

CHIEF MINISTRIES

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Happy New Year!

I pray this letter finds you growing in the grace of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. A New Year has begun. Have you really decided to give everything to Him? This new year God wants to take each and every one of us to another level, we have to understand what it takes to get there.

God put you in charge! *"Let us create man in our image and let them have dominion...over all the earth." (Genesis 1:26)* After being given dominion, we're told to subdue it. This means to take charge over, bring under subjection, to overpower or control. *"And God said unto them, be fruitful, and multiply and replenish the earth and subdue it" (Genesis 1:28).* From the beginning, we've been instructed to have complete dominion over all the earth and to take charge over it.

The same is true of our circumstances. Get rid of the victim mentality or "everyone's against me" ideology. "The prison system's just ruining my life." Quit whining already! You were created to be the head and not the tail (Deuteronomy 28:13). Yet even the tail gives lift and direction. Yes, I've learned to look at the bright side of everything because I've chosen not to be embittered by the accuser of the brethren, false accusation or slander. Make lemonade with your lemons!

God has granted us authority and dominion over our world and our circumstances. You can either accept this incredible gift and use your God-given authority to live a blessed life – yes - even while incarcerated - in accordance with the will of God or you can choose otherwise. The choice is yours.

This New Year, choose right, choose life and abundance and healing. This year, I challenge you to take charge of your life by losing it completely to Him. Don't worry. Losing control is actually gaining control.

Jesus was a good gatekeeper. The gateway of His mind wasn't full of oppressive, woe is me, lustful, depressing thoughts, and if they came, He took those thoughts captive and let the positive thoughts, beliefs and emotions about His destiny spur Him on to love and good deeds. *Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things. (Philippians 4:8) Casting down imaginations, and every high thing that exalteth itself against the knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ; (2 Corinthians 10:5) And let us consider one another to provoke unto love and to good works: (Hebrews 10:24)*

Don't be a chicken! Most chickens get stuck in a pen or small cage, are left to walk around in their own feces, they are miserable, and they usually end up dead before their time. Come out from under the lies you have believed and boldly take your place beside Jesus as heirs to the Kingdom and become the eagle you were meant to be.

3 John 1:2 "Beloved, above all things I want you (all His children) to prosper and be in health even as your soul prospers (or only to the degree your soul can handle). Is your soul prosperous - (full of kindness, love, wisdom, mercy, long-suffering, patience, self-control, peace, good stewardship and generosity), yet you still feel in last place? Yeah? Then perhaps you're outside of His will. Remember, you have not because you ask not. "But let him ask in faith, with no doubting, for the one who doubts is like the wave of the sea that is driven and tossed by the wind." (James 1:6).

Hope and faith are not the same. If you're not seeing results, perhaps you've tied God's hands, so to speak. Perhaps we need to go from, "I hope I make parole, to I am making parole." *"As thou hast believed, so it be done unto thee (Matthew 8:13).* Unwavering faith is a key to answered prayer. You can't have that if you're unsure of His will. Pray to know His will first and He will tell you. You may not hear it out loud, but He'll find a way to convey His answer. Once you know, you can pray in absolute faith.

The Lord wants you to have the very best this year and every year, but not if it's going to cost you your soul. Abraham was a wealthy man (blessed by God). Why? He put God first in everything. God wants us to be blessed as well, but all "these things"

can't be the reason for our love and service to the King. We are blessed to be a blessing. *"For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet became poor, so that you by His poverty might become rich."* (2 Corinthians 8:9).

Those who live according to their sinful nature have their mind set on what nature desires, but those who live in accordance with the spirit have their minds set on what the Spirit desires (Romans 8:5). People who only care about themselves are inwardly directed. They put themselves up on a pedestal and look down on others. I'm not sure what they're seeing from their perch with all those "logs" in their way (you'll get that in a second). Whereas, those ruled by the Holy Spirit are consumed with the greater good of all and are interested in the prosperity of the land, so they can share the abundance with others.

God's will is our safety net. He's not going to pour out to you more than you can handle - until you're ready to handle it. Your spiritual foundation has to be firm. *"No one is established by wickedness, but the root of the righteous will never be moved."* (Proverbs 12:3). Doing the right thing keeps you in the will of God. You men who keep playing games, your unstable. One day you're singing in the choir, the next you're involved in all kinds of illicit activities. The Holy Spirit is asking, **"How long? How long? How long shall my children give in to their flesh? Why are they blinded to the incredible blessings I have for them, the incredible destiny that waits for them, fulfilling the dreams that I have given them."** What is your answer to him?

He redeems us (God sent His only begotten son to die for our sins) *from the curse of the law* (freed us to operate in the supernatural or above the law and access the limitless wellspring of eternal life) *in order that the blessings given to Abraham* (all the same, abundant overflowing blessings) *might come to the Gentiles* (us) *through Jesus Christ* (through all that Jesus provided) (Galatians 3:14). Wow! How powerful is that?

What do you want God to do in your life in 2014. Me? I'm going to another level. If nothing is impossible for God, then what do I really want to be of benefit to me and others. Make a list! It may seem incredible. Think big! We serve a BIG God! If you can believe for it, it will be possible! The questions are; is your heart in the right place and how big can you believe and how much can you handle and still remain humble and grateful. Discover the kingdom of heaven where God is our infinite source and supply. *"Delight yourself in the Lord and he will give you the desires of your heart."* (Psalms 37:4). *Whatever ye ask in prayer, believing, ye shall receive (Matthew 21:22) Do not be anxious* (don't care or be too concerned) *about anything, but in everything by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God (Philippians 4:6).*

Use the following focal points as a start to a greater walk of faith this year:

- Thank you Father for watching over me, perfecting me, guiding me, protecting me and blessing me in every aspect of my life.
- Thank you Father that I now maintain only pure and clean thoughts.
- Thank you Father that I now maintain peace of mind in every situation.
- Thank you Father that I am happy all the time and my happiness lifts the spirit of those around me.
- Thank you Father that I am cleansed of all unhealthy habits and live a wholesome dedicated life.
- Thank you Father that I am divinely protected and miraculously blessed with whatever you want me to have

I pray this year, all who receive this letter would be blessed beyond measure and be willing to actively move out in the things of God. Listen to the Holy Spirit and put off the weights that are holding you back from unlimited blessing! Don't forget to stay in the Word with hundreds of others committed to reading the entire Bible this year.

Be Blessed, I'm always praying for you to achieve your destiny! C'mon! Let's go to the next level!

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