

HIDDEN HILLER

THE MYSTERIOUS WORK OF ANGELS IN THE BIBLE AND IN MY LIFE

JESSE DUPLANTIS

Always Keep Two Tires on the Snow

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

I had to get back to New Orleans. I was preaching in Crossett, Arkansas and the meeting was done, and I had a drive ahead of me. It was winter and freezing cold. There was snow coming from the sky and it was just bad. I had to get myself from Crossett to Monroe, Louisiana, because that was where I could catch a flight back to New Orleans. Back then, there was an airline called Republic Airlines, and they flew that route regularly. I was tired from preaching and not too excited to be driving in such bad weather.

Before I left that Assembly of God church, I remember the pastor saying, "Brother Jesse, it is snowing so bad and it's cold. You know how to drive in this kind of weather?" You see, he knew that I wasn't used to snow. I'm from South Louisiana and we rarely get snow. It's a freak event if we do. So, we just don't *know* how to drive in that kind of weather. We slip on a raindrop mixed with oil! So, you know snow and ice is just a recipe for hydroplaning. "Well, I'm gonna try to make it," I told him.

"Be careful of black ice," he told me, and I asked, "What does that mean?" "It's very slippery," he said and told me a little more. You see, I had no idea about such things back then. Well, we exchanged a few more words and said goodbye, and then I drove off into that weather.

By the time I hit about forty-five or so miles into

my trip, I was driving in what was almost white-out conditions. I'm telling you, it was bad. I had the heater on full blast in that little rental car and I was still kind of cold. I was straining to just see the road, and I was driving pretty slowly. I'd made it to this long stretch of road that looked about two-miles long, and there was nothing but woods on both sides.

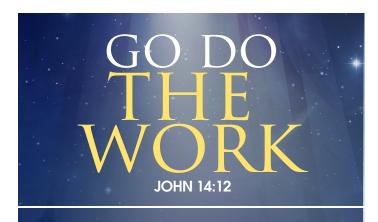
Well, just like that pastor had warned me, I hit some black ice—and when I did, the rental car started sliding sideways. I tried to correct the slide and thought I could because I wasn't going fast at all, but I had zero control, and as the car went sideways, I felt like it was speeding up. Before I knew it, it turned and sent me straight down this huge embankment toward the trees. That's when I hollered out, "Oh, Lord!!!!!" There was nothing I could do, and before I knew it, I was sliding into branches.

Now, I was only going maybe 35 mph, but it was still pretty scary going down like that. The branches were thick with packed snow, and all I could hear was pop-pop-pop as I slid down that embankment—the snow falling all over the car in clumps as the branches hit. Finally, I came to a stop, and when I did, I was thankful! I hadn't hit a tree directly head-on and that was great. What wasn't too great was that now I was off the road, down in an embankment and STUCK.

God, what I'm gonna do? I thought to myself. The black ice had gotten me, it was late and dark, and I was on a long stretch of wooded road in the middle of a snow storm. Man, I guess I'm going to have to just sit here and let this engine keep running, I thought to myself. So that's what I did . . . for about five minutes. It took that long for me to start feeling the cold setting in and to realize that the rental car's heater couldn't keep up with the cold outside the windows. So, I decided to get out and go back up to the road on foot.

I climbed up the embankment and looked both ways—and there was just nothing. It was quiet, still snowing, but black as an ace of spades with no good lighting on that road. With nothing and nobody around, I just didn't know what to do. All of a sudden, I saw a light and then two, and I realized somebody was coming. "That's a vehicle!" I said aloud.

It was a pickup truck with an old man behind the wheel. I was a lot younger then, but now that I think about it, he seemed to be about the age I am now. I didn't have to flag him down. He stopped on his own.



"I just entertained an angel unawares," I told myself. "The angel said to keep two tires on the snow," I said aloud to myself and laughed.

"Hey, young man, looks like you need some help." "Yes, sir," I said, shivering in the cold.

"It's cold out here, isn't it?" he asked.

"Yes, sir," I said again.

He looked down the embankment and saw the rental and said, "Well, I got a chain in the back of this truck and I think I can get you out of there."

"Well, I certainly thank you," I said. We talked briefly, and then he got out and started getting the car all hooked up.

"Would you do me a favor?" he asked, "Get back in the car and when I pull on it, make sure your wheels are straight." So, I did and after a little bit, he pulled my rental straight out of the mud and snow, and I was back on the road.

I thought, God, thank You, Jesus!

We looked at each other and the car, and he said, "Well, the car's not damaged, and you're not damaged. You think you're gonna be all right?"

I said, "Yes, sir," again, and I told him thank you and just started to talk about the situation. "Man," I said, "I'm trying to get to Monroe, Louisiana to catch a flight in the morning . . ." You see, the service I'd preached that night had gone long. The Holy

Spirit had been flowing, and after hanging out in the back with the pastor talking some more, I was really running a lot later than I'd wanted to.

So, I told him all about that and he said, "Well, I'm gonna give you some good wisdom. Make sure two wheels on the car stay on the snow side. In other words, drive two wheels on the shoulder, where the snow is. That'll give you traction."

"Remember," he said to me, "if you go to turn a curve like this and there's ice, you're just gonna slide down the curve, *Rrrrr*, and you're gonna start spinning again." I started to answer, but he interrupted me and said, "Do what I say, okay? And it'll help you."

"All right, thank you, sir! I'm from South Louisiana," I said, "You know, we don't have this kind of weather down there, not like this anyway."

He ended the conversation then with, "Well, you have a good day and ... nice meeting you."

I said, "Is there anything I can do, to pay you . . . something?"

"Oh, no," he said and smiled at me, "this is what I do." I thought that was a strange thing to say, so I nodded and put my car in drive. But before I could even roll, I thought, *No, I gotta give that guy something*! So, I put the car back into park. It had only been maybe 20 seconds since I'd heard the last words he ever said to me . . . but when I opened my door to get out, he was gone. His truck was gone. And there were NO lights on the road.

Like I said, that stretch of road was a good two-miles long and straight as an arrow. I looked down one way and then the next. I couldn't believe my eyes. It was silent. The snow was still falling . . . and there was no truck, no man, no tail lights, and no . . . well, nothing! I was alone again. I couldn't help myself, "Good God!" I said aloud standing in that street. And I remembered suddenly that scripture from Hebrews 13:2, ". . . some have entertained angels unawares."

"I just entertained an angel unawares," I told myself. "The angel said to keep two tires on the snow," I said aloud to myself and laughed.

I got back into that car in sheer amazement, and I slowly drove to Monroe, Louisiana, just like he said, and caught my early flight back to New Orleans International Airport.

Angels, like the one who helped me on that snowy

road, are what I call *The Hidden Help*. They remain unseen to us, working in the spirit realm mostly, but they can also take on human form and walk amongst us. They can change their appearance at will. They can adopt a human look if they are on assignment to intervene or interact with us in some way. Sometimes, when they do this, it seems like they purposefully leave clues for us to notice after-the-fact. They did this in biblical times, and they still do it today.

"Let brotherly love continue. Be not forgetful to entertain strangers: for thereby some have entertained angels unawares."

Hebrews 13:1-2

This verse is a reminder that God's angels don't stay in Heaven. Many are here on earth and go back and forth between the spirit world we cannot see and the natural world we can see. God always has angels on assignment. I believe they help us more than we even know. They see what is going on in a way that we can't, and they move according to the will and Word of God. The more we speak God's Word, the more they listen and attend—because they were created to serve Him.

These mysterious angelic servants of God are a blessing. They're just one more way God gets things done, whether it's on the earth, the heavens, or in Heaven itself. And I really do believe, just like Hebrews 13:1-2 says, that we should make living in brotherly love a habit and treat the strangers we



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encounter in life (along with those we already know) with goodness, generosity, and a heart to do right. After all, we really don't know who we're talking to some days. We don't know at all! That stranger helping you in a pinch? That stranger asking for help from you? Well, they might not be what you think they are. They just might be on assignment to you.

It All Started with a Boardroom Chat!

Jesse and Cathy's powerful Boardroom Chat entitled "Angels: Our Hidden Help" was the source of inspiration for Jesse's newest book, *The Hidden Help*. With over 150,000 views across all of our social media platforms, this particular message has resonated in the hearts of countless believers who have encountered the godly protection of these glorious beings. This message has also aired as one of our weekly broadcasts so that television viewers around the world could learn about the supernatural guidance sent from God in the form of our magnificent angels.

Watch this Boardroom Chat and countless others on our official social media platforms and the JDM App!



PRAYER OF SALVATION

"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. For God sent not His Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through Him might be saved."

John 3:16-17

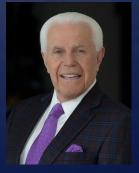
Do you know my Jesus? If you've never prayed a prayer of salvation, or if you just need to come back home to God where you belong, would you take a moment and pray with me today? This prayer below is a guide, but feel free to talk to God from your heart. Wherever you are right now, no matter what your situation, be sincere and God will meet you where you are—He will hear your prayer, loose the chains of sin off of your soul, and set you free with the blood of His precious Son, Jesus. 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—and I believe that You sent Your only begotten Son to pay the price for sin and to redeem all who accept Your plan. 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 right now. Wash my sins away and create a new heart in me now. Thank You for paying the price for me on the cross. Thank You for drawing me to You and opening my eyes to the truth. From this point 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. I want to find my best life in You. Thank You, Jesus! I know Your favor will surround me and Your blessings will follow me all the days of my life, and Heaven will be my eternal home. 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."

If you have prayed this prayer, you are 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 daily for wisdom. 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, and 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. Welcome to the family, and may God bless you as you go and grow!

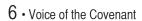






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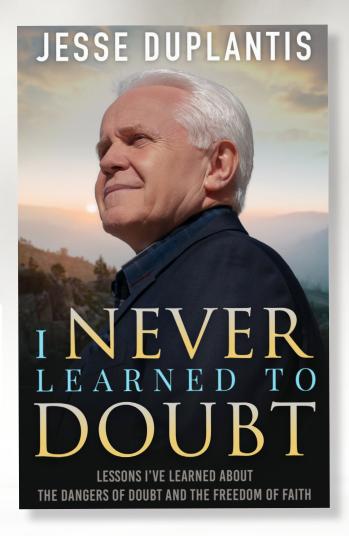
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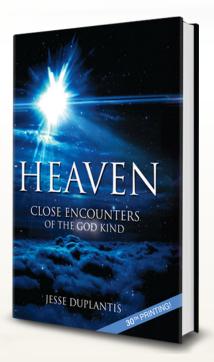
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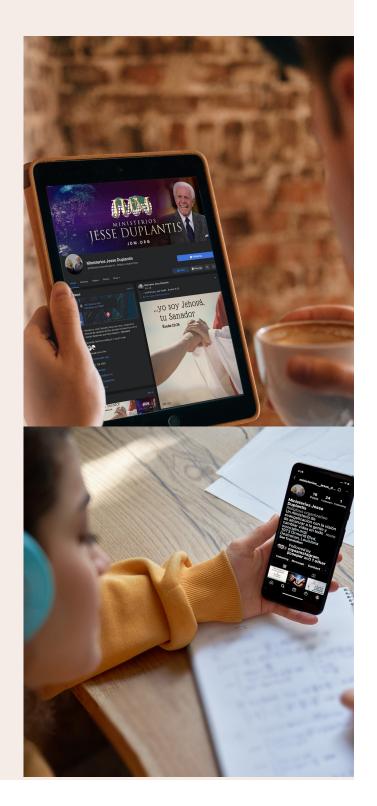
Jesse Duplantis Ministries' Spanish Outreach is in full swing, and Team JDM is working around the clock in order to reach the Spanish-speaking community for Christ. This new project has been strategically designed with Spanish speakers in mind and offers a variety of different outlets for the Word of God to be translated and proclaimed throughout Latin America and beyond.

More than 559 million people speak Spanish worldwide and that number continues to increase each day! Jesse and Cathy are standing in faith and believing that this phenomenal project will bring others to the knowledge of Christ through the many available platforms Jesse Duplantis Ministries has to offer.

Here are some of the many wonderful ways JDM has started sharing the Gospel in Spanish:

- Jesse Duplantis Ministries' weekly TV Broadcast dubbed in Spanish
- Powerful monthly video messages dubbed in Spanish
- JDM Spanish playlist on our official YouTube platform & JDM App
- Social media content translated into Spanish on Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, and more to come
- Digital version of the Voice of the Covenant magazine translated into Spanish
- Jesse & Cathy's books available for Spanish readers

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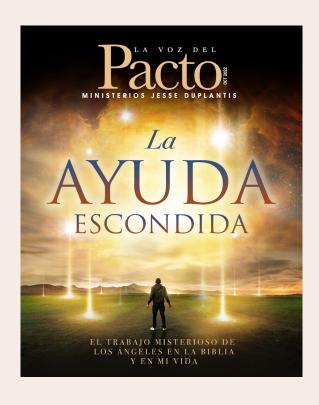


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This issue of La Voz Del Pacto is now available on JDM.org in a digital format. In this version of the ministry magazine, everything is written for Spanish readers. Jesse and Cathy's articles of faith are readily available with just a click of a button so that everyone, everywhere can be filled with the wisdom of God's Word!





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GLORIOUS MOMENTS with Cathy

I hope you are ready to erupt with excitement and joy about what God has done through JDM around the world. Psalm 40:16 (TPT) tells us, "But let all who passionately seek You erupt with excitement and joy over what You've done! Let all Your devoted lovers rejoice continually in the Savior, saying, 'How great and glorious is our God!"

Each testimony we receive is a glorious moment in the lives of real people who have decided to passionately seek God. Let's all rejoice continually about our great and glorious God!

Scotland: I was so excited when I heard you were coming to the UK! I have been watching you since I was a little girl with my mum. I remember sitting as a little girl laughing so much whilst watching your "A Merry Heart Doeth Good Like a Medicine" videos. And since then, you have taught me so much as I have grown up with your teachings, and continue to do so. You are both a comfort to me. I love the Boardroom Chats together. They're such a blessing! I feel like I'm just sitting with you both having a chat! Cathy, I watched your Glorious Women's Conference a couple of months ago and it blessed me so much. You are such an inspiration. I also love your Glorious Living videos. Every day I go to the JDM YouTube channel to check if there's any new videos to upload. I personally have been a Partner with your ministry for a few years now, and I have tithed since I had the means to do so. I learnt a lot from your theme "Great Expectations Get Great Results." The Lord helped me get an amazing job as a junior television editor (the company had never hired anyone so young, straight out of university. I was the first! Praise God!) Although, due to Covid, they delayed my start date by a whole year, I prayed and asked God to help me and guide me with what to do. He then gave me the idea of starting my own small online business from home, which provided me with a great income whilst waiting on my job! I have now been in my junior editor job for 8 months, and I still run my own small business at the same time! Over the past 6 months or so, I have been believing for financial increase and for a new car. Glory to God, I got a raise at my work! And God brought along the perfect car for me, which I've always wanted! Thanks to my great wage raise at work, I can afford it. You are both simply a blessing, and I learn so much from you both. I thank you for your ministry, your teachings, your books, and all the work you do. I thank God all the time for you both!

Arkansas: I am an airline pilot. Last May I resigned from my position because I could no longer commute to work. I watched JDM 2021 Visionary Conference online. During the first night, Brother Jesse took an offering for an avionics upgrade for the ministry's airplane. I planted a \$116 seed into that project believing for a pilot upgrade as well. For the past year, I have been driving with Uber and Lyft sprinkled in with a little bit of Doordash. The Lord was with me during this time and blessed me with a financial promotion. I was making more money being a taxi driver than as an airline pilot. Fast forward to June 2022. I was offered a job as a pilot for an airline that is owned by American Airlines. I didn't even have to do an interview. I applied and they sent me the job offer about 3 days later. My previous employer paid me \$31,198.33. My new company is going to pay me around \$100,000 for the first year and around \$150,000 in the second year! Glory be to God! Not only that, but since this company is owned by American, I have a guaranteed job with American Airlines a few years down the road with no interview required. Thank you, Jesus!

Italy: Wow, I'm so happy I found you, sir and ma'am. For the last two years, I was in a time in my life where I was newly married to my beautiful wife, we just had our super-intelligent son, and the house we were leasing was about to be sold. The owner wanted us out. The job I had had given me a temporary contract and with that, it is impossible to lease any house here in Italy. I needed more faith, so I kept listening to the Word and speaking forth what we wanted. During that time, I found you on YouTube preaching at the Southwest Believers' Convention, glory to God. I loved you right away, and I knew in me that you are going to be my Spiritual Father. Since then, I have been listening to your messages every day. God told me we would get a house without the need of a permanent contract. Glory to God, we got our new house without the need of a permanent contract some months later. And then I got a job that pays me twice as much as the old job, and I got a permanent contract. God is so gracious and kind. My wife and I love your ministry a lot. We've been blessed and became monthly Partners and tithers with your ministry. Today, I was listening to one of your sermons and you talked about the Partner wall. We'd like to be on that wall too. Thank you so much and continue the great work. We trust you.

New Mexico: Cathy, I just wanted to let you know how much I enjoyed your message "Heaven: an Eternal Destination" from your 2021 November *Voice of the Covenant* magazine. Each one of your points—Tickets, Please; All Aboard; and Bon Voyage—were so well stated and researched, and then ended with our Eternal Destination. How could anyone not want to get aboard? I am blessed by all of your messages. I also want to thank your ministry for praying for my son. You and Jesse are certainly a blessing to so many people and I am glad I am one of them. Thank you and blessing and prosperity to you, Miss Cathy.

Wisconsin: The Lord is a "SHOCK & AWE" GOD! Praise the Lord! He can make a way where there seems to be no way! I finally got my settlement from a car accident I was in 3½ years ago. There was more than enough money to pay off our house, van, doctor bills, and other bills. We are now debt free! Plus, I tithed off the gross amount. It is the Lord Who gets the glory for it all! He took what the devil meant for destruction and turned it around for His glory. Thank you for all the years of praying for us and believing with us, as your Partners, for a financial breakthrough!

Facebook: I watch you and Cathy every chance I get. I enjoy your preaching because you preach the true Word of God, and you don't sugarcoat anything.

Louisiana: I had been trying to sell my house for years. Since becoming a Partner with your ministry, the Lord has blessed me tremendously. I sold my house for a lot more than I thought I would. Then two months later, I received an extra \$50,000.00 I never expected. God is faithful. You truly reap what you sow. I've sowed for years with not only money but also helping people.

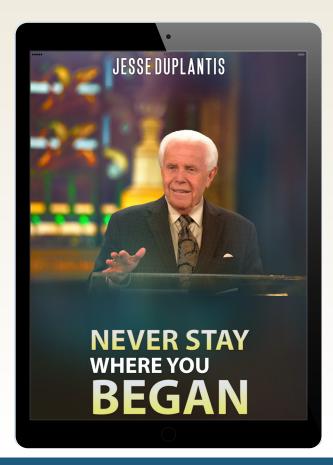
New York: I received your Partner Letter and what comfort and reassurance it brought as I read it. I thank God for leading me to your ministry and to becoming a Partner. My life on a whole has been changing as I learn more and more from your messages, and how to live as a citizen of Heaven. I am always praying for you and your ministry to continue to flourish. I was placed on a no-pay leave last year because of my refusal to take the vaccine. As a result, the budget in my family was sometimes real tight. I was in prayer asking the Lord to provide a seed for me to send into JDM. It was past the time when I usually do, but I had no money after budgeting and paying the bills. While I was praying, a message was on the TV and I heard the person speaking say, "If you can't sow the amount of seed you usually sow, sow what you have, but never stop sowing." Instantly, the Lord showed me how to rearrange the bills and found seed to sow. I prayed over it, claimed a hundredfold blessing, and a soul for every dollar, and sent it by text the next day. The following day, and throughout the rest of the week, I experienced financial breakthrough. This enabled us to honor the monthly financial responsibilities, but most importantly, to sow. Hallelujah! We are so thankful to the Lord that we are Partners with your ministry, which is reaching people and changing lives. Our lives are being changed! We connect through YouTube with all your teachings and have learned how to live the God kind of life.

Tennessee: Thank you both for the Boardroom Chats and Faith the Facts. Y'all have had a great influence on our lives and have gotten us back in church.

Facebook: Your book *Distortion: The Vanity of Genetically Altered Christianity* is one of my favorite books that you have ever written! It has totally opened my eyes to absolute truth! I got the book in 2013 and have referred to it even now. Thank you for your obedience to God and all your teachings.

Facebook: Jesse Duplantis Ministries has helped me tremendously when I was going through some of the toughest battles of my life. Sometimes, just seeing Pastor Jesse's joy, laughter, and peace got me through.

Facebook: Thank you, Pastor Cathy Duplantis. I love your Bible Study classes. They have helped me to continue my walk with Jesus.



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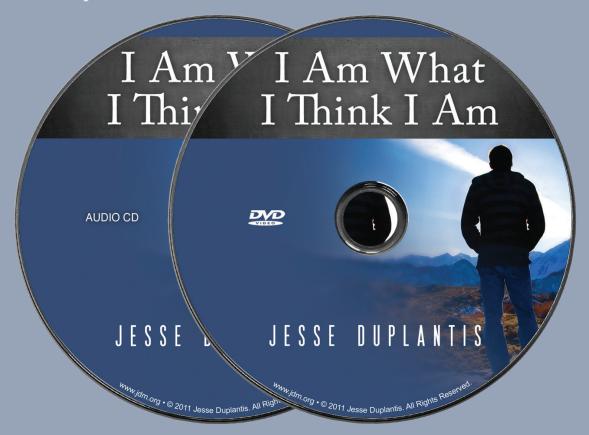
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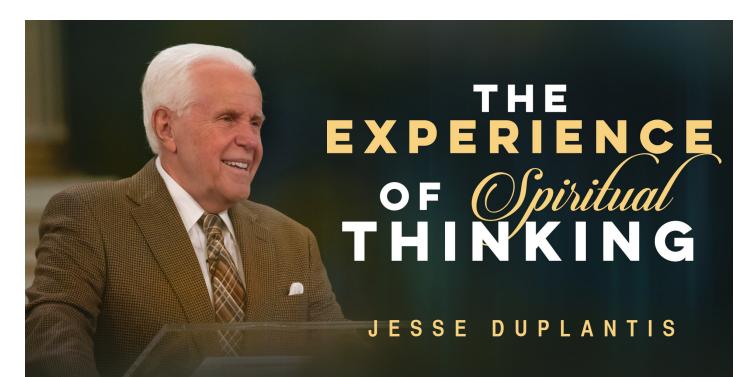
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There's a statement I often say before I begin to preach a sermon. I tell the congregation that preaching should never supersede thought. Instead, it should make you think. In other words, preaching should never be so intellectual, theological, homiletical, hermeneutical, or philosophical that, after hearing that teaching, you walk out of church without one thought about how it relates to your life.

Now I believe in education; I believe it's very important in life. At the same time, the Bible is a living Book—it is a Person in written form. John 1:1 says it perfectly: "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God." So, you see, the Bible is not just a book of text to be intellectually understood. It's alive and progressive, constantly creating, transforming, and doing wonderful things. That's why I believe a good sermon should compel you to really think about it.

I'm talking about spiritual thinking. In my opinion, the greatest intellectual mind ever drawn to the realm of Christianity was the apostle Paul, formerly Saul of Tarsus. He was so highly religiously qualified that he had the power to kill religious people. But after his conversion and throughout his ministry, his approach was never one as a philosopher. He had more of a salesman's approach when it came to sharing the Gospel of Jesus Christ. He wasn't just a theologian; he had a personal experience with Christ, and so he was a true witness of Who Jesus was and Who was

empowering him to share the Gospel with others.

Now this man Paul could talk! He was a brilliant theologian and in no way was he against intellect; he used it all the time! But when it came to the deep things of God, he called them a mystery. He knew he was dealing with unsaved people, so he understood that in order for them to receive the mysteries of God, they needed to experience the Lord spiritually and not just intellectually. Go with me to 1 Corinthians, chapter 2, where you'll see Paul address this very thing. Here, he's writing to the Church of Corinth; but, remember, this is God's letter to *you* and to me. Let's begin reading with verses 5-7:

That your faith should not stand in the wisdom of men, but in the power of God.

Howheit we speak wisdom among them that are perfect: yet not the wisdom of this world, nor of the princes of this world, that come to nought:

But we speak the wisdom of God in a mystery, even the hidden wisdom, which God ordained before the world unto our glory.

Now let's jump ahead a bit and read verses 12-16:

Now we have received, not the spirit of the world, but the spirit which is of God; that we might know the things that

are freely given to us of God.

Which things also we speak, not in the words which man's wisdom teacheth, but which the Holy Ghost teacheth; comparing spiritual things with spiritual.

But the natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God: for they are foolishness unto him: neither can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned.

But he that is spiritual judgeth all things, yet he himself is judged of no man. For who hath known the mind of the

For who hath known the mind of the Lord, that he may instruct Him? But we have the mind of Christ.

So, you see, natural thinking is opposed to the things of God. Read verse 14 again, which says, "But the natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God: for they are foolishness unto him: neither can he know them..." The human mind considers spiritual things foolish because it can't understand them. Also, notice at the end of the verse how Paul didn't say that the natural man can't believe the things of the Spirit of God, he said he can't even know them. Why? Because they are "spiritually discerned."

That's because no natural man can know the mind and thoughts of the Lord without experiencing Him for themselves. But the wonderful thing is, as believers, we have the mind of Christ (verse 16). I like the way that the Amplified Bible, Classic Edition translates this in verse 16: "... But we have the mind of Christ (the Messiah) and do hold the thoughts (feelings and purposes) of His heart."

Now, remember, that when you received Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior, that's when you received the mind of Christ. So for you to be able to think higher, the way a Christian should, there must be a revelation of and confidence in the Holy Spirit dwelling inside of you. He's your Witness, ready to guide you and lead you to God's way of thinking. That's why a personal experience with Jesus always comes before doctrine—a personal experience is always ahead of dogma. Spiritual thinking is vital for every believer who desires to live out the magnificent plan and destiny God has for them.

Christians should never neglect their own spirituality. You'd be surprised how many people do that. They focus on working out their physical bodies, yet they don't realize how important it is to work out their spirits. As believers, you and I are each responsible for

our own spiritual growth—our character depends on it! We should be thinking spiritually all the time. It's a good thing!

What I love about spiritual thinking is how it courts investigation and it welcomes inquiry. I mean, you start thinking about something spiritually, and questions begin to pop up like, "Wow, why did God do that? And why did He do it that way? What is the Lord saying to me in this?"

Consider spiritual thinking this way: Do you remember when you got saved? How would you define what happened to you? You really can't do it intellectually, right? Maybe you're looking back on your experience and you're thinking, "Well, it felt good." But sometimes you don't feel good. You're still a Christian, right? When you invited the Lord into your heart, something magnificent happened to you—an *experience* you'll never be able to fully explain intellectually. But it's from that experience that God's divine doctrine became open to you.

I enjoy thinking God's thoughts. Thinking His way is the only way to really understand people and love them the way we're called to. God sees the heart of a man. So in order to understand someone the way He does, you need more than just a clear head; you need a sympathetic heart. That's what I mean about spiritual thinking, glory to God!

See, as a born-again believer, you don't have to yield to the thoughts and impulses of your old carnal nature anymore. Allowing your intellect or emotions to control your thinking can obscure vital spiritual truths that Jesus wants you to receive. God gave you His Spirit so that you can realize and appreciate everything He's given you. His thoughts, feelings, and purposes are *in* you to explore!

So how do you lead your thoughts when things are going wrong or even going right? You start by going to the Word! The Bible is a Spiritual Book and meditating on it is key to thinking God's way. When you train your mind to focus your thoughts on Christ—the Holy One living inside of you—the divine life Jesus promised you begins to unfold. Remember, you have not received the spirit of the world but the Spirit which is of God, so that you may know the things that are freely given to you by Him (1 Corinthians 2:12). I pray that you experience spiritual thinking every day so that you can experience God's living power at work not only *in* you but *for* you!

Think Like God Think Higher!



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- You must not neglect your own spirituality, because you are responsible for it and your character depends upon it
- Christian thinking courts investigation and welcomes inquiry
- Christianity is not a theory or a body of truth it is a personal relation, an obedience, and a life of Christ
- Understanding people requires more than a clear head—it also requires a sympathetic heart

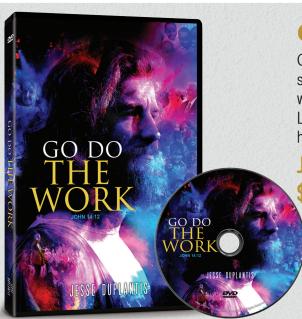
You have God-given gifts that the Lord wants you to explore, develop, and enjoy. When you learn to center your mind and thoughts on Christ with the Holy Spirit as your Guide, the divine life Jesus bought for you will unfold. Experience spiritual thinking and experience God's living power at work *in* you and *for* you every day.

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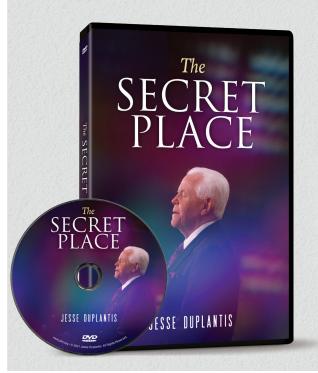
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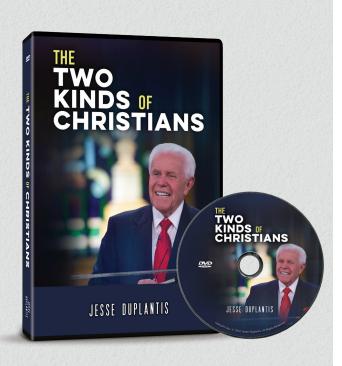
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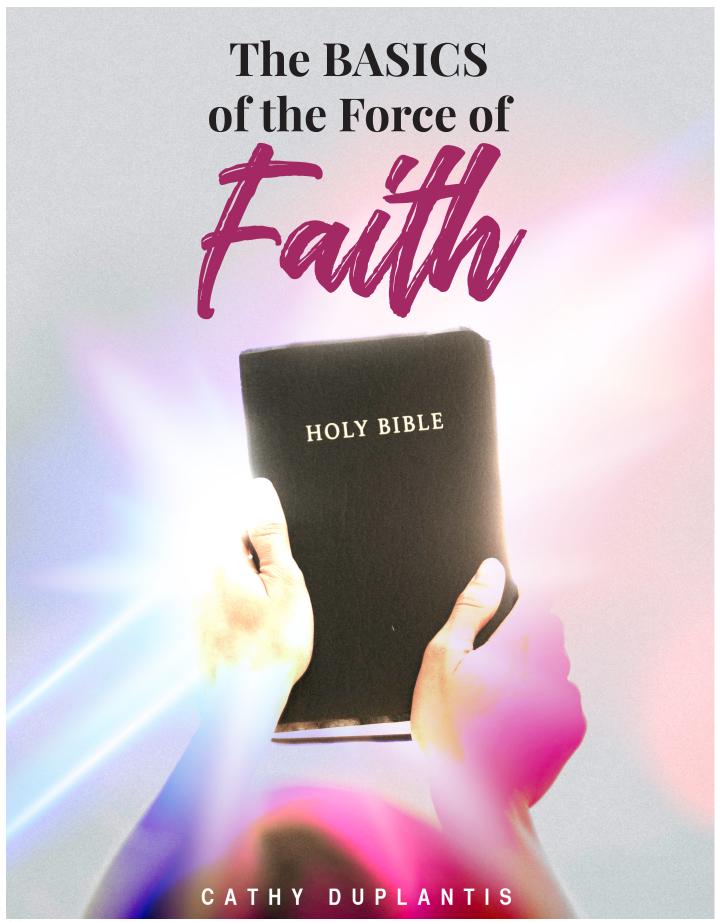




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You are a world overcomer! Yes, I'm talking to you! The Bible says so in 1 John 5:4: "For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world: and this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith." No matter what problem you may be experiencing, if it is in the world, God has given you victory over it.

Inside every born-again believer is a force of faith that is more powerful than any attack the devil can launch.

God wants you to live every single day of your life by faith. Romans 1:17 says, "For therein is the righteousness of God revealed from faith to faith: as it is written, The just shall live by faith." Now since we know that God expects us to live by faith, it is important that we study what His Word says about faith. Although we can't learn everything the Bible says about faith in this short article, we can establish some of the basics.

So, what is faith? Well, faith is defined in the dictionary as "confident belief in the truth, value, or trustworthiness of a person, an idea, or a thing. Belief that does not rest on logical proof or material evidence." However, I want us to look at the Bible definition of faith in Hebrews 11:1: "Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen."

I know that there may be some things that you have hoped for and have not seen yet. But faith is the assurance that you have it now, regardless of what you see. This same verse in the Amplified Bible, Classic Edition says, "Now faith is the assurance (the confirmation, the title deed) of the things [we] hope for, being the proof of things [we] do not see and the conviction of their reality [faith perceiving as real fact what is not revealed to the senses]."

Faith is your title deed in the realm of the Spirit! It is your evidence, proof, or reality that what God has promised will come to pass. By faith Daniel shut the lions' mouths. By faith Moses parted the Red Sea. By faith Joshua defeated Jericho. By faith Jesus walked on the water, multiplied food, healed the sick, and raised the dead....and by faith *you* will receive the *things* you *hope for*, too.

Faith: How Do You Get It?

So, how do you get faith? The Bible tells us in Romans 12:3 that "God hath dealt to every man the measure of faith." The moment we are born again, God places the force of faith inside of us. This is the same kind of faith that God used to create the world. However, it is our responsibility to study God's Word and use our faith so that it can grow strong and increase.

It is kind of like a newborn baby. A baby has every muscle they need to run and jump the moment they are born into the world. But before they can do any of those things, they will have to learn to use those muscles. They may not be able to run, jump, skip, or do cartwheels when they are a newborn baby, but the day will come when they will. Little by little, they will grow and develop by using what they were given at birth.

Romans 10:17 says, "So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the Word of God." Faith is a continual process. When you hear God's Word, it stirs up faith and builds you up spiritually. The more you hear God's Word, the stronger in faith you become.

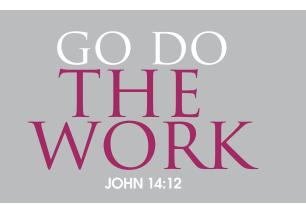
There is no limit to those that will walk in the shoes of faith like Abraham did. "And being not weak in faith, he considered not his own body now dead, when he was about an hundred years old, neither yet the deadness of Sarah's womb: He staggered not at the promise of God through unbelief; but was strong in faith, giving glory to God" (Romans 4:19-20).

Learning to Use Faith

Once you know what faith is and how you get faith, it is time for you to learn to use it. Faith won't do you a bit of good unless you put it to work. How do you do that? I am glad you asked!

In Luke 17:5, the apostles asked Jesus to "increase our faith," and He gave them the key to doing just that in verse six. He said, "If ye had faith as a grain of mustard seed, ye might say...."

The key to increasing your faith is to *say* something. Your faith is going to grow and strengthen every time you speak the promises of God from your heart with your mouth. If you are sick, declare to your body: "Surely He has borne my sicknesses. Surely



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He has borne my diseases. And by His stripes I *am* healed" (Isaiah 53:4-5). When you speak God's Word, you are activating your faith. You are acting on what you believe and you are going to see results.

So, Jesus says, "If ye had faith as a grain of mustard seed, ye might say unto this sycamine tree, Be thou plucked up by the root, and be thou planted in the sea; and it should obey you" (Luke 17:6). That sycamine tree can be symbolic of whatever you're exasperated with. All you have to do is spell it a little differently, like "sick-a-mine." I know that I'm sick-a-mine...are you sick-a-yours?

I am sick of some things in this life. I am sick of the devil ripping people off. I have declared that I am bankrupting the devil. I tell you, I have waged a war on him. He has been stealing things from me for too long and I have drawn a line. I have said, "No more! Your days of stealing, killing, and destroying are over." In fact, I've put him on disability! I refuse to let him work. I tell you, when you know the Word of God, you can put your foot down and keep him on disability. He can't do one mighty thing around you.

I want it to be said that Satan could do no

mighty work in my family, ministry, city, state, and nation because of my faith. I tell you, when you believe by faith, Satan can do no mighty work.

The "Believing" Connection

Now, there is a vast difference between faith and believing, although they do work together. It is not enough to say you *believe* in Jesus, you have to *act* on that belief by asking Him to come into your life. Romans 10:9-10 tells us to believe with our heart and confess with our mouth and we shall be saved. Faith is acting on what you believe. If you want something from God, you are going to have to act by believing God's Word in your heart and speaking it out of your own mouth. It is not enough to just to *think* about what you want. You must *say* what you believe.

Second Corinthians 4:13 says, "We having the same spirit of faith..."—talking about the kind of faith God used, the God kind of faith, to create the world. It says, "We having the same spirit of faith, according as it is written, I believed, and therefore have I spoken; we also believe, and therefore speak."

That is why we speak—it is *because* we believe. You are going to have to declare your healing. You are going to have to declare your prosperity. You are going to have to say things like, "I have given and it shall be given unto me: pressed down, shaken together, and running over shall men give unto my bosom" (Luke 6:38).

Put a Demand on Faith!

Deuteronomy 30:11,12,14 (AMPC) says, "For this commandment which I command you this day is not too difficult for you nor is it far off. It is not [a secret laid up] in heaven, that you should say, Who shall go up for us to heaven and bring it to us, that we may hear and do it?...But the word is very near you, in your mouth and in your mind and in your heart, so that you can do it."

God made it easy so that we can get it done. However, the choice is still up to us. Verses 19 and 20 go on to say, "I call heaven and earth to witness this day against you that I have set before you life and death, the blessings and the curses; therefore, choose life, that you and your descendants may live and may love

the Lord your God, obey His voice and cling to Him. For He is your life and the length of your days...."

It is important that we put a *demand* on our faith and *expect* things to happen. Why? Because if you don't use it, you're going to lose it. God has imparted to every man *the measure of faith*, but if you don't use your measure, you are going to lose the effectiveness of it. You won't have the benefit of its power.

Faith for Healing

When I first learned about faith, I discovered a large growth on my wrist. I thought about getting it cut out, because I heard they don't just go away and will just keep getting bigger. But I remember making a quality decision to put my faith to work on that growth and demanding that it go away in the name of Jesus. It was my "faith exercise," and I was determined to be victorious!

I focused on 2 Corinthians 4:18, which says, "While we look not at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen: for the things which are seen are temporal; but the things which are not seen are eternal."

This verse was perfect for my situation, because I knew that even though I could see this growth every day, it was temporal—temporary, subject to change by the Word of God. My focus was on the eternal Word of God that promised me healing and health to my body. Every day I had to *look not* at the growth (the seen) and declare my promise of healing. I was using the force of faith: "Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen" (Hebrews 11:1).

Since I was still learning the basics of faith, I did not realize the importance of declaring my faith. One day in church, the Lord told me, "Cathy, you haven't ever told anybody about this. You keep hiding that thing because you think this is just between you and Me. But I want you to tell that lady that is sitting behind you about it."

So I turned around and looked at the lady behind me. I had met her before, but I didn't know anything about her. And so I said, "Look, I want to show you this growth on my wrist because I believe that God is going to heal me. But I have just realized that when He does heal me, no one would know because I have always hidden this growth. So I want you to look at it because one day you are going to look at my wrist and the growth will be gone." She just smiled at me and didn't say a word.

As far as I was concerned, it was done. I continued to praise and thank God for divine health every single day. Then one day, while I was in church praising the Lord, I noticed that growth was totally gone! I got so excited, and I looked around for that same lady. I went to her and I said, "Look at my wrist! I told you that growth was going to be gone. Praise God!"

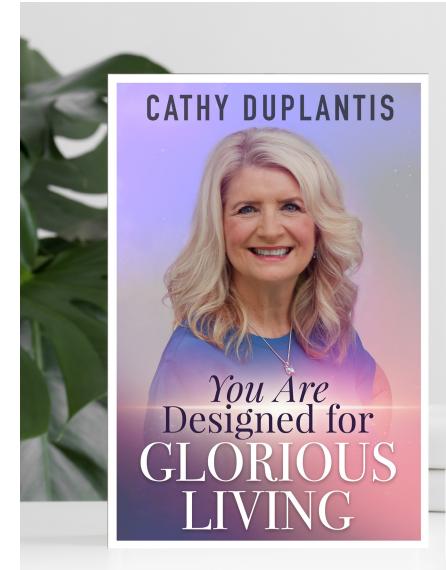
She said, "Yes, Cathy, I remember that. And you don't know this, but I am a nurse." She explained the name of the condition and told me, "Those things don't go away by themselves. You've got to have them cut out. In fact, sometimes they come back." That was over 45 years ago and that growth has never come back, and it never will! Hallelujah!

Your Own Real Bible Faith

Ephesians 6:16 tells us, "Above all, taking the shield of faith, wherewith ye shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked."

If you are facing the impossible, you have an opportunity to look within yourself for your own measure of faith and start *using* it. Faith is a force and it is *in* you right now. If you use it, you can overcome any problem in this life. Faith changes the way you think and act. Real Bible faith sees the invisible, believes the incredible, and receives the impossible—and that force has the ability to *change* outward circumstances.

Determine today that you are not going to go another moment without using real Bible faith. Make a decision that, right now, you are going to exercise your own measure of faith in a greater way. I promise that if you do, you're going to have greater assurance, greater confidence, and greater joy in this life simply by exercising the force of faith!



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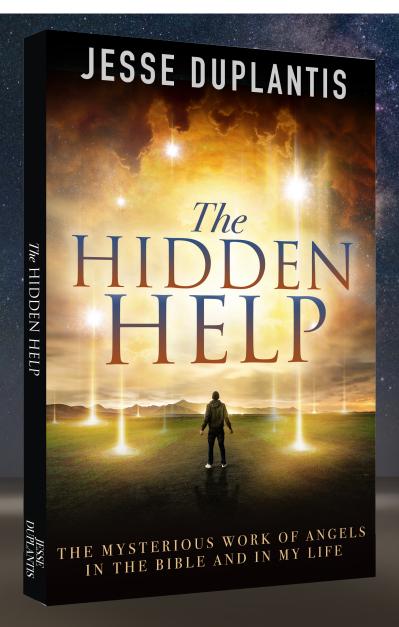
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