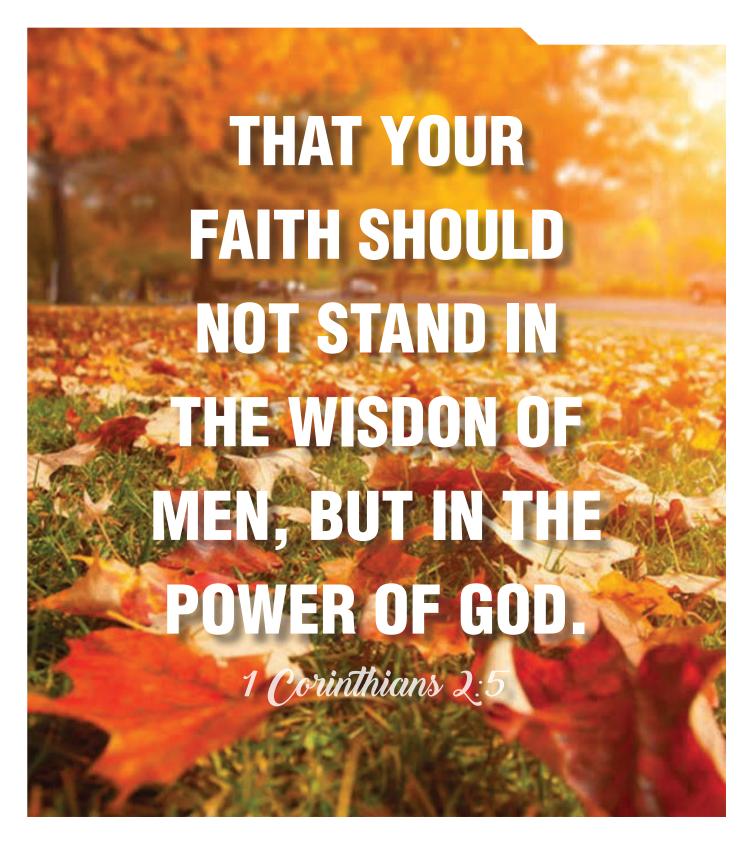


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### editorial



### FROM THE EDITOR



Joel Stein wrote an excellent article in Time Magazine titled Millennials: The Me Me Me Generation (May 20, 2013), in which he profiles the millennial generation. The two pervading characteristics of this generation (typically people born from 1980 to 2000) is narcissism and entitlement. Stein outlines the various reasons that led to this result and also concludes that this is a world-wide incidence - "Each country's millennials are different, but because of globalization, social media, the exporting of Western culture and the speed of change, millennials worldwide are more similar to one another than to older generations

within their nations."

In essence, the problem with a millennial attitude is that it is completely anti-God. God is always giving, while a millennial attitude is always wanting. It is the difference of two people coming with hands outstretched, the one with palms up asking for something to be placed in them, while the other comes with something in their hands to give away. The problem with having palm-faced-up hands is the motivation that it is their 'right' to ask for something they never had any intention of obtaining by effort. Entitlement, by its definition, encourages laziness. If one is constantly expecting a free handout (and then receiving it in most cases), it will cultivate a leech-culture - only taking and never giving anything back in return. That is why Solomon writes, "The leech has two daughters, crying, Give!" (Proverbs 30:15a AMP). Leeching is nothing more than greed.

Greed, describes a selfish attitude, and selfishness is the antithesis to a Godly nature. Perhaps it is for this reason God included greed in the Ten Commandments He gave to the Israelites in the desert. Greed is a monster that is insatiable, and also an animal that grows in appetite the longer it is allowed to stay alive. It is something that will cause you to throw all caution to the wind in your endeavours simply for the sake of feeding it. It is therefore said that "a greedy person is in a hurry to get rich, but he is ignorant of the loss that is about to overtake him" (Proverbs 28:22 VOICE). Selfishness has the tendency to consume a person, and in the process of total absorption destroy all relationships and create an emotionally desolate place. Ultimately a selfish person will end up alone and truly lost to himself and the rest of humanity.

It is clear to see that a selfish attitude (greed) simply has no place in faithful stewardship of God's resources; and, without faithful stewardship there simply cannot be any blessing - neither spiritual nor material

benefits whatsoever. So, will you join me in living a life dedicated to God and His principles, and forsake the satisfying of 'self'?

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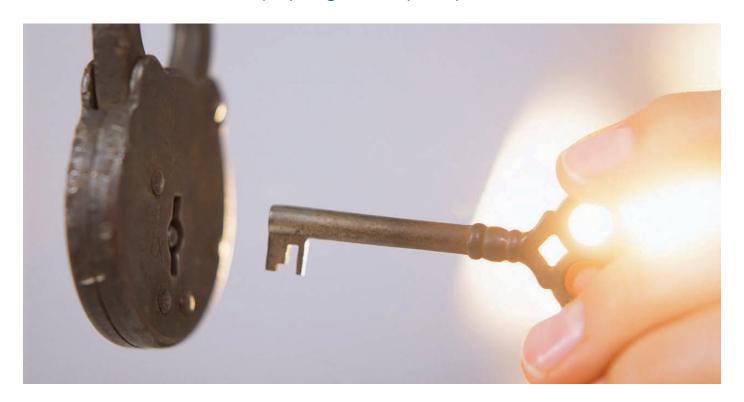
We have come to know that in order for a believer to live an abundant, fruitful, and fulfilled life, where the BLESSING influences and dominates every area of their lives, there must be a true sense of belonging. This sense is a confident knowing that we are vitally connected to Jesus and His love and life is flowing through our veins. So let's focus on the intimacy we experience in our hearts with the Lord and the fruit it produces in our souls - the gardens of our hearts.

The truth about God and His ways that we agree with and mediate on, He personally takes, by His Holy Spirit, and makes it alive in us. Just like at conception, when the Word (which is the incorruptible seed of God), is planted into the soil of our minds - life takes place! We can actually feel the moment that Word of truth becomes a part of us. When that piece of God (because God is His Word), becomes part of who we are, something very real, intimate and special happens. Just think about the times you read or have heard something in His Word that touched your heart. You didn't just agree with it, you actually had an 'eureka' moment, when it became more than just a though or idea, it became truth to you - and you actually felt it lodge into your heart and mind. At that moment there was a spark that felt like pure joy and excitement inside of you. That Word just became part of you! The more you meditated on it, the

more that feeling grew and you began to feel on top of the world! You knew that truth had changed something inside of you, something no one can ever take from you, unless you allow them to. That my dear reader, is intimacy with the Lord, and it's what marks the significant difference between religion, and a relationship with God. It has another name too - faith.

Now, that intimacy we experience isn't just limited to reading His Word or hearing His principles being spoken, it happens anytime we spend time meditating on Him, or speaking to Him. Or when we get lost in worship, completely overwhelmed by the words we sing, because they lead us to that place where we are standing face to face with Him, gazing into His mercy and loving kindness. And being intimate with the Lord in our hearts always produces abundant, lush gardens in our minds. Gardens that bear fruit that resemble the seeds of truth they came from.

### enjoying everyday life



### GET THE KEYS TO TOTAL RESTORATION IN YOUR LIFE

### JOYCE MEYER

God is in the business of restoration, and as believers in Christ, He wants to make us whole in every area of our lives. The process of restoration is what transforms us into the new creation 2 Corinthians 5:17 (AMP) says we can be:"a new creature (reborn and renewed by the Holy Spirit)...(the previous moral and spiritual condition) have passed away..."

I remember when I desperately needed to recover from the abuse in my past. I had thought that when I was old enough to leave home, I would leave the pain behind, but the problem was in my soul—my thinking and emotions. I needed healing and restoration so I wouldn't continue to be poisoned by things that had happened to me all those years growing up.

I came to this realization after a woman came to speak at our church and shared her testimony of how she had been abused and God had healed her. My husband, Dave, bought her book for me, and when I started to read it, it was so painful I threw it across the room and refused to pick it up. But then I clearly heard the Holy Spirit speak to my heart, "It's time, Joyce." God had a much better life for me than what I had known up to that point, and He wanted to restore my soul so I could experience it.

#### **Double for Your Trouble**

Isaiah 61:7 (AMP) says, "Instead of your (former) shame you will have a double portion; and instead of humiliation your people will shout for joy over their portion. Therefore in their land they will possess double (what they had forfeited); everlasting joy will be theirs."

This scripture shows us that God can completely restore us—no matter what we've done or been through. And He wants to bring us to a position that's better than we would have been in if we had never gone through the messes in our lives. He wants to give us double for our trouble!

Notice the phrase "instead of your former shame." Do you know what it's like to have shame in your life? I had a shame-based nature for many years because of the abuse I experienced from my father. It made me feel like something must be wrong with me for him to do the things he had done to me.

But the first thing Jesus gives us through our relationship with Him is righteousness, or right standing with God (2 Corinthians 5:21). It's so important for us to get this, because the enemy wants us to think about everything that's wrong with us so we'll focus on our faults. And when we do this, it just gives our problems more strength over us.

We need to learn how to "walk habitually in the (Holy) Spirit (seek Him and be responsive to His guidance)," because then we "will certainly not carry out the desire of the sinful nature (which responds impulsively without regard for God..." (Galatians 5:16 AMP).

This is what it means to be transformed into the image of Christ. And while it's not an easy process, we can do it with God's help.

#### The Process of Restoration

Think about it like this: When a person restores a used-up, beat-up piece of furniture, the first thing they do is strip off the old layers of paint or varnish. We all have things that need to be stripped away in our lives. Maybe it's old attitudes and mindsets that don't line up with the way God thinks and acts...or unhealthy relationships that are holding you back from God's purpose and plans for you.

Whatever it is, you can pray, "Lord, strip me of everything that's not good for me, and everything that's hindering my walk with You. Do what You need to do to get it out of my life."

Sanding is another step in the process. Is there anyone in your life whose personality just grates on you? They're like sandpaper, and God uses them to get the rough edges off of us so the good things He has put in us can be developed and demonstrated in the way we live.

After the sanding, there is sealing. For us, that means we're sealed with the Holy Spirit, "marked(branded as God's own)" (Ephesians 4:30 AMP).

After all this, the furniture must be dusted and polished from time to time. Our walk with Christ is a lifelong journey that brings us closer to Him and makes us more like Him. That's why we should be thankful when the Holy Spirit convicts us of sin, or the mistakes we make; it's how He's polishing us to help us stay in God's will for our lives.

Wherever you are in the restoration process, I want to encourage you to set your mind today that God is healing you, and stay focused on following the leadership of the Holy Spirit. Trust God to lead you in the way that's right for you, bringing you to wholeness in Christ in every area of your life!

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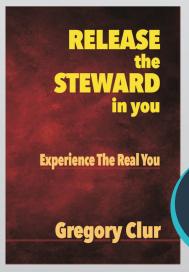
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### THE HEAVENLY HOPE

### ANGUS BUCHAN

If we look in the Book of Hebrews 11:13-16 you will see that we have been reminded that the believer is actually a stranger and a pilgrim here on earth. This is not our permanent abode, we are merely sojourners (travelers) passing through. Verse 16 tells us, "But now they desire a better, that is, a heavenly country. Therefore, God is not ashamed to be called their God, for He has prepared a city for them."

As you read this column you might be feeling very disillusioned when you look with your carnal eyes at what is happening around you. Maybe you have been retrenched from work, maybe you are terminally ill in hospital, maybe you have family problems, maybe you are going through a horrific divorce and you feel that there is no hope for you. I really want to encourage you to lift up your heads, open up your spiritual eyes and see that this life here on earth is very short and very temporal. The Bible tells us that life on earth is a mere shadow, a vapour, like a flower here today and gone tomorrow. Yet, eternity goes on forever and ever, and to be with Jesus Christ will be sheer bliss.

For me as a simple farmer Heaven and hell truly exist, because Jesus spoke about them both. To me Heaven is to be in the presence of Jesus Christ forever and hell is to be without Him forever.

I heard a beautiful story many years ago of an old missionary who had finished his work somewhere in the jungles of central Africa and was on a ship sailing back to the United States of America. The huge ship passed by the Statue of Liberty and entered into the huge harbour of New York city. There was also a football team on board and they had been away for a mere couple of weeks whereas the old missionary had spent most of his life preaching the gospel to unreached peoples in the darkest reaches of Africa.

As the ship came sailing into the harbour the football team was standing on the deck looking out and there was one huge crowd. Thousands of people had turned up with streamers flying and brass bands playing to welcome their winning team back home, but there was not one single

person waiting to welcome the missionary back home. He stood right at the back of the ship all by himself. He was so sad and so forlorn. He cried out to God and said "Lord there is no one to welcome me back home." Then a voice came from Heaven and said "My son, you haven't reached your home yet."

Many of us are spending too much time with temporal things and not enough time with eternal things. The way some of us are settling in here on earth you would think we were going to be here forever and then of course when it comes to sending material things to our eternal home in Heaven we send nothing. What can we send home ahead? Well, probably the most important thing is prayer. We really need to cultivate our prayer life with Jesus Christ. Seeing that we are going to be with Him forever we need to read The Word; to familiarise ourselves so that we are not surprised when we get home and see the beautiful mansions that the Lord has prepared for you and I.

So, do not be discouraged, things might not be going so well here on earth, but I can assure you that God is preparing a special place for those who love Him in Heaven. As we contemplate Heaven, I think of that beautiful scripture in Hebrews 12:1-2 (NKJV), "Therefore we also, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which so easily ensnares us, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, looking unto Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith, who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God."

Let us continue to run the race for we have a beautiful Heavenly home, which the Lord is preparing for us at this very time. ■

God bless Angus and Jill Buchan

### opinion



### ONE PROVEN WAY TO CONTROL TECHNOLOGY OVERLOAD

### BILL BLANKSCHAFN

Scripture admonishes us to "think on these things," to "meditate day and night" on truth, and to "study to show ourselves approved unto God." And yet, the very technology that made it easier than ever to do so, can also make it harder than ever to do so—if we don't control technology overload.

Our easy access to information and connection creates an "always on" lifestyle that leaves little time for introspection, meditation, and the sort of intentional thinking required for intentional living with abundant faith. And, let's face it, we usually don't control technology. We let it dictate to us how we live out our faith. Oh, we don't bow to it. We don't set out to structure our day around it. Yet that's often what happens. We reach for it as we roll out of bed and light up the screen as our first contact with the world each day. We have a moment to think or pray and we whip out our phones instead to surf social media.

We find ourselves waiting in line with our children and, instead of engaging them in conversation, we scroll to discover the latest news.

Worse yet, we find the sermon dull so we open email to make sure we're not missing something more important. Sometimes I think that if the rich, young ruler had come to Jesus today, Jesus would have told him to sell all his technology and give his smartphone to the poor.

I suspect most of us would walk away saddened, googling "alternate ways to heaven." Let's face it: technology has made it easier to seem less dependent on God than ever before. When we didn't have access to instant communication, we had no choice but to wait and to trust. Now a tap of the finger can give us the sensation of doing something substantive. It allows us to feel as if we are in control. Even when, by becoming more enslaved to it, we're losing more control of our lives every day.

And that's the truth of it, really. Our failure to control technology is driven by fear to the detriment of our faith and family. We fear missing out on something, of being out of the loop. Consequently, we ignore the things that matter most because that shiny screen promises something that feels better in the moment. One Tactic to Control Technology I don't claim to have mastered the use of technology, but I have learned a few useful techniques to help keep first things first.

One of them is to practice what I call a digital sabbath. (See my post "How to Take a Digital Sabbath")
But here's my challenge to you: designate On and Off times each day for your technology access. As each new day begins, don't let email, social, or news outlets determine your first thought of the day. All too often, we wake up and reach for our phones like insects drawn inexorably to the light. Then we wonder why we feel burned out, negative, and reactionary.

You can choose your first thoughts of the day. Make them positive. (See my post "Do You Start the Day with God before You?") For me, as an entrepreneur, I've chosen not to check email or team communication channels until 9 AM each day. The morning is protected for sharpening the saw, thinking, and writing. It takes faith not to check my email and trust that, if I put first things first, God will supply my needs. Then choose a time each evening when you'll put the phone away. I choose to shut it down as I head to dinner with the family at 6 PM. Even on a night where I need to work more (the life of an entrepreneur) I stay off email and focus on a specific task.

I find that when I set on/off times to access technology, I'm able to be more present with people, think deeper about life, and be more intentional about living out my faith and calling. Some trust in chariots and some in smartphones and instant email access, but we trust in the name of the Lord our God. That doesn't mean we don't use those tools to fulfill our calling, but we don't make it our life calling to use those tools. If we don't set boundaries on our access to technology, our faith will suffer. Technology is a gift from God, given to help us fulfill His mission. Let's treat it as such.



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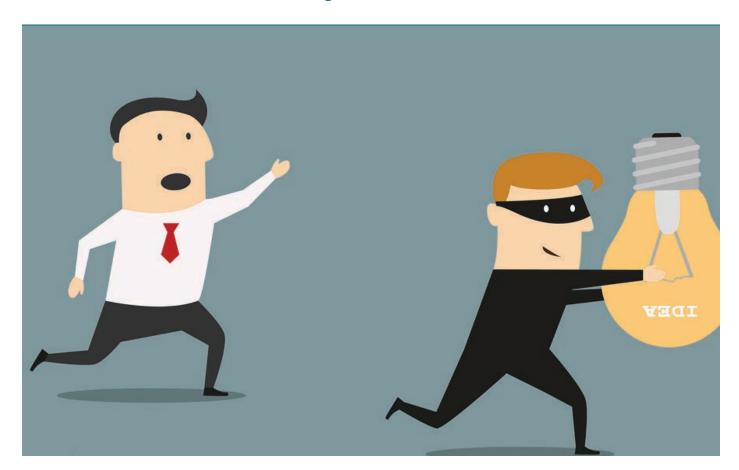
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### THE TRUTH ABOUT USING GHOSTWRITERS FOR CHRISTIAN BOOKS

### PHIL COOKE

Today we live in an era of megachurches, major ministries, and global nonprofits. In some ways (both good and bad), these large religious and nonprofit organizations have become like international corporations, involving radio and television studios, publishing businesses, international conferences, educational outreaches, and more. And the bigger churches and ministries grow, the less time their leaders have to actually research and write books – the very products which to a great extent help fund the organizations and put them on the map. Plus, writing well isn't easy. It's a craft and art form just like music, painting, or filmmaking. Writing well takes years of practice and experience, and the discipline to sit for weeks or months in front of a computer screen.

That's why many pastors and ministry leaders hire professionals to do the job for them, which is a perfectly accept-

able option. And in those cases, there are many levels of working with professional writers. In my own experience, I have written for clients who gave me original material like sermon transcripts. In those cases, I was really "adapting" their own thoughts and ideas into book form. In other cases, I literally wrote it from scratch, with little more than a few interviews, a sermon tape, or a conversation or two with the pastor.

But in every case, I've never received credit. But that's OK, and in some cases, it was rather funny. For one project, I actually wrote a book for a client and then he stood up on national television and described how he had "labored night after night writing without stopping, until his wife had to beg him to get some sleep." Yeah, right. In another case, when a major newspaper reported that I wrote a television special for a particular media ministry, the ministry office

told me to stay quiet, because they wanted people to believe that everything that came out of that ministry was written by the ministry founder.

I didn't get any credit, but at least the check cleared.

Is this a problem? Yes and no.

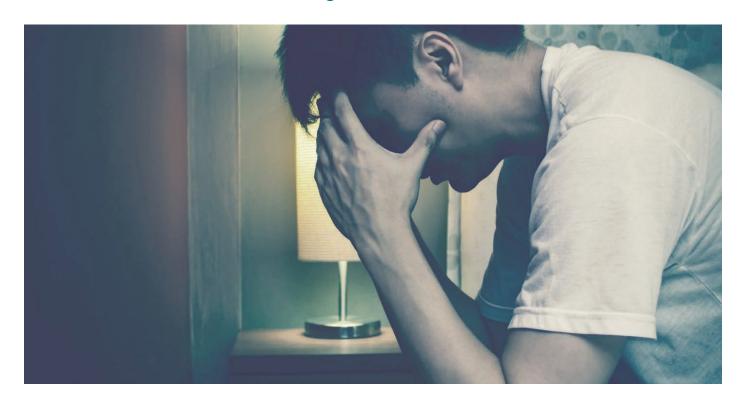
No, because often writers are often happy for the work, plus, they offer an important service to leaders. They have certain skills, and like a professional mechanic who fixes your car, or an accountant who keeps your books, some writers are happy to do the work and get a check. They have no desire to be famous, and actually enjoy writing for someone else – after all, it can pay very well. And there's no shame in using a "ghostwriter." After all, you're a business, ministry, sports, political, or other leader, not a writer. You have brilliant content, but not necessarily the skills to get that message down into an engaging book.

However – a better answer is yes, because the fact is, books are far more personal than a car or a checkbook. When someone reads a book, they believe that the writing is coming from the heart of the author, and the writing style, the content, and the message reflect the name on the cover. This is true especially in the Christian world, where the message is often a spiritual message conveying eternal truth.

That's why at some level, when a pastor or ministry leader publishes a book with only his name on it he is making a unstated promise to the reader than the material is his, it's coming directly from his heart and mind, and he's personally presenting it in the form of this book. That's why when possible, I recommend accurate credit on the book cover.

So is it wrong to hire a professional to help you write a book? Absolutely not. Many Christians would be shocked to see just how poorly some of our Christian leaders write, and real professionals can take an anointed message from a man or woman of God and translate it into an exciting and

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### WHAT TO DO WHEN YOU HAVE NO WAY OUT

### PHIL COOKE

I'll never forget the experience of being fired. I was 36 years old, with a wife and two small children. After telling my wife Kathleen, we sat on the bed, cried a little, and realized there was no way out. But looking back today, I can see the jolt of that experience was the best thing that could have ever happened to me.

Shortly afterwards, we began the greatest journey of change we had ever experienced, because I had hit a wall. I had no other choice, and there was only one answer—change or die. Perhaps you've hit your wall. Maybe you've been fired, divorced, financially ruined, hit bottom from substance abuse, been humiliated, experienced failure, or had a close call with death. If your life has been completely turned upside down, and you're at the end of your rope, then you have it easy.

That's right—you actually have it easy! Doing the research for my book on how to change your life called "Jolt!" I discovered that the most difficult aspect of changing your life is beginning – taking the first step. Most people rest on their laurels, take the easy way out, rationalize their options—anything—to keep from changing.

If you've hit your wall and have no other options, then your decision is already made. Your choice has been decided and you're on the way up! But if you haven't quite hit bottom yet and been jolted into reality, the choice is going to be much tougher.

Your arguments might include: Sure I'm frustrated with my job, but at least it's a paycheck, and a lot of people are out of work right now. I'm not really drinking that much, and after all, I could quit just about any time. Oh, I dreamed about a different life, but that was a kid's dream. It's not really something that's realistic for me to pursue now. I could advance faster if I got my college degree, but I work all day, so why should I spend my evenings going to class? I could go on and on. I don't know your particular frustration, but I'm sure you have a million excuses for why you've never begun your journey to change. You haven't hit your particular wall, so your life could easily go on for years, maybe your whole life, before you realize you've traded your dreams for a shallow, empty copy.









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EST	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	EST
00:00	Save The World Jarrod Davidoff	Faith Matters [R] Andre & Jenny	Behind the Faith [R]	Faith Matters [R] Andre & Jenny	Behind the Faith [R]	Faith Matters [R] Andre & Jenny  Prophetic Encounter [R] Jacques van der Westhuizen	DOCUMENTARY [R]	00:00
00:30	Reformation3 TV Brad & Wyona Norman	Creation Today [R] Eric Hovind	Now Faith [R] John Torrens	Transformation Now [R] Ed Silvoso	Hosting the Supernatural Nicky van der Westhuizen			00:30
01:00	John G Lake Ministries Curry Blake	The Messenger John & Lisa Bevere	Healing Your Soul [R] Katie Souza	It's Supernatural [R] Sid Roth	Revival Today [R] Jonathan Shuttlesworth	DOCUMENTARY [R]	DOCUMENTARY [R]	01:00
01:30	New Level Hank & Brenda Kunneman	The Basics With Beth Beth Jones	Mark Hankins Ministries [R] Mark & Trina Hankins	Legacy TV [R] Jeremy & Sarah Pearsons	Gospel Truth [R] Andrew Wommack		DOCUMENTARY [R]	01:30
02:00	DOCUMENTARY [R]	DOCUMENTARY [R]  Treasures: True Life Stories Sonny Arguinzoni  Zola Levitt Ministries [R] Myles & Katherine Weiss The Messenger [R] Myles & Katherine Weiss Myles & M						02:00
02:30	CFC San Antonio [R] Theo & Beverly Wolmarans					SUNDAY MOVIE [R]	STINDAY MOVIE IBI	02:30
03:00	SUNDAY MOVIE [R]	Everlasting Love TV [R] Patricia King	In Touch Charles Stanley	Real Women, Real Life Tracy Tredrea	Abba's House Ron Phillips	Discovery the Jewish Jesus Rabbi Scneider	SONDAI MOVIE ĮKĮ	03:00
03:30		Just Jesus Freddie van Rensburg	Following Jesus [R] Tommy Lilja	Celebrate Life Tom & Bonnie Deuschle	Zola Levitt Ministries [R] Myles & Katherine Weiss	FiftyFour (Youth)		03:30
04:00		Ever Increasing Faith [R] Fred Price	Miracles Happen! [R] Joan Hunter	Gospel Nation TV David King	Jerry Savelle Ministries [R] Jerry Savelle		DOCUMENTARY [R]	04:00
04:30	Grassroots Angus Buchan					SUNDAY MOVIE [R]	DOCOMENTART [R]	04:30
05:00	Changing Your World Creflo Dollar						DOCUMENTARY [R]	05:00
05:30	Faith Matters [R] André & Jenny	Behind the Faith [R]	Faith Matters [R] André & Jenny	Behind the Faith [R]	Faith Matters [R] André & Jenny		Travel the Road [R]	05:30
06:00			Wisdom For Life Allan Bagg			End of the Age Irvin Baxter	Planetshakers TV	06:00
06:30	RHEMA Praise Kenneth & Lynette Hagin	Legacy TV Jeremy & Sarah Pearsons	REVIVAL RADIO TV	On the Living Edge [R] Mark Chironna	Gospel Nation TV David King	Elevation Experience Steven Furtick	Legacy TV Jeremy & Sarah Pearsons	06:30
07:00	Believer's Voice Of Victory Kenneth & Gloria Copeland					Love Israel Baruch Korman	Manna-Fest Perry Stone	07:00
07:30	CFC San Antonio Theo & Beverly Wolmarans					The Living Stone Edgar Holder	Jerry Savelle Ministries Jerry Savelle	07:30
08:00	Mark Hanki <b>Mark &amp; Tri</b>	ns Ministries na Hankins		s With Beth Jones	RHEMA Praise Kenneth & Lynette Hagin	Jerry Savelle Ministries [R] Jerry Savelle	Jesse du Plantis	08:00
08:30	Everlasting Love TV Patricia King Healing Your Soul Katie Souza Everlasting Love TV Patricia King					Following Jesus [R] Tommy Lilja	Faith Matters Andre & Jenny	08:30
09:00	John G Lake Ministries Curry Blake					On the Living Edge [R] Mark Chironna	Believer's Voice Of Victory Kenneth & Gloria Copeland	09:00
09:30	Believer's Walk of Faith Bill Winston  Transformation Now Ed Silvoso  Believer's Walk of Faith Bill Winston  Bill Winston					Planetshakers TV	Preacher of Righteousness Mark T Barclay	09:30
10:00	lt's Supernatural Sid Roth					The Cross Miki Hardy	River Church Tampa Bay LIVE Rodney Howard-Browne	10:00
10:30	New Level Hank & Brenda Kunneman					The King is Coming Ed Hindson		10:30
11:00	Kingsway International Matthew Ashimolowo					Truth For Today Neal Jackson		11:00
11:30	Grace for Today Derek Grier	Legacy TV Jeremy & Sarah Pearsons	End of Age Irvin Baxter	Winning Walk Ed Young Sr.	Gospel Nation TV David King	Glenn Arekion Ministries	Rodney Howard-Browne	11:30
12:00		Revival Today Jonathan Shuttlesworth						12:00
12:30	Gospel Truth Andrew Wommack					Christ For All Nations Daniel Kolenda		12:30
12:55	Sparkling Gems Rick Renner							12:55
13:00	Manna-Fest [R] Perry Stone	The Supernatural Now Guillermo Maldonado	The Potter's House [R] TD Jakes	The Supernatural Now [R] Guillermo Maldonado	Answers with Bayless Conley	Just Jesus Freddie van Rensburg	Kingdom Connection Jentezen Franklin	13:00
13:30	Healing Your Soul Katie Souza	Miracles Happen! Joan Hunter	Healing Your Soul Katie Souza	Miracles Happen! Joan Hunter	Healing Your Soul Katie Souza	Speak the Word Randy Morrison	Faith Life Church Keith Moore	13:30
14:00	John G Lake Ministries Curry Blake					Paws & Tales	Great Life Church Steve Bilsborough	14:00
14:30	Quick Study Rod Hembree					Bobo & Kipi	On the Living Edge Mark Chironna	14:30
15:00	Paws & Tales	Bobo & Kipi	What's In The Bible?	RocKids TV	Truth Quake	What's In The Bible?	Answers with Bayless Conley [R]	15:00
15:30	The Revolution TV  MXTV	Dooley & Pals Show	King of Glory	BJ's Teddy Bear Club	Co-Mission Expedition [R]	RocKids TV	Ever Increasing Faith Fred Price The Potter's House	15:30
16:00	Tim Bisagno	TV One Life Sean Park	mywhy.tv	Youth Bytes [R] Chad Daniel	Travel the Road	Patterns of Evidence	TD Jakes	16:00
16:30	John Hagee Today  John Hagee  Live Your Journey Grace for Today InFocus Christ in Prophecy Turning Point					MXTV [R] Tim Bisagno	Changing your World Creflo Dollar	16:30
17:00	Live Your Journey Elictia Hart	Lawson Perdue  Prophetic Encounter	Maury Davis	Christ in Prophecy David Reagan  Manna-Fest	David Jeremiah	Youth Bytes [R] Chad Daniel	Believer's Walk of Faith Bill Winston  Hope Connection	17:00
17:30	Following Jesus Tommy Lilja	Jacques van der Westhuizen Till All Have Heard	DOCUMENTARY	Perry Stone	Planetshakers TV	Travel the Road [R]  Creation Today	Harry Jackson	17:30
18:00	Co-Mission Expedition	Patricia Bailey  Hope Connection [R]	Home Group	Legacy TV Jeremy & Sarah Pearsons	Billy Graham Ministries	Eric Hovind  Now Faith	Building Champoions Kenneth Ulmer  End of the Age	18:00
18:30	Speak the Word [R] Randy Morrison	Harry Jackson	Rick Renner	Building Champions [R] Kenneth Ulmer  Believer's Walk of Faith	New Season [R] Samuel Rodriguez	John Torrens InFocus	Irvin Baxter	18:30
19:00	Believer's Walk of Faith Bill Winston	Samuel Rodriguez	Gospel Truth	Bill Winston		Maury Davis  Wave Church	The Supernatural Now [R] Guillermo Maldonado  Elevation Experience	19:00
19:30	Gospel Truth Andrew Wommack					Steve Kelly	Steven Furtick	19:30
20:00	It's Supernatural Sid Roth Last Days, Sions and Wonders					DOCUMENTARY	MOVIE FEATURE PREMIERE	20:00
20:30	Last Days, Signs and Wonders <mark>Mei Bond</mark> Revival Today					DOCUMENTARY		20:30
21:00	Faith Matters (D1							21:00
21:30	Andre & Jenny  Everlasting Love TV [R]	Behind the Faith	Andre & Jenny  Healing Your Soul	Behind the Faith [R]	Andre & Jenny  Power Encounter	DOCUMENTARY  Treasures: True Life Stories	Your Miracle Moment	21:30
22:00	Patricia King  Manna-Fest [R]	The Supernatural Now	Katie Souza  The Potter's House [R]	The Supernatural Now [R]	Donna Schambach	Sonny Arguinzoni  Discover Life	Siva Moodley  InFocus	22:00
22:30	Perry Stone	Guillermo Maldonado	TD Jakes  John G Lake Ministries	Guillermo Maldonado	Answers with Bayless Conley	At Boshoff	Maury Davis  Order My Steps	22:30
23:00		Wave Church	Curry Blake  The Basics With Beth	Transformation Now [R]	The Basics With Beth	Hosting the Supernatural Nicky van der Westhuizen Prophetic Encounter [R]	John Francis  Treasures: True Life Stories	23:00
23:30	mywhy.tv	Steve Kelly	Beth Jones	Ed Silvoso	Beth Jones	Jacques van der Westhuizen	Sonny Arguinzoni	23:30













### SEPTEMBER 2017

### HIGHLIGHTS







### The Ride

Legendary rodeo star Smokey Banks (Michael Biehn) has been riding bulls all of his life. He's been to the top and now he's hit rock bottom after a run in with the law. Smokey's faced with two choices: jail or volunteering to teach a Christian boy named Danny (Brock Pierce) how to ride a bull. If it was easy, Smokey would be OK with it. But you see, he's got to give up drinking and gambling again.

SEPTEMBER 03 @ 8PM



### **Revival Radio TV**

As Senior Executive Pastor at Eagle Mountain International Church with Senior Pastors George and Terri Copeland Pearsons, Dr. Gene Bailey enjoys walking out the Revival Capital of the World vision God gave Kenneth Copeland. Revival Man Dr. Gene Bailey explores Revivals and Awakenings with the assistance of guests and historian experts.

WEDNESDAYS @ 6:30 AM



### **Power Encounter**

Donna Schambach, only daughter of the late global evangelist, R.W. Schambach, has been an educator, lecturer, pastor and evangelist. Whether in a church setting or on the mission field, Donna is known for bringing a powerful word of the Lord, often prophetic in nature; and, as Donna lays hands on the people, the Holy Spirit accompanies the ministry with signs following.

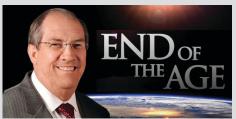
FRIDAYS @ 10PM



### **Daughters of Eve**

Daughters of Eve is an original docudrama series that takes the audience on a fascinating journey through the extraordinary lives of women from both the Old and New Testament. It reveals the known and little known stories of these remarkable women who helped shape the Judeo-Christian faith of hundreds of millions of people, and whose worldwide impact is still felt today.

SATURDAYS @ 9:30PM



### **End of the Age**

Endtime Ministries focuses on explaining world events from a biblical perspective. The ministry's purpose is to prove that we are now at the end of the era of human government and very near the beginning of the prophesied Kingdom of God.

SUNDAYS @ 6:30 PM



### **Young Explorers**

A group of ten young people join filmmaker Timothy Mahoney, Director of Patterns of Evidence: The Exodus, on an adventure to investigate amazing evidence that matches the Bible. But there is more to the investigation than Tim lets on. He has a secret device, the Exploration Chamber. This holographic space allows the explorers to talk with real archaeologists and explore ancient evidence.

SATURDAYS @ 4PM

















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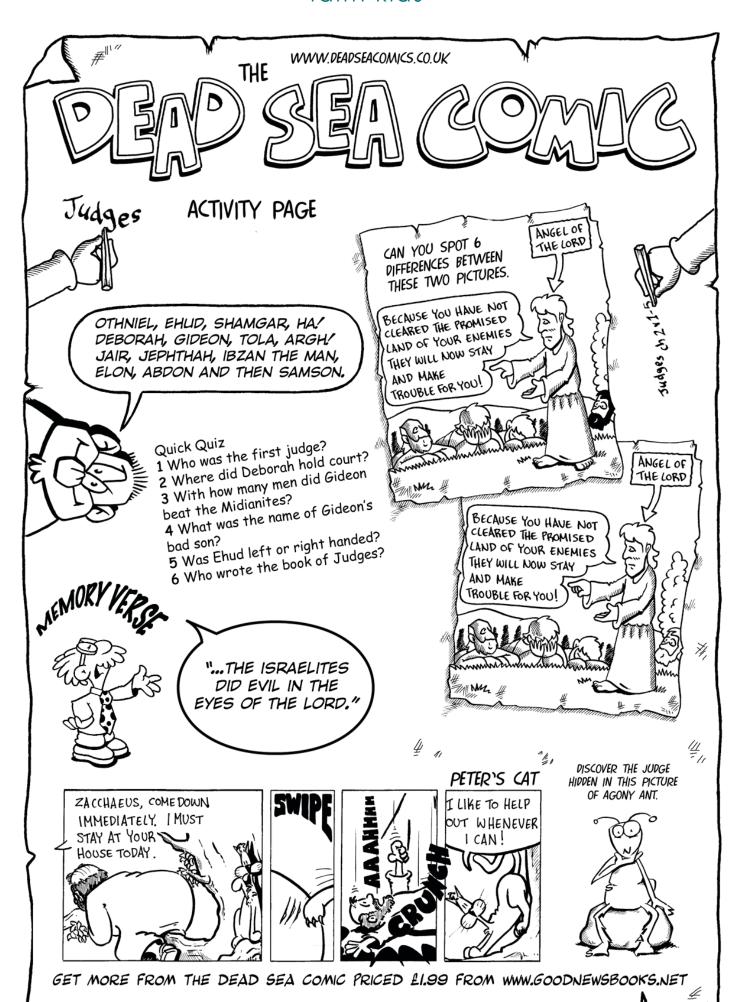




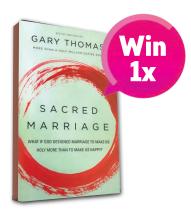




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Jonathan McKee

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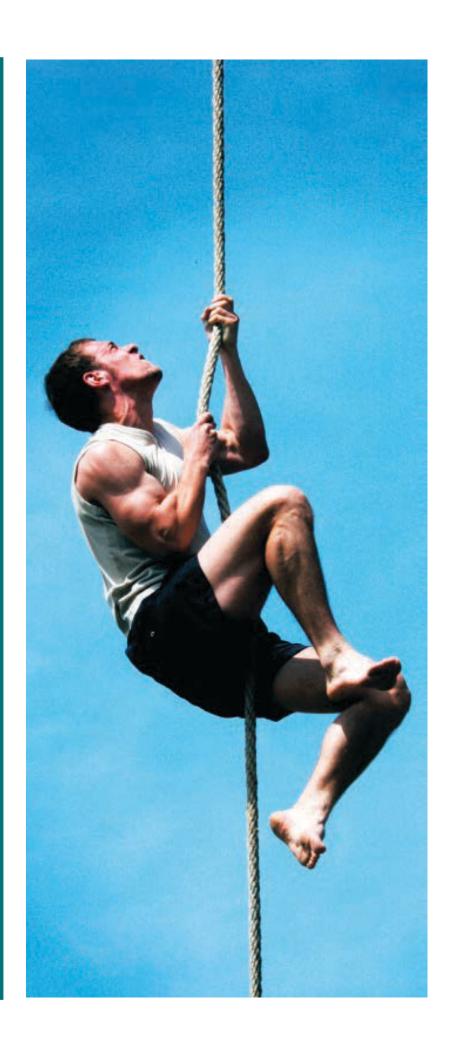
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### scriptures

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- 1 Exodus 15:26
- 2 Deuteronomy 4:29
- 3 Deuteronomy 6:17
- 4 Joshua 1:8
- 5 Psalms 119:4-6
- 6 Proverbs 4:23
- 7 Proverbs 8:17
- 8 Proverbs 10:4
- 9 Proverbs 11:27
- 10 Proverbs 12:24
- 11 Proverbs 12:27
- 12 Proverbs 13:4
- 13 Proverbs 21:5
- 14 Proverbs 22:29
- 15 Ecclesiastes 9:10
- 16 Jeremiah 29:13
- 17 Jeremiah 31:16
- 18 Luke 18:1
- 19 1 Corinthians 15:58
- 20 Colossians 3:23
- 21 Matthew 5:8
- 22 Matthew 6:21
- 23 Matthew 12:35
- 24 Matthew 22:37
- 25 Mark 6:52
- 26 John 14:1
- 27 Luke 21:34
- 28 Romans 5:5
- 29 Romans 10:8-9
- 30 Philippians 4:7
- 30 2 Corinthians 3:3





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