a relationship with me. This culminated in a moment where I found rest and peace in Him, regardless of the chains that bound me. He yearns to make a difference in our lives, guide, care for, and pursue us until we accept His love and purpose for our existence. I have written and self-published 120 books as a testament to His work.

The Holy Spirit has been my guide since 2011, allowing me to produce a new book every month for six years. God called me to be a Teacher of His Word, a prophet, and a writer. Through me, He reaches out to others through videos, Facebook posts, books, and prophecies. His understanding and patience, a divine fruit of His love, persist as He waits for us to align with His will and purpose.

Are you under the guidance of God? Is the Holy Spirit directing your path? Are you seeking God's love in your life? Do you intimately understand His love? Is God truly in control of your life's purpose? Do you comprehend your life's purpose? Are you walking in God's will? Can you acknowledge that God's will is carried out in your life daily? Or are you uncertain of your purpose? Do you realize that God loves you with eternal love? Do you know your calling in life? These are questions worth contemplating and rest assured, an answer exists for each one.

My prayer is that as you navigate the pages of this book, they bring you comfort and hope. There's an answer to every question, a solution for every need. Trust in God, for He can meet all your needs. When you openly admit your need for answers, have faith that God will provide them. Through your dedication and prayers for wisdom, God will draw nearer to you, guiding you to the solutions you seek.

**Point 4. It hurts His heart when we wander out there ignoring Him, resisting Him, and going against Him and His Word.**

I truly relished our collaboration on your project, your unwavering commitment to excellence has been inspiring, and I'm genuinely proud of what we've achieved together - looking forward to potential future projects and thank you once again for trusting me with your work.

God orchestrated the creation of the world through the written Word. The Word reveals what He delights in and expects from His people. Our understanding of the Word is paramount; when we deliberately transgress the commandments and instructions it contains, we grieve God's heart. I experienced this firsthand, having spent 38 years willfully sinning, causing immense sorrow to God.

God's disappointment does not primarily stem from us—the wounded, the bound, the chained—but from the sinful actions we commit. For example, my years of paying women for sex, effectively raping them, caused immeasurable pain in God's heart. This act inflicted pain on the women I exploited as I squandered money and degraded myself.

The Bible instructs us that our bodies are temples of the Lord, urging us to treat ourselves respectfully. We can grieve God's heart in countless ways, an innumerable collection of laws and instructions for righteous living in the Bible. When we intentionally defy these commands, we deeply wound God's heart. God finds no pleasure when we stray from Him.

When I first became addicted to soliciting prostitutes, I felt a profound discomfort attending Church. Thus, I spent many years as a modern embodiment of the prodigal son, akin to the parable in the Bible. I will include the story of the prodigal son in this book for readers to better comprehend my journey.

Luke 15:11-32

*"11 Then He said: "A certain man had two sons. 12 And the younger of them said to his father, 'Father, give me the portion of goods that falls to me.' So he divided to them his livelihood. 13 And not many days after, the younger son gathered all together, journeyed to a far country, and there wasted his possessions with [a]prodigal living. 14 But when he had spent all, there arose a severe famine in that land, and he began to be in want. 15 Then he went and joined himself to a citizen of that country, and he sent him into his fields to feed swine. 16 And he would gladly have filled his stomach with the [b]pods that the swine ate, and no one gave him anything.*

*17 "But when he came to himself, he said, 'How many of my father's hired servants have bread enough and to spare, and I perish with hunger! 18 I will arise and go to my father and will say to him, "Father, I have sinned against Heaven, and before you, 19 and I am no longer worthy to be called your son. Make me like one of your hired servants."'*

*20 "And he arose and came to his father. But when he was still a great way off, his father saw him and had compassion, and ran and fell on his neck and kissed him. 21 And the son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and in your sight, and am no longer worthy to be called your son.'*

*22 "But the father said to his servants, [c] 'Bring out the best robe and put it on him, and put a ring on his hand and sandals on his feet. 23 And bring the fatted calf here and kill it, and let us eat and be merry; 24 for this my son was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found.' And they began to be merry.*

*25 "Now his older son was in the field. And as he came and drew near to the house, he heard music and dancing. 26 So he called one of the servants and asked what these things meant. 27 And he said to him, 'Your brother has come, and because he has received him safe and sound, your father has killed the fatted calf.'*

*28 "But he was angry and would not go in. Therefore his father came out and pleaded with him. 29 So he answered and said to his father, 'Lo, these many years I have been serving you; I never transgressed your commandment at any time; and yet you never gave me a young goat, that I might make merry with my friends. 30 But as soon as this son of yours came, who has devoured your livelihood with harlots, you killed the fatted calf for him.'*

*31 "And he said to him, 'Son, you are always with me, and all that I have is yours. 32 It was right that we should make merry and be glad, for your brother was dead and is alive again, and was lost and is found.'"*

I was a prodigal son for many years. Even when I returned to the Father and returned to going to Church regularly, it took many years before the grace of God had done work on my heart for me to truly accept myself and wait on the Lord, for the Lord to bring healing and deliverance to my life so that I could be set free and walk free of the addictions and my sin.

God takes no pleasure in our distance from Him. Out of His immense love and divine plan, He tirelessly pursues us, persistently reminding us of His love when we veer off course. His home is always ready for us, akin to the story of the prodigal son. In his hunger and deprivation, the prodigal son realized that even living as a servant in his father's house was far superior to his current life feeding pigs—an animal considered unclean by the Jews.

Upon his return home, the prodigal son was not met with rejection. Instead, his father ran to him, embraced him, placed a signet ring on his finger, offered him the finest robe, and threw a grand feast in his honor. The only ones unhappy with this welcome were those representing the established Church, namely the older brother, who was envious of the celebration held for his sibling. We often find that, like the prodigal sons and daughters, many of us are met with rejection and unwilling acceptance upon our return to God. Yet, God mirrors the loving and forgiving father in this story. He waits for us, welcomes us, celebrates our return, and refrains from condemnation.

Through this book, I hope to inspire you with my story. If you are unfamiliar with my journey, may it prompt you to decide and pray for a return to God, to seek Him with all your heart. My story demonstrates that while one can harbor the intention and desire for liberation, God's divine intervention and empowering grace are required to set one free. Only through His power can we achieve genuine freedom and liberty.

**Point 5. It hurts His heart when His word isn't being boldly shared so that others can come under His wings of protection, love, and tutelage.**

One of the key things that motivate many Christians who've got a good testimony about the love of God and the freedom found in Christ is that they were set free and have a testimony. And so, they're encouraged to share their testimonies and stories with others to encourage them to come into the Kingdom and be looked after by the Lord. It breaks the heart of God when Christians can attend Church every week and not have a place in their heart or a desire in their heart in any way to share the gospel and share their testimony with other people who do not know Christ. The love of God is so full in my life that every day I go out in public, I witness to people, and I do prophetic evangelism, sharing prophecies with strangers to shine the love of Jesus.

It's the love of Jesus that's birthed within my heart that motivates me to teach and motivates me to share the truth of God in books. It motivates me to spend my money publishing books. It motivates me to share my testimony with people. My testimony says the weary, the lonely, and the hurting can be free if they have patience. My testimony says that even if you suffer for 38 years under a cruel addiction, God's power and wisdom can still set you free! You might be able to understand that God gets upset with the modern Christian who doesn't take the time to share their testimony and share them with people that don't know him. I think personally that many people have this innate fear of others. They have a fear of rejection, and they also have no understanding of how to share their testimony and shine their light for Jesus. Jesus said:

Matthew 5:14-16

*"14 "You are the light of the world. A city that is set on a hill cannot be hidden. 15 Nor do they light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a lampstand, and it gives light to all who are in the house. 16 Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in Heaven."*

In the scriptures, Jesus instructs us to let our light shine, placing it on a lampstand for all to see so that our good works may reflect His glory. We witness Christ living within us through our deeds, willingness to share our testimony, acts of righteousness, and radiant expression of our Christian faith. Our lifestyle and how we demonstrate Christ's love to the world enable others to understand that Jesus is alive and continues transforming lives.

If you're reading this book and grappling with fear or uncertainty about living a life that serves as a testimony and light to others, I encourage you to visit the link below. Here, you can download five books I've written on evangelism. These works aim to guide you in living a life that magnifies the divine light within you. In these self-published books on evangelism, you will discover strategies and keys that will enable you to be a powerful witness to those around you, perhaps even leading them toward faith in Jesus Christ one day.

As a reader investing time in understanding this message, I urge you to spend $5 and download these books. Commit time to read them and then go beyond simply absorbing their content; strive to change your life, putting what you learn into practice. In doing so, you may also help guide others toward the redeeming knowledge of Jesus.

5 Books on Evangelism can be found here:

<https://tinyurl.com/3u75jwdt>

**Point 6. He is the Father who wants to defend us when others bully and attack us.**

Expect opposition when you embark on a life dedicated to effectively illuminating the light of Christ and bearing witness to His love. Often, it's not a matter of the enemy personifying themselves directly, but rather, the enemy utilizing familiar faces to belittle, confront, reject, and hurt you.

The enemy frequently employs those nearest us to mount pressure and attack our faith. You may find it surprising that the fiercest critiques and hostility I encounter stem from fellow Christians who don't comprehend the supernatural lifestyle I lead and my unique relationship with Jesus.

Each day, I live a life where I interact with my parents, who now reside in Heaven, and they visit me. I regularly engage with saints from Heaven and converse with Jesus and God the Father. Guided by the Holy Spirit, I strive to surrender my life and crucify my flesh daily. My radical Christian life and my readiness to share the testimony of my supernatural lifestyle invite significant resistance from religious Christians who disapprove of the supernatural and dismiss my way of life. Accusations of necromancy are common, despite Jesus declaring that God is not the God of the dead but the God of the living. For further clarification on necromancy and my non-involvement, please refer to one of the later questions in this book's appendix, where I respond to 23 inquiries about myself.

In times when you're mistreated or attacked for your Christian beliefs and practices, God the Father seeks to be a source of comfort in your life. He wants to reassure you of His love, using His words, those of others, and the scriptures to console you during these adversities. God embodies love, comfort, mercy, patience, and long-suffering traits He employs to heal, console, and comfort you in challenging times. His fatherly love exceeds that of any earthly parent. Even if your experiences with fatherhood have been marred by imperfections or abuse, know that our Father in Heaven offers sincere, unconditional love, patience, and long-suffering.

He understands the personal attacks you endure. He's aware of your struggles and the people who oppose you. As an all-knowing God, He comprehends the depth of your experiences, not only through His omniscience but also through His Son, who lived a human life, encountering all the emotions we do.

Jesus Christ, our Brother, Savior, and Redeemer, has lived on Earth, experiencing all the temptations, opposition, and sorrows we encounter. Our Heavenly Father, through His profound connection with His Son, understands these feelings too. Because Jesus made the ultimate sacrifice for us, we are equipped with the power to overcome, much like He rose from the dead and now sits at the Father's right hand.

Our Father's love is so great that He sent His Son to Earth, not only to atone for our sins and restore our connection with Him but also to live a life that assures us He can relate to our human experiences. God, our Father, cherishes us, seeks to comfort us, and stands ready to defend us when we face attacks from others.

**Point 7. He is the Father that wants to soothe and comfort us and take captive our thinking when the spirit of fear comes against us.**

Faith stands in stark contrast to fear. The Elite, the News Media, and Satan, the spirit and prince of the air, all share a common objective: to instill fear in us. Satan seeks to make us afraid of false prophets and teachers, to make us believe we are powerless, to instill in us a dread that things will never improve, to make us fear scarcity, and to convince us that our situations will never get better. The fears that Satan attempts to sow in our lives are manifold.

However, against every fear that Satan endeavors to wield against us, God provides a scripture, a truth, and a personal message. These divine assurances can alleviate our anxieties and guide us to the Word of God. The pivotal question arises: Will we choose to place our faith in the Word of our Father?

Will we discipline ourselves to learn to hear from God, talk back and forth, and converse with the Father? I've got a book called *How to Hear God's Voice,* and you can read and download that book at the link here.

<https://tinyurl.com/2s4kjnrn>

In that book, I teach you how to have two-way conversations with God, and you can learn to hear God speak and identify the false antichrist spirit that sometimes will want to masquerade and pretend he's the voice of God. In that book, I give you a clear understanding of how that Antichrist spirit sounds so that you can learn to discern that false voice and not be fooled and tricked by the voice that Satan might try and deceive you with.

We serve a Father that wants to talk back and forth to you and have conversations with you, and I encourage you in the book *How to Hear God's Voice* to start a journal and talk back and forth to God the Father and Jesus and write questions for them and discuss things with a journal.

One time I sat down and wrote 60 pages in journals on a computer, and they turned into a series of books called Conversations with God, Books 1-4. You can download a free copy in the United States of Conversations with God, Books 1-3, at this link.

<https://tinyurl.com/46vejefr>

In this series of three books, God talks to me in a journal written a few years ago with God, and you'll be able to understand that he's a loving, understanding God that wants to soothe and comfort us. He wants to dispel the fear and the spirit of fear in our life and bring us freedom from the anxiety that plagues us. God has answers in His conversations, and if you open yourself up to speaking to God, you'll find He can bring you comfort and lead you to scriptures in the Word of God that you can stand on and claim for yourself and have miraculous results. God doesn't want us to worry. God doesn't want us to live a life going from one anxiety to the next. God wants to comfort us and bring us peace.

Jeremiah 29:11

*"11 For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, says the Lord, thoughts of peace and not of evil, to give you a future and a hope."*

God hasn't brought you this far to leave you stranded. God doesn't want to leave you as an orphan. He has supplied the power of the Holy Spirit and the person of the Holy Spirit to be a comforter, a guide, and a Spirit that leads us into all truth. A truth that can set us free, the truth that can comfort us, and the truth that can comfort our anxieties, no matter what we're going through. Satan has an agenda to put fear and anxiety on us. God has an agenda to set us free from those things.

**Point 8. He wants to deliver us from unclean spirits and set us free.**

In March 2023, I grappled with three major challenges that disrupted my peace of mind. Firstly, I suffered from a sleep disorder that lasted for three weeks, causing me to be awake throughout the night and asleep during the day. Despite my best efforts to reset my sleep cycle, I invariably reverted to this unhealthy pattern.

My second worry was the accusation that demons, particularly the Jezebel spirit, possessed me. Having encountered this spirit multiple times and being familiar with the distress it caused; I was deeply disturbed by this allegation. I worried it might influence the personal prophecies I was delivering and felt the need for deliverance.

The third struggle was a longstanding addiction to sex and pornography. These vices had enslaved me for nearly four decades, and their constant presence had become a source of significant distress.

In my despair, I sought solace and reassurance from God. I desired to hear, through another person, a comforting word from Him. I intended to purchase a personal prophecy online but couldn't find a prophet I felt comfortable supporting financially. However, my scribe angel, Bethany, who aids me in my teachings and writings, suggested a solution. She proposed that I seek prophetic words from saints, angels, God, and from Jesus, my parents in Heaven.

Thus, I recorded nineteen 5-minute messages from the saints, four from angels, and personal messages from Jesus, God, and my parents. During these recordings, particularly while receiving a message from Michael the Archangel, I experienced a prolonged coughing fit. Interestingly, when I moved on to Jesus' message, He revealed that this coughing fit was a form of deliverance from my afflictions. He explained that, although I'd been delivered from demonic possession before, my spiritual wounds and unresolved trauma had allowed the demons to re-enter my life. But now, my scribe angel, Bethany, would provide deep trauma healing and counseling to my spirit during my sleep.

Ever since then, I have felt emotionally rejuvenated. God yearns to liberate us from the grip of unclean spirits. If you're struggling with such burdens, seek help from those gifted with the ability to provide deliverance. You can contact the person I know who specializes in deliverance if interested.

Experiencing freedom from addiction over the last 25 weeks has been truly liberating. No longer enslaved by the compulsion to visit prostitutes or view pornography, I've found my freedom from sexual addiction deeply enriching. God's Word reiterates His desire to set captives free, and His nature underlines His intention for us to live free, pure lives.

We are designed to lead holy lives, set apart from worldly desires. The Apostle John urges us not to love the world, reminding us of our higher calling.

1 John 2:15-17

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*"15 Do not love this world nor the things it offers you, for when you love the world, you do not have the love of the Father in you. 16 For the world offers only a craving for physical pleasure, a craving for everything we see, and pride in our achievements and possessions. These are not from the Father but are from this world. 17 And this world is fading away, along with everything that people crave. But anyone who does what pleases God will live forever."*

Our love of the world sometimes keeps us in bondage to covetousness. The spirit of mammon, the spirit of the world, can strongly affect us. God wants us free of the love of the world. He wants us to come away from the world, and he wants us to live a set-apart life that is dedicated to Him. Scripture says for us to resist the devil, he will flee from us. So, it's important once you're delivered not to make a practice of surfing the internet and not going to pornography sites. You mustn't click on websites that advertise escorts and give yourself temptations. It would be best if you didn't go to websites that advertise prostitutes and brothels. It would help if you kept yourself clean and set apart from things.

God wants to set you free. He wants to set you free of captives. I remember claiming this scripture in Isaiah as a prophecy over my life.

Isaiah 42:6-9

*"6 "I, the Lord, have called You in righteousness,*

*And will hold Your hand;*

*I will keep You and give You as a covenant to the people,*

*As a light to the Gentiles,*

*7 To open blind eyes,*

*To bring out prisoners from the prison,*

*Those who sit in darkness from the prison house.*

*8 I am the Lord, that is My name;*

*And My glory I will not give to another,*

*Nor My praise to carved images.*

*9 Behold, the former things have come to pass,*

*And new things I declare;*

*Before they spring forth, I tell you of them."*

This was a prophecy over the ministry of Jesus. It said that Jesus would come and set those in the prison house free. I knew that I was in darkness and bondage, and I needed to be set free. It used to give me so much comfort that the Lord prophesied Isaiah 42: 6-9 to me, saying that one day I would be going into the dungeons myself and setting people free.

I pray that my testimony and transparency here encourage you to hope to be set free. If you need the Facebook address of my friend on Facebook that can do trauma healing in your life and deliverance in your life for a fee she charges, get in touch with me. She lives by faith, and so she'd hope you'd offer her some finances to be set free of unclean spirits in your life. Write to my email address that I'll post here, and say that you want the Facebook address of Michelle, who can do deliverance.

Please email me here at survivors.sanctuary@gmail.com

**Point 9. He wants to give us His word as a weapon against the darkness.**

Indeed, the Word of God is a powerful tool in our arsenal. As referred to in the Scriptures, this Sword of the Spirit can be wielded in our battles when we find ourselves under siege by the enemy. The Bible contains specific verses that empower us to fight this good fight of faith. However, uncovering these verses and comprehending their meaning to employ the Word as a weapon against the forces of darkness is a journey that must be guided and inspired by the Holy Spirit.

Some understand the Word of God but lack practical experience in utilizing it to shield themselves from spiritual attacks and conflicts initiated by the enemy and his forces of darkness. The Word of God, living and active, can defend us, but we must both know the Word and understand how to wield it powerfully, like a sword.

God desires us to comprehend His Word. One approach to grasping the function of the Word of God in spiritual warfare is likely through reading books dedicated to this topic. These books can help us understand the principles of God's Word and how they can be employed in our battles. Some books contain decrees and prayers featuring the Word of God, designed to bring the battle to the enemy. These resources enable us to engage in spiritual warfare, combating darkness using God's Word and prophetic decrees. While many have found enlightenment through books on spiritual warfare, I must admit that I haven't used these resources. Instead, I recite promises and scriptures when faced with spiritual dilemmas, and the issues dissipate. Understanding the Word of God, its meaning, and its application in spiritual warfare requires time and dedication.

I pray that the Holy Spirit will lead you to teachers and people who can teach you how to use the Word of God effectively when dealing with darkness. I could suggest Neil T. Anderson and his books, and I think I could suggest an author called Derek Prince, which would also have some powerful and effective books. I'd encourage you to check out both those authors when it comes to using the Word of God and decrees as a weapon against darkness.

**Point 10. He yearns to provide us with his full armor so we can lean on his power and authority instead of believing we have to protect ourselves all on our own, which we can't.**

There's a famous scripture in Ephesians that talks about the weapons of our warfare and the armor of God.

Ephesians 6:10-19

*"10 Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord and in the power of His might. 11 Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. 12 For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this age, against spiritual hosts of wickedness in the heavenly places. 13 Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand.*

*14 Stand therefore, having girded your waist with truth, having put on the breastplate of righteousness, 15 and having shod your feet with the preparation of the gospel of peace; 16 above all, taking the shield of faith with which you will be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked one. 17 And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God; 18 praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, being watchful to this end with all perseverance and supplication for all the saints— 19 and for me, that utterance may be given to me, that I may open my mouth boldly to make known the mystery of the gospel,"*

While I have yet to read a book about the Armor of God, I have heard many individuals preach about it, discuss its significance, and affirm its effectiveness. The Armor of God is intended as a protective layer in our spiritual lives, with each component of this Armor symbolizing a practice to be embodied in our day-to-day existence. To learn how to apply the Armor, search "How to apply the Armor of God" on Google. In my personal life, even without a profound understanding of the Armor of God, I have always found that I am practicing the principles it represents.

With the Gospel of Peace guiding my path, I spend each day engaged in prophetic evangelism, sharing the Good News through my books, personal testimonies, and prophecies, and encouraging interactions with strangers. In essence, I strive to live out and share the Gospel, embodying the principle of having my feet shod with the Gospel of Peace. Likewise, the Belt of Truth girds my life as I consistently share the truth with others. Each piece of Armor can be applied in this manner, providing strength and protection, thus empowering us to shield ourselves from the enemy's attacks.

On one occasion, as I emerged from a homeless shelter to collect fresh sandwiches being distributed nearby—preferably than the day-old bread at the shelter—I saw 2000 angels appear in the lane I walked into. Simultaneously, a man joined me, initiating a conversation about religious matters. He insisted that the Bible couldn't be trusted, written by older men without real proof of its truthfulness. After listening to him for 20 minutes, I noticed all the angels had left. I realized these angels had intercepted his fiery darts of doubt and confusion, protecting my faith from being shaken. It was as if a Breastplate of Righteousness, embodied by these angels, had shielded my heart from his fiery arrows.

In another instance, while publishing articles on a Christian website called Ezine Articles, I encountered a prolific author who often wrote about religion from an atheist's perspective. His arguments were persuasive, but the Holy Spirit warned me to stop reading his posts as they could erode my faith over time. Like the angels protecting me from the man's faith-attacking words, the Holy Spirit shielded me from this writer's doubt-inducing articles.

The Holy Spirit uses various means to protect us, with the Armor of God being one such tool. Numerous books guide applying this Armor in your life, and I encourage you to explore them from reputable authors.

**Point 11. He wants to offer us a safe, fully protected foundation.**

Many of us have endured a life marked by abuse. My narrative involves growing up with a father possessed by uncontrollable anger. He was constantly on the brink of a furious outburst, a state which the Apostle Paul warns, if unrepented and not resolved, can lead one to hell.

However, I am grateful that later in life, an apostle visited our town and seriously rebuked my father, providing him with a path to repentance. My father repented over the next few years and underwent a significant transformation. However, my early years were spent under the shadow of a perpetually angry father, ready to explode at the slightest provocation. This emotional abuse, rejection even before my birth, and violent sibling rivalry left deep scars.

My father would lose his temper whenever I disagreed with him or failed to carry out his commands to his satisfaction. His discipline was harsh and often involved physically punishing me with a heavy leather belt. It was painful, both physically and emotionally.

Transitioning from such an environment to the embrace of our heavenly Father, a being of boundless love, compassion, and care, can be challenging. I recall encountering a mentally unwell friend with a prophetic gift. We were sitting in a McDonald's when he suddenly began to cry. When I asked him why, he said God had spoken to him. God told him He was not an angry deity but a loving one, akin to Jesus. He promised never to respond with anger. The scriptures bear witness to this; the Father is best represented in the life of Jesus Christ. The compassionate, forgiving Jesus, who often forwent sleep to serve and heal, is the best representation of our heavenly Father.

For years, I was entrapped in a life of sin, spending my fortune on prostitutes and shunning the Church out of shame. I lived the life of the Prodigal Son, squandering my wealth and opportunities. When I eventually returned to the Church, Jesus guided me back to His Father - a Father who ran towards me with open arms and love. I have even heard accounts of the Father shedding tears for me.

This realization of God as a loving Father has transformed my understanding of Him. People who have suffered abuse from their earthly fathers often struggle to relate to God as a Father. It took me over 20 years of walking with Jesus before fully accepting the Father's love. However, the Father has shown His love to me in countless ways. His love is safe, fully protective, and manifest through the guidance of the Holy Spirit in interpreting and applying scripture to our lives. He ensures we encounter good teachers to help us understand the Word of God and its true meanings. This forms a firm and strong foundation for our faith.

During my years of addiction, I continued to grow in the Lord and intimacy with Him. I vividly recall meeting God in Heaven face-to-face, just days after I had been with a prostitute. I felt unworthy of the encounter but was reminded that Jesus' blood made me worthy. Despite my fear of being struck dead, I was assured of Jesus' protection. With Jesus holding my hand, I entered the throne room and met the Father face-to-face. This transformative experience changed my life.

**Point 12. He waits for each of us to hear his call. He waits for us to surrender, and he waits patiently.**

I hid my sexual abuse and my sinful life. When I got to the big smoke in the city, I discovered prostitutes, streetwalking prostitutes, and after I spent $20 on my first prostitute, I became addicted.

I soon learned that the more you pay for the service, the better-quality prostitute you can hire, and you can go higher and higher in quality with prostitutes, getting them younger and prettier and doing more things for you that you enjoy the more you spend. You can spend an absolute fortune on them.

I married for two and a half years, and my wife left me. I was a mess. I was a broken man, and I then remained single for most of my life; since then, I took many years in a relationship with Jesus before Jesus asked me one day that I should from now on talk to his Father. He introduced me to his Father, and I started talking to the Father.

So, God waited 30 years for me, and finally, as it says in John 14: 6.

*"I am the way, the truth, and the life; no one comes to the Father except through me."*

John 10:7

*"7 Then Jesus said to them again, "Most assuredly, I say to you, I am the door of the sheep."*

Jesus declared Himself to be the door and the pathway to His Father. I fostered a deep, personal relationship with Jesus and realized that every aspect of Jesus was reflected in the Father and vice versa. They are one. This understanding enabled me to foster a strong relationship with the Father.

In the background of my life, God had been patiently waiting with a call for me. Over the years, as I studied the Word of God and occasionally attended Church, I came across multiple scriptures emphasizing the unity between Jesus and the Father. Jesus stated that His actions reflected what He saw His Father doing, and His words were those of His Father.

This helped me comprehend that everything I admired about Jesus, all of His commandments and parables, resulted from His relationship with the Father.

Across three decades, no time was wasted. The Father had been subtly calling me through His Son, displaying His character and personality through my understanding of Jesus. After cultivating such a beautiful and loving relationship with Jesus, I was prepared to meet His Father.

The scriptures indicate that He waits for us to surrender. No matter how strong, prideful, or distant from God we may be, He persists. He woos, coaches us, and patiently waits for us to surrender and respond to His call.

I had the profound experience of meeting God in Heaven, where He unveiled the marvels of the cosmos. It was as if He opened the roof of His throne room, which I perceived to be like a covered stadium, revealing all the galaxies. He asked, "Can you see all that?" This magnificent display of His creation was awe-inspiring.

I said, "Yes."

He said, "I control all of that."

I said, "Yes."

He said, "At any one time, I can grab one of those stars and send it down to Earth, and that would be the end of Earth."

I said, "Yeah?"

He said, "Don't you think if I can control all of that, I can control your life?"

I said, "Yes."

He continued, "Why don't you let me control your life?"

From then on, I think I started being directed by the Holy Spirit. I wondered how God could take control of a person's life that was sleeping with prostitutes. For many years since that encounter, I wondered how God controlled my life and allowed me to sin still. I've reached the stage where I got set free 25 weeks ago in March 2023, so you can't argue with the wisdom of God.

**Point 13. He brings people into our life to pray for us even if we've never heard of the Word of God before.**

My mother first met my father when he was a lapsed Christian. His initial engagement had ended because his fiancée felt he lacked a strong commitment to Jesus. She desired a spouse who could lead their household through a robust relationship with Jesus. To avoid a similar predicament, he ensured his second wife, my mother, was not a Christian. Consequently, I was raised by a father whose relationship with Christianity was feeble for most of my life.

Occasionally, my mother entrusts us, the three youngest children, to our next-door neighbor for care. This neighbor, an older woman, was a fervent prayer warrior. She would provide respite and babysit us, offering my mother much-needed breaks.

My older brother struggled with an ear condition that caused a constant ringing. The discomfort frequently drove him to frustration, leading him to bang his head against the wall for relief. Besides, his hearing issue also resulted in a speech impediment. I sometimes had to join him in his classroom to translate his words to his teachers. This reliance on his younger brother for communication understandably embarrassed him, and it did not help our sibling relationship, which was often marked by his aggression.

Our neighbor was a beacon of Christian love to my mother, consistently praying for her and sharing the Word. We were quite a handful as children, and our behavior sometimes made my mother question her parenting abilities. Especially dealing with my older brother's challenges, she often felt inadequate as a mother.

Every time my mother picked us up from our neighbor, Betty Fleming, she would ask about our behavior, and despite our mischievous nature, Betty would always assure her that we were wonderful.

My mother asked, "Didn't they play up?"

Betty said, "No, children aren't allowed to play up in my house."

My mother asked, "Why?"

Betty said, "Because Jesus lives in my house and children don't play up, they're not allowed to by Jesus."

My mother's upbringing was steeped in the occult, as her mother, my grandmother, practiced white witchcraft, frequented mediums, clairvoyants, and psychics. They believed that Jesus was a historical figure who died 2000 years ago. In stark contrast, Betty spoke of Jesus as though He were alive.

Betty frequently invited my mother to monthly Christian women's gatherings. While my mother struggled to understand the guest speakers, she enjoyed the fellowship of preparing meals and tidying up with these Christian women. Their constant references to Jesus, who seemed vibrantly alive to them, intrigued her. This Jesus was more than just a historical figure to them; He was an integral part of their lives, living and active.

One day, driven by curiosity, my mother asked Betty about this Jesus who seemed to influence her children's behavior positively. Betty explained to her that Jesus was alive, that He had risen from the dead, ascended to Heaven, and continues to hear our prayers and care for us.

Skeptical, my mother was given some simple advice by Betty: "If you want to know if Jesus exists, just pray to Him. Ask Him to do something meaningful that demonstrates His love and care for you."

That night, my mother offered a hesitant prayer, "Jesus, Betty tells me if I pray to you and ask you to do something meaningful, to prove that you exist and love me, you'll do it. So, I'm asking you to do something meaningful to show me you love me."

To her astonishment, that very night, my brother ceased banging his head and started behaving exceptionally well. After observing his changed behavior for a week, she told Betty what had transpired. She acknowledged that Jesus was alive and had shown His love in the most meaningful way she could imagine.

The credit for introducing Christianity to my family goes to Betty Fleming. My mother became a praying woman through her influence, interceding for our entire family. My father recommitted his life to Christ, and we attended Church regularly. As for me, I found myself at Church every Sunday, morning and evening, alongside my mother.

I maintained a robust faith until a traumatic incident of molestation challenged it. Despite the subsequent confusion and rejection that led me to a path of sin, my faith endured, though battered. It's undeniable that God uses prayer warriors like Betty to lead others to Him.

My mother fervently believes that the intercessory prayers of loved ones or friends are pivotal in leading people to Christ. If you are a Christian reading this, I implore you to pray for your friends and loved ones consistently. Your prayers could catalyze someone like Betty Fleming to enter their lives and guide them to Jesus.

**Point 14. He came briefly into our hearts during that time long ago when we allowed ourselves to be desperate and vulnerable enough to cry out, God, who are you to me?**

Many of us, unfortunately, lead lives steeped in vice and excess. I lived such a life for a period, working 40 hours a week and indulging in heavy drinking over the weekends. My nights often led me to the red-light district, specifically to a brothel doubling as a strip club. There, women performed striptease acts, rotating amongst different venues. Once the audience was sufficiently excited, prostitutes would invite the men upstairs for more intimate encounters. One of the performers would periodically select a man from the audience to join her on stage.

As a young man, I reveled in these encounters. The thrill of free, illicit sex with attractive women was intoxicating. I would often signal to the bouncer that I was open to being chosen, and soon enough, I would be on stage participating in a lurid spectacle. I was far from living a Christian life! Yet, having satisfied my desires early at night, I found myself more relaxed during my subsequent visits to nightclubs and dance halls.

In the darkest moments of my debauchery, when drunkenness made the room spin uncontrollably, I would cry out to Jesus. I would promise Him that if He helped me, I would remember His mercy, recommit my life, and return to Church. Unfortunately, these returns to the fold were fleeting, and I would soon slip back into my former lifestyle.

Yet, each time I cried out to Him, Jesus responded. I recall years of sporadic Church attendance, interspersed with periods of complete absence. I did not want to be a hypocrite. Many people, I believe, avoid Church for this reason. They live sinful lives, engaging in behaviors they know are condemned by the Bible, such as cohabitation before marriage, infidelity, substance abuse, or theft. Aware that their actions do not please God, they fear becoming hypocrites by attending Church.

Ironically, their sense of righteousness and an understanding of holiness stops them from setting foot in a Church. Some might only ever attend Church for weddings or funerals, feeling overwhelmed even then by the presence of God.

Despite the depravity of my lifestyle, there were several moments when I called out to Jesus, and each time, He responded. Many people have similar experiences - fleeting instances of reaching out to God, receiving a sign that He is indeed there and cares deeply for them.

**Point 15. That's why many of us who've been saved share the gospel. We want everyone to receive this love and safety, the goodness of this love under his wings.**

I must openly admit that I now lead a life of immense joy, despite a personal history of addiction and guilt. Jesus did not inflict these feelings of guilt and shame, but self-inflicted. I found myself unable to forgive my sinful lifestyle. This brought about a conviction inspired by Biblical teachings, making me feel regretful and ashamed. Even though I have grown closer to Jesus over the past decade, I felt a persistent barrier because of my bi-weekly visits to a prostitute, funded by my disability pension.

I have been writing and self-publishing a book every month for six to seven years. Initially, these books sold well, but sales on Amazon dramatically decreased three years ago. This led to a drastic reduction in the number of copies sold per month, dwindling from around fifteen to just one or two. The expense of producing these books, costing between $300 to $400, outweighed the financial returns, with only two or three books being downloaded each month for 99 cents. As a result, I decided to make my books available for free on Amazon and other websites.

I am well aware of God's will for my life. I understand His purpose for me: to post daily messages on Facebook, deliver daily teachings on YouTube, and write books that communicate the truths of His Kingdom. I strive to fulfill the scripture in Isaiah 42 to "open blind eyes." Much of my ministry through writing books involves removing the blindness from the eyes of Christians, who often remain oblivious to the truth.

Jesus spoke of the blind leading the blind, stating that both will fall into a ditch if this occurs. The primary objective of my writing is to illuminate the truth for Christians, exposing the lack of proper teachings within the Christian Church and the narrow path that Jesus advocates. There is great satisfaction in knowing that I am fulfilling my purpose and destiny.

Three times a week, I visit shopping centers to share the love of Jesus with strangers. I offer spiritual readings and personal prophecies and spread His love and truth. This is possible because I do not have a regular job and, hence, do not have a set group of individuals with whom I interact daily, unlike most people. But this doesn't hinder me from spreading His word.

The books I have written about evangelism provide a comprehensive guide on how to reach out to others, share the Good News, demonstrate Christ's light and character, and draw people to Christ, encouraging them to ask questions about Him.

Many people, like the woman who inspired this discourse, have experienced a transformative past and a profound encounter with God, moving from sorrow and struggle to an overwhelming love for God. They are brimming with happiness and joy and are compelled to share God's goodness with everyone they meet.

Although I lack a regular social circle or workplace to share my experiences and be a witness, I do have carers who look after me due to my mental illness. They accompany me on shopping trips and social outings, allowing me to witness them and demonstrate Christ's influence in my life.

Countless people have had transformative experiences and remarkable stories of deliverance and restoration, all thanks to the blessings of a relationship with God. These people can become powerful witnesses of His work.

**Point 16. I know some may have other motives, but genuine love and care are the motives of many.**

Every Christian's journey to a deeper relationship with Jesus necessitates a personal touchstone - someone who mirrors the character of Jesus. I have been blessed to find such a touchstone in my friend, Mary. Over the years, she has become something akin to what Michael Jackson would term a "fan." Mary diligently reads my books - she's read and reviewed at least 60 - and engages with my video content.

She reads my work and demonstrates her growth and understanding through our conversations. We have spent countless hours on the phone, sometimes speaking for an hour or more every other day. She has stood by me, even during my struggles with addiction and mental illness, accepting me for who I am and offering unwavering love.

Mary understands that my behaviors stemmed from a past marked by trauma and pain. Despite my hardships, she has remained steadfast, offering grace and acceptance. She understands when my mental health struggles affect my interactions, even going so far as to gently point out when my thoughts might be veering into delusion.

There have been times when deceptive voices have led me astray, causing me to think and speak in ways that deviate from the truth. Mary has walked beside me through these ups and downs, her loyalty rivaling a sibling's. She epitomizes the Biblical sentiment that a friend can be closer than a brother. Unlike some, who may be motivated by self-interest, Mary's actions are guided solely by genuine love and care.

She has never sought anything from me - not money, promotion, or additional time. She only desires my friendship. She has even expressed joy in having a younger "brother" figure to love and befriend. Although our relationship is platonic, I am touched by her sentiments.

Some might seek to control or manipulate for their gain, but Mary's only "agenda" is to love me how Jesus loves me. She has become a symbol of His love in my life, providing constant support and unconditional acceptance.

Mary's kindness extends to her consistent presence in my book reviews on Amazon. She has been an unwavering supporter, regularly posting thoughtful reviews on the first day of a book's release. This consistent display of love has meant the world to me.

Another good friend is Dundy, who has read about 50 of my books. Our conversations are often hours long, filled with deep discussion and mutual understanding. One memorable occasion was a five-hour conversation during his long drive across states, a testament to the strength of our friendship.

I've been fortunate in the Christian Church to find people who genuinely love me without ulterior motives. Dundy, an airline pilot and one of my closest friends, is a perfect example. We both cherish our friendship grounded in love and mutual respect.

Therefore, in the journey of Christian life, we must strive to grow closer to Jesus. In doing so, we must also seek to cultivate relationships with those who can demonstrate His love and acceptance.

**Point 17. He wants to Father us, care for us. He wants to teach us love and truth.**

I'm having a special time going through these points because I've just tended to know the Father through my relationship with Jesus. When I first met the Father, Jesus said to me one day in prayer, "From now on, I want you to approach my Father, and when you pray, I want you to pray to my Father."

.I said, "So you want me to speak to him now?"

Jesus said, "Yeah."

I said, "Can I come back and speak to you after I finish?"

He said, "Sure you can!"

So, I said goodbye to him and said, "Hello, Father."

 He said, "Hello, Matthew."

The feeling I got of God the Father there was like I was his Son's favorite friend.

Everyone likes to believe they are Jesus's favorite, His best friend. This was also my sentiment when I first encountered the Father. It felt like I had been introduced as Jesus's closest confidant, and I was met with an overwhelming sense of love and respect.

My method of prayer diverges from the conventional. Instead of the traditional one-way supplications, I engage in two-way conversations with God. These dialogues encompass asking questions, receiving answers, and conducting in-depth discussions. This should be the blueprint for our relationship with God, treating Him as our Father and engaging in genuine conversations.

This method of interaction doesn't entail a monologue with your Father but a mutual exchange. However, when I first communicated with the Father, I reverted to conventional prayers due to the unfamiliarity of our relationship.

I remember asking Him for a favor and seeking His protection over my older brother. In response, I was enveloped by a profound peace that felt like an affirmation that everything would be alright with my brother. I've experienced this peace numerous times since then, recognizing it as a higher dimension of God's glory, which He can augment in our lives directly or through angelic intervention.

Upon meeting God for the first time, I was greeted with His profound love and respect. He utilizes various channels to teach me and share His love, such as His Holy Spirit, Jesus, the Word of God, sermons, teachings, videos, books, and more.

For the past seven years, I've been inspired to write at least one book per month, totaling around 120. This continuous flow of inspiration never seems to cease. As I'm writing an 80-page book following a shorter 30-page piece from yesterday, I feel His inspiration flowing through me.

This continual inspiration from the Father provides a reason to live, enriches my learning, and deepens my faith. To write 120 books, one must be a constant learner and researcher, always seeking to deepen their faith. Through the leading of the Holy Spirit, angels, friends, and other sources, the Father teaches me and shares His wisdom so I can pass it on to the body of Christ through my books.

I am fortunate to have an audience of about one to two hundred people who follow and subscribe to me on Amazon. I estimate that around 20 to 30 individuals read every book I publish, while a larger group of 100 to 200 people select books based on the appeal of their titles.

The Father's consistent teachings and love inspire me, giving me the knowledge and understanding to compose these books. His love and guidance continuously provide the inspiration and subject matter for my teachings.

**Point 18. Sometimes when He can't get our attention, He puts us in situations of long-suffering and harsh consequences, resulting from sinning, unbelieving, rebellion, and taking the wheel that is only His.**

Within the Christian faith journey, we often find ourselves steering our own course, taking control of our lives, and deviating from the guidance of the Holy Spirit. This diversion may take the form of sin, disbelief, rebellion, or simply asserting self-determination over divine direction.

Sometimes, the Holy Spirit's subtle nudges fail to redirect us when we stray. In such cases, when we're entangled in sin or rebellion, God seeks ways to draw us back. He often employs life's tragedies to grab our attention and steer us back to Himself.

These hardships may include losing loved ones, family illnesses, job losses, home foreclosures, or repossessing our belongings. God uses such calamities to create a state of emergency in our lives, a crisis that leaves us with no other option but to turn to Him for help.

Life's misfortunes often compel people to reconnect with God and seek to reestablish their relationship with Him. However, once the crisis subsides and equilibrium is restored, it's not uncommon for individuals to revert to their old ways, allowing sin and rebellion to dominate once again. This cyclical pattern seems to recur time and again.

God permits challenges in our lives to realign us with Him. In my narrative as a prodigal son, there were numerous times when God allowed certain events to redirect my attention back to Jesus. Whether during intoxication, job loss, desperation, or need, each calamity was a turning point back to Jesus.

The Kingdom of God operates in this manner until we learn to live holy lives, separate ourselves from worldly temptations, and trust in the guidance of the Holy Spirit. The time we realize that we can't rely solely on ourselves and experience the sweetness and contentment of life in God's arms, it becomes transformative. This intimate relationship with God, where we are guided by Him and find safety, protection, and happiness, allows us to escape the repetitive cycle of drawing close to, then distancing ourselves from God.

This is the space I currently inhabit. I'm not conscious of any sin in my life, though I struggle with disbelief regarding healing due to my limited knowledge of healing scriptures in the Bible. This has prevented me from being used for healing and escaping my mental illness. Nevertheless, there is no rebellion in my life. Each day, I am guided by the Holy Spirit, living in harmony with God and experiencing immense reward and contentment. My life is purposeful and joyful, often bathed in God's presence and, occasionally, in His glory. This makes life a joyous experience for me, the Trinity, and those who interact with me daily.

Indeed, God often employs the shepherd's crook technique, snagging the straying sheep by the neck and pulling it back to His side, as we often see in cartoons. God employs hardships and adverse situations to redirect us back to Him. You can always trust God to call you back when you stray.

**Point 19. He wants us to turn to Him in times of suffering and confusion because He is the refuge and the one that will correct our path, restoring our mind and giving us LIFE!**

Jesus sacrificed Himself for us, offering us power, His presence, and the gift of the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit endows us with joy and peace and guides us daily. However, there are times when we might experience periods of suffering and confusion, which draw us back into His embrace. Some are so self-assured and confident in their knowledge and abilities that they do not require His guidance.

Human efforts, not divine, lead many ministries. Equipped with systems, protocols, God-given talents, and anointings, these ministries can function significantly without the Holy Spirit's direction. Sometimes, the leaders of these ministries need to experience a phase of suffering or confusion, encouraging them to return to their Divine Source, recognizing God and the Holy Spirit as their true guide.

God does not take pleasure in His children's suffering. I believe He does not revel in our pain or delight in my mental illness. God does not approve of the negative aspects of mental illness that impact me. He does not derive satisfaction from our suffering, even if it makes us turn and cling to Him.

God desires us to be in a state similar to the one I previously admitted: free from sin, burdened only with minor disbelief regarding healing, not in rebellion, and not asserting self-control over divine guidance. It is challenging to maintain this state, yet it is where God prefers us to be.

There are instances when God permits us to experience suffering or confusion, redirecting us towards Him, encouraging us to seek Him as our refuge and the One who can correct our course. Miesha's writings particularly touch me on these points. Her words are inspiring and demonstrate a strong spirit. When she first posted her thoughts, I acknowledged the depth of her insight and encouraged her to continue writing.

This is a point I will continue to reiterate until it is fully understood: God does not derive pleasure from human suffering or confusion. He is not a vengeful or cruel God. He does not relish His children's pain. However, He permits these experiences to guide us back to Him, where we find refuge and course correction. God is the originator of life, the source of all energy. The world's creation involved God, Jesus, and the Holy Spirit, with God as the ultimate source.

**Point 20. He loves us so much, and He wants us to sit down, be still, and connect with Him.**

Indeed, God is the ultimate source. He is the grand architect with blueprints for this world, my life, and your life, dear reader. Occasionally, His plans might involve putting you through challenging experiences to reinforce His role as the master and to ensure you understand that He is a generous provider. He is a caring Father, a reservoir you can draw, a wellspring of life, and a refuge. He desires to tenderly and consistently draw you close to His heart.

Imagine ascending to Heaven, climbing onto God's lap, wrapping your arms around His neck warmly, and choosing to stay in that comforting presence. Trust, be still, and deepen your connection with Him.

Some teachers, like Todd Bentley, advocate for "soaking" in the Secret Place. They instruct about entering this sacred space, where Bentley often lies still to music in what's referred to as "soaking." Here, he quiets his thoughts and meditates on God, not in conversation, but in quiet company with the Divine. In this state, he basks in God's presence. This is the sentiment Miesha echoes: God desires for us to reach a point where we can find joy in stillness with Him.

My practice is typically a two-way dialogue with Jesus or God before sleep. However, I have yet to experience the silent "soaking" type that Todd Bentley describes.

I recognize Bentley's incredibly intimate relationship with God, cultivated through these extended periods of silent communion in the Secret Place. Similarly, Miesha seems to follow this practice. God's immense love for us invites this quiet connection. While silence can be uncomfortable for some, the sentiment is profound.

I recall an incident where someone sought to speak with Paul Yonggi Cho at his ministry. When the individual called, Cho's secretary explained that he was with the Lord and could not be disturbed. Even the country's leader had to wait six hours for a callback. For Cho, his connection with God held greater importance than speaking with even the most prominent figure in his country.

This is the relationship God desires with us. I remember Heidi Baker mentioning that she could not function without spending four or five hours in Jesus' presence each morning. While I may not dedicate that amount of time for conversation with God, I practice what Paul calls "unceasing prayer," constantly attuned to the Holy Spirit and following its direction throughout the day. I spend about thirty minutes to an hour at night or while falling asleep conversing with various saints, Jesus, and God.

Heidi's time in Jesus' presence may not consist solely of worship, prayer, or soaking. Similarly, Yonggi Cho's six-hour communion with God might not only be prayer or two-way dialogue. I surmise that some of this time is spent simply basking in God's presence. Such practices seem to earn these individuals God's respect and attention.

I encourage you to explore this practice of "soaking" for yourself. You could start by finding appropriate music or obtaining Todd Bentley's teachings on the Secret Place. Investigate this concept, learn about it, and perhaps incorporate it into your spiritual life.

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About Matthew Robert Payne

Matthew Robert Payne is an inspiring teacher and prophet who finds immense joy in writing and sharing the messages that God puts on his heart. Through his transparent writing style, he hopes to introduce readers to Jesus Christ and deepen their relationship with the Father.

Matthew's spiritual journey began in a traditional Baptist church where he accepted Jesus Christ as his Savior at a young age. However, as he entered adulthood, he struggled with addictions and bad habits, leading him to live in the wilderness for many years. It wasn't until he was twenty-seven that he was baptized in water and received the baptism of the Holy Spirit. This experience led him to discover the five-fold ministry offices and their relevance in today's world.

As a prophet, Matthew has been putting his gift into practice for over twenty years, confidently prophesying to friends and strangers and delivering thousands of prophecies. He began writing several years ago and self-published his first book in 2011. Today, he devotes his time to earning money to self-publish his books and produces videos that can be found on YouTube.

One of Matthew's greatest joys is connecting with others on Facebook and hearing from those who have read his books. He is passionate about prophesying over people's lives and helping them discover their purpose in God's plan. You can also sow into his book-writing ministry, read his blog, or receive a message from your angel. In addition, Matthew offers the unique opportunity to receive a personalized nine-minute prophecy, tailored to your individual situation and needs. See <http://personal-prophecy-today.com>

Overall, Matthew Robert Payne is a gifted teacher and prophet who seeks to share the love of Jesus Christ through his writing and interactions with others. His inspiring journey from addiction and wilderness living to becoming a prolific writer and messenger of God's word is a testament to the transformative power of faith and the hope that lies ahead for those who put their trust in God.

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APPENDIX

23 things you didn’t know about author Matthew Robert Payne

A Prophet at Bethel church, Kris Vallotton, posted on his Facebook in April 2023, “23 questions to better get to know someone you admire.” As I read the questions, I thought it would be informative if I answered those same 23 questions at the back of each of my books, starting with this one. While I have a standard page, “About the Author”, in my books, I thought this would be something different and interesting for new readers to know more about me as the author.

Question 1: What are the 3 most important accomplishments in your life?

I am most proud of my marriage to my lovely wife, Sharryn, though it ended sadly when she fell out of love with me. My second greatest accomplishment is being a father to my son Brandyn, who is now 31 years old and has a child of his own. Finally, I am proud to have self-published over 100 books in the past 11 years. I originally had a vision of only writing 50 books in my lifetime, but as of May 2023, I have published 111 books.

Question 2: What gets you up in the morning? Why are you alive?

I was created to be a preacher, and I choose to be an internet preacher. I am motivated each day to post a couple of videos on YouTube and to work on the latest book that I am writing. For the past six years, I have self-published one book per month, and that keeps me busy. I recently found artificial intelligence programs that can transcribe my videos reducing the cost and turnaround time for publishing a book. The publishing and writing process gets me up in the morning.

Question 3: Who have been the most influential people in your life and what have they taught you?

I'd like to give a shoutout to my father. When I was young, my father worked six days a week in shift work with 12-hour days to support our family. He paid off our house by the time he was 40 years old with four children to raise. He moved us from Sydney, Australia, to a country town called Coffs Harbour and took a significant pay cut to work for my uncle. He dedicated over 25 years to that job, earning a low income so that we could grow up in a peaceful environment with good personalities. My father made fun out of his job.

He became a skilled fisherman and could catch specific fish like bream, blackfish, flathead, and snapper in different settings, near the land, in a river, or deep-sea fishing. He was among the top 5% of fishermen in the country and could have his own fishing show. However, he never won the monthly weekend-long fishing competitions he entered with about 20-30 fishermen. Instead, his good friend, who was in the top 1% of Australian fishermen, always won. When I asked my father about the difference between him and his friend, he said, “I simply wasn't prepared to be on my third marriage. I'm a family man and I wasn't going to commit so much time to fishing to improve.”

My father taught me the importance of hard work, dedication, and finding joy in life's small things. He also showed me the importance of family and being a responsible father and husband.

My mother used to say she was glad my father had his fishing interest because it stopped his life from being mundane. What I learned from him was to perfect anything I do, be proficient, work hard, and do my best to improve myself and be consistent. That's who my dad was. He was consistently trying to improve himself and become better.

Another person who had a great influence on my life was my mother; she was my greatest friend. Until she passed away four years ago, we used to speak on the phone for about an hour a day. I don't miss her too much now because I can speak to her every day in Heaven. My mother was gentle, kind, compassionate, and loving towards people. I got my teaching gift from her. Her church used her to run discipling programs for new Christians, and she had a set of teachings that I convinced her to publish into a book, which I published for her. That book is called, Christian Discipleship Made Simple, and I'll put the link to that book here: <https://tinyurl.com/2s4kx8rr>.

Another person who has had a good influence on my life was Steve Jobs, the creator, and CEO of Apple. I read his biography, and I was really inspired by it. Steve created Apple products and a production company called Pixar. In the biography, I came to realize that when Steve went off and created Pixar, it was when Apple had gotten rid of him as a CEO, and he was doing other things. He created Pixar films, and they made feature-length cartoons like Toy Story.

Hollywood, with all the best producers, directors, and finance, finds it hard to make a hit film that goes extraordinarily well at the box office. Film making is like mining for gold or trying to find gold. Making films is largely a speculative thing where you're not guaranteed success no matter how much you spend.

But in Pixar Films, they had 20 blockbusters in a row. There wasn't one film that they made which had not been a blockbuster, according to the book on Steve Jobs that I read. That's because they developed a way of editing and having discussions in the boardroom about the progress of films, changing films, and giving them new direction and insight based on what the board had seen in the film. Apparently, Steve Jobs was banned from those board meetings because he was too critical and harsh.

I was watching a documentary on Steve Jobs because I was very interested in him. In the documentary, his friends and work colleagues were saying he was very harsh and mean, and he had a terrible personality. I was sitting on my bed watching this documentary on my Apple laptop and Steve Jobs appeared on my bed! I said to him, “You must be in heaven.” He said, “Yeah.”

And I said, “They're being really harsh on you.”

He said, “I wasn't a nice person.”

I really admired him for telling me that those harsh things people were saying in the documentaries were true about him. Steve Jobs was a person of excellence, and he went to a lot of effort to make his products perfect.

That's why Pixar had 20 blockbuster films, because of the Steve Jobs’ element in that company. Disney bought out Pixar and they've still gone on to make successful films. Steve Jobs taught me to apply myself when I create a product and to do the very best that I can. He taught me not to give up on my dreams. He was fired from Apple by his board members, even though he started the company and made it the success it was. He went on to start two other companies that saw success, and Pixar Films was one of them. He spent some time in the wilderness until Apple was suffering and invited him back to be CEO.

So, it was a really good story, and he really motivated me. You can read the excellent biography of his life called Steve Jobs:

The Exclusive Biography is here at these two links:

Kindle: <https://tinyurl.com/53ue8evc>

Audiobook: <https://tinyurl.com/4mzr24wz>

Question 4: Tell me about any experience that changed your life.

When I was 14 years of age, I was surfing at a beach where I used to meet a young girl. I rode my surfboard into an adjoining beach to the beach I was surfing on, and I found out that it was a nudist beach.

I walked up onto the beach and had a conversation with some men and women and was really intrigued that I could sit down and talk to the women there with no clothes on. That really changed my life as a youth. The people I met with told me the next week they were going to come back to the beach and a woman said her 16-year-old niece was going to come as a nudist herself. The lady told me perhaps I could meet with and connect with her niece. I was excited but the next week it was overcast and looked like it was going to rain, and these people didn't turn up.

But a man turned up and after talking to him I decided to be real nudist on the beach and be nude. The man who I talked to was about 35 and invited me into the water to have a swim. I thought that was cool.

While we were in the water, I felt the man put his hand out and touch my genitals, and I got aroused by that. Then something happened on the beach where I entered my first sexual encounter. Years later, after my wife left me, I found out I was showing many signs consistent with someone how had been sexually abused. My sister had a list of 25 personality characteristics that sexually abused people have. When she found out I was exhibiting two-thirds of the signs, she naturally asked me, “Who abused you?” I am yet unhealed and so my whole character, everything that I manifest as myself, even sometimes as a writer, stems from that abuse and the trauma that happened on that beach.

Question 5: What's the worst mistake you ever made and what did you learn from it?

You might think that going to the beach that day was my worst mistake, as it caused a lot of trauma in my life. The sexual abuse certainly did that, but I would say that one of the worst mistakes I made was thinking that I was fine and healed from my bipolar disorder and stopping my medication. I ended up becoming mentally unwell and had to be admitted to a psychiatric ward. For years, I had been hearing a voice that claimed to be Jesus. As a youth, I had grown up with Jesus' voice and wasn't aware that it could be counterfeited.

Three times that voice told me I was healed, and three times I ended up in the hospital. I wondered why Jesus would tell me I was healed and yet end up in the hospital. These things continued to happen until I met an apostle who was very experienced in spiritual matters. He told me that the voice I was talking to wasn't Jesus, but a demonic spirit pretending to be Jesus. For a while, I had to stop talking to Jesus, stop listening to what He said, and read the Gospels if I wanted to hear Jesus speak. I was to pray one-way prayers to Him and continue my relationship, but not answer when He talked to me. Over the next few years, I read the Gospels and came to know Jesus' character well. Through the Bible, I learned to recognize the character and voice of Jesus. Now, when I hear Jesus, I can be very confident and know that I am hearing His voice.

One of the main fears of most people when it comes to hearing from God is that they don't want to be mistaken and have their own voice talking to them. The second fear is that a wrong spirit will deceive them. Through my experience of being deceived by that counterfeit Jesus, I was able to write a book, How to Hear God's Voice, which provides detailed information on how to discern the difference between the authentic voice of Jesus, the authentic Holy Spirit, and the counterfeit Holy Spirit. I will put a link to that book here: <https://tinyurl.com/2p8kdz2k>

Question 6: What do you do for fun?

I relax in several ways.

Sometimes I surf Facebook and read quotes, like posts, and make comments for two hours. I can totally go out of my work zone and just surf Facebook for an hour or two. This brings me peace and helps me build connections with my friends.

I also go shopping and buy things to eat. I eat my food while surfing on Facebook and chat with my friends from Heaven. I often approach strangers with a prophetic word from Jesus and encourage them.

I also try to find a TV series that I like on Netflix and watch up to eight seasons of a series if I really get into it. I am just finishing a four-season show now with only one and a half episodes left.

I enjoy going to cinemas and watching movies on the big screen, too.

I like to listen to worship music, but mostly I listen to a radio station that plays hits from when I was younger from the 70s, 80s, and 90s. I enjoy doing this as I surf Facebook, and it entertains me as I do the boring job of editing my manuscripts. I did 20 hours of editing today, and I went through a lot of songs!

Question 7: What are your three greatest strengths?

I would say I have outstanding perseverance. I've had mental illness come against me for over 30 years. I have had diabetes come against me and almost died. I sometimes suffer from sleep issues. I must live with only a couple of friends and loneliness. I had a divorce come against me. I lost access to my only son. I have struggled for 38 years with sex addictions that I could just not break, and sometimes a lack of finances come against me. I struggle with a lack of recognition and open doors for ministry. With all these things that I have struggled with, I've managed to persevere. I'd say it's hard to keep me down, and it's hard to stop me from being motivated.

I'd say another strength is my consistency. I write and self-publish a book every month, and to do that I sometimes have three different books in the works at once to maintain that pace. I wrote a book on writing nonfiction and how I write one book a month called, Five Keys to Successful Nonfiction Writing: How I Write One Book per Month. You can find that book here: https://tinyurl.com/p8mmpwx8.

I had a system that I described in this book on how exactly I did that, but since the inception and introduction of AI, I am not paying transcriptionists to type up my videos. I have an AI program that I got for $97 that transcribes my videos for no extra cost. I now use an inexpensive editor

 I'm very consistent.

My third greatest strength is my ability to be transparent and honest. I've found that many people who write reviews on Amazon for my books comment on the amazing transparency and honesty that I have.

They really appreciate being told the truth and getting insight into my life and personal details, especially hearing about my struggle with a 38-year addiction to prostitutes and pornography. To be so honest about that and transparent was really refreshing for people because they're used to people in leadership not sharing those sorts of things. I really take pride in my honesty, and Billy Joel's song "Honesty" from 40 years ago is one of my favorite songs because it describes me. The song is about Billy Joel wanting his wife not to treat him like a star. You can watch the song "Honesty" performed by Billy Joel here: <https://tinyurl.com/mphyn4b5>.

Question 8: Describe your relationship with God.

I have a tremendously intimate relationship with God. An especially strong relationship with Jesus opens you up to certain things. If you were close friends with a person at your workplace, you would notice that if everyone went out for drinks after work on Friday, some would leave early but your friend would stay for an extra hour or so with you to hang out. This friend, if close, would also invite his other friends over to the workplace or bar to meet you as well. This friend may even introduce you to his parents by taking you out to lunch to meet them.

Jesus is the same way. As you draw closer to Him, He introduces you to His friends, which most people would think are other Christians. But supernaturally, Jesus can also introduce you to other friends of His, angels or saints from Heaven, essentially opening an open Heaven over your life.

Jesus has permitted me to meet and converse with any person in the Bible or any person who has died since Bible times. Someone can die like Billy Graham, and I can contact Billy Graham and reach out to him and have a conversation with him and develop a friendship through the Holy Spirit. He's an evangelist, and I really admire evangelists. When the prophet Kim Clement died, I had such a good relationship with Jesus that I could reach out to Kim Clement and have a conversation with him. When you're close to Jesus, He starts introducing you to His friends, like Kim Clement. With most of the friendships that I've developed with saints in Heaven, it's been the Holy Spirit that has brought them before me and introduced me to them.

Not many of my interactions were initiated by me. The encounters I had with Kim Clement and Billy Graham were initiated by the Holy Spirit putting the idea in my head. If you're good friends with Jesus, He can introduce you to your angels, and you can have the ability to talk and converse and do things with them. I have a good relationship with the five angels that work in my life and my ministry. If you're good friends with Jesus, He'll personally introduce you to His Father, and you'll have a good relationship with Him. This is how I met the Father for the first time—Jesus introduced Him to me one day.

I've got such an intimate relationship with Jesus that I can ask Him any question about any person in the world, and He’ll answer me. He's not like humans—He doesn't gossip. So, it's hard to find the secret sins or things that people are doing if you're not going to be directly involved in helping them recover. Jesus is very personal. A lot of people meet prophets and fear prophets and don't want to approach them because they assume that the prophet knows their sins. So, they purposely don't make friends with prophets because they assume that since the prophet hears from God, they can see right through them and see their sins.

I've never had Jesus show me the sins of anyone except for a couple of people who asked me to ask God about what they were doing wrong with their lives. Both people wanted me to give them a prophetic word about what they needed to change to get a breakthrough, and God was able to reveal that to them and they were able to repent.

I know God well enough that I've written a series of books called, Conversations with God, which is available for free on Kindle. You can find the book at this link here: <https://tinyurl.com/mupc4w3c>

I also have a series of videos called, Conversations with the Holy Spirit. I also have a video playlist of Conversations with the Holy Spirit here: <https://tinyurl.com/49pzp6s7>

I produced three books on Conversations with the Holy Spirit and for you to get a feel for it I'll put a link to the first book with conversations of the Holy Spirit here: <https://tinyurl.com/3zwj79v8>

So, I know how to tell apart the three persons of the Godhead: The Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. I can also tell right away when another voice is speaking to me. To clarify, I don’t hear these voices out loud, but rather like thoughts, or the “still small voice” within me. After much experience, I am now fine-tuned, like a radio receiver, that can tune into any signal and hear it clearly.

I have a scribe angel that helps me write books and helps me produce content. Her name is Bethany. You may notice on the title page of this book that I added her name as one of the authors. I can tell when she talks to me or if my mother or father from Heaven say hello to me.

As soon as the voice speaks in my mind, through a thought, I'm able to discern who it is. I have developed quite a supernatural relationship with God. I wrote two books on spiritual intimacy, and I encourage you to read those books. One of my best books on intimacy is called, 7 Keys to Intimacy with Jesus. Here is the link to that book:

<https://tinyurl.com/47pafcxw>

Question 9: What do you do to cultivate your relationship with God?

The main thing I do to cultivate my relationship with God, Jesus, and the Godhead is to have conversations. I don't pray like most Christians do, one-way prayers, asking for things, confessing my sins, and giving thanks. Instead, I have two-way conversations with God, Jesus mostly. We talk back and forth.

I spend my whole day being led and directed by the Holy Spirit, doing everything the Holy Spirit and Bethany, my scribe angel, say to do, which is mostly producing books and content. Then, at the end of the day, when I'm lying in my bed, I have a personal debrief with Jesus and the Father before falling asleep. This conversation typically lasts from 20 to 30 minutes or so.

During this time, I go over the day, what I've achieved, and then I close off the day by having a conversation with Jesus. Walking and being directed by the Holy Spirit all day is something all Christians should be able to do, and this is what Paul referred to as “praying without ceasing.”

For twelve years, I hadn't read the Bible because I had been hurt by people giving false teaching and using Scriptures out of the New Testament to prove their false and harmful doctrines. These teachings portrayed the character of God as angry—a God of wrath and judgment.

Then I heard the message of grace, also using the Bible to support their position. But then I found out that there were certain forms of the grace message called “hyper grace”, which teaches that you can do anything, and God doesn't care. This left me confused and deceived by both ends of the spectrum. Both the legalistic preaching and the “hyper grace” teaching used seemingly convincing verses in the New Testament to prove their positions. So, I got upset and stopped reading the Bible. But through a prophet's instruction and Bethany's prodding, I have returned to the Bible and am now reading two chapters a day. I also do a video each day on what I learned in my reading from those chapters.

I mainly speak back and forth to God each day and have a relationship like what I suppose Moses and David had, which is very intimate. I also listen to Christian teachings and read books, which also cultivates my relationship with God. Many people have commented on my books on how full they are of Scripture and references. That was the case for my previous books years ago when I remembered more Scripture. But lately, the references dropped off. Nevertheless, I have a good memory for the verses that I understand, and they tend to pop up often. One passage of Scripture I have used about 40 times in my 111 books is 1 John 2:15-17 which says in the New Living Translation:

“Do not love this world nor the things it offers you, for when you love the world, you do not have the love of the Father in you. For the world offers only a craving for physical pleasure, a craving for everything we see, and pride in our achievements and possessions. These are not from the Father but are from this world. And this world is fading away, along with everything that people crave. But anyone who does what pleases God will live forever.”

Question 10: Who is the most important person in your life?

I would say my friend Mary Gibson, who has read about 60 of my books and written Amazon reviews for about 50 of them. She has replaced my mother as my best friend.

For a season, for about two years, she broke fellowship with me when I was delusional and in a sick sort of way, heavily affected by demons. My medication levels were not strong enough, and I was pretty much out of control. She stepped out of my life because she didn't know how to handle that. She knew that I knew she loved me, and just recently, in the last six months, she has come back. She has started reading my books again and posting reviews. Mary is a dear friend, and I talk to her most days, having a half an hour to an hour conversation. If you read my acknowledgments in any of my books, you will see my current friends mentioned. Mary is a dear friend.

Second to Mary Gibson is my friend Dundy, and we connect over Facebook video phone once or twice a week. Once again, he's read about 50 of my books and is a good supporter. Dundy loves me for who I am, accepts me with my faults, and supports me with his feedback, advice, and love.

Question 11: What are your greatest character virtues?

I knew this question was coming when the previous question asked about my three greatest strengths. I was trying to avoid it, but my greatest character trait would be my honesty. So far, while answering these questions, I have been very honest and transparent. I would say the second greatest character trait is my spiritual hunger. I am very hungry for the things of God. Jesus said in the Sermon on the Mount in Matthew chapter 5, “Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be filled.”

I find that the Holy Spirit fills me like a fountain. Every day, I have a river of the Holy Spirit coming out of my spirit and nourishing other people. It is my spiritual hunger that has created my intimacy with Jesus. It is my spiritual hunger that has created the relationship with Jesus that has given me an open heaven. It is my spiritual hunger that has enabled me to be teachable and to go after deeper and harder concepts in the Christian faith. My spiritual hunger and intimacy led me to a stage where I could write 111 books about Christianity and still not be finished.

I would say another great character virtue that I have is my gift of encouragement. In my life, wherever I go and whomever I meet, I always encourage people and bring them hope. Even when I share things in my life where I am suffering or going through a hard time, people who are also facing hard struggles find it very encouraging. They appreciate that I have the courage, as a Christian leader, to share I am struggling in areas of my life. There is a large percentage, like 50% of males or even 70% of males, depending on what statistics you read, who have an addiction to pornography. For them to read one of my books where I confess, I struggled with pornography for 38 years is really encouraging for them.

When I say in my books that I have struggled or had an addiction to prostitutes, one in six men in the world who have seen a prostitute are encouraged by my openness. Being willing to share my afflictions with mental illness, obesity, diabetes, or other issues encourages others.

I am a very happy, outgoing, loving, and bubbly person. I am constantly trying to bring encouragement to people, especially strangers. I like interacting with people I meet for the first time and complimenting them about their smiles, hair, bag, skirt, etc. I go out of my way to start up a conversation and encourage them. Most of my compliments are Spirit-led and well-received.

That's why having the gift of prophecy and being able to walk up to a stranger and give them a personal message from the Lord really suits me well. I typically tell people three good things about them, three-character traits that they excel in. The explanation really encourages people. The Holy Spirit gives me this information about a stranger, a prophetic gift called a “word of knowledge”. 1 Corinthians 12:8 mentions this gift as one of the nine spiritual gifts available to Christians.

Question 12: What is your greatest struggle? What are you doing about it?

Personally, I'd say my greatest struggle is my mental illness. Sometimes I wake up feeling flat. I'm not really depressed, but my mood is low. The other day, I was out with one of my personal carers, and she asked me why I wasn't speaking much. I told her that sometimes with my mental illness, I feel flat and don't talk much. She was able to understand.

My bipolar disorder can cause me to go into days or even several days of depression, which is a real struggle. It can also cause sleeping issues. This condition would make it very hard for me to have a nine-to-five job because many nights I don’t sleep enough to get through a day's work. I take medication for my bipolar, but sometimes I can still experience depression or even mania and say strange things. I'm coping and persevering, but it's a great trial and hardship that I've had to deal with for over 30 years.

Because of medication, diet, and lack of exercise, I've become obese and developed diabetes, which is also a hassle. People tend to misjudge you when you're obese, and they can also misjudge you when you have a mental illness. My mental illness medication has a side effect that slows down my metabolism, so I've gained around 50 kilograms, or 80 pounds more than I should be carrying. Mental illness has really taken a toll on me.

I believe Paul's “thorn in the flesh” wasn't just a disease. It was a demon that followed him around and caused trouble, like being stoned, whipped, and beaten up. So, it was a principality, a demon that caused strife. Some people have commented to me that my mental illness is simply my thorn in the flesh that stops me from getting too proud or arrogant. Whatever you attribute Paul’s “thorn in the flesh” to, I prefer to call my illness the cross I was given to bear.

Question 13: Who do you most admire in life?

There are several people that I admire. One person alive today that I really admire is the preacher and missionary Heidi Baker. Heidi and Roland Baker have been responsible for planting or starting 10,000 churches in Mozambique and other places around the world. Heidi not only operates in signs and wonders, but also in a spirit of excellence. Her ministry team is also very effective in training up others to minister the Gospel, not only in signs and wonders as well, but duplicating the work of the Lord in many ways.

Heidi Baker has also taken upwards of 10,000 orphans off the street to house and take care of them. As a Christian, if you are constantly getting messages or people friending you asking for money for needy children, I would say Heidi Baker’s ministry is worthy of your finances. I encourage you to go to Heidi’s website to see all the ways you can help and what their ministry is doing all around the world.

You can sponsor a child with Iris Ministries at this link: <https://tinyurl.com/4padj545>

You can support Iris Ministries in other targeted ways by going here and choosing how you want to support them: <https://www.irisglobal.org/give>

Heidi Baker and her team move powerfully in signs and wonders. She's had over a hundred of her poor pastors in the bush raise babies from the dead. I think her healing rate on deafness is 100%, and nearly that high on blindness. Check it out for yourself.

She typically goes to a new village, whether they are involved in witchcraft or Islam and says, “Bring out all your blind and deaf.” When the village brings them to her, she lays hands on them in prayer and the deaf hear and the blind see. It is obvious to anyone that only God can do that, so this opens the door to the Gospel.

She trains her team to do the same and then show the village a film about Jesus. When the whole village converts, they plant a new church. She is profoundly full of wisdom and practical teaching, and she's a great person to listen to. I've had the pleasure of prophesying over her three times. I was honored that she wrote back to me and gave me good feedback.

I also really admire Joyce Meyer. Joyce is also full of wisdom and has a wonderful ministry. As a writer, she's produced more than two hundred books. As a writer myself with a hundred books or so, I know the time and effort required and I must admire someone who has done twice what I have.

Joyce is around 80 years old, so I have another 20 years or so to catch up to her! She is impressive. I have read a couple of her books, and once again, she has proven that anointed women in ministry can be very powerful and effective in setting people free.

Something else I found out about Joyce Meyer is that 80% of the money that comes into her ministry is used to support hurting people around the world. Source: <https://tinyurl.com/236cw7n3>

God has certainly blessed her, and she shares it with others. So, besides Heidi Baker’s Iris Ministries, I also recommend supporting Joyce Meyer. Both are skilled and knowledgeable on how to effectively redistribute funds to others in need.

You can donate to Joyce Meyer here: <https://joycemeyer.org/donate>

These two ladies are alive, but two other people I really admire are in Heaven. One of them is Steve Jobs. As I have mentioned earlier in the book, Steve also has a spirit of excellence. I really loved reading the book about him, Steve Jobs: The Exclusive Biography. Here is the link: <https://tinyurl.com/236cw7n3>

I learned a lot about Steve in that book but also in conversations with him. As I said before, the Lord has enabled me to talk not only to Him, but also to angels and saints at His discretion.

The second person who is no longer alive on earth is Michael Jackson. I have interviewed him five times and published each of them into separate books, all available on Amazon. Michael and

I have spent a lot of time together. He sometimes goes out with me and we talk together on walks.

I've developed a good relationship with him. What I admire most about him is his unusually high spirit of excellence. In a recent interview, I discovered that he was never quite satisfied with the quality of the songs he produced on Earth. He was a perfectionist who was rarely satisfied with his work. That's just who he was. It can be torturous to be a perfectionist and Michael was certainly one of them. But this trait has been redeemed in Heaven. Michael revealed in his last interview that he has re-recorded and remastered all his hit songs in Heaven because he wasn't satisfied with them on Earth.

I really admire Michael Jackson. He's sweet, compassionate, kind, and gentle. Michael is also thankful he gets to talk to me. On earth, I am a nobody. But in Heaven, I am well-known and received. I first met Michael when I was watching the documentary of his last concert tour called “This Is It.” He appeared to me in a vision and started singing and dancing. Surprised, I asked him, “What are you doing here? You're the King of Pop!”

He replied, “You are best friends with the King of Kings, and he sent me!”

You know when you get an answer from Heaven because it's just one sentence and it's profound. Jesus, as the King over all the kings, has the authority and sent Michael Jackson to come and meet me. Jesus sent him to me because as I have illustrated earlier, close friends introduce you to their friends as well. I am very pleased that Jesus sent Michael because my friendship with him has also brought me closer to Jesus.

Question 14: How do you handle conflict?

Well, I try to forgive people and turn the other cheek. If I have a conflict, it is mostly online, like on Facebook. I’m not sure if it is the best way to handle these issues, but I disassociate myself or block those I am not able to get along with.

Sometimes if people are saying things that I don't like, I just try to ignore them and pretend that I didn't read the comment. If I do have an issue with a person, I try to bring it to them directly like the Bible says to. But mostly, if someone has a wrong spirit and they're causing me trouble, I block them on Facebook so they can't contact me. If they go onto YouTube and start making comments, I'll block them there too. Social media is useful to me in that way.

I've only got three friends in Sydney that I meet in person on a regular basis. One of them I meet every week and one of them I meet once a month. I have a third one, a former pastor of mine that I can meet any time, and I see him about once a year or so. Because I don't know a lot of people I can meet with personally, I don't have many conflicts.

Question 15: Who are your enemies and why?

I don't currently know of any enemies. As I said, I am unknown to the world and if anyone causes conflict online, I just block them.

Question 16: What is your greatest childhood memory?

When I was growing up, I used to surf. I never became a highly skilled or excellent surfer, but I could catch a big wave, ride down the face up and down, and do re-entries. Sometimes if I was on the right kind of wave, it would form a tube and close over me for a little while until it let me out.

One of my greatest memories was when I caught a large wave, and it rolled over me, creating such a tube. I rode the tube while standing up. I’ll never forget that fantastic feeling. The wave was breaking about five or six feet in front of me, but I didn't give up and rode the wave. My brother was paddling out and saw me in the tube, and when I got out the back after the wave, he praised me for it. It made me happy, especially because he was a much better surfer.

Another time, I caught a wave at a different beach in Coffs Harbour, the town where I come from in Australia. As I caught the wave it crested into a perfect tube and rode it for about 50 feet. When I broke out of the tube, I went high and did a re-entry, shooting out some spray, and then went back down to the bottom of the wave. The same wave came over me again, and I went into another tube. When I came out of that one, I went into a third tube! When I told my brother about it, he dismissed it and started talking about his waves. It was the best wave I'd ever had in my life, and it was amazing. I was so happy that I had that experience.

Then, about five years later, I walked down the beach with a Christian surfer and my older brother Rodney. We used to have a group of Christians that got together and did Bible studies with surfers. Once a month the Christian surfer’s group would invite all the surfers and meet in Coffs Harbour. They also ran a surfing competition.

There were several heats, a semi-final, and then the final. The surfer that we were walking down the beach with, David, won that surfing competition. As we were walking my brother mocked me about my surfing style. David, the best surfer in Coffs Harbour, replied, “Why are you mocking Matthew? Your brother rode the best wave I've ever seen ridden in Coffs Harbour. Don't you ever speak to him like that in my presence again. I've never seen a wave ridden as good as the wave Matthew rode.”

I was speechless! I was pleased that he had rebuked my brother, not that it would change him, but I was so happy that there was a witness besides God that saw me ride that wave. Even to this day, every time I share that story, I remember how it felt to have the best surfer in town give me such a compliment.

Another great childhood memory was at school. We had a lot of surfers at school and when the surf was up, many of them would skip classes and go surfing. So, our school decided to add surfing to their sports program. When it was time for your sport, you would go down to a local beach for a couple of hours to practice. We were all paired up with a buddy so half would surf and the other half would sit on the beach and watch out for trouble. If something happened your buddy would alert someone to come help or rescue you.

I was about 16 or 17, but I remember one girl that was about 14. She had a great tan, amazing olive-brown skin. During the summer she would get darker, but not red or burnt. Her skin looked like that of a model. She also wore these bright bikinis, yellow or pink, and her skin looked just perfect contrasted against the bright colors.

One day during one of these school surfing sessions, she accidentally crashed into my board and broke her arm. I got her out of the surf and rescued her by putting her on my board and paddling her back to the beach.

I later found out that she used to go to a less popular beach than the main breaks in Coffs Harbour on the weekends. So, I started going there on Saturdays by myself on my bicycle to surf to hopefully catch her there. I saw her one day and asked to borrow her brand-new surfboard to impress her. She swam out and talked to me while leaning on her board. As a young teenager, experiencing this scene play out was like something right out of the movie, “Blue Lagoon.”

During our conversation I asked her if she knew how to duck dive, which is when you push your board under a wave so that it breaks over you instead of in front of you pushing you back. When she told me no I offered to teach her. Doing this together was so romantic. Watching this young girl learn how to duck dive with me, with her perfect tan and bright yellow bikini, was one of my best childhood memories ever.

Question 17: What is the best book you've ever read?

When I was 30, I read a book called *Please Understand Me II* by David Kersley. I'm not sure if the book had the actual test in it or if it was based on a personality temperament assessment called the Myers-Briggs analysis. The test consisted of many questions, and then it would let you know what your dominant character traits are among the 16 different ones.

The book is very helpful toward understanding your purpose, dealing with others, and how you are wired. It changed my life. If you want to discover purpose and meaning in your life, I highly recommend doing the Myers-Briggs Analysis test. Their website is here: <https://tinyurl.com/yarpbx3>

And here is the link to the book mentioned above: <https://tinyurl.com/3hcb5ue2>

I also read a book by Joseph Prince called, *Destined to Reign,* when I was into the hyper-grace teachings. Although I do not agree with all of Joseph’s doctrine, his book had a powerful effect on my life—one of the best books I had read at that time. You can find that book here:

<https://tinyurl.com/3fhemmjd>

If you have an interest in Heaven, I highly recommend two books by Kat Kerr called, *Revealing Heaven, book 1, and Revealing Heaven, Book 2.* Although these books are not available on Kindle or Amazon, you can purchase them from Kat Kerr's website: <https://tinyurl.com/5n6fwsrx>

Question 18: Knowing what you know now, what advice would you give your 20-year-old self?

I would encourage my 20-year-old self to understand that success is the “progressive realization of a worthwhile dream”, as one famous teacher said. I would advise him to do his best to discover his life purpose and then work towards achieving mastery in that field or occupation.

I would also emphasize that anyone can have a gift, but it takes a lot of practice and dedication to develop it. For instance, a five-year-old child may know how to play tennis and demonstrate good skills, but it takes years of training and hitting millions of balls over the net to reach professional levels like Wimbledon. The same goes for any other skill or craft, whether it's writing or fishing.

I would encourage my 20-year-old self to put in the time, effort, and research required to become the best they can be in their chosen field. My father's example of mastering fishing for different types of fish despite our poverty is a testament to the power of persistence and polishing one's craft.

Whether it's a hobby or a full-time job, it's essential to apply time, research, and diligence to improve oneself. I believe that when a person reaches the age of 30, they become more centered and focused (Buddhist philosophy).

Between the ages of 20 and 30, you may work jobs that aren't necessarily your life purpose, but around 30, you may find yourself. This is one of the reasons why the Jewish faith didn't allow someone to become a rabbi until they were 30 years old. Jesus also had to wait until He was 30 to be recognized as a rabbi. He put His spirit of excellence into being a carpenter and became very good at wood working. However, it wasn't until He was 30 that He could go out and begin His Spirit-led ministry.

Andrew Wommack, a popular Christian teacher, does a seminar on finding your life's purpose, which you can find on his website. He teaches people in auditoriums and doesn't speak at churches. He rents public buildings so anyone out of the churches can come to his meetings, which saves him from being judged or condemned by people. He does a five-day teaching on finding your life's purpose and then gives an altar call for people to come forward for him to pray for them so that they will be shown their life purpose by the Holy Spirit. He finds that 80% of the people listening to his conferences come forward because they don't know their life purpose. You might not get a hint of your life purpose until you're 30. Here is a link: <https://tinyurl.com/5n78x5wa>

I've got a book about this called, Finding your Purpose in Christ. I wrote it to help you find your life purpose. Here is the link to that book: <https://tinyurl.com/4xt9fext>

Question 19: What's the greatest loss you ever experienced and how did it affect you?

I fell in love with a 17-year-old girl, and I moved in with her much to my mother's disapproval. She got pregnant even though she said she was on birth control. Her mother forced us into a shotgun marriage and problems began immediately.

After two and a half years of being together, she told me to leave. She moved in with another man that she'd been having an affair with. There was no hope of reconciliation since she firmly decided on her next relationship. That broke my heart. Losing my wife (I have only been married once) was the greatest loss of my life. This rejection planted seeds in me that hinder me even today to be able to easily trust people. This rejection also fueled my insecurities leading me into my addictions to pornography and prostitutes. My wife telling me to leave really hurt me.

The next thing she did was almost as bad—she took full custody of my son and turned him against me. From the ages of 8 to 31, I have only been able to see my boy Brandyn once. We spent an hour together over coffee. I have tried several times to reach out to him over the years, but he does not respond. He has no interest in developing a relationship with me and that really breaks my heart. Ever since I was kept from seeing my son, the holidays are ruined for me. Christmas, Easter, Father’s Day, and my son’s birthday and even my birthday bring me only pain and not joy. Christmas and Easter are still today the two saddest days of my life. Sometimes Jesus will visit me on those occasions because He knows how sad I get.

Question 20: Who are your close friends and why?

I've mentioned before that one of my close friends is Mary Gibson, who has read about 60 of my books and watched over 100 of my videos. She really knows me well from my books and teachings. We've spent hundreds of hours talking to each other on the phone or Facebook.

To become a friend, read a few of my books and reach out to me to discuss them. That will draw us closer. And it helps if you continue to read my books and leave good reviews. That will get my attention since I read those reviews. Both Mary and Dundy have read 50 of my books and have written reviews for most of them.

You can learn a lot about a person by reading their books and reaching out to them to talk about what you like about their work. Most authors are too busy to be approachable in this way, but I have the time if you want to put in the time. I'm not saying that you need to read 50 of my books to become my friend, but my two closest friends have done so.

Authors are just normal people and have their own struggles and trials. We are not anyone special, although successful authors are too busy to respond to friend requests. I live a very solitary life, so feel free to get in touch with me on Facebook or email.

You can send me a friend request here: <https://www.facebook.com/matthew.r.payne/>

Or email me at survivors.sanctuary@gmail.com

I am already letting you get to know me by my answers to these questions. This may be the first book you have read with this kind of openness.

If you've read this book and you're impressed, pick a couple more that interest you. Here is a link to my Amazon author page to help: <https://tinyurl.com/36d9522c>.

After you have read some of my books, contact me and tell me which ones you have read and that you want to connect with and why.

I also produce YouTube teaching videos on a wide range of subjects. My YouTube channel is found here:

[https://www.youtube.com/@MatthewRobertPayne1](https://www.youtube.com/%40MatthewRobertPayne1)

Don’t be afraid to approach me. I am a humble guy and look forward to hearing from my readers. Once we get to know each other better, maybe we can talk via Facebook as well.

You get to know me the same way you draw closer to anyone, like Jesus. The more two-way conversations you have with Jesus, the better you know Him. Oh, you don’t have two-way talks with God? I can help you with that.

Question 21: What's the one thing people misunderstand about you?

I would say there are two things. First, people judge me and rule me out when they find out that I have bipolar disorder, a mental illness that has a real stigma attached to it. People assume that if you have a mental illness, then you can’t be trusted when you say God said such and such to you. They think you are hearing from demons, or that you don’t know the difference.

The second thing that people write me off for, as I have often mentioned in my books, is my conversations with saints in Heaven. Some people quote verses in the Old Testament saying that is necromancy, but they don’t even know what necromancy is. Let me explain.

Necromancy is contacting, communing, or talking to the dead, usually to know the future or to contact family members who have died. This is usually done with the help of a medium or a go-between. By the dead, I mean people who have died and are not in Heaven. Often the medium or witch contacts a “familiar spirit,” which is not the family member themselves, but unclean spirits or demons, who are attached to family lines and know a lot about them. However, you define it, these spirits belong to the kingdom of darkness. There are many Old Testament verses against necromancy and for good reason. You can become defiled by these spirits. I do not practice necromancy.

Talking to people who have died but are now with God is not necromancy. Jesus proved you could talk to saints in Heaven on the Mount of Transfiguration when He talked with Moses and Elijah in Matthew 17:2-4. Later in Matthew Jesus further explained, “I am the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. God is not the God of the dead, but of the living.”

In other words, Jesus is saying that Christians who pass on belong to the Kingdom of Heaven. Though I am not Catholic, many of them pray to Mary or other saints on a regular basis. Are they practicing necromancy because they are talking to dead people? Moses died, yet Jesus talked with him. Was Jesus practicing necromancy? You see my point?

Paul, in explaining that we are saved by grace in Ephesians 2, tells us that we believers are seated with Christ in Heavenly places. Stated another way, we believers have been given an “all-access pass” to Heaven and all who are there—angels and saints alike. So, if Jesus can talk to Moses, Elijah, or angels with the Father’s approval, so can we. I understand these encounters are rare these days, but I can assure you they will increase as the world becomes darker.

I get a lot of pushback from readers for my contacting saints in Heaven, especially my interviews with Michael Jackson and Mary Magdalene. Although Christians can gain valuable insight and revelation about life in Heaven, these books exist as an outreach to unbelievers. Several non-Christians have read Michael Jackson's book and have been witnessed and ministered to. This is one of my major outreach methods.

My publisher and I have lost a lot of revenue in producing the audible versions to these interviews with saints. Many narrators misjudge these experiences as necromancy and reject the work because of theological misunderstanding and lack of knowledge. This has become a real problem for me, so I have to use Google Play instead. You can listen to my books there at: https://tinyurl.com/3yufha66.

I prefer Audible over Google Play because Google Play is generated by artificial intelligence. When you listen to those AI audiobooks, you will hear certain words pronounced incorrectly.

Sometimes, I wish I wasn’t such a forerunner of the supernatural. But I feel compelled to go on despite the setbacks and misunderstandings. In the future, however, I believe my books are going to pave the way for so many more Christians who will also interview saints from Heaven and open even more doors to new things. As I have said before, some of my best feedback from Christians comes from this one book, Great Cloud of Witnesses Speak, found here: <https://tinyurl.com/3tyvrp5w>

These interviews with the saints have offered profound revelation. I am saddened that some consider this necromancy. Ultimately, I have been commissioned to do this by Jesus so I will allow Him to defend me.

Question 22: What do you love most about yourself?

Personally, I love my honesty and transparency. I cherish the fact that no matter who I am with, I can be myself and be truthful about my struggles. As of April 11th, 2023, my two addictions have been overcome for eight weeks. I recently faced a major temptation, but I fought it and overcame it with the help of my angel, Bethany, coaching me through it.

Even when I was struggling with my addictions, such as my addiction to prostitutes and pornography, I was truthful to my friends, caregivers, and even people I knew who unbelievers were. This may not have been a good witness to them, but I was honest about my weaknesses, making me a real friend to them. What you see is what you get with me. There's nothing hidden, no matter who I'm speaking to. I don't hide anything, and you've probably realized with my answers to these questions. If this is the first book you've read of mine, some of my answers might shock you. But that's who I am.

I don't pretend to know everything. If I don't understand the meaning of a Scripture verse in a passage I'm preaching from, I'll tell you. I won't guess at it. I'll simply go through the passage line by line, point out the verse I don't understand, skip it, and then move on.

Michael Van Vlymen, who wrote the best book on Kingdom finances that I have read, said that what he most admires about me as an author is my ability to throw myself under a bus to illustrate a point. To throw yourself under a bus means to say self-deprecating things about yourself risking your reputation. He said he loves that about my writing, and many of my reviews over the years have said that they appreciate my candidness and honesty, especially about my sins and shortcomings. So, the song that best describes what I love about myself is *Honesty,* by Billy Joel.

Question 23: What's one thing you wish you could change about yourself and why?

I wish I could lose 50 kilos, or 110 pounds in weight. Currently, I've put myself on a diet called the Keto diet which involves eating mainly protein. I followed it for two weeks and lost two kilos each week, which is about four kilos or seven pounds overall. However, in the third week, I didn't lose any weight. And so far, three days into the fourth week, I haven't lost anything more.

I wish I could lose weight because my current weight is making me tired and causing back pain when I walk even for short distances. I think it's all the weight I'm carrying that's causing my back pain. Moreover, I know that I can seriously reduce my sugar intake and reverse the effects of diabetes on this diet. Research suggests that if you follow this diet long enough, you can be tested and be free of diabetes.

For a long time, I didn't really care about my weight. However, my brother Rodney did some research and asked an AI program called ChatGPT about my health, based on my statistics and diet. ChatGPT indicated that, according to the research it had available, I'm not going to live more than ten years. That got my attention.

Therefore, I realized that I need to change my diet and lose weight to conquer diabetes and have better longevity. I want to reach my goal to write 300 books and so I want to live at least another 20 years to do that.

So, that's the reason why I want to improve my health, and I hope my journey encourages you too. If you've enjoyed reading this book, please do me a big and meaningful favor and leave an honest review on Amazon Books. I check Amazon every day to see if there are any new reviews. If you start popping up, I'll know that I've got a new friend on the way. May God bless and keep you, and I encourage you to be honest in everything that you say and do.

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