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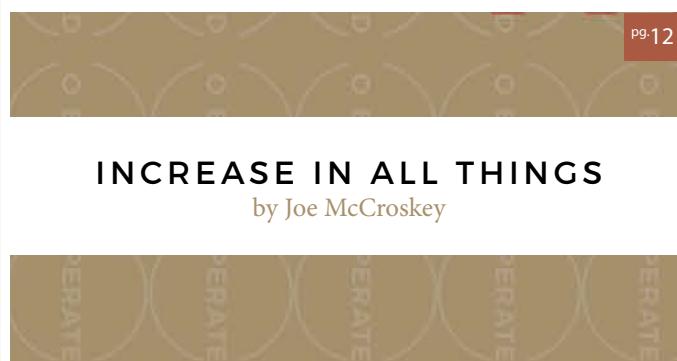


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THE LORD OF MY LIFE. JESUS, COME INTO MY HEART. I WELCOME YOU AS MY
LORD AND SAVIOR. FATHER, I BELIEVE YOUR WORD SAYS THAT I AM NOW
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INCREASE GOD'S WAY

by: Jerry Savelle

To truly comprehend what is ours in our covenant of increase with God, we need compare our understanding of a *contract* and the true, biblical meaning of a *covenant*. The difference between the two is significant.

Simply put, contracts involve making promises; covenants involve taking oaths. For instance, when I purchase a new vehicle from the auto dealership, I enter into a contract. I promise to pay an agreed amount, and the dealership promises to give me the vehicle and the title.

A covenant is different. When Carolyn and I entered into a marriage covenant, not only did we make promises to each other, we swore an oath, calling on God to both witness and hold us accountable for the fulfillment of our oath.

In a contract, you exchange something tangible with another person; in a covenant, you exchange your very being, swearing an oath before the highest authority. ***God doesn't make contracts with mankind—He establishes covenants.*** The Bible says, *For when God made the promise to Abraham, He swore [an oath] by Himself, since he had no one greater by whom to swear* (Hebrews 6:13 AMP).

In the Beginning

God's covenant of increase with mankind is expressed in His original intent that man and woman should live a blessed life.

Then God said, “*Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness; let them have dominion...*” So God created man in His own image; in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them. 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 1:26–28).

What was the first thing God did after He created them? He blessed them. Genesis is the book of beginnings, and what I want you to see is that from the very beginning God intended mankind to live a blessed lifestyle.

To be *blessed* literally means “empowered to prosper; to be empowered to prosper as a result of having God's favor bestowed on your life.” So, immediately after creating the first man and woman, God empowered them to prosper. He caused His favor to be upon them. And then He told them to be fruitful and multiply. Most of the time, when we read this, we think only about replenishing the earth through offspring. But to be fruitful also means to be successful in every endeavor.

We know the story of how Adam blew it, committing high treason in the Garden of Eden. But even though Adam broke covenant with God, God's plan of blessing mankind remained the same. He later established His covenant of increase with Abraham: *Then I will make my covenant between me and you and will greatly increase your numbers* (Genesis 17:2 NIV). The Bible says, *Now Abraham was old, well advanced in age; and the LORD had blessed Abraham in all things* (Genesis 24:1). You may say, “Well that's great, Brother Jerry, but what does this have to do with me today?” It has everything to do with you! God's Word says, *And if you are Christ's, then you are Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the*

promise (Galatians 3:29).

Jesus redeemed us from the curse and put us in position to walk in the same blessing—the same covenant of increase—that God established with Abraham. In fact, we can expect better than what Abraham had because our covenant is a better covenant founded upon better promises.

Increase Is Your Right

God is interested in you increasing in every area of your life. Now, obviously, everyone would agree God wants us to increase spiritually. If you've been serving God a number of years and you haven't grown spiritually, then something is wrong. God expects you to grow spiritually; to not grow is a violation of spiritual law.

He also expects you to grow where your soul is concerned. Your soul is made up of your mind, your will, and your emotions. The Bible talks about the prosperity of your soul in 3 John 2. Prosperity of the soul would be your mind being renewed to the Word of God, your will being conformed to His will, and your emotions being under the control of God's Word.

You should also be increasing in the area of your health, experiencing the divine health that is ours through Jesus Christ. The Bible says, *He sent His word and healed them* (Psalm 107:20). If you're spending quality time in the Word, then it should have an effect on your physical well-being.

So you know you should increase spiritually, mentally (or soulishly), and physically. And God also expects that as you serve Him and put His Word first place in your life, there should be signs of financial increase. There is absolutely no way you can walk with God, keep His covenant, and not experience financial increase—it has to come! Now, I didn't say it would come overnight or in a matter of days, but it will come.

God has a way for you to experience increase in every area of your life, and He laid it out in His Word. But remember, in a covenant both parties take an oath exchanging their very selves, and both are responsible for meeting the conditions of that oath.

Your Three Responsibilities

As we read earlier, God's covenant of increase was originally expressed through the *blessing* (the empowerment to prosper) that He bestowed on mankind in the beginning. The full list of God's blessings is laid out in **Deuteronomy 28**, but I want to call your attention to the conditions that must be met for us to experience these blessings:

And it shall come to pass, if thou shalt hearken diligently unto the voice of the LORD thy God, to observe and to do all his commandments which I command thee this day, that the LORD thy God will set thee on high above all nations of the earth: And all these blessings shall come on thee, and overtake thee... (Deuteronomy 28:1–2 KJV).

The first thing I want you to notice is the word "if," which reveals a condition of the covenant. The things promised will happen *if* you meet your three responsibilities. What are these responsibilities? The first thing you have to do is *listen* (hearken diligently) to what God



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is saying. Next, you must be willing to observe. This means you must give careful, respectful attention to. And lastly, you must *do* what God says.

Let me just say that God always blesses obedience. This means a blessed life is an obedient life. Obedience is the act of submitting to God's commands. It's doing whatever God might ask you to do. Every person in the Bible who conducted his or her life in an obedient manner lived a blessed life. If you want to experience all the blessings that are yours within your covenant of increase, if you want to increase God's way, then obedience is a must.

So hearken diligently, observe, and do all that God commands you to do. If you will do these three things, then the blessings will come on you and overtake you. It's only a matter of time. And remember, God wouldn't ask you to do anything that you couldn't do. You *can* do it! You can do these three simple things—hearken diligently, observe, do—that are required for you to experience increase God's way.

The Heart of the Matter

Now let's just be honest. I know a lot of people think that as Christians we are supposed to be poor. And by being poor that somehow means we are more spiritual. But this is a lie—it's just not true. You can't find this idea anywhere in the Bible.

The truth is, when you are prosperous and successful, you have more opportunities to influence people. It gives you a greater voice. It makes your God look attractive. He knows you can do more for the kingdom when you are blessed. God wants you blessed so that you can be a blessing. He wants you blessed so that you can prevent misfortune in the lives of others. He wants you blessed so that you can help spread the life-changing message of Jesus Christ to a hurting and dying world. He wants you blessed in every area of your life—spirit, soul, and body. It's your covenant right.

That being said, we must keep all this

in its proper perspective. God's intent is for you to be blessed and experience increase; however, He never intended for blessing and increase to be your number one pursuit. God wants you to make *Him* your number one pursuit. True prosperity and success are the result of having an intimate relationship with Him.

When I asked God to show me His definition of success, I was surprised when He led me to this scripture: *He has shown you, O man, what is good; and what does the LORD require of you but to do justly, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with your God?* (Micah 6:8). As I began to pray and meditate on that scripture, I sensed the Spirit of God saying that a life of integrity, loving mercy (or being compassionate toward others), and then walking humbly before God (never forgetting that without Him I'm nothing; always acknowledging Him as the source of everything good in my life) was being successful.

Integrity, compassion, humility, and faithfulness are issues of the heart. And let me say to you right now that nothing is more important to God than what is in a person's heart. God's covenant of increase has nothing to do with your natural abilities; it has everything to do with the condition of your heart.

God is looking for integrity and compassion. He's looking for humility and faithfulness. So, if you're a person of integrity, if you walk in love, if you remain humble, and if you are faithful,

then your heart is conditioned for true prosperity and success.

Subject to Change

God wants you to experience increase in every area of your life—spirit, soul, and body. And this includes your finances. **Increase is your covenant right**, so it doesn't matter if you are in debt right now. It doesn't matter if your bank account says zero. Increase is what God says is in store for you; it's **His plan for your life**.

I was preaching at a Full Gospel Businessmen's Convention in 1984 when the Lord led me to 2 Corinthians 4:18: *We do not look at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen. For the things which are seen are temporary, but the things which are not seen are eternal.* When I looked at the words "things which are seen are temporary," the Lord said, "Son, that means subject to change."

That scripture became revelation to me, and the foundation for maintaining my confidence in situations that appeared to be permanent. So don't count yourself out, even if your situation doesn't look as if increase is in your future. Whatever you may be going through may appear to be permanent, but if you can see it, it's not. It's subject to change.

Remember, if you've met the conditions of the covenant then the blessings of God's covenant of increase are already yours. Now it's up to you to lay hold of them by faith and walk in them!



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During the SWBC while Brother Jerry was preaching, the Lord prompted me to give. At first the amount that came to me was \$20. Then Bro Jerry said, usually the first amount is not God's best. Then the Lord impressed on me to give \$100. Being in the school system my available funds are limited during the summer. But I was obedient.

Prior to giving, a job opened up in the school system that fits my training. And 2 weeks after I sowed my seed I was given and accepted the job. My income as a bus driver went from \$14,000 a year to \$28,000! I am now a Reserve Police Officer. Praise God He is ever so Faithful and He loves us so! I am becoming a partner with your ministry!

R. B

On Tuesday at the SWBC as I was watching on tv, I began to speak in utterance in faith with touching your heart on the screen. Suddenly a spiritual force was inside my heart moving around. I felt no pain or discomfort, and I know there was a man inside my heart perhaps for soundness.

S. J

Praise God! My husband was healed of bladder cancer! Doctor said, "Not a trace!"

J. O

Earlier this year my wife received an unexpected check in the amount of \$78. At that time we were in desperate need of new sofas for our family room. We've been married 33 years and our sofas were 33 years old too. We decided to sow the \$78 check into your ministry and we called it, "Seed for Sofas". This was in April. During the week of SWBC my wife received another unexpected check in the amount of \$8265.16! We gave the tithe into your ministry and bought ourselves some brand new sofas! Thank you for your faithfulness and teachings from God's Word!

V. & E. D

PRAISE THE LORD! Yesterday in church, my husband gave his last dollar. I told him about the widow's mite. Today he rec'd a letter in the mail stating that the hospital bill for his surgery last March has been written off totally. HALLELUJAH!

THANK YOU, LORD JESUS! <3

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In January of this year the weather dropped over 30 degrees from that evening to the next day. We live on a hill and the cold pulled our water down the hill and it froze. When I realized the water was frozen, I cried out to God that I did not want to go through this again! This happened back in 2014, and we were without water for 3 months, cost us over \$6,000 to get new water and sewer lines plus over \$2,000 in bills. My daughter got anointing oil and we prayed! SUDDENLY we got our Great Breaking Loose! While I was in my bedroom praying I heard a loud noise and shaking on the roof of our house! I walked into the bathroom and saw water pouring out of the faucet in great force! My family shouted, danced and praised the Lord!

L. S



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COL Biker Rally
Jesse Duplantis
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Jerry Savelle
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Jerry Savelle
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September 25 @ 10 AM
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Ladies Meeting
Carolyn Savelle
October 2 @ 10 AM & 7 PM
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November 6 @ 6 PM
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November 30 @ 7:15 PM
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December 18 @ 10 AM
LEGACY CHURCH
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p: 903-519-3312
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OUR COVENANT OF INCREASE

by Carolyn Savelle

When Jerry shared with me the theme of this issue of our magazine, I couldn't help but think about the goodness of God and His plan shown to man through the scriptures. Romans 8:17, "*And if children, then heirs; heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ.*"

As heirs of God's promises through Jesus Christ, **this covenant of increase is our heritage**. I looked up the definition of covenant in the Noah Webster 1828 Dictionary. This is what I found.

Covenant: A mutual consent or agreement of two or more persons, to do or forbear some act or thing, a contract. A covenant is created by deed in writing, sealed and executed, or it may be implied in the contract.

When God entered into the covenant with Abraham in Genesis, Chapter 17, it was by word and deed. There were several very important things that took place. Abram's and Sarai's names were changed to Abraham (a prince of God) and Sarah (princess of God). He lifted them into the royal family by changing their names.

The Abrahamic covenant, which is the basis of Judaism and Christianity, is the most marvelous document in existence and it was sealed by circumcision, the shedding of blood.

This covenant bound Abraham and his descendants by an indissoluble tie to Jehovah, and it bound Jehovah to Abraham and his descendants by the same indissoluble tie. It is so important that you read all the blessings (listed in Deuteronomy, Chapter 28) that are now yours because of the covenant God made with Abraham.

Later (Genesis 26), we see that Isaac, who was born to Sarah and Abraham, has become a grown man; his mother and father have passed away. And there was a great famine in the land.

God repeats to Isaac in verses 4-5, the very same promises he spoke to his father. "...and I will make thy seed to multiply as the stars of heaven, I will give unto thy seed all these countries, and in thy seed shall all the nations of the earth be blessed. Because that Abraham obeyed my voice, and kept

my charge, my commandments, my statutes and my laws."

As we continue reading, it looks like Isaac obeyed God's words, commandments, statutes and his laws, just like his father did.

In Genesis 26:12-14, we see "Then Isaac sowed in that land, and received in the same year and hundredfold; and the Lord blessed him and the man waxed great, and went forward, and grew until he became very great; for he had possessions of flocks and possessions of herds and great store of servants; and the Philistines envied him."

To me this is the most beautiful picture of the "covenant of increase" that we can find in the Bible. The covenant of increase was upon his life when there was famine going on all around him. During famine, during trying times, during turbulent times, this man still increased.

Doesn't that just build your faith and encourage you? Doesn't that show you that in the year 2016, no matter what's

going on around us, we have this same promise, this covenant of increase that God's love has provided for us?

Jesus became the founder of the new covenant. Hebrews 7:22 says, "...*by so much also had Jesus become the surety of a better covenant.*" And as the Old Covenant was sealed with circumcision, the New Covenant is sealed with Jesus shedding his blood for us and giving us the new birth.

God bound Himself with an oath to the Old Covenant. He was the surety of the Old Covenant. He said, "...*by Myself Have I sworn.*" Just as God stood behind the Old Covenant and was its guarantee, so Jesus is the surety of every word in the New Covenant.

Noah Webster's 1828 Dictionary gives the definition of increase as: *to become greater in bulk or quantity, to grow, to become more in number, to advance in value, to enlarge, to add to any quality, to extend, to lengthen, to spread .*

If you obey God's Word, the "blessing of increase" will be upon you and will cause you to prosper and succeed in every area your life.

It should cause you to increase, to become greater in bulk and quantity, to grow more in number, to advance in value, to enlarge, to add to your quality, to you being extended, to you being lengthened, and in you being enlarged. It has always been His plan for His children to live blessed.

Satan started a lie a long time ago, trying to convince us that poverty, misfortune, failure, and defeat is just a part of life. For the most part we were all taught this and raised to believe this. But the word says In John 10:10, "*The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I have come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly.*" I love the Amplified Bible version, which reads, "*The thief comes only in order to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have and enjoy life, and have it in abundance (to the full, until it overflows).*" By these scriptures you can see the will of God for you. He

never intended for you to experience all the junk that the world experiences.

How much increase are you going to receive from the Word of God? It depends on how much you expect to receive.

In a previous magazine I wrote about, No Faith, Little Faith, Great Faith, and Exceeding Great Faith! When God measures out increase (which are His blessings), He measures it by your words and your actions. What are you saying and what are you believing and doing? You will get exactly what you expect.

Please take the time to read Luke 8:10-18. It will be very beneficial to your spirit.

When things get hard in life, people tend to draw back from the Word, from being around other believers, and even stop going to church. They also stop their giving.

I have learned from years of serving God that when things get hard in my life (and WE ALL experience it), I double up on God's Word. I purpose to get around others that have needs so I can give of myself to them and then my need doesn't look so bad. I (on purpose) go to more meetings and I DEFINITELY GIVE MORE AND NOT LESS. To me this is like giving the devil a black eye and saying, "Take that devil."

If you stop going to church and stop hearing the Word (this is where your strength comes from) and stop giving, you end up cutting off the flow of God's blessings and increase. This is when you need it the most.

When Satan tries to get me to hold back in my giving, I always break his hold by giving more instead of less. It won't be long until the increase and God's blessings are coming my way.

When you are under pressure, SOW. It's what Jerry and I have always done since we learned this truth years ago. What a transforming revelation for us. Satan is trying to destroy God's people

with pressure, mentally, emotionally, and financially. Pressure may be coming at you from every area. You may not know what to do.

But the Word of God tells us what to do. In Mark 4:1-20, Jesus compares the entire kingdom of God to a seed. Every living thing on earth came from a seed. Just think about the importance of seed. You came from a seed. You were born again by the seed of God's word. 1 Peter 1:23, "...*being born again not of corruptible seed but of incorruptible, by the word of God, which liveth and abideth forever.*"

Giving is always our way out. Jerry has preached for years that if you have a need, "sow a seed." I believe that with all of my heart.

And a seed doesn't always have to be money! It can be your time, your energy, anything you have in your possession that you pray about and that you want to give or sow as the seed. God looks at the heart when you sow.

And when you sow in faith you break the power of Satan and lack in your life. This will release you from the pressure that Satan has put on you.

Stand up and declare that you are living in your "covenant of increase NOW!"

Carolyn Savelle



Carolyn, heard the voice of God calling her into ministry at the age of eight! Her teachings have blessed thousands and made a profound impact on the lives of people throughout the world. Get more information about her and her ministry at www.jerrysavelle.org.

INCREASE

IN ALL THINGS

by Joe McCroskey

I learned very early, after turning my life over to the Lord, that there was a better way to live life. My Pastor in Oklahoma showed me some KEY verses in the Bible that changed my life forever. Jesus gave me all the tools that I would need to live the abundant life that He talked about in John 10:10 but it did not come automatically. There were things I had to do as well.

The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly. -John 10:10

In this verse I also saw that there was a spirit being (the devil) that would try to keep me from having the abundant life. But, if I seek God and His Written Word I can be the overcomer in all areas that Jesus wants me to be.

But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you.
-Matthew 6:33 KJV

But seek (aim at and strive after) first of all His kingdom and His righteousness (His way of doing and being right), and then all these things taken together will be given you besides. -Matthew 6:33 AMP

Let's look at the five things that will bring INCREASE into your life and change it forever.

INCREASE IN

1. Spending time in the Presence of God

I like to start my day off by getting into the Presence of God. I do this by playing anointed gospel music that is full of His Word. Then I just begin to give Him the praise that He is due. In doing this regularly, I have built an atmosphere where God and I can communicate. This makes Deuteronomy 28:1-2 start to work on my behalf.

¹And it shall come to pass, if thou shalt hearken diligently unto the voice of the Lord thy God, to observe and to do all his commandments which I command thee this day, that the Lord thy God will set thee on high above all nations of the earth: ²And all these blessings shall come on thee, and overtake thee, if thou shalt hearken unto the voice of the Lord thy God. -Deuteronomy 28:1-2

Notice in Verse 1, it talks about hearing God's voice and obeying. For me to hear someone talk to me I have to be in their presence. If I am out of town and I need to talk with my wife, Joyce, I use my cell phone to get in her presence. We can do it with God through Prayer and Praise, I can get in His presence right now.

2. Praying in the Holy Ghost

Another thing I do to start my day off right is praying in the Spirit in my heavenly language. This builds us up

in our most holy faith.

But ye, beloved, building up yourselves on your most holy faith, praying in the Holy Ghost, -Jude 1:20

Notice it says "praying in the Holy Ghost" (which is your heavenly language, not in your natural language, which is English for me). Do you need to be built up? Then increase the amount of time that you pray in the Spirit.

Many times we will not know how or what to pray but the Holy Spirit in our spirit man knows all things. We need to let Him pray through us to get the perfect will of God for our lives. Again, when you don't know how you should pray, you can pray in the Spirit.

So too the [Holy] Spirit comes to our aid and bears us up in our weakness; for we do not know what prayer to offer nor how to offer it worthily as we ought, but the Spirit Himself goes to meet our supplication and pleads in our behalf with unspeakable yearnings and groanings too deep for utterance.
-Romans 8:26 AMP

When you pray in the Spirit you can expect to hear God and understand what He wants you to do. Look at the verses below. Once I get clear understanding, then I must obey.

5 WAYS WE ARE SEEING INCREASE INTERNATIONALLY

¹⁴For if I pray in an unknown tongue, my spirit prayeth, but my understanding is unfruitful.

¹⁵What is it then? I will pray with the spirit, and I will pray with the understanding also: I will sing with the spirit, and I will sing with the understanding also. -1 Corinthians 14:14-15

hearken diligently unto the voice of the Lord thy God, to observe and to do all his commandments which I command thee this day, that the Lord thy God will set thee on high above all nations of the earth: ²And all these blessings shall come on thee, and overtake thee, if thou shalt hearken unto the voice of the Lord thy God. -Deuteronomy 28:1-2

3. Renewing your mind with God's Word

When you renew your mind and do what the Word says you can expect to flow in the perfect will of God for your life. Let's look at another key verse.

And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God. -Romans 12:2

In this verse it says to not go with the world's system. Please notice that there are two systems: there is the world's way and God's way. God's way is always better and was created for us to live the abundant life. You see as you renew your mind with God's Word, you will change your way of thinking to His way of thinking. And you can have the perfect will of God for your life.

An example is that the world says there is no cure for diabetes. But God's Word says by Jesus' stripes you were healed.

Who his own self bare our sins in his own body on the tree, that we, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness: by whose stripes ye were healed. -1 Peter 2:24

You must choose what the world says or what God says. Then you choose to believe God's Word by faith. We must renew our minds daily; it's not a one-time process.

4. Obeying God and His Word

When you know what God is telling you to do you must be quick to obey. What God is telling you to do will always (not sometimes but always) line up with what the Word of God (Bible) says. When you obey, it brings the blessing of God into your life.

¹And it shall come to pass, if thou shalt

Yes, I believe and know that God can talk to you. Please note that it says *WHEN* you hear Him, not *IF* you hear Him. And, again, it will always line up or agree with His written Word. You must do all He is telling you to do. If you do what He says then the Blessing of God will not only come upon you but will OVERTAKE you. Then, You will have abundance to help other people.

5. Operating in God's Divine Order
The last thing I want to share with you is there is a divine order that we are to flow in and this divine order is found in the verse below.

And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly; and I pray God your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. -1 Thessalonians 5:23

When you read this verse it shows you the order God wants you to operate in (Spirit - soul - body). Learn to let your spirit man always tell you the way God says you are to go. Then your (soul or mind) under direction of the Spirit will tell your body what to do.

This is simple and basic but it works.



Joe McCroskey
International Director

1 Feeding 100 Widows TANZANIA

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This year Dr. Savelle and our International Director, Joe McCroskey both toured in Canada at the same time.

Brother Jerry was on a Chariots of Light tour in British Columbia.

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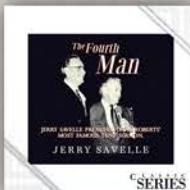
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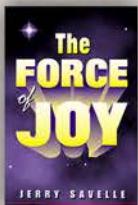
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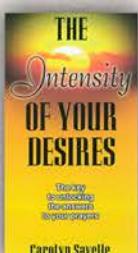
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IT'S ALL ABOUT

CONNECTIONS

by: PASTOR JUSTIN BRIDGES

We exited the building to make our trek over the long parking lot of a mega church. We had just left a church creative conference. My wife and I and several others from our leadership team made it to our car. I sat quietly in the passenger seat, totally not engaged in the conversation at hand. I couldn't help reflecting on all that I had just heard over the past several days. Honestly, I was frustrated and the frustration seemed to grow. For three days I had heard so much about how to grow your church, heard a lot of inspirational stories, and heard a lot about culture and relevance.

I noticed my frustration wasn't turning into a catalyst for change, but was making me feel as though I have failed or was failing. After a moment of giving into this self-pity, I collected my thoughts and a voice rang out in my heart that very simply said, "*Your most important pursuit will be remaining connected to Me. Don't run after what everyone else is doing, you stay connected to Me.*" (I'm not saying this to be critical of the conference, any

ministry, church, or organization. We actually learned a great deal and have implemented some great things.)

The phrase "*You stay connected to Me*" continues to ring out in my heart. It's so easy to connect ourselves with so many things, but the question is are we connected to the right things? It's in having the right connections that success happens.

Why Is Connection So Important?

Connection is all about covenant and it's in that covenant that success and increase happen. Proverbs says if we walk with wise men we will be wise. That means whoever I'm connected to will bring increase to my life. It's in our connection with our heavenly Father that we become all we are created to be, and it's in that connection that we fulfill every mandate that we have been given.

At Heritage of Faith Christian Center, God has given us a great mandate and a great vision – a vision that is beyond

us and one that far surpasses our own abilities. That's why we need to stay connected to Him to get the job done.

Our Connections Have Everything to Do with Our Success

Jesus was given a great mandate and task that was beyond his natural ability. Even with Jesus, His success would come down to His connections. He said in John 5:30, "*By myself I can do nothing.*" Jesus was totally reliant upon His connection with His Father for success. How much more do we need to rely upon our covenant connection with our Heavenly Father? In 1 John 15:1–8, Jesus gives us keys to success and increase. He actually uses the phrase "*much fruit.*" Much fruit sounds like success and increase to me. So whether you're a minister, a twenty-year Christian, or a new Christian, it doesn't matter, God is interested in your success and increase, so remember that increase has everything to do with your connections.

John 15:4 says, "*Abide in me, and I in*

you. As a branch cannot bear fruit of itself, except it abide in the vine, no more can you, except you abide in me." When Jesus says "abide" He is saying to us, "You need to dwell or you need to sit down and remain." Jesus reveals to us that it's impossible for a branch to fulfill its purpose if it doesn't stay (dwell or remain) connected to the right place. He in turn is telling us that you cannot bear fruit if you aren't connected to Him. In verse 5 He tells us that when we dwell, remain, or connect to Him we will bring forth much fruit. Our connection to Him is vital. Increase in your life and ministry is totally dependent upon connecting to the vine and He is the vine. He is the source of everything we need.

Remember what I said earlier that covenant is all about connections. In a covenant there are two sides that come together. Each side has a part to play. The amazing thing about being in a covenant with God is that He has already done most of the work. It's not up to us to bring forth much fruit. Our job is to abide, stay connected, and remain, and His job is to bring forth much fruit.

As we see throughout scripture, men and women of God succeeded and increased when they were connected to the right source. When Abraham followed God, he succeeded. It says of Noah that he walked with God habitually. We see Moses was determined to stay connected to God. He said to God, "*If you're not going with us I don't want to go*" (Exodus 33:15). David was a man that desired to be connected to God. He said, *One thing have I desired and that will I seek that I may dwell in the house of the Lord forever* (Psalm 27:4). It says of King Uzziah, *As long as he sought the Lord he prospered* (2 Chronicles 26:5). The list goes on, but every person who experienced success was because they were connected to God, and those that failed chose to be connected to others things.

God's desire for every one of us is to succeed, increase, and fulfill our purpose. So, as sons and daughters of God, let's make a commitment to remain connected to Him, and as we do we will bear much fruit.



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COVENANT RELATIONSHIPS

by: Bill Horn

In this ministry of Chariots of Light Christian Bikers there is one thing we always speak of and that's "covenant". I can truly say that we have increased in so many areas because of our covenant with Jerry and Carolyn Savelle and the eternal covenant we have been given by God. Increase by association!

When a vision is given by God, we know it takes many committed people to fulfill that vision. Chariots is a unique end-time ministry whose primary focus is the heart of God – the harvest of souls. Our vision is "passion for God; passion for souls; every member a soul winner"! And like our founding scripture – we choose to bring light to the world. *Philippians 2:15: that ye may be blameless and harmless, the sons of God, without rebuke, in the midst of a crooked and perverse nations, among whom ye shine as lights.*

I like to say it this way: we are a ministry of many ministries. Through the covenant with our founders (the Savelles) and their years of dedication to God and establishment of continued covenant relationships, we are now a global ministry. This has enabled Chariots to reach out further by establishing multiple teams throughout the world to help with the harvest; to share the gospel and to be a witnesses of the saving grace and power of the Lord Jesus Christ to those who are lost, hurting, bruised, and in calamity in a dying world.

Chariots of Light has developed into a global ministry that desires to become local. With our members and partners, we are helping the local church to become even more effective by means of greater relationships, soul-winning outreaches, and having a great time doing what God has called us all to do, which is bringing in the harvest.

Covenant to us is sticking with it no matter what. Not just the good times and good things that life may bring. People are always attracted to the fun and things they enjoy in life, but the Word tells us that it will rain on the

just and the unjust. Even though we live a life of victory and fulfillment; one thing I've noticed is that a lot of people quit when things don't go their way or things get a little tough or when the busyness of life seems to take them over. I believe true covenant is staying with people through the hard times and the good things in life – we stick together.

Brother Jerry's message has always been don't quit. **A true covenant keeper never quits.** God definitely keeps His covenant! Right? Thank God, He's never quit on us, never given up on us. He has always held up His covenant with us no matter what we did or had to go through.

Even though covenant doesn't change, the progression of the vision will change to accomplish the God-given goals for more increase. We have experienced this kind of growth since 2012.

We reached nearly 5000 people for Christ in 2012;
10,000 for Him in 2013;
20,000 in 2014; and
OVER 30,000 decisions for
Christ in 2015!
All glory to God!

prayers, desires, thoughts, hopes, or dreams].

We can do this, but it's only together that we are stronger. And only together we will accomplish this. **It's called covenant and commitment.**

We have averaged close to 100 new members each year over the last six years. Over the next five years, our goals are to establish new, effective membership areas in each state, as well as in other countries. We are establishing the vision strong in the hearts of the leaders and covenant members.

We'll be advancing from tens of thousands coming to Christ to millions making a decision for Christ! Hey, how about billions to Christ? We'll continue helping Christians become more effective, not only within the Body of Christ but in the market place too; in everyday life.

Our motivation – every day – is the connection of covenant commitment and covenant love, which enables us to accomplish what the Father has called us to do.

If you would like to be a part of this awesome growing covenant of believers who are fully determined to do the will of the Father, feel free to contact us at Chariotsoflight.com. We'll continue to ride on for Jesus!



Bill Horn
COL Director

This year, 2016, we are believing for the impossible. **We're believing God for 100,000 decisions for Jesus Christ through our tours and outreaches!** Well, if it were possible we wouldn't need faith, would we? Faith basically is increasing your goals beyond your wildest dreams just like it states in Ephesians 3:20 (Amplified), *Now to Him Who, by (in consequence of) the [action of His] power that is at work within us, is able to [carry out His purpose and] do superabundantly, far over and above all that we [dare] ask or think [infinitely beyond our highest*

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