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POINTS OF
INTEREST

- God is not through developing His examples in the earth.
- Every voice has a significance!
 - Your voice
 - Enemy's Voice
 - God's Voice
- Two feelings you experience; Conviction or Condemnation.

A SECOND CHANCE...
ANOTHER CHANCE...

Think about it, you're in a situation or you've come through a situation and now you have another chance. How will you live your life?

Everyday we're living in our second chances. When Jesus went to the cross, died, was buried, and arose from the dead, we were given another chance to live the life God intended us to live. Believe me, there will be many more situations to conquer and many more second chances to unveil because God is not through developing His examples in the earth. Our second chance in life is to give

Him glory.

God opens our eyes morning by morning and breathes into us the breathe of life. He has allowed us to be saved and filled with His Holy Spirit. He has allowed us to recover from sickness and be healed. He has allowed us to come from jail or prison and make a new life. He has allowed us to recover and walk away from bad abused situations that He did not intend us to be apart of. He has allowed us to get new homes, new jobs, and new vehicles that we didn't think we could get.

There are so many worldly things tugging at us today, that giving up and giving in to

wrong impulses and the enemy's voice seems the easy way to go. Let me tell you that that's a crack for the enemy. That's a foothold. The NIV says, *and do not give the devil a foothold (Eph. 4:27)*. That's worry you don't need. We can't act on our impulses or former habits. *Remember ye not the former things, neither consider the things of old. Behold, I will do a new thing; now it shall spring forth... (Is. 43:18-19)*. Those old impulses lead to disappointment and discouragement. God has so much more He wants to give us to allow his glory to shine. You have another chance,

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WHOSE VOICE WILL YOU FOLLOW?

Every voice has significance. We have to know which one to listen to and which one to follow. There are three voices which speak to us: Your voice, the enemy's voice, and God's voice. There are two feelings you experience; Conviction or Condemnation.

Conviction is from the Holy

Spirit, prompting us to confess and be restored to fellowship with God.

Condemnation is from Satan, trying to convince us that we're no good, and that God will never forgive us. His purpose is to keep us away from God by making us feel guilty.

There is a simple test to see if you're experiencing condem-

nation by the enemy or a gentle conviction by the Holy Spirit. Guilt and/or shame will draw you further away from the Lord and deeper into sin. Conviction is the Holy Spirit nudging us to confess and turn from the sin as He provides the power to overcome.

There is a way that seems right to man, but its end is the way of death Prov.14:12 Con't on Page 4

A SECOND CHANCE / ANOTHER CHANCE

so don't give up. God's love for us is stronger than any love out there; any love we think or thought we have or had for someone, or for something, including father or mother. His love is so far reaching that it grabs us out of the depths of hell, to give a life way beyond our dreams. Things that you thought you'd never be doing are already there in you, and God pulls them out of you for

His glory. He pulls them out to let you know that He's in control. Nobody else can do what He's called you to do accept you, and it's all for someone else. That's the way He's planned it. Praise God! It's your testimony that's needed.

When we have been given another chance, it's saying, God knows my potential, God knows my capabilities, and He knows how I can

function in a better way. Make it personal! There is so much to me than what meets the eye. You have greatness that has not even been unleashed. You must be able to see what God sees. He says Now see this I am *more than a conqueror* (Rom.8:37), *I am His workmanship... (Eph.2:10), I am a chosen generation, a royal priesthood... a peculiar people (1Pt.2:9), an over-comer (Rev.12:11).* Now see what

He wants you to do. He has given the Holy Spirit as your "Helper"!

The word says, *Every plant which my heavenly Father has not planted, shall be rooted up (Matt.15:13).* Those old habits, those old secrets, those old friends, those old impulses you can't seem to break free of shall be rooted up. That's why we have to feed on

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other good things there in God's Word. You can never do it by yourself!

You can't stop doing the things of God that keeps you rooted and grounded: reading the Word (The Bible), meditating and memorizing scripture. Because in the bad times, the off season times, the rough times, that same word has to come up out of your spirit, so you can

tell the devil no! You can be that fierce, bold vessel God is developing.

God's grace is always there to give us another chance to learn that the tares of life have to come out so the wheat of life can flourish. This is a process where God, prunes and purges your inner man. What comes to mind are the fruit of the Spirit: *Love, Joy, Peace, Longsuffering, Gentle-*

ness, Goodness, Faith, Meekness, and Temperance. All a process! This fruit is of the Holy Spirit and not of man. Meaning you can't make it come forth. It only develops as we are led of the Spirit. And we can only be led of the Spirit by making the Cross the object of our faith. (Everything is nailed to the cross)!

Can you see Him giving us a second chance? There on the cross? Can you hear Him saying, "*Forgive them for they know not what they are doing?*" Father? (Luke 23:34), Can you hear Him saying, "*It is finished?*" (John 19:30). *We are sealed to the day of redemption (Eph.4:30).*

"Second Chances Gives God Glory, Us The Victory!"

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Remember out of every fierce battle come some scars that the enemy wants to leave or God want to remind you of His goodness- (another segment). What I mean by fierce is that the devil does not want to turn loose. However, there is deliverance for you, there is restoration for you, and there

is wholeness for you. Jesus is the only one to carry these scars. Look at the nail prints in His hands and feet, His side print. He's carrying them for you so you won't have to! God intends your life to be whole and fruitful. Don't carry the side-affects of these scars either. Remember the Hebrew boys, how they came

out of the burning fiery furnace? *...the fire had not touched them. Not a hair on their heads was singed, and their clothing was not scorched. They didn't even smell of smoke! (Dan.3:17 NLT). ...where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom (2Corth.3:17 RSV).*

If you have resentment in

your heart where people have wounded you, and you're discouraged, and you're still talking about it, let it go! Don't give them this kind of permission over your life. If you need to forgive others, then forgive and let it go! Joseph, in the bible came **Con't on page 3**

PRAYER:

Father I come to you as humbly as I know how asking for forgiveness of my sins. *Search me, O God, and know my heart: try me, and know my thoughts. You are my Refuge, my Fortress, and my God in whom I trust.* My heart is yours to change.

This day I speak life into my atmosphere and give no place to the negative thoughts or the enemy of lies. I need your wisdom for every test that I go through. I speak that Your De-

vine solutions will inhabit my thoughts and that the favor and peace of God come on me today.

Keep my tongue off the problem and keep it on the solution, which is, You. *Set a watch, O Lord, before my mouth; keep the door of my lips. I decree and declare that the weapons of my warfare are no carnal, but mighty through God to the pulling down of every stronghold.* I pull down strongholds of mental argu-

ments and defeat, past failures, doubt, fear, unbelief, resentment, depression, the spirit of infirmity, disobedience, gluttony, addictions, and I *cast down (vain) imaginations, and every high thing that (tries to) exalt itself against the knowledge of God, and (I) bring (them) into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ. My thoughts are now subject to the lordship of Christ.* And I

speak that God's anointing destroys every yoke in my life.

I speak that I am healed, set free, spirit-filled, and delivered from every tactic of the enemy. **PRAISE GOD!**

A SECOND CHANCE/ ANOTHER CHANCE (CON'T):

to the conclusion, *...it was not you who sent me here, but God (Gen. 45:8).* He released his resentment and moved beyond it, and ministered to the needs of his brothers. He refused to become the victim of other people's actions. He chose to see it God's way. It's time to be about your Father's business. Don't carry the side-effects of these scars where you've inflicted wounds and didn't have a chance to turn things around, the door is closed, the person's gone, the opportunity lost. I tell you the same cross that cancels your sins of that you gave power to cancels your sins of error. Confession, not remorse brings God's forgiveness and cleansing from all sin. Renewing your faith in the God of second chances can

make up for the years that the locust has eaten. So, to have this second chance, you have to give those scars to Him. Scars of pain, scars of hurt, scars of shame, scars of abuse, scars of frustration, scars of discouragement, scars of suicide. And if I haven't called out your scar, tell Jesus about it, because He wants that second chance for you and he won't condemn you.

Yesterday is long gone and another chance has been given. What will you do with a second chance? What will you now let the Father handle? And how will your burden be lighter? I want to be the best I can, in getting out and giving out all God has placed within me to help others. There is no turning back or

slowing down. For when I follow God, there are always more people He wants to touch with encouragement through me, and I have to stay ready. He is always there to feed me because I trust Him. For I always know that it's not me but Christ in me, the hope of glory. Hallelujah!

Your second chance might be for your family, to have a loving relationship. Your second chance might be a healing in your body that helps someone look at their situation and say I want to live, it's not over! A second chance might be to fulfill your dream of ownership after having bad credit. A second

chance might be for the least expected person to want to continue their education or getting their GED. Remember the Father gave us a second chance through His Son Jesus Christ! And His love continues from generation to generation. The second chance has already been created for you by God.

Walk in **Con't on page 5**

“The Father Gave Us A Second Chance Through His Son Jesus Christ! And His Love Continues From Generation To Generation.”

CON'T: WHOSE VOICE WILL YOU FOLLOW?

WHEN THE FLESH-SELF SPEAKS :

Hesitation- Self has to think before it speaks.

Deception- We can be led astray by our own hearts since we do not fully understand ourselves.

Double-mindedness- Wanting two opposite things at the same time results in instability

Unregenerate desires- The voice sounds like our own, with our own inflections and intonations, and speaks of, the same old desires that you used to indulge in.

THE CHARACTER OF GOD AND THE CHARACTER OF THE ENEMY :

Because my enemy shouts at me and a wicked person persecutes me. They bring misery crashing down on me, and they attack me out of anger Ps.55:3 GWT.

Tone of the enemy of our faith: Accusing, nagging — a mocking voice generating fear and shame, causing con-

fusion, projecting a sense of rejection and ministering questions like: *Yes, has God indeed said? (Read Gen.3:1)*

Tone of the Voice of the Holy Spirit: Loving voice of our Father, imploring, beseeching and urging our return to Him *Come to me all ye who are weary and heavy laden and I will give you rest. Matt.11:28*

Discouragement is the message of the enemy of our faith: He centers his attack on you as a person and cuts your self-image to ribbons. He pushes to agitate and provoke, deceive, accuse, scheme against you to be disobedient to God *(Read I Chron. 21:1)* and tempts you in areas of weakness. He tells you that you are weak and not one of God's chosen ones. He tries to ruin you without cause *(Read: Job 2:3).*

Encouragement is God's Message: He encourages you to rely on God's power, not on your own righteousness or strength. He encourages you to be anxious for nothing and

most times doesn't give a deadline. He comforts and encourages the broken hearted and proclaims liberty for the captives. *Be kindly affectioned one to another with brotherly love in honor preferring one another Rom.12:4.*

Remember all the past" says the enemy: The devil replays the videos of your past memories of sin and guilt and shame. He draws up accounts of your past sins, failures and offenses that are under the blood. *For mine enemies speak against me... Ps.71:10.*

"Forget the Past!" Is The Sprit Speaking?: The Holy Spirit tells you your sin is forgotten, cleansed, removed, covered and put away, never to be held against you. *There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit Rom.8:1*

The message of the enemy is rejection as by the holiness of God: He dis-

guises himself as an agent of holiness and an angel of light *2 Corinthians 11:14.* He produces the feeling that God has rejected you as unworthy and unholy. Satan speaks of God as your judge and you as a miserable sinner. He emphasizes "good works" instead of God's grace. The message is to "do, do, do" and yet you can never "do" enough to "measure up."

The Holy Spirit draws you to God: There is a pull of attraction towards God. He generates in you an unexpected kindness, love, long-suffering, forgiveness and new beginning with God's help. The Holy Spirit speaks of your permanent relationship with God, drawing you to the

The voice of the LORD is powerful; the voice of the LORD is full of majesty. Ps.29:4

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Son of your Father *Joshua 1:8-9.* The emphasis is to experience and live in God's grace and forgiveness! He desires all men to be saved to come to the knowledge of truth.

The enemy brings negative scriptures to mind: The devil knows how to quote scripture to his people. Satan threatens judgment and says, "Grace is

denied because you didn't fulfill the conditions." He uses the Law against you to justify yourself and rely on your own righteousness. He comes and sometimes takes away the word which has been sown. *When he lies, he speaks according to his own nature, for he is a liar and the father of lies Jn.8:44c.*

The Holy Spirit brings Positive Scriptures to your remembrance: He speaks of the unchanging nature of God and of His steadfast love towards us. He confirms that God remains faithful to His covenant even when we prove faithless for a time. He assures us that He is our

help and strength. *Faithful is He who calls you, and He also will bring it to pass. 1Th.5:24*

The enemy works to isolate you: Suggestions are sown that cause you to withdraw from other Christians and he works on you to make you think that they reject you. In your isolation, you then feel lonely, hurt, unworthy, rejected

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by others and angry. He works to divide you from others. *The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy Jn.10:10a*

The Holy Spirit Draws you to Fellowship: The Spirit sends others to minister to you in love – thus you learn to accept other’s words of encouragement and to appreciate one another and their ministry to you. He sends others to open your eyes to turn from darkness to light so you may receive forgiveness. He works to unite us in love with other believers. *For the king had taken counsel, and his princes, and all the congregation 2Chro.30:2.*

The enemy of our faith emphasizes feelings: He tells you that the way you feel is the way things really are, even if facts differ (i.e. feelings are truth!). Your feelings of guilt, despair, hopelessness and doubt of God’s love for you are made to seem real. He encourages feelings of frustration at God’s unfairness and partiality and

focuses on half-truths to influence and control you and acts as a stumbling block to set your mind on your interests, above God’s. *A fool vents all his feelings, But a wise [man] holds them back Pro.29:11*

The Holy Spirit states Truths about you and God: The Holy Spirit gives you correct doctrine and the whole truth. Learn the Word of God to avoid being fooled by Satan. The Holy Spirit will guide you into all truth to move, influence and inspire you. He will also guide you to set your mind on God’s interest instead of man’s interests. *Matthew 16:23.*

The attack of the enemy is destructive and demoralizing: The object is to get you to curse God to his face *Job 2:5.* He fills your heart to lie *Acts 5:3.* He encourages selfish ambition, arrogance, lying, bitterness, jealousy and disorder.

The Holy Spirit Disciplines in Justice: He disciplines as a loving Heavenly Father. His wisdom is pure then peaceable, gentle, reasonable, full of mercy, and

unwavering without hypocrisy. *The Lord knoweth how to deliver the godly out of temptations, and to reserve the unjust unto the day of judgment to be punished: 2Pt.2:9*

The Devil accuses: He accuses you of having committed the unpardonable sin. He’s quick to judge and quick to accuse. *One day the angels came to present themselves before the LORD, and Satan the Accuser came with them. Job 1:6.*

The Holy Spirit reassures you of God’s Forgiveness: He states the fact that it is Christ who saved you and continues to keep you. He reminds you that God is patient and long-suffering. *And be ye kind one to another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God for Christ’s sake hath forgiven you Eph.4:32.*

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...therefore if I know not the meaning of the voice... 1Corth.14:11a

- SAY “NO” to the enemy
- When it’s contrary to God’s Word.
 - When you have prayed and God has said no
 - When you feel manipulated
 - When you feel intimidated
 - When you feel uneasy
 - When you feel hesitant
 - When you feel punished
 - When you feel used
 - When you feel rushed
 - When you feel unsure
 - When it’s an unrealistic offer
 - When you feel condemned
 - When you feel guilty

And let the peace of God rule in your hearts... Colo.3:15

- SAY “YES” to the God
- When it’s in agreement with God’s Word
 - When you have prayed and received a confirmation from God
 - When you feel at peace in your spirit
 - When you have thoughtfully thought out the consequences
 - When you have sought godly counsel
 - When you feel convicted

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the truth of His word and allow His love to shower you with peace.

Exa.14:14

The LORD shall fight for you, and ye shall hold your peace

Isa. 26:3

Thou wilt keep [him] in perfect peace, [whose] mind [is] stayed [on thee]: because he trusteth in thee.

Read Isa.57:13-20

God Bless !

Question: Tell me what people in the bible that had second chances or were given another chance, and tell me the circumstances. Also tell me your second chance story. I’ll be waiting for your e-mail or letter for those that don’t have computers.

Thank you !

Place your feet upon God and His Word and you won’t be moved no matter who is coming against you, no matter how strong the winds are blowing!

ALPHABETICALLY LEARNING THE



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:

Be on the web reaching those I don't see but God does.

BELIEVE ! 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 the God-given gifts for His glory!

My VISION:

Teach others to reach for those God-given gifts in them

BIBLE CHALLENGES

The names of sixteen books of the English Bible are hidden in the text of the following paragraph. Can you find all sixteen of them?

I once made a remark about the hidden books of the Bible. It was a lulu. Kept people looking so hard for facts and for others it was a revelation. Some were in a jam, especially since the names of the books were not capitalized. But the truth finally struck home to numbers of readers. To others, it was a real job. We want it to be a most fascinating few moments for you. Yes, there will be some really easy ones to spot. Others may require judges to help them. I will quickly admit it usually takes a minister to find one of them, and there will be loud lamentations when it is found. One little lady says she brews a cup of tea, so she can concentrate better. See how well you can compete. Relax now for there are really sixteen names of books of the Bible in this story.

1ST WEEK	2ND WEEK	3RD WEEK	4TH WEEK
TRUST IN THE LORD WITH ALL THINE HEART; AND LEAN NOT UNTO THINE OWN UNDERSTANDING PROVERB 3:5	UNTO US A CHILD IS BORN; UNTO US A SON IS GIVEN; AND THE GOVERNMENT SHALL BE	UPON HIS SHOULDER, AND HIS NAME SHALL BE CALLED , <i>Meditate on these for 30 days</i>	WONDERFUL, COUNSELOR, THE MIGHTY GOD, THE EVERLASTING FATHER, THE PRINCE OF PEACE. ISAIAH 9:6

“There are no failures - just experiences and your reactions to them.”

Tom Krause

Dates to Remember - June 2009

June 14 Flag Day

June 19 Juneteenth (Emancipation Proclamation)

June 21 Father's Day

Category: The Book of Proverbs

Quiz: Temptation (Look these up to get the answers).

- Discretion shall preserve thee, understanding shall keep thee: To deliver thee from... Prov.2:11-12 _____
- For the commandment is a lamp, and the law is light, and reproof of instruction are the way of life to keep thee from... Prov.6:23-24 _____
- And why wilt thou, my son, be ravished with a strange woman, and embrace the bosom of a stranger? For the ways of man are, and he pondereth all his goings. Prov.5:20-21 _____
- But whoso committed adultery with a woman lacketh understanding: he that doeth it... Prov.6:32 _____
- Can a man take fire in his bosom, and his clothes not be burned? Can one go upon hot coals, and his feet not be burned? So he that goeth in to his neighbour's wife; whosoever toucheth her... Prov.6:27-29 _____
- My son, give me thine heart, and let thine eyes observe my ways. For a whore is a deep ditch; and a strange woman is a narrow pit. She also lieth in wait as for a prey, and among men. Prov.23:26-28 _____
- My son, if sinners entice thee... Prov.1:10 _____
- Let not thine heart decline to her (the harlot's) ways, go not astray in her paths. For she hath cast down many wounded: yea, many strong men have been slain by her. Her house is... Prov.7:25-27 _____
- Remove thy way far from her (an adulteress), and come not nigh the door of her house: Lest thou give thine honour unto others, and thy years unto... Prov.5:8-9 _____
- And thou mourn at the last, when... Prov.5:11 _____
- Solomon looked through a window and saw a youth going to the house of harlot. How did he describe the young man? Prov.7:6-7 _____
- What time of day was it when Solomon saw this man going to the harlot's house? Prov.7:8-9 _____