

# EDITOR'S WORDS **BY GLORIA JEAN** WOODARD

I continue to ask those that desire to place encouraging articles or testimonials in the PITWM Newsletter, please contact me through "Contact Me" or email directly to gwoodard001@comcast.net (1 page please).

I know others that may be going through some circumstances would certainly be refreshed with your Word from the Lord!

That has been my desire to allow others to use their God-given talent and anointing for God's glory. Don't let your purpose fall by the wayside, but allow God's Word to grow deep into the good soil of others and trust God to be in charge of the Word you give forth because it will bring joy and release to your heart. This year will be a most significant year for many, especially so, when God is in it!

# **STAY IN YOUR LANE:** DON'T GET SIDE-TRACKED this race all that are

This reminds me of the track and field runners I was looking at the other day. Each runner in his own lane to run a particular race. When they begin to run, they look bunched up. Well, they're running at a pace waiting for the opportunity to pass the runner before them.

Well, after passing, the focus is the finish line and staying ahead of the other runners. They run in the inside lane, and try not to allow another runner to pass them. Only one will receive the "Gold" (metal).

In God's race, it is not given to

the swift, nor the battle to the strong (Eccl. 9:11). In

headed for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus, win (Phil.3:14). Keeping your eyes on the prize. This means to not sweat the small stuff. It's only small stuff to get you out of your lane; to get you side-tracked. Go back to your training what keeps you rooted and grounded; go to the play book (the Bible). Transformation is a daily process to stay on the track of life. Bunches may come but with endurance and patience all will receive a "Crown" to present to Jesus! God Bless!

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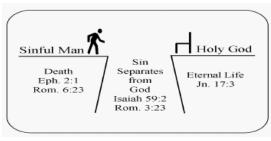
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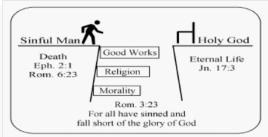
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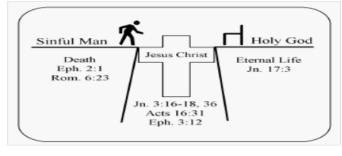
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#### Man's Problem Separation From God — The Futility of Our Works







God's Solution

# TURNED AWAY!

My husband and I were at an event in which another person was honored. Others said to my husband, they're waiting on you. He proceeded to take me by the hand and lead me to the place he thought he was going to enter. However, we get to the door and was turned away because it was only for the honoree and his guests. Well from a human point of view, it was embarrassing. I felt embarrassed for my husband because he was always included but I was never, so it didn't mean all that much to me. One thought from the enemy: Out of all you've done; all that they've asked you to do, they didn't make room for you? Well, No! — Get Over IT!

 The Heart: It's not about what you've done to get invited to sit with the honoree. It still shows



that works don't mean anything with God. It's all about the heart!

Tell the devil—Get Back!

2. Miscommunication: It was a miscommunication with outsiders and also with those that were in charge of the function. If you communicate plainly with others by announcing what you're specifically doing for all of the participants to know, then others wouldn't get it wrong; no one would be in the dark, and assumptions won't be made. Change is hard when dealing with people. And mercy is even harder!

Well, I'm reminded: "For whosoever exalteth himself shall be abased and he who humbles himself shall be exalted" Lk.14:11. Also, "He hath shewed thee, O man, what is good; and what doth the Lord require of thee, but to do justly, and





to love mercy, and to walk humbly with thy God?" Micah 6:8. The Word always keeps me in check.

3. The Door: Lastly, God shows me that it's better to have a physical door closed in your face than a spiritual door. Don't get upset about getting into a room where people don't really know you or know your value. But God says, be upset when you can't get through the door of heaven; when you haven't come up to My standards—having a relationship with Me that really counts.

Be ready to come into the door of the One that knows all about you and you won't be turned away because His standards are the only ones that count. This is a lesson for all: Look pass the physical and turn to the spiritual. Stay humble before God, who is the one that really matters!

God Bless!

# GOD IS NEVER WRONG Received this e-mail

A king, who did not believe in the goodness of God, had a slave who, in every and all circumstances, said: "My king, do not be discouraged, because everything God does is perfect, no mistakes!"

One day the king and his slave went hunting, and along the way a wild animal attacked the king. His slave managed to kill the animal, but could not prevent his majesty from losing a finger.

Furious and without showing his gratitude for being saved, the nobleman said "Is God good? If He was good, I would not have been attacked and lost my finger."

The slave replied: "My king, despite all these things, I can only tell you that God is good, and he knows "why" of all these things. What God does is perfect.

He is never wrong!"

Outraged by the response, the king ordered the arrest of his slave.

Later, he left for another hunt and was captured by savages who made human sacrifices.

On the altar, ready to sacrifice the nobleman, the savages found that the victim was missing one of his fingers, so he was released. According to them, he was not complete so he could not be offered to the gods.

Upon his return to the palace, he authorized the release of his slave, then, he received him very affectionately.

"My dear servant, God was really good to me! I was almost killed by the wild men, but for lack of a single finger, I was let go! But I have a question: if God is so good, why did he allow me to put you in jail?" "My King, if I had gone with you on this hunt, I would have been sacrificed for you, because I have no missing finger; therefore remember, everything God does is perfect. He is never wrong."

Often we complain about life, and negative things that happen to us, forgetting that nothing is random and that everything has a purpose.

Every morning, offer your day to God, don't be in a rush. Ask God to inspire your thoughts, guide your actions, and ease your feelings. And do not be afraid. God is never wrong! You know why this message is for you? I do not know, but God knows, because He never makes mistakes......

The path of God and his word is perfect, without impurities. He is the way of all those who trust in Him, as he says in 2 Samuel 22: 31

What you do with this message is up to you. May God put in your heart the desire to send it to someone. God knows why He chose you to receive this message.











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During one of the hottest months of the summer in Iraq, my unit conducted what is known as a Spur Ride. This was in the month of May of 2010, and because of the soaring heat in that region it was the last period at the beginning of the summer that the event could be held. In the summer months, the temperature in Iraq can rise as high as the mid 130s degrees and even higher. During this event any military service member was allowed to participate. We had to go through several grueling obstacles and combat related tasks which started at around 4:00 AM and lasted until 12:00 AM the next morning. This particular event started off with over 65 participants both men and women and crossing the finish line was only 22 troops, 20 men and two were ladies. This event was what the Army Cavalry units call a Spur Ride. If the troops are able to successfully complete all obstacles and tasks, they will be awarded their gold spurs and blue Stetson hat. There are two different types of spurs; Gold spurs which is award when they are earned in the combat zone and Silver spurs when they are earned during peace time in garrison.



My team started off with a disadvantage as we had eight members and the other teams had 12. Within the first few hours we lost four of our team members because they could not make it through the first few tasks. My team also had a very small lady, named Captain Jennifer Green (Blackwell) who just happens to have a very big heart, a lot of stamina, and a great deal of de-

termination. Because of her small size, she was the reason that a lot of the men hung in the event as long as they did, and it was certainly for me. We were not going to let this very small

lady do something that we couldn't do. In addition to having a small lady on the team, the other disadvantage was me. I was in good shape, but I was also the oldest participant that went through the event. I was 45 years old at the time and the next closet person to my age was about 39 years old. Because we had only four members on our team, it was also difficult to do some of the events that were easier with more team members. All in all, when the last task was over the only two of the eight females that started off were still standing, and so was the oldest participant of the event. There was one Spur Ride held before this one, and at least four others once the weather was cooler later in the year. Out of all of the participants of all of the spur rides, I was the oldest one that made it through. This was something that I would have been able to do with ease years ago, but it was very difficult at my age given the injuries that I have sustained over the years. I was hurting for at least a week later, but I was at least able to pull it off. Man, talking about tough, It was very tough and I would never do something like that again! "BUT I MADE IT!"

For the amazing performance by my teammate; seeing that she was able to overcome the rigors of that event, and that motivated other men to hang in the course, I wrote a poem in honor of commitment and dedication. This was a very tough course and I will have to say that it was one of the toughest events that I have ever completed during my 28 years in the Army. Regardless of how difficult it was I was able to make it through and so was the little lady along with another lady that was even smaller than she.













#### $ilde{~}$ A DEDICATION TO THE MILITARY WOMEN AND ALL WOMEN WHO ARE GOING THROUGH SOMETHING $ilde{~}$



### "THERE'S NO DOUBT IN ME"



Written for Captain Jennifer Green (Blackwell) by Donald Zuzu Williams 26 May 2010

Why people doubt me I just don't know
It's like I have to prove myself everywhere I go
Can't they see that I was born a girl
And now I doing all I can, living in a man's world
I look around and what do I find
A lot of strong men left behind
They say you're a lady, too small, too cute too
But just don't let the cute face fool you

I've been around the world and back again
I can still make up my face and get dirty with the men
Yes, yes I must confess
That I will never do anything less than my best
And when the results come out all will see
That there should have never been any doubt in me
I won't give up and I won't give in
I'm determined to go on, I'm determined to win

I'm not conceited, cocky or think I'm so good
I just have confidence in myself, as much as anybody should
If you can believe in me the way that I do
It's the same respect that I will give to you
Some things are tough and that way from the start
But it takes guts, yes, it takes heart
They can yelled at me, pushed me, they can make it rough
But they can't break my will with none of that stuff

was a gift from the start for my Mom and Dad
The most precious gift they ever had
They gave me life and that was their best
Now it's up to me to do the rest
From the beginning of life when I made that first sound
It's been my destiny to succeed and I won't let them down
Throughout my life I've tried to survive
And it's been the will on my heart that has kept me alive

No, I can't give up and I will never give in
I proved it once and I will prove it again
I have to keep it real and have pride in myself
No matter if there are doubters or if there's nobody left
My life is an example and I must give it my all
I may stumble a bit, but I will not fall
Somebody knows that there's no doubt in me
At least he thinks of me as an MVP



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PRAYER Thank You Lord for every opportunity to praise and declare Your Name and Your goodness! Forgive me of my sins, known and unknown this day. May the power of the Holy Spirit convict my heart that I may repent and forgive. My heart is in Your hands to mold and shape. Thank you Lord!

As I lean on Your power today to be directed, humble me that I may see the good You have in store for others even when it comes out the wrong way. I know that I am challenged every day to be an example of You. I'm so glad that I can see the smallest change even when others can't. I'm glad that You do not leave me in the shape I used to be in and I'm glad that You also see the smallest change of heart.

Hallelujah to the Lamb of God; Hallelujah to the Prince of Peace; I pray for the body of Christ to work as one. Let there be no separation of mind, body, soul, and

spirit; all working on one accord.

Let there not be a foothold of the

enemy of greed, power, jealousy, contention, or bitterness. I bind every distraction that tries to come in to disable the work and Word of God. The body will have challenges but they are overcomers because of Christ who strengthens them.

I cast every care upon You dear Lord to work out for our good and to show forth that there is victory in serving You!

Praise You for the good and the bad, because we all learn through circumstances, in Jesus' Name

Amen!

## HOW IMPORTANT IS SPIRITUALITY TO GOOD HEALTH?

The Bible talks about the body as a temple and you're supposed to take care of the temple so it can serve you, Dr. Kimberly Hicks, an Oakland, Ca. based physician tells Jet Magazine. When you have good spiritual well-being, your mind is quiet and at peace. When your mind is quiet, your body is able to fight off disease and take care of you. When the mind is disturbed, it takes away from the body's ability to do what it does best.

Our mental state certainly has a huge impact on our physical health. If we constantly stay angry, stressed, sad, or depressed, medical experts say we open ourselves to a host of health problems (high blood pressure, heart disease, diabetes, digestive disorders, ulcers, migraines,

insomnia, even cancers) or make those conditions worse.

The mind-body connection is extremely strong and very powerful, Dr. Carole D. Stovall, a Washington, D. C. based licensed psychologist and executive coach who worked with individuals and corporations, tells Jet Magazine.

Our thoughts and our beliefs affect our entire immune system—our blood pressure, our fertility; everything that it means to be a biological human being is affected.

Whether you believe in the power of prayer or positive thought, health experts say a change occurs in our bodies when we share our innermost thoughts with God or allow our minds to reach that state of ultimate bliss. Our im-

mune systems get a boost. Our brains release chemicals that serve as natural pain killers and mood enhancers. Our blood pressure decreases; stress and anxiety are reduced.

Stovall asserts, citing studies which show even how intercessory prayer—praying for someone other than yourself—sped recovery time and reduced complication in people who were ill. Feb. 2002





#### **POWER IN THE WORD MINISTRY**

For the Word of god is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any twoedged 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.

#### **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!

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John 6:58-69 (NIV)

Bread followed hard







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"Don't cry because it's over, smile because it happened."

DR. SEUSS

"But better to be hurt by the truth than comforted with a lie."

KHALED HOSSEINI

#### DATES TO REMEMBER 2012

Independence Day July 4 Parent's Day July 22

# Scripture For The Month

"In the world ye shall have tribulation but be of good cheer, I have overcome the world." John 16:33b

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to whom shall ? You have the John 6:68 (NIV)

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1.	To come after; to
	go behind someone.
2.	Sharing knowl-
	edge with others.
3.	To reverse di-
	rections.
4.	The original fol-
	lowers of Jesus.
5.	To accept as true
	or real.
6.	Continuing forever.
7.	Difficult to under-
	stand, accomplish, or finish.
8.	To go away from;
	depart; abandon or forsake.

Turn leave teaching disciples Follow hard eternal believe