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TRYING TO FORCE SOMETHING

THAT DON'T FIT



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I was listening to this awesome worship by William McDowell, whom we're familiar as singing

I Give Myself Away. But the words to this particular worship song says

I've been captured by a love

I can't explain

Now you have me and I'm forever changed

I've abandoned everything

I've ever know

Now I surrender, my life is not my own

I belong to you (repeat)

In the mist of worship he gives his testimony. At the age of 3 years old, he had told his father and mother that he was saved, and at that same age his grandfather marked his life to go to the nations. And his grandfather died when he was 3yrs old. Those two awesome things were his first memory of God being in his life. When he got to college he decided that he wanted to go to a college party, and someone in the mist said to him: *'What are you doing here?'* It's someone he didn't even know. The person says it again, *'What is a person like you doing here? Go*

home, go home!' William says, I want to go to the party, leave me alone. The other person keeps telling him to go home. William is in line and when he gets to the door of the party, the Fire Marshall closes the door and says *'Go home!'* He turns around to find the guy who had been pestering him that night, and couldn't find him in the crowd; never seen him again.

Trying to force something that won't fit, that's what William was trying to do: force himself; fit himself into that party he wanted to go to and didn't belong in, and God's angels prevented his course. That's what saints try to do. They try to fit a round peg in a square hole; they try to force their flesh into their spiritual being. Galatians 5:17 says, *"For the flesh desires what is contrary to the Spirit, and the Spirit what is contrary to the flesh. They are in conflict with each other, so that you are not to do whatever you want"* (NIV). Saints try to fit themselves into this world's culture, when they are really not of this world. Don't pretend to be something you're not. You can't fit in because God won't allow you to fit into some things when you're marked for His pur-

pose. You may try to force your way and scheme your way back into something God has already called you out of; trying to go back into a relationship that was wrong; trying to go back into an addiction after knowing that it doesn't feel right; trying to hold onto old habits when you know it doesn't fit the Christian lifestyle. I even tried to go back to a church after God said *"Go Home."* I knew what He meant when He told me to *"Go Home."* I loved the church. The church wasn't bad, but that's not where God wanted me to be anymore. I tried to go back twice and God told me the same thing twice. He will allow some things for a season. It might be what we need at that time or grow us

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TRYING TO FORCE SOMETHING THAT DON'T FIT

up. But at a certain point, God knows when to turn the compass, and that thing that used to fit, you can't force it anymore.

Jesus even tried to go back to His hometown of Nazareth. He came to the conclusion that *"A prophet is honored everywhere except in his own hometown and among his relatives and his own family. And he could do no mighty work there, except that he laid his hands on a few sick people and healed them."* Mark 6:45 (NLT). Jesus couldn't force

something that didn't fit (their unbelief). Jesus couldn't force His truth on their unbelief. We have free choice to believe or not to believe. Truth, just like love can't be forced upon a person with free Will. Love is not forced; it just fits when it's received! *"God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believe in Him shall not perish, but have everlasting life."* When God spreads His love, it's not to be rejected, but received and fitted on like a

glove. Wrap in it like a covering, for we will need it in those times we don't want to walk in God's Will.

Don't be like Peter being called out by the servant girl saying *"This man is one of them..."* *"Surely you are one of them."* Peter denied Jesus three times. God loved Peter so much that He later made a special appearance to him after His Resurrection; showing Peter that his denial is forgiven; showing Peter what love looks like. Jesus had given Peter full warning that this would happen, so it was no surprise to Jesus when Peter denied Him. And it's no

surprise to Him as to what we will do. However, it's a surprise to us that Jesus still loves us and wants us. Doing what we don't want to do; or doing what goes against God's Will, will always lead us into an awareness of what's been placed in us from the foundation of the world—we're called, chosen, and complete from the beginning of the world to be fit into His Will and not forced into it! Jesus wants us to be the round peg in the round hole, fit for His purpose. How spectacular is that?

God Bless!

STEP INTO YOUR PLACE

I don't want you to just brush off your encounter with the Lord. It might have happened 2 years ago; a month ago, and even a week ago. Your God encounter might have been...

- your Salvation — your turn around from sin;
- a college student — got a full scholarship;
- a sickness — completely healed;
- a job — you didn't think you were able to get because you have a record;

- an alcoholic or drug addiction — you were instantly changed (delivered from it) and set free by the power of God;
- or you prayed and felt the overwhelming presence of God in your life!

Your encounter with the Lord may not be like anyone else's, but it will cause a tremendous change in your life. It will cause you to search for Christ more and more. Because, just like the woman at the well that wanted that living wa-

ter Jesus had to give. The water, the encounters, the experiences will be a well of life springing up into eternal life. They will be with you forever and ever. The thirst for Jesus' water (His Spirit) will cause your life to change and your change will change other lives just by your testimony. If I tell your testimony, it continuously goes forth, because all testimonies are phenomenal experiences to build your faith and others' faith, to believe for God's touch. Do we rest on one phenomenal experience, or do we want more of God's encounters? There

were and are so many God encounters I've experienced in my life that I haven't written down. This last one was with my 1st grandbaby—March's Newsletter. Only God could do what He did!

It causes our faith to rise; it causes joy within; it causes us to step into our place as Christian believers. It causes us to stand on His Word. It causes us to focus more and more on Him. It caused me to feel His special touch because I've felt it so many times before, and I know that He's not through with

Con't. **STEP INTO YOUR PLACE** will do it for you. I dare

me yet, because I believe of who He say He is, and who He says I am! God can cause our faith to be at a high that we won't to be just ordinary, but extraordinary!

Step into your place and dare to believe God! Take Him at His Word! Believe Him for those things that you don't think will happen because it hasn't happened before; you've prayed for it for a long time, and you've just about given up on what you know God can do; you just don't believe He

you! That's why I'm writing this. It's a God encounter that God wants to release into your life. It's a god encounter!

To those that have encountered the death of a loved one, and now, don't believe God will heal in your circumstances because you really believed He would and He didn't, or could and He didn't. It's just the enemy speaking to you to tell you that God don't heal or He might not heal anymore. I've encountered that, when my mom died. I had

prayed and fasted. Even though she died, I have not given up on God's Promises or His Word.

I believe His Word, nothing else. I still stand on His Word, nothing else. I don't know what's going on the spiritual world or the person's Will, but I do know God has showed me what He can do, if I only believe; if I don't give up on Him, if I stay steadfast and unmovable, abounding in the work of the Lord. The phenomenal experiences don't change from my mind; they are etched in my memory and in my heart. God says

don't give up on "Me!"
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Step into your place!
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Step into your place because it tells others what you believe.
Don't change your belief in God. Like the woman at the well, she went forth to tell others. Your encounter matters; your testimony matters, and your unmovable faith matters! The hour has come and is now here to step out into your place! **God Bless!**

A Mother's Love

A little boy came up to his mother in the kitchen one evening while she was fixing supper, and handed her a piece of paper that he had been writing on. After his Mom dried her hands on an apron, she read it, and this is what it said:

- For cutting the grass: **\$5.00**
- For cleaning up my room this week: **\$1.00**
- For going to the store for you: **\$.50**
- Baby-sitting my kid brother while you went shopping: **\$.25**
- Taking out the garbage: **\$1.00**

- For getting a good report card: **\$5.00**
 - For cleaning up and raking the yard: **\$2.00**
- Total owed: \$14.75**

Well, his mother looked at him standing there, and the boy could see the memories flashing through her mind. She picked up the pen, turned over the paper he'd written on, and this is what she wrote:

- For the nine months I carried you while you were growing inside me: **No Charge**
- For all the nights that I've sat up with you, doc-

tored and prayed for you: **No Charge**

- For all the trying times, and all the tears that you've caused through the years: **No Charge**

• For all the nights that were filled with dread, and for the worries I knew were ahead: **No Charge**

- For the toys, food, clothes, and even wiping your nose: **No Charge**

• Son, when you add it up, the cost of my love is: **No Charge.**

When the boy finished reading what his mother had written, there were big tears in his eyes, and he looked straight at his

mother and said, "Mom, I sure do love you." And then he took the pen and in great big letters he wrote: **"PAID IN FULL."**

Lessons to be Learned:

- You will never know how much your parents worth till you become a parent.
- Be a giver not an asker, especially with your parents. there is a lot to give, besides money.
- If your mom is alive and close to you, give her a big kiss and ask her for forgiveness. If she is far away, call her. if she passed away, thank God for using her as a vehicle to bring you here.

POWER IN THE WORD MINISTRY

For the Word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart. Hebrews 4:12.

MY MISSION: Reach and encourage others in letting you know that God is able to do the impossible.

MY VISION: Articles to be written in a Book to inspire others.

IT CAN HAPPEN

How much more shall your Father which is in heaven, give good things to them that ask him? Matthew 7:11b

MY MISSION: Use this God-given gift for His glory!

MY VISION: Teach others to reach for those God given gifts in them!

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DATES TO REMEMBER 2015

- May 1 May Day
- May 1 National Day Of Prayer
- May 5 Cinco De Mayo
- May 5 National Teacher's Day
- May 10 Mother's Day
- May 16 Armed Forces Day
- May 25 Memorial Day

Bible Quiz - John

1. Flesh gives birth to ... (3:6)
A. flesh B. sin C. pain
2. Jesus' first miracle was turning water to wine in _____ jars. (2:6-7)
A. four B. five C. six
3. Jesus was called Savior of the world by ... (4:40-42)
A. Galileans B. Samaritans C. Greeks
4. How long did Thomas wait to see Jesus after he had appeared behind locked doors to the other disciples? (20:26)
A. 3 days B. 4 days C. a week
5. The right to become children of God was given to children born of (1:12-13)
A. natural descent B. God C. human decision
6. Jesus appeared to his disciples the third time ... (21:1, 14)
A. at Bethany B. behind locked doors C. by the Sea of Tiberias
7. The Word was ... (1:1)
A. God B. with God C. in the beginning D. all of these E. none of these



- God loves me so much that He gave His only Son for me. I believe in Jesus, therefore I will not perish. I have everlasting life Jh.3:16.
- I am not conformed to this world. I am transformed as I renew my mind to God's Word. I experience the good and acceptable and perfect will of God Rom.12:2.
- I want my thoughts to be God's thoughts and I want His ways to be my ways, for the words that come forth out of His mouth shall not come back void, even as I speak it, but it will accomplish and prosper where it's sent as God intends it to be (Is.55:-8).

8. Jesus said salvation is from the ... (4:22)

- A. Jews B. Israelites C. Levites

9. "Does our law condemn anyone without first hearing him...?" was asked by ... (7:50-51)

- A. Caiaphas B. Nicodemus C. Annas

10. The man who "took Jesus at his word" was ... (4:50)

- A. Nicodemus B. Nathanael C. royal official

11. Siloam means ...

- A. Spit B. Wash C. Sent

12. The Jews tried all the harder to kill Jesus accusing him of ... (5:18)

- A. breaking the Sabbath B. calling God his own Father C. making himself equal with God D. all of these E. none of these

13. Jesus told Judas they would not always have him among them but they

would have the ... (12:8)

- A. disabled B. rich C. poor

14. God gives the Spirit without ... (3:34)

- A. measure B. degree C. limit

15. Jews do not associate with ... (4:9)

- A. Gentiles B. sinners C. Samaritans D. all of these E. none of these

16. Hosanna is a Hebrew expression meaning ...

- A. Glory! B. Save! C. Blessed!

17. 'Make straight the way for the Lord' are words from ...

- A. Moses B. Elijah C. Isaiah

18. The people who told Philip they would like to see Jesus were ... (12:20-21)

- A. Greeks B. Romans C. Galileans

ANSWERS:

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| 18. A | 17. C | 16. B | 15. C | 14. C | 13. C | 12. D | 11. C | 10. C |
| 9. B | 8. A | 7. D | 6. C | 5. B | 4. C | 3. B | 2. C | 1. A |