

# Gospel of the Kingdom

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## OUR PRECIOUS FAMILY

**Bill and Elaine**

Snuggled inside one of our Christmas cards was a note that read: “These two papers were done by my daughter Angel. I thought you’d like to see how God is moving on the hearts of some of the younger ones.”

My heart was moved with the spiritual insight of this 15-year-old. Suddenly, I was overwhelmed with the thought, “We now have *spiritual grandchildren!*” And, they are something to be proud of!

As Bill and I drove nine times across the U. S. ministering to the remnant, we met many whom we regarded as our spiritual children. Now their children are coming into their own and are “trying their wings” in the Spirit as they sort everything out and learn the ways of the Lord firsthand. They have no idea how proud we are of them and I can’t even imagine the joy that their heavenly Father has as they seek to know Him in a full measure. Somehow, we felt we wanted to tell you that just now!

Bill and I are happy to have spiritual children and grandchildren all over the world. We love you all and rejoice to be in a position where we are able to have some input into your lives. Our lives are full because of you. It has been a privilege to minister to each generation as they have grown up. It is now 34 years that we have been sending out our newsletter and booklets. The Lord has granted us a blessed life! People sometimes apologize when they ask for material but we are glad that they are *hungry*. We send personal blessings to our family all over the globe, whom having not seen, *we love*.

## THE SONG OF THE BRIDE

**Part 11**

**Elaine Cook**

**Song of Solomon 3:2 “I will arise now, and go about the city, in the streets and in the broad ways; I will seek Him whom my soul loveth.”**

When we are longing for a greater manifestation of the presence of our Beloved, He will lead us to people and put us in situations where we will

be further instructed and taught the ways of our God. At first, we go about the city and seek Him in the broad ways. Literally, this refers to the city of Jerusalem and the broad places at the gates of the city where the citizens gathered to transact business. In a real sense, it is the assembly, or the spacious places of blessing and vision. She not only seeks Him in the broad ways, but also in the *paths*, or literally: “Alleys.” In every likely and unlikely place she seeks Him.

This member of the Bride found herself, in 1959, seeking her Beloved for her very life as she was suffering from leukemia for which there was no cure. As I “remembered Him upon my bed and meditated on Him in the night watches,” my spirit made diligent search. Faced with this mountain of testing in my body, I found Him on this lonely *path*. At the darkest hour, He revealed what was hindering my being healed, and upon repentance, granted me His faith and healed me.

After my healing I had a consuming desire to live a fruitful life for Him—to know Him more intimately. No longer was I satisfied with what I had received in the “*broad place*.”

The Lord sent along a missionary couple from northern Canada who invited us to come and help them. I knew it was the Lord’s “*path*.” But, “**The watchmen that go about the city found me; to whom I said, saw ye Him whom my soul loveth?**” Two pastors, armed with large Bibles under their arms, came to convince me that it was definitely *not* the Lord’s will for me to go away. They implied that I had not heard correctly, and must remember, that “...in the multitude of counsellors there is safety” Proverbs 11:14.

I didn’t want to contradict them, but I was sure that the Lord was speaking to my heart. If I didn’t believe His Voice, I could make myself always dependent upon running to the watchmen to discern if I had heard His Voice or not. Jesus had said, “My sheep hear My Voice and they follow Me.” There was no way I could deny what the Lord had put upon my heart although I had no idea what was in store for me. All I knew was that I must leave the broad place and take this humble

path. Although we must esteem every servant of God “exceeding highly in love for their work’s sake,” we must never permit them to usurp the Lord’s place in our lives and affections.

**“It was but a little that I passed from them, when I found Him whom my soul loveth...”** The path, or dark alley upon which I had placed my feet in faith led to the Garden of Gethsemane where, with my Lord, I cried from the depths of my heart, “*Though He slay me, yet will I trust Him.*”

He had taken me into *the wilderness* as He did Israel of old, and for the same reasons: “.to *humble* thee, and to *prove* thee, to *know what was in thine heart*, whether thou wouldest keep his commandments, or no” Deut. 8:2.

There, He showed me my heart and opened His Heart to me. I didn’t much like what I saw in my heart, but I greatly loved what I saw in His. He showed me that my focus in life had been “on getting ahead financially,” so He had to teach me a life of faith where I truly learned to trust Him for my daily bread. My self-sufficiency was torn down until I learned to find my sufficiency in Him and found His Word more precious than mine, and His desires more desirable and holy than mine.

In that lonely place He taught me how to hear His Voice within, and dealt consistently with my self-life. After 31/2 years, He sent us back to civilization again and His last words to us as we were leaving this “path” were: **“I have stripped you.”** We knew that was true, for we had an abundance of goods when we came and we were leaving almost empty. I didn’t realize we *needed to be stripped*, but I understood and praised Him for it, for we returned richer in Spirit than when we came. (I hear these same words about “stripping” from ones new to the wilderness and I know well what the Lord means by that!)

God’s plan for my life and for the ages was beginning to dawn upon my soul and nothing else really mattered. Even though I left behind a little grave under a pine tree where my baby was buried, I had peace about that. All was well with my soul. He had done a good work in me and I was grateful.

I could say to those still residing in the broad places of the city, **“I found Him whom my soul loveth: I held Him, and would not let Him go...”** One of the watchmen (who had warned me not to go down this path), met me some time later and reviled me, “I hear you are believing things

that *I didn’t teach you.*” I acknowledged that was so but I did not strive with him because he had not yet been called to leave the broad places to learn the lessons of the wilderness.

The account of Jacob demonstrates clearly the two natures in the believer. The same two natures are in every child of God today, the spiritual and the carnal, the one which believes God and the other which disbelieves. It is because of this we need to cry daily, “Lord, I believe; *help Thou* mine unbelief.” ( I quote from *Gleanings in Genesis*):

“When he heard that Esau was on his way to meet him, Jacob took all that he had over the brook Jabbok (“emptying”). *“And Jacob was left alone.”* To be left alone with God is the only true way of arriving at a just knowledge of ourselves and our ways. We can never get a true estimate of nature and all its actings until we have weighed them in the balances of the sanctuary. No matter what we may think about ourselves, nor yet what man may think about us, the great question is: *What does God think about us?* And the answer to this question can only be learned when we are ‘left alone.’ Away from the world, away from self, away from all the thoughts, reasoning, imaginings, and emotions of mere nature, thus only can we get a correct judgment about ourselves.

“The lessons Jacob learned are our lessons also: (1) It is *natural* to the “flesh” to plan and scheme and to desire the ordering of our lives. (2) The mind of the flesh deems itself fully competent *to order* our life. (3) But God, in His faithfulness and love, determines to correct this habit in His child. (4) Long does He bear with our self-confidence and self-sufficiency, but He *must* and *will* bring us to *the end of ourselves*. (5) To accomplish this He lays *His hand on us*, and makes us conscious of our utter helplessness. (6) This He does by “withering” us in the seat of our natural strength, and by writing the sentence of death on our flesh. (7) As a result, we learn to *cling* to Him in our weakness, and seek His “blessing.” (8) What a lesson is this! The “flesh” cannot be subdued, but must be “withered” in the very sinew of its power—“because the carnal mind is enmity against God; for it is not subject to the law of God, *neither indeed can be.*” (9) That which hinders us in our growth in grace is not so much our spiritual weakness as it is *confidence in our natural strength!* (10) Not until these truths are apprehended shall we cease to be “contenders,” and gladly take our place as *clay* in the hands of

the Potter, happy for Him to “command” and order our lives for us. (11) Then will it be with us, as with Jacob—“And He *blessed* him there.”(12) And so will the sequel, too, prove true of us—“The *sun rose* upon him,” for “The path of the just shineth more and more unto the perfect day.”

“What is the significance of Jacob’s new name? “Thy name shall be called no more Jacob, but Israel; for as a prince hast thou power with God and with men, and hast prevailed.” Gen. 32:28. “*As a prince*” –as a deposer, order, ruler— words used not to dignify but to *reproach*. “*Hast thou power*” – hast contended (rebellion, revolt). Jacob had contended with Esau in the womb and thus got his name “Jacob.” And long had Jacob, “the orderer” of his life *contended* “with God and with men.” “*And hast prevailed*” or succeeded. He had contended for the birthright and had succeeded. He had contended for the blessing and succeeded. He had contended with Laban and succeeded. He had contended with ‘men’ and succeeded. Now he contended with God (the Wrestler) and fails. Hence his new name was changed to Isra-el, God *commands*, to teach him the greatly needed lesson of dependence upon God. Jacob had arranged everything for appeasing his brother Esau. Now, God is going to take him in hand and order all things for him.” (Unquote)

To learn this lesson, and to take this low place before God, Jacob must be humbled. He must be lamed as to his own strength, and made to limp. Jacob’s new name was to be a constant reminder to him that he had learned that it was not he who was to order and arrange his affairs, but God; and his *new name*, Israel, henceforth to be, him that “God commandeth.” As Jacob *he* had prevailed, but now as Israel, *God* would ***command and prevail***.

These are the lessons that we learn when we pass from the broad places and leave the watchmen behind and follow our Lord into the wilderness to permit Him to do what needs to be done in our lives—to teach us how to let **Him command and prevail!**

## WORDS OF LIFE

Ms. Chris Taylor

(I receive so many precious words from our sister that this time I am sharing some from two different prophecies that were full of life! E)

“A few are enrolling in *Love classes*. Many are realizing that of themselves they can and have

been doing nothing. It is hard for man to admit such things after so many years of pursuit of My ways. But nothing was ever learned while waiting in the halls of denial. The few who came forth to admit their empty nakedness in this area (their lack of the fruit of love), have been giving courage to others...and thus, the classrooms are filling with those who are enrolling with teachable spirits.

“What joy I find in leading these ones who are ready to be taught—who have returned like *prodigals*, ready to admit that, in themselves, they were insisting on their rights claiming their inheritances, and filled with arrogance over their promised sonship. They have returned in defeat, having realized that some pieces were missing in the way they pictured My will as coming to pass in their lives. I welcome them with outreaching arms, and gladly. Those who have sinned much, love much. They are ready to begin *Love Lessons* with the rest.

**“Look not upon one another to compare or to measure yourselves. Look only upon Me, and determine to be like Me, to learn My ways and to do them.** My patience has been rewarded. I have held back time and experiences in order to give you time to come willingly and show up for the best classes. The *forerunners* are those who skipped the fewest classes and found grace in My sight to persevere.

“I come to bring a magnificent unfolding of My kingdom resources which are ready to be unveiled in a world where the needs will be great. Like Josephs, My own will be second in command (to Me). You will have authority over My storehouses. As the famine continues, many will come. You will not need to go seeking to share the good news, for they will come looking. You will have tangible supply from which to draw.

“I am not a miser, but I am careful concerning those who touch holy things. My own who are processed as priests and who approach My storehouses are welcome to dispense the provisions. Others merely trample holy things in their soulish desperation.

“Children, you are being processed to rule with wisdom and grace. **Come. Learn more of Me**, for many will look to you as examples. **Be pure of motivation. May your conversations be seasoned and always with grace. Come up higher into further refinements. Be coming to Me more and more.** I am fine-tuning and reset-

ting, making precise adjustments, and adding *finishing touches*. The workmanship is pleasing. The *Gardens Enclosed* are exuding lovely aromas. The fragrance fills the household. I am making My Body a household of justice and hospitality. There will be lights in the windows and welcome at the doors.

“My own will be *a people of restoration*. It will be given into their hands the privilege of righting wrongs and making the crooked straight. They will be *a people under discipline*—a people of humility and grand purpose. My likeness will be shining from examples refined. Likemindedness will birth unity. There will be an abundance.

“My people will be a people of power, glory, and majesty. They will be like their Creator. They will serve the Most High and others out of love and hearts of compassion. The gospel accounts will come alive in your daily walks. I will walk among the needy, the sick, the oppressed, the deceived, and it will be a time to proclaim grace to captives and freedom to prisoners. The bound will be freed. The broken will be restored. The lost will be returned, and storms will be stilled. I come to turn water into wine yet again. Maranatha! I am coming yet again.

“**Rejoice**, for I am coming *in you, to you, with you, through you*. There will be mighty days of great victories. I will lay My hand of blessing upon My own. There will be no sickness among you, nor poverty, nor bondage. The people of the Lord will rise triumphant and bring forth a new day of freedom and joy. It will seem *impossible, given the difficulties that will be upon the world at that time*, but I specialize in things which man thinks **impossible**.

“Gladly serve Me in *the wilderness years*, for nothing will be wasted, and your barren years will turn to years of fruition and prosperity as I turn the *impossible* into the *possible*. **Let it be said of you that you believed God, and it was accounted to you for righteousness.**”

#### **ZARAH & PHAREZ Terry Crisp**

(Here is another portion of Terry’s history of Sonship which traces the differences between Sonship and New Age beliefs. Elaine)

**A Difference May Be Seen in the Basic Constitution of the New Creation:** Whenever anyone is in Christ, Paul said, he is a new creature. Old things pass away, and all things become new. Therefore, it should be acknowledged that the new

creation is just that; it is new, unique, unlike anything that has ever existed before. What this speaks of is an organic change originating in one’s inner being, rather than just a renewed or enlightened state of his mind regarding what the individual was all along. “*A new heart, and a new spirit will I put with you*” (Ezekiel 36:26). Did that mean that He was simply going to give a new or different mindset to those who expect it of Him? No. At the moment the Spirit of God enters a person, he joins Himself to his human spirit. A fusion occurs between the two, and a brand new species begins to emerge as a result. This is what we call the new birth. And yet, this is the exact opposite of what Unity School of Christianity teaches. “*being ‘born again’ or ‘born from above’ is not a miraculous change that takes place in man; it is the establishment of that which has always existed as the perfect idea of divine Mind*” (Charles Fillmore, *Christian Healing*, p. 24).

Not only should we note that the new creation is something *new*, it is also to be noted that it is a part of the *created* realm. This is often an overlooked fact by Pharez. While there is truth to the fact that there is a divine side to our being, in that we have been born of the Spirit, and can honestly claim God as our Father, this is balanced by the fact that we also have *an earthly heritage* as well. This keeps us from going to extremes. As John said, “*now are we the sons (children) of God, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be; but we know when he appears, we shall be like Him, for we shall see Him as He is*” (Jn. 3:2-3). Certainly, great change is coming. But as long as we abide in any form of existence, we will have a direct connection with our created side. \* \* \*

#### **THE JOY OF HELPING JESUS**

Francis of Assisi was rich, wealthy, high born and high spirited. But he was not happy. He felt that life was incomplete. Then one day he was out riding and met a leper, loathsome and repulsive in the ugliness of his disease. Something moved Francis to dismount and fling his arms around this wretched sufferer; and, lo, in his arms the face of the leper changed to the face of the Christ.

Martin Tours was a Roman soldier and a Christian. One cold winter day, as he was entering a city, a beggar stopped him and asked for alms. Martin had no money, but the beggar was blue and shivering with cold, and Martin gave what he had. He took off his soldier’s coat, worn and frayed as

it was; he cut it in two and gave half of it to the beggar man. That night he had a dream. In it he saw the heavenly places and all the angels and Jesus in the midst of them; and Jesus was wearing half a Roman soldier's cloak. One of the angels said to him, "Master, why are You wearing that battered old cloak? Who gave it to You?"

And Jesus answered softly, "My servant Martin gave it to Me."

When we learn the generosity which helps men in the simplest things, then we will know the joy of helping Jesus Christ Himself!"

## INTRODUCING THE SEVENTH SEAL

Bill Cook

**"...and when He (the Lamb) had opened the seventh seal there was silence in heaven about the space of half an hour." Rev. 8:1.**

Previous to the mention of the *seventh seal*, the scriptures tell of the sealing of the true servants of God in their foreheads. **"After this I beheld, and lo, a great multitude, which no man could number, of all nations, and kindreds, and people, and tongues, stood before the throne, and before the Lamb, clothed with white robes and palms in their hands" Rev. 7:9.**

**"Amen! (So be it) they cried: Blessing, and glory, and majesty, and splendour, and thanks, and honor, and power (be ascribed) to our God to the ages and ages—forever and ever, throughout the eternities of the eternities! Amen!" Re. 7:12 Amplified.**

As we approach unto the opening of the seventh seal, the last hurdle, the final "*Everest-type*" push up the mountain, we proceed with some trepidation. If we miss a step we could end up at the bottom of the canyon one quarter of a mile below. If we spend all our strength and energy on ascending the present rocks and crags, where do we go then? Hence, each step must be measured by our present Guide, else the mountain-top (Canaan Land) is lost for another eon.

After the sixth seal is taken care of, I'm thinking we'll have "waters to swim in." I will once more call upon Sister Jane Leade's insights:

"It was given me to observe that there are *six engagements* to which *six overcomings* do answer, mentioned in the Revelation and to every conquest a most high and wonderful reward promised. All which is to encourage to follow Him cheerfully who is our leader, who hath sworn that time shall be no longer than till he hath gotten

the victory over the Beast and Whore and hath destroyed the dragon's kingdom in every property *within us* who are elected to reign in His life with Him on His throne with a train of new created power in the properties of the redeemed earth in the soul's essence. Then we shall know how unconfined the lordly dominion over all outward things is, even over all the beasts of this visible earth who must be subjected to the Lamb who hath taken His victorious crown and put it on the heads of the holy warriors that have passed through all and are come to the last overcoming that gives entrance into the **Seventh Seal**.

"As I was collecting in my mind the near approaching time for the manifestation of this *great overturning*, which is to bring in the overflowing stream of Christ's kingdom into the overcomers, behold, I did see and hear the voice of Him from whom the first heavens and earth did flee away, who uttered these words,

**"There hath been a long and tedious war between the house of God and the Serpent's brood, together with the Harlot and Beast who have maintained their envious war on the ground of fallen nature. But now come and see the place where they shall lie bound in perpetual captivity."**

"And immediately I was all filled with light from the opened center of the peaceable kingdom that flows in as a virtual life, felt in the quality of the pure glassy sea, with sounds, powers and lightnings as if all the old earth were now drowned in this bright ocean. And followed a bright star with a voice going forth which said,

**"The Lamb riseth out of this new Elementary Sea, overcomes the Serpent and Beast with all their seed, and this will be their deluge to an everlasting victory."** (Quoted from The Vision of the New Jerusalem, Part I).

## THE SHOW IS ABOUT TO BEGIN

Ruth Tillery

Chris Taylor had been sharing with me, "My people will be signs and wonders. A people whose vision has been made dim are to have a bold witness—the Truth embodied in mortal flesh. **"Come forth into Me** and I will close the door forever behind you. We race to our final completion. Gladly, I lay down My life ever and always, to purchase you, to pay the **Bride price**.

"Alone, you are nothing. With Me, you are all things. Hidden in Me, nothing shall be impossible.

**Think not that you have no strength to go on.** My strength is sufficient. **Lean wholly on Me.** **Let Me carry the load** and you will enter in by the strait (“hemmed in by obstacles”) gate and go no more out...” (unquote from Chris).

This word is certainly on the mark! Our Father is showing us where we are, what time it is, and what He has planned. We **know** that we are, right now, approaching the resurrection of our bodies. As I was waking up this morning, I heard Him say, **“It is written, ‘Delight thyself in the Lord and He shall give thee the desires of thine heart.’”**

That’s almost like a little child being told, *“You can have anything you want.”* Oh, there are a few fleshly things I’d like to have, but to get right down to the nitty gritty, the only thing I could really think of was: “You put Your desires in me and then I’ll know that it makes You happy to bring to pass the fulfilling of them.”

But as I took a deep breath of morning air, He said, “No kidding, Child, what do you want?”

“First of all, Lord, I want the wisdom *to know what to want.*”

“This is a powerful weapon, Daughter. You will be able to use it for good or evil.” (He spoke to me audibly once and told me, “Those that speak evil of you or seek to do you harm will be greatly afraid because of you.”)

“That’s why I am so hesitant to speak...what do you mean, good or evil?”

“Is it not written, ‘I form the light, and *create darkness*; I make peace and create evil..I the Lord do all these things’. I shall put into your hands the power to bring judgment upon the mount of Esau—as you come up on Mount Zion (see Obadiah). No longer is this just a yearning to bring to pass the answers to your prayers, but it is the fulfilling of the promises I have made to you.

“Sissy (my daughter), saw you in the corn field (harvest) praying, and all of your family gathered around you and bowing to you. Those for whom you have been praying for so long will now feel My pressure on them to bow to Me and to seek Me with all their hearts. Watch now, and be alert, for I am going to open all kinds of doors for you that will bring to pass the desires of your heart. **The curtain is being pulled back and the show is about to begin.** Believe what I’m telling you, for your belief will bring you much joy.”

Isaiah 58 paraphrased... “If you will refrain from doing your own thing and call this Rest from

yourself a delight, holy of the Lord, and honor it, and Me, not trying to run out and work for Me but walking with Me and letting me speak My words through you, then you will find yourself walking with authority in the earth and I shall feed you with the heritage of Jacob (the elect), for I have spoken it. I have told you of those who cry, ‘Lord, Lord, have we not done great things in Your name?’ and yet they did not lose the old man and put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and His authority, and they were not allowed into the wedding because they did not have on the garment of the righteousness of My kingdom. These have been long, hard, difficult days that those who have not been called to be sons of God have not had the grace to endure—few have found what has been revealed to you. You have learned obedience by the things you have suffered; now it is time to reveal the Kingdom of God to you.”

#### FROM MY PRAYER TIMES Elaine

**Israel:** I don’t listen to the news much nor focus on the wars that are heating up all over, so I was much surprised to hear this word dropped into my spirit as I was waiting before the Lord: **“There is going to be a great rending in Israel, and all the world will feel that I have slain My Son again.”**

**Mercy:** As I waited before the Lord, He spoke to me, *“I will show mercy upon whom I will show mercy.”* My people do not yet understand My mercy. Those who have embraced it have yet to learn what it means to *‘go and learn what this meaneth: I will have mercy and not sacrifice.’* They have heard only the word ‘mercy’ and understood not the word ‘sacrifice.’

“I would not have any of Cain’s offering—from the fruit of the ground—his self-efforts. This is the sacrifice that I abhor and cannot abide. That man should bring to me his own goodness from the cursed tree is like offering something *unclean* to Me and I cannot receive it, for I am a holy God.

“I would receive with gladness the offering of a humble and a contrite heart—one that comes to Me, trusting in my Love and in My Life given for them. This is an *acceptable offering* unto Me and from it flows abundant mercy.

“Yea, I do show My mercy unto *all men*, but it is in *My way* and *My time*. I am the One who discerns the hearts of men and I know when it is time for mercy and when judgment must do its work. Not understanding this, My people have

neglected to say, “Go and sin no more” when mercy has been given.

“There is a heart-preparation that must be done by My Spirit in order for mercy to have her perfect work. If it is extended *before My time*, it will *hinder* rather than *help*, an individual. It may be that my righteous law has not yet done its work. Mercy comes from My Heart into your heart, so be careful that you bestow it as *I willeth*, not as your own soul desires.”

### THE BRETHERN SHARE

**1..Flo Jamail:** “I send to you and all my sisters and brothers whose revelations are shared by you much love and gratitude for helping this bride to get ready!”

**2..James Maxwell:** I received a most beautiful word from the Lord. It was so life-giving and encouraging It delighted me. It came in the early hours of the morning as I was sleeping. It is:

*‘My church is as a diadem at My feet. . . . .*

*. . . . . I will pick it up . . . . .*

*. . . . . I will put it on . . . . .*

*. . . . . I will wear it.”*

(This is the *true church* that He is talking about—not Babylon!)

**3..Glen Duff:** I see the Arm of the Lord reaching out to the few of the flock in this hour. He is enfolding us in the might of His Arm. The Commander who rules the whole universe—His great Arm is stretched out to those who are not of this earthly system. The Arm of the Lord shall move in gentleness as well as strength, and in compassion as well as in firmness.

**4..Faith Williams:** The news all around is anything but *glad*. It is not until, like David, we go into the “sanctuary” that we understand His purposes. David wondered (Psa. 73) why the wicked prospered and why the righteous suffered and did not understand until he went into the sanctuary (the place of the Spirit’s presence). “Until I went into the sanctuary of God; then understood I their end.” Things are quite different when seen from God’s eyes! Hearts are beginning to fail for fear of what’s coming—even here in our so-called safe land. But—we have an **anchor that keeps the soul!**

**5..The Middle of the Bible:** This is pretty strange how it worked out this way. What is the shortest chapter in the Bible? Psalms 117.

What is the longest chapter? ....Psalms 119

Which chapter is in the center of the Bible?  
.... .Psalms 118.

Fact: There are 594 chapters before Psalms 118

Fact: There are 594 chapters after Psalms 118

Add these numbers up and you get 1188

What is the *center verse in the Bible?* .....

### Psalms 118:8

Does this verse say something significant about God’s perfect will for our lives? The next time someone says they would like to find God’s perfect will for their lives and that they want to be in the center of His will, just send them to the center of His Word!

**Psalms 118:8 “It is better to trust in the Lord than to put confidence in man.”**

**6..Another Strange Event in Nature:** A lioness which has taken to adopting antelope calves in Kenya’s Samburu Game Park since January is keeping a close watch over its latest baby.

Tourists saw the lioness chase the antelope mother and its calf until she separated them and then she walked with the little calf. It was later mauled and eaten by another lion when the lioness went for water. In February, the lioness adopted another antelope calf but the wildlife service took it to Nairobi National Park before it could be hunted down by other lions. Is this not contrary to nature? (The lion lying down with the lamb!)

**7..A.E. Koch:** “Shall God’s affections remain forever pent up in His own bosom? Shall He never taste the sweet response of love? Then all He needs is a perfect universe where His creatures have no need of Him and His gracious ministrations. But if He wants the deep satisfaction of requited love, and desires to impart to His creatures the delicious sense of His fatherly affection, then there must be distance, distress and condemnation, to form the field for the exercise of His favor.

Since sin must enter this scene and play its part, since it is essential to God’s purpose, and absolutely under His control; since it will eventually change the universe from cold, independent creatures into a loving family circle, and God from a distant Creator into an affectionate Father, it was by no means a mistake (or sin) on God’s part when He created a creature who should not only sin but should scatter it in all creation.”

**8..Jim Alspaugh:** How long is hell? I believe the answer is: “As long as you need to stay.”

When trouble comes, we’re going to be handing out from God’s storehouse!

## **PUBLICATIONS AVAILABLE**

1. **THE GOSPEL OF THE KINGDOM**  
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2. **HE OFFERED FOR US**
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4. **THE CHURCH AGE PASSES**
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6. **THE SEVEN DAYS OF CREATION**
7. **ROBBED BY ORTHODOXY**
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