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# INTRODUCTION

This book is a divine reminder that your life is no accident—and it's not meant to be lived in fear, lack, or brokenness. God has designed a purposeful and beautiful life for you, but here's the truth: even though that life has been promised, you still must *fight* for it. And not just any fight, you must fight the **good fight of faith**.

This message isn't theoretical. It's real. It's practical. It's urgent. Too many believers are exhausted from fighting unnecessary battles, pouring their strength into distractions, bitterness, and unproductive striving. Meanwhile, the one fight that truly matters—the only one we are *commanded* to fight—gets ignored.

This book is for you if:

- You're tired of spinning your wheels and getting nowhere.
- You're longing for peace, provision, wholeness, or stability.
- You're ready to finally live the life God has already promised.

This is not a life of begging. It's a life of believing, declaring, and laying hold. It's time to move from wishful thinking to intentional faith. And it starts with understanding the fight and learning how to win.

The Bible says:

*“Fight the good fight of faith, lay hold on eternal life, to which you were also called and have confessed the good confession in the presence of many witnesses.”*

***(1 Timothy 6:12 NKJV)***

You've confessed. You've believed. Now it's time to fight for it. Let's begin!

## CHAPTER ONE:

### THE ONLY FIGHT WORTH FIGHTING

What if I told you that most of the battles we face daily are simply not worth it? As believers, we have been called to only one kind of fight—the good fight of faith. Every other fight is a misdirection. It’s a drain. It’s a tactic of the enemy to rob you of energy, peace, and destiny.

Think about how often we expend emotional energy on offenses, misunderstandings, unspoken expectations, or petty conflicts. Perhaps, you’re fighting your neighbor, arguing endlessly with your spouse, holding on to offense—you’re likely fighting the wrong fight.

Let’s say it plainly, “*any fight outside the good fight of faith is a useless fight.*” Why? Because it doesn’t move you closer to the life God has for you.

## **WASTED ENERGY, MISSED PURPOSE**

We've all been there, you're about to pray or have a quiet time with God, and something derails you—a conversation, a worry, an offense - Suddenly, instead of exercising and engaging your spirit, you're exercising your emotions.

I recall a moment when my husband and I came to church intending to pray. Everything was set for a wonderful time of fellowship with God. But just before we began, I brought up an issue—something important but ill-timed—and we ended up in disagreement instead of praying. On the drive home, I realized what had happened: I had fallen into a trap. I fought the wrong fight. The enemy doesn't always use blatant attacks. Sometimes, he simply redirects your energy to the wrong battlefield. And when you use your strength in the wrong fight, you have no strength left for the right one.



## WHAT IS THE GOOD FIGHT?

The good fight of faith is the only sanctioned fight in the Kingdom of God. It's the fight to believe when everything around you screams otherwise. It's the fight to hold onto the promises of God when your feelings and circumstances say they're out of reach.

The good fight is the fight for your *wholeness*. It's the fight for your *peace of mind*, your *joy*, your *purpose*, and your *freedom from fear*. It's the fight to lay hold of the beautiful life God has designed for you—a life where salvation (*Soteria*) affects every part of your being: spirit, soul and body. Salvation (*Soteria*) doesn't just mean going to heaven. It means deliverance, healing, provision, peace, safety, and wholeness.

The devil doesn't mind you having partial victories—provided something stays broken. But God's design is total wholeness. And you've got to *fight* for that.

## YOUR FIGHT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY

Let me ask you:

*What fight are you in?*

*Who or what have you spent your energy battling today, this week, month or year? - Was it your coworker? Your spouse? Your bank balance? Your thoughts?*

If the answer to the above questions isn't "*I've been fighting the good fight of faith,*" then you've likely been pulled into a battle that won't yield the right reward.

You were called to fight for your life—not against people, but against everything that tries to keep you from what God has said is yours. If it's not moving you closer to the life God has promised, it's the wrong fight.

So how do you fight for what's yours? Like this—you fight by declaring what God has said. By contending in prayer. By standing on His Word. By laboring in the Spirit and by holding tightly to your faith when everything in the natural wants to pull you off course.

## **WHOLENESS IS WORTH THE FIGHT**

The enemy doesn't just want you broke. He wants you broken. Broken in your mind. Broken in your family. Broken in your emotions. He wants you to believe that something must always be missing—so you live your life tending to injuries rather than advancing in purpose.

But God desires your wholeness—Nothing missing; nothing broke; nothing lacking. And if that reality isn't evident in your life right now, don't despair—just know this: it's time to fight. And know this, you don't have time to be bitter. You don't have time to be petty. You don't have time to sit in self-pity. You've got a beautiful life to fight for.

## **LAY HOLD. DON'T LET GO**

The reason the fight of faith exists is because opposition exists. If there were no resistance, there'd be no need to fight. But this fight isn't about striving to earn something, it's about refusing to let go of what's already been given.

When God says, “lay hold,” He means to grab what’s already been given. It’s like a gift wrapped and placed in your hand—you just need to unwrap it and take ownership. Salvation doesn’t just mean escape from hell. It means every good thing heaven has to offer—made available through Christ.

***“I will labor. I will endeavor to accomplish something. I will contend with every and any adversary against the beautiful, well-ordered life that is mine. With full assurance and reliance on Christ, I will take, seize, and hold tightly to the beautiful life that He has for me.”***

This is the confession of a believer who understands their assignment. You’ve confessed the beautiful life. You’ve declared it before witnesses. Now the call is clear: *Lay hold.*

## **A BEAUTIFUL LIFE IS WORTH THE FIGHT**

You were called to fight for a beautiful life. A whole life. A fear-free, joy-filled, purpose-driven, Spirit-led life. This isn't a passive life. It's an active one. And it starts with you deciding what kind of fight you're going to fight from this day forward.

The beautiful life is worth every ounce of effort. So don't let your emotions, surroundings, or circumstances determine your reality. Don't let your past steal your future. Don't let distractions replace devotion. There is a beautiful life ahead of you - Fight for it.

Take responsibility, because the only fight worth fighting, is the one that leads you to everything God has already promised.



## CHAPTER TWO:

# CONTENDING FOR THE BEAUTIFUL LIFE

Every believer must understand this: *the only fight worth fighting is the good fight of faith*. All other fights are distractions.

Ask yourself—who you have been fighting? —Jane? Dorothy? Your boss? Your parents? etc. Those are not your enemies. Fighting them is a *useless fight*. The true adversary to your beautiful life is the devil. Until you realize that, you'll keep misfiring in the wrong direction.

*For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this age, against spiritual hosts of wickedness in the heavenly places.*

***(Ephesians 6:12 NKJV)***

We wrestle not against flesh and blood. So, stop putting your energy where it doesn't belong. Fight the real enemy—and fight with the right weapons.

## LABORING IN THE WORD

You must labor for the beautiful life. What does this mean? It means listening, meditating, confessing, and studying God's Word. That's where His promises are.

If you truly believe in this beautiful life, you'll do the work. If you believe it's yours, you'll dig for it in Scripture like treasure. A believer who won't open their Bible but expects transformation is a *lazy believer*—a *joker believer*.

Don't be that person. Ask yourself: "Which promise am I standing on?" If you don't know, you haven't started.

God's Word is already enough to launch your beautiful life. But you need to know it. Don't wait for a supernatural voice saying, "*My son, thou shalt arise...*" Most people never hear that. But everyone can hear God in His written Word.

## PRAY IT OUT

Do not just study the beautiful life, *pray it out*. Yes, bills will come. School fees will come. Wardrobe needs will rise again. But if all you are praying for is a yellow Michael Kors bag to go with your green one, then you have missed the essence of prayer.

There is so much more! God already gave you an open invitation: “*Call unto me, and I will answer thee, and show thee great and mighty things, which thou knowest not.*” So, are you calling—or are you whining?

## DON'T PLAY DEAD—FIGHT FOR IT

One devotional said it well: “*Don't play dead.*” Too many believers are doing just that—lying down in the wilderness, letting the devil blow cold breeze over their heads, hoping something will change.

The devil will never give up territory without a fight. He will try to steal your health, your finances, or hinder your destiny. You must *fight back*. You have to *say NO*. And he's not going to give up unless you force him. So, believers quit sitting in the wilderness. Quit sitting there while the devil steals the blessing of God from you. Stop sitting there sleeping and hoping someday something will happen. Your beautiful life is waiting for you to fight for it.

God told the Israelites to send armed men ahead into Canaan. Why? Because giants were in the land. But His promise was still, "*I will give you the land.*" (See Exodus 3:8; Joshua 1 - 24)

There is a table set before you—in the presence of your enemies. The promise is greater than the giants that are in the land and just so you know, there would always be giants in the land. Don't wait to be invited to the table, your seat is already prepared. Fight for it.

## FIGHT THE RIGHT ENEMY

Many believers are losing the battle because they are fighting the wrong enemy. Your real enemy is Satan and his demons. People who yield themselves to him allow themselves to be his tools. Don't be deceived into believing that just because someone hurts you doesn't mean they are the real problem.

The Bible says:

*For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this age, against spiritual hosts of wickedness in the heavenly places.*

***(Ephesians 6:12 NKJV)***



Bind the spirit instead of the person causing you hurt and all kinds of problems. People are not the source of your problems; so, don't go binding your parents or your husband or wife or your boss or your coworkers at work, etc. If you do that there's every chance, you'll get yourself into trouble. The enemy behind the scenes is the one to resist and you don't have to shout to take authority. Under your breath, speak: *"In the name of Jesus, fall flat."* and you'll see the devil flee.

## **PICK UP YOUR SWORD**

Some are waiting for God to step in. But He already handed you the sword – Jesus already turned over his authority to you.

*"Assuredly, I say to you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.*

***(Matthew 18:18 NKJV)***

Don't wait for God to do something. You have the sword of the spirit. The Sword of the Spirit is the Word of God. Heaven responds to what you do with it.

Jesus is looking at some of us saying, *“Why aren’t you doing anything?”* Heaven won’t move until you act. The power to create your future is in your hands—through God’s Word. Picture it. Confess it. Use it.

## **CHANGE YOUR INNER IMAGE**

Scripture says,

*“As a man thinks in his heart, so is he....”*

***(Proverbs 23:7 NKJV)***

If all you’re seeing is small, all you’ll do is live small. It’s time to renew your mind and paint a new image with the Word of God.

We can talk about this beautiful life repeatedly and describe it in different ways but if all you're seeing is dirty and ugly. No one can help you! You must renew your mind. A renewed mind is a renewed life.

God told Abraham, *“In you, all the families of the earth will be blessed.”* But Abraham couldn’t see it. He said, “I don’t even have a child.” God had to take him outside and say, *“Count the stars... so shall your descendants be.”* (See Genesis 12:1-3; 22:17 -18). He needed a new picture.

Whatever it is, that you've always thought or pictured about yourself or up until now. It's time to drop that wrong picture. And start seeing the beautiful life that God has designed for you.

Can you see yourself living a beautiful life? Or are you stuck in what you’ve always seen?

My Husband and I were having a conversation with one of our pastors one time and he asked me a question. He said, 'Sunbo, can you see this happening in this ministry?' And I said to him, 'I know it.' Why? Because prophecies have gone ahead of me. It’s been spoken into my life. But sir, I can't see it yet.

God has good promises for you, but if you're not seeing it then, it's time to change your inner image.

Also, God will never leave you in a limbo. He has given you the tool you need to make the changes you need. The word of God is the tool that you need to start seeing that beautiful life.

You must use God's Word to form a new picture. This isn't positive thinking or mindfulness. It's about letting God's truth rewire your mind.

Start seeing what God sees. God told Abraham, *"As far as your eyes can see, I will give to you."* If all you can see is one room, that's what you'll have. But God has spoken nations over your life.

The Word of God helps you visualize the beautiful life. Use pictures. Use Scripture. Use prophecy. Post it up. Speak it aloud. Live inside it. The beautiful life starts now!

## CHAPTER THREE:

### PRAY OUT THE BEAUTIFUL LIFE

There's a beautiful life God has designed for you. It's not just a poetic idea, it's a real, vibrant, abundant life filled with meaning, purpose, and joy. But this life doesn't just fall into your lap. You must lay hold of it. You must contend for it. You must **pray it out**.

As believers, we must contend for this life. Yes, there is a God part—and it is always done. "*It is finished*" was not a poetic expression; it was divine closure. The remaining part is ours.

In the previous chapters, we talked about *laboring*—our part in partnering with God to see His promises fulfilled. The labor of listening to the Word, confessing it, meditating on it, and studying it. If you missed that opportunity, don't let the devil torment you with guilt. That was in the past. You can start afresh. Today.

The truth is that the beautiful life won't manifest without intentionality. You must make up your mind to fight for it—not with fists or fury, but with faith and prayer.

## THE CALL TO PRAY

If you believe that there is a beautiful life for you, then it is time to do the work. One of the ways we fight for this beautiful life is through prayer.

*‘Call to Me, and I will answer you, and show you great and mighty things, which you do not know.’*  
*(Jeremiah 33:3 NKJV)*

When you examine the above scripture, you’ll find that this powerful promise is God pledging Himself to us. God says, *‘call unto Me’*. That’s the instruction. Not just wish. Not just think. But *call*. If you are not calling, He will not answer. If He is not answering, then you will never see the *great and mighty things* He desires to show you about your life.

You can’t walk in what you don’t know, and you can’t know unless you ask. The beautiful life God has prepared for you can only be unveiled through intimacy with Him—through the discipline of calling on Him.

The beautiful life will remain vague and abstract until you begin to call on God. It will stay an idea, a wish, a far-off dream—until you get serious about praying it out. Part of our labor is to pray and lay hold of this life that already belongs to us

If you don't know much about your beautiful life, it's because you haven't been calling on God. The Word of God is simple. It takes the devil to confuse it. The degree to which you understand and walk in God's Word is the degree to which you are calling on Him.

## **A BLANK CHECK FROM HEAVEN**

God is not reluctant. He is not playing hide and seek. He is waiting to be called upon. The entire host of heaven stands at attention when a believer says, "Jesus." Every angel pauses. All of heaven leans in. And yet we waste these moments on mundane requests.

Yes, God cares about your breakfast and your bills, but that's not the weightiest matter. What is five dollars compared to the *beautiful life* He has authored for you?

Every time you utter the name of Jesus, you issue a call that heaven is obligated to respond to. But what are you calling about? Are you cashing in your heavenly blank check for groceries, or for destiny? Are you asking for what's in His heart, or just for what's in your hands?

Some believers spend more time watching the threshold notification on their chequing accounts than they do meditating on God's promises. They ask more about who will win an election than about what God is saying concerning their life's purpose. Jesus rebuked Peter when he asked about John's destiny.

*Then Peter, turning around, saw the disciple whom Jesus loved following, who also had leaned on His breast at the supper, and said, "Lord, who is the one who betrays You?" Peter, seeing him, said to Jesus, "But Lord, what about this man?"*

*Jesus said to him, "If I will that he remains till I come, what is that to you? You follow Me."*

***(John 21:20-22 NKJV)***



Too many are distracted by the trivial, while the eternal sits untouched. Heaven has issued you a blank check and signed it with the name of Jesus. The question is: what are you writing on it? Will you waste it on trinkets or use it to draw out treasures? When you say the name of Jesus, all of heaven pays attention. It's time to pray prayers worthy of that Name.

## WHAT ARE YOU PRAYING FOR?

Jesus prayed all night—but what was He praying about?

The late nights Jesus spent in prayer were not about needs. He wasn't praying for daily bread—He *was* the Bread of Life. He wasn't seeking housing or clothes—He had legions of angels at His command. So, what was He doing, praying all night?

He was praying out the plan of God for His life. If Jesus had to pray it out, how much more you?

*“My God shall supply all your need according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus.”*

***(Philippians 4:19 NKJV)***

Truthfully, most of our prayers are filled with the mundane: "God, please give me a better phone." "Lord, I need a new bag." "I only have one Michael Kors handbag; I need another color."

All the while, God is saying, "There are *great and mighty things* I want to show you... and you're asking for five dollars?"

Imagine calling 911 because your shoelace came undone. That's what many believers do in prayer. We call heaven into emergency mode over issues that require no divine intervention. God wants to reveal *blueprints*, not just bless your breakfast.

God has already addressed the need level. To stay there is to live beneath your inheritance. It's time to graduate from "give me a shoe" prayers to "show me Your plan" prayers.

If your needs are already promised, then why not move on to praying for the *great and mighty* things He wants to reveal?

The beautiful life is not stumbled into. It is prayed out.

## YOU CAN'T BE A LAZY BELIEVER

*“How long will you slumber, O sluggard? When will you rise from your sleep?”*

*A little sleep, a little slumber, A little folding of the hands to sleep — So shall your poverty come on you like a prowler, And your need like an armed man.”*

**(Proverbs 6:9-11 NKJV)**

It's easy to confess, *“My beautiful life starts now,”* but much harder to start living like it. Stop waiting for perfect conditions. Stop waiting for next year. Begin today.

Leave the lowest level of life! The lowest level of life is the need level. Unfortunately, it's where most believers pitch their tents. But God is calling us higher.

You must *fight the good fight of faith*—not by arguing with people or obsessing over problems, but by *praying out your destiny*.

You can't be a lazy believer and walk in the beautiful life. Laziness will clothe you with poverty and tie your destiny in circles. Even if your next act of obedience is as simple as making a phone call, researching something God told you about, or listening to another sermon—do it. Don't Delay. Don't Sleep. Don't allow yourself excuses!

### HE ANSWERS WHEN YOU CALL

There are *great and mighty things* God wants to show you. Things that will blow your mind. But He will not violate His pattern. *Call unto Me*, He says. *And I will answer.*

The beautiful life won't just happen to you. It must be *prayed out*. Fought for. Labored into. Don't let passivity rob you of your portion.

You're not just praying for yourself—you're praying for a generation. Your obedience today echoes into eternity. Decide today: you will pray out your destiny. You will not be a spectator to your life. You will not play dead while the devil wages war on your promise.

You will fight. Not with fists, but with faith.

You will labor. Not with sweat, but with the Word.

You will call. Not with timidity, but with confidence.

Because when you do, heaven will answer, and you will see your beautiful life unfold.

Your beautiful life starts now.

## CHAPTER 4:

### RECOGNIZE THE BEAUTIFUL LIFE

#### GOD'S WORD IS NOT A SLOGAN

You may have noticed the phrase “It’s a beautiful life” echoing through the previous chapters—and yes, I’m saying it again. Not out of habit, and certainly not for dramatic flair. But if I had a microphone mounted atop the tallest building on earth, I’d shout it with conviction:

*It’s a beautiful life.*

Why such insistence? Because repetition isn’t redundancy—it’s reinforcement. It’s how truth takes root. Repetition safeguards your faith. It steadies your gaze when distractions try to blur your vision.

This isn’t just a catchy mantra or a feel-good slogan. It’s a divine declaration. God is giving us a **direction for our faith**.

Paul understood this principle well. **In Philippians 3:1 (NKJV)**, he wrote:

*"Finally, my brethren, rejoice in the Lord. For me to write the same things to you is not tedious, but for you it is safe."*

The New Living Translation puts it this way:

*"Whatever happens, my dear brothers and sisters, rejoice in the Lord. I never get tired of telling you these things, and I do it to safeguard your faith."*

So yes, I'll keep saying it. I'll keep declaring it. Because every time we hear it, it builds something eternal in us. *It's a beautiful life*—not because it's easy, not because it's trendy, but because God said so.

## THE FIGHT IS WORTH IT

Here's the truth: your life is beautiful, and it's worth fighting for.

Your dreams, your peace, your wholeness, your sound mind, your restoration — none of them are small. Don't abandon them. Don't shrink back. **Fight!** Fight the good fight of faith. Lay hold of eternal life. Jesus paid too high a price for you to treat it casually.

You Have all the tools you need. You have the whole armor of God—not for a spiritual photoshoot, but to **engage in real battle.**

This is not dress-up time. No soldier wears armor for show—it's for battle. Likewise, the whole armor of God that you have, put it on; make use of it. It's for a purpose.

***Ephesians 6:10-12 (MSG)*** says:

*“And that about wraps it up. God is strong, and he wants you strong. So, take everything the Master has set out for you, well-made weapons of the best materials. And put them to use so you will be able to stand up to everything the Devil throws your way. This is no weekend war that we'll walk away from and forget about in a couple of hours. This is for keeps, a life-or-death fight to the finish against the Devil and all his angels.”*

Everything that is in your arsenal is for you to make use of it. To what end, you ask - to walk into this beautiful life that God has prepared for you.



The fight for this beautiful life is a good fight. Fighting your neighbor, boss, or spouse? That's a waste. The real fight is the one of faith. It's the only one that matters—and it's a good one.

Even if your current life doesn't look "beautiful," keep fighting. You labor to enter the rest. And that labor is found in the Word: studying, meditating, confessing, believing.

The cure for every unbelief; the cure for every doubt and uncertainty, or whatever you are dealing with right now, is the word of God. Think of it this way: if a person is unwell in their body, a certain medicine may be recommended by the doctor and sometimes a person might need an extra dose or perhaps an increased concentration of that medicine. Likewise, the degree to which you can't see the beautiful life, is the degree to which you need to double up on God's word.

Whatever you see, you would become. Whatever you can't see, you can't become it.

## RECOGNIZE THE HELP YOU CARRY

The most important skill you need to live this beautiful life is to recognize it—recognize the fact that it's a beautiful life. It does not matter what is being thrown at you; you are not an ordinary person. You are a new creation—living and breathing in Christ Jesus. Seated with Christ Jesus. Empowered by Christ Jesus – Anointed; Tongue talking; Demon chasing, child of God. You need to recognize who you are and live that way. There's a way you live when you know that it's a beautiful life. You don't lead with your head down.

Brother Kenneth E. Hagin told a story that Jesus appeared to him and said ‘Did you know the message I preached everywhere while I was on the earth?... Anywhere I get to, the first thing I would tell them is: *“The Spirit of the Lord is upon Me, because He has anointed Me....”* (See **Luke 4:18 -19 NKJV**)

The people he preached to hated that message so much that at some point, they wanted to push him off the cliff. (See **Luke 4:20 -30 NKJV**). He got to the devil. And he kept going from place-to-place preaching and saying to the people - “The Spirit of the Lord *is* upon Me, because He has anointed Me....”

Jesus recognized who he was. Do you recognize you carry an anointing? Do you recognize it's a beautiful life?

There's a story in the Bible—in 2 Samuel—when news reached David that King Saul has died in battle. The man who came to deliver the news explained how it all happened, detailing Saul's last moments. But the facts of Saul's death weren't what grieved David the most.

No, what truly pierced David's heart is captured in 2 ***Samuel 1:21 (KJV)***:

*“Ye mountains of Gilboa, let there be no dew, neither let there be rain, upon you, nor fields of offerings: For there, the shield of the mighty is vilely cast away, the shield of Saul, as though he had not been anointed with oil.*

So, while everyone was crying, “The king is dead,” David’s lament was different: “How could the anointed die like this? like a man who was ordinary - as if he had never been anointed.” It wasn’t just Saul’s death that hurt—it was the loss of dignity, the loss of what the anointing represented. And that speaks volumes. Because those who carry God’s hand upon their lives aren’t meant to fall like ordinary men. They don’t die “just anyhow.” The anointing marks them, sets them apart. You, too, are anointed. And because of that, you’re not meant to live carelessly. You should walk with a divine purpose. You should live with a recognition that I carry an anointing. There’s something different about me.

David understood the weight of that anointing. Remember when Saul was hunting him down? David had opportunities to retaliate, to strike Saul—but he refused. Why? Because Saul was the Lord’s anointed. David said, “I won’t touch him,” knowing full well that heaven would rise in defense of the anointed. That same divine defense surrounds you. If the enemy dares to reach for you, all of heaven answers back. That’s the power of the anointing.

But look at how many of the anointed live today—like beggars; fixated only on temporary things, like food and fleeting satisfaction. David’s heart broke because Saul, once called and chosen, died as if he were nothing special.

You are not ordinary! Scripture says:

*“But you have an anointing from the Holy One, and you know all things.”*

***(1 John 2:20 NKJV)***

And that anointing isn’t on a throne or a crown—it’s inside of you. It abides with you, remains in you, and equips you to live a beautiful, empowered life. So, how are you living your daily life? Do you recognize that you have an anointing?

This beautiful life from God is not meant to be a struggle. You’ve been anointed to live it fully. But how would you live a beautiful life when you don’t recognize what you have? How would you live a beautiful life when you don’t even know God is on the inside of you, helping you each day, each moment?

## **LIVING THE BEAUTIFUL LIFE — WITH THE HELP OF THE HOLY SPIRIT**

When Jesus was preparing to leave, He told the disciples, “I’m going away; I won’t be with you much longer.” And of course, they were heartbroken. (*See John 14 – 16*).

Peter especially must have felt the weight of that. He had tasted the beautiful life—walking with Jesus meant no more aimless fishing trips or empty nights. Why go back to the nets when Jesus was right there, turning nothing into abundance?

The disciples had seen it all: divine provision, raw miracles, supernatural wisdom, etc. They had left everything to follow Jesus—no salary could match it; no pension could rival it. A fully paid life, spiritually and otherwise. Then Jesus said, “I’m leaving.” How could they not feel sorrowful?

But Jesus didn't leave them helpless. He said, "I will give you another comforter." Imagine if He hadn't gone—He could only be with one group at a time. You'd need a reservation just to see Him. But He promised: "I will come back to you." And the Amplified Bible unpacks it beautifully: "The Helper, the Comforter, the Advocate, the Counselor, the Strengtheners, the Standby..." Every need already covered.

Do you need help? He's the Helper.

Do you need strength? He's the Strengtheners

Do you need guidance? He's the Counselor.

Do you need someone to speak for you? He's the Advocate.

Are you hurting? He's the Comforter.

So, where's the struggle in this beautiful life? Why live as if you're alone? He said, "I will be with you forever." Not momentarily. Not temporarily. "Forever."

If the Helper lives in me, why wouldn't I get help? It's like being the child of a baker and stressing over a school bake sale. The baker simply asks, "How many cakes do we need?" Supply is not a problem—because provision lives in your house.

So, while others weep and struggle, you walk in peace and wisdom. Why? Because the Anointed One, the Wisdom of God, lives in you. But you must recognize that. This beautiful life—is only possible by the help of the Holy Spirit.

### **RECOGNIZE THE HELP YOU CARRY**

The Holy Spirit is not limited to a moment in church service. The Helper is always with you. That's why help always shows up. That's why favor finds you, strength surrounds you, and wisdom rests on you. However, you can't live a Spirit-led life with your recognition system turned off.

Brother Kenneth E. Hagin once shared that Jesus told him, "If you will learn to follow My Spirit, I will make you rich." Not just financially, but rich with full supply in every area. In other words, if I would follow the leading of the spirit, I would be led into all that God has prepared - into this beautiful life.



Yes, the Holy Spirit helps in clean-ups. I recently had a moment—walked into a mess that could've been avoided. But before that decision, there had been a subtle check in my spirit. I ignored it and eventually had to undo what could've been prevented. The Spirit helped me clean up, but He would have preferred to keep me ahead. The Holy Spirit would always put you ahead of things, not behind!

Don't relegate the Holy Spirit to a janitor. He's more than a cleanup crew. If the Holy Spirit needs to clean up a mess, He will help you clean it up. But there's a better way to live than cleaning up messes every day. The mess of the past is all washed away. But don't create new mess for Him. Follow His leading. Follow His guide. He is with you to do better work in your life than to clean up your mess every day if you listen.

The Holy Spirit will help you recognize traps, delays, and distractions the enemy throws at you. That's why it's important you stay conscious that He lives in you.

When you listen to the Holy Spirit, the lies of the enemy get exposed. The Holy Spirit is the Spirit of Truth. Everything He says to you is the truth. If He tells you not to take a particular route, trust that He has your best interest in mind. There's no lie in Him, no confusion in Him. The Holy Spirit is never confusing so I cannot be confused. He dwells in me. Every time you say, "I don't know," or "I'm confused," you're undermining the wisdom within. You're saying He's not enough. But Jesus says, "I am enough—I am with you, in the Holy Ghost." To doubt that is to question the sufficiency of Jesus. And if Jesus isn't enough... who could ever be?

## THE BEAUTIFUL LIFE BEGINS NOW

This isn't about the future. It starts *now*. Walk with the Holy Spirit. Acknowledge Him. Every day, every divine instruction, every direction, every instruction is positioning you for this beautiful life. It starts with recognizing "I have the help of the Holy Ghost." "I'm never alone." "My life is beautiful." So, when pressure hits, your words won't betray God's plan. Pressure isn't the end. Pressure is proof of purpose. If the enemy is pressing, it means there's something valuable in you. Let him keep the time—because you're living a beautiful life.

This life is a beautiful life. Bright. Full of color. It isn't a struggle. It isn't a life of stress. It isn't one of uncertainty. It's a beautiful life. If you're struggling, it may be because you're clinging to your own plan. But your plan is small—tiny—compared to God's. His plan for you is infinitely better. Nothing compares.

Even if it feels messed up, The Holy Ghost helps you move forward. The mess doesn't mean it's over. God's plan for you is still for you to have a beautiful life.

Recognize—God is with you; In you; For you; and because the Helper is inside you, the Comforter, the Advocate, the Intercessor, the Standby, the Strengtheners—you have all that you need. You're not chasing after Him. He's already within.

## CHAPTER 5:

### FAITH IN THE BLESSING

As we continue journeying through the theme of *The Beautiful Life*, this chapter takes a focused turn. Here, we pause to explore a specific area within that theme - *Faith in the Blessing*.

We are focusing on **faith in the blessing** because it's the blessing that will create and deliver to you the beautiful life that God has already given you. That beautiful life isn't something waiting to happen next year, or next month, or tomorrow. No. The beautiful life is here. Right now. It is real. It is tangible.

Don't let your mind wander into thinking that the beautiful life is a future concept. Don't treat it like it's just a cliché, something religious people say to feel good about a difficult life. No! Your beautiful life has already started. Right here, right now.

Don't get distracted. Don't be deceived into thinking your beautiful life hasn't begun just because you haven't seen everything you're expecting yet. The absence of visible results doesn't cancel the process already in motion.

Think of it this way—You place an order, make the payment, and get the confirmation that it's on the way. You're not pacing around wondering if it'll ever show up. You trust the process. You check the order tracker, and once it says "shipped," you start expecting the doorbell.

That's exactly how your life works. The moment you believed, the process started. Just because you haven't seen it yet doesn't mean it's not coming. It's already been sent. So don't stop expecting—it's on its way.

You may notice some familiar themes from earlier chapters—and that's intentional. I've been set free from what I like to call, with a smile, "the fear of repetition." Why? Because faith isn't built on a single moment of hearing. It grows through continual exposure—hearing and hearing again until truth takes root.

That's exactly what ***Romans 10:17 (NKJV)*** reminds us:

*"...So, then faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God."*

That verse came alive for me during a quiet moment with God. It settled something deep in my heart—I don't have to say things just once. Truth deserves space to breathe, to echo, to settle in. And sometimes, that takes time.

Brother Kenneth E. Hagin would teach the same sermons repeatedly—because he knew people needed to *really* hear it before they could live it. And it worked. That gave me permission to do the same. So, don't zone out just because you've heard it before. It's a cue to lean in, not log out. Romans 10:17 says faith comes by hearing—not by having *heard*.

## **THE ENEMY DOESN'T MIND YOU FIGHTING — AS LONG AS IT'S THE WRONG FIGHT**

Here's the truth: the enemy doesn't care if you're fighting. In fact, he's all for it—*as long as it's not the fight of faith*. He'll even throw the first punch.

You've been there: your day's going great, then out of nowhere—bam! Something small sets you off. Maybe someone lets the door slam in your face while your hands are full. Coffee spills, frustration builds. Suddenly, you're not just irritated, you're in a full-blown emotional battle. That wasn't just coincidence. That was strategy. The enemy thrives on distraction. He'll start petty fights, create tension, stir drama—anything to keep you swinging at the wrong target.

Growing up, we used to shout things like, “Stomp on the devil!” and get fired up in church. But the truth is, the devil isn't worried about noise. He's fine with all the jumping and shouting, *as long as you're not engaging in the real fight*. He'd rather see you fighting people, systems, the culture—*anything but faith*. Why? Because once you start walking by faith, his whole operation starts falling apart.

Let me echo what's already been said in earlier chapters—any battle that isn't rooted in faith is a waste of energy. Arguing with people? Pointless. Trying to fight the devil? Still pointless. Why? Because he's already lost.



Jesus didn't secure victory in silence—He made it unmistakably loud. Colossians tells us He “made a public spectacle” of the enemy, putting the defeat on full display.

*“Having disarmed principalities and powers, He made a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them in it.”*

***(Colossians 2:15 NKJV)***

The defeat was a global broadcast. Heaven tuned in. Earth witnessed it. Hell couldn't ignore it. It wasn't a whisper; it was a victory shout heard across realms.

So why waste your strength swinging at someone who's already down?

The Bible never told us to *fight* the devil. It says *resist* him (See James 4:7).

*“Therefore, submit to God. Resist the devil and he will flee from you.”*

***(James 4:7 NKJV)***

Just resist. That's it. He's already lost. Your only job is to stand in faith and not back down.

## THE ONLY FIGHT YOU'RE CALLED TO: THE FIGHT OF FAITH

*1 Timothy 6:12 (NKJV)* says it clearly: “*Fight the good fight of faith.*” That’s it. That’s your only assignment—Fight the good fight of faith.

You’re not called to fight people. You’re not called to fight institutions. You’re not even called to fight the devil. You are called to fight the good fight of faith. And to do that, you need to have faith in the blessing—because that’s where the real battle is won.

**Faith in the Blessing Activates the Beautiful Life.** It’s not just a catchy phrase—it’s a spiritual principle. When you truly believe in what God has already spoken over you, you stop striving and start living. That’s the kind of faith that transforms everything.

To step fully into the beautiful life God has already planned for you, you’ve got to recognize, understand and believe in *the blessing*. You can’t leave it out of the equation, it’s the foundation.

The blessing is God's covenant promise. It's him empowering you to live the life He destined—regardless of the challenges, setbacks, or even your past mistakes. It doesn't bend under pressure. It overrides the curse. It breaks through limitations. So, what exactly is *the blessing*?

The blessing is God's supernatural empowerment on your life. It rests on every believer, and it will cause you to flourish in every area—spirit, soul, body, and beyond. And because it's too vital to gloss over, I'll repeat it so it settles deep: The blessing is God's empowerment on your life, and it will make you thrive in every area. The blessing is the lift beneath your feet. The invisible force that sets you apart. It's what enables miracles. It overrides adversity and gives you victory where others see impossibility.

This isn't just encouragement—it's a spiritual reality. When you truly grasp the power of the blessing, you stop chasing and start walking in what's already yours.

## THE BLESSING—IT’S YOURS

In Genesis 1:26–28, we see God’s original intent for humanity—and it starts with *the blessing*. God didn’t just create Adam; He *blessed* him. He empowered him. And that same blessing is available to you today.

In Genesis 1, God said, “*Let us make man in our image... and let them have dominion.*” He gave dominion to humanity—over nature, over creation—but not over other people. Note this: He didn’t give any man dominion over another man, or you over me. That misunderstanding has caused so much harm in our world. God’s intention was never control—His intention was *stewardship* over creation.

Then in verse 28, we see the blessing clearly:

*...Then God blessed them, and God said to them, “Be fruitful and multiply; fill the earth and subdue it; have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over every living thing that moves on the earth.”*

**(Genesis 1:28 NKJV)**

That's the blessing. God didn't shout it from a distance—He declared it directly over Adam and Eve. It was His divine empowerment to live fully, fruitfully, and victoriously.

Now, someone might ask, "If that blessing is ours, why are we still struggling?" It's true—because of Adam's disobedience, sin entered the world. Struggle began. But that's not where the story ends.

***Galatians 3:13–14 NKJV*** says,

*“Christ has redeemed us from the curse of the law, having become a curse for us (for it is written, “Cursed is everyone who hangs on a tree”), that the blessing of Abraham might come upon the Gentiles in Christ Jesus, that we might receive the promise of the Spirit through faith.”*

Jesus restored what was lost. Through Him, the same blessing that was spoken over Adam—and passed to Abraham—now belongs to every believer.

That's why Jesus came. Not just to save you and I from sin, but to reconnect us to the *blessing*. To make us fruitful. To multiply our impact. To empower us to subdue every obstacle and walk in dominion—not over people, but over the chaos of life.

The blessing is God's plan for you to live the beautiful life He designed. But you must *agree* with Him. Align your words with His. Say what He says about you: *"I am blessed. I am fruitful. I will multiply. I walk in dominion."*

That's not just positivity, it's faith. And faith in the blessing is the key to living the beautiful life.

## LIVING THE BLESSED LIFE—NO MATTER WHAT

According to *Strong's Concordance*, the words God used in Genesis 1:28 aren't just poetic—they're loaded with power and purpose:

- **Fruitful** means to bear fruit, to bring forth, to grow, to increase.
- **Multiply** means to increase, to enlarge, to multiply, abundance.
- **Replenish** means to fill or be full, to overflow.

- **Subdue** means to conquer, to bring under control.
- **Dominion** means to reign, to rule, to prevail.

God's design for your life— your *beautiful life*—is for you to experience every one of these. Whether you're single, married, a parent or not, His blessing equips you to live a life of growth, impact, authority, and fullness. That means increase in every area, victory over every challenge, and the ability to rise no matter what tries to pull you down.

*“And Joseph was brought down to Egypt; and Potiphar, an officer of Pharaoh, captain of the guard, an Egyptian, bought him of the hands of the Ishmaelites, which had brought him down thither. And the LORD was with Joseph, and he was a prosperous man; and he was in the house of his master the Egyptian. And his master saw that the LORD was with him, and that the LORD made all that he did to prosper in his hand.”*

**(Genesis 39:1-3 NKJV)**

In the above scripture, God gave Joseph a glimpse of his beautiful life through a dream, and Joseph believed it. He couldn't stop talking about it. And like many dreamers do, he faced opposition. His brothers couldn't stand his confidence. "Who does this kid think he is?" they probably thought, "I'm ten years older than him, and he's saying he'll rule over me?"

Their jealousy ran deep. So, they sold him into slavery. From the comfort of his father's house to being trafficked into Egypt—everything in his life seemed to go backward. But Joseph had something the world couldn't take: *the blessing*.

Even in slavery, even in a foreign land, Joseph prospered. Genesis says, "*The Lord was with Joseph, and he was a prosperous man.*" How? Because the blessing wasn't tied to his situation, it was rooted in his identity.

You might not like what you see right now. The doctor's report. The bank statement, etc. and no matter what anyone else says—even people close to you; here's what matters: *God says you are blessed*.



Also, Joseph didn't whine or give up—he walked with the quiet confidence that the dream would still come to pass. And it did. Because the blessing *always* finds expression.

You may not know *how*, but if God gave you a word, a promise, a glimpse of the beautiful life—hold on to it. The blessing will show up, even in the strangest places. Even in the shadows. Because when God blesses you, no one can un-bless you.

## **THE BLESSING SPEAKS—NO MATTER WHERE YOU ARE**

It doesn't matter what your circumstances look like. You are *already* walking in the beautiful life God promised you. Genesis 39 tells us that even as a slave in Egypt, Joseph prospered—*because the Lord was with him*. Potiphar saw it. It was undeniable. That's what the blessing does—it shows.

People may be drawn to you at work, in social settings, or even in passing—and you wonder why. You think it's your charm or your calm confidence, but truth is, it's the **blessing** on your life that's attracting favor. The blessing has a presence. It draws good things toward you because, as Scripture says, *“Every good and perfect gift is from above....”* (**James 1:17 NKJV**)

This means your location doesn't limit your prosperity. It's not about living in a big city or having the “perfect opportunity.” It's about the blessing. You can prosper in a quiet town, in a crowded city, in your home country, or abroad. The blessing is *not* tied to geography—it's tied to covenant.

*“The blessing of the Lord makes one rich, And He adds no sorrow with it.”*

**(Proverbs 10:22 NKJV)**

It's not traveling outside your home country or city of residence that makes you thrive. It's God's empowerment at work in one's life. A lizard in one place doesn't become an alligator in another—you are who you are, and if you're blessed (*and you are*), *you'll flourish wherever you go*.

Your beautiful life isn't on hold. It has already begun. You're blessed, and that means heaven's resources are backing you up right now. You don't have to strive, scheme, or stress. The blessing attracts, provides, empowers, and opens doors no man can shut.

## FAITH IN THE BLESSING

When we talk about living the beautiful life God promised, there's one truth you must grab hold of: You are blessed. And when you have faith in the blessing—even in a famine—it creates an atmosphere for supernatural provision.

*“‘There was a famine in the land, besides the first famine that was in the days of Abraham. And Isaac went to Abimelech king of the Philistines, in Gerar. Then the Lord appeared to him and said: “Do not go down to Egypt; live in the land of which I shall tell you. Dwell in this land, and I will be with you and bless you; for to you and your descendants I give all these lands, and I will perform the oath which I swore to Abraham your father....’*

*‘...Then Isaac sowed in that land and reaped in the same year a hundredfold; and the Lord blessed him. The man began to prosper and continued prospering until he became very prosperous; for he had possessions of flocks and possessions of herds and a great number of servants. So, the Philistines envied him.’”*

**(Genesis 26:1-3; 12-14 NKJV)**

There was a famine in the land, just like the one during Abraham’s time. And Isaac was tempted to do what his father did—run to Egypt (the "superpower" of the day). But God stopped him. He said, *“Don’t go down to Egypt. Stay in the land I show you.”* In other words, *don’t move based on fear—move based on faith.* That’s the first key to walking in the blessing: **obedience.**

Isaac stayed. And he planted during a famine. That looked foolish to everyone else—but in the same year, he reaped a hundredfold. He didn’t just survive—he *thrived.* Others planted too, but Isaac’s harvest was different. Why? **Because he had the blessing.**

The Scripture says Isaac “waxed great,” moved forward, and became *very great*. He had abundance—flocks, herds, and servants. He didn’t just experience addition; he experienced overflow. So much that the Philistines *envied* him.

What set him apart? It wasn’t location. It wasn’t effort. It wasn’t strategy. **It was the blessing.**

### THE BLESSING STILL SPEAKS TODAY

Maybe today’s “famine” looks like a shaky economy, job cuts, rising costs, or declined bank card payments. But that doesn’t change your status—you are *still* blessed. So don’t define your life by what your bank account says or by a failed transaction at checkout. That’s temporary. Faith in the blessing says: “*I may not see it in my hand yet, but God’s invisible supply is always at work.*”

Talk like someone who’s blessed. Even when your card declines or your account dips below the threshold, don’t panic. Smile and say, “*It’s just phase. I’m blessed. I’ve got a full supply.*”

## **YOUR JOB IS A CHANNEL, NOT YOUR SOURCE**

*Your job is not my source. God is your source.* He may use a job, a gift, a random stranger, or a phone call to bless you—but your trust isn't in your paycheck. It's in the God who never runs dry.

You're not created for a life of constant struggle. Juggling three jobs just to make ends meet. You are blessed to thrive with margin— with space for rest, growth, and fulfillment—not simply to endure life.

## **EMBRACE THE BEAUTIFUL LIFE**

Being blessed means it's okay to dream big. To drive the best. To live comfortably. You're not being greedy—you're honoring the inheritance God made possible. He's not intimidated by your luxury car dreams or your desire for a home with a pool. He's your father. He celebrates your joy.

And if you can't afford it *right now*, just add those two words. "*Right now.*" Because God can turn your "not yet" into "already done" in the blink of an eye.

## YOU ARE BLESSED—SO THINK LIKE IT

Don't ever say, "*I can't afford it,*" Instead say, "*Right now, I can't afford it., but I will be able to because delay isn't denial—and God's abundance isn't capped by my current account balance.*"

Here's the real issue: we often build mental ceilings around our lives. We say we're living the "beautiful life," but we can't even imagine what that means. To some, a beautiful life is just paying rent or finally upgrading from a basement to a condo. But God's vision for you is much more. You're *blessed*—so expand your imagination.

**See bigger. Believe bigger. Attract bigger.** If your imagination stalls at a rundown car, don't be surprised when that's what arrives. That's not criticism, it's a reminder that the blessing responds to vision. It follows the boundaries of your vision.

Heaven isn't modest about abundance—its streets are literally paved with gold. So, why would God be unsettled by your big dreams. He's not counting dollars, checking to see if your desires might bankrupt heaven. His concern is never that you have money—He only gets concerned when *money owns you*.

Scripture doesn't vilify money. It warns about the *love* of money being the root of evil. Money is neutral—a tool meant for kingdom purposes. You can use it to support and uplift others, fund missions, champion good causes, or even deliver unexpected funds to someone in need.

There's often criticism when generous ministers who own jets. Yet people overlook the thousands of souls reached because those ministers dared to dream on a divine scale. Wealth isn't sinful—it only becomes dangerous when it takes God's place in your heart.

**So, renew your mind. Stretch your faith. Expand your vision.** Go test drive that car. Step into that dream office. Stroll through the neighborhood you aspire to live in. Don't shrink. Don't apologize. And if anyone asks? Smile and say, "I must've drifted into my future too early" But keep going. See it. Believe it. Claim it. Because you're blessed. And the blessing will shape your beautiful life.



# CHAPTER 6:

## THE RESULT OF THE BLESSING

### THE BLESSING MAKES YOU GREAT

The blessing of God doesn't simply improve your life—it transforms it. It crafts a future marked by favor, purpose, and advancement. There are several distinct ways this blessing unfolds, and in this chapter, we begin with one of the ways the blessing is going to create your beautiful life: **by making you great.**

*“The Lord has blessed my master greatly, and he has become great; and He has given him flocks and herds, silver and gold, male and female servants, and camels and donkeys.”*

**(Genesis 24:35 NKJV)**

In the above scripture, Abraham's servant was describing the Lord's abundant blessing on his master, Isaac. He recounted how God had made him great - giving him vast flocks and herds, silver and gold, male and female servants, camels, and oxen.

In the original Hebrew, the word translated “great” means “to advance” or “to lift up,” showing that God not only elevates us but propels us forward into that beautiful life.

When we speak of blessing and mention money, it’s not because we are materialistic or greedy, it’s also not to suggest that wealth is evil or that we should selfishly hoard it. Rather, it is done in a bid to point out to you that God entrusts us with resources—money, riches, and influence—not just for our own comfort, but so we can spread the gospel and be a blessing to others.

Wealth and resources that God has given us is not just for Me, Myself and I; It’s to be an expression of God’s hand to people in need. But here’s a deeper truth: *How can you be a blessing to others if you don’t have resources?* There’s a saying that *you must touch a person’s heart before you can reach for their hand.*

Without genuine connection, influence is lost. That's why financial provision matters—it's why God blesses us. He doesn't just bless us for personal comfort; He blesses us so we can *walk in the blessing*, enjoy its benefits, and extend it to others. When someone beside you struggles to pay their fees, God would want you to step in—not just with words, but with action. To pay those fees. To express His hand through your generosity.

Imagine that moment: someone who's never known Christ receives help. Their heart opens. They're ready to hear you say, "*Jesus loves you—He asked me to bless you.*" Suddenly, they want to know this Jesus. Because in today's world, where self-interest reigns, sacrificial generosity stands out.

Many people chase luxury—fancy homes, cars, and restaurants. There's nothing wrong with enjoying God's blessings. But when it's *only about you*, and your wealth impacts no one else, you've missed the purpose.

Scriptures shows us how God's blessings ripple far beyond the individual—to children, communities, even future generations. That's a legacy. That's greatness.

I'm anchored in God's promises, believing that when my children graduate and begin building their families, I'll be positioned to bless them—whether it's with a down payment on a house or even a car. My desire is to launch them into a life of stability and purpose. *That's the essence of the blessing.* Not just personal elevation, but empowerment of others.

God wants to make your life beautiful—to advance you so your influence draws people to His kingdom.

## **THE BLESSING PRODUCES A BEAUTIFUL LIFE THROUGH FAVOR**

The blessing of God comes wrapped in favor. Just one day of divine favor can achieve what a lifetime of human effort may never accomplish. As Jerry Savelle often says, he's "God's favorite child"—and lives like it too. When you're blessed, favor follows you. It opens doors, turns hearts toward you, and attracts opportunities beyond your natural reach.

In the book of Esther, Haman plotted the destruction of the Jews, but divine intervention changed the course of history. Mordecai, Esther's uncle, discovered the plot and urged Esther, now queen, to approach the king—even though doing so was against protocol.

*“Now it happened on the third day that Esther put on her royal robes and stood in the inner court of the king’s palace... When the king saw Queen Esther standing in the court, she found favor in his sight, and the king held Esther the golden scepter... Then the king said to her, ‘What do you wish, Queen Esther?’ What is your request? It shall be given to you—up to half the kingdom!’”*

***(Esther 5:1–3 NKJV)***

This passage captures Esther's courageous approach and the king's unexpected favor towards her. The king didn't just hear her—he offered her *half of his kingdom*. That's favor beyond human comprehension! Esther didn't earn that kind of authority by effort alone—it was the blessing of God that elevated her.

Similarly, Abraham experienced favor even when his fear led him to misrepresent the truth.

*“And Abraham journeyed from there to the South, and dwelt between Kadesh and Shur, and stayed in Gerar. Now Abraham said of Sarah his wife, “She is my sister.” And Abimelech, king of Gerar sent and took Sarah. But God came to Abimelech in a dream by night, and said to him, “Indeed you are a dead man because of the woman whom you have taken, for she is a man’s wife.” “Then Abimelech took sheep, oxen, and male and female servants, and gave them to Abraham; and he restored Sarah his wife to him. And Abimelech said, “See, my land is before you; dwell where it pleases you.” Then to Sarah he said, “Behold, I have given your brother a thousand pieces of silver; indeed, this vindicates you before all who are with you and before everybody.” Thus, she was rebuked.”*

***(Genesis 20:1-3, 14-16 NKJV)***

Even though Abimelech had taken Sarah, he hadn't touched her. And when God came to him in a dream warning him, Abimelech pleaded his case. He cried out, "Lord, I'm innocent! I didn't know. Didn't Abraham say she was his sister? That's what she told me too!" He was defending himself, terrified, saying, "Would You really destroy a righteous nation over a misunderstanding?"

Imagine it—Abimelech genuinely thought he was in the clear. But Abraham had lied. Still, instead of judgment, something wild happened. Rather than punishing Abraham, Abimelech gave him gifts. Not just Sarah back—but sheep, oxen, male and female servants. He blessed Abraham. Wait—blessed *him*?

That's the jaw-dropping power of God's favor. Abraham didn't deserve it in that moment. He misled someone. Yet God still showed up to protect him and even caused him to prosper.

Now, I'm *not* saying you should go lie or misbehave and expect blessings to follow—No! How we live does influence how the blessing flows in our life. The point here is that God's favor is bigger than our mistakes. It's grace in action. So, while integrity still matters, let this remind you: if God could favor Abraham in a moment like that, there's still hope for you when you feel like you've messed up. Grace always finds a way.

The favor of God is not limited to the Bible, today's stories and experiences echo the same truth. For example, when my wife was studying for her master's degree, she faced a hostile professor that was bound on failing the class for no reason. God intervened and that professor had a dream so terrifying, she suddenly changed her mind and passed the entire class. That's not coincidence—that's divine favor at work!



Favor isn't earned by beauty, charisma, or how well you walk or dress. It's the supernatural magnet of God's blessing that draws others to you, often without explanation. You walk into rooms and things shift. People want to bless you, be around you, and support you—not because of you, but because of the favor *on* you. So, walk confidently. You're not sent to fight everyone. You're covered. You're chosen. You're blessed—and because of that, favor becomes your fragrance.

## **THE BLESSING MAKES YOU RICH— WITHOUT THE STRUGGLE**

God's blessing isn't just a spiritual concept—it's a life-transforming force. According to ***Proverbs 10:22 NKJV***, *“The blessing of the Lord makes one rich, and He adds no sorrow with it.”*

The New International Version (NIV) puts it this way: *“The blessing of the Lord brings wealth, without painful toil for it.”* In other words, you don't need to burn yourself out working multiple jobs just to survive. God's design for your life doesn't revolve around exhausting labor—it's about abundance, favor, and peace.

When you live under the blessing, you attract divine provision. You're not meant to scrape by, buried in debt, or stressed over your bills. God's plan includes a full supply—nothing missing, nothing broken. So, declare it: *"I am blessed, and the blessing brings wealth without toil!"* Speak it. Believe it. Walk in it—even if you haven't seen it manifest yet.

*"For you are becoming progressively acquainted with and recognizing more strongly and clearly the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ (His kindness, His gracious generosity, His undeserved favor and spiritual blessing), [in] that though He was [so very] rich, yet for your sakes He became [so very] poor, in order that by His poverty you might become enriched (abundantly supplied)."*

**(2 Corinthians 8:9 AMPC)**

God's plan for you isn't scarcity—it's overflow. He desires that you live with a *full supply*, so you're not just surviving but thriving. Because let's be honest: how can you give generously to God's kingdom, bless others, and support your church if you're constantly scraping by?

When you're walking in the blessing, generosity becomes second nature. You sow seeds with joy. You meet needs. You become the answer to someone's prayer. That's the power of living in divine abundance—not just for yourself, but for the impact it allows you to make.

Now, someone might ask, “Does that mean Jesus lived poor?” NO! Jesus didn’t live His life poor. Jesus only embraced poverty on the cross—He took it upon Himself as part of His redemptive sacrifice. But throughout His life, He was provided for. He had a well-supported ministry, wore quality garments (remember—the soldiers gambled for His robe!), and was cared for by generous supporters. If Roman guards fought over His clothes, you could bet He wasn’t wearing scraps. So yes—Jesus lived well. And He modeled what a life of purpose and provision looked like. So yes, if you wear something stylish today—you’re just following your Master’s example.

On the cross, Jesus had your future in mind. He chose poverty so you could live in abundance. Not so you could struggle, but so you could flourish. So, you could give, support, and walk through life free of financial bondage.

This is what the blessing does: it empowers you to live beyond limits, rooted in provision, and overflowing with generosity.

## THE BLESSING TURNS THE NATURAL INTO SUPERNATURAL

The blessing also elevates your everyday life into something *supernatural*. It's heaven's "super" on your "natural"—and when the two collide, miracles happen.

*“A certain woman of the wives of the sons of the prophets cried out to Elisha, saying, “Your servant my husband is dead, and you know that your servant feared the Lord. And the creditor is coming to take my two sons to be his slaves.” So, Elisha said to her, “What shall I do for you? Tell me, what do you have in the house?” And she said, “Your maidservant has nothing in the house but a jar of oil.” Then he said, “Go, borrow vessels from everywhere, from all your neighbors—empty vessels; do not gather just a few. And when you have come in, you shall shut the door behind you and your sons; then pour it into all those vessels and set aside the full ones.”*

*So, she went from him and shut the door behind her and her sons, who brought the vessels to her; and she poured it out.*

*Now it came to pass, when the vessels were full, that she said to her son, “Bring me another vessel.” And he said to her, “There is not another vessel.” So, the oil ceased.”*

***(II Kings 4:1-6 NKJV)***

This passage recounts an encounter between Elisha and a woman whose husband—a son of the prophets—had died, leaving her in deep debt. Her creditors threatened to take her two sons as payment. In her desperation, she ran to the prophet for help. She was at risk of losing her sons to slavery. And all she had was a single pot of oil. That oil, scholars say, was burial oil—possibly valued at a year's wages. She had little, but it wasn't enough. But then came divine instruction.

He told her to borrow empty vessels from all her neighbors—and pour the oil into the jars she borrowed. Notice this: the blessing is often activated through obedience to divine instruction — That little oil began to overflow. Her natural—a pot of oil—became supernatural when God’s super came upon it. She poured from one jar into many, and it never emptied until there were no more vessels. That’s supernatural multiplication. Imagine having just one four-liter jug of milk in your fridge and borrowing twenty more empty containers. As you begin pouring into them, the original jug continues to fill each one, without running dry. That’s what happened here. And that’s what the blessing does.

Scripture tells us that:

*“The Lord your God will make you  
abound in all the work of your hand...”*

***(Deuteronomy 30:9 NKJV)***

The blessing empowers everything you do to thrive. It's a reflection of God's abundance: He doesn't just meet needs—He exceeds them. God could've limited her provision to just enough to pay her debts. But no—He gave **overflow**. She had enough to settle her creditors and sustain herself afterward. Why? Because our God is a God of abundance.

The blessing removes financial struggle. It moves you into wisdom and provision. It aligns you with divine increase.

As *I Corinthians 1:30 NKJV* says:

*“But of Him you are in Christ Jesus, who became for us wisdom from God—and righteousness and sanctification and redemption...”*

Personally, I consider myself reasonably smart—but not exceptionally so. Yet whenever I have conversations, especially with my boss or colleagues, they respond as if I'm some kind of genius. That's not just me—it's the wisdom of God at work.



Often, I don't know what to say until the Holy Spirit tells me—and then I say it, and I look like a genius. Recently, we had a meeting at work, the first of its kind, and it required us to give presentations. No one had a clue how it was supposed to go. There were about ten to fifteen people on my team, including managers and a director in attendance. We had no guidance—no format, no examples, no expectations. But I knew I needed the wisdom of God.

While I was at my desk, the Holy Spirit told me exactly how to structure my presentation. We weren't required to use slides—just talk. So, I opened Microsoft Word, typed out my thoughts, and kept it simple. Since presentations were done alphabetically by first name, I was the second to present. The first person went—and I remember thinking, “Hmm... that wasn't great.” But there was no time to tweak mine.

I made my presentation before all in attendance. After the meeting, my boss called me into his office: “*Your presentation was amazing—better than everyone else's.*”

I was shocked. I hadn't even written a full page. I had maybe four or five slides to present, each one with no more than ten lines of summary. At most, my entire presentation spanned two pages. But every word landed. It wasn't just preparation, it was precision. I was saying exactly what needed to be heard. And because of that wisdom, my presentation stood out. Glory to God.

Because you are blessed, you walk in God's wisdom. Whether at school, at work, or in everyday life, wisdom rests on you. Don't speak over yourself with words like "I'm not smart" or "I'm not wise." The blessing has already pronounced your increase—and wisdom is part of that inheritance.

When I interact with colleagues, they often say, "You're really smart." Sometimes I pause and think, "Are they talking about me?" But it's the favor of God—the wisdom of God—at work. That wisdom helps you say the right thing, at the right time, to the right people.

Wisdom isn't just knowledge, it's knowing what to do, how to do it, and with whom to do it. That's why the wisdom of God helps shape your beautiful life. It guides your investments, your education, your relationships, your career decisions.

## CHAPTER 7:

### HOW TO ACTIVATE THE BLESSING

#### 1. RECOGNIZE YOU ARE BLESSED

Activating the blessing begins with understanding one essential truth: **you are already blessed**. God has pronounced His blessing upon your life. That declaration alone is what sets the blessing in motion. As stated in ***Genesis 1:28 NKJV***, God blessed Adam and Eve saying:

*“... ‘Be fruitful and multiply; fill the earth and subdue it; have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over every living thing that moves on the earth.’”*

In Christ, this same blessing is yours. When you understand and embrace that reality, the blessing begins to manifest in your life.

## 2. BY ASSOCIATION

*“Now the Lord had said to Abram: “Get out of your country, from your family and from your father’s house to a land that I will show you. I will make you a great nation; I will bless you and make your name great; And you shall be a blessing.”*

***(Genesis 12:1-2 NKJV)***

Blessings often overflow through connection. In the above passage of scripture, we see God bless Abraham—not Lot: Yet Lot followed Abraham and experienced increase. Lot wasn’t the one directly blessed, but through his association with Abraham, he prospered.

As ***Genesis 13:1-2; 5-11 NKJV*** notes:

*“Then Abram went up from Egypt, he and his wife and all that he had, and Lot with him, to the South. Abram was very rich in livestock, in silver, and in gold.*

*Lot also, who went with Abram, had flocks and herds and tents. Now the land was not able to support them, that they might dwell together, for their*

*possessions were so great that they could not dwell together. And there was strife between the herdsmen of Abram's livestock and the herdsmen of Lot's livestock. The Canaanites and the Perizzites then dwelt in the land.*

*So, Abram said to Lot, "Please let there be no strife between you and me, and between my herdsmen and your herdsmen; for we are brethren. Is not the whole land before you?*

*Please separate from me. If you take the left, then I will go to the right; or, if you go to the right, then I will go to the left."*

*And Lot lifted his eyes and saw all the plain of Jordan, that it was well watered everywhere (before the Lord destroyed Sodom and Gomorrah) like the garden of the Lord, like the land of Egypt as you go toward Zoar.*

*Then Lot chose for himself all the plain of Jordan, and Lot journeyed east. And they separated from each other."*

Lot's abundance reflected the blessing upon Abraham's life. However, he eventually forgot the source and thought his success was self-made. Even when they parted ways, Abraham gave Lot the first pick—not out of fear, but confidence. He knew the blessing would elevate him regardless. Lot chose what looked best, but ultimately lost much—his possessions, even his wife. Meanwhile, Abraham continued to grow and flourish because the blessing was truly his.

### **3. BE CONSCIOUS OF THE BLESSING**

You must be *aware* that you are blessed. Declare it boldly— “I am blessed!” No matter what your situation looks like, let your consciousness of the blessing shape your response.

When David faced Goliath, he wasn't intimidated by the Philistine's size, weapons, or reputation. Instead, he was confident in the blessing and covenant he had with God. In *1 Samuel 17:26 (NKJV)*, David asked:

*“Then David spoke to the men who stood by him, saying, “What shall be done for the man who kills this Philistine and takes away the reproach from Israel? For who is this uncircumcised Philistine, that he should defy the armies of the living God?”*

Everyone else cowered in fear, but David—a teenager—stood firm, not just in courage, but in the awareness of his covenant. He wasn't even part of the army, just sent to deliver food. Yet, his consciousness of the blessing set him apart. David recognized that Goliath had no covenant with God, no spiritual backing. He understood what it meant to be blessed and covered by God's promise. David didn't view himself from the natural, but through the blessing. Though Goliath stood at roughly 9 feet tall (*1 Samuel 17:4*), and David was just a youth (*1 Samuel 17:33*), David declared his victory before it happened—and his words aligned with God's will. Even when Goliath taunted David, saying:

*“...Come to me, and I will give your flesh  
to the birds of the air and the beasts of the field!”*  
***(I Samuel 17:44 NKJV)***

But David didn't stay silent. He responded with conviction

*“Then David said to the Philistine, “You come to me with a sword, with a spear, and with a javelin. But I come to you in the name of the Lord of hosts, the God of the armies of Israel, whom you have defied. This day the Lord will deliver you into my hand, and I will strike you and take your head from you. And this day I will give the carcasses of the camp of the Philistines to the birds of the air and the wild beasts of the earth, that all the earth may know that there is a God in Israel.”*  
***(I Samuel 17:45-46 NKJV)***



He spoke up against the intimidation and declared victory. And true to his words, he defeated Goliath with just a sling and a stone.

David's victory wasn't about the sling—it was about his consciousness of the blessing. With one stone, he defeated a giant, because the power of the blessing was at work. The words David spoke mattered. So, when challenges arise, don't be quiet. Speak with boldness rooted in the blessing.

Because you are blessed, what you say matters.

#### **4. ALIGN YOURSELF WITH GOD'S WORD**

*“But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves.”*

*(James 1:22 NKJV)*

You activate the blessing by aligning yourself with what God has spoken. When God's word declares you are blessed, walk in that. Refuse to contradict it with your words or actions. Speak in alignment with God's promises.

The blessing says you're prosperous, *say the same thing*. The Word says you're favored—*embrace it*. The blessing declares that you are fruitful—so you are fruitful. It says you are above and not beneath—so you declare that over yourself. Say whatever the blessing says that you are. Align your life with God's Word. The Blessing is your Identity—Walk in It.

## 5. MAINTAIN A GOOD ATTITUDE

*“These things I have spoken to you, that in Me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation, but be of good cheer, I have overcome the world.”*

***John 16:33 NKJV***

Whatever comes against you—challenges, delays, disappointments, keep your attitude anchored in joy. Jesus overcame the world, and because you are in Him, you’ve overcome too. Choose cheerfulness. Choose peace. Choose to maintain a faith-filled attitude.

## **6. OBEDIENCE TO THE HOLY SPIRIT'S LEADING**

Obedience is essential to activating the blessing and living the beautiful life God has prepared for you. The Holy Spirit is your guide, constantly leading you toward the beautiful life, but if you don't follow His lead, how will you fully experience what God has already prepared for you?

Think of it this way: imagine you're visiting Italy—a place full of beauty and history. You've paid for a guided tour, and your tour guide is ready to take you to hidden gems, ancient landmarks, and unforgettable sights. But if you decide not to listen or wander off, you'll miss the experience entirely. The access was paid for, the guide is prepared, but your obedience determines your enjoyment.

That's exactly how it works in reality. God has paid for your beautiful life through Jesus. The Holy Spirit is your guide. Your role is to follow, obey, and trust His instructions.

*“However, when He, the Spirit of truth, has come, He will guide you into all truth; for He will not speak on His own authority, but whatever He hears He will speak; and He will tell you things to come.”*

***(John 16:13 NKJV)***

This means the Holy Spirit doesn't operate independently — He reveals the mind of God. He guides you into truth and prepares you for what's ahead. Your job is to align with His voice. Obedience unlocks the beautiful life God has already spoken over you

## **7. SPEAK GOD'S WORD OVER YOURSELF**

Declare God's Word boldly over yourself and over your life. When you speak His Word, you activate His creative power to work on your behalf.

*“For assuredly, I say to you, whoever says to this mountain, ‘Be removed and be cast into the sea,’ and does not doubt in his heart, but believes that those things he says will be done, he will have whatever he says.”*

**(Mark 11:23 NKJV)**

No matter the situation—be it financial, emotional, or circumstantial—do not echo what you see. Speak the promises of God. When you check your bank account and see \$5 or \$100 and bills piling up, don’t say “I’m broke.” Instead, declare: *“And my God shall supply all your need according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus.”* — **Philippians 4:19 (NKJV)** *“I am rich, I walk in abundance. Favor surrounds me. Provision is chasing me down.”* Let God's promises shape your reality. His Word in your mouth activates the blessing.

Think about Jesus’ first miracle at the wedding in **John 2:5 NKJV**—He turned water into wine. And Mary said:

*“... ‘Whatever He says to you, do it.’”*

Obedience and spoken faith go hand in hand. That's how you walk in the blessing and live the beautiful life.

## FAITH DECLARATION

God has spoken His blessing over my life, and that settles it—I am blessed.

It doesn't matter what anyone else says: I am blessed.

It doesn't matter what the enemy tries to suggest: I am blessed.

It doesn't matter what opinions people hold: I am blessed.

It doesn't matter what my circumstances look like: I am blessed.

It doesn't matter what my bank account shows: I am blessed.

It doesn't matter what my grades reflect: I am blessed.





# My Beautiful Life

## About the Book

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