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Good morning and welcome to Gracelife Church. All of you that's here and all of you who's joined us by the by whatever means you are. Youtube, Facebook. Glad to have you. Those of you who listen later on the audio format, we're going to go we're going to dive right into the word of God. We've been in a series, but we're starting a new one. But the kind of really go together, the one that we were in, I think there was five teachings on it and we entitled to stop opposing yourself. Did you know that you could actually oppose yourself, work against yourself? Oh, yeah. So, Paul, That's what Paul told Timothy. So our text in that was second Timothy. We won't go there today, but chapter two. And Paul was telling Timothy to instruct the people. He says, because the devil has them. He took them at his will. He says, But he couldn't do that unless they assisted him. Now, I'm not going to assist the devil to oppose me, but that was actually happening in the Scriptures. So we talked about it several times. This is just, you know, part B, But today we're going to talk about building a strong spirit. Can I get a better amen? Y'all say it with me. Building a strong spirit. Building spirit. Yeah. We're not. We're not after Wimpy. You know, you don't have to turn. I got several verses.

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I'm going to give you some time. You get there, I'll be gone. But. But if you're writing them down. Jeremiah 12 five. He says if you have raced with men on foot and those men have worn you out, he says, how are you ever going to compete with horses? In other words, if you in a foot race. And you're. You're worn out. How will you ever, when the pace picks up, keep up with the horses. The Part B of that verse in the translation said, If you trip and fall in a safe place, what will you do? In a strange place. Now, look here. Everybody in here has a testimony. I grew up in church. We had one every Sunday night. I wished I could have skipped it, but my mom wanted. You didn't ask my mother, you know, Are we going church? I knew the answer. You get in trouble if you did ask her. But every Sunday night we'd have three songs. Then everybody pop up and the testimony. And looking back, it was kind of like, top the terrible testimony. Oh, brother and sister, the Lord been after me this week. He been after me, been after my children, been after my family, got my finance, got my hair, got me. You know, it all just ended up with y'all just pray I'll be found doing the Lord's will pray I'll find doing the Lord's will.

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I'm just a kid. I didn't know that the Lord's will was right there in the hand. And we're all praying. We find it. And the Lord's like saying, Can you read? Can you read? Well, I went through years that now if you didn't stand up, they'd call and said, Bro, you got to stand up and say something. And my mother said, I didn't know what to do. I said, I said, Praise the Lord Saints. It been a rough week at school. I asked two little girls, Do you like me? Check one, yes or no? And they both said no. That was really hard on my soul. I didn't make the basketball team because I can't dribble and chew gum same time. It been a hard week for a 12 year old, but y'all pray hold out to the end. Don't have a light build, don't have nothing. I just follow in suit. So Jeremiah says, What are you going to do when it really gets tough, huh? And some of y'all might be in some places in your life where it's been really tough. Can I just be really strange? Not strange? Can I just be really clear? They'd be in hell. Yeah, if it feels like hell. Well, maybe not. You know it ain't heaven, huh? Well, you know. You know what James said about that? James said, when you fall into divers temptation test and trials, call the hotline.

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No, no, no. He didn't call the prayer line. No, he didn't say that. What did he say? He said, when you fall into divers temptation test and trials, he said, count it all, Joy. But see, you don't want to count it, Joy, when when, when everything's working and everything's happy and you got a raise and a bonus and you feel good and have money, feel good, will travel. Amen. Right. But when all that ain't working, they ain't nobody count. Nothing, Joy. Amen. But that's when you do it. Because, see, you're a believer. Amen. Amen. In the Gospels, Jesus and the other ones would tell people to have faith in the Epistles. You don't find one time you're ever told to have faith. You know why? Because now you're a believer. Because Christ lives in you and you have faith. No one in the old Covenant could have had faith because they had natural faith. But Jesus, Jesus hadn't died yet. Well, faith is one of the fruit of the spirit. What is faith? Well, it's believing, but. But then it's holding on to the promise. Amen. In other words, you don't let go. Amen. In other words, you don't give up. Look here. Life's easy to start. All you got to do is your parents have to get together one day, and then there you are. But. But just to finish something, to finish a business.

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It's easy to start a business. I've been in business more than one. It's easy to start one. You can print up, put an ad in the paper, open the front door and have the mayor cut the ribbon. But. But most businesses fail in the first 2 or 3 years. Amen. Most marriages in the United States. Every other marriage ends in divorce. You know why? Foundation. It's a foundation ain't right. You can't set walls on it. Amen. Because in life, there's going to be pressure. I don't think I need to convince you all that see me after the service if you need further instruction about what pressure is. So Paul called the pressures of life. Watch here. He called it light affliction in second Corinthians four. He said this light affliction. He said, it's just here for a moment. He said. But when you consider the eternal weight of glory had known you, he said, This is man, This is a small little potatoes. Amen. He said, Don't let it get in your thought life. Come on. Well, now, when you've been whipped and beaten and stoned, you know, and bit by snakes and all that, you know, someone defending you say Now, sister, she said, I heard this lady one time said, this lady saw this lady and saw her for 15 years. She said downtown shopping, old downtown shopping. She saw this lady been at least 15 years.

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And she said, baby, she said, I wouldn't even recognize you if it wasn't for the dress she was wearing. And it's like, that ain't a compliment. How many of us can tell that ain't no compliment. Yeah. Yeah. That dress that stood out. I remember that dress. So it's easy to start something, but it's not quite as easy to finish it. Amen. Huh? Jesus told the disciples, Get in the ship. We're going to go to the other side. Now, either Jesus didn't know the will of God or he was a misinformed meteorologist. I want to be because I believe Jesus lived in the will of God. Amen. Amen. Well, he told the disciples after a whole day of ministry, Get in the ship. We're going to go to the other side. Anybody here ready to go to the other side? Amen. Anybody? I mean, it was good while you been here, but you ready to sail? Okay, But on the way there, you understand there's storms from here to there. Just because the prophecy comes, like to my friend right there. That happened in February. Well, in June, four months later, it happened. So he he sold the business and bought a business the same day and he increased. But it ain't always. For months I've had prophecies and now just coming true. And it was giving me 20, 20 years ago. Amen. But there's days I felt like, God, are you.

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Did you leave the earth? Have you ever felt like that and you don't want to raise your hand, but I'm going to raise both of them. It felt like that. Like you're praying. It's like, is anybody else up there? Can anybody answer the telephone? Anybody? That's what the feelings are like. So So we're going to build a strong spirit. And so Jeremiah said that he said, if you raised with men on foot and you're worn out, how are you going to compete with horses? If you trip and fall in a safe place, what are you going to do when you get to a strange place? But how many know in Proverbs you ain't got to go to Proverbs 21? It says the wicked flee when no one pursues but the righteous. Somebody say with me, the righteous. A righteous man. They're bold as a lion. Amen. Amen. Y'all got a roar in you somewhere? Amen. Come on. Proverbs 1829 says for by you I can run against a troop. But, my God, do I leap? I can leap over a wall. Some of y'all came in here. I don't think I can leap today. Well, you know. The Israelites made some mistakes, didn't they? It's not like they didn't see the power of God. God said, if you hadn't saw this, then I wouldn't hold it against you. But. But you saw these ten plagues come against Egypt.

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You walk through. You walk through on dry ground. He says, I was expecting you to believe something. I mean, just think about it. Locusts and fire and water turned to blood and all. All these things. The ten plagues walked through a red sea. Then they get all the way to the promised land. Since the people over there sent 12 spies. Right? Ten come back and had a report. Scripture says evil. Evil is not just bad. God calls the evil demonic. He said they had an evil report. Now they walked through a red sea. But they got over said we can't do them. People are tall. I mean. I mean, they're tall like you do. We walk through the Red Sea. You know, there was fish in the water, right? I don't know if it was like jello or fruit. They were, like, congealed. They walked by us like something, you know, had mounted a shark or something like that. But the guy said, look, here's the fruit. It's just like God said. But, but, but we not be able because these people over here have great stature. In other words, they're tall. Well, what's tall in your life? What giant? What? Goliath is talking to you all the time. You got one talking to you all the time. Amen. You don't think the devil takes off, do you? The revelations. He knows his time is short.

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He don't have time for a day off. And why would you listen to him? Why would you listen to him? I mean, how stupid can you be to get kicked out of heaven? In other words, he was the worship leader, right? So he was the first one in heaven, recorded as the first fired employee. And, well, you got Christians listening to him, man, I could never do that. Look here. I told you, we're going to go work today. The Lord don't want you to believe The Lord does not want you to believe for your needs. I know you got quiet. Why don't you use your faith for something greater? I mean, Matthew, six, said, That's how the kingdom operates. He said, Don't be like Gentiles and how we're going to eat. How are we going to pay the light bill? How are we going to pay the rent? You say, Yeah, that's if you say if you rent it, pay it. I've been on your side plenty of times. If you there now. I've been up there plenty of times. Back when you had answering. Answering machines. I'd come home from work. That thing would be lit up like a Christmas tree. Because I know you love your mobile home, but you better start showing some love or else we're going to hook to it. I just told my dad, I said, hook, baby, hook.

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I don't. I mean. I always kid because, you know, one time we sitting there had all these bills and had the money and I wasn't real good at math, but I found out this wasn't going to do that. And this guy, he kept on threatening me. If you don't do this, if you don't do that, if you don't do by this time. If you don't do by this time. I said, I've had enough of you, so I'll tell you what I'm going to do. I'm going to I'm going to sort through all these bills that I have and then I'm going to take them and I'm going to I'm going to throw them up to the ceiling. And the ones that stick up there, I'm going to pay them. He got real quiet and I said, If you ever threaten me again, you're not going to even get in the shuffle. He said, Now, Mr. Webb, we probably can work out a deal. I said, Oh, okay. Now we can work out a deal. He wanted to get in the shuffle. Amen. I've been there plenty of times. But what happens when you fall into diverse temptation? Count it all up. And. And sometimes you got to pick your joy up. Yeah. Joy one. Joy two. Joy three. I mean, there's plenty of times through the years when we first got married, you know. We get in all kinds of arguments.

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Remember, can you remember back then? You know, last Thursday. No kidding. I told her one time. I told her one time I said we had three kids at the time and got four. But at the time we had three kids and I was working six days a week and the floor covering business. And she had three kids at home with no car and nowhere near civilization. Out past Maplesville into a little place called Stanton, where all it is is one caution light. And she had no car left with her all day long. Three kids. You say you mean not to buy a car? So I was going six days a week and before I brought my check home, it was already spent. Y'all may not know what that means, but I can explain that out of service to you. In other words, I had run out of money. I mean, I had run out of money, but they were still month. And so we got into an argument and I told her, I said, I said, You don't know anything about managing money, you know, with three, three kids from here, from here, down two of them in diapers at one time and I'm gone ten, 11 hours a day running the business. And I said, you don't know nothing about managing money. That's why we're in this mess. She said, You ain't never made enough of me to have practice.

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And I said I said.

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Mhm. Mhm. I went outside and smoked me a cigarette and I thought Lord that woman you gave me uh, you know Lord. I said this years ago. I said, I said I brought home over \$200. She said, that's what I'm talking about. Well, that hurt my pride. And I got upset and I got mad. And then at the end of the day, he said, you know, she's actually right. I said, You too. You too. Well, in Matthew six, he says, Don't sweat over how we're going to eat. How are we going to drink what we're going to wear? He says, he says seek first the kingdom and his righteousness. Those things just get added. He wants you to use your faith for the exceedingly abundantly above. You don't you don't need you don't need faith for needs. Use faith on exceedingly, abundantly above. But if your thinking gets wrong, see, you may not even know it. You'll get to a place to where you're thinking is wrong. And then he'll have you focusing on this. And you'll be off your plan and off your destiny. Because you've got a plan and you got a destiny. And the enemy. All he wants to do is he. He wants to turn the apple cart over and he wants you to go over and he'll set these little fires over here. And so you'll leave over here what you're called to do. Gifted to do, promise to do, and you'll be over here working and some some other orchard.

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You'll be putting a fire out over here when you're supposed to be over there. Now, that is what he's good at. It's called deception and it's called lies. Now watch here. We're talking about building a strong spirit. Proverbs 18:14 said, The strong spirit of a man I will put in woman or woman sustains them in bodily pain or trouble. But a weak and broken spirit who can raise up a bare. The strong spirit. Oh. You know, getting stronger, even physically don't happen by accident, does it? You know, Jefferson, I know we got a gym down here that you can join going every day right across from this Pizza Hut. You'd be on the bikes like, Man, I get go here. I'm going to go get me a pizza. I mean, you can go to Subway, do a little bit better, but but if you work working at a gym, you know, you can sit there and be hungry. I've dropped by that gym every day. It ain't helped me none. I've looked in the window, all the machinery. And then I said to myself, I said, Be strong. I won't abs now. I found a way to get instant abs. I went to the city park and put my pull my shirt up. I know that's an ugly sounding and pressed my stomach against the fence.

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And I looked down and I had abs. The only thing is, I'd have to walk around with a fence on me. I tried to help you in natural things, too, if I can, but. But you have to get stronger intentionally. See, I can't pray you strong. I can't preach you strong. I can talk to you about it. Huh? I mean, like I say, you can't make a horse drink water, but you can salt his oats where he wants something to drink. So I'm Brother Salty this morning. I hope your brother and sister are thirsty. Amen. The message Bible says a healthy spirit will conquer your adversity. Y'all do believe the Bible. Listen to that. This is what this is what the Bible says. A healthy spirit will conquer your adversity. But what are you going to do when your spirit's crushed? Man, Wouldn't it be amazing if the Bible was true? All right. Ooh. Ephesians 6:10 said in conclusion Be strong in the Lord. Draw your strength from him and be empowered through your union with him. Amen. I'm going to say that again and be empowered through your union with him in the power of his boundless might. Amen. Amen. Yeah. Being strong is a commandment, not a suggestion. Amen. I'm giving you these references. I'm not. I don't have time to turn them, but I'm going to read them to you. First Corinthians six, 13 and 14 in the NIV says, Be on guard.

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Stand firm in the faith. Men and women of courage do everything in love. So he said it was a command. Be on guard. Stand firm in the faith. Be men and women of courage. Do everything in love. Here's what he didn't say. He didn't say. Try not to be weak. No, he said, be strong. He didn't say be strong in most things. Amen. He didn't say be strong most of the time or every other day. He said, be strong. So I'm building for strength. Because I believe that your leaders. This was a train. I believe every one of you is a locomotive. I ain't preaching to no caboose because they going to get dragged everywhere. Everybody in front of the side. Amen. Huh? I mean, if we're going to be a pack of dogs, be the head dog, if you're going to pull if you going to pull a sleigh, be on the front dog. If you going to be in the back of the pack, you know, your views are always going to be the same. You're going to be looking at butts all day long. If you're going to if you if you're going to be be on the front end. Now, being a leader ain't always that fun. I mean, because you're out there with a machete cutting the trail, which means you find an every briar and every bush and every hole and all the piles and you find it first.

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When you get to the end, they they may be tired, but you look like you've been through battle. Oh, fierce leader that you are. Hallelujah. You know it's true. Amen. Amen. I'm having fun today. All right. Strong versus weak. Strong means having the ability to bear and endure. Firm and solid. You're able to sustain attacks. You're not easily subdued. You're not defeated or taken. You don't have to. You don't have a pee wee Herman spirit or personality. I wrote that down yesterday. I mean, I was like, I mean, I heard that I was like, Is that really the Holy Ghost just gave me that? I mean, you think I've been thinking about Pee-Wee Herman? I'm sitting here just sitting at a desk writing notes. And he said, he said, Don't have a Pee-Wee Herman spirit. Amen. And I said, okay. I wasn't planning on it. He says, Well, tell them, too. I said, Yes, sir. Yes, sir. Yes, sir. He said, If they're weak, that means you're soft. That means you give away. That means you give in. That means you're not able to bear a great weight. You're not able to resist the attack. We're building for strength, right? Isaiah seven four says, Take heed and be quiet. Or listen and shut up. Do not. Do not fear or be fainthearted. The Lord don't want you to faint.

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Huh? Hebrews said, Don't be weary in well doing. I know that's not always easy, but he said, You can do it. You know why? Because he supplies the strength. Amen. See, it's not you. It's Christ in you. Amen. And Jesus ain't tired. The Holy Ghost don't need any rest. He don't take any kind of pills to keep anything up or down. His sugar is okay. His blood pressure running fine if he has it. Praise Lord. I don't think he has it. Amen. Hey. And you going to get that body, too, one day? How many y'all mind trading this body for a spirit? Body that walks through walls. Amen. How many y'all just want that body forever? Not me, man. I'm going to trade mine in. I'm going to get that spirit model just like Jesus. We probably, you know, most theologians that believe that we'll be for eternity the age Jesus was when he was resurrected. How many y'all don't mind being 33. Amen. Amen. Man, if I could know what I know now and be young. I don't know why the Lord didn't do that. I'm not going to ask him because, I mean, you know, I don't want to sound like I'm arguing. There might be a trap door and I might fall down somewhere. But just think, if you had the wisdom of life that you have now, when you had the youth to do it with.

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Amen. Well, okay. You get to do that. It's called the Millennium. You're going to come back down here a thousand years. Amen. And not everybody's going to be spirit people because some people aren't going to go when we go. They're going to be here during the seven year tribulation. And they're going to be in a natural body, but you're going to be in a spirit body. Amen. And you're going to have a job to do while you're here for a thousand years. Amen. What is your job? I don't know. But I know it has something to do with your destiny. So, Jesus, come back real quick. So you better look busy. I say he's coming back pretty soon. She'll look busy. So whatever you're doing now and how well you're doing and how obedient you are, you are actually writing your resume for what you're going to do during the millennium. Amen. I don't want to run a weed eater for a thousand years. I hate weed eating. I don't want to. I don't want to be going out with no weed whacker for a thousand. Hey, brother Sam. Hey, brother. I don't want that to be my job, so I'm going to be obedient right now. If you like the whacker, you might be the man. Amen. All this is in the Bible. It actually is a strong spirit. Let's talk about a strong spirit. Can we do that? A strong spirit is confident.

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Y'all say Confident. Confident. Unmovable. Unmovable. Established. Ready for anything? Ready for a strong spirit is steady. Under trouble. Steady, y'all. Steady. Under trouble. Amen. Well, say you already. If you ain't. You are. You are probably. Are you paying too much to that trouble? Can I give you some practical advice? But it's actually spiritual. Just believe God. Let it go. Be willing to just let it go and see what happens. I did that. We did that in Bible school 20 something almost 30 years ago. I was like, Ain't no way I can pay for no Bible school. I got three kids. And then she comes and tells me she's pregnant. I said, How in the world did you do that? I mean, I'm out here in 1992, 1994. I'm making \$6 or something an hour. And she comes up to tell me she's pregnant. What kind of woman does that? You think I got insurance for No. \$7 an hour? Well, she told me. I mean, our oldest one at that time was 7 or 8. Eight, six. 4 or 3 pregnant. We weren't looking for that. We thought we were through. Completely through. Matter of fact, there's two weeks before that we were watching him, you know, trying to put peanut butter and jelly. I mean, they were making a mess all over the counter. I'm just glad they knew where it was and could reach it.

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Go and get a little break. Don't get a little bit easier. 2 or 3 weeks later, she's pregnant. I didn't even respond. She didn't either. We didn't say anything to each other for 2 or 3 weeks, did we? You know why? Because if you tortious, we would have just cried or screamed. So we just sent Bible school. I don't know if I heard anything. God's good. Yeah, well, okay. Praise the Lord. I ain't got no insurance. I ain't got no money. I'm in Bible school. Can you? I can't even. Oh, praise the Lord. So I came to the conclusion I was trying to work out all kind of deals myself, trying to get this. Trying to this, pay this, trying to figure out how to do it. And one day I said, Lord, if you can't keep me here in Tulsa, Oklahoma. If you can't keep us here. I'm not blaming you. But if my faith ain't this place, then I'm going home. I'm through playing this game. If you can't do it, then I'm going to find out quick. I'm just going to call my parents or someone at home and say, Would you give us enough money to get home and live with y'all? Ain't too many. Ain't too many folks you can call Do that. Pay me to get to your house to live with you. But. But, but. But I couldn't do it.

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And when I said I'm finally through. I mean, I'm going to school doing what I'm called to do. I'm working a job. But go work another job after that job. My wife's keeping babies after Bible school at home. She had three, but I guess she loved kids. She wanted 3 or 4 more. Amen. She said, We don't have to have paper towels. She said, we just use. We use washcloths. I think I went to we went to McDonald's twice while we was there. For the kids. Get the Happy Meal. I'm glad they was young. They have to be happy. I had a friend from Louisiana made him out there. A friend of ours. And they came to to Rama out there. And so the Bible school. And so he'd so he'd had someone pay his truck off at home or had they sent money to pay his truck off and then they sent him some money. On top of that he had like \$1,500. Ain't nobody in Bible school had no \$1,500. He said, Well, he said, What day are you off? Next week? I said, Tuesday. He said, I want to take you and Michelle to to to Ryan's. What is that steakhouse? You know, we got a buffet and food all day long, and I ain't been in the restaurant almost in two years since I left home. \$7 an hour for kids. How many you think? You think I sit down and steak and ale? I mean, you'd have to go eat and go to the bathroom, go outside door.

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But anyway, never did that. But so we went next Tuesday and I went to the bar and I got some stuff and we just eating and I didn't realize what I was doing, he says. He said, Eric, what are you doing? I said, Well, he said, You're looking all over the place. What are you looking for? He says, Oh, Scott, I'm sorry. I didn't know. I said, I just ain't seen the inside of a restaurant a long time. I just like it. We just eat real slow, eat real slow, then go get another plate, because I didn't know if I'd ever get back in there again. I mean, you're so busy going to Bible school and working kids and family. I pass myself on the interstate three times. People ask me one time, How do y'all like Tulsa? I mean, it's a lot of fun things to do. I think I'm thinking, how would I know? How would I know? Best time of my life, though. That's actually where I met God. I found out when I come to the end of myself. He was always there. I thought I was doing something. I found I wasn't doing nothing. He was. I mean, I was 30. I mean, I'm 30. I was 30 years younger. So, I mean, I could go do it, but I ran to the end real quick.

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And when I said I couldn't do it, it's like I heard him say. He said finally I could. I felt the words. Finally he says, Finally, boy. Finally he says, Sit down. So here's my good advice. Y'all want it? It's practical, but it's spiritual. Stop it. Stop that. Stop all of it. Amen. You're doing what you know to do, right? Amen. Well, then leave it alone. Yeah. Go get some ice cream. So if I feel stress on me, I'm looking for Mexican food. Steak, something like that. Now, I'm not talking about being stupid. I ain't talking about writing bad checks. I'm talking about. When I feel the stress coming on me. I just pushed back and I do what Hebrew four says, he says. He says faith is never faith unless it rest. See, if you're not in a place of rest, you're you're not in faith. You're paying too much attention to the struggle. And you're. And you're missing. You're missing the big end of what's supposed to be happening now. Here it is right here. You don't have to turn there but in Jeremiah. So you have to understand your time and your season. Amen. Jeremiah said this. He said in Jeremiah eight seven, he says, he said, even the stork in the sky knows her appointed seasons and the dove and the swift and the thrush observe the time of their migration.

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The gossip, but my people don't even know. He said. The requirements of the Lord. That word requirements means legislator. There's things that have been legally legislated from heaven for your life, for you to enter into. And what he's saying is he says even the birds, the stork, the thrush, all these birds have a have a DNA in them. I mean, like when it's winter time, you know how you see geese flying? Well, they ain't headed north, are they? Which way are they headed? They headed south because they think it's going to get cold. Get out of here. They know when to move. He said, how is it a you dumber than a goose? I mean, how do these birds know when it's time to move? So I looked up on my on my smartphone. I looked to see if there was some kind of I was going to see if there was a bird after I was falling. No, they don't have a bird app. They're coded. They have a DNA on the inside of them to knows the season of the time within. Do you know what season you're in? Amen. Are you defined it by your struggle? Huh? See, that takes back opposing yourself. Five services there. He said those who walk in the flesh. Huh? He talked about being a carnival man or a spiritual person. Carnival just means flesh and all that.

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And all that means is your physical senses. We all have them. Five senses. So everything that you know, you experience, it has to come through the filter of the five senses. But he said, But if you're living by those five senses and you're walking by those five senses and you're making all your decisions by your by the five senses, he said, you are not spiritual, you are carnal. And he says there's no way to please me in this because what I'm giving you is from Spirit. God is a spirit and you're a spirit. Now you need your five senses, but your five senses are not supposed to lead you. They're supposed to serve you. Amen. But the problem is, we're serving them. We're serving our senses, which means we're serving the carnal part of our life instead of the spiritual. So that's what Paul was telling Timothy. He said these people are opposing themselves and the devil is taking them at his will and they're helping him. We need to stop that. So I can't help you. If you if this doesn't settle the issue, then I don't have nothing to do. Now, when you don't know what's in here, I want to help you know what's in here. But it takes a while to come to a place to warranty. You trust God, and the buck stops right here, huh? I mean, if this ain't going to do it, I'm not going to go to Webster's Dictionary or go to some Reader's Digest and find some article that might help you.

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I back my life on this man? The Holy Ghost through me prevented funerals to this. That would have happened within a day or two. The Holy Ghost through me prevented people hands and fingers and and legs being amputated. The Holy Ghost in me prevented someone who was dead to be raised back to the life. The Holy Ghost in me. But by this word and by this authority, by this dominion, gave people back their eyesight, opened up deaf ears, created eardrums that wasn't there. Amen. You don't think I learned that down here? Cause do I go to school? 12 years. I don't care if you took advanced history in English, you don't make eardrums out of that. The Holy Ghost in you. Why? It's Christ in you. The hope of glory. Amen. Amen. Then he says. He says. And then. Then I'm going to provide you the faith to do it. Amen. Amen. And you say, But you don't know what I got going on. And I got this situation. Yeah, I do. I've been there. Yours may look a little different, but I've already been there. So if you want to give testimonies, I'll meet you afterwards. We'll just top the terrible testimony. And I guarantee you, when I see my whole story, I have to hand you handkerchiefs while you cry about them.

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People told me through the years, Man, it must be tough being a pastor. I said, Why? He said, You got to deal with everybody's problems. I said, No, I don't. I said, I did that the first three years. Three years? I went crazy. Because I couldn't fix all the problems. And the Lord said, What do you do in trying to fix their problems? I said, Well, you told me to pastor a church and they got problems and I'm supposed to be I'm supposed to help. He said, No, you're supposed to point them to me. Yeah. He said, you're trying to do it. He said, you're trying to do what Paul did on Corinthians, where he took the care of the churches. See, Paul will go preach the message of grace. In other words, just living by faith that you're righteous, not by keeping a bunch of laws. Right? Then they would say, okay, Then they received Jesus that way. Then he'd go off somewhere else and come back two months later and the judaizers come and say, You can't be righteous because you believe in this man being the Messiah and you're forgiven of everything. You've got to keep the laws day by day. They said, Oh yeah, I guess so. Call come back. And here they are, circumcising themselves again over and over, trying to keep all the laws.

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And that's what got Paul. Paul said, It's not the beatings, it's not the whip, It's not being stoned, it's not being snake bit. I think it would be for me. He said It's the care of the churches daily. Amen. And in the Bible. In the Bible, it says, God says, What are you doing? Taking the care of the churches. Well, I thought it was my job. No, your job was to give them the message. He says, My Grace is sufficient to take care of you and them. Amen. Amen. And then when Paul's life was going to be lost on that ship, you know, in Acts 27, he said, don't sail. But they sailed anyway. But the angel appeared to him and said, Paul, you have an appointment to stand before the king. He says, and this ship's going to be lost. He said, But no man's life will be lost. No man's life will be lost. He had a word from God, didn't he? Yes, but. But he wasn't instantly delivered from the ship. He went through what they went through. But no man lost his life because Paul was on the ship. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. You own the ship. Amen. Are you on the ship? Amen. Are you paying attention to the storm? See. You can forgive anyone of what they've done. Why can't you forgive them? Well, you don't know what was said and done. I don't have to know.

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Amen.

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Would you would. Jesus came to the earth. Why did he have to give his life? Hit everyone. Was everyone in sin? Yes. On the planet who would ever be born. That means you wasn't right. That means Jesus forgave people who was wrong, who do things wrong and make mistakes. Amen. So if he forgave you when you were so wrong, how can you not forgive the person now who feels like you've been hurt by them? He gave you example when he was on the cross. He exed out your sins and he said, This is what it looks like to give yourself for someone who's dead wrong. And you're mad and you're offended. That's what the enemy is doing. So he's coming into your life and into your family and to your workplace and he's like Yea yea yea yea yea yea yea yea yea yea yea yea yea yea yea yea yea yea yea yea. Yea. Yea yea. And he'll point to the circumstances and they're true. They're a fact. They're not a lie. You're dealing with them. They're right there in front of you. But, but God. But God. But God who's rich in mercy with his intense love in which He loved you. See, God had a need. He intensely loved you and wanted his family. He said, I can't even be satisfied unless I have this family. I got to have these people to be whole myself. Amen. And the angels, like they're thinking about their pre-adamic race.

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They said, Really? What is it about, man, that you're so mindful of him that you created him a little lower? The King James messed it up and said, Angels, it's not the word angels. Look it up in the Hebrew, it's the word Elohim. They were asking, who? What is it about mankind that you've made them a little lower than God like yourself? Did you know you've been made just a little lower than God. You that you were made in the God class. Amen. Hmm. That's what you're going to create universes. But you've been put in the God class, as she said this morning. Let us make man in our image and in our likeness. And then he says, Oh, and put dominion in them. Amen. Put the dominion in them. Dominion ain't looking how to pay a light bill. Amen. I want you to jump over that. I want you to see yourself in a different place. You have to see it on the inside before you experience it on the outside. If you can if you can get in your imagination and you can see what you can't see with your physical eyes, yet you begin to see how do you get it. You take the word and you speak it and you look at it and you and you read the word and you put it on the inside of you until it becomes in your imagination and you can see it on the inside.

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You put the word in and you begin to paint it your heart, your spirit, your heart becomes like a canvas that the painter can paint these words and put an image on the inside. You can do it because you are already doing it. I could ask you right now to close your eyes. Close your eyes for just a moment and tell me how many windows are in your house. Someone call our number when they get it. Who? Levin. 12. Nine. 13. 13. 14. She's going back to the bathroom. Just. Just count the windows. We ain't got time for you to come back. How many, Jerry? 14. Okay, watch here. How did you do that? Huh? You know, your house is pretty good, don't you? So inside you, in your mind, In your imagination, you wouldn't visited your house, didn't you? And you counted the windows. That's what a godly imagination will do for you. Now, if you can sit here, here at nine and 900 County Road 42 Jefferson and tell me how many windows in your house where you live and you ain't there. How am I? Just knew the answer before you pictured it. Anybody? Nobody. Man. Look what you got in you. That's why God had to stop the Tower of Babel. He said these things that they managed to do. He said they're going to do it. He said, But this ain't I got to stop this.

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What is it that you can do that you ain't entered to? Because he's got you dealing with this little issues. First thing we had to do is go to Bible schools. We had to have a vehicle. Needed a minivan because she had a bunch of kids. We had five come back with six of us. I sold the one I had because I had payments on it. I had a nice red white conversion van. One on one all my life. Had it for a year and a half. So I did that. But I didn't want to. I didn't want a payment, you know, working part time, going to Bible school, sold it. But I had to have a vehicle. I had the money to buy a vehicle. I didn't have a dollar to buy a vehicle. People said, Well, how much could you afford? Do you think My van paid it back then was \$500 years ago. It was a beautiful red and white thing, had blinds in it. It's like I go around 12 mile an hour, man. I always wanted one of these things, you know, went to practical make a \$7 an hour. So we sold it. And what I could afford was nothing. Didn't do the math. Dot school, lab, school, tuition, tuition, daycare, house, rent, whatever. \$7 an hour. Oh, nothing works. And one day during praise and worship. Before we went to Bible school. There's praise and worship.

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All of a sudden, just all of a sudden during praise and worship, I'm just beginning to know anything about the Holy Spirit or God. All of a sudden this came down during praise worship and I heard these words. He said, Thank me for the vehicle I'm going to give you. And I looked around and I said, I asked my wife. I said, Did you say something? She said, no, get your hands up. I said, okay. Like three, four minutes later. I mean, it sounded me like a male voice. And he said, Thank me for the vehicle I'm going to give you. And and I talked. I said, Did you say something? She said, I ain't said nothing. Why do you keep asking me that. I said, so the third time he said it I was a little bit smarter. I said, Lord, are you talking to me? He said, It's like he said, Finally he said, Thank me for the vehicle I'm going to give you. And then I said, I don't know why I said it. This is what I said. I said, You're going to give us a vehicle to go to Bible school? He says. I said, Can I ask you what kind? And I could see a picture like over my head, like in a caption. And I knew that was a Toyota Sienna minivan. And I knew my pastor had it for sale. And I said, How much? How will I buy it? He said, I told you I'm going to give you that van.

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Don't you say nothing to him. Don't you say nothing to anybody. Tell your wife what I told you. And you all thank me for. Three weeks later. Becomes where I'm working, he says. Can we can we go eat a biscuit or something? This morning? I said, Sure. And we talked and he spent. He said, Well, the reason I asked you to come, he says, yesterday, you know, we had a guest speaker so I wouldn't have to get prepared. And he says, I sit down after the Sunday morning service and he said, I just sit at my chair. And he said, The Lord told me that van you got for sale is not for sale. He said, I want you to give that to Michelle and Eric. They need it to go to Bible school. He said, okay. He said, But you have to tell my wife. I want her to agree with me. I want her to be in agreement with me. About ten minutes later, she said, she said, Bobby, you ever feel like we ain't supposed to sell that van out there? He says, he says, Why do you say so? He says, I don't know. I just got this weirdest thing on me. Like we ain't supposed to be selling that van. We supposed to be giving it to someone. And he says, Well, he says, Me too.

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She said, Do you know who? He said, Yeah. He said, I'll write down who and you write down and they both get paper. And I said, Eric and Michelle. So he said, here's the keys to it. He says, I didn't have no way to bring it and get back. And I don't know if you could take me back. He said, But here's the keys and you can pick it up any time you want to. It's yours. And here's the title. Amen. But three weeks later, she told me he's going to give me. I asked him what it was and it was that one. Now, I didn't go tell my pastor, like, why did it take three weeks? I said, Oklahoma, you know, give this thing a trial run and see if I wanted to come. I was in the praise and worship in Broken Arrow, Oklahoma, at Raymond Bible College, you know, during the praise and worship that night. And I'm thinking, ain't no way I can afford to come this place. And when the Lord talked to me in three weeks later, he gives me the van. Well, a week, a week before we leave, you say, well, how are you going to pay tuition? I ain't got no money, no tuition. All I know is he's going to go to Bible school. But a week before it went to another person, the business person who we knew but we weren't like daily friends or weekly friends or so that's kind of like, see y'all for y'all bring your family to my restaurant and we okay, but this is not something we would just be talking to on a daily basis more than acquaintances, but not family.

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Family. So we went anyway, you know, fed all the kids and they had lunch. And she's sitting there with us and she said, Can I ask you a question? It's kind of personal. I said, Sure. She says, How much does it cost to go to the Bible school where you're going? I said I said, well, it's about \$3,000 for tuition, but, you know, we're both going to go. Oh, sheesh. Well, can I ask you another personal question? I said, Yeah. She said, Do you already have the money? I said, No, ma'am, I don't have a dollar of it. She said, Well, how are you going to do it? I said, Well, we're going to go three months early and I'm going to work for this guy who has a large floor covering business, which is what I do. But I ain't got to run this time. I ain't got to be the boss. So I guess the Lord is going to bless me. I'm going to sell a bunch of floor covering two months before school starts, I guess. She said, Well, I don't know about that, she says. Uh, reason I'm asking is, could I just pay for your Bible school, you and your wife's? And I said, Well, you know, two years, that'd be several thousand dollars.

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She said, Yeah, I've already done the math. Could I pay for it? Like we were meant to pay for theirs. Same time. And I said, You're gonna pay for the whole Bible school. She says, Uh huh. And I left thinking. Well, the plan was to go to Bible school, but I ain't had no vehicle. I didn't had no money. And. I just said yes, and then I forgot about it. Because I can't produce all that. So it seems to me like I don't this is kind of serious, but I'm going to go out. I'm way out on them now. I'm way out there. So y'all judge this. It seems like the Lord knows everything. Huh? Does he know everything? Okay, we got a finish. Because I told you I'll let y'all out of here before 6:00. Nice kid. Now, listen here. Proverbs 24:10 says If you fall to pieces in a crisis, there wasn't much to you in the first place. But a person with a strong spirit. Who's controlled by the Holy Spirit. Takes control of their mind by directing your mind to the word. Oh, we'll finish. Uh, Romans 15:13. You ever heard of people who give themselves a self examination? Of different kinds of physical tests. Sometimes some things you can do at home. I'm we're going to take a self examination this morning.

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Romans 15:13. I mean, how do you know if you're in faith? Now the God of all hope. Fill you with all joy and peace and believing. That you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Ghost. I want you to see that if you've got a Bible, I want you to look at it. Unless they're going to put it. There it is. There it is. There it is. Watch you. They all read that with me. Now the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing that you may abound in hope through the power of the Holy Ghost. I'll leave it up here. Now watch here. Now, the God of Hope. Same word. Hope means expectation. See. You got to begin to expect something. Hope here means a godly expectation. He will fill you with all joy and peace in believing that you may abound in this hope and expectation. But where's it going to come through? Your power, your might, your strength, your knowledge, your wits, your wisdom, your know how, know that's what's going to get you in trouble. Through the power of the Holy Ghost. Now that's it. So I always thought it was kind of unusual that, you know, this verse and you may not know much about Nehemiah. You ought to read this book. It ain't that long because you're going to be one day he's going to say, Did y'all read my book? And you're going to say, I'm sorry.

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I just never really came up that. But we know. We know one verse in Nehemiah, don't we? The joy of the Lord is. Nehemiah going to get that quote to him all the time? He said, Y'all ain't read nothing else in there, did you? But the joy of the Lord is what? That's that's if you think about it, that's kind of unusual. The Lord could have picked anything. As a measuring or device to produce joy in you or strengthen you or produce strengthen you. But for some reason, he chose Joy to be the conduit to bring strength into you. So when you see people who walk around like this all the time, you know, they got the head down kicking the can. I don't know, man. I just like, man, their life is like devil all over me, man. Praise the Lord. If it ain't a curse it show it, show kinda one. I don't know what all this about. I just want to go right here. And it's like, Man, the boss man over here, he, like, go do this. And then the kids over there, they won't never shut up. And man, inflation. You don't have a head of cabbage. Yes. My gosh. We ain't got three sacks of groceries. You'd have thought I bought the whole first aisle. All I got three inch light. Bill done went up, car tore up, got a flat on the tire.

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Wife didn't make the food. But I like I like. I can't tell her that you know praise man Life's hard on me. What we need to do is drop you off. Where? You just went to a mission trip. Or next month in Peru, it'll be 30 below zero and the children will die because they'll freeze to death. And they would trade places. You in a moment. You're blessed. Amen. But the joy of the Lord is your strength. Now, how many of y'all already prayed about your situation? Amen. Tell how he has already prayed about your situation that you need change. That's about all of us, right? So so let me ask you. So if you could have changed it, would you have already done it? If you could have changed it, you would have already done it. Okay, so you've already prayed about it. Now, are you in faith about it? Don't know if you are or not. So if you in faith, you're resting, you're leaving alone. But if you keep on revisiting this thing the whole time, that's what the flesh does. Those who are in the flesh cannot please God. Why? Because their carnal mind in the physical senses are telling them it ain't working. It ain't working. It ain't working. Working by this. My, this. I got a symptom. I got a symptom. I got a symptom. I got.

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Oh, I got a symptom. X ray. Got a symptom. I got a symptom. I got a symptom. I got a symptom. Oh, I got a bunch of symptoms. I got la la la la la la la la la. Doc, if I don't do this, they're going to come off and go. He's going to ride off. He's going to die. Your daddy, your granddaddy like this. I had a friend of mine who had a stroke. He was adopted and they kept on saying, We need to know about your parents, We need about this. We need to know about all that, He says. He says you going to have to actually earn your own money. I don't even know him myself. I tried to find him. They can't be found. I don't know if they dead. They're alive, he says. I'm 67 years old. I don't imagine they're alive, he said. But I couldn't find them. He says, You have to figure this one out on your own. Do your own job. So all that comes in. So but see, faith settles it. Are you healed? Because by his stripes, you are healed. Yeah, but I don't feel healed. That ain't the scripture. He didn't say. When you feel healed, then you shall know. When all the money come in. You shall know that I tell the truth. That'd be wonderful. But if it is, why would you need faith? Faith is the substance of things and not.

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And when you can see them, you don't need faith anymore. That's deep, ain't it? That was deep. Faith is the substance of things hoped for or expected, the things not seen. So those who is in the flesh cannot please God, those who are being ruled by their emotions and their feelings. And he said, And she's hitting the kids, heading the money, saying the jobs here like it. But sometimes you just want to say, shut up, stop it. You know, I'm a person just like you. I got a life. I got a family. I got a boss. I mean, angels don't come to my house and carry the trash can out to the road on that day. I'm a man of God. So the angels come say yes, Man of God. Will you look down there? And it's like, Why did you throw all that food in there? Four days later, man, that beggar lice all over his place. I got there. She said, Be okay. I said, Now I'm going to spray air freshener or something. I mean, let's be kind to these people somehow. I do life just like you do. I could get more personal than that, but I'd better stop. But I just decided just to believe God. Now, let's. This is the third door of the sermon, so I'll close the door here. I don't even know why I make notes. I don't ever get to them.

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Y'all ever heard of CS Lewis? He gives us a verse in Romans 14:17. He says, The kingdom of God is not meat and drink, but righteousness, peace and joy in the Holy Ghost. So. So. So. So what is the Kingdom of God? It's not meat and drink. It's not. How you going to pay your bills? It's not what you're going to do about this. That's supplied because you're, you're you're in the kingdom. You're in the family. You're the child of God. Yes. I ain't never had no kid of mine was believing God that I'd feed them. They didn't have to come. Say, please, can I have some cereal? A three year old, they just walk in the pantry and they open up like. Like they bought everything. I was taking Lexi home a couple of weeks ago in her car. She has a car, but she just can't drive or she's practicing it. So I took her back to Alabaster and I said, No way, We need to get some gas. And I said, Have you pumped gas yet? She said, Yeah, Nina. She said, one time I said, Well, here, here's the debit card. Put it in. Just going to ask you this. And then I sat in the car. I said, You're going to leave there to open your door. Take the cap off. Put it on the hook. She put the card in. She said, it says this. I said, That's right.

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All right. Put this in. I said, Now she says, it says, remove it. I said, Well then remove it. That's it. I said, give me my card back. And she pumped the gas and she was proud of herself. She sat down. I said I said, Now, okay, you're driving. You know how to drive pretty good. And I said, You pump gas. I said, There's just one thing that you don't know. You know how to drive the car and put the gas in. But one thing you don't know is you ain't made the money to buy the gas. But that will be coming up. You won't keep on going like this. So he said, don't use your faith for that kind of stuff. He said, Because the kingdom of God is not meat and drink, but righteousness and peace and joy in the Holy Ghost. Now, here's the quote from CEO Lewis I want you to hear. She C.L. Lewis. I'm reading this article, a respected author who had great things to say about joy. He said, Joy is the serious business of heaven. In other words, having conducted this most serious business in the atmosphere of joy. Amen. Y'all y'all hearing me? Having conducted this most serious business in the atmosphere of joy in the Kingdom of God. There are some business to be taken care of. He said, while you rejoice, transactions are being made and prayers are being answered. People may warn you better take this situation seriously.

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But when you apply the blood of Jesus and then rejoice, you tell them, I am taking this extremely serious. Amen. He said, My mother used to take the care of business by shouting and running around the church. My dad was this guy who wrote the article. His dad was a pastor and he said My dad would comment as she ran because people would be looking at, you know, the pastor's wife running around the church and shouting. And he used to write, This is the serious business of heaven. And so he said, my mother used to run around the church shouting and my dad, you know, cause people would look at him and Brother Hankins and Sister Hankins is going around. Woo woo. Because he said they wanted their money to buy food. And the babies were sick. She's the pastor's wife and she's running around trying woo woo woo. And he says, So she read this thing about CS Lewis. She said, Well, if Heaven conducts its most serious business in the atmosphere of joy. So they looked at him like, What's your wife doing? And he just said, he said. Is not necessary unless it's necessary. He says. And it's and in our life right now, he said it's necessary. And that was their thinking. Does your wife really have to do that? He said, Well, it ain't necessary unless it's necessary. And he says, And I ain't going to get into all of it, but it's necessary.

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Let my wife run. Heaven conducts its most serious business in an atmosphere of joy. Joy? Huh? Not. Not. Not sadness. I mean, people have been sad so long, they've had a droopy face. Their face is getting longer. You keep on doing that, you're going to have a head long as a Shetland pony. You're going to need to go to chiropractor all the time because you're like, Dang, man, I don't know what we're gonna do, man. But when you know the truth, that sets you free. So you'll stand up straight. You get a spark in your eye. Yeah, man. Like Brother Matt says, the money may not come. You may, You may. You may reach in your pocket. He said you may reach down there and can't find nothing. You pull it out and you find some. And he said, But it can't be spent. You can't spend Lent. Or at least I don't know where you can spend it at. Right. But you walk around like you own the world. I got to. Butterscotch is right here. Like butterscotch. You like butterscotch? Praise the Lord. Prayers answered right there. Just like that. A little bit better than the Lent. But you walk around like you own the earth. You know why? Because you do. The earth is the Lord's and the fullness of it. He gave it to men to put it under your dominion.

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Amen. So whatever you have need of today. In the name of Jesus. I'm not going to pray for all of that because heaven can do it from right here in the name of we're conducting serious business right here. Hallelujah. Ha ha ha ha. Glory to God. But watch your brother, Bill. We on YouTube. They might think we. They might think we Radical Jesus believers. Huh? Glory. I'm glad the rest of y'all ain't got nothing serious. I'm glad y'all ain't got no problems. Yeah. So. Cs Lewis said, In all these years of ministering as a theologian, he said, I have come to concur that it is absolutely true that heaven is legislating and conducting its most serious business with you when you are in an atmosphere of rest and peace and joy. Yeah. Hallelujah. Hallelujah. So put the oars in the boat because you're going against the current trying to get back there and you're getting some of y'all tired. Y'all just you all out. Just put the. Just put the oars in the boat and say, Lord, it's yours now. Amen. And pick up your Winnie Pooh, honey, and just lay down the boat and eat the honey. All right. Amen. And watch him turn it around. Amen. Thank you. Thank you, Father. Somebody is about to get some. Somebody is about to get a phone call. Hallelujah. Hallelujah. Somebody's going to more than somebody. More than one person is going to get a phone call about a seriously good place of employment.

[01:05:36] Pastor West

My Lord, right now, it's not going to be what you thought it was. Amen. And you might first think and I'm just saying this by the Holy Ghost, you really wasn't planning on doing that. But I'm telling you ahead of time, the Lord's plan is better than your plan. And even though you may not feel comfortable, walk in. Come on. See? God told Abraham to leave his house and go to a city. I'll show you. He said. Okay. Where is it? He said, Just go. I was like, Well, I can go that way. He said, We'll go. So it's a lot easier moving, you know, to drive something that's already moving. I used to have a 1973 Ford 154 full bed liner pickup with three on the column. Power steering was right here. Try to parallel park that sucker. But it was a lot easier when that vehicle was moving, you know, with no power steering to to maneuver it. The reason why some of y'all ain't get we need to be is you in park and you got the mercy brake on saying, God help me. He's like, well, could you get it? Could you at least get your foot off the brake? Could you quit talking about it? It ain't working. The Lord can't do nothing. It ain't working. And everybody in the house is mad at everybody. They mad, as you know, right? Come on.

[01:06:58] Pastor West

Let's just be normal on that side. But that's not what we're going to stay. So. So come on over here into the spirit realm. Get out of the enmity. Get out of the. Get out of the place of opposing God. He said, Lord said, if you're if you're determining your life by your five senses, the carnal mind is enmity in opposition. It doesn't mean you're God's enemy. It means you. You are causing it. The word opposition actually means this. Enmity means this. You are in a steady, steady, ongoing place of working against God. It doesn't mean you hate God or he hates you, but you're steadily working against him because you're working everything through your five senses and you have to stop that. And you have to come to a place of faith and a place of rest and saying, okay, God, I'm giving this thing to you. I'll go do what I know to do. I'll make the phone call. I'll walk this way, I'll go here. It don't make any sense to me. And the phone. So some more than one person is going to have. He's going to be a phone call or it's going to be someone you're going to come in contact with something or someone and it's going to be a greater employment that you thought. Amen. Amen. Much greater than your stress is going to go way down. Huh? Can we have a song before we leave? Can we have a song?

[01:08:21] Brother Bill Seay

Hallelujah.

[01:08:22] Pastor West

I want Pharrell Williams happy. Right in church. I want it real loud, too. I don't bust my speakers like \$16,000 a piece, and they're older than I am. So there are at least 25 years old. Huh? Come on, take the lid off. The Bible says casting all your care. You all ready? You know how we do this around here? Brother Bill, can I use you as an example? Now, if I want to know something about mechanics, a good mechanic. Come up here, sir. A good mechanic or a fisherman? I'd ask him. Amen. So you know how we do this? We're going to cast all of our cares. Okay. What? We're going to do it fishing. So how are we going to do it? Was going to take the hook, right? What were we going to put on the hook? How many of them, man? That would be a big hook. Some folks. Bill We got some big hooks. We got some big. We got some. What? Do you know what you're talking about? Yeah. Kathy. I ate them. I don't know about ketchup. Yeah. Hook them with the trouble. Are we going to put all of our carry right there? And then how are we going to do it? We mash a little button. Mash your button. You got all your cares on it. Reach back. Reach back. Now, when you get back right there, let the button go right here. I never knew that. That's why I lost my bait. If you don't let.

[01:09:48] Brother Bill Seay

If you don't, it's going to land right there. So you get right there.

[01:09:52] Pastor West

Y'all put your other hand up because you got to have this now. All right. Someone ain't ready. They ain't got the other hand up. There we go. Ready?

[01:09:59] Brother Bill Seay

The other hand is holding the end. The other end of the rod.

[01:10:01] Pastor West

Oh, I see. Oh, I didn't know that.

[01:10:04] Brother Bill Seay

This hand right here is on the rail. Yeah. Mashing the button with your thumb. Put your thumb. And when you get back right here. Okay. You let that thumb go.

[01:10:13] Pastor West

How far can we go out?

[01:10:15] Brother Bill Seay

How hard are you swinging? The farther it'll go.

[01:10:18] Pastor West

All right. How many y'all don't want to see your shovels? No more, No more. Okay. Sling them way out there. Right. All righty.

[01:10:24] Brother Bill Seay

There we go.

[01:10:27] Pastor West

It's still.

[01:10:27] Brother Bill Seay

Going. Foo, foo, foo. Hit the water. Just catch it real on it.

[01:10:36] Pastor West

Throw the reel in there with it. You don't want to see any of them suckers come again right now. How many y'all just cast all your cares on the Lord? Amen. Did you really? Oh, so that means y'all won't be talking about them no more. Amen. Y'all.

[01:10:53] Brother Bill Seay

Amen. Praise God.

[01:10:55] Pastor West

You see? Now, now, now. He getting up in that business? Yeah. Now you cast him, right? So now you resting. Amen. If you working on him, he's sitting down when you pick it back up. They're all going to sit down and say, well, I'm just going to sit down. They up again. They talking and it ain't working. The money ain't coming in. Da di da da da da da da da da da da da da da da da da da. Fill in the blank. But you cast all your cares. Now you can count it all. What? Joy?

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