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Continue to preach, teach and emphasize the importance of faithfulness.

**IT'S STILL MY PLAN FOR THE FAITHFUL TO FLOURISH.**

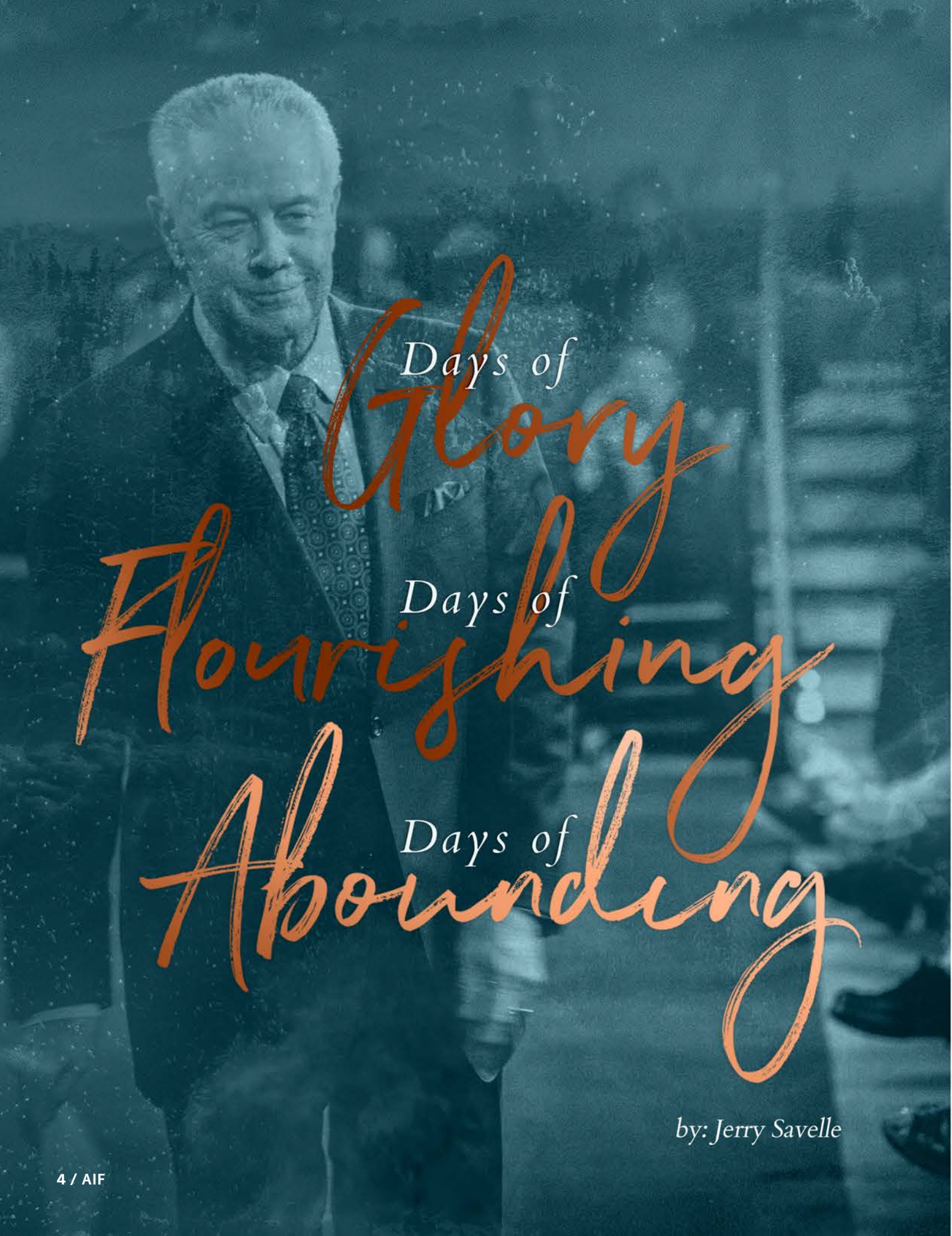
If you will do this then they will eventually get it. It's never been more important than right now for them to flourish in EVERY area of their lives.

These are indeed the *Days of My Greater Glory*, saith the Lord. I will cause it to manifest for all who have remained faithful to Me and faithful to My Word and *I will cause them to flourish and to abound*, even as I have promised in My Word.

I will honor their loyalty to Me by enabling them to overcome every attack of the evil one. And I will bring them into the greatest breakthroughs they have experienced thus far.

Rest assured that I am working in their behalf even now and they shall triumph and they shall be victorious and all shall see that I AM STILL THE GOD OF THE BREAKTHROUGH AND I'M STILL THE GOD THAT KEEPS COVENANT.

So lift up your hands and lift up your voices and praise your God, the God who is unlike any other god. The God who blesses all who have been loyal and faithful to Him, saith the Lord.



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by: Jerry Savelle

All you have to do is pick up a newspaper or turn on the television for five minutes to confirm the fact that this world has gone nuts. It's not the world our grandparents and our parents grew up in. It's not the world I knew as a kid, and it's certainly not the world I knew twenty years ago.

But I'm thankful that this one thing I *do* know, the Word of God, which dwells in my heart in abundance will never change. I don't know how people make it in this world today without the Word of God and without a relationship with Jesus Christ.

As I contemplated the condition of this natural world on October 27, 2017, the Holy Spirit spoke these words to me:

"These are the days indeed of My greater glory" saith the Lord. "I will cause it to manifest for all who have remained faithful to Me and faithful to My Word, and I will cause them to flourish and abound, even as I have promised in My Word. I will honor their loyalty to Me by enabling them to overcome every attack of the evil one, and I will bring them into the greatest breakthroughs that they have experienced thus far.

"Rest assured that I am working in their behalf, even now, and they shall triumph, and they shall be victorious, and all shall see that I am still the God of breakthrough, and I am still the God that keeps covenant.

"So, lift up your hands and lift up your voices, and praise your God. The God who is unlike any other God, the God who blesses all who have been loyal and faithful to Him," saith the Lord.

For those who have been faithful to God, the prophetic word for 2018 is this: *Days of glory, days of flourishing, and days of abounding.* Get that in your spirit!

I've placed this word right in the front of my Bible; I keep it with me everywhere I go. I have it in my notebook, my Day-Timer, and on my desk. I'm not playing spiritual games; I want what God wants for me. That's why I purpose to lay hold of each prophetic word He gives me and to decree it everyday. Consequently, that word never fails to come to pass for me, which is why I am continually flourishing in every area of my life. I *expect* to walk in days of glory. As I began a fresh study of the glory of God, I read the account of Moses asking the Lord, "*Please, show me Your glory*" (Exodus 33:18). Moses made it very clear what he desired; he wanted to see God's glory. Now let's see how God responded: Then He said, "*I will make all My goodness pass before you, and I will proclaim the name of the LORD before you. I will be gracious, and I will have compassion on whom I will have compassion*" (v. 19).

Notice that Moses didn't ask to see the goodness of God; he asked to see the *glory* of God. Apparently, in the mind of God they're one in the same. The glory of God is a manifestation of the goodness of God—and all throughout my Bible I read that God is good.

### WHAT DO YOU BELIEVE?

David was a man who faced many trials and went through numerous wilderness experiences, yet he understood the goodness of God. David said, *I had fainted, unless I had believed to see the goodness of the LORD in the land of the living* (Psalm 2:13 KJV). In essence, David said, "I would have fainted—I wouldn't have been able to stand and I wouldn't have been able to keep my eyes on God—if I hadn't believed to see His goodness."

What do you believe when you're in the wilderness? What do you believe when you're under attack? What do you believe when the battle you're fighting seems like a lost cause? David said he would

have fainted if he hadn't believed he was about to see the goodness of God.

Perhaps you are facing a trial or walking in the wilderness right now. If so, keep this thought at the forefront of your mind: *I may be going through a tough time, but the goodness of God is waiting for me on the other side!*

**What you believe in the wilderness is vitally important to your outcome.**

God spoke of His glory to the prophet Isaiah at a time when His people were experiencing great trials. Although they had brought about their situation through sin, the goodness of God awaited them on the other side. That is why God said, *Arise, shine; for your light has come! And the glory of the LORD is risen upon you* (Isaiah 60: 1–2). It appears to me that on the other side every great attack is a manifestation of the glory of God.

A number of years ago I drove to Denton, Texas, where I'd been invited to preach one Sunday morning. After the service I had lunch with the pastor and some of the church members before making the one-hour drive back home. The weather report had predicted storms, and I got caught right in the middle of a big one—the likes of which I hadn't experienced in a while. The wind was blowing, and it was raining so hard that the windshield wipers were of little use. I could barely see the taillights on the car in front of me.

Many drivers pulled off the road to wait for the storm to pass; however, because I was scheduled to speak somewhere else that evening I kept going. I was determined to get home, although I didn't know how long it would take to get there since I was doing only twenty miles per hour. As I inched along

and watched more and more cars pull over, I was praying in the Holy Ghost, believing I was not going to run into somebody. After driving a slow and harrowing five miles, I suddenly broke through the storm and found myself looking at a clear, sunny sky; where there was no evidence that it had rained at all. I wanted so badly to go back and tell all those people, “Come on, you can make it. Just a little farther ahead is beautiful sunshine!”

That’s when the Lord spoke to me and said, “Son, in the midst of every storm just remember this example: there’s sunshine on the other side.” I can assure you that if you’ll just stay faithful and keep pursuing what God has called you to do, you’ll break out of the storm of your trial and find the sunshine on the other side. That sunshine is symbolic of God’s glory.

### THINK IT NOT STRANGE

Some people have the idea that being a Christian means they will no longer have trials, but this is not true.

When people ask me, “Brother Jerry, why am I always under pressure? Why is the devil always picking on me?” here’s what I tell them: Jesus said *tribulation or persecution arises for the word’s sake* (Mark 4:17); therefore, the fact that you’re alive on planet Earth and the Word is in your heart is what bothers the devil.

Peter said, *Beloved, do not think it strange concerning the fiery trial which is to try you, as though some strange thing happened to you* (1 Peter 4:12). Don’t think it strange that you’re under attack; everybody who loves God comes under attack. Everybody who loves the Word of God comes under attack. I haven’t had a free ride in the forty-eight years since I committed my life to Jesus Christ. I don’t have the space to tell you

of all the attacks I’ve encountered since then, but I can tell you this: God has never let me down, He’s never forsaken me, and He’s never allowed me to lose.

Now, I’ve had to do what the Word says and take a stand of faith. The Bible says, *Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand the evil day, and have done all, to stand* (Ephesians 6:13). Sometimes the miracle I needed came before sundown, but sometimes I had to stand for as long as twenty years. However, once the miracle came it seemed that those were the shortest twenty years of my life. While I was standing I never thought about how long it took; instead, I was praising God because I knew He would do what He said He would do. God is faithful. This is why, after Peter said to think it not strange concerning the fiery trial, he went on to say *but rejoice to the extent that you partake of Christ’s sufferings, that when His glory is revealed, you may also be glad with exceeding joy* (1 Peter 4:13).

The very fact that you are in a fiery trial means God’s glory is about to be revealed—so rejoice! The Message translation says, *Friends, when life gets really difficult, don’t jump to the conclusion that God isn’t on the job. Instead, be glad that you are in the very thick of what Christ experienced. This is a spiritual refining process, with glory just around the corner.*

The apostle Paul said, *We are hard-pressed on every side, yet not crushed; we are perplexed, but not in despair; persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed—*(2 Corinthians 4:8–9). In other words, Paul is declaring, “I might get knocked down, but you’ll never knock me out!” He goes on to say, *For our light affliction, which is but for a moment, is working for us a far*

*more exceeding and eternal weight of glory* (v. 17).

Anything that lasts for but a moment isn’t permanent; it’s not going to last forever. This means that what you are going through right now has a time limit on it. God will not allow you to go through anything you cannot bear (see 1 Corinthians 10:13); therefore, He’s already decided in advance that you’ve got what it takes to make it through. And if you’ll stay faithful to Him and to His Word, you’ll come out victorious on the other side.

Are you in need of God’s glory today? Are you in need of the goodness, presence, and power of God to manifest in your life? Then make the quality decision that quitting is not an option, giving up is not an option. Declare these words out loud: “I’m not backing down. I’m staying in faith. I’m staying on the Word, and I’m staying in the presence of God. I’m not going to get out of fellowship. The glory of God is just on the other side of this trial.”

***I hear the Lord saying,  
“You haven’t seen  
anything yet. I’ve got  
things stored up that have  
your name on them—and  
they are about to be  
released!”***

My prayer is that you will remain strong, faithful, and diligent in the Word of God and in your walk with Him. I pray in the name of Jesus that you will not grow weary, you will not give up, and you will not faint. I declare that you will stand strong and be faithful.

God promises that you will experience His glory on the other side of every trial you face. So wait on God; this is your finest hour as you enter into *days of glory, days of flourishing, and days of abounding!*



# PARTNERSHIP

WHEN YOU PARTNER, YOU ARE HELPING TO SHARE  
GOD'S LOVE AND REDEMPTIVE MESSAGE OF HOPE  
AROUND THE WORLD.



*T H E*

**GOOD**

*OF*

**GLORY**

*by: Carolyn Savelle*



Father Abraham is a Bible character that I love, but I want to take a look at him at the time when he was known as Abram, before God changed his name. *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" (Genesis 12:1).*

At first glance it seems odd that God would tell Abram to leave his country and his family. But when we consider the fact that his father was an idol worshipper, we can understand that God wanted to remove Abram from an idolatrous home so that He could reveal Himself in a big way.

The Bible says, *The God of glory appeared to our father Abraham... and said to him, "Get out of your country and from your relatives, and come to a land that I will show you" (Acts 7:2-3).* The divine title, "the God of glory," used in this verse is found only one other time in the Scripture: *The voice of the LORD is over the waters; the God of glory thunders; the Lord is over many waters (Psalm 29:3).* The God of glory is a kingdom title; therefore, when Jehovah appeared to Abram, it was as the God of glory that He revealed Himself.

Although the first recorded appearance of the God of glory was to Abram, God's glory was present in the beginning. The Bible says God is light (see 1 John 1:5), and describes that light as a garment: *[You are the One] who covers Yourself with light as with a garment (Psalm 104:2 AMP).* If God Himself is covered, or clothed, with light, it stands to reason that Adam and Eve were initially clothed with the divine presence, the Shekinah glory that is described throughout the Bible. The term *Shekinah glory* is used to indicate God's presence, His radiance, the exact representation and perfect imprint of His divine essence. Adam and Eve were physically naked in that they wore no material clothing, yet they were divinely covered with a spiritual presence that hid their nakedness: *And they were both naked, the man and his wife, and were not ashamed (Genesis 2:25).*

The writings that I've studied about the Shekinah glory describe it as spun gold, in both color and hue. The glory of God that covered Adam and Eve appeared as a radiated luminescent cover over their bodies.

Our original parents were used to a covering of divine presence; however, that presence disappeared when they sinned. At the precise moment they partook of the fruit that God had forbidden them to eat, sin entered the world. I believe the presence of God vanished at once because the Bible says, *Then the eyes of both of them were opened, and they knew that they were naked*

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(Genesis 3:7). Consequently, they hid themselves from God when they saw they were uncovered. They first hid behind aprons of fig leaves that they made for themselves; later they hid behind trees.

As was His custom, the Lord God came into the garden in the cool of the day so that He might communicate with His favored creation, who looked unto Him: *And they looked to Him and were radiant, and their faces were not ashamed (Psalm 34:5).* This verse makes me think about Moses, after he returned from the mountain and the presence of the Lord. The people could not look at him because he was radiant, enlightened with the Shekinah glory of God. The glory on Moses was the same glory that originally covered Adam and Eve in the garden. They took on God's persona and character; they became as He was.

We too can be as God is when we get into His presence. I remember the time Jerry and I were in California for a meeting that took place over a period of several days. When we had a day off I told Jerry I'd like to go to a nearby mall, and he agreed to go with me. Although he wasn't in the same focused shopping mode as me, I was pleased at his thoughtfulness in being there for me. We agreed that while I did my shopping, he would spend some quiet time "window shopping."

When I met Jerry after I'd finished shopping, he told me the most amazing story. A woman had been at home praying about a matter when the Lord spoke to her, saying, "Go to the mall and you'll find someone there who will help you with your need." When she got to the mall, she stood at one end of the central plaza, which was lined with storefronts on both sides, waiting for God to guide her. That's when she noticed a light moving slowly from one storefront to the next, stopping at a window for a few moments and then moving to another window. As she gazed at what she described

as “a ball of light,” the Lord again spoke to her: “That’s the man who will pray for you, and your need will be met.” She immediately walked up to Jerry, told Him what the Lord had said to her, and then told him her need. When he laid hands on her and prayed, her need was met.

Why was the “ball of light” visible to that woman? Jerry had been fasting, praying, and spending time in God’s presence. Not only was God’s glory visible upon Jerry that day; I’ve seen it on him at other times as well.

I used to see that same glory on a certain minister who visited our church when I was growing up. His name was William Branham, and when he conducted a service at our church the whole audience could see the glow of light around him. Even the photographs they took when he was ministering showed the aura of light surrounding him when he was in the presence of God.

I’m convinced that when we become so dedicated to the Lord, when we’ve given our all to Him

and we’re in His presence with a sincere heart, people will see the visible presence of God’s glory upon us. This is my heart’s cry.

The Bible says, *And those who are Christ’s have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires* (Galatians 5:24). I too want to crucify my flesh and everything that is not of God, everything that does not glorify Him. I want my every waking moment and my every thought to be centered on God; I want to be Christ-like.

I believe we are at the climax of the ages. For those who are covered in the blood of Jesus and remain faithful to God and His Word, there is absolutely nothing—whether it be sickness, disease, demonic spirits, forces, principalities, powers, rulers of darkness or spiritual wickedness in high places—that can stand against us. I invite you to join me in walking in these days of glory, days of flourishing, and days of abounding. Let’s be the dynamic company of end-time believers who reflect the glory of God as He demonstrates His love to others.



**Carolyn Savelle**, 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](http://www.JerrySavelle.org).



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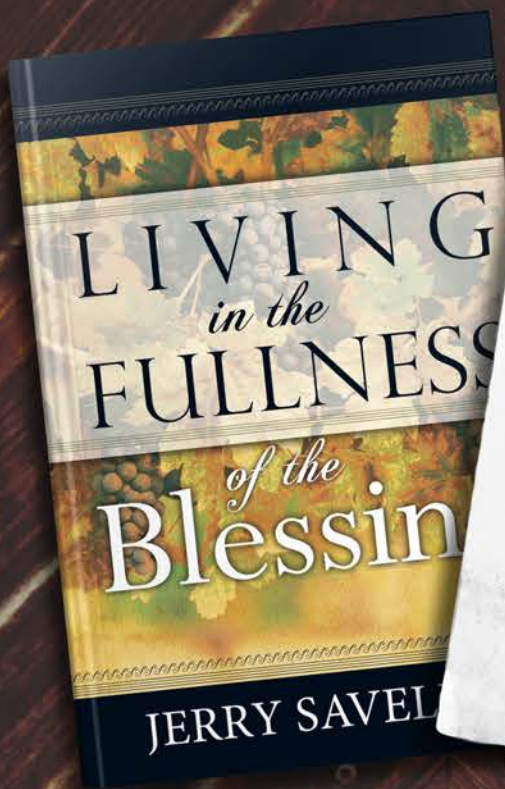


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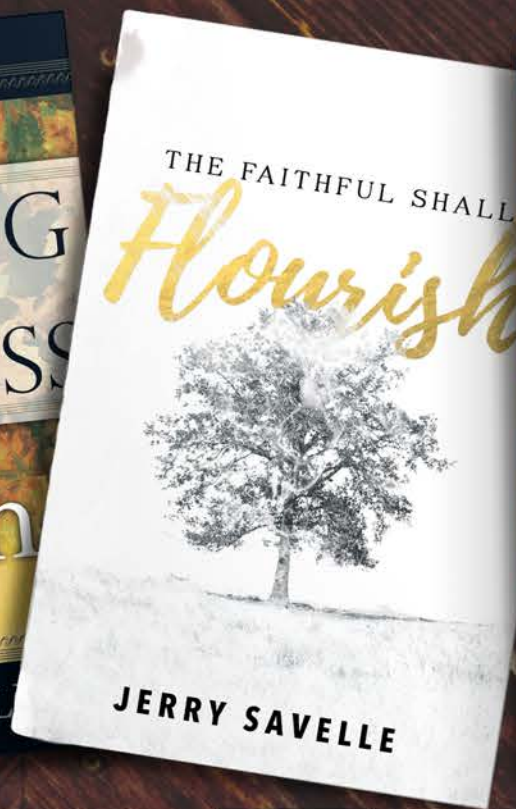
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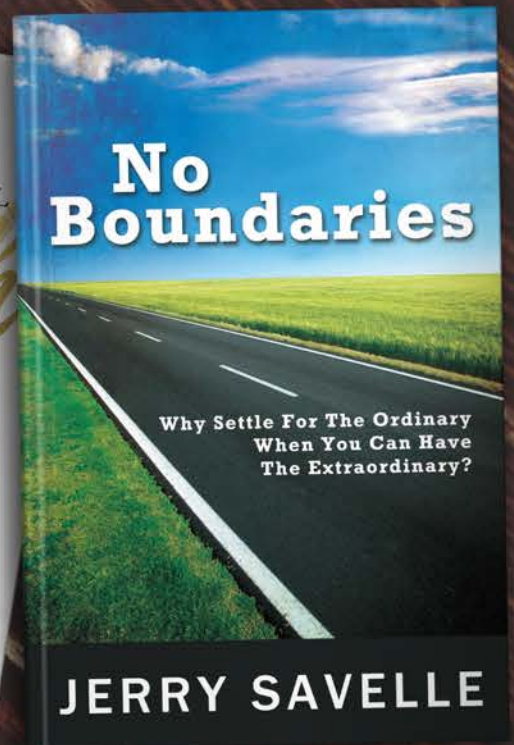
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10 AM

New Way Church  
Palm Coast, FL

24-25<sup>th</sup>  
6:45 PM

Christian Life Center  
Pennsville, NJ

28<sup>th</sup>  
10 AM

## FEBRUARY

Friendship Church  
San Antonio, TX

25<sup>th</sup>  
9 & 11 AM

Victory Christian Center  
San Angelo, TX

25<sup>th</sup>  
6:30 PM

Prevailing Faith  
Pasadena, TX

28<sup>th</sup>  
7:30 PM

## MARCH

The Epicenter Church  
Forest City, NC

3<sup>rd</sup>  
10 AM

Baltimore Christian Faith Center  
Randallstown, MD

4<sup>th</sup>  
10 AM & 7 PM

Fortress of Joy Church  
Helena, MT

25<sup>th</sup>  
10 AM

Heritage of Faith  
Christian Center  
Winkler, MB (Canada)

25-27<sup>th</sup>  
25<sup>th</sup> @ 7 PM //  
26<sup>th</sup>-27<sup>th</sup> @ 7:30pm

## APRIL

Heritage of Faith Christian Center  
Crowley, TX

22<sup>th</sup>  
10 AM

Heritage of Faith Christian Center  
Crowley, TX

29<sup>th</sup>  
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**CANADA**  
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**TANZANIA**  
**OCT. 21ST - OCT. 25TH**



UNLOCKING YOUR

# Unlimited

POTENTIAL

by: Justin Bridges

The thought of releasing our unlimited potential or capability is astounding because it produces a sense of destiny and purpose in us. Releasing what's in the seed of my destiny so it can produce unlimited potential or my full capabilities comes down to what I am pursuing and following in my daily walk, my lifestyle pursuits. There is nothing wrong with inspiring statements and the emotions they produce...but let's face it, if our destiny and purpose is going to be a reality *we have to go way beyond just inspiring feel good statements.*

There are three principles I want us to look at regarding a seed:

- 1) a seed has in itself unlimited potential to produce,
- 2) a seed must be *planted* so it can root itself to grow and
- 3) the environment or soil determines the quantity and quality of the fruit produced.

If we look at the DNA of a seed we find that there is unlimited potential to produce the fruit in that seed. However, that seed will never produce its full potential until it's deposited in the right environment. Matthew 13 and Mark 4 give us great insight to the fact that it's not just the seed that's important, but it's where that seed that seed is planted (the soil) that determines the quantity of its fruitfulness. The parable teaches us

that only the seed that is planted in good ground that reaches its maximum fruitfulness.

Just like a seed, it comes down to the environments where you and I plant ourselves that determines the potential we are able to unlock. Where and what we are faithful to or follow is "being planted". So, as believers, ***where and what I am faithful to will determine if I reach my unlimited potential.*** REALITY CHECK - we are where we are in life because of our daily lifestyle pursuits.

In other words, if we want an abounding life and a fulfilled life it will be the product or result of where we have planted ourselves and what we have remained faithful to follow...just ask your boss. If you're not faithful on the job you will not reach the full potential at that job.

Jesus is a great example of these principles. He was planted and rooted in the Word of God from His childhood and continued under His Father's instructions daily. So when the fullness of His time came He was able to say in John 12:23 "*... the hour is come that the Son of Man should be glorified.*" Jesus is saying, the reason I came is for right now...the reason I was born comes down to this moment. In John 12:24 Amplified - Jesus compares Himself to a seed and says, "*... unless a corn of wheat falls into the ground and dies, it remains just one grain it never becomes more but lives by itself alone; but if it dies it produces many others and yields a rich harvest.*" Jesus fulfilled His potential because He planted Himself in following His Father.



One Sunday as I was ministering about this, it came into my heart that there are too many people sitting in church who, year after year, remain in seed stage. Because of this, they never step into their full potential and the great things God has called them to do.

The thought that Jesus gives us about dying is one I don't think is easily understood at first. But after further study, we can see that Jesus actually reveals how a man dies in order to bring forth much fruit. He says in John 12:26, *"If any man serve me let him follow me; and where I am there shall also my servant be. If any man serve me, him will my father honor."* I believe the *dying* Jesus refers to is following the Father.

*Following is the currency of discipleship.* If we want to grow up and reach our

potential and abound with blessings, we must come to the place where we follow Him. Following is not just an action we take, but it's a consistent position we place our lives in. Jesus revealed that He was faithful to follow the Father's instruction, the Father's example, and the Father's voice! As He did He lived a life of abundance, a life where He reached His full potential and destiny.

Psalm 23:1-6 declares that the Lord is the Shepherd and I should NOT want. He restores my soul *because* I'm following the Shepherd. He leads me down right paths *because* the Shepherd is leading me. I go through the valley of the shadow of death *because* the Father leads me. My cup runs over *because* the Father led me to a table He prepared for me. Goodness and mercy

will follow me all the days of my life. Why???

*Because* the Father is leading me.

As you follow after the Father, you will reach your full potential. When you follow the right voice, it will lead you to places of great victory and great fulfillment!

When I think about reaching our unlimited potential, I think of King Uzziah in 2 Chronicles 26 where it says that as long as he sought (followed) the LORD he was made to prosper. King Uzziah became a great leader in every arena of life until he began trusting in himself. The moment he stopped following the Father his kingdom went in the wrong direction.

As you read this, I believe you have unlimited potential that's just waiting to be released. Make the decision today

to follow the Lord, and seek after Him. As you do, you will accomplish great things and the Lord Himself will glorify you.



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THE FAITHFUL SHALL

# Abound

*in the Blessings of God*

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Days of GLORY! Days of FLOURISHING! Days of ABOUNDING! This is God's Word spoken over us for 2018. Glory to God!!! Let's focus on and then think and meditate on the meanings of the word *ABOUND*.

In the literal Hebrew the word *ABOUND* means *abundance, abundant or abundantly*, as well as *exceedingly, full, plenteous and more*. In Latin, *abound* simply means **overflow**. Webster's 1828 Dictionary defines it as, *to have or possess in great quantity, to be in great plenty*. No matter how you define *abound*, it sounds to me like it is *exceedingly abundantly above all that we can dare ask, hope or think* (Ephesians 3:20 AMP). You can see that God wants to pour out an overflow of His abundant blessings into every area of our lives.

This kind of abounding reminds me of the first time my oldest daughter had the opportunity to serve herself chocolate milk. She reached as high as she could in the cabinet, grabbed the biggest glass she could and began to pour. As she tipped the carton of chocolate almond milk towards the glass, her eyes were bigger than the capacity of the glass. She served herself an *overflowing* glass of milk that was *much more* than she needed and *much more* than the glass could contain. This is exactly what God wants to do in our lives! It's His

desire for every believer! But the reality is that most Christians are not experiencing this type of overflow in their lives. Why?

When we made Jesus the Lord of our lives, we were given the **BLESSING**, which produces the *blessings* (Galatians 3:9 & 14). Deuteronomy 28 tells us that if we listen diligently to the Word of God and **do** whatever He tells us, then all these blessings will come on us and overtake us. Our responsibility is to be **FAITHFUL** to His Word. The blessings are the result of our being faithful to obey and eventually they will overflow (**abound**) in our lives.

Remember the overflowing glass of milk that my daughter poured? God doesn't see overflow as wasteful. He doesn't mind our abounding in the blessings, as long as we are **faithful** to Him in the process and remember the overflow of blessings are given to us to be a blessing to others! However, if the blessings aren't abounding in our lives, we cannot be the blessing that God created us to be (Genesis 1:27).

Being **faithful** is a part of our DNA (Galatians 5:22). It is one of the fruits of the Spirit, but just as with any fruit, faithfulness has to be cultivated and tended to in order to produce an abundant harvest, or to **abound** in our lives.

Our ability to be faithful comes from the first part of the word faithful, which is *faith*. Faith comes by hearing and hearing by the Word of God (Rom. 10:17). Our consistency and faithfulness to hear and do the Word will always result in the **blessings abounding** in our lives. A faithful man is someone that is full of faith as a result of what they have been hearing on a regular basis. True faith will always have corresponding actions (James 2:18). Whatever we truly believe is what we will be faithful to do. If we stop believing in something, we have stopped being faithful to it; and if we stop being faithful to it, we will stop seeing the results of abundant blessings.

Take, for instance, one of the latest diets that people are trying. It is always interesting how a person will start off in January, super excited about this new craze or fad. They buy the book, join the website, and it seems this new way of eating consumes much of the way they think. They see results quickly, but soon find themselves wandering away from it by distractions. Because of their lack of consistency, or **faithfulness** to continue, they stop receiving the results they wanted. Yet, if they had remained faithful to what they had learned in the beginning, and to the process, they would have seen good results.

It is the same way with receiving the blessings of God in our lives. When we first hear the Word, we are excited and full of motivation to put it to work in our lives. But we must continue to cultivate and feed this initial desire and excitement in every season of our lives.

The Word of God works, and His promises are all "yes and amen"; but, the moment we stop being faithful with the Word of God and whatever He has told us to do is the moment the blessings stop **abounding** in our lives. A person who stays full of faith in the Word of God will be **faithful**, and the **blessings** will always abound in their life.

Being **FAITHFUL** is a choice. I like to say, "If it's going to be, it is up to me".

When we make the choice to be faithful to God and His Word, then we can rest assured that an outpouring of the **BLESSINGS** will always abound toward us, because He is our **FAITHFUL GOD!**



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