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THE BLOOD COVENANT

Part 5

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The whole Old Testament hangs on the Blood Covenant. Remember Elijah? Ahab was an apostate king who had turned his back on God and had broken the Covenant. Elijah tells him, “There will be no more rain or dew in this land according to **my word.**” That sounds like arrogance, but it was really faith. Why did he do that? Elijah knew the covenant! He knew not only the blessings of it, but the curses too. In Deut. 28, God says, “If you break this covenant, I will make the heavens brass above you and I will take the dew and the rain until the earth becomes powder.” Elijah knew that God kept the curses as well as the blessings. He did a covenant act.

And, when Elijah called down fire when in contest with the priests of Baal, he called upon the *God of Abraham*. He reminded God of the covenant and God answered with fire.

Would you believe that Israel threw that powerful covenant over? They decided they didn't need it, so they forgot it. They could handle their own lives and do their own thing! The tragic story of the Old Testament is that Israel forgot that covenant and they came into the curses that God had said would come upon them. Did you know, that buried right inside that Old Covenant was a promise of something *better*? God promised to Abraham that a part of this covenant that he was making would be, in itself, *a new covenant*. Paul saw this. What was buried there was so fantastic that Abraham probably wouldn't have understood it even if he were told. What they now had would be as a candle to the sun compared to what was coming!

As this old covenant was crumbling and the people were breaking it, Jeremiah cried, “Remember, God is going to make a *new* covenant. And in that day He's really going to deal with you. He's going to take your sins right out of you and remember them no more! No longer will it be the blood of an animal covering your sin. Sin will be taken out of you, never to be remembered again. He will put inside of you a new heart and a new

spirit so you will *want* to obey Him and you'll *know* what to do to please Him. Never again will you need someone to tell you, “Know the Lord” for within, you will know God as a personal friend. You won't have to go to the tabernacle—He'll be inside of you and *you will become a tabernacle!* God will live in you and you will walk in God—in a new covenant.

When I see how the people in the Old Testament walked with God, I think, “It couldn't be any better than that. But, Hebrews tells us of a *better* covenant, a *better* sacrifice, and *better* promises. Maybe now you understand why Jesus took a cup of wine on the night before He was crucified and said, “This is My Blood of the New Covenant which was shed for you.” We do not have an animal split in two to make this covenant. We have the broken body of Jesus on the cross. We don't have the blood of humans spilt—we have the blood of the eternal Son of God spilt. We don't have a covenant that can be broken. We have an unbreakable, everlasting covenant which is made between God and man through Jesus Christ. We do not have a mark in our flesh that seals us when we believe this covenant. We have the Holy Spirit who seals us into this covenant with God. As in Eph. 1:13, “*After* that ye believed, ye were *sealed* with the Holy Spirit of promise.”

You don't have just a *few* promises that deal with the same things as in the Old Covenant, you have promises that deal with every detail of your past, present and future. The Bible says, “You are a people blessed above all people because you are in this covenant with God.”

And all you have to do is to open your mouth wide and let Him fill it! And He will not fill it just because He feels like it that day. He is legally bound to fill it because of the Blood of Jesus Christ, the Blood of the everlasting covenant! All you have to do is know that you're weak. Just open your mouth *wide*.

I wonder why He said, “wide?” When one comes to Christ, he may say, “Just pardon me, Lord. Just give me forgiveness.” But the Lord wants to do more than that. He wants to make you

“the righteousness of God in Christ,” justified—as if you had never sinned.

You may say, “Lord, just make me happy.” He will show you that in this new covenant there is “joy unspeakable and full of glory.”

You may come to God and ask, “Lord, just give me some peace. I’m so frustrated and without rest.”

“Wide, son, wide! Receive the peace of God that surpasses all human understanding.”

Or you may ask, “Just help me to get along with folks, Lord. People bug me and I bug them.” He said, “I’ll give you the love of God that passes understanding.”

Or you ask, “Give me guidance. I put out my fleece, Lord. Give me guidance.” His answer is, “Open your mouth wider than that, son. That belongs to the old covenant! Open wider, son! I’ll give you Christ Himself within you, Who is made unto you the wisdom of God. You’ll have the mind of Christ, so you’ll know what to do and you’ll be led by the peace within.”

A new covenant. He says, “I will be your shield, your strength, your light, your salvation, your Rock. I will be *everything* to you. Romans 8 says, “We are *heirs* of God and joint-heirs with Jesus Christ. Heirs of God? Heirs receive an inheritance. You are an heir of God because He has given Himself to you! All that God is has been given to you because of the covenant. A joint heir with Jesus Christ means exactly as Jesus had a claim on the Father, you have a claim on the Father.

This is the covenant and our part is to open our mouths wide. That sounds too good to be true so we try to merit it, work for it, deserve it, struggle for it. We think it’s too much to ask God for. “I’ll ask Him just so much—the rest I can do for myself.” So, I struggle by myself and act as if there is no covenant between us!

Part 25 SONG OF THE BRIDE

Elaine

Song of Solomon 4:9 “Thou has ravished (taken away) my heart, my sister, my spouse; thus hast ravished my heart with one of thine eyes, with one chain of thy neck.”

I have proven these words to be true! Many times I have just prayerfully uttered that precious name “Jesus” in adoration, and the loving response of the Lord was immediate and intense. Bill would look at me as I wept and ask me what

the Lord had said. I answered, “I just said His Name—I just glanced at Him, and His response melted me utterly.” It is not hard to enter the presence of the Lord. He is well able to hear the softest whisper and notice the slightest glance as we look toward Him.

When Anna Rountree stood before the Father (in *The Priestly Bride*), she felt completely safe and loved. She remarked that there must be millions of people speaking to Him at the same time as she was speaking to Him. He agreed that there were millions, but He assured her that each of His children has a personal relationship to Him. Each feels like an only child, receiving all of His attention.

Love like this is almost beyond our comprehension! We have to confirm it by the Lord’s actions. He foresaw the distress of His followers when they would behold Him scourged and spit upon, bearing His own cross, hanging there—pierced, dying, dead! This was He whom they had expected would redeem Israel! But, Jesus saw the dawning of the day of grace which would merge into His glorious kingdom. He knew that all of His creation would one day rejoice that He left them and went up to the “Hill of Frankincense” and that His body lay for three days in the “Mountain of Myrrh.” He knew that he would rise from that mountain of fragrance to the “Mountain of Spices,” where all the fullness of the Godhead bodily would forever be manifest in Him.

For the first time, the King addresses the maiden as “**my sister, my spouse**” (**bride**). How can we be both sister and spouse? We need to recognize that the Lord has varied relations to us. He is our Elder Brother, our Husband, our Father, and our King. We may be called “sister” because we are of a kindred nature with Him. “For both he that sanctifieth and they who are sanctified are all of one” Heb. 2:11

“**Thou hast ravished My heart.**” He is telling us that when He sees the spiritual features of a new creation taking form in us as we respond to the work of the Holy Spirit, we have become altogether lovely in His eyes. Thus, we ravish His heart. He now knows, by a mere glance, that we are willing to go all the way forward and onward with Him.

“**With one chain of thy neck.**” The chain on the neck stands for *obedience to divine precepts*, for the neck speaks of the *will*. His love is drawn to her when he sees her will yielded to His. Prov

erbs 1:8, 9 clarify this: “My son, hear the instruction of thy father, and forsake not the law of thy mother: For they shall be an ornament of grace unto thy head, and *chains about thy neck.*”

This chain about her neck was not one of bondage as some might think. It simply signifies that her heart is bound to His so that her will is yielded to do those things that please Him. I know that my godly mother’s example many times brought my will into subjection to righteous principles out of a desire to please her. In our younger days, we had a bond to our *parents*, whereas today’s youth seem to have a stronger bond to their *peers* and desire to please them more than they do their parents. Yet, their peers can give them no godly counsel or guide them in righteousness, so their will is never bound and runs free to do its own thing. You can clearly see the difference in children who have been home-schooled and have received parental guidance and have yielded their will unto their parent’s principles. They are a delight to be around!

How precious it is to know that His heart is ravished by one glance of our eye, by the turning of our hearts and lives, our aims, purposes and desires, Christward.

A PATTERN OF SONSHIP Elaine

Rees Howells, a simple, humble man, a miner, was, at the Llandrindod Convention of 1909, introduced to royalty. It is true that a man’s gift shall make room for him. His friend, John Gossett, introduced him to Lord Radstock who asked him to address a special meeting of believers.

He shared how he had learned that a *prayer warrior* can pray for a thing to be done without necessarily being willing for the answer to come through himself. An *intercessor*, on the other hand, is responsible to gain his objective, and he can never be free till he has gained it. He will endure anything for the prayer to be answered through himself. He found that once a position of intercession had been reached, the intercessor could claim all the blessings at that level whenever it was God’s will for him to do so.

His two new friends were so impressed with Rees’ walk and spiritual understanding that they wanted him to meet more of their noble friends, and one even offered to put him through college at his expense. No wonder Rees went home with “stars in his eyes.” He was meeting “people of rank” and his thought was, “You don’t know

where all this will end.” He had some secret satisfaction in sharing these new “open doors” with his family and friends. His family hoped this would be the end of his strange life, the plain food, and so on.

If you think the Lord had a great lesson to teach His son, you are right! And, it wasn’t “how to act in the presence of royalty.” It was quite different!

A month after receiving this great honor, a new call came for intercession. Although many drunkards had been converted in his village, yet there were still those who came to the meetings but were unable to give up drinking. Someone needed to “bind the strong man and spoil his goods.”

It was difficult for Rees to find time for more prayer. He worked in the mine from 7 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and then walked two miles each way, no matter what the weather. With five evening meetings each week and two nights of visiting, there wasn’t much time left for intercession. This was the background for one of the most amusing of the Lord’s dealings with his self-life.

His only opportunity for prayer was on the two-mile walk to the mission, the last mile of which covered a lonely stretch. It was on this stretch of road that Rees would remove his cap. The presence of God was so real that he felt compelled to bare his head. In those days, convention was very strong and it was an unheard-of-thing *not* to wear a head covering when out of doors.

Today, it seems that “convention” has been “thrown to the winds” so that a person may dress as they please and no one thinks anything of it. In fact, when Bill wears his hat uptown, he gets some strange looks, for he is usually the only one wearing a hat. But, not in Rees’ day! It was a necessary article of clothing when appearing in public. The pictures of royalty hunting with their hounds show the men all wearing top hats!

Rees was doing in secret, what would be greatly disapproved of if done publicly. It seemed the Holy Spirit would use this custom to make His son dead to the influence of the public and to “what people think” about him.

Early one Sunday morning, while in prayer, Rees felt the presence and glory of the Lord more intensely than ever before. It seemed like Isaiah’s words had come to life: “And the light of the sun shall be sevenfold, as the light of seven days.” The Lord then showed him that his new place of intercession would be to keep in an attitude of prayer

all day. That would mean that he could not wear his hat! Oh, that would be impossible! He could *never* walk through town and go to the mission without his hat on! He would be a spectacle before the whole town.

The Spirit insisted that he could not attend the meeting unless he obeyed. The Spirit also asked his reasons why he couldn't obey, but rather had slumped from glory into darkness. He had to admit that it was because of the influence of the public which he felt would be too great for him. The Lord then told him that was *why* He had asked him to do it and admonished him not to preach again on being dead to the world until he had victory over it.

HOW HE'LL ROAR IN 2004

Jack Hodgdon

The above caption was a sub-title under a picture of Tiger Woods (the greatest golfer of this generation), but the Lord quickened it to me in a greater way.

“The Lion of Judah”: I do not know what is in store for 2004 but I would liken it to the coming of springtime. Song of Sol. 2:10-12, *“My beloved spake, and said unto me, rise up, my love, my fair one and come away. For, lo, the winter is past, the rain is over and gone; the flowers appear on the earth; the time of the singing of the birds is come, and the voice of the turtledove is heard in our land.”*

“What I feel in my spirit when I ponder these verses is that a mighty unfolding angelic power is going before to make the way into His fullness. Verses like Ps. 78:65 will suddenly begin to happen as it says, *“then the Lord awaked as one out of sleep, and like a mighty man that shouteth by reason of wine. And he smote his enemies in the hinder parts: he put them to a perpetual reproach.”*

“The many prayers of Luke 18 shall suddenly be answered, represented by this helpless widow and the unjust judge. Note verse 7, *“And shall not God avenge his own elect, which cry day and night unto him?”* Our great captain shall suddenly awake and how that roar will frighten his enemies is described in Isa. 42:13, *“The Lord shall go forth as a mighty man; he shall stir up jealousy like a man of war: he shall cry yea, roar; he shall prevail against his enemies.”* The Lion of Judah is going to come roaring out of Zion like a man of war, and those that are with him are called, chosen and faithful, strong is he that executes his word.

“About 45 years ago a mighty prophet visited our church and I have never forgotten his prophecy.

The Lord said, *“It will get darker, yea darker, until it will seem impossible and when it seems impossible, the Lord will roar out of Zion.”* I knew it was for an appointed time and season and this is why I could never forget what was ahead.

“There is an excitement in my spirit like that momentous season is about to happen. It's like the excitement that a child is about to be born. The expectation is building everywhere. My mail says so! Many are expecting a revival, but I believe this is more than a revival because no revival has ever lasted, but has left its mark. The remnant members of His body have been waiting behind closed doors for many years, waiting for this glorious day to come out of the womb of the morning. The woman, the true church, is going into deep travail because she is great with child and is about to be delivered of a Manchild who shall rule all nations (Rev. 12:5). Again, what I read, “He'll Roar in 2004” is ringing in my ears.

“The barley harvest of first fruits begins in the spring, so lift up your eyes unto the hills from whence cometh your help. On Sept. 11, 1999 on a limited fast during the 10 day period of the blowing of trumpets, the Lord stopped me on 2 Chr. 29:36 *“And Hezekiah rejoiced and all the people, that God had prepared the people: for the thing was done suddenly.”*

“The Lord spoke in my spirit and asked,” What was done suddenly?” I said I didn't know so He told me to read Chapter 30 and it would tell me what was suddenly done. A friend reminded me that exactly two years later on Sept. 11, 2001, that something was suddenly done!

“I was given a prophetic word about a month after 911, about 4:30 a.m. “Dear friends, I woke up this morning speaking an exciting new word! I have a new, excited feeling in my spirit man! You say, “What is this new word?” Bev heard me whisper it under my breath. That word is **“suddenly”**. Yesterday is suddenly gone. It's like Sept. 10th we were still in the old era but suddenly Sept. 11th changed our world forever! It was death and destruction. We are going to experience a sudden burst of **“life”** so intoxicating and refreshing the Christian world will suddenly know the new thing has come and has risen with us (Isa. 60:1) in an explosion just like when the early church began.

“Get ready to burst out of those cocoons of limitation, that humdrum day-to-day existence. That day is going to “suddenly end.” I preached once on the word, **“and the thing was suddenly**

done” from 2 Chr.29:36. Could it be the long wait is just about over? We are about to take a breath of fresh air so fresh and so new that we shall be changed (transfigured) from this mortal to immortality! I don’t even know myself what I am feebly trying to say, but I felt something in my spirit man like a puff of air and it will be gone just like it suddenly came. Something from the glory world is about to happen!”

THE MIND OF CHRIST

Jim Alspaugh

We have the mind of Christ (2 Cor. 1:16). God created Adam a perfect human, but he fell, including his mind. God recreated us in Christ at the resurrection.

Our mind has five parts. We have a desiring mind, a creative mind (the imagination), a willing mind to choose, a conscious mind (awareness of ourselves and things around us which we can think about) an unconscious mind which includes subliminal things such as touch, taste, smell, hear, and see. We are fearfully and wonderfully made.

Our entire mind must be given to Jesus to use as we die to independent use of our mind. We choose to let God operate in all our faculties. With me, it seems like I gave God part of my mind, such as wanting Him to think through me, and then I learned I had to give Him my subconscious mind if I wanted my dream life straightened up. Or if I wanted to create and heal, I needed His creative thoughts and desires.

Our desiring mind seems to be the big one. What we desire and choose determines what is to happen. I wanted to have His desires, so I asked Him for the desiring mind of Christ. I want to see people and events healed, so I asked for His creative mind. I wanted to choose what He chooses, so I asked for His choosing mind. I wanted to think His thoughts and feel His feeling about life’s situations, so I asked for His conscious mind. I wanted His dreams, not mine or satan’s, so I asked for His unconscious mind to function through mine. I wanted His subliminal mind to function through me so I asked for Him to do so. This is the mind of Christ. I can see why healing was now and then. We would hit on it occasionally as He could function through us. We are coming into eating only from the Tree of Life (Christ Jesus who is our life). Last night, He told me, “If you want to create, get the desiring mind in tune with My desires first.

MY PRAYER TIMES Elaine

1. Give No Place: (This is a personal word to myself. Perhaps it will bless someone). “Make no provision for infirmity. Are you not part of that company who, as Job, have learned to know thy God by the things they have suffered? And shall their end not be as his, even greater than his beginning? Reckon not yourself as the natural man does, but reckon yourself among those who are coming forth—processed and obedient in Me! Keep your eye upon the goal: of Myself being manifested in you and judge not your life according to the natural man. This would be counted as *unbelief* after all that I have done in your heart and all the spirit words I have spoken unto you.

“Think not that you would avoid experiencing the trials of every stage of life This is necessary for your training, but I do not want you to be engulfed by it or consider it to be your expected end. Pick up again and hold closely to your heart all the promises I have given you and *give no place to the flesh!* Walk in My peace, trusting what I do in your preparation for your coming-forth into My glory. Be not faithless, but *believing.*”

2. Chastisement: The Lord showed me that when we strive against someone whom He has used to do a work n our life (to bring chastening for rebellion, for example), and refuse to forgive them and remain angry with them, we are fighting against God’s Hand. He is using that person as His chastening rod and if we curse him, we are cursing God! (God used heathen, rebellious nations to chasten Israel in her rebellion. Today, He will use one on one as He now deals with us individually).

3. Harvest Fields: “The fields are white unto harvest and I have put a sharp sickle in your hand that you might cut down the ripe grain and gather it into My garner, even the kingdom of God. Despise not that which you do as being of small importance, but know that it is earth-shaking. The word that I am sending forth through you is shaking the heavens and the earth of My people, bringing them into a new walk and a new spiritual understanding.

“As your days, so shall your strength be—even sufficient to perform all that I require of you. Slacken not your pace, for it is the time to reap what has been sown in the hearts of My people.”

4. Fill in the Gap: (Many in the kingdom ranks believe that “the devil died”, or at least they act like he has and never make any spiritual warfare

against him. It reminds me of Abraham who lived at peace in his allotted place while Lot strove in the gates of the city of Sodom. Yet, when Lot was in trouble and needed deliverance, Abraham did not send him word: “Sorry, I don’t do deliverance any more. You got yourself into this mess—you can get yourself out of it!” No, he hastened to his aid and subdued Lot’s enemies and then returned to his place of rest. I believe that is what the sons should do, rather than denying that the enemy has any power to harm people.) The Spirit spoke:

“You are going to fill in this gap in the defenses of My sons. They have been presumptuous to think that they have overcome the devil by denying his existence and exulting in My victory over him. I have indeed, overcome your adversary and I have given into your hands the weapons whereby *you* may also overcome him and enter into My victory.

“Have I given you spiritual weapons to show off, as in a military parade? Nay, but as soldiers of the cross you must learn to *use* the weapons of your warfare. I purchased them for you at great cost, and I would that you would take them up and use them against the devourer and usurper in this day.

“Did My mighty men of old (i.e. Wigglesworth, etc.) rejoice that the devil had no part in them, or did *they shake his kingdom and set his captives free?*”

THE MELCHISEDEC PRIESTHOOD

Part 11

Elaine

For some time I seemed to be at a stalemate in writing about the Melchisedec Priesthood. I didn’t know what the Lord wanted me to say, so I stopped saying anything! The first day of this new year, I went to bed but could not fall asleep. After a while I was aware that the Lord was speaking to my heart. Finally, I got up to write down what He was saying lest I’d not remember it the next day.

Some while ago I had asked the Lord to teach me about healing in this day. It seemed like so many were **not** being healed when they were trusting in the Lord. It seems He chose *now* to begin answering my prayer.

He dropped this word into my heart: “*He sent His Word and healed them.*” He reminded me of my healing of leukemia and how I had prayed for Him to give me His Word so that I might have faith to be healed—I meant a verse or so which would inspire me to believe for my healing. Before He answered that prayer, He gave me a

Rhema word—a personal word about my heart’s condition: a wrong attitude I was harboring that would be detrimental to the Lord using me in any capacity.

After I had received that word and genuinely repented of my sinful way, three days later He quickened His written word to me—giving me three healing scriptures concerning what He had done in His passion for my healing (“By His stripes”).

Now, He told me to stop putting any healing ointment on the four places on my body that have “humps and bumps.” I was to begin to *speak to them to be healed and the causes underlying them to be removed!*

He reminded me of Agnes Sanford’s book, “**Creation Awaits**” wherein she tells of how the Lord had her rebuke storms, wind, hurricanes, fires, and other phenomena of the *outer* world. Many times she would find herself rebuking them without any pre-meditation, and they would comply with whatever she told them to do! (Now, this book is out of print, so don’t ask me for it. I have photocopied it and have several copies to loan out. So, if you are faithful in returning books, you may ask for the loan of one for a period of no longer than a month).

The Spirit told me that I should begin to speak to my body—my *inner world*, as she did to the outer. This was an area where the Melchisedec priests would learn to minister. They would learn to bring the body under the subjection of His Spirit. The Levitical priesthood has not known this way, for their authority has consisted of obeying the rules and order of man and they have not yielded themselves to come under the Spirit.

He said, “You wanted to know how healing should be in this day, and I have wanted to tell you. It was I who put it upon your heart to make this petition of Me. It shall be *at thy word*. Even as I said, “He sent His Word and healed them,” even so shall My sons speak the word and they shall be healed, for My sons are an extenuation of Me. It is Myself doing My will and good pleasure through them, so when they say, ‘*Be thou made whole*’ it shall be My Spirit within that speaketh forth wholeness through My yielded vessel, for have we not become as one?”

I was reminded that Tommy Hicks, evangelist, saw, in his vision of the end-time, people saying to the sick, “*At my word, be thou made whole!*” I believe that is what the Lord is now saying to me.

It seems He would have us prove this word on our own vessel first—speaking to our own ‘oft infirmities.’ He said further:

“It is a new year and I do start thee upon a new course. You are a teacher among my sons and must be first a partaker of the fruits of the kingdom before you shall be able to teach others.” (i.e. If you have come into oneness with Me, into My nature, you will be able to speak My Word as though it were your own!”)

I shared this with a few friends for confirmation. Faith Williams said she had heard something of a similar nature recently from an evangelist who had just returned from ministering in India. He told her, when they were praying for the sick, the Lord prompted them to say each time: **“Look on us”** from Acts 3:4, “And Peter, fastening (fixing) his eyes upon him with John, said, Look on us.” The evangelist reported that they had more remarkable healings than they had ever had before!

THE BRETHREN SHARE

1. A Reader: Can we ever really appreciate the depths of that agape love and total forgiveness until we have been *in* Christ Jesus, looking out from the cross upon those who are crucifying us without cause?

There has been much hurt endured lately from those to whom I have only shown love and kindness. Yet, I am beginning to get “the big picture.” This is really the depths of the fellowship of His sufferings which we must endure in order to experience the fullness of the power of His resurrection.

Through my tears, I knew what I had to do—pray that the Lord rise up within me and forgive them, and beyond that, to bless them. I don’t think we have been brought into complete forgiveness until we can really say that it doesn’t matter if they ever admit or even recognize the hurt they’ve done to us and we *sincerely* ask God to bless them.

The Lord dropped this word into my heart: **“They have hated Me without cause. These are the wounds I received in the house of My friends.”**

I have now come to a place of peace. If Christ is seen in me, that is all that matters, although it requires the total death of self. This song has been reverberating through my spirit:

*Thou mighty Christ, come forth in me
My will and way I give to Thee.
The barren sing a travailing song,*

Oh, praise His name, it won’t be long!

2. One of a City (Elaine): I have written a four-page “hand-out” by this name for those in a marriage where one is called to deeper things and one is not, so there is “war in the heavenlies.” Different ones have asked me about this recently and I felt to share some experiences that might give hope in place of despair. If this fits your situation, please feel free to ask for it! I’ve also written a two-page “hand-out” on **Women’s Place in the Church**. They are both on our Web Site.

3. Chris Taylor: Psalm 57:12 “Thy vows (promises) are upon me, O God: I will render praises unto thee.” “My promises are ever before you, My child. Have I not promised that you would prosper and be in health even as your soul prospers? Have I not promised that you would be the head and not the tail? Have I not said over you that *greater* is He who is in you, than he who is in the world? Yea, many promises have I given.

“Know that I am faithful to watch over My word and it shall not return unto Me void. I have told you before that you require only the faith of a mustard seed. You see, faith is believing that which is promised but has not been seen in the natural. Faith is seeing in the Spirit what I have promised and call into being. But you see, many of My children have tried to comprehend My promises because they either don’t fit in with their current circumstances or to them it is impossible. But that is where I specialize, My beloved. I work in the impossible.

“Many times when I promise you something, I will make sure it is so impossible, that even if you tried with all your efforts, they would come to naught. I make it impossible that I may bring it about that My name would be glorified. Likewise, rejoice at the ‘impossibilities’ in your life because all you have to do is sit back, do your part that I tell you to do, and just stand on My promises. Remember, I am faithful to watch over My word. What I have promised, I **will do**, for I am no man that should lie.”

4. Jim Meletiou: I offer you a 57-page booklet, a condensed version of Tom Skinner’s autobiography. It is taken from the book **Black and Free**. Tom was the leader of the toughest street gang in Harlem, New York City when the Lord got ahold of him. Write or email me at:

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