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"As for you, I'll come with healing, curing the incurable, ... " Jeremiah 30:17, The Message

THE FINISHED WORK: JESUS CHRIST SCRUPTURED YOUR RELIEF

I first became acquainted with grief as a spirit when a former co-worker committed suicide about a decade ago. Having gone to a session where counselors were available to the employees I discovered grief had a personality and that it was alive. After that session, I went to the Lord and inquired about it. Once I understood it could be rendered useless, I did as instructed from that day on until now. In fact, I sang for that memorial and did not feel the pain as I had in the past for all other sorrowful occasions. I knew then I was an eyewitness of the glory of God and therefore was charged to minister to all regarding how to regain freedom in the midst of bondage. Since grief-relief can be demonstrated, a presentation of it was in the recent ministry of music, Touched, my musical theater production, *Promises*, in the workshop, *Don't Rock the Boat*! and other teachings on praver.

Grief is a spirit, so it is an enemy to the kingdom of God. Grief represents anything that is a threat or actual lost of person, place or thing. Because we possess the authority of the King of kings in the earth, the spirit world must come under subjection to our rulership, even if it is feigned obedience. It has no choice. Jesus confirms this with these empowering words that make satan's efforts lifeless and powerless. "Behold I give unto you power to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy: and nothing shall by any means hurt you," Luke 10:19.

What makes grief so destructive, is that it has a compounding effect. It never works alone. When someone faces a loss, the spirit of grief immediately attaches itself to other experiences that were grievous, whether related or unrelated. The compounding effect makes it seem overwhelming, with no possible way of escape. It makes you regret the past and dread the future. It therefore, steals, kills, and destroys your present because it stops the operation of your faith. Grief is not a part of life; it is a part of loss. It is the shadow of death that creates a stronghold; with it comes the lack of joy, praise, and beauty. Grief never leaves you empty-handed. It makes an uneven exchange: It imposes 1) mourning 2) heaviness and 3) destruction on you. It rehearses the past through harassment. You have recurring flash backs of the event or similar events. It pressures the present through heaviness. You feel weighted down which slows you down, affecting agility. It paralyzes the future through hopelessness. You envision only barriers to breakthrough. Remember this about your present in Mike Murdock's words, "Today is the proof you conquered yesterday."

Jesus Christ set us up to receive sculptured relief from his own heart and hands. He carefully and meticulously already crafted a remedy for you to receive right now whereby, you will forget the former things because he is doing a new thing in your life. As you experience divine healing, your whole story changes from glory to glory. Your life won't be the same because Jesus gives you a new perspective that he alone purposed; accepted; desired, and valued. Jesus does not leave this task to anyone else, he personally handles your pain. Psalm 107: 20 declares, "He sent his word, and healed them, and delivered them from their destructions." Expect to be bathed in the oil of joy. Expect to be adorned with the garment of praise. Expect to be surrounded by the beauty of the Lord. "He healeth the broken in heart, and bindeth up their wounds [griefs]," Psalm 147:3.

Isaiah 61:1-4 was imparted unto me as revelation. "The Spirit of the Lord God is upon me; because the Lord hath anointed me to preach good tidings unto the meek; he hath sent to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and opening of the prison to those who are bound; to proclaim the acceptable year of the Lord, and the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort all that mourn; to appoint unto them that mourn in Zion, to give unto them beauty for ashes, the oil of joy for mourning, and the garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness; that they might be called trees of righteousness, the planting of the Lord, that he might be glorified. And they shall build the old wastes, they shall raise up the former desolations, and they shall repair the waste cities, the desolations of many generations."

Don't wait like the finished work is not finished. Seek to discover rest in the relief Jesus sculptured for you as a present reality. "And I heard a great voice out of heaven saying, Behold the tabernacle of God is with men, and he will dwell with them, and they shall be his people, and God himself shall be with them, and be their God. And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying. Neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away. And he that sat upon the throne said, Behold, I make all things new. And he said unto me, Write: for these words are true and faithful," Revelation 21:3-5.

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Thought for Transformation

Be revived as you read a memory of my prayer time on March 24, 2007. No Wasted Tears. "Every tear has watered the soil, pressing through the ground. Running deep down to the root, it fueled growth. Now you shall see the fruit of all your labor, and as a memorial I have each tear in mv bottle."

Your Choice to Choose

Jesus already made provision for overcoming each and every obstacle. All you and I have to do is just choose when we celebrate the victory. Events in life can be grievous, however, the commandments of God are never grievous. Psalm *30:5, "… weeping may* endure for a night, but *cometh in the morning is* this: "May" indicates the choice to stay as you are or permit joy to work in the darkest part of your night. I Peter 1:6,7, "Wherein ye greatly rejoice, though now for a season, if need be, ye are in heaviness through manifold temptations: that the trial of your faith, being much more precious than of gold that perisheth, though it be tried with fire, might be found unto praise and honour and glory at the appearing of Jesus Christ." If need be indicates the choice to stay as you are or permit praise to work off the weight of your burdens. Allow God to choose His best for you!

