

OUR CONTRIBUTION TO THE WORLD JESSE DUPLANTIS

Are you a shiny person? Are you shining the light of God's love for all the world to see? God needs your light! Light is the only force that overcomes darkness and *your* light will do battle if you let it shine. That's your contribution to the world! I say it all the time: "The only Jesus some people may ever see is the Jesus in you or the Jesus in me." Glory to God!

Let's look at what Jesus says about us and to us in Matthew 5:14-16 NKJV:

You are the light of the world. A city that is set on a hill cannot be hidden.

Nor do they light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a lampstand, and it gives light to all who are in the house.

Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.

It's really simple. We're God's children, and we should be lighting up the world and showing people Who Jesus really is. See, God's light is spread from person to person in order to kindle the light of the Gospel, and God wants to use you and me to magnify Him everywhere we go. After all, Christ changed our lives when we accepted Him and, in turn, we are called to be life-changers for Him.

I remember the day that I was born again; the light of God's love sparked a great fire in my heart. The truth of Who He is became a deep conviction within and I was determined to shine His love in this dark, sin-sick world. He gave you that fire too! Think about it: Jesus reproduced

Himself through us, and it's our union with Him that makes us partakers of His illumination and magnifying power for a purpose. Our light must show the world God in written form (the Bible), His converting power (salvation), and His ever-abiding mercy and grace.

Maybe you're thinking, "Well, that's easy for you, Brother Jesse. You're always happy. I'm dealing with some pretty heavy circumstances." Listen, I know how hard life can be. I get attacked too. But I want to encourage you—don't cut the switch off! Turn up your heart light and let it illuminate the world around you.

Jesus said, "You are the light of the world..." He said that about you! He anointed you with His supernatural power to light up any dark situation in your life. He's given you the ability and strength to spread His light with your words and the good works that you do so that the Father is glorified in the Son through you! In this disillusioned age that we're living in today, we are needed more than ever to light up every place we go—that's our contribution to the world!

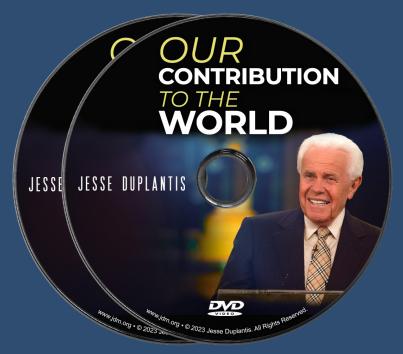
So today, know that *you will* have an opportunity to be shiny for God. Remember how Jesus changed your life and filled you with His Spirit of light and power. The secular world's light leads to dead-ends, but the light you carry can show the human race what life is really all about. Magnify Jesus with your words and actions. You have an invaluable contribution to give to the world—Jesus Christ!

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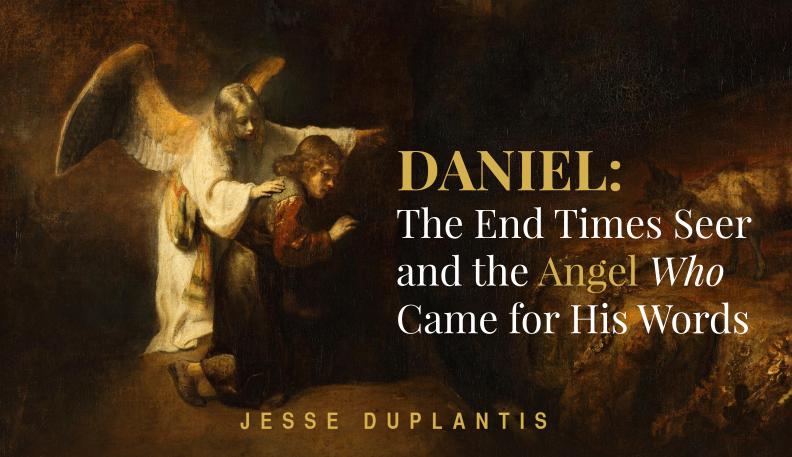
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I want to share a little more about Daniel in this chapter and look at his experience with Gabriel from a practical standpoint. This chapter is about the power of words. Daniel had ethics and he's most famous for being thrown into the lions' den, and yet he was also visited by angels and given prophecies about the end times, which I believe we are living in today. When it came to the things of God, Daniel was incredibly loyal and faithful.

He wouldn't let go of the things of God, even under the societal and political pressure of his day. Like a bulldog clamping his chops on a bone, Daniel just wouldn't let go of what he knew to be right. Prayer was very important to Daniel, and so was fasting; but it was his words, the scriptures tell us, that brought angelic attention.

Words matter to God. Keeping yourself faithful to the things of God, even when everything and everyone around you is going the other way, is what's called the "narrow" path that leads to God. Lots of people take the wide path that leads to destruction. Lots of people truly believe that there is no real good and no real evil, and that it's all just a conditioning of the mind. So, they feel free to do and say whatever they want, as if there is no cost. There is always a cost. The wide path leads to destruction. The narrow path leads to life (Matthew 7:13-14).

This story of Daniel is a reminder to us that God sees and hears everything, and His angels respond to our words when they line up with God's. Daniel's end times visions correlate with those John had in the book of Revelation. Now, there are people who teach on the end times, but I'm not one of them. I believe that no matter what comes up in life and no matter what the devil does or his people do, all we as believers have to do is stay on course—stay on the narrow path, stay close to God, listen to the Holy Spirit, and follow the Word of God. This is how you "occupy" until the Lord comes (Luke 19:13). And you do that by living in faith, not fear.

Living in fear is playing into the hand of Satan. God has called us to live in faith in Him, not fear. Fear is an energy that draws more trouble from the enemy—because the fallen angels listen to the words of mankind, too. Like Job, what you fear the most can come upon you if you let that fear take over your mind. So it's very important to have faith in God, trust, and be at peace with Him, knowing that you are His, you are loved, and in the end, no matter what happens in this world, God will be with you and eternal life is yours. Remember, faith is the only thing that cancels out fear—and faith works by love . . . God's love.

So, let's see how words work to bring about angelic help. In the book of Daniel, chapter 10, Daniel had a vision that disturbed him so much that he fasted from everything pleasant to taste and prayed about it for three weeks. Then, one day during this fast, he was hanging around by a river with some people and God

sent an angel to talk to him (verses 1-7). The scripture does not reference this angel as Gabriel.

Now, the angel that came wasn't seen by everyone; just Daniel. This is one way angels show up sometimes, just by opening your eyes to them—the veil is removed between you and the spiritual realm so you can physically see them. The Bible records that while nobody else saw the angel, everyone else felt his presence—and it scared them so much that they all got up to hide in the bushes. I have seen angels, but my wife has not. However, she says she has felt their presence and known they were there. We were created to feel the different energies in this world. Our bodies respond to all sorts of things, and so does our spirit.

The angel that Daniel saw that day amazed him. The angel was glowing, and dressed in fine linen and gold (verse 5). The angels in their authentic state are often dressed in what we would notice as beautiful garments—what this tells me is that if God sends His angels dressed nicely, why would He want you, His child, to look shabby? He doesn't! Holiness is about sticking to God's ways instead of the ways of the flesh, or of Satan—it is not about eschewing beautiful garments or things. It's a religious lie that in order to be holy you have to be plain or dressed shabbily. The angels of God are holy and they are magnificent. Don't let anybody tell you God doesn't care about beauty, because Heaven and His angels show us that God has no problem whatsoever with beautiful things.

The angel that Daniel saw had a face that was flashing like lightning. His eyes were blazing like fire. His body was like a sparkling gem, and Daniel said it looked like beryl. Now, beryl is a mineral that comes in many colors, but it's probable that it was the golden state of beryl that Daniel was talking about, since he next says the angel's arms and legs were bright like polished brass. He also said that the angel's voice was like that of a multitude of people talking all at once (verse 6). Can you imagine hearing and seeing such a being?

Daniel lost all physical strength when the angel arrived—the glory coming off of that angel affected his physical body. When the angel spoke, Daniel dropped and his face hit the ground. *Bam!* He flew on his face in the presence of that messenger from God because his physical body couldn't take the power. It just gave out. (verse 8).

The angel then touched Daniel, and the force of that one touch pulled Daniel right out of his state of being. The angel effortlessly set Daniel on his hands and knees (verses 9-10). Then the angel said, "O Daniel, a man greatly beloved . . ." (verse 11).

How would you like to have that kind of thing

spoken to you? God sends an angel and says, "Oh Harry, greatly beloved!" Or maybe, "Shirley, Shirley, Shirley! The Lord just loves you, Shirley! You are greatly beloved by God!" Now, I don't have to imagine that because I know that I'm greatly beloved. That's not arrogance, that's just acceptance of God's love. I don't just believe He loves me, I know He does. You may say, "Well, who do you think you are?" I'll say, "I'm an adopted son of God! My Father loved me enough to send Jesus to die for my sins." Now that's love, buddy! Read what happened next:

... O Daniel, a man greatly beloved, understand the words that I speak unto thee, and stand upright: for unto thee am I now sent. And when he had spoken this word unto me, I stood trembling.

Then said he unto me, Fear not, Daniel: for from the first day that thou didst set thine heart to understand, and to chasten thyself before thy God, thy words were heard, and I am come for thy words.

Daniel 10:11-12

I want to deal with the part of that scripture where the angel said, "I have come for thy words" (verse 12). Words are powerful tools that can bring about a lot of change in the earth. But if you're not saying anything, then you're asking the Lord to make a trip for nothing! God comes to our aid when we use words . . . but not just any words. Our words must be words of faith.

God responds to words of faith. One thing we need to realize is that God isn't moved by need. He's moved by faith. There are a lot of needs in the world—all are caused by the corrupt influence of God's enemy and the resulting sin that brings about in pride, selfishness, cruelty, and mankind's inhumanity to one another. But God started this thing out right. There was a time when man was pure and walked with God in the cool of the day. There was a time on this earth before sin, before sickness, before selfishness and cruelty. The paradise of Eden wasn't wonderful just because it was a nice garden—it was wonderful because there was no evil permeating it. It was essentially a bit of Heaven set aside just for God's unusual and new creation: mankind.

However, mankind messed up and invited evil in, and since then, there has been a slow and continuous compression of sin on this planet that has affected every part of it. We are all the creation of God as well as the children of the original sinners on this planet—Adam and Eve—inheriting the sin nature on a spiritual level, and perhaps even on a physical level. The important thing to realize is that we were born

into rebellion—and every single one of us entered this world amidst spiritual warfare.

But God made a plan through Jesus Christ. Satan would never give himself up to help anybody—he is full of pride, and if he helps someone, it is only to further his cause against God and Jesus Christ. Jesus, on the other hand, is God; Who left Heaven and came to live as a man and give Himself for man—to rescue that which was lost. The blood of Jesus matters in the spiritual realm. It's so powerful that it obliterates sin. It recreates the spirit of man. It is not a matter of works but of faith—and while it's hard to sometimes grasp, the truth is that our faith in God and acceptance of His Son is all it takes to recreate our spirit. Being born again gives us the only option out of the grip of what Satan originally brought into this earth. Being born again frees us on a spiritual level from the dictates of sin and sets us apart for the things of God.

If you are born again, you've been washed in the purity of Jesus Christ's pure and holy blood. God Himself is a pure and holy God. When He took on flesh and became a man, His essence permeated that blood through and through. Giving Himself as a sacrifice for us was pouring out something so pure and so holy that it had the ability to obliterate any sin in the line of mankind—any sin, any sinful state, and any iniquity at all. There is no state of being or act of man that the blood of Jesus cannot correct and make new.

The Word of God opens eyes, but it takes a spiritual change on the inside to really grasp its truth. This is why when a believer speaks the Word of God in faith, it is more powerful than Satan and all his works. It's why we can read it and absorb truth we sometimes can't even express—layers of spiritual truth that realign us with God's way of being when our earthly minds go off track. There is power in the Word of God. His words formed everything made—they have power. So, when we use the Word of God and speak it in faith, we are drawing from the energy of His power. That makes the angels pay attention, whether they are fallen or not.

We all want a good life. We may think of "the good life" in different ways, according to our personal views and preferences, but I've never met anyone who didn't think "the good life" was a joyful one, a peaceful one, a prosperous one, or an exciting one. The Word has everything we need for a good life. Still, nothing will get done unless we first take the initiative.

God did His part. He sent His Son and He sent His Word. Now it's up to you and me to speak that Word out in faith. Why? Because as we do, God will send spiritual reinforcements that we either may see, like Daniel, or not see, like those around him. Either way,

that angel that day came for Daniel's words—because words matter in the spiritual realm, and they matter a whole lot more than you may think.

Remember what I said earlier: Angels don't follow just any word. They do what God asks them to do—and they are keen to bring God's Word to pass. Remember, they're helpers. And if we are speaking God's Word, the angels will take part in bringing God's Word to pass in our life.

This is not just about affirmations or confessions; this is about speaking the Word of God in faith. Faith is the missing element for a lot of people. They just vainly repeat things without actually believing them. Some people confess and never believe, so nothing happens. Some people affirm until they are blue in the face, and yet nothing changes. I'm not into that. I'm into possessing what I'm confessing—and letting patience have its perfect work until I am full and entire, wanting nothing (James 1:4).

Don't listen to those religious people who throw away faith and call speaking in faith a "blab it and grab it" heresy. They'd probably criticize Jesus if they had the chance! What they don't realize is that nobody taught more on faith and receiving than Jesus did. Some people can be so locked into their tradition that they can't let go.

Choosing to have faith in God shakes off the gloom and doom that fear sometimes brings. Choosing to have faith clears your mind of fear so you can think clearly—so your mind isn't cluttered with anxiety. Choosing faith allows your spirit to reign first place. Faith puts you in an atmosphere where you can hear the voice of God—so you can see His servant when he comes for your words. Glory!

I believe that God will come for your words, too. But if you are not saying anything of value, then the Lord won't make the trip for nothing! It is faith-filled words that will draw Him, not fear and doubt. First, you must believe that He exists—that His power is enough to save, deliver, heal, restore, and set you free.

Faith destroys all distance between God and man. It draws on the power of His presence within you. Unlike Daniel who lived in Old Testament times, we who are saved today have the very presence of God's Holy Spirit within us. He's that close to us!

When I say, "Hello, Jesus," He responds, "Hello, Jesse!" Why? Because He is close to me and He responds to my faith. What do I have faith in? His ability to hear my voice. If I didn't believe it, I would stop my own heart from hearing His voice. That's the way faith works.

God will respond to you . . . in the good times and in the desperate times. It doesn't matter if you're in a situation where nobody is nearby to help you, God will

send one of His servants to help you if you're speaking words of faith.

Angels are servants of God, but you are a child of God and an heir according to His promises (Galatians 3:26-29)—and that's better! Angels work for God, but they respond to His Word. So if you're speaking God's Word, angels will get up and move! They will go to work to bring God's Word to pass in your life.

Now, if you read further in the book of Daniel, you'll find out that the prince of Persia withstood the angel. But the angel made sure to tell Daniel that he heard his words the first time. This tells me that we shouldn't give up. A delay is not a denial!

Don't ever let the devil tell you that God isn't listening to you. God hears you every time, but your words must be words of faith, and remember, sometimes there are things going on that you don't know anything about. There are spiritual battles going on, and sometimes the devil hinders an answer from coming.

The devil or another person might be able to hinder you, but no one can stop your answer from coming if you continue speaking words of faith. Faith will bring your answer home to you. This goes beyond believing. It's about knowing. The apostle Paul had a

revelation of this. In his letter to Timothy, he said:

Whereunto I am appointed a preacher, and an apostle, and a teacher of the Gentiles.

For the which cause I also suffer these things: nevertheless I am not ashamed: for I know Whom I have believed, and am persuaded that He is able to keep that which I have committed unto Him against that day.

Hold fast the form of sound words, which thou hast heard of me, in faith and love which is in Christ Jesus.

That good thing which was committed unto thee keep by the Holy Ghost which dwelleth in us.

2 TIMOTHY 1:11-14

Knowing and believing are two different things. When you know something, you're confident about it.

Paul knew God. He didn't just know about God; he was persuaded that God was able to fulfill His promises. So he held fast to words of soundness, and he did it in faith and in love. He called it a good thing!

Personally, I've moved beyond *believed* and now I am in the *knowing* part. It might seem crazy to other people, but I know what God can do and will do when I put my faith in Him and speak sound words. So I don't mind looking and sounding crazy sometimes because I'd rather have faith and see God bless me! When I speak in faith and love, I know I can expect results . . . and so can you.

Why are your words powerful? Because you are

powerful. Whether you realize it or not, the very thing that makes you alive is the breath of God Almighty. Your body is just dust from this earth. But the combination of your spirit and soul is the real you—you got that part from God!

The Bible tells us that man was made in the image of God. He is a triune being. God is the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost. You are the spirit, soul, and body.

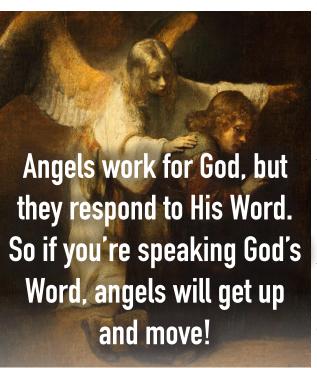
When God created man, He was just doodling and playing in the dirt. The original Hebrew text says He had one big lump of dirt. God began to sculpt and create a body out of the lump—fastening every vein, bone, muscle, and organ out of the earth.

So what did man look like after God got finished sculpting? Stiff...like a mannequin! There was no life present. Now, the sculpture was detailed and perfect in every way—we're the best art this world will ever see! And yet, as perfect as God's mannequin was, it was still just a lifeless piece of earth.

Then, God did something amazing. He took that earthen sculpture of a man and brought it right up to His face—and blew! He breathed into the man's nostrils and, *Wham!* Life went into that body!

Notice that God didn't breathe into the mouth. That would have been CPR, and God wasn't trying to resuscitate the boy! He was giving man life for the very first time. When God blew, the mannequin-looking sculpture became a living, breathing, and speaking spirit!

Man's eyes blinked open and the first thing he saw was the face of God—up close and personal.



Suddenly, man started living, moving, breathing, and speaking. Man actually used the breath of God to live. "For in Him we live, and move, and have our being; as certain also of your own poets have said, For we are also His offspring" (Acts 17:28). Before God breathed into man, he could not speak. But afterwards, man was commanded to speak.

First, God told man to be fruitful, multiply, replenish the earth as it was needed, and subdue anything that got out of line. By telling him to subdue, God was warning Adam about the snake that was coming. Then, God told man to plant seed and reap the harvest—to live off of his sowing. He also gave man all power and authority over all the works of His hand.

Then, God said, and this is my paraphrase: 'Time to work, Adam! You're going to help Me today.' God gave man a job that required him to name every living thing.

What was God saying? He was saying, 'Speak, spirit! Call it, and it will be done!'

Have you ever seen a carousel with painted wooden horses? We have an old carousel here in New Orleans in City Park. There are painted horses that sit on a metal circle and go round and round. One horse might have a hoof up in the air, another will look like he's in mid-prance, but neither one of them are going anywhere. They're just sculptures—beautifully painted, but not alive.

In the beginning, all the animals were lifeless. God created a horse out of the dust of the ground, but it was a lifeless creature—and the Bible never records God picking up horses and chickens and breathing life into their nostrils. Why? I believe it's because He didn't do it. Instead, I believe that He chose another way. I believe that God chose to include Adam in the creative process when He told him to speak names over the animals.

Now, I know what you're thinking, "Brother Jesse has lost his mind!" I haven't. You might not believe me, but it's true. The Bible says: "And out of the ground the LORD God formed every beast of the field, and every fowl of the air; and brought them unto Adam to see what he would call them: and whatsoever Adam called every living creature, that was the name thereof. And Adam gave names to all cattle, and to the fowl of the air, and to every beast of the field; but for Adam there was not found an help meet for him" (Genesis 2:19-20).

Now, I believe that God didn't know what the names of these animal sculptures were. He just made them and He was counting on man to tell Him what they would be called.

And notice this: the Bible doesn't say God "made them to walk" over to where man was. It doesn't say God "told them to fly" or "convinced them to swim" over to where man was in the Garden. Why? I believe it's because they couldn't. I believe that God had to bring them over to Adam because they weren't alive yet. God's reason for bringing them to Adam? One reason only, "to see what he would call them" (Genesis 2:19).

What was God saying to man? "Speak, spirit!" Now, I can't prove it happened like that, but you can't prove it didn't! I personally believe that God wanted Adam to be a part of creation. I think He wanted man to use the power of words, just like He did. Here's how I think it happened.

God brought the animals and, one by one, I believe He showed His creation to Adam.

"What do you call this, man? What do you say it is?"

"It is a horse!" And I believe that when Adam spoke
the name, that's when life came into the animal. The
horse breathed, opened its eyes, and then neighed for the
first time. Then, God brought another sculpture and
man said, "Lion!" The lion breathed, opened its eyes,
and roared. Animal after animal, God brought them to
Adam to see what he would call them—and I believe
that's when their life began. One by one, Adam spoke
life into their earthen bodies and they began to do what
the Creator created them to do.

"Elephant!"—and the trunk went up.

"Eagle!"—and the bird took flight.

"Ram!"—and the horns lifted high in the air.

"Rhinoceros!"—and the rhino took off for the nearest pond.

"Bear!"—and the bear stood and roared!

Now, you might not agree with this scenario of creation and that's your right. None of us will know exactly how it happened until we get to Heaven, but that's what I personally believe happened after reading this passage of scripture. I believe that God was teaching man right then and there the power of his words.

I want you to realize how powerful God originally made you to be. You are a speaking spirit, a being formed of the earth in the very image of God, and you have His very breath inside of you now—breath that you should use to speak life.

You have to make speaking words of life a lifestyle; not a once in a while thing. Life needs to be your habit. You see, when God talks, life happens. This world came into existence because of the words of His mouth. It's a mystery how He did it all, and I believe that when we get to Heaven, God will bring Genesis to life for us by showing us how it all came to be.

But we don't have to see it to believe it's true. It's actually better that we just have simple faith in God's Word because that ought to be enough. God's Word is powerful and it has always been here. The Bible tells

us, "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. The same was in the beginning with God. All things were made by Him; and without Him was not any thing made that was made. In Him was life; and the life was the light of men" (John 1:1-4).

When God said, "Let Us make man in Our image" in Genesis 1:26, He was referring to more than just creating a triune being. He was referring to lifestyle, too. God's lifestyle is to speak words of life. He intends that man's lifestyle will also be to speak words of life. As I've said, your words matter. Even death and life are in the power of your tongue (Proverbs 18:21).

God gave mankind some of His power when He blew the breath of life into Adam's nostrils. That same power of God dwells within you, and when you are saved, you are able to recognize it and have faith in it. It's that power that will rise up from within you and quicken your mortal body back to health if you're sick (Romans 8:11).

That power of God within you is what goes out to others when you lay hands on them in prayer. Your words become powerful because you are more than just a lump of dirt. You are uniquely created in God's image and have the life of God *in* you. You are a speaking spirit, and when you're speaking God's Word in faith, you are powerful!

Even unsaved people have power because the very life that keeps them walking around is still God's breath. Man can do a lot when he focuses on something! But without a knowledge of God and an acceptance of God's plan, man is spiritually lost and confused; he is without peace because he doesn't know his Maker.

Consequently, a spiritually lost man doesn't understand the power of speaking words of life. He may speak positively, but he is not using even a fraction of his power because he's without understanding about God's words of life—and they are the most powerful words of all. I'm all for positive speaking. It's sure better than being negative! But faith is much better than being positive. Positive words hope for change. Faith creates change! That's why I think accepting Jesus as Lord and Savior is the most important decision a person can make—it's the way to inherit eternal life, but it's also the beginning of a new way of living.

Jesus is the reason I'm alive today—because without Him in my life, I honestly believe that I'd be dead by now. Like I've said, I was a rock musician with a drug and drinking habit that was killing me. But when Jesus came into my life, He changed all that. He gave me joy,

purpose, and direction for my life. He gave me good words to speak and cleared up my confusion.

You see, in order to wash away my sin, there was a sacrifice that had to be made. To redeem mankind from sin, somebody had to die, and that was Jesus Christ. He came to this earth and led a sinless life. He was innocent and as His blood ran down that cross, God accepted every drop for the remission of sins—your sins, my sins, the whole world's sins . . . if they'll accept it. After Jesus did that, the work of redemption was finished. Now, all that any person has to do to be saved is to call upon the name of Jesus—to believe with the heart and confess with the mouth that Jesus is Lord (Romans 10:9-13).

Although everything that has gone on from creation to now may seem a little complicated, there is nothing complicated about knowing Jesus and living His way. It's not hard. It's easy because Jesus did all the work! You don't have to go to the cross to give up your own blood for sin. All you have to do is speak from your heart and accept what Jesus has done. God's ear is tuned to hear your voice—and He will accept your prayer no matter what you've done, what you've said, or how you've acted in the past.

If you've never asked Jesus to come into your heart, all you have to do is pray in your own words, ask for forgiveness, and invite Him into your life—and like that angel in the book of Daniel, He will come for your words. And if you already know the Lord but have gotten off track and just need to wipe your slate clean, all you have to do is reach out to Him again. Ask for forgiveness for whatever is weighing down your heart, and He will come for your words, too. You are never too far away to come back home. Jesus is always ready, willing, and excited to hear from you.

Second Corinthians 5:17 reminds us that when we let go of our way and adopt God's way through Jesus Christ, we are changed and made new from the inside out: "Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new."

It's never too late to start speaking words of life. It doesn't matter whether you got saved a minute ago or sixty years ago—start a habit of speaking words of life. You're going to talk every day anyway, you may as well say something good. You may as well give the angels a reason to respond, because they are listening . . . and they will come for your good words.

This article is an excerpt from Jesse's newest book *The Hidden Help*.

JESUS *Is* Speaking New Life to You!

Do you know my Jesus? He is reaching out to *you* today. The Bible says, "For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life" (John 3:16). Jesus, the Son of God, laid down His life and rose again so that you could spend eternity with Him in Heaven and so that He could help you live in victory every day.

If you've never asked Jesus Christ to come into your heart, all you have to do is ask for forgiveness and invite Him into your life. Or if you already know the Lord but you've gotten off track and want to wipe your slate clean, all you have to do is reach out to Him again. Whatever may be weighing you down, He will come for *your* words right now. He is always ready, willing, and excited to hear from you. If you are ready to start new, leave old things behind, and begin your personal relationship with the Lord, pray this with me now:

God, thank You for loving me enough to send Your Son for my sins. I know that I need You. I believe that You are my God, my Maker, and my Father. I accept Your plan of salvation through the death and resurrection of Jesus right now, God. Like all, I know I've sinned and fallen short and I need help.

Jesus, come into my life, wash away my sins, and create a new heart in me today. Thank You for paying the price for me on the cross, and thank You for drawing me to You and opening my eyes to the truth. From this day on, I will seek Your will and ways for my life. I will talk to You every day and make Your Word the light that guides my life. Jesus, thank You for loving me enough to give Yourself and for continuing to help me in every area of my life as I turn to You each day. Amen.

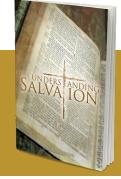
If you have prayed this prayer, you are now in the family of God. It wasn't hard, was it? People sometimes make things hard, but because of Jesus, salvation is easy. I'm your brother in the faith now, along with millions of others all around the world who have accepted God's plan of salvation. Isn't that amazing? We will all have eternity together, but for now, your aim is to grow in your faith and relationship with the Lord. Read your Bible every day and listen to messages that will encourage your faith as often as you can. Find a church to

attend regularly. Being with others of like precious faith is so important. God has so much in store for you as you follow Him—new people, new ideas about how to live well, and new insights for your own journey in life.

If you prayed and received Jesus into your heart today, I would love to hear from you. I want to send you our free *Understanding Salvation* booklet to help you in your new walk with Christ. All you have to do is request your copy online at JDM.org or you can use the response/order form included in this magazine. Welcome to the family, and may God bless you as you go and grow. From this day forward, you will never go a day without prayer—I'm praying for you!



– Jesse

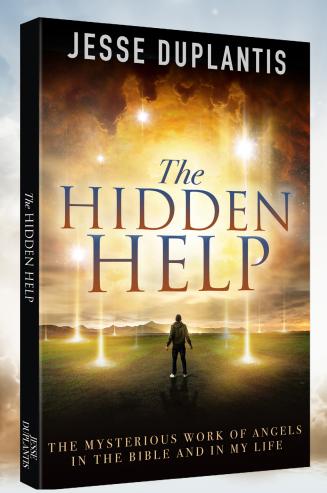


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There is a path that leads to inner peace, real joy, and true wisdom about life. You begin walking on this new path the moment you reach out to God...the moment that you realize your need for His **love** and **salvation**.

In *Understanding Salvation*, you will discover why God sent His Son, why salvation is necessary, and what you can do to begin living a new and better life in Christ Jesus.

THE HIDDEN HELP



Who are we to the angels? Why do they help us? What draws their attention? Are guardian angels real? Are God's angels worthy of praise? How can we tell the difference between the fallen and the faithful angels? Dr. Jesse Duplantis answers questions like these and much more as he shares teaching and stories from the Word of God to help you view the angelic realm, as well as yourself, in a biblically-sound way.

As believers living in a fallen world, our aim is to always live by faith and not by sight—but, at times, God chooses to peel back the veil and reveal the spiritual world to His people. He did it in biblical times and He's still doing it today. If you're curious about God's mysterious angelic creation and how some interact with us even today, pick up your copy of Jesse Duplantis' latest book, The Hidden Help—The Mysterious Work of Angels in the Bible and in My Life.

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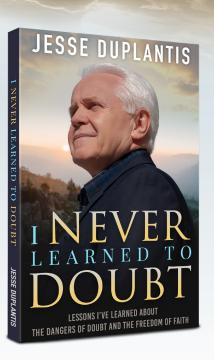


I NEVER LEARNED TO DOUBT



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SEP 14 • 7pm

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Host: Gene Bailey

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SEP 16 • 7pm

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SEP 25 • 7pm

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Pastor Susan Kiteley

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Victory International Church 2799 Barton St E • 905.549.0981 victoryinternational.church Pastors Kingsley & Rita Osei

OKEECHOBEE, FL

OCT 1 • 10:30am

Faith Alive Family Church 3075 SW 3rd Terrace • 863.763.7910 Pastors John & Judy Wilcox

BIG SPRING, TX

OCT 3 • 7pm

Release Conference 2023 Family Faith Center

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Pastors Samuel & Christina Segundo

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OCT 5 • 7pm

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SOUTHFIELD, MI

OCT 8 • 11am

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CADDO MILLS, TX

OCT 15 • 10am

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Pastors Butch & Darlene Bruton

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OCT 17 • 7:30pm

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OCT 18 • 7pm

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LOUISVILLE, KY

OCT 22 • 5pm

Evangel World Prayer Center 6900 Billtown Rd • 502.964.3304 ewpc.com

Dr. Bob & Pastor Margaret Rodgers OKLAHOMA CITY, OK

OCT 29 • 10am

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Pastors Lawson & Barbara Perdue

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Andrew & Jamie Wommack

LA MARQUE. TX

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Pastors Walter & Cindy Hallam

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ARKANSAS

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KJBW/35.8: Sun 6:00AM, Mon 9:00PM Little Rock

KKAP/36.1: Sun 6:00AM. Mon 9:00PM KVTN/25 - IND: Mon 7:00PM, Fri 6:00PM Pine Bluff

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CALIFORNIA

Rakersfield

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KOCE/50.3: Sun 4:00AM, Mon 7:00PM Modesto/Stockton/Sacramento

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GEORGIA

Atlanta

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WDMA/31.1: Sun 7:00AM, Mon 10:00PM

HAWAII

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IDAHO

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INDIANA

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KANSAS

Hutchinson/Wichita

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KENTUCKY

Louisville

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Boston

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Omaha

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NORTH CAROLINA

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PENNSYLVANIA

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GLORIOUS MOMENTS with Cathy

I absolutely love to receive testimonies from friends and Partners all over the earth and share them with you! Everywhere I go lately, people are telling me how blessed they are that we take the time to tell the world about the good things that our wonderful God is doing throughout the earth. They love watching me read them on our television broadcasts, and they enjoy reading them in our *Voice of the Covenant* magazine, which will reach over 100,000 households around the world this month.

Jesse and I are so thankful to God for our wonderful Covenant Partners that faithfully give generously to help us proclaim the glorious Gospel of Jesus Christ every single day. They understand that God has called us to work together as a team to rescue the lost, heal the sick, and deliver the oppressed through television broadcasts, magazines, products, and evangelistic meetings. Together we are reaching people and changing lives, one soul at a time!

It is my prayer that the glorious moments shared here will bless you and strengthen you in your walk with Jesus Christ. Psalm 89:17 (NLT) says, "You are their glorious strength. It pleases You to make us strong." Maybe one day you will be able to share your testimony about how God has used our ministry to impart strength to your life.

Thank you for all your dedication to our Lord God. I wish I had known more about how deep faith could be. I do now, thanks to your devoted ministry. I do have the joy of the Lord despite my circumstances. It's a blessing to watch you both on YouTube.

Thank you, Jesse and Cathy, for blessing the Lord in so many ways all these years of your ministry. You've given to me, and the world, your joy in teaching Jesus' love for us, and His Father is a path for me to want to live, learn, and to retain God's Word for a Shalom life. Thank you for going into all the earth giving His great truth, love, freedom, and life.

I want to give God all the praise and glory for something that has never happened to me in my life. I got a raise on my job! I am very excited because I had asked for a raise and this has never happened. Four months later I got another raise in my pay—a double raise! I noticed it started when I planted my first seed into JDM.

I listened to your message about Elijah and the widow at Zarephath—you talked about how she was obedient, gave something of value, and believed. After I listened to this message, I had to decide either to pay my tithes or my house payment. I went with paying my tithes and that afternoon I got a call for unexpected work for the following week. Two days later I got an email saying my house payments were being deferred due to the pandemic. God immediately blessed me because I believed Him, gave something of value, and I was obedient—God came through! Thank you for sharing this message. It has really changed my life. Thank you! Oh, 10 days later, I did get my house payment made. Halleluiah! I also have been able to pay on other debts too! God continues to supply!

My husband got a promotion at his job after we sowed into your ministry. Our daughter was healed of Hep C and a blood clotting disease. Our finances are going to be getting out of debt soon. We received refund checks from some of our bills saying we had overpaid them. Thank you, Jesus! God gets all the Glory!

After hearing you preach the Word, I preached the Word to myself, believing my knee was healed. I had twisted it going down my steps in the front of my house and coming down the back steps again. But after speaking the Word, my knee was healed in 1 hour! Praise the Lord! Speak the Word and believe. The Word works!

Love y'all so much and am so thankful and BLESSED with JDM. I watch Faith the Facts, Glorious Living, Boardroom Chats, and Sunday services—I share all the time hoping to encourage and build up all people just as I have been. God's Word is our all—our love, life, strength, joy, wisdom, knowledge, and so much more. It's our oxygen. With all my heart, I am so in love with my JESUS just for who HE IS. HE IS MY ALL. Thank you so much for all that you and this wonderful ministry do.

I enjoy your teachings and the love you both have in sharing the Word of God and praying for us as your Partners. God continually bless and keep you both.

I remember Brother Jesse shared his visit to Heaven at Pastor Osteen's church in Houston. I was so amazed at what I heard, I purchased the DVD as soon as it was released and shared it with others that had miscarriages or loved ones that went to Heaven. It has produced much healing and hope. Heaven has become so real to me that now I find myself declaring Heaven on earth almost every day! Thank you, Brother Jesse, for sharing! What a blessing you have been to the Body of Christ because of your obedience. You and Pastor Cathy are so loved!

Thank you, Brother Jesse, for the anointed preaching. Wow! I'm really blessed to hear this particular preaching, "A New Year of Limitless Possibilities," because I've been praying for a Word from God for 2023, and God sent me you to give this wonderful Word just when I got up. Thank you. Greetings from Norway.

I love being a Partner! I love it when I hear you say how many souls have been won to the Lord through this ministry.

I just wanted to testify that I have listened for years and read your books, but I had never considered what you taught about your seed bringing forth a harvest and naming it and calling it forth. Anyhow, since I have been doing this, money has been coming in—and since they took my job, I have definitely needed it. I thank God for you and your ministry.

I just wanted to say, Jesse, the videos that I watch of you on YouTube and on TV are such a blessing to me. I also wanted to say that after watching one, I recommitted my life to Jesus and cried like a baby. Thank you for what you do, and thank you Jesus for washing my sins away. I can't express how much I do appreciate it because I can't think of enough words.

I am 32 years old and from Oklahoma. I have had a lot happen to me since last year—too much to explain. But I wanted to say that ever since I was a kid, I watched Brother Jesse. I got close to God as a kid, then, for the better part of the past 20-plus years, I walked away. I tried getting back from time to time, but it never stuck like when I was a kid. Circumstances happened in odd, peculiar ways that have built an unbelievable testimony to this point in my life in just 7 short months. Brother Jesse's sermons have helped me to propel my understanding of the Kingdom in such deep and meaningful ways in about every facet of the world around me—mentally, physically, spiritually, and financially. I made the mistake of making a list, just like Jesse said to do, of all my wants (spiritually, physically, and financially). I just so happened to put on the list that I wanted to have my fellowship back with God like I had as a kid, where I talked to Him like Brother Jesse does. I also added fellowship with Him like Jesse has. That was a mistake because now He will barely let me sleep! My mind is understanding so many ways of the Kingdom, and Brother Jesse is a big part of the reason why. My testimony of the past 7 months is way too long, but it is great, and I wanted to share a thank you to Brother Jesse and all his team that makes his ministry work well. Thank you and God bless.



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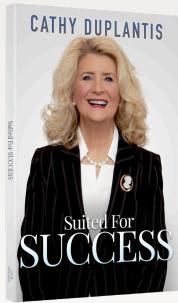
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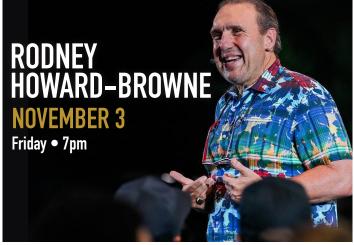


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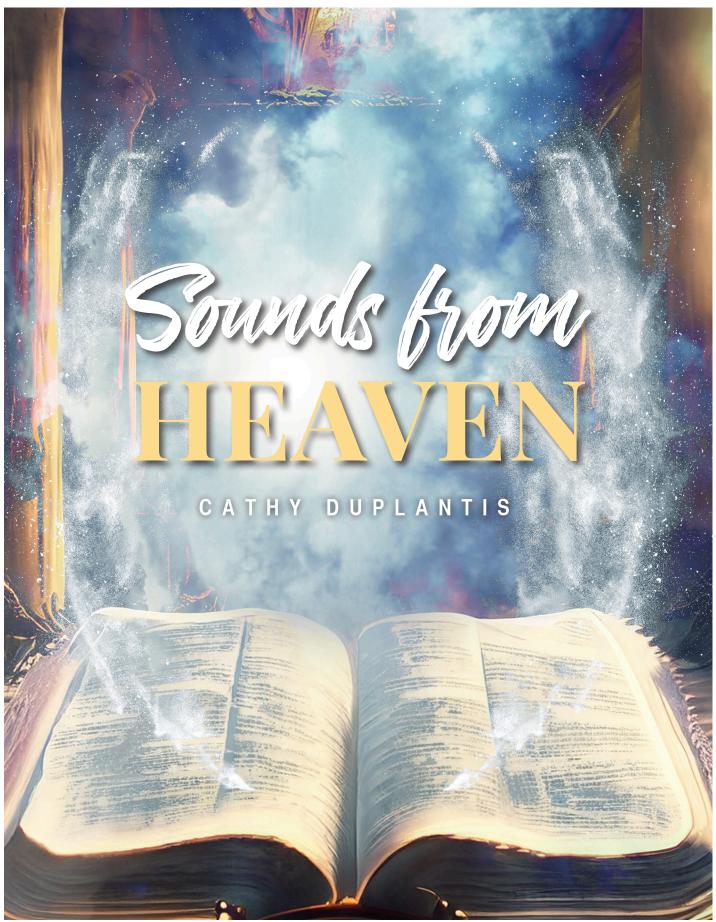
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God is speaking from Heaven! Now, even though that may seem strange to some people, it's not a new thing. From the very beginning of time, God has communicated with His creation in many different ways. In the Garden of Eden, Adam heard the sound of God walking in the cool of the day. Moses heard the audible voice of God from a burning bush on Mount Sinai and from the mercy seat that was above the Ark of the Covenant. The disciples of Jesus heard the voice of God from a cloud saying, "... This is My beloved Son: hear Him" (Mark 9:7). But whether that heavenly sound came from a burning bush, a cloud, or the still, small voice that spoke to

Elijah on Mount Horeb, it had a similar effect: Sounds from Heaven transformed their lives, imparted vision, and empowered them to do what God called them to do.

In Acts chapter two, we can read about another sound from Heaven that exploded into the lives of the men and women that had gathered to pray in the Upper Room on the Day of Pentecost. Verses 2-4 say, "And suddenly there came a sound from Heaven as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting. And there appeared unto them cloven tongues like as of fire, and

it sat upon each of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance."

Not only was that physical house filled with sounds from Heaven, but their spiritual house was filled with God Himself. When you come to God with your whole heart, you can expect to hear sounds from Heaven that will fill your house, set you on fire, and change your world. Why? Because God

has deposited a mighty river of life in you that is so powerful it can make the lame to walk and the blind to see. That flow of God is not designed to just stay in you; it is designed to flow out of you and set the captives free. God wants to fill you to overflowing so that His power can be seen in the earth. That's what overflow is all about.

When we get a heavy rain in South Louisiana, the bayous fill up pretty quickly. Some roads near our home that are along the bayous are lined with sandbags so that the overflow doesn't spillover. That's what many people do in the realm of the Spirit: They may be born again, but they have lined their heart

with sandbags and it is stopping up the flow of God in their life. Their sandbags may be filled with fear, tradition, offense, unbelief, or disobedience, but all they need is a good soaking rain of the Holy Ghost and they'll fill up pretty quickly, too. Once the river of God begins to overflow, those sandbags will be swept away for good.

When Elijah fervently prayed for rain, he got rain. He told old Ahab, "Get thee up, eat and drink; for there is a sound of abundance of rain" (1 Kings 18:41). Before anyone saw the rain, Elijah heard a sound from Heaven. Rain had to come. Why? Because the Word says, "... The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth

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much" (James 5:16).

Now, if that will work with physical rain, how much more can you expect it to work for you in the spiritual realm? If you are in need of a good rain of Holy Ghost fire on your life, get fervent in your quest for it. Fervent means "hot" or "boiling," and it is the kind of prayer that is effective and avails much. It's the kind of prayer that busts holes in sandbags and moves them out of sight. And fervency is a sound that Heaven responds to.

Sounds from Heaven Have Power

God demonstrated the vital importance of sounds when He created the world. For six days, God *said* and God *saw* the manifestation of those things which He said would come to pass. He used sounds from Heaven to create the universe and everything that is in it. In Genesis 1:3 we discover the way that God works: "And God said, Let there be light: and there was light." Although light could have been created with the blink of His eyes or the wave of His right hand, that was not God's way.

Isaiah 55:11 says, "So shall My word be that goeth forth out of My mouth: it shall not return unto Me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it."

Every Word sent forth from God is destined to prosper or accomplish what it was sent to do. He will not allow it to return to Himself void or ineffective. To emphasize the everlasting power of His Words, Jesus said, "Heaven and earth shall pass away, but My words shall not pass away" (Matthew 24:35). Sounds that declare your salvation, healing, deliverance, prosperity, and every promise that came out of God's mouth will

never pass away. They are echoing throughout the earth in search of those who will obey His voice and receive His promises by faith. Think about God's promise to Abraham that is still echoing in the earth today: "And in thy seed shall all the nations of the earth be blessed; because thou hast obeyed My voice" (Genesis 22:18).

Sounds from Heaven Have Purpose

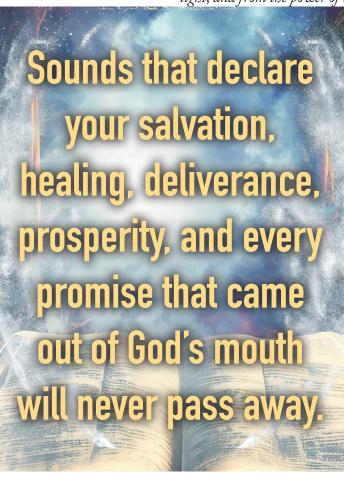
When Jesus visited Paul on the Damascus road, He had a purpose. Paul had been dragging people out of their homes and persecuting every Christian he could 24 • Voice of the Covenant

get his hands on. But when he met up with Jesus that day, he heard a sound from Heaven that totally changed his world. Jesus stopped Paul in his tracks, turned him around, and gave him a new direction for his life: "But rise, and stand upon thy feet: for I have appeared unto thee for this purpose, to make thee a minister and a witness both of these things which thou hast seen, and of those things in the which I will appear unto thee; Delivering thee from the people, and from the Gentiles, unto whom now I send thee, To open their eyes, and to turn them from darkness to light, and from the power of Satan unto God, that they may

receive forgiveness of sins, and inheritance among them which are sanctified by faith that is in Me" (Acts 26:16-18).

Sounds from Heaven always have purpose and will bring instruction, correction, impartation, direction, and revelation to all that will receive it. While on the Isle of Patmos, John was in the Spirit and received a revelation of the Lord Jesus Christ. He described the sound of Jesus' voice as a great voice, as of a trumpet, and as the sound of many waters. We are still reading and studying the profound things that he was instructed to write down about the things he saw and heard. Although the religious crowd tried to

kill that boy by boiling him in oil, they couldn't touch his life until His purpose was fulfilled.



Sounds from Heaven Have Promise

God doesn't do anything on the earth without first telling it to His prophets. Amos 3:7-8 says, "Surely the Lord GOD will do nothing, but He revealeth His secret unto His servants the prophets. The lion hath roared, who will not fear? The Lord GOD hath spoken, who can but prophesy?"

God moved upon His prophets and saw to it that

His great and precious promises were recorded in His Word for us to read and declare today. One of the greatest promises is that Heaven will hear and respond to your faith-filled voice. Throughout the Word we can see examples of this principle. The Psalmist writes, "O LORD my God, I cried unto Thee, and Thou hast healed me... I sought the LORD, and He heard me, and delivered me from all my fears... Then they cried unto the LORD in their trouble, and He delivered them out of their distresses... I called upon the LORD in distress: the LORD answered me, and set me in a large place... In the day when I cried Thou answeredst me, and strengthenedst me with strength in my soul" (Psalms 30:2; 34:4; 107:6; 118:5 & 138:3).

God has always honored the voice of those who spoke out in faith. When Joshua was in the middle of a great battle, he commanded the sun and the moon to stand still until victory was won and they obeyed him. The sound of the shout made by the children of Israel caused the walls of Jericho to come tumbling down. With his own voice, the prophet Elijah called fire down

from Heaven, multiplied food, and raised the dead.

Throughout Jesus' earthly ministry, He demonstrated how everything in the earth had to respond to faith. Even while dying on the cross, the sound of Jesus' voice tore the veil of the temple in two from the top to the bottom, shook the earth, split rocks, and opened the graves. Matthew 27:51-53 says that many saints rose from the dead and walked around the city of Jerusalem that day.

Whether it was a barren fig tree, a mountain, or a dead man, Jesus showed us that creation would respond to the voice of faith. He taught His disciples how their voice was vitally connected to their victory. He said, "For verily I say unto you, That whosoever shall say unto this mountain, Be thou removed, and be thou cast into the sea; and shall not doubt in his heart, but shall believe that those things which he saith shall come to pass; he shall have whatsoever he saith" (Mark 11:23).

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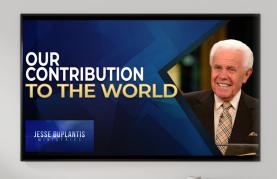
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