

# Jhe Love Letter

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# We are Back from Africa!

We first want to thank all those who covered us with prayer during our trip and those who supported us financially. We could sense the power of your prayers many times as we went with the flow of

sharing Father's Love in many different places and settings. We have received a number of testimonies and responses to where we ministered of people being healed and their lives changed through the revelation of the Father's Love and

walking as sons and daughters of the Father. Some of the notable healings were a man walking again 6 months after having had a stroke; severe headaches gone; and peace in several people who had just experienced traumatic losses of wives or loved ones. One of the more emotional times for us was ministering Father's Love to the street kids in Kitwe, Zambia. They were hungry for love and drank from Father's Love in our hearts as we loved on them and encouraged them to pursue their dreams. We give all the glory to Him! PTL!

Father also came through with the finances over

and above what we have ever witnessed. With the changing exchange rates in Kenya and Zambia and increasing the number of pastors Abba's Arms sponsored from 35 to 50 in Kenya and 20 to 30 in Zambia, we were \$2,300 over our original budget. However, all the money came in

before we had to leave in April. PTL! Usually there would be 5 to 10 no-shows for this number of participants, but in both venues we had all the pastors to fill every slot!

Sue and I also had a blessed time after the ministry part to relax and enjoy Father's creation at Victoria Falls and Chobe National Wildlife Park in Botswana. The scenery and variety of animals were awesome!

We will be sharing more on our Facebook page and website in the near future!



## **GODSIGHT-Part 3**

In this third and concluding article on Godsight, I (Rick) would like to explore how Godsight affects our emotions, our beliefs, how we see and live our lives, and how we impact others. This in turn affects whether we are going to be victorious overcomers or just coast through life and allow circumstances to control or defeat us. Again, a lot of what I will be sharing here was strongly influenced by the book Victorious *Emotions – Creating a Framework for a Happier You* by Wendy

Backlund 2017.

### **Godsight Will Affect Our Beliefs**

What we really believe is what we believe in our heart. I used to say, "I am healed," but what my heart really believed was that, "Since I still have these symptoms in my body, I'm not healed yet but will be someday." Unfortunately, "someday" never comes! It's only been since I had the two herniated discs that Father revealed to me the significance of the "finished work" of Jesus' death and resurrection. Jesus bought and paid for my salvation and my healing! I'm just as healed as I am saved! Luke 5:22-24 This Godsight has radically changed what I believe in my heart now, and I have seen 95% of my complete healing manifested in my body! PTL! It is only a matter of time until I see the reality that I am already healed - as good as new!

"Faith is not denying the facts. It is having the ability to see the facts through the reality of God's faithfulness and supernatural ability to perform what He has promised!" Wendy Backlund

> There are many things that can impact what our heart believes. We start life by copying our parent's beliefs and as we mature and experience life those beliefs are reinforced,

challenged or changed. Quite often our beliefs are based on faulty evidence or truths that result in our believing a lie or something that does not agree with God's Word. Anything that is not the TRUTH is a lie! For example, someone can believe that they're stupid because a loved one or teacher told them they were when they were young. They can carry that label for the rest of their life. The more they think about it or circumstances reinforce that belief, neural pathways develop until every thought goes to and through that belief of being stupid. Even positive comments about their intellect get flipped to the negative with the word "but." Everything that

comes before the word "but" in a sentence is canceled by the part that comes after the "but!" These neural pathways form a "strong-hold" on our mind and can be difficult to break. With Godsight, however, we can take the scripture that says we "have the mind of Christ" and start to change our identity! **1 Cor. 3:16** I had to stop calling myself stupid every time I made a mistake or bad decision or when I couldn't remember names, scripture verses, or other important information. Now, every time I mess up, I say, "I have the mind of Christ and I am of quick understanding." I'm not sure how much it has improved not making mistakes yet, but I sure do feel much better about myself!

#### Put On Your Son-glasses!

We must submit our image maker to Father and His Word. When we do, we will begin to see what we have never seen before. Our imagination gives life and substance to our faith and we can start seeing victory and freedom over our circumstances and problems. New neural pathways will begin to form that will process life in a positive way with positive outcomes. We will

stop looking for proof of our negative beliefs and start seeing life through the lens of Jesus Christ and the finished work of His death and resurrection after the cross. Paul urges us in **Phil 4:8-9** to *continually* think on all the good, true, pure, lovely and excellent things, then practice them. When we think on these things until they affect our emotions, we will transform our minds and build strong positive neural pathways that will bring us to peace and hope! **Rom. 12:2** 

One of the big turning points in my life came when I received the revelation that I am a son of my Heavenly Father and He loves me as much as He loves Jesus. John 17:23 When I pulled away from my earthly father at the age of 11, I took on an "orphan heart." Satan had me stuck in my past and focused on all the bad things that I had done that would be displeasing to God. I couldn't get past my history and experiences, and so my emotions kept taking me in a negative direction and keeping me in my self-made prison. After much healing of my heart and heart forgiveness with my parents, other significant people in my life, and myself, I had a "prison break." I saw Jesus ride up on His white charger and lasso the bars in the jail window and pull down the whole prison that had held me captive! My identity changed! I was free to let my true self come out and I began learning how to walk as a son. I put on my "Songlasses" and began to see myself differently like God sees me!

#### You Have a Great Future!

Our identity is defined by Father, not our past, our emotions or what others say. And our identity is not based upon what we do or have done. It's based upon what we were created to be – *His sons and daughters*. We were not unplanned, an accident or illegitimate. Father chose our parents and formed us in our mother's womb with specific qualities and giftings that would enable us to fulfill our place in the Kingdom. **Ps. 139:13, Is.49:5** It's important for us to believe in a great future, for without a vision we will become passive, passionless, and turn to other things for pleasure and fulfillment.

Without Godsight of our true identity, we can believe that we have no power over our future and make people and circumstances greater than God. For years I wallowed in hopelessness in ever being free from addictions, the fear of rejection and the anger inside of me that kept popping up. It wasn't until I saw myself as a son being loved by my Heavenly Father that I began to let go of the addictions and stop caring about what other people thought about me. I started saying, "It doesn't matter

> what other people think or if they reject me because my Heavenly Father loves me just the way I am!"

Knowing your true identity will empower you to overcome every circumstance and walk in victory. Joseph is a perfect example of this. God gave him a dream and he saw himself being a ruler with many sheaves bowing down to him. Even though he was sold as a slave by his brothers, Joseph found himself ruling over Potiphar's house, over the prisoners in a jail, and finally second in command over all of Egypt! His God-given identity became his destiny! Gen. 37 – 41 Another great example is when the prophet Samuel anointed David to be the next king over Israel. It would take many more years and many hardships before David's true identity was manifested in the natural. But the image of being king gave David the confidence to slay Goliath, escape Saul's wrath against him, and face many great tests and trials in his life.

#### Living in the Kingdom

One big help in walking in my true identity is to see myself living in the Kingdom and not just limited by the constraints this world and society tries to put on me. I've heard it said many times that "we may be living in this world for a short time, but we are not of this world. We are of God's Kingdom." The word "kingdom" is a combination of two words, "king's domain." In a perfect kingdom, the king owns everything and he takes good care of his subjects. God's Kingdom is actually more real than this natural world. Faith allows us to see things that the unbelievers cannot see. However, we have to train our brain to become conscious of the realm of the Kingdom that we live in.

We are consciously aware of only about 40% of what our eyes are actually seeing. For example, we don't consciously see things in the periphery of our vision or things moving fast in front of us. With subliminal advertising, they can splice images of the word "Coke" intermittently in a movie and people watching the film can start having the desire for a Coke but have no conscious awareness of ever seeing the word in the film. Our brain can also get distracted or so focused that we can't see what might be right in front of us. I can be unable to find something, and when I ask Sue for help, she can point out where it is laying right in front Kingdom. We can see angels working for us, praying and of me!

In a similar way, without Godsight our spiritual eyes can miss a lot of what is happening in the spiritual realm. If a person is not born again or not experiencing intimacy and connecting with the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, they will not be able to see anything in the Kingdom. John 3:3 Jesus is the doorway to the unseen realm of the Kingdom. Seeing is the fruit of salvation! However, we still have to "train" our spirit by rehearsing and imagining the realm

of the Kingdom that we read about in the Bible. We can develop new patterns of thought that become "second nature" and occur without conscious thought. Imagine what it would look like if Jesus were walking right next to you all the time. That struck home for me one time Father asked me, "Would you talk to Sue like you just did if you had seen Jesus standing behind her?" Ouch!

The Kingdom is where the supernatural becomes natural in our life. Build a framework for the supernatural in your life. Imagine yourself in the scenes or doing the same works that you see Jesus doing. Let the scriptures paint a new reality that exists right now in your life. Ask Father to show you what is happening right now where you are. We can build empowering strongholds in our heart by dreaming and picturing the substance of the seeing things change instantly, carrying the light into dark places or people being healed and raised from the dead as we lay hands on them. Connect your spirit with Holy Spirit and sense His peace and calmness. Your spirit will start to get bigger and more confident, have a sense of wisdom, and feel hopeful, full of passion, love and His goodness. Sue and I have begun to see ourselves through Godsight as we minster to others and it is changing us too!

# Father's Blessing for Living in the Kingdom

I bless you to have eyes and ears to see with your heart as you live in the Kingdom. I bless you with more revelation of the Kingdom and how to bring the Kingdom into this natural world where you live. I bless you to grow in your faith to step out into the supernatural and operate in the gifts of the Spirit. May they flow freely from you as the Spirit wills to bring love, peace, joy, miracles, salvations, healings and deliverances from addictions and negative strongholds in the lives of others. May the supernatural become natural in your life and impact other people as you go into the market place, schools, hospitals, churches, businesses, work places and anywhere people are gathered. I bless you with a greater revelation of your position as a son or daughter of the Father and to experience more of His love for you. I bless you to live your life seeing everything through the lens of a son of God!

