

# Keep Yourself Fueled for Exploits

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A person stands on a rocky outcrop in a dark cave, pointing a flashlight at a bright red light source. The scene is dimly lit, with the red light creating a strong contrast against the dark surroundings. The person is silhouetted against the light, and the cave walls are visible in the background.

**A daily devotional to keep you burning bright.**

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Hi,

*During my prayer times for you, I have recorded some thoughts and insights as I sat listening to Jesus before the Throne of Grace.*

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# Day 1

## Who's Carrying Your Disappointments?

I was speaking at a Christian gathering where I shared about the disappointment of Wayne's death (my late husband).

Most of you reading this knew me when I was a "we" in a wonderful marriage to Wayne Dillard. When he dropped dead on the floor right after his 58th birthday, I thought the Lord might resurrect him. When that didn't happen and 1,000 new decisions rushed to my front door about life, work, the ministry and my broken heart...I was DISAPPOINTED.

And that disappointment lingered. About one year into this shift from "we" to "me" I was driving down a highway when the Lord suddenly asked, "Where have you put the disappointment of Wayne's passing?"

Why this is important is because disappointments will always find a spot to land. The tricky thing is who is carrying the weight and the sting of them?

I thought for a minute and said, "I just shoved it back there somewhere." Then the Lord said something unexpected, "I want you to put it in a treasure box and place it before Me and watch me beautify this suffering."

Your disappointment might be life altering, like mine. Or it may be smaller but still real. I'd like to share five steps on what to do with disappointment so it doesn't get the best of you but instead you end up getting the best out of it.

Are you ready?

1. **Do not bury your disappointment while it is still stinging inside you.** Take time to unpack it before the Lord. And get professional counseling if it's an extreme case.
2. **God cares for you.** Let your heart be exposed to His healing light. Turn on worship music or the audio Bible and rest and receive spiritual watering from this.

## Who's Carrying Your Disappointments? (Continued)

3. **Put the weight of your disappointment on God.** Don't carry it. He will. Don't complain about it. Or worry. Or spin around in fear. Shove the weight of it onto God. He will help you do this.
4. **Our God heals.** He may use people or circumstances in the process but He is a healer and He loves you. *"My flesh and heart may fail, but God is the strength of my heart and my portion forever."* ~Ps. 73:26
5. **He brings beauty from ashes.** Whatever disappointment you might be facing, you have a living God who is active on your behalf.

*"You turned my wailing into dancing; you removed my sackcloth and clothed me with joy, that my heart may sing your praises and not be silent."*

~Ps. 30:11-12

I am still on the journey of God bringing beauty from ashes. And I am so grateful that I am not alone.

These are simple steps from my journey. And though they are simple, they are also powerful. Do them.

I'd like to close with a verse from a song:

*"Awake my soul to sing, With Your breath in me  
I will worship, You taught my feet  
To dance upon disappointment  
And I, I will worship" ~Amanda Cook, song "Heroes"*

# Day 2

## Jesus Taking You Forward

Here's a prophetic word from God's heart:

"Dwell in the Land, and continue to sow in faithfulness..."

"I will make your footsteps into a way. Keep focused. If you get off course, realign your path in My intentions for you.

"Remember, as it is possible to be in the sea and slowly pulled off course, so it is possible to be drawn away from the actions, attitudes and avenues that are connected with you harvesting your inheritance in Me.

"Be diligent to stay on the path. Do not dwell on the disappointments or faint at the challenges. Pull back into My strength and water your soul in My word. Declare and proclaim My word and keep your eyes forward.

"I am with you releasing the hope of My name through the footprints of your journey into the many lives that you encounter."

# Day 3

## Washing Your Wind Shield

Today I want to talk about “washing your windshield.” You and I drive with a lot of dirt on our windshield, and sometimes, it’s a long time before we clean it.

We drive with bug splats, grime, watermarks left by the rain, dust storms, or other vehicles splashing on the windshield. But once it’s clean, you think to yourself, “Hey, why didn’t I do that sooner? It’s so much better.”

That’s basically how it is for you and I in this life. Sometimes, we just need to catch our breath and take a minute to “wash the windshield.”

How do we do that in the spiritual sense? I’m going to give you three small things that you can do:

1. **Take time every day in God’s word.** Even if you only have a few minutes, grab one Psalm or one Proverb or half a chapter in the New Testament and get in God’s word.
2. **Let God know 10 things that you are grateful for.** It can be anything – from your bowl of cornflakes, your apple, your spouse, your pet, your health: just declare 10 things off the top of your head.
3. **Go out of your way for someone who cannot repay you.** Love wins, and walking in it gives us vision every time.

# Day 4

## Your Prayer Life

Here is a prayer of blessing over your prayer life – are you ready for it? Then read this aloud:

*James 5: 17-18 says, "Elijah was a human being, even as we are. He prayed earnestly that it would not rain, and it did not rain on the land for three and a half years. Again he prayed, and the heavens gave rain, and the earth produced its crops."*

Lord Jesus, You said that You would make a house of prayer for all people. We are asking right now for a fresh infusion of Your spirit. Breathe a fresh breath of your Spirit into our beings to ignite intercession in a level that we have never experienced before... a dimension that we've never entered in to before.

We want to impact the outcome of history by interjecting You, God, at the intersection of human lives in our nation and other nations in the world that you quicken to our hearts over issues, over reasons, and over seasons.

We say, "Yes" to you Lord. Speak to us, prompt us, and quicken us with a fresh breath of Your spirit in this season to lift our voices to Your throne of grace.

You said, that if we come before Your throne of grace, that we would find help in times of need. Let us beat a well-worn path between this place where we are in our lives to the other side of the curtain and that day where we finally get to meet You, Lord Jesus.

Make us the prayer warrior that You have designed for us to be. We ask and agree together on this, in Jesus' name.

# Day 5

## Building Your Character

Billy Graham said, "When wealth is lost, nothing is lost. When health is lost, something is lost. When character is lost, all is lost."

What is character, exactly? It's how we conduct ourselves when no one is looking.

In the book of Proverbs it says that a person's character can be seen by how they treat their animals (Proverbs 12:10). Character speaks before our mouths do. Character releases light or it hinders light. Character is one of the ways that people can figure out what family you and I belong to.

Hebrews 12:11 says, *"No discipline seems pleasant at the time, but painful. Later on, however, it produces a harvest of righteousness and peace for those who have been trained by it."*

Let the Lord do a work in your life, and let your light shine in such a way before men, that they will glorify Your Father in heaven (Matthew 5:16).

# Day 6

## God's Word, Your Flashlight

I wanted to share a small piece of wisdom with you that will really help you in your journey, if you listen to it and do it.

Helen Keller said, "Unless we form the habit of going to the Bible in bright moments, as well as in trouble, we cannot fully respond to its comforts because we lack the balance between light and darkness."

Let's face it; we have a lot of input through social media coming to us these days. If you are in the developed world it's somewhere between 8 to 15 hours a day.

Many of us are looking for another prophetic word or a sign from heaven for direction, but it's already in His living scriptures for you and I. The anchor is there. The insight is there. The direction is there. The question is: are we there?

Get in God's word daily, and let His word get in you. You will never regret that.

# Day 7

## You – War, Work, Worship

Here is a selection of scriptures to proclaim over your life. Let the Holy Spirit apply these to your walk and your impact to those around you:

Matthew 16:19

*"I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven; whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven."*

Matthew 12:29

*"Or again, how can anyone enter a strong man's house and carry off his possessions unless he first ties up the strong man? Then he can plunder his house."*

Matthew 11:12

*"From the days of John the Baptist until now, the kingdom of heaven has been subjected to violence, and violent people have been raiding it."*

2 Peter 3:9

*"The Lord is not slow in keeping his promise, as some understand slowness. Instead he is patient with you, not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance."*

Ephesians 6:12

*"For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms."*

Revelation 1:18

*"I am the Living One; I was dead, and now look, I am alive for ever and ever! And I hold the keys of death and Hades."*

Acts 4:12

*"Salvation is found in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given to mankind by which we must be saved."*

# Day 8

## He Sees You

Today, I want to talk to you about faithfulness. Sometimes, we get overlooked when we do the right thing and going the second mile to do something good. Some of us are servants, so we have the energy of five people wrapped up in our being and we go out of our way all the time.

The temptation is, when we aren't properly thanked or recognized, to feel that nobody is seeing; but that's a lie. God's Word says, *"God is not unjust, and He will not forget your work and the love you have shown Him, as you've help His people and continue to help them"* (Hebrews 6:10).

Press in; keep sowing the seed of your good deeds. Know that it's "unto the Lord" that you're doing these things, and He is the God that sees, appreciates, cares, and rewards.

Your reward is assured!

# Day 9

## I Am With You

"I am with you," says the Lord. "Keep your connection strong with Me. Stay focused and tuned in. Keep singing. Your song is a bookmark, drawing your attention back to My attention.

*"For the eyes of the Lord run to and fro throughout the earth, looking for the heart which is completely His, that He might strongly support him (2 Chronicles 16:9).*

"I am with you, and in the end, it's the company you keep that makes all the difference."

May God strengthen you, and release your song to Him today.

# Day 10

## Your Emotions Will Follow

Did anyone ever tell you that your emotions follow what your thoughts are focusing on? Our emotions are so strong sometimes. We tend to think they're the boss; but that's not actually true.

The steering wheel of our vehicle is our mind. Remember that: "Your mind is the leader." What you focus on in your thoughts, your emotions will fall in sync and follow.

Philippians 4:8 is a good reminder for our mental and emotional wellbeing: *"Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable—if anything is excellent or praiseworthy—think about such things."*

# Day 11

## Victory Awaits

*"The horse is made ready for the day of battle, but victory rests with the LORD."*  
(Proverbs 21:31)

Victory comes with alignment with the Victorious One. When alignment comes, that strengthens your posture so that you can sit, run, and walk and not lose strength.

The Lord says, "I want you to get victory with Me through abiding, friendship, and love-filled obedience. Yield to Me and be at peace. Lean harder on Me and be strengthened. Humble yourself and be intentional about gratitude. I am with you, for you, and through you – victory awaits!"

# Day 12

## How's Your Driving?

Have you ever thought very much about how you drive? If you are a driver, here's one thing I can tell you, you've had an opportunity to think about how other people will drive.

Here's the deal – when you're following Jesus in your life, He mostly talks to you and me about what we're doing. Did you use your turn signal, so that other people know what you're up to? Did you cut someone off? Did you do something sudden and erratic? Did you stop paying attention? While the car was moving, did you divide your attention?

You are on a highway with many other people. How you drive your car and your life matters.

*1 Corinthians 13:4 says, "Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It does not dishonor others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres. Love never fails."*

May God help you and I today, to walk in love and to drive our lives on this path.

# Day 13

## A Gleaming Victory for You

Here are some words that God put on my heart for you as I was praying for you:

“Be patient as you seek Me. Some things take to grow and some things take time to unfold, but I am with you, working with you on your behalf hearing your prayer and rewarding the heart cries of your voice.

“Linger with Me, I am with you on the journey. Take time to breathe and drop the weight of all your concerns into the strength of My love, capacity, and compassion.

“I work ALL things together for good to those who love Me. And what is a mystery for you in the dark, will become a gleaming victory for you in the light one day.”

# Day 14

## Your Tongue: Keep the Safety On

Proverbs 18:21 says, *"The tongue has the power of life and death."*

When an object carries that kind of power, we have rules of engagement and awareness that is at a different level than just anything else.

In the firearms safety world, there's a thing called a "safety catch." It's used to help prevent the accidental discharge of the firearm, and it insures safer handling.

In Psalm 141:3, David cried out to the Lord, *"Set a guard over my mouth, Lord; keep watch over the door of my lips."*

Can we pray that today?

Lord, we dedicate our mouth to You, because the power of life and death is in my tongue. I ask that You would give me supernatural ability to use it for life, and not use it for death.

Use my tongue to build up, pour in to, to make a way for light and for love, and to not tear down, rip apart, or be an accuser of the people that You've called me to love.

We dedicate our mouth in a fresh way to You today. In Jesus' name.  
Amen.

# Day 15

## Pay Attention to Your Focus

Pay attention to your focus. Your eyes will follow where your mind takes you and sometimes, your mind will follow where your eyes take you.

Watch what you're watching and look where you're looking; because where your eyes go, your body will follow. Let God's word be a lamp to your feet, and a light to your path (Psalm 119).

Watch over your heart with all diligence, for from it flows the springs of life (Proverbs 4:23).

*Jesus said, "The eye is the lamp of the body. If your vision is clear, your whole body will be full light; but if your vision is poor, your whole body will be full of darkness" (Matthew 6:22-23).*

Pay attention to your focus.

# Day 16

## Mixed Signals

I was driving down the road and watching people's car signals (which is what you have to do when you're driving). It started me thinking about how important it is to send the right signal at the right time.

If your car is turning right but you switched on the left signal, that is what is known as a mixed signal. It's still a signal, but now I don't know what you're doing; which means you have become unpredictable.

Mixed signals apply in driving, in romantic relationships, and in all levels of human commitment. The bible says, *"Let your yes, and your no be no"* (Matthew 5:37). Why? To avoid mixed signals – which lead to misunderstandings, disappointments, and even accidents.

Be clear about what you're doing and don't make promises that you haven't really embraced yet. Don't overcommit just to make someone else happy. Be true to your word.

Let's keep our signals accurate and on target for what we're trying to do. It will make your journey a much better experience for you.

# Day 17

## Obedience is Not Optional; It is Essential

*"These are the ones I look on with favor: those who are humble and contrite in spirit, and who tremble at my word."* Isaiah 66:2b (NIV)

I want to tell you a story. I was teaching a group of believers in America about the supernatural gifts (1 Cor. 12:7-11). Suddenly I said, "I can lay hands on you to receive these gifts; but I can't lay hands on you to obey God."

Everyone laughed. Not because it was funny, but because it was true.

Can I ask you a question? ***Would you consider being more obedient this year?***

Would you make a commitment to do what you know is right; And run from what you know is wrong? Get busy doing, "love and good deeds." People's ears are tired with all the noise; their eyes want to see.

When you're honest, people will notice. Polite. Patient. Loving. Inconvenienced for someone else. Obedience speaks often without our words.

During Christmas I stocked up on groceries at Trader Joe's, when another customer walked up and handed me a bouquet of flowers. I'd never met this lady; so I asked, "Why are you doing this?" She said, "because someone else did this for me." I reached out and gave her a big hug then turned back to the woman at the register. She was stunned and said, "I'm going to cry. There is still goodness in the world."

People are hungry for a demonstration of God's Kingdom. What is that?  
*"Righteousness, peace, and joy."* Rom. 14:17

Obey today. Embrace this path. You won't regret it.

# Day 18

## Your Obedience Leads to Miracles

Did you know that your obedience leads to miracles?

Jesus' first miracle was at a wedding. They had run out of wine. The servants actually ran to Jesus' mother and then she went to Him. She turned and told the servants, *"Whatever He says to you, do it."* You can read this story in John 2:5-10.

Today, that is what I'm saying to you. Listen to the Lord and DO what He's telling you. Don't delay, because obedience leads to miracles.

Ephesians 2:10 says, *"For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do."*

May God bless you and strengthen you as you step out of the boat and obey Him.

# Day 19

## You Pulling a Door that Only Pushes

I was in Asia recently and had a fight with a bathroom door. Here I was trying to pull it, when it was a push door. (I'm sorry to say that I did it more than once.)

Sometimes, the design of things is confusing, and if we get the design wrong, no matter how sincere our heart is, it will not work.

For instance, forgiveness leads to freedom. Obedience leads to liberty. Laughter leads to healing. There is a design and it's woven throughout God's word. Try to pay attention to the road signs He leads you to. It does make a difference.

Isaiah 66:2 says, *"These are the ones I look on with favor: those who are humble and contrite in spirit, and who tremble at my word."*

# Day 20

## Do You Know Where Your Keys Are?

Have you lost your keys lately? Any of us who might misplace our phone, we know that we can call our phone from another phone. If we don't have it turned on silent, hopefully we can locate it.

That's not the same with our keys (unless we have one of those advanced tags on it that we can find it electronically). Depending on what our keys are attached to, like a car or front door, you might not be going anywhere without them. Unlike your phone, you can't call your key.

You can also have your keys, and not know it. They could be stuck in a coat pocket, dropped through a hole in your purse, or slipped down in the side of the car seat. You have them, but you don't know it.

I want to remind you: Jesus said, *"Behold, I give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven. Whatever you bind on earth, will be bound in heaven. And whatever you loose on earth, will be loosed in heaven."* (Matthew 16:19)

Know where your keys are, and use your keys. You'll get much further, when you do.

# Day 21

## Watch Your Step

Proverbs 4:23 says, *“Watch over your heart with all diligence, For from it flow the springs of life.”* (NASB)

Some things have been coming to my attention a lot as I’ve been working overseas and being home here in America; and that is watching where you walk. Or, as the saying goes, “Watch your step.”

I’ve noticed how even a medium sized rock can turn your ankle even if you don’t see it. A curb can trip you up if it escapes your notice. A speed bump can cause a lot of damage for you if you weren’t paying attention.

If you want to get really spiritual on me, you can say, “I’m just looking at the feet of Jesus.” But, let’s just be real. That’s what we do on a super-amazing day; but on an average day, we need to watch where we walk.

Pay attention to your feet.

## Day 22

### The Jewels Are for You

I want to share a prophetic word with you...

"Listen my child, My bible promises are unset jewels. Take one in your hand and begin to build the setting around it in prayer. Let Me hear your voice in prayer and worship. Lift your heart in faith and add some perseverance. Create a song to declare My goodness. Remember: faith is the substance of the things that you hope for, and those who hope in Me will not be disappointed.

"Come to My throne room with confidence. Bind the strong man and fix the jewel of My promise into its place. Put your heart cries in My palm, and press them there with your deep care and tears. Push in with hope and proclamation. Create a place to drop the jewel of My promises.

"Identify now the promises that you are seeking Me for, then ask and I will answer. Seek, for you will find. Knock, and the door will be opened to you.

"Don't delay. Cherish the jewel and create the setting."

## Day 23

### Stay Ready Yourself, So You Can Be Ready for Others

Sometimes I travel in earthquakes zones, and when I go to a developing world region, I always get ready before I go to bed. I put my phone, passport, flashlight, sandals, and a jacket in a little stack that I can grab and run with in case something happens. I've already studied the exit point.

I'm not saying this for the sake of fear, because the Bible says, "fear not" over and over again. Jesus often tells us to "be ready." You want to "stay ready" yourself, so that you can help others.

Jesus says, *"So you also must be ready, because the Son of Man will come at an hour when you do not expect him"* (Matthew 24:44). Don't get so relaxed down here on earth that you forget that there are times of great stress and stretching. There are many around us who need the hope of Jesus, the Living God. Stay ready yourself, so that you are ready for others.

# Day 24

## God's Got Your Back

*"His divine power has given us everything we need for a godly life through our knowledge of him who called us by his own glory and goodness." 2 Peter 1:4*

Here are just a few of those things that God gives us:

- Are you in temptation? He will give you the way of escape. (1 Corinthians 10:13)
- Is your heart weighted down with trouble? God said, *"Cast all your cares on him because he cares for you."* (1 Peter 5:7)
- Are you unsure about what to do next? He said, *"Ask for wisdom, for I give wisdom to those who ask."* (James 1:5)
- Are you walking through a dark place? He said, *"Darkness and light are alike to me."* (Psalm 139:12)
- Are you broken hearted? He said, *"I am near to the broken hearted."* (Psalm 34:18)
- Are you in a wrestling match between good and bad? God said, *"I will work in you to will and to do."* (Philippians 2:13)
- Are you fearful? He said, *"If you seek Me, I will deliver you from all of your fears."* (Psalm 34:4)

**His divine power has given us everything we need.**

# Day 25

## How to Be a Radical Blessing

*“Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable—if anything is excellent or praiseworthy—think about such things.” –Philippians 4:8*

In this swirling world of sound and input that we are getting in, it's actually harder to do this word: but, this is the source of light, life, and love.

Here are five steps that each of us can take in order to stay on track and be a blessing to the world at this time:

1. You have to take time every day in God's word. It's just the way it is.
2. Think before you speak.
3. Pray more.
4. Bless your enemies. Jesus told us to do this.
5. Keep your focus on the things that matter in eternity.

# Day 26

## A Prayer for You

Jesus says, *“Which of you, if your son asks for bread, will give him a stone? Or if he asks for a fish, will give him a snake? If you, then, though you are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father in heaven give good gifts to those who ask him!”* -Matthew 7:9-11

Today, I want to pray for a fresh filling of God’s presence and spirit in your life.

I bless you in the name of the Father, the Son, and our precious Holy Spirit, who helps and comforts us. I speak a fresh infusion of the breath of the living God into your being, right where you are.

I pray that you would feel a rearrangement of your molecular structure and a filling of the breath that comes from the breath of life. I pray that you would be encouraged, and that you would be strengthened by the God of hope.

May you abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit as He fills you with peace and wisdom and steadiness. I speak insight and hope that will not be denied -- over you, through you, and TO you today, in Jesus’ name.

Amen.

## Day 27

### You and the Rest That is Best

One of my favorite quotes from revivalist, Leonard Ravenhill is: "You will either come apart and rest for a while, OR you come apart after a while."

This is physical rest, stepping off the hamster wheel and giving yourself a moment to just be still. Right now, I need this and you might too.

It's important to listen to your body and make physical rest a priority. The Bible says that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit.

There is emotional and mental rest. This is where we let God change our inner dialogues and create boundaries for us with toxic or taxing relationships. This rest is essential and it enables you and I to be and act our best.

There is also spiritual rest. Jesus paid the price so that we can have peace in adversity, joy on the journey, and well-being come "hell or high water."

May the Lord meet you. Take time to read Psalm 12.

You and I cannot give what we haven't first received.

# Day 28

## You Already Have My Attention

2 Chronicles 16:9 says, *“For the eyes of the LORD range throughout the earth to strengthen those whose hearts are fully committed to him.”*

Here is a word of encouragement to you today from the Lord:

“My eyes are already on you. Turn your gaze in My direction. I know. I hear. I care.

“Do not listen to the accuser of the brethren, because He also accuses Me to you and to those around you.

“Look to Me. Start there and catch My gaze. In this, you will find peace that will fill your whole being, your concerns, and your direction.

“I have creative ways forward. I have grace for every stretch and wisdom for every unexpected bump in the road.

“Look to Me, because you already have My attention.”

## Day 29

### You Having Problems with Someone?

Are you having problems getting along with someone else right now? Sometimes, the truth is, it can be tough.

Jesus said, *"By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another."* (John 13:35)

What can you do if you hit a blockage with another person? I'm going to give you three simple steps. I encourage you to DO these things and see what happens.

1. Start praying and blessing that person. It's hard to judge those we bless.
2. Get in God's presence with that person's name in your mouth and invest in their story, their journey and their victory in prayer.
3. Take any steps to do a good deed toward that person that the Lord may spark or inspire you to do.

See where this takes you. Judging is easy. Being critical is easy. Loving is hard because it's valuable and it's ALWAYS worth it.

## Day 30

### Lost? Stop & Ask Jesus to Help You

Today, I want to share with you a cool story I heard from a book written by Rosalind Goforth. She was the ministry partner and wife to the famed Jonathan Goforth who did amazing pioneer work in China during the late 1800's.

She said:

“When my grandfather was a little boy, he went to visit cousins in the south of England. Their home was located by some dark, dense woods. One day, the children, lured by the beautiful wild flowers, became hopelessly lost in the forest. After trying in vain to find the way out, the eldest, a young girl called the frightened crying little ones around her and said, ‘When my mother died, she told us to always to tell Jesus if we were in any trouble. Let us kneel down and ask Him to take us home.’

“They knelt, and as they prayed, one of the little boys opened his eyes to find a bird so close to his hand that he reached out for it. The bird hopped away, but kept so close to the child as to lead him on. Soon, all the children were joining in the chase after the bird which flew or hopped in front or just above, or sometimes on the ground almost within reach. Suddenly, it flew into the air and away it went. The children looked up to find themselves on the edge of the woods and in sight of home.”

Are you lost right now in some dark, dense woods? I would encourage you to stop, to kneel, and to ask Jesus for help.

# Day 31

## Activate

I was in a series of meetings where the theme was "Activate."

Activate means to make something active or operative. Sometimes, you and I are waiting for big things to happen in our lives or in our spiritual calling.

Let me remind you: everything starts with a seed. Plant and activate. What has the Lord entrusted to you? Only you can do "you." The fragrance, the flower, the fruit, the impact... no one but you, can do you.

Step out, step up – activate!

*"Trust in the Lord and do good. Dwell in the land and cultivate faithfulness."*  
(Psalm 37:3)

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In His Love & Mine,

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