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Hebrews 4:12

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Editor's Words by Gloria Jean Woodard

"Trusting God means looking beyond what we can see to what God sees"

(Charles Stanley).

Our lives, being a faith walk cannot be taken for granted.

Tom McGuinness, co-pilot of Flight 11 crashed into the North Tower of the World Trade Center. His wife Cheryl, who lived in New Hampshire had to go to her children's school to tell the news of the father's death in that crash.

Later her daughter revealed to her mom, *"I'm so glad you're not angry at God. I know God didn't cause this to happen. God is getting me through this; He is my strength."*

Likewise, one night, her son offered comfort when she was crying. He put his arms around his mom and hugged her and said, *"Mom, everything will be alright. Our life on earth is so short. Our life in heaven with dad is eternity!"*

Cheryl's chief responsibility and ministry was taking care of her kids. Months after the

terrorist attack, Cheryl was asked to speak at her home church congregation- Bethany Church in Portsmouth, N.H. In it she calls her message **"Trust God Message"**, (trusting God for every breathe you take; this was the beginning of her healing). Talking to others heals you.

She was approached by another church member to speak at a business convention. She replied I don't want to do that! But after praying for guidance, she agreed. Since then, Cheryl has shared the **"Trust God Message"** with many different churches, civic groups, and charities (sometimes reaching crowds of 3-4 thousand people).

After one year, now Cheryl delivers a new message . She found a book that Tom had written thoughts and favorite scriptures from bible study. One particular topic was on forgiveness and how to forgive. So she says, *"If I dwell on the bad things that the (hijackers) have done, it will*

make me angry, and the anger will turn into resentment, and my resentment will make me bitter. I want my heart to be healed completely, and for that to happen, I need to forgive."

Tom's note was, *"I want to be more like Jesus, because my son wants to be like me."* The husband's legacy was outstanding. She says, *"Do I want to be remembered as an angry bitter resentful person?"* Her answer was *"No!, besides, God can't use me if I'm that way. I want to be sure that I remain pure and that my purpose is in line with God's plan for my life."*

TRUST IN THE LORD WITH ALL THINE HEART; AND LEAN NOT UNTO THINE OWN UNDERSTANDING. IN ALL THY WAYS ACKNOWLEDGE HIM, AND HE SHALL DIRECT THY PATHS. BE NOT WISE IN THINE OWN EYES: FEAR THE LORD, AND DEPART FROM EVIL. PROV. 3: 5-7

May you be blessed to truly trust God. Be healed through forgiving others because God has purpose and a plan for your life.

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SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- Be under and submitted before being lifted.
- Let the God in You Love...!
- No testimony without a test.
- Your legacy is outstanding in Christ!
- It's all about **LOVE!**

Tithing: Mrs. Fatimar Jones, Sagemont Church

Year-in and year out, 70% of Americans live from paycheck to paycheck, barely making ends meet. Over 35% of Christian marriages end in divorce, and money problems are the number one cause. "Our Father is rich in houses and land" and it's **not His will** that we should live in bondage of sin or debt.

So why does He ask us to give 10% to Him? Tithing

was created for our benefit. It is to teach us how to keep God first in our lives and how to be unselfish people. Unselfish people make better husbands, wives, friends, relatives, employees, and employers. Prospering is a lifestyle over time. God gives instructions in His word on how to handle money.

Step 1: Acknowledge that **God is owner of everything**, including our money, home,

and children. [Ps. 24:1 "The earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof; the world and they that dwell therein."] God will hold each of us accountable for how we manage them.

Many people have observed that after they stopped tithing, their finances seemed to get worse. In the Book of Malachi, God promises that if you do not rob Him of your tithes, He will rebuke your

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Is There A Solution



Jesus said, *"I am the Way, The Truth, and The life"* (Jn. 14:6). He is the **Way**, therefore, you can't get lost. He is the **Truth**, therefore, you can't be deceived. He is the **Life**, therefore, the devil can't kill you. There is a solution, and Jesus is your **only** solution. I don't care what the problem has become, or the situation has evolved into, **Jesus is the solution!**

What are you going through that you haven't given to Him? Did He not go to the cross for the very thing you're going through?

Oh, you don't like the way Jesus is handling it! Is God taking too long? It's all right to say yes, because He's the only one that knows your heart. He's the only one that can handle your frustration. He sees your tears. He sees your pain, and He sees **Your Will**.

God may not answer until six months from now, but He'll burden you to pray because He wants to build faith in you. He wants to build endurance for the other trials or situations or problems you may go through to

help someone else. Oh you thought these trials, these situations, these problems were only for you, and you alone?! No, you're the vessel He'll use to help someone else. And God says, you can handle it, because you're in Christ and Christ the hope of glory is in you. You can handle it because Jesus went to the cross for this very thing. You can handle it because the word says you are more than a conqueror through Him that loves us [Rom. 8:37]. More than a conqueror means, Christ in you, enabling you to

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SOLUTION:

**"I Am The Way, The Truth, and The Life."
John 14:6**

subdue, to defeat, to overcome, to reduce, to beat the enemy that face you. The peace of God, the strength of God, the wisdom of God, and the assurance of God is in you. "If God be for you..." You have to go by faith, not by feelings. You can't lose your faith in the Almighty Master!!! If that circumstance or what you call the 'hardest part' couldn't take you out, it can't take you down. You look like you're still ticking to me! Are you listening?

I was listening to a woman whose husband had 'Alzheimer Disease', and she would get mad

and frustrated with him because she would have to repeat things to him over and over. He couldn't understand and would ask the same things over and over again. And she said, **her needs** were never met in the marriage. So people told her to get a divorce. But somewhere in the back of her mind, in her heart, in her conscious she remembered that the word of the Lord says, that God hates divorce. *(Let me intercept, God hates divorce [Mal. 2:16] because marriage is supposed to represent God's perma-*

nent love relationship to us, and Jesus' marriage to us in the future. Marriage represents 'the Marriage Supper of the Lamb.' Divorce is the ultimate proof that someone was not grown-up enough to get married and was unwilling to change after the fact. Although the bible says that God hates divorce but still know, that Jesus' blood covered the sin of divorce. If a divorce has already occurred, there is power of forgiveness in the blood. But get divorce out of your mind).

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Back to the story, she went to a Christian Pastor and told him that she couldn't love her husband, and maybe beginning to hate him. So he stopped her right in the middle of that sentence and asked, **"Is God In You?"** And she said, **'Yes!'** Then he said, **"Let the God In You, Love Him."** So she went home and prayed for **GOD, IN HER**, to love her husband. And she prayed again and again, and fi-

nally she said, one day she woke up, and just **had** that love for her husband. What she had been trying to do on her on, God did it just like that, without her **'trying to make it happen effort.'** All her effort was, to pray and continually give it to God. That's why the word says in **1Pt. 5:7, "Cast all your care upon him; for he cares for you."** You can subdue those feelings when you lean on Jesus.

Children/parent, teenagers/young adults, wives/husbands, when there is anything standing in the way of your fellowship with each other (sin), remember the only time when the Father and the Son had no fellowship was on the cross (sin stood in the way), and yet the Son still (remained) became obedient, obedient unto (until) death, even the death of he cross. [Phil. 2:7].

PRAYER:

Lord I thank You for unshakeable faith that takes me through the times and ages to come, because you are **my** impenetrable **Rock**. Keep Your hand on me when I would want to move in a direction that does not please you. Equip me to know and realize that it is the enemy that would want to take me off course. My purpose is to live for You, to be a snare in the enemy's camp.

Lord I'm so glad You appreciate me and that I'm worthy

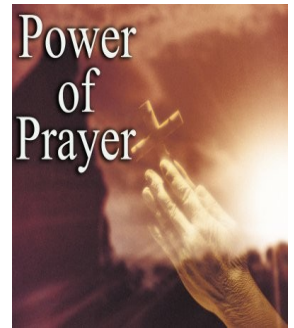
to be used by You. As I show love and it's not reciprocated, take my eyes off that, and allow me to remember what you said when they didn't receive Your Love.

On the cross you said "Forgive them, for they know not what they do!" May my heart have compassion as I wait on them to catch up with you in their love walk. May I have compassion to still bless them by praying for them instead of writing them off. Lord, there is still hope for them and me. I

truly believe that the seed of love planted, will come up, will blossom through hard shells.

Forgive me for my wrong because I have not always been right, have not always followed through. God I choose to allow You to work in me, so **You**, "**God In Me**" can love the unlovable. Thank You for the battle is won, the victory is there, and **You** won't let me give up! Praise God! Amen!

YOU BE THE ONE PRAYING THIS PRAYER. YOU PUT YOUR NAME IN THESE PRAYERS.



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Jesus took every thing you would have to suffer. He took that adultery that time your husband or your wife had no fellowship with you. He took the pain, the hurt, the anger, the abusive language, the hate, the jealousy, the rejection. Don't allow it to fester in you. **There is a solution!** Leave it at the cross. The cross is where you repent, empty self, and allow Jesus to fill you; **He** bears it, not you! Leave it, because the

weight of it on you, can cause sin and sickness and make what Jesus did at the cross, null and void. Stay on your knees and stay on your knees, and continue to give it to Jesus. **Look for your breakthrough! Be expectant for it!** He loves you too much to let you fall. You fall only when **you** let go, when you don't read your word, when you allow feelings to take charge, when you won't humble yourself under His mighty

hand. To be under, means to be submitted, humbled, covered, protected by Almighty God, before being lifted up. Did you hear me, you have to be under before being lifted up.

So fall on your knees, but don't let go. Sometimes we give up and we get up too quickly and not pray consistently, because we're not willing for God to dig into, or delve into our innermost thoughts and our feelings, and our dirty

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hearts.

Satan attacks and harasses to destroy you, your home, and family. But God gently convicts you to truth, to bring wholeness to you, your home, your family.

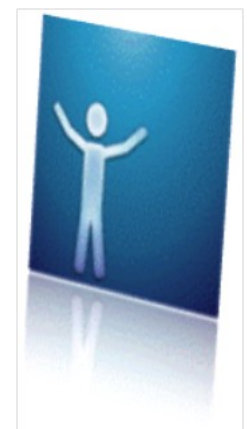
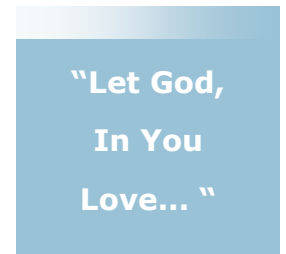
Is there a solution? There is, when Jesus is the Way, The Truth, and The Life! Now will you let Jesus be **Your** solution!

By the way, Have you ever asked, '**Jesus Use Me**'? Well, this is the time! Victory over anything is not won without a test. No testimony without a test.

Ha! Ha! Ha! Isn't that just like a loving Father! He loves you enough and trusts you enough with someone else's life, only when you past the test. I love Him so

much, because He knows **Me** and still loves **Me**, no matter what!, just like He loves the next person or the other person that's in conflict (even with you), with the same compassion. It's all about **LOVE!**

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POWER IN THE WORD MINISTRY:

My MISSION: Reach and encourage others in letting you know that God is able to do the impossible.

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

IT CAN HAPPEN :

My MISSION: Use the God-given gifts for His glory!

My VISION: Teach others to reach for those God-given gifts in them!

How much more shall your Father which is in heaven, give good things to them that ask him?

Matthew 7:11b

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Tithing:

by Mrs. Fatimar Jones

devourers and protect you. Mal. 3:8-11; Deut. 8:18 "But thou shalt remember the Lord thy God: for it is He that giveth thee power to get wealth."

If you cannot live off 90% of your income, then you cannot live off 100%. If you sit down and look at your budget, you will see that you can make it, while giving at least 10%. If you are currently in financial bondage and not tithing, vow to get out of debt and start giving some pre-determined percentage of your income. Set this amount aside before paying any bills.

Some baby steps of overcoming the debt situation:

- Read your bible - God's word provides instruction on everything, including how to handle our finances



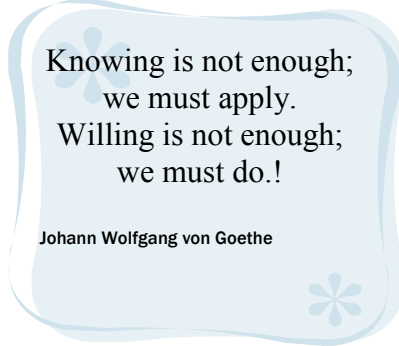
- Stop using credit cards.
- Pay off credit card balances – lowest to highest.
- Start an emergency fund.

Step 2: Do it out of Love unto God for it is holy. Lev. 27:30 "And all the tithe of the land, whether of the seed of the land, or of the fruit of the tree, is the LORD'S: it is holy unto the LORD." 2Corth. 9:7 (NLT) "You must each make up your own mind as to how much you should give. Don't give reluctantly or in response to pressure. For God loves the person who gives cheerfully." God will honor your faithfulness and will bless you to give more as you get out of debt.

Step 3: Establish a testimony of His ownership by Giving. There are three levels of giving: *1st level*— the tithe, 10% of earnings; *2nd level*— offerings, an amount above the tithe; and *3rd level*— sacrificial giving, giving up

APHABETICALLY LEARNING THE SCRIPTURES:

1ST WEEK	2ND WEEK	3RD WEEK	4TH WEEK
I AM ALPHA AND OMEGA AND, THE BEGINNING AND THE ENDING SAITH THE LORD WHICH IS AND WHICH WAS, AND WHICH IS TO COME, THE ALMIGHTY . REV. 1:8	JEHOVAH IS MY STRENGTH AND MY SONG; HE ALSO IS BECOME MY SALVATION. ISAIAH 12:2	KNOW THAT ALL THINGS WORK TOGETHER FOR GOOD TO THEM THAT LOVE GOD, TO THEM WHO ARE THE CALLED ACCORDING TO HIS PURPOSE. ROMANS 8:28	LOVE YOUR ENEMIES, DO GOOD TO THEM WHICH HATE YOU. LUKE 6:27
			Meditate on these for 30 days



Dates to Remember - March 2009

- MARCH IS RED CROSS MONTH 3RD**
- March 8 Daylight Savings Time**
- March 10 Employee Appreciation Day**
- March 17 St. Patrick's Day**
- March 20 Spring Begins**



things we 'want' or 'need', to provide for the needs of others.

Tithes are used to pay the operational expenses of the church (salaries, utilities, supplies) to assist those in need, and to fund ministries of the church.

As mentioned previously, the tithe is the first level of giving. Those who currently tithe should be careful not to judge non-tithers or to think that no additional giving is necessary. Jesus gives an additional warning in Matt. 23:23 (NLT) "What sorrow awaits you teachers of religious law and you Pharisees. Hypocrites! For you are careful to tithe even the tiniest income from your herb garden, but you ignore the more important aspects of the law—justice, mercy, and faith. You should tithe, yes, but do not neglect the more important things."

Mal. 3:10a "Bring the

whole tithe unto the storehouse, so that there may be meat in my house."

Jesus has redeemed us from the conditions of the law and replaced the law with grace. In addition to the tithe, the New Testament teaches us to give according to the blessing we receive and encourages sacrificial giving.

Christians tithe as an act of faith, obedience, and as a testimony of God's ownership. He is trying to get something to us, instead of from us! When we cheerfully give, whether a tithe or an offering, God will be pleased and will bless us. If you tithe, do it out of love for God, not guilt; it is holy!

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