Glory News

I Believe in Miracles Minister Helene McKithen

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I know we are living in a time where seeing is believing, and if we want it we can get it by just going on the world wide web. Technology has made things so convenient that you don't even have to leave your home to go shopping. If you need groceries, you can order them online and someone else will do the shopping for you. You can buy clothing, shoes, auto insurance, life insurance, and even a car online. We have all the modern conveniences in this present world, yet there are some things that cannot be satisfied with a click of a button nor be bought with money.

There are many people in this world who have thousands of dollars and still aren't happy. Although having money can make life easier, it is not the solution. I have friends who make six figures and still aren't happy. Some suffer because they have poor relationships or no relationship at all with family members. They appear to be happy, but are really miserable.

I know a woman who has a really poor relationship with her children. She loves them and is willing to do anything for them, but cannot get along with them. And yes, it is possible to love someone and not have a good relationship with them. That's called just existing. Unfortunately she lacks the ability to see beyond what they are currently as opposed to what they could be in the future. Granted they do have challenges, but they are not hopeless. Instead of speaking life over them, she constantly puts them down and continuously reminds them that they are useless.

Some may think that I am naïve or that I am not realistic when it comes to certain situations, but I believe that anything is possible with God. I have seen what God can do because He did it for me. I've gone from being an angry and hurt woman, who would tell anyone off in zero to sixty seconds, to a woman loved by God. I'm amazed at how God stepped into my life and turned things around for me when I truly surrendered my life to him. Proverbs 18:21 tells us that death and life lie in the power of the tongue, and those who love it will eat its fruit. However, if one continues to speak negativity over a situation, nothing will ever change. It takes hard work, determination, and most of all a lot of faith to see God's handy work!

Philippians 1:6 tells us that He who has begun a good work in you will complete it until the day of Jesus Christ. I still believe in miracles and that God is able to change any situation. So what can I do to help? Be present! Demonstrate love by showing up and being committed to seeing this thing through and wait on God to bring what I believe and what I've been praying for to come into fruition. How can I be so sure that it's going to happen... simply because I still believe in Miracles!

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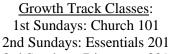
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Dove Church *Upcoming Events*



3rd Sundays: Discovery 301 4th Sundays: Dream Team 401

Forgotten Harvest Saturday, April 4, 1-4pm

> Easter Sunday April 12, 2020

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Ten Ways to Support Your Church

- 1—Attend regularly
- 2—Give generously
- *3— Love radically*
- 4—Invite others consistently
 - 5—Volunteer joyfully
 - 6—Share Jesus willingly
 - 7—Fellowship purposely
 - 8—Show up energetically
 - 9—Pray fervently
 - 10—Encourage faithfully



Whatever you might lack, ask God for guidance and passion in that area. Your labor is not in vain in the Lord!





Opportunities Minister Rose Smith

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The Latin word for opportunity is composed of two-word terms, meaning "toward" and portus meaning "port".

Opportunities are a set of circumstances/chances that make it possible to do something different. It could be a negative or it can be a positive change. An opportunity can be a situation in which it is possible for you to do something that you want to do either for yourself or someone else. Opportunities are chances for advancement, progress, or profit.

If you are working the same job, in the same position, with the same payout you were given 5 to 10 years ago, your opportunities were perhaps missed. There probably were many types of advancements or opportunities given. Maybe you were just satisfied right where you were. As believers, there are blessings, promises, and opportunities in our favor. The Lord has made us the head and not the tail, we are above and not beneath, we are lenders and not borrowers if we listen and harken to obey the Lord our God's commandments. Deuteronomy 28:13.

As born again believers we were told to occupy until He comes; we're to increase our talents and multiply our efforts; we're to help spread the gospel. We are to make the most of every opportunity we can to enhance the kingdom of God. Luke 19:13.



Max DePree, a businessman and author, once said: "We cannot become what we want to be by remaining what we are".

Allow God to order your footsteps and the Holy Spirit to lead and guide you to your destination that God has prepared for you. Jeremiah 29:11, "For I know the thought that I think towards you, says the Lord, thoughts of peace and not of evil, to give you a future and a hope". God has a plan for our life here on earth, and we are in the earth to do heavenly business for God. God has supplied us what we need to accomplish His plan. First we must develop a relationship with God to hear His voice daily. You cannot hear the instructions if you don't hear/know the voice of your God who is giving the instructions.

Christian's opportunities are nothing but plans of God, set up by God, moved through man to bless, prosper, and profit us for the kingdom to take us to the next level of God's will, according to Jeremiah 29:11. Stay in relationship with God. He will stay in tune and in relationship with you. Listen out for His voice. Your next footstep of opportunity is right in front of you. Step out on faith. Remember, cancel out fear. Do not let fear creep in. God is still in control. Trust God and seize the moment, don't miss out, and advance in the opportunities that God has prepared for you to come your way.

Worship Minister Sherry Holt-Campbell

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Shout for Joy to the Lord all the earth! Worship the Lord in all His magnificent glory for He has done marvelous things.

Worship is not based on our likes or dislikes. It is based on the desire to honor God. True worship involves us "Getting Out of the Way" to let our spirit commune with God. We have to learn how to not let our worries and cares of today get in the way of honoring God.

When our lives are going well and we feel victorious, praise and worship comes easy. The challenge is when we are struggling in life and have problems that seem to overwhelm us. Can we worship without any hindrances? Worship requires a sacrifice of our own feelings and fears so we can give Him the focus that He deserves.

When King David had suffered the loss of a child he was understandingly disturbed. But here is what the word of God recorded about David and his actions. 2 Samuel 12:20 - "Then David got up from the ground. After he had washed, put on lotions and changed his clothes, he went into the house of the Lord and worshiped".

Worship is celebrating who God is and what He has done. We worship because our lives were made better when we can recall the challenges in life that we faced or overcame. We sometimes are not sure how we overcame some of our difficulties. We can't even recall the pain, the anxiety or stress. All we know is that YOU Lord brought us through it. Our faith is increased by the mighty works that has shown up in our lives. This is why we worship.

Psalm 100:2-5 says to Worship the Lord with gladness; come before Him with joyful songs.

Psalm 100:4 says to Enter into His gates with thanksgiving, and into His courts with praise: be thankful unto Him, and bless His name.

Psalm 100:5 says For the Lord is good and His love endures forever; His faithfulness continues through all generations.



Worship should always be a part of your daily lives so keep this in mind. John 4:23-24 says "Yet, a time is coming and has now come when the true worshipers will worship the Father in Spirit and in truth, for they are the kind of worshipers the Father seeks. God is spirit, and His worshipers must worship in Spirit and in truth."

Music News

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February 28

Paul Baloche Behold Him Mercy Me Almost Home

March 6

Passion Roar

March 13

Cody Carnes Run to the Father

Deitrick Haddon T.I.M.E (Truth Is My Energy)

March 27

Canton Jones Kingdom Business 5

Colton Dixon The Devial is a Liar (Single)
North Point Worship Sons and Daughters (Single)

April 17

Kierra Sheard Kierra

April 24

Elevation Worship Graces into Gardens

Mensa Otabil The Rain of God

We withhold the **rain of God's** favor from any worker of iniquity and occultic forces who rise up to frustrate the people of God and the church of Jesus Christ.

We declare that every force of nature that seeks to shut the door of opportunity and interfere with your victory shall be stopped; every door or breakthrough shall remain open until the cycle of victory is complete.



Let the **rain of God** fall upon your life and upon the church.

We declare open heavens, fruitfulness, and favor upon the righteous.

Jehovah will enlarge our territory and cover us with His glory.

He will prosper His plans and purposes concerning us, and there shall be a fulfillment of every promise declared over our lives.





Milk Allergy vs. Lactose Intolerance Brittany Woods

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Have you ever noticed that after eating a cheeseburger or ice cream that you developed sinus pressure or a runny nose? Have you ever began to itch after eating a product with dairy in it? Well, you may be having an allergic reaction to dairy and not necessarily have an episode of lactose intolerance. More often than not, having a milk allergy is mistaken for being lactose intolerant. Though they have some similarities, they are quite different.

A true milk allergy differs from milk protein intolerance and lactose intolerance. Unlike milk allergy, intolerance doesn't involve the immune system. Milk intolerance requires different treatment from true milk allergy. Common signs and symptoms of milk protein intolerance or lactose intolerance include digestive problems, such as bloating, gas or diarrhea, after consuming milk or products containing milk. However, milk allergy can cause anaphylaxis, an allergic reaction that can cause sinus infections, hives, wheezing, itching around the mouth and lips, colic in babies, along with abdominal cramps.

Having a lactose intolerance involves your digestive system and means that your body doesn't make lactase, which is an enzyme that breaks lactose down. Essentially, it is the sugar in milk that is not being broken down. A lack of breakdown in the stomach leads to gas, bloating and cramps. Though very uncomfortable, it is not as dangerous.



It is important to see a doctor if you or your child experience any of these symptoms shortly after consuming milk or milk products. Having an allergic reaction to milk proteins is due to our immune system identifying certain milk proteins as harmful. When our bodies release immunoglobulin IgE, they begin to work to fight off the harmful allergies and release histamines which then causes the allergic reaction and symptoms as listed above. The two main milk proteins that most commonly cause the allergic reaction are casein (found in cheeses) and whey (found in liquid milk). You can be allergic to one protein or both.

Though lactose intolerance (digestive system) and having a milk allergy (immune system) have many similarities, they are very different and one is much more dangerous than the other if not avoided. Because having a milk allergy is a little more dangerous than being lactose intolerance and there's no sure way to prevent a milk allergy, you can avoid foods that can cause a reaction like milk, butter, cheese, yogurt, ice cream and chocolate. There are many tests that can be performed to confirm one or the other. It is best to see a doctor if any of these symptoms appear and persist.

Christian Salt Pastor Marcella Trammer

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Matthew 5:13 - You are the salt of the earth; but if the salt loses its flavor, how shall it be seasoned? It is then good for nothing but to be thrown out and trampled underfoot by men.

This is Jesus speaking to His people right after the famous "Beatitudes". He is also addressing Christians today, in that He's explaining the influence of Christians in the world. The Book of Matthew (and John for that matter) was not written for the unsaved, but only for the saved. There are too many instances in Matthew and John where the words of instruction, command, and comfort could never be applied to the world or the unsaved, but only to God's people. Luke and Mark are written to the unsaved world. (Example: In Luke the lost sheep is a sinner; in Matthew the lost sheep is a backslider or "the lost sheep of the house of Israel").

Being the salt of the earth is "being something"...not saying something or doing something. Only being something. Saying and doing is temporary...being is not. Jesus is not telling the unbelievers they are the salt of the earth.

Is salt a flavoring or a preservative? Salt is used as a fertilizer (Potassium Chloride - KCl) and as a disinfectant (Sodium Chloride - NaCl). It is used to promote growth for good, and it is used to inhibit the spread of bad. It has been said "the only thing necessary for the triumph of evil is that good men should do nothing". Let's explore:

The necessary attributes of salt:

1. Salt must be in a sufficient *quantity*. Insufficiency will lead to failure. The demise of the Christian influence in the world today is partly due to a decrease in our percentages (Christians) on the world stage: school, politics, media, etc. Experts estimate that today true Christians make up less than 5% of the world's population. When the percentage was 5 and above, the world was a much better place to live in because of Christian values...in the home and in communities worldwide. At only 5%, Christians made a huge impact. Look at what a *few* disciples did in the book of Acts. In Acts 17, they were accused (under constant attack, mind you) of turning the world upside down with the gospel.

When God dealt with the destruction of Sodom & Gomorrah, He said, "shall I hide from Abraham what I am doing?" So Abraham interceded for Sodom with God, by reasoning how many "righteous" were in the land. God needed to see a certain number of righteous and Abraham was trying to find out what that number was.

- 2. The <u>distribution</u> of salt is necessary. Salt cannot stay in the box and be effective. Salt only operates by its presence. It doesn't matter how sufficient it is or how potent it is in the box.
- 3. The *quality* of the salt is important. Jesus says if the salt loses it flavor, what good is it. Salt will never cease to be sodium chloride. However, it can be diluted when mixed with other substances. Jesus says, it is then good for nothing but to be thrown out and trampled underfoot by men.



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Christian Salt (continued from Page 7) Pastor Marcella Trammer

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Jesus is teaching us that the Christians' vision can become cloudy or unclear. We are no longer credible. Instead, we lower are standards and can no longer save society, nor lead society, but instead follow it.

Jesus adds that we are light of the world. He said of Himself, He is the light of the world. He gave us the same title because He is no longer physically here; His light has been withdrawn. He passed that light on to us who are still here to serve the kingdom and **Be Light**. We have a responsibility to put ourselves on a lamp stand for public display. Not hiding, but well lit like a city on a hill. He doesn't need our "life" to shine, but our "light" that He shines through us.

Two of the most controversial topics in today's world culture are abortion and same-sex marriage. Both are more prevalent than ever before in history. Attitudes toward culture makes things so acceptable today. And before we know it, there's an increase in participation. The reasoning is a dilution of the Christian salt. The more exposure, into the Christian realm, that is forced upon us through television and movie plots, commercials, internet, social media, billboards, sports, concerts, and other methods....and I know we say this a lot, but it's true...we become DESENSITIZED. Sin exponentially becomes celebrated and legalized.

We're desensitized when we say, "I've seen that"; or "to each his own"; or "we have to love on everybody". That's what we say. Christians are loving, just as our Father God is loving. We get it from Him. There are many sinful issues to discuss and we **ALL** need forgiveness for something. And no one is too far away to be reached by the love of God and the mercy of God, and a changed life in Him. But we speak the truth in love, Ephesians 4:15.

Admittedly, our minds and bodies reject a lot of things that we initially find difficult to tolerate: A first cigarette, a first alcoholic drink, a first view of hardcore porn, loud noise, a brawl or fist-fight, violence or profanity whether on the screen or in person. But continue to indulge, and our minds and bodies either permit it, welcomes it, loves it, perhaps, craves it. These are seeds, and **ALL** seeds demand attention.

We know the Bible teaches us that when the supernatural is withdrawn, the natural takes over. 2 Timothy 3:1-7 says: But know this, that in the last days perilous times will come: For men will be lovers of themselves, lovers of money, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy, unloving, unforgiving, slanderers, without self-control, brutal despisers of good, traitors, headstrong, haughty, lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God, having a form of godliness but denying its power. And from such people turn away! For of this sort are those who creep into households and make captives of gullible women loaded down with sins, led away by various lusts, always learning and never able to come to the knowledge of the truth.

Christians **MUST** be known for a much more higher standard of living than anyone else in the world. Not perfect, but committing to righteousness. We are the salt! That's the way God intended, that's what God provided for, and that's only what He accepts. He is **ABLE** to help us when we follow His will! Let's trust Him for it!

Trust & Obey: Your Life Depends on It Joshua Campbell

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Recently, the chorus to this hymn has been in my spirit:

Trust and obey, for there's no other way, To be happy in Jesus, but to trust and obey. -John H. Sammis

As I reflected on these words, this question came to mind: Am I trusting and obeying as I claim to do? This includes trusting God with my prayers and desires, particularly one's that seem to be unanswered at the moment. Long story short, if you have not, you have made these desires an idol, which results in destructive behaviors.

The costs for not trusting God are detrimental, and can ultimately lead to death. This is demonstrated in Exodus 32, when the Israelites created the golden calf and engaged in idolatry and revelry. They did this because they grew tired (impatient) of waiting for Moses to return to them (Exodus 32:1). What made this even more bizarre is that the Israelites genuinely believed that they were honoring God with their actions (Exodus 32:5-6). The end result of this 'celebration' was bloodshed by sword (Exodus 32:27) and a plague (Exodus 32:35), which can both be understood as death.

What idols have been formed in your life as a result of not trusting God? And where have they taken you?

From what I have noticed, hurts, disappointments, and impatience can easily lead us to stop trusting God if we are not careful. Why? Because they are aspects of humanity that leads vulnerable people to believe that taking things into our own hands, being the masters of our own world, is the only way we can address these issues. We think we know how to adequately address these pains and longings, but in reality, it causes destruction and stirs God's wrath.

If you are contemplating stepping out and taking control of your situation, I encourage you to reflect on the missteps of the Israelites. Do you believe they trusted God in that moment?



Trust God, and obey His commands and direction. It may not be the decision you like in the moment, but it is the decision that will save your life.

But blessed is the one who trusts in the LORD whose confidence is in him. They will be like a tree planted by the water that sends out its roots by the stream. It does not fear when heat comes; its leaves are always green. It has no worries in a year of drought and never fails to bear fruit. – Jeremiah 17:7-8 (NIV)

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