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I just want to draw your attention to a couple things on our product table. This is a book called *The Nature of Freedom* and it is the companion guide to *LifeChangers*. The principle behind the book is that it is a series of prophetic letters. Imagine being at home and getting a letter from God in the mail. The letter is all about *LifeChangers*.

In the letter, God prophetically pulls the curtain aside on everything that you are studying in *LifeChangers* and He says, "This is how We see it. This is what We are looking forward to doing in your life. This is how We will be with you in this. This is how We want this to go. This is where We are taking you in this particular section." So it makes *LifeChangers* more vibrant. It makes it simpler, but also, a much deeper experience. *The Nature of Freedom*.

This is the companion guide to *GameChangers*. It is called *The Newness Advantage*. The whole idea when the Lord sold me on writing it - because I had other books I was planning to write, but He said, "No, let's do this one instead." He was so excited about all the benefits of being a *GameChanger*. The whole book, again, is a letter from God. It is all prophetic.

#### GIVE YOUR DEVOTIONAL TIME FOR A YEAR

Both books are meant to be part of your devotional time with God. What I am asking you to do is give me your devotional time for a year and I will change you forever, literally. *The Newness Advantage* is all the blessings, all the upgrades, all the plans, and promises. This book is so full of prophetic promises, you will probably put on fifty pounds.

One of my favorite chapters here, the Lord and I - we had so much fun writing this chapter. The title is *Dying to Self and Having a Wonderful Time*. It was so astonishing to me that He could take something that is so difficult for us and make it so enjoyable, so joyous, and so powerful in terms of this is not at all difficult for Us, so it does not have to be difficult for you.

The final chapter is about unclaimed upgrades. There were so many upgrades that we had to split the chapter into two. So part one is about the foundation of upgrades, how upgrades come, how you position yourself, how you listen to the Lord, all of that. Then the second part is learning the upgraded life through having loads of upgrades. You can go to <a href="mailto:brilliantbookhouse.com">brilliantbookhouse.com</a> and you can order the books from there. The <a href="mailto:GameChanger">GameChanger</a> and <a href="mailto:LifeChanger">LifeChanger</a> courses are available on the <a href="mailto:Aglow website">Aglow website</a> in <a href="mailto:The Aglow Store">The Aglow Store</a> or by calling the Aglow Headquarters.

I also have a TV company called *Brilliant TV* and when you join as a member you get unlimited access to a hundred hours of some of the most classic, amazing things that God has ever taught me. There is

also a curated list, a playlist of training that will fit your real life circumstances. You know me, I do not want to teach about anything else except how God wants to be with you. He is so big! He has so much variety going on in His heart. There are weekly mentoring devotional classes on BTV. We have actually been going through this for about a year and it is astonishing what is happening in people's lives. We do activations, have equipping tools, all of that and it is \$20 a month which works out \$4.61 a week. That is about the price of a decent latte at St. Arbucks. Honestly, we wanted to make it affordable for anyone. I love it. I like being a TV star.

I am looking forward to what we are doing in this session.

#### THE ART OF AIR SUPERIORITY

I want to talk to you about life-long, living promises. I have a particular, humungous promise that God wants to give us. Then I have a prophetic word just to keep you awake.

I want to start off by saying, this is a great time for us. It is the right time. It is a brilliant time. We are joint heirs in Christ. We are heirs of God.

From this time forward Aglow is practicing the art of air superiority, air supremacy. That is what we are doing. We are going to learn how to fight in a different way. We will be like this incredible, charismatic air force.

## FIGHTING FROM OUR IDENTITY, NOT TOWARD IT

We are going to learn to fight from our identity as joint heirs with Jesus so that we are lifted out of the world's chaos into the Kingdom provision that is available to every single one of us.



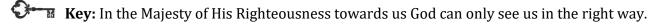
**Key:** Fighting from our position as a joint heir with Christ lifts us out of the world's economic system into the place of Kingdom provision.



**Key:** Promises are given so that we can discover the power in God's relationship with His people.

When God gives a promise, He gives everything that He is and everything that He has. We learn the beauty of His nature in the way that He uses promises in our life.

Theresa and I have so many promises. It is like we are spoiled for choice. We do not know which promise to attack the enemy with on days, but it is fun. The thing we love together as man and wife is we love encountering His unchanging Love and the Majesty of His Righteousness towards us.



Imagine that. He only looks at you in the right way. He is full of righteousness and righteousness is a gift to us. He can only think about you in the right way. He can only talk to you and talk about you in the right way. Why? Because He chooses to do everything right. He is righteous and He loves being righteous. It is part of His unchanging nature.

## GOD'S UNCHANGING NATURE

The thing I love is that His unchangingness is the thing I think that makes me cry the most. My eyes leak almost every day just because when I think of His unchanging nature, I feel incredibly safe. You always know where you are with God because He never changes. His behavior toward you, His righteousness toward you is not based on your performance or your behavior. If you are good, bad, or ugly on days He will be exactly the same towards you because He never changes. I love that about Him.

**Key:** You always know where you stand with God because He is unchanging toward you.

I love the fact that I feel totally and completely safe. I always know exactly where I am in His heart. The beauty about it, too, is His covenant is not with you, it is with Jesus in you.

Key: God's covenant is with Christ who lives within us.

There is a reason why God put Jesus into you. It is so that He could make a covenant with Him that would include you even on the days that you are being followed around by the spirit of stupid. He made a covenant with Jesus in you and He loves to keep that covenant.

The Father loves Jesus in you and He loves who you are becoming in Jesus. It is a win-win situation. Jesus wins. We win. The Father loves it. Holy Spirit, well, I mean, Holy Spirit is always happy about everything.

**Key:** His promises become our permission to believe.

His words never fail. They are built into His truth to us, for us, in us, and through us. Everything in your life, every circumstance in your life - there are promises available for everything that is going on.

**Key:** As His people we do not navigate through our life by problems, by crises, or by chaos; we navigate life through the promises and the prophecies that God has given us.

We chart our course by those promises and prophecies. Any situation that we are in, He is going to give us our own internal GPS which is a promise to believe Him about.

## IN THE WORLD, OF THE KINGDOM

I love the fact that we are *in* the world, but we are not *of* it. We are *of* the Kingdom and the Kingdom has different rules that apply.

**Key:** One of the laws of the Spirit of Life in Christ Jesus is that no problem comes by itself; it has to come with promises, provision, or prophecy.

Here is the thing about a problem. Every problem comes with a signpost that is attached to it. The signpost says, "Promise that way." It is like the Lord is saying, "Do not look at that (the problem) when you can look at this (the promise). Do not look at that. Turn your head to the right and you will see a promise. You will see a provision. You will see a possibility." Jesus never talked about problems. He talked about possibilities. He said, "All things are possible. The things impossible with man are entirely possible with God."

Part of the training for our staff at Brilliant is that they get to a place where they do not come into my office with problems. I do not pay people to work on problems. I pay them to turn problems into possibilities. Then they can come and talk to me.

I remember the first time Jenny, my personal assistant came in. She burst into my office one day and she says, "We have 3 exciting possibilities!" And I was like, "That is what I am talking about right there!" We only deal with possibilities. We turn our problems into possibilities because we want to know what God wants to do.

**Key:** God rules in our life by promise.

He governs your life and circumstances by giving you a promise. When He does that, what He is saying is, His promise is a good place to stand in.

- » This promise will open your eyes. It will give you a new lens.
- **» This promise will change your thinking.** You will have a different mindset about the circumstances that you are in.
- **This promise will create a new language** so that you can talk to Him differently. You can stop praying like a widow and start praying like a bride.

Promises are meant to govern - to rule in our life circumstances.

When my daughter was around 11, I was meditating in my study at home. The door burst open and she jumps in stamping her foot. She says, "Dad, I want you to have a word with 'that Jesus'." I asked, "What is He doing now?" "He wants me to love a girl in my class and she does not like me. She frustrates the heck out of me!" I said, "Honey, I think you are going to have to work it out on your own." Ever since that point, Jesus has always been 'that Jesus.' Sometimes in the office we are saying, "That Jesus! He is brilliant!" I love that every day we have something brilliant to look forward to just because He is around.

It does not matter what the circumstances are, because we are not governed by our circumstances. We are governed by our promise that God gives us about those circumstances. He opens up our horizon all the time. He takes the blinders off and He says, "No, this is what We are doing. Now I want you to think about it this way. I want you to explore this promise with Me, because I am going to open you up and give you open heart surgery. I am going to massage your heart. I am going to get rid of all that fear, that worry, that angst - all that negative stuff. It does not belong to you by the way, it belongs to Jesus because He paid a price for it. Make sure you are not hanging on to stuff that belongs to Him. All your negativity belongs to Him because He died for it." That is the best way to make Him slightly annoyed to be holding on to stuff that He robbed you of. Seriously if Jesus took away all the sins of the world what idiot brought them back?

I do not know what it is like for you, but in Santa Barbara, California, we have these amazing people who work for the city, and every Wednesday morning they come and take our trash away. I mean, it is amazing. Is that how it works where you live? They take our trash away. It is brilliant. We put our bin out on the side of the road on a Tuesday evening, and Wednesday morning - we never see them by the

way, they are always so early. On Wednesday morning we have an empty trash can. The garbage is gone. Woohoo! It is like getting saved every day.

Could you imagine one Wednesday evening, there is a knock on the door. It is a guy you have not seen before and he says, "Hello, I am your trash guy. I take away your trash every Wednesday and you know, we really enjoy just taking it all and robbing you of it; however, we thought that just for a change, we would bring it back. We could not find your garbage bins, so we laid it out on the lawn. You probably got a little bit from next door, or a little bit from them. Anyway you will figure it out."

If that ever happened, what would you do? You would go straight to the phone. You would be so irate. Your voice would get so high pitched that only dolphins could hear you. "He brought my trash back! It is on my lawn. Do something!" You would be slightly annoyed, right? So why is it that we let the enemy bring back to us something that Jesus took away? We are so accommodating to the devil. "Trash? That is my trash? Oh, okay, well I will find a place to put it." Really? All that stuff belongs to Jesus. You are not allowed to have it.



**Key:** We are persuaded by promises just like Abraham was.

Romans 4:17 As it is written, a father of many nations have I made you. In the presence of Him who he believed even God.

#### WHAT IS GOD BELIEVING ABOUT YOU?

What is God believing about you? Have you worked it out yet? Do you want to know? God is believing something about you.



Key: The whole art of walking with God is that you believe the same thing about yourself that He believes about you. You are on the same page all the time.

It is not rocket science. It is so simple an Englishman can do it.

Romans 4:17-19 In the presence of Him whom he believed, even God who gives life to the dead and calls into being that which does not exist. In hope against hope Abraham believed so that he might become a father of many nations according to that which had been spoken, so shall your descendants be. Without becoming weak in faith he contemplated his own body.

#### PROMISES TRUMP NEGATIVES

God does not ask you to deny the existence of a negative. He asks you to put it in the right place. The right place is the place where you do not really have to consider it because the promise is so much bigger, so much more viable, so much more vibrant, so much more powerful, and so much more beautiful. Why would you want to even think about a negative?



Key: God does not ask you to deny a negative situation, He asks you to consider the promises concerning the situation instead.

Without becoming weak in faith, he contemplated his own body, now as good as dead, since he was about 100 years old and then he thought about Sarah. And then he says this in verses 20-22, yet with respect to the promises of God, he did not waver in unbelief but grew strong in faith, giving glory to God and being fully assured that what God had promised He was able also to perform. Therefore it was credited to him as righteousness. Excuse me (he kisses the scripture in the Bible.). Come on, all you kiss the Bible as well. Right?



Key: Promises highlight the faithfulness of God to you and come so you have a place to partner with Him through the situation.

Promises highlight the absolute faithfulness of God to you - everything in His nature, everything in His personality, and everything in His heart. God has such a massive heart, but He gives everything to you in that promise. It is unthinkable that you would not receive the fullness of that promise as you stand and walk in Him.



**Key:** Keep your eye on the promise that is filled with possibilities, not the negative situation.

Here's the thing for a lot of us and I definitely have my hand up on this one. We pay more attention to the circumstance we are in then we do to the promises God has given to us. We have more respect for the thought that things may not work out or the possibility that the situation is going to get bad. We consider that the probability is, "Well, I do not know, but this probably will not work for me."

We have more respect around a negative than we do around God's kind intentions. We need to flip those around. God gave you a promise in the first place so that you could hold on to His faithfulness because He does not lie. He will not promise you something and not deliver. You have to partner with Him. It is okay for you to consider stuff, just do not give it any more power than it should have.



**Key:** Never give a problem more power than a promise.

# STRATEGY FOR BECOMING JOINT HEIRS

This is what we are learning now. We are all learning how to become joint heirs from this point on. What I am doing this evening is, I am going to give you a strategy - not just in your own personal life. I am going to give you a strategy for every Lighthouse, for every Region, for every nation in Aglow in terms of:

- » how to get on the same page with God,
- » how to walk with Him in full assurance of understanding and complete confidence in who He is,
- » and how to govern in your own life the promises that God has given you.

We need a strategy for the Goodness of God. If we are going to be joint heirs, it is absolutely essential that we have this immaculate confession about goodness.



**Key:** Being a joint heir with Christ is connected to our confidence in God's complete goodness toward us.

Theresa and I made the decision a while back that we would never ever allow ourselves to be challenged by a negative and that we were only going to allow ourselves to be challenged by the Goodness of God. We determined that every situation that was against us was actually a challenge from God to us to see how much we believed in His Goodness. It was also, a challenge to God because

He likes to partner with us. It was a challenge to Him to really talk to us about what He wants to do, who He wants to be for us. "This is how I want to walk with you. This is the peace and rest that I want to give. I want you to enjoy this challenge with Me. I want you to see everything as a challenge to My Goodness in you."

#### Possibilities Lead to Confident Expectation

This is the other flip side of the coin - everything is a possibility. Every situation in your life has possibilities for God to do all kinds of stuff. That takes you into a place of confident expectation - what the Bible calls hope. If you are really bright, you will actually move yourself along into anticipation where you are looking ahead. Then on certain days you will realize, "Oh my God! I have not had a problem for 17 days! What is going on? How am I supposed to grow up when I do not have a challenge that brings me into a greater experience of goodness?" You can say, "Well, that is pretty out there thinking." It actually is not. It is just the mind of Christ. It is the way He thinks. And because you are being made in His image, it is the way all you are going to think.

**Key:** Challenges are a gateway into a greater experience of God's Goodness.

#### REMOVING ALL NEGATIVITY

This is what we look forward to. We are going to blast to smithereens every ounce of negativity in your head, in your heart, in your little finger, because you do not need it. We need to give it back to the enemy and push it back, because it is not ours, it is His.

We need to be taking on board who we are in Christ, who God wants to be for us, what He is making us into in terms of His likeness and have a good time doing that. We are learning that the promise highlights the absolute faithfulness of God and that teaches us how to hold fast the confession of expectation and not lose hope. That is Hebrews 10:23. Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering for He who promised is faithful.

#### PROMISES ARE HEAVEN'S CURRENCY

We live in expectation that God is going to do something absolutely amazing. Promises are Heaven's currency. They all carry a "yes and amen" in Christ. We inherit them by faith so that we can believe in God joyfully.

I can hear all the cogs going around in your head right now. Promises come in all shapes and sizes but we need a few that are exceedingly great and precious to God. Otherwise, if some promises are not great, we will not see or experience how amazing He wants to be for us.

I get persecuted a lot which is a great pleasure. I have had thousands, I stopped counting at 50,000, of pieces of hate mail I have had over the years. I am sad to say that I think it is declining. People writing 12 sheets double sided, closely typed, no paragraphs. You always know that it is a demon because they cannot make paragraphs. They do not understand punctuation or paragraphs. So I will get letters cursing me and my family - all kinds of stuff like, 'I hope you die a gruesome death.'

There is a brilliant verse in 1 Peter 4:14. I am going to read it. I like reading it to the Lord when I get a nasty letter. Lord, can I have some more nasty letters? They are so much fun. If you are reviled for the

name of Christ, you are blessed. See now, that is brilliant thinking. It is like God is saying, "Do not focus on being reviled. Dude, there is a blessing right next to it." There is no revolution that can come into your life that does not have a blessing attached. This is what we are talking about.



Key: There is no situation, no reviling that can come into your life that does not have a blessing attached.

#### WE LIVE BY KINGDOM RULES

We are in the Kingdom and different rules apply. It is like the world is playing baseball and the Kingdom is playing football. Somebody is going to get hurt. You are in the Kingdom now and there are different rules. The law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus is on your side. If you are reviled for the name of Christ, you are blessed. Why? Because the Spirit of Glory and of God rests on you.

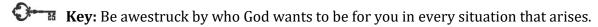
I love going into my meditation space with a really ugly, horrible, demonic letter and just putting it down on the table saying, "Okay Lord, read that. Read that and I am assuming the position because I want the Spirit of God and of Glory to rest on me."

There is a reason why I have a brilliant, articulated view of who God is for me. It is because I get persecuted and I take advantage over what the enemy is doing. That is why I wrote a book, The Newness Advantage.

There so many things in your life that God intends to turn around and to open up. He does this so that you can see the beauty, the power, the provision, the possibility, and the promise that is actually in your life because of what the enemy is doing.

#### LIVING IN WONDER AND AWE

There are some promises that will be so big, they will take your breath away. If you are living with Someone wonderful, it is pretty important for you to have a sense of wonder and not just, "I wonder what is going to happen." Right? That is like Basecamp 1 on Mt Everest. "I wonder what is going to happen now."



A sense of wonder is that you are awestruck by who God is. There is a reverence in your heart for the nature of God. You have respect for everything that He says.

Some of us, I think, enjoy listening more to the enemy than we do to the Father. Our ears seem to always be tuned towards the negative. "Isn't there a problem that...? Isn't there a worry that...? Aren't you fearful about that...?" "Well, no, but thanks for asking."

**Key:** Promises create a tender expectation that cause us to get another thought.

I love the fact that He loves to attach a promise to a problem. He does it so you can disempower your disappointment and refocus and recalibrate. That is what a promise does. It refocuses you. It recalibrates your thinking. It gives you a fresh vision. When you allow those things to happen, there is an expectation that rises up in you. There is a trust in you because you know that God is unchanging and you trust the nature of God.

#### FAITH AND TRUST ARE PARTNERS

You know most of us believe that God can heal, but our big question is, we are not sure whether He will heal *us*. So it is hard for us to have faith. It is hard to have faith when you do not have trust. We trust in the nature of God. We trust who He is for us. We trust in what God is being for us because He does not change.

When you can trust the unchanging nature of God, faith is easy. Faith works by love and love comes out of trust. Your relationship with God is always wrapped up with the multiple acts of favor that He bestows on you in Jesus name.

Listen if you are going to be as big as Jesus, you are going to need all the promises He had. He had over 300 prophetic words in His life. I am only at like 47. I have some growing up to do. You all have the promises that His Father gave Him.

Jesus was rich the day after He was born. Some weird king gave his dad a gold brick. He was independently wealthy while He was still in diapers. As He is, so are we.

# TAKE PROMISES TO GOD, NOT PROBLEMS

Here is the thing I like about promises. When you have a promise there is no more need to take a problem to God. A promise robs you needing to take 'problems' to the Lord. We take our promises to God instead.



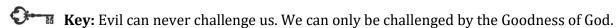
**Key:** Once you have a promise or a prophetic word, you bring that before the Lord, not the problem.

That is why I like all the 'Lord You Said' cards. Brilliant idea. I like taking out my prophetic words and saying to the Lord, "What about this one, this is from 1979? What about that one, Lord? You said this." And He says, "Yeah, I like that one, but it is not time yet. I like the one from 1984. How about we do that one?"

#### PROMISES ARE CURRENCY

I write everything down God says to me. I write down every promise, every prophetic word and we have conversations about them on a very regular basis. Why? Because promises are currency in our life. When you have a promise, there is no more need to take the problem to God. We take the promises to Him instead. We learn the language of joy and peace in believing.

You know what promises do for me? They mean I can live everyday under the smile of God - every day knowing exactly what His intentions are. "He does this for the good pleasure of His will." (Philippians 2:13) I like living every day under the smile of God.



In a chaotic world where everything is falling apart with greed, corruption, and government ineptitude, we are not being challenged by evil. We are only ever being challenged by the Goodness of God. *Jesus went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed of the devil.* (Acts 10:38)

#### PROPHETIC PROMISE TO USE FOR TRAINING IN AGLOW

I am going to read a prophetic promise that has meant so much to me down through the years. It has never failed to deliver. It has been one of my prime points of development in trust, faith and experience of God. This is a promise that I am now donating to Aglow worldwide.

It is going to be part of your training program for the next 12 months in Lighthouses. We are going to study this. It has 7 'I will' statements in it. We are going to study it. We are going to write prayers out of it. We are going to create expectations out of it.

Here is the thing, you will be accountable for your expectations. I say that in the nicest possible way.

#### LIGHTHOUSES

Every Lighthouse, you are going to be accountable for what you are learning. Why? Because we have to turn the tide. We have to reverse the flow. We have to send some Goodness towards the enemy because Goodness is really painful for him. We have to assault him with Goodness.

We have to learn how to be provoked by the Goodness of God, how to become profound in our relationship about the Goodness of God, how to have a sense of such huge expectancy so that we get turned into different men and different women. Our Lighthouses will become LIGHTHOUSES - Places of promise, places of provision, and places of possibility. Our thinking, our vision, our language will be adjusted upwards. We will begin to live an elevated lifestyle. And we will begin to affect the people round and about us. We can affect people with the Goodness of God. That is what Jesus did. He went about doing good.

### REGIONS AND ALL LEADERS

Then in our regions, in our leadership teams, every officer, anybody in any kind of position in Aglow is going to be accountable for the people around them to make sure they come into something so profound in the Goodness of God. If you want to lead a mob like this – a people group – into a whole new realm of Goodness, power, expectation, faith, and trust to the point where we are unstoppable, then you have to keep a head of them in your own development.



Key: To lead effectively, we must keep ourselves grounded in the truths God has been pouring into us that cause us to be a prepared people who are preparing people.

Serious, we need this. It is our next step up from Life Changers, Game Changers. This is an outcome of those 2 programs. This is an outcome of that training. There must be evidence that you have come to a whole new place where you are never defeated again because the Father has never lost a fight. Jesus is undefeated and the Holy Spirit always leads us in triumph. That is the side that you are on today.

#### A NEW INITIATIVE

What we need is an initiative in Aglow that takes us out of the basement into the penthouse. We need an initiative that takes us away from downstairs thinking into upstairs thinking. We need an initiative that takes us into the realm of Colossians 3, "Set your mind on the things above not on things on the earth." So this is it, are you ready?

The new initiative is in Jeremiah 32:38-41. This is the Lord speaking so it is a prophecy.

They shall be My people and I will be their God and I will give them one heart and one way that they may fear Me always. (That fear is reverential respect for the nature of God.) That they will have reverential respect for Me always for their own good and for the good of their children after them. And I will make an everlasting covenant with them that I will not turn away from them to do them good.

That means that Goodness is going to be eternal. Goodness is going to be a constant part of your relationship with Him. You will have an expectation, an anticipation of Goodness in your life because He will do anything good in your life.

We are coming up to that level. I will not turn away from them to do them good. I will not stop doing you good. And I will put the fear of Me in their hearts. The reverential respect for Me in their hearts so they will not turn away from Me.

One of the prayers that I pray constantly throughout the day is "Lord, thank You so much. Put Your fear in my heart that I will not turn away from You. Put Your reverence in my heart for the King and for the Kingdom so I will not depart from You." I love that prayer. I almost pray it - maybe 20, 30 times a day because I like it so much. I will rejoice over them to do them good and will faithfully plant them in this land with all My heart and with all My soul.

# SEVEN "I WILLS" OF JEREMIAH 32

There is nothing ambiguous in that promise. He says 7 'I will' statements. Let me read them out to you.

- 1. I will be their God.
- 2. I will give them one heart and one way.
- 3. I will make an everlasting covenant with them.
- **4.** I will not turn away from them to do them good.
- 5. I will put the reverence of Me in their hearts so they will not turn away from Me.
- 6. I will rejoice over them.
- 7. I will faithfully plant them in this land with all My heart and all My soul.

That is unequivocal. Everything He is, is in that. It is like He is looking at you and saying, "I dare you to believe Me."

I remember that time I was at Sonrise, Dan Hammer's church, and I had that prophetic word. I heard it on the platform. And I said, "You want me to say that?" He said, "Yeah." "You really want me to say that?" "Yeah." "I mean, right now?" "Yeah." "Are You sure?" "Yeah." I turned to Dan and I just said," The Lord says, 'Bankrupt Me if you can. Pull on Me to such a degree that if everyone pulls on God at the same time, there is going to be a run on the bank in Heaven.'" Now that is a challenge. That is the Lord saying, "Challenge My Goodness." You have to get a huge idea of what Goodness looks like for you.



Key: Personally and corporately, we must know by experience the fullness of God's heart toward us.

## GOODNESS, THE NEW NORMAL FOR AGLOW

This is personal. It will be corporate for all of us, but it is deeply personal. You have to know the fullness of God's heart towards you in Jesus. We have to know it and we have to know it by experience. We have to have encounters with it. It has to become normal. It has to become commonplace. It has to get to the point where we are all talking about Goodness. It has to be our new norm, as though there is no other life available to us except unending, everlasting Goodness because God is faithful.

## READING, MEDITATING, JOURNALING

There will be meetings where we are going to read this passage. (Jeremiah 32:38-41) Every time we gather, someone is going to read that scripture in your midst - in small groups, with family, with friends, in your Lighthouse. Read it aloud. Meditate on it. Meditate on every 'I will' statement. I guarantee that you will be filling up journal after journal with promises.

God will specifically target situations in your life with His Goodness.

- » He wants to overwhelm you.
- » He wants to overpower you.
- » He wants you to come to a place where you are so excited about a problem because the kind intentions of God are so rooted in your heart, you cannot think any other way. You cannot see things any other way.

#### OUR RESPONSE TO HIS GOODNESS

- » I will spend more time rejoicing.
- » I will spend more time giving thanks.
- » I will pray out my expectations before God.
- » I will stop praying like a widow.
- » I will pray like a bride a person who lives in the fullness of expectation of what God will do.

Does this sound too good to be true? If it does not, then I am not doing my job properly. If it is not too good to be true, it is not God. If you are not overwhelmed, it is not God. If you are still living under a cloud and He is not the cloud, it is not God. God is delivering you/us into a state of mind so huge, it will not only change you/us, it will change the streets where you/we live, the subdivisions you/we live in, the town where you/we stay, the cities that you/we visit.

#### TRAIN ALL IN AGLOW TO STAND AND TO LIVE IN HIS GOODNESS

In the next time frame, we must train everybody in Aglow to learn how to stand and to live in the Goodness of God.

Our questions are going to be:

» What is happening right now?

- » What is the Goodness that you are praying for?
- » What is the Goodness that you are expecting?

#### INTENTIONAL TRAINING STEPS

Using Jeremiah 32:38-41

- 1. **Meditate** on each 'I will' statement in Jeremiah 32:38-41.
- 2. Write prayers from this passage. Write crafted prayers that agree with your promise.
- 3. Pray in line with God's will in a whole new level.
- **4.** <u>Upgrade</u> the prayers we are currently praying so that a spirit of proclamation comes on us as we pray. We must have great expectations about constant, consistent Goodness.
- **5.** <u>Practice</u> Goodness to everyone around us. No one is going to be safe from a blessing. It does not matter who they are.
- » The best fun of all is when you get to bless your enemies people who do not like you.
- When your groups gather, put your goodness together as individuals into the corporate hat and declare from that place of corporate understanding of what Goodness really is.

We expect things to be released. We expect things to happen. That is what God is training us for. Take it into your place of work. Take across your neighborhood.

The questions that you will be asking are, "What will God rejoice to be for you and to do for you? What would make Him happy?" If He is practicing Goodness on you, He has designs on you. He has plans. I know the plans I have for you. Plans for your welfare, not for your calamity. Jeremiah 29:11

No chaos in the Kingdom, just Goodness. And that Goodness makes us so remarkable to God and, therefore, remarkable to people round and about us. We are going to get a crash course into what Goodness really looks like. We are coming to a deeper level of assurance in Him.

#### RECORDING ACTS OF GOODNESS AS AGLOW GOES TO THE NEXT LEVEL

We are going to fill our groups with the knowledge of God and the knowledge of His Goodness.

In every region, we need to take inventory of God's acts of Goodness.

We need to start recording it, state to state, city to city, Lighthouse to Lighthouse, making a record of the acts of Goodness. What are you doing is, you are formally writing down your history about going to the next level.

Anybody who comes into Aglow in the next 5-10 years is going to come into that history. They are going to come onto that platform. They are going to read your history, your testimony and then they are going to follow that road because they will not know any other.

Wouldn't it be great for every state to write a book about what God does? And then half way through the book change it so that it is not only a record of what God did for you, but actually a record of what He plans to do in that state. Then we could mail one off to the Governor, right? We can give them to the Mayor in your town. This is what God is doing. We are here at this point in our journey.

### WE ARE THE PEOPLE WHO TURNED THE WORLD UPSIDE DOWN

I have my own theory about this time in the book of Acts where it says people are saying that the people who turned the world upside down are here also. The world was going, "Oh my God! They are here! The people who turned the world upside down! They are here, also!"

I do not read it like that. I read it like there were people because the fame of Israel went out across the world, right? The fame of what Jesus was doing is going out. And people would see Christians coming and they would go around and start knocking on doors, "Oh my God, oh my God, oh my God! They are here! They are here! They are here! The people who have turned the world upside down! They are here! Oh my God! Everything is going to be okay now. Everything is going to be okay. Oh my God, this is amazing. The people who turned the world upside down with the Goodness of God, they just moved into our street. Oh my God. We need to give them a week to settle in and then throw a block party. Wouldn't that be something? Wouldn't that be something?" To me this is like the most powerful way for the church to get her respect back in the world. That we believe in something so powerful, so amazing, it changes everything and it's changed us.

I am telling, you there are times where we (HQ) are going to come around and take the temperature in your state. We are going to see if it is hot, red hot, or white hot. Lukewarm is not a temperature.

#### MEASURING THE GROWTH IN AGLOW

Here is the thing. This is a life-long promise and by it we can measure the growth of trust and faith in people.

We can measure the *growth of the Kingdom* in families, in groups, in regions across the nations where Aglow is represented. This is where we can put a finger on the pulse of life in Aglow, right across the work we represent.

We can measure the *quality of the leadership gift* that we have. And we need to do that because we are raising up an army to turn America (and the nations of the world) into the Promised Land - a land of promise.

### ALL MUST TAKE RESPONSIBILITY

We need leaders who can do that. We need people who can follow that. We need people in Aglow to take responsibility for God's promises and for the prophecies. It cannot only be Jane's job.

Jane is like one of the best in the world for me of always remembering promises, always calling them out, always talking about them, but **we all have to be that good.** We all have to be saying, "This is our currency, this is our trust, this is our faith, this is our place, this is our position in the Kingdom and therefore it is our governance in the earth."

We need to *fan the flames* of trust and faith. We need to be thrust into places of experience and encounter in the Kingdom, in the places where we live, and in our very hearts.

The first thing that should disappear is *every single negative*. We should stab it in the throat. I like that idea so okay let me finish by prophesying.

Ready, put everything down, assume the position, hands out. I am calling this prophecy: Intentional Inheritance.

#### INTENTIONAL INHERITANCE PROPHECY

Beloved, I am determined to build a house in the earth, a temple of Goodness so tall, it's Light will be seen in the highest and lowest of places.

Goodness shall be the antidote to greed and self-preservation. Goodness will form the building blocks of trust and faith that shall make a way for untold millions to find their way into the Kingdom. It was the Goodness and the Kindness of God in and through His people that drew people into the Kingdom.

Real growth comes from the questions that you ask Me, not from the circumstances that question you. Fullness is the only certainty in life and I speak these words over you so that My joy may be in you and that joy will be full and you will learn to live every day under My smile. When the enemy comes calling, I will be the One who is laughing and you will be the ones who are grinning and laughing with Me.

I am commissioning you to cultivate Goodness in your life, in your city, in your region by partnering with the Holy Spirit. In these days of chaos, it shall be the evidence of being in Christ, of living in the New Man.

I am banishing measure from your midst. Measure cannot handle the chaos that is released upon the earth. Only a life focused on Goodness and Fullness can fully inherit all that Heaven is releasing into the earth. Only the Beloved will grasp the good pleasure of My will.

My people, do not disown My Glory. You are not the same as everyone else. And so you will prove. You are being changed from Glory to Glory so that the Bride will begin to be revealed in and through a state of astonishment! And the astonishment in the world will provoke the hardest of souls – a harvest so enormous it will change goat nations into sheep nations, goat cities into sheep cities.

And the Lord says, if you will it with Me, no one will be safe from the Goodness of God. The Goodness of God will override and overrule and govern every area.

The stories of Glory must be recorded and sent around the world. In goodness, shall there become a union between the Head and the Body - and the mindset of the Bride shall speak from a new realm of anointing.

Behold I give you more promises than you will ever need. And we will create a new economy built on strategic extravagance of God in the earth. And the power of the Kingdom will overwhelm around the world.

Beloved, this promise is deeply personal to Me. It is personal for you, My people, and it carries My guarantee. My Word will not return to Me empty. It will accomplish My purpose. If you let go of it, others will pick it up so that the promise will succeed in the manner for which I sent it. Let the promise impregnate your secret place so that it comes to fruition in you.

It is vital to Me that you allow these promises to put you ahead of worldly matters. So that you are ahead of the curve, so that in the news there will be real news of unprecedented acts of Goodness, unprecedented upturns in economies, miracles of provisions that make the feeding of the five thousands look like the Mad Hatters tea party. You will become the bandwagon that people will want to jump on.

And as world events darken, the landscape - your Light of Goodness will open the Heavens. Blessings, favor, miracles, and resources will flow into the places that connect with the Kingdom.

And the church will no longer be in recovery. Instead, it will bear the fulfillment of Isaiah 61:4. That in Goodness, you will rebuild the ancient ruins. In the promises of God, you will raise up the former devastations. In the enormous provision of the Kingdom, you will repair the ruined cities and the Goodness of God will touch the desolation of many generations.

We are in an unprecedented time together. Some of us have been training for this all our lives to live for something so profound, so enormous it dominates us. We become obsessed about the Goodness of God. This is a right time for us to step into this place because the world is in chaos but not us, never us. We are in the Kingdom. And His promise to us is, *as He is*, meaning Jesus, *so are you in this world*.

**Let's pray.** Father, I thank You. I feel Your smile right now. You love this stuff. You love giving us something enormous to do. You love giving us something unprecedented to believe and You are so confident in Yourself, You plan to enjoy every second of this with us because this is where You get to do what You have always wanted to do, commit us to a life of transformation - commit us to a lifestyle of transformation.

Renew our minds every single day, so we represent Your Beauty, Your Holiness, Your Goodness, Your Kindness and we become as unchanging as You are.

So Father, here we are and we are all a little overwrought by You, but then You love that, too. You love showing Yourself to be big. You walk to and fro throughout the earth, looking for a people on whose behalf You can show Yourself strong. Well here we are. Here we are Lord.

This year is going to be the most unprecedented couple of years in our life. There is a quickening spirit on this ministry. We are not going to take a year just to get started. We are going to get started and see how fast we can get there.

You know that Lamborghini I am always talking to You about? Now will be a good time because I want to go as fast as I can into this place and I sense in Your own heart a beautiful, divine impatience that You want to take us there. You are hungry for us to be living in You in that way. You hunger and thirst for us to know You in fullness.

And so Lord, we say, okay then. We say, yes.

**Jane Hansen Hoyt:** And thank you for speaking, for speaking powerful, eternal truths and bringing us continually up to the level that Jesus wants us to live on.

Graham spoke of the next couple of years in Aglow as a time of great expectation and fulfillment. I forget all of the words but it is a time that we need to choose to step into with our whole being. For what God has been unfolding in this ministry is about to become full circle in an astonishing way. Are you in? Are you in? So Heaven, You have heard our response, we are all in. Full of great expectation because of the things that You have spoken. Not our fancy ideas, it is what You have spoken.