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*DA VINCI CODE*

The *Da Vinci Code*, a novel written by Dan Brown, is said to have sold forty million copies. This book has now been made into a movie by Sony Pictures and Ron Howard and is being released on May 19th.

One consensus about this book is that Christians should read the book and see the movie because it has caused so much discussion about the origins of Christianity. You don’t have to watch or act out an immoral act or commit murder to know how to discuss immorality and murder.

Too many Christians as well as secular people will lose sight of the fact that this manuscript is a fictional work. But the fact that it is fiction does not make it harmless, for some have already said that the book has caused them to doubt their faith in the integrity of the Bible and in the divinity of Christ. Others have said that it is a good opportunity to open up a discussion on Christ. Since when are lies with worldwide exposure needed to give Christians a “good opportunity” for speaking the truth? Christians should be speaking the truth of Christ every day from the platform of the Word of God.

One of the main rebuttals Brown and Hollywood types seem to be making is that *The Da Vinci Code* is only a fictional novel. If a fictional movie was made saying that major things about certain races, cultures, or religions other than Christianity were conspiracies, cover-ups, or outright lies—civil rights groups would be outraged. Lawsuits would fly!

What are Christians doing? There are reports of protesters planning demonstrations at theatres where this movie is being played. Demonstrations are often the worldly recourse in America in major social disagreements. Nowhere in the Bible did Jesus ever confront evil and slander with an organized demonstration by believers, nor does He tell His disciples to do such a thing. When confronted with something slanderous or ungodly, regardless of the geographical scope, He identified the wrong and then often said simply this, “Nevertheless…” followed by words from the Holy Scriptures.

I have read several articles about this book and the movie and looked at excerpts from the book. I see a great deal of danger in this movie because of the lack of teaching in churches today on the pure truth of God’s Word as it exists in the Bible. Many Christians today are unable to expound on the pure truth of the crucifixion death of Christ, the divinity of Christ, and other issues that are represented in Dan Brown’s manuscript as being lies or part of a religious cover up.

The following is quotation is taken from an article written by Michael Gleghorn on Probe Ministries’ website (CTRL plus a mouse click will open this link). This article provides much interesting historical background of the Gospels and the life of Christ and can be read in its entirety at: [http://www.probe.org/content/view/127/169/](http://www.probe.org/content/view/127/169/).

Gleghorn writes:

“Why so much fuss about a novel? The story begins with the murder of the Louvre’s curator. But this curator isn’t just interested in art; he’s also the Grand Master of a secret society called the Priory of Sion. The Priory guards a secret that, if revealed, would discredit biblical Christianity. Before dying, the curator attempts to pass on the secret to his granddaughter, Sophie, a cryptographer, and Harvard professor Robert Langdon, by leaving a number of clues that he hopes will guide them to the truth.
“So what’s the secret? The location and identity of the Holy Grail. But in Brown’s novel, the Grail is not the cup allegedly used by Christ at the Last Supper. It’s rather Mary Magdalene, the wife of Jesus, who carried on the royal bloodline of Christ by giving birth to His child! The Priory guards the secret location of Mary’s tomb and serves to protect the bloodline of Jesus that has continued to this day!

“Does anyone take these ideas seriously? Yes; they do. This is partly due to the way the story is written. The first word one encounters in The Da Vinci Code, in bold uppercase letters, is the word ‘FACT’. Shortly thereafter Brown writes, ‘All descriptions of artwork, architecture, documents, and secret rituals in this novel are accurate.’ And the average reader, with no special knowledge in these areas, will assume the statement is true. But it’s not, and many have documented some of Brown’s inaccuracies in these areas.”

The following excerpt is from an excellent online article by Drew Dyck on how dangerous it can be to the unbeliever or the carnal Christian who might decide that Dan Brown’s “Jesus” might be the real Jesus (CTRL plus a mouse click will open this link). The article can be found in its entirety at this website: http://www.boundless.org/2005/articles/a0001257.cfm

“Interest in Jesus is usually a good thing. But what would seem like a golden opportunity sometimes feels like a recurring nightmare. A non-Christian neighbor, co-worker or relative reads The Da Vinci Code and becomes an instant expert on Jesus. Suddenly the Christian is the one being evangelized. ‘Did you know that Jesus was married to Mary Magdalene? Are you aware that the church covered up the true history?’

“The Christian tries to refute each outlandish claim only to find the unbelieving friend strangely resistant. Afire with conspiratorial zeal and buoyed by the thrill of discovery, the Da Vinci Code fan is in no mood to listen. The frustrated Christian is dismissed as a hapless dupe or, worse yet, part of the Church’s ‘ongoing cover-up’.”

Dyck also writes of an acquaintance excitedly telling him that he had found Jesus! When questioned further, the man revealed that he finally understood Jesus after reading the novel The Da Vinci Code. This man had not found a relationship with the Son of God, he had found a lie and bought into it. Dyck said this zealous new “believer” did not want to hear the truth of the Bible about the fiction he had swallowed.

As a Christian, it is important that you understand the false representations of The Da Vinci Code before you run into someone who believes they have found a “Jesus” who actually is a lie. For further understanding, there are audio clips of Dr. Dobson’s two programs (May 1st and 2nd, 2006) where he and Christian apologists take on the deception of The Da Vinci Code. Dr. James Dobson, Lee Strobel, Dr. Edwin Lutzer, and Mr. Alex McFarland present the evidence of the Scriptures and answer the questions that the book and the film will raise in the world today: http://www.oneplace.com/ministries/Focus_on_the_Family/archives.asp?bcd=5/1/2006

Other resources compiled by Focus on the Family can be found at this web site: http://go.family.org/davinci/

God’s Word says that in these last days, many will come and scoff (2 Peter 3:3) at the divinity of our Lord Jesus Christ. These scoffers will arise in the secular realm as well as in the Church. Second Peter 2:1-3 writes the following to both the New Testament Church of Peter’s time and the Church of today: “But there were also false prophets among the people, just as there will be false teachers among you. They will secretly introduce destructive heresies, even denying the sovereign Lord who bought them—bringing swift destruction on themselves. Many will follow their shameful ways and will bring the way of truth into disrepute. In their greed these teachers will exploit you with stories they have made up. Their condemnation has long been hanging over them, and their destruction has not been sleeping.” (NIV).

Be watchful and aware of the seeds that are being sown today through this book and this film. Be careful of the seeds that you sow or the weeds that you ignore. Demonstrations, petitions, and the like will bear little fruit in this battle. Individual prayer, prayer groups, and prayer meetings can sow seed that will produce powerful good seed that will grow and bear fruit of truth. Here is a sample prayer to pray either individually or as a group (just change the personal pronouns):

Father God, I want to effectively impact the issue of this blasphemy and these lies about your Son and the purity of your Word. I bind everyone associated with The Da Vinci Code book and movie to your will and purposes for their lives. I bind them to the truth, and I bind their minds to the mind of Christ.

I loose, smash crush, and destroy the works of the enemy who is behind these lies. I loose all of the works of the enemy from every person who reads the book or sees the movie. I loose deception and denial from each one of them.

I loose the power and influences of all wrong agreements that come forth from this book and this movie. I loose the influence of all wrong agreements.
which give territorial demonic spirits the right to move into, influence, and oppress any area where this book and movie are lifted up as truth.

I bind the believers in the Body of Christ to your will and to the truth. I loose all deception or confusion from them. Show them the answer to such a controversy is to say, “Nevertheless…God has said…and now I will pray in agreement with His truth.”

You are the most high Sovereign God and your truth will reign. I will do my part here on earth, agreeing with your truth and praying against deception about you and your Son. I praise you and love you, Lord, and I thank you that no one who believes in you has to wonder about any so-called new information if it does not line up perfectly with your Holy Scriptures. I am not powerless against such powerful entities as massive worldwide book sales or powerful Hollywood movie influence. When I agree with you, your and I become the biggest majority ever. Thank you, Lord, amen.

Seeds Bear “Like Fruit” (Edited excerpt from BEYOND Shattered Strongholds)

Truth will always bear good fruit. Deception will always bear bad fruit. The Apostle Paul wrote to the born-again believers in Colossae telling them of prayers he was praying for them: “We pray this in order that you may live a life worthy of the Lord and may please him in every way: bearing fruit in every good work, growing in the knowledge of God, being strengthened with all power according to his glorious might so that you may have great endurance and patience, and joyfully giving thanks to the Father, who has qualified you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the kingdom of light” (Colossians 1:9-12, NIV).

The Word of God says that as a believer you are good seed that has been ordained to bear much fruit. All fruit comes from a like fruit-bearing tree, vine, plant, or bush that has grown from the seed of like fruit. A tomato comes from a tomato plant which came from a tomato seed. The seeds from a pine cone will produce pine trees, and the seeds from an ear of corn will produce corn. All fruit contains seed that will bear like fruit. When Christ was sown into the world, Christians were the fruit He produced. The enemy of Christ goes about sowing bad seed which produces bad fruit, fruit that masquerades as good—fruit that the ignorant and unsuspecting will eat.

God created men and women to reproduce themselves through a fruit-bearing process that is known as the fruit of the womb. God also created man and woman to produce fruit of another kind—fruit that is the result of, the product of, or the consequence of something a person has done. This kind of fruit has an influence that is much like the person who produced it.

Jesus himself is the Incorruptible Seed who has rebirthed us as good seed. In 1 Peter 1:22-23 (NKJV), we read: “Since you have purified your souls in obeying the truth through the Spirit in sincere love of the brethren, love one another fervently with a pure heart, having been born again, not of corruptible seed but incorruptible, through the word of God which lives and abides forever.”

In Matthew 13:37-38 (NIV), Jesus explained the parable of the sower and the seed to His disciples like this: “The one who sowed the good seed is the Son of Man. The field is the world, and the good seed stands for the sons of the kingdom.”

Jesus is saying here that the sons and daughters of the Kingdom, all Christians, would be sown into the world to bear fruit like Him. God sowed His Son, Jesus, into this world to influence humanity and produce fruit for His Kingdom. As Christians, Jesus has sown us into this world to influence humanity in the age in which we live and produce fruit for His Kingdom. We are planted right where we are to bear good fruit through the consequences of our actions and our influence.

Spring-like conditions in the soil into which a seed is sown—such as water, longer days, and stronger sunlight—signal the seed that it’s time to begin fulfilling its destiny. Water does two things to a seed. It first activates enzymes that stimulate the release of the food energy stored in the seed. Then it splits the tough seed coat open so that oxygen gets inside the seed. Energy stored in the seed to power its cells to divide and grow can only burn in the presence of oxygen. This process is called respiration which also means to breathe in and out.

A germinating seed’s stored energy only lasts so long. That’s why a sprouting seed has to unfold into the light as quickly as it can. If a small seed germinates in a moist but dark environment, it can run out of energy before it ever finds its way to the light. Except the for growth inhibitors God built into the seed, tomato seeds could begin to try to grow right inside of the tomato.

Before a seed begins to grow up into its destiny, it must first anchor itself with a root system. Roots serve a double function: they anchor the new growth coming up out of the seed, and they absorb water and food to nourish the new shoot that grows from the seed. As the shoot begins to grow, it splits the seed coat even more and pushes its way out and then up above the soil. As the roots continue to grow, the first leaves will grow on the new shoot which enables the plant to begin to produce new energy using the sun’s light (photosynthesis).
God has explained His plans and destiny purposes for all of us in the Bible through parables using agricultural processes. Think about that, every tongue and tribe of the earth through all time understands something about basic agricultural processes of sowing seeds, watering them, and seeing the sun produce fruit-bearing plants. God provides the water of the Word and the warmth of His Son’s light. He provides the oxygen that helps us begin to use that energy found in the measures of faith that the Word says He has given to all men and women. That tiny measure of faith is like a pilot light in us that helped us to respond to the invitation to life in Christ Jesus.

Just like the tomato seed, that measure of faith and its energy needs to unfold into the light as quickly as it can. It must be anchored with a good root system that keeps the plant firmly rooted and stable so that it can shoot up new leaves to receive more from the Son’s light. We only grow as we receive the water of the Word, the spiritual oxygen of the breath of the Spirit, and the warm light of the Son of God.

As we grow spiritually, we begin to undergo renewal, restoration, and change in our lives. We are encouraged to participate in the growth by availing ourselves of all that has been provided for us—just as a seed in soil avails itself of food and nutrients. Second Peter 1:5-8 gives us a list and the order of how we begin to do our part in this producing of like fruit:

“Make every effort to
add to your faith goodness;
add to (your) goodness, knowledge;
add to (your) knowledge, self-control;
add to (your) self-control, perseverance;
add to (your) perseverance, godliness;
add to (your) godliness, brotherly kindness;
add to (your) brotherly kindness, love.

For if you possess these qualities in increasing measure, they will keep you from being ineffective and unproductive in your knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. But if anyone does not have them, he is nearsighted and blind” (NIV).

We participate in this process by searching the Word to add to our knowledge and understanding of the character and divine nature of the Lord Jesus Christ who was goodness incarnate. We participate in this process by practicing self-control in all that we do—never giving up when pursuing that which we know is right. We participate in this process by learning godliness through God’s love letters to us in the Bible so we will know more about His nature. We participate in this process by practicing being kind to our brothers and sisters, to our family members, to everyone we come in contact with, responding out of our understanding of God’s love.

The Incorruptible Seed of the resurrection and redemptive work of Jesus Christ was planted in our spirits when we accepted Him as our Lord and Savior. That seed has been encoded with all of His spiritual DNA, and it carries within it everything we will ever need to do anything God will ever ask us to do. Your heavenly Father will never ask you to produce your own fruit, to make your own promises happen, or to make prophetic words come to pass under your own strength. He has placed all of that within your spirit. He will only ask that you participate in His plans by surrendering to them, always learning the truth, and by loving more and more like He loves.

Take It Or Leave It On the Desk

The following was sent to me in an e-mail. Many such e-mails that I receive are silly, fluffy, or include some kind of statement that if I do not pass it on, I just don’t care or that I will break some kind of blessing chain. I always discard those e-mails. But this one was different. I do not know who wrote it, or even if it is true. But I still found it very interesting and very touching. It is an abstract truth made very real.

There was a certain Professor of Religion named Dr Christianson, a studious man who taught a required survey course in Christianity at a small college. Every student was required to take this course his or her freshman year, regardless of his or her major.

Although Dr Christianson tried hard to communicate the essence of the Gospel in his class, he found that most of his students looked upon the course as nothing but required drudgery. Despite his best efforts, most students refused to take Christianity seriously.

This year, Dr. Christianson had a special student named Steve. Steve was only a freshman, but he was studying with the intent of going on to seminary for the ministry. Steve was popular, he was well liked, and he was an imposing physical specimen. He was the starting center on the school football team, and he was the best student in the professor’s class.

One day, Dr. Christianson asked Steve to stay after class so he could talk with him. “How many push-ups can you do?” he asked Steve.

Steve said, “I do about 200 every night.”

“Two hundred? That’s pretty good, Steve,” Dr. Christianson said. “But, do you think you could do 300 push-ups?”
Steve replied, “I don’t know...I’ve never done 300 at one time.”

Dr. Christianson asked, “Well, do you think that you could do 300 push ups in sets of 10? I have a class project in mind for Friday that I would like you to help with. Here’s what I have in mind.”

After the doctor explained his purposes for the upcoming class, Steve said, “I think I can..yeah, I can do it.”

Friday came and Steve got to class early and sat in the front of the room. When class started, the professor pulled out a big box of donuts, the extra fancy BIG kind, with cream centers and frosting swirls. Everyone was excited it was Friday, the last class of the day, and they were going to get an early start on the weekend with a party in Dr. Christianson’s class.

Dr. Christianson went to the first girl in the first row and asked, “Cynthia, do you want to have one of these donuts?”

Cynthia nodded her head and said, “Sure I would. I’ll take a chocolate one.”

Dr. Christianson turned to Steve and asked, “Steve, would you do ten push-ups so that Cynthia can have a donut?”

“Yes, I will.” Steve arose quickly from his desk to do a quick 10 push ups. The doctor put a donut on Cynthia’s desk.

Dr. Christianson then went to Joe, the next person, and asked, “Joe, do you want a donut?”

Joe said, “Sure!”

Dr. Christianson turned and asked, “Steve, would you do 10 more push-ups so Joe can have a donut?” Steve did, and Joe got a donut. And so it went down the first aisle, Steve did 10 push ups for every person before they got their donut.

Walking down the second aisle, Dr. Christianson came to Scott. Scott was on the basketball team, and in as good condition as Steve.

“Scott do you want a donut?”

Scott replied, “Okay, but can I do my own push ups?

Dr. Christianson said, “No, Steve has to do them.”

Scott said, “Well, I don’t want one then.”

Dr. Christianson shrugged and turned to Steve to say, “Steve, would you do 10 push ups so Scott can have a donut?”

With perfect obedience Steve started to do 10 push ups. Scott yelled, “HEY! I said I didn’t want one!”

Dr. Christianson said, “Just leave it on the desk if you don’t want it,” and he put a donut on Scott’s desk. By this time, Steve had begun to slow down a little. He stayed on the floor between sets because it took too much effort to get up and down. You could start to see a little perspiration coming out around his brow.

Dr. Christianson started down the third row. Now the students were beginning to get a little angry. Dr. Christianson asked Jenny, “Jenny, do you want a donut?” But Jenny adamantly shook her head and said she did not want a donut.

Dr. Christianson turned to Steve and said, “Steve, would you do 10 more push ups so Jenny can have a donut?” Steve did, and Jenny got a donut. Other students were also refusing the donuts by now.

A growing sense of uneasiness filled the room. Steve was putting forth a lot of effort to get the push ups done for each uneaten donut. A small pool of sweat was growing on the floor beneath his face, and his face and arms were beginning to get red.

Dr. Christianson then asked Robert, who was the most vocal unbeliever in the class, to watch Steve to make sure he did the full 10 push ups in a set. The doctor said he couldn’t bear to watch all of Steve’s hard work anymore for all of those uneaten donuts. Robert said he would.

Dr. Christianson started down the fourth row. During this time, some students from other classes had wandered in and sat down on the steps. Dr. Christianson went on to the next person and the next and the next. Near the end of that row, Steve was really having a rough time. He was taking a lot more time to complete each set.

A few moments later a recent transfer student came to the room and was about to come in when all the students yelled in one voice, “NO! Don’t come in! Stay out!”

Jason didn’t know what was going on, but Steve raised his head and said with difficulty, “No, let him come.”

Professor Christianson said, “Steve, you do realize that if Jason comes in, you have to do 10 push ups for him?”

Steve answered, “Yes, let him come in. Give him a donut.”
Dr. Christianson said, “Okay, Steve. Jason, do you want a donut?”

Jason, not knowing what was going on, said, “Yes, I want a donut.” Steve did 10 push ups very slowly and with great effort. Jason, bewildered, was handed a donut and he sat down, unsure of what else to do.

Dr. Christianson finished the fourth row, and then started on the new visitors seated on the steps. Steve’s arms were now shaking with each push up in a struggle to lift himself against the force of gravity. By this time sweat was profusely dropping off of his face. There was no sound except his heavy breathing.

The very last two visitors who had come into the room were two young women, both cheerleaders, and very popular. Dr. Christianson went to Linda, the second to last, and asked, “Linda, do you want a donut?”

Linda said sadly, “No, thank you.”

Professor Christianson quietly asked, “Steve, would you please do 10 push ups so that Linda can have a donut?”

Grunting from the effort, Steve did 10 very slow push ups for Linda.

Then Dr. Christianson turned to the last girl, “Susan, do you want a donut?”

Susan began to cry as she said, “Dr. Christianson, why can’t I help him?”

Dr. Christianson said, “No, Steve has to do it alone, I have given him this task and he is in charge of seeing that everyone has an opportunity for a donut whether they want it or not. When I decided to have this party this last day of class, I looked at my grade book. Steve here is the only student with a perfect grade. Everyone else has failed a test, skipped class, or offered me inferior work. Then Steve told me that in football practice, when a player messes up he must do push ups.

“So I told Steve that none of you could come to my party today unless he would paid the price for your mistakes by doing your push ups. We made a deal for your sakes.”

“Steve, would you do 10 final push ups so Susan can have a donut?” As Steve very slowly finished his last push up with the understanding that he had accomplished all that was required of him, his arms buckled beneath him and he fell to the floor.

Dr. Christianson turned to the room and said, “And so it was with our Savior, Jesus Christ, on the cross—He did everything that had been asked of Him so that everyone might have the gift He had for them. And like some of you in this room, many of us leave His gift on the desk like these uneaten donuts.”

Two students helped Steve up off the floor and to a seat, physically exhausted, but wearing a thin smile.

“Well done, good and faithful servant,” said the doctor, adding, “not all sermons are preached in words.”

Turning to his class, Dr. Christianson said, “My wish is that you might understand and fully comprehend all that has been given to you through the sacrifice of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Whether or not you choose to accept His gift for you, the price has been paid for it.”

“Wouldn’t you be foolish and ungrateful to leave it lying on the desk?”

Don’t allow yourself or anyone else to become deceived by anything that would interfere with the truth of what Jesus Christ did for every one of us. Especially don’t stand back and watch others be deceived about the greatness of such a divine Savior or about His great purchase of life for all because of a fictional book or a splashy movie. Get on your knees and begin to pray—you and God, you and the Holy Spirit, working together to become a huge majority to impact the outcome of the world today.

Look at what Dr. Phil is saying about wrong patterns of thinking

In looking at Dr. Phil McGraw’s website one day, I read the following excerpt. This is another way of speaking about the unsurrendered soul and its control issues over the lives of those who have not figured out they are being driven by internal things they may have never considered. You unsurrendered soul can be filled with much bad fruit and many weeds grown from wrong seeds you’ve allowed to be planted within yourself.

“Our fixed beliefs define the roles we play in life and have a lot to do with the scripts that are running them. Just as actors follow a play’s script for lines, actions, and attitude, we follow life scripts according to what our fixed beliefs tell us.

“Whatever your fixed beliefs are, you have practiced your script for so long that you believe what it says about you and your potential. This is why life scripts are dangerous. We begin to perceive them as being set in stone. We even allow them to shape the way we expect things to turn out. Fixed beliefs also influence the casting, location, and wardrobe of our scripts. Who is ‘right’ for a part in our
script and who isn’t? What type of living arrangement and attire are appropriate for us…(according to our role)?

“Because our scripts are based on fixed beliefs, we tend to resist any challenges or changes to them. If we suddenly feel happy and fulfilled, but our script says that we should feel sad and hopeless…it just doesn’t feel right…(and we begin to think that) the happy role belongs to someone else. This is an example of why most fixed beliefs are also limiting beliefs. They limit our scripts by dictating what we can’t do, don’t deserve, and aren’t qualified for.”

This is a very good explanation of how wrong patterns of thinking, stronghold thinking, and wrong mindsets in our unsurrendered souls keep us feeding off of what we have learned to accept as “facts” from our pasts. We are often still allowing bad seeds bearing bad fruit to continue to grow in the depths of our unsurrendered souls. The Keys of the Kingdom prayer principles are invaluable in getting these bad fruit bearers rooted out of our understanding. The binding and loosing principles are almost like the biggest spiritual Roto Rooter that ever existed!

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Future Schools Being Planned

After the brief suggestions in last month’s e-newsletter about how to begin writing your own book, a dialogue has opened about learning more about writing. We are in prayer about putting on a very different kind of writing conference in the Fall of 2007 or the Spring of 2008. Most writing conferences bring in many different speakers along with editors, agents, and publishing company representatives. This can be very helpful. However, this LSM writing conference would deal with writing a book while learning how to pray over the writing and praying for God’s will to be in the process of finding a publisher.

Shattering Your Strongholds has an interesting story behind its beginning. After writing the original manuscript, my weekly prayer group used to lay hands on the printed manuscript and pray over it—binding it to God’s will, His timing, and His purposes. We also prayed and bound to God’s will the people He would use to show favor to the manuscript. I had sent the manuscript out to several publishing houses who weren’t interested before my prayer group began to pray this way. Then it finally dawned on me that the principles of the book were the same principles I should use in finding a publisher.

After a few weeks of this right agreement in our prayers, I had favorable responses from four publishing houses. One stood out above the others. A born-again Jewish woman, working for Bridge Logos Publishing, had asked the Lord to give her an understanding of Matthew 16:19. She later related that the very next morning my manuscript arrived on her desk. She was so excited she telephoned me to say that she felt God was in the manuscript.

Her enthusiasm and persistence brought my manuscript before the publisher himself who agreed to publish my book—a very unusual thing for an unknown, unpublished, new author. Many publishers at that time were only interested in works from published authors. An interesting premise: if you need to be published to get published—how do you get published in the first place? With a few months, she moved on to another job. I’ve always called her my Esther, positioned where she was for “such a time as this” to encourage further reading and consideration of the fledgling Shattering Your Strongholds manuscript.

There is something important about being able to use the spiritual principles of your unpublished manuscript to help position it before the people who will publish it. God gives favor and promotion that to those who trust every thing they do to Him. He won’t type your words into your word processor, but He will guard those manuscripts that come forth from a deeper understanding of Him and His Word. He will guard them and give them favor with those who will get them published.

Apologies for Late Production of the New Charts

Earlier this year, we offered new mini and pocket prayers HEALING 2006 and OVERCOMING FINANCIAL LACK 2006. Because of deadlines and new projects, these charts were backlogged, but should ship in 7 days.

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Who and What is LIBERTY SAVARD MINISTRIES?

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This ministry believes the Scriptures are inspired of God, infallible, and fully authoritative for Christian faith and conduct. Jesus Christ, the Son of God, was born of a virgin, lived a sinless life on Earth, died on the cross in a substitutionary work of redemption for mankind, rose again and now sits at the right hand of the Father. Through Christ’s shed blood and renewal of the Holy Ghost, justified by grace through faith, man becomes an heir of God with absolute hope of eternal life.

This ministry teaches Christians how to cause their unsurrendered souls (old natures) to surrender to the will and purposes of God. LSM also teaches Christians how to loose emotional baggage from their souls to create room within themselves to receive all God has promised to them. This allows them to fulfill their destinies while walking in knowledge and power to bring glory and honor to God the Father! This ministry also teaches God’s people how to pray with the Keys of the Kingdom (Matthew 16:19) to impact things on earth so that they come into alignment with God’s already established will in heaven. This ministry is also dedicated to training Christians how to pray purely without “want lists” and instruction manuals for God (so He will know how best to answer the prayers!). Effective prayers with pure motives declare that God’s will shall be done on Earth as He has so set it in heaven.

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