



Freedom in the Word

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Proverbs 29:18 *Where there is no vision the people perish.*

What kind of year will it be for us? I believe it will be what we plan for, or more important, if we act upon our plan. Proverbs 24:27 says, "Prepare thy work without, and make it fit for thyself in the field; and afterwards build thine house." That means that we start with a vision or plan, and then with God's help we just "do it." (James 1:22)

The big challenge for most is getting started. This will depend on what we believe, which will be manifest in our thought life and revealed through our spoken words. As Christians, our belief is founded and grounded upon the Word of God which will give us the victory over our biggest challenge sent from the devil, fear. Many times we never get out of the gate because we are afraid of risk and failure. The story goes that Thomas Edison failed more than *1000 times* when trying to create the light bulb. He had plenty of opportunities to consider himself a failure and I'm sure there were others who would agree with him.

In 2010 maybe we can take a lesson from the four lepers in 2 Kings 7:3. And there were four leprous men at the entering in of the gate: and they said one to another, "Why sit we here until we die?" They faced the possibility of the famine being in the city, or being killed at the hand of the enemy, but one thing was certain, risk had more hope than certainty. They decided to go into the camp of the Syrians and God honored their faith and courage exceedingly, abundantly above.

Negative and fearful thinking keeps us in our comfort zone and out of the promise land of God's best blessings. John Maxwell wrote a book called "Failing Forward." The essence of the book is the fact that every successful person has experienced failure, but their patience, persistence, and perseverance kept them from being a failure.

For me personally, this time next year I plan to see manifested dreams and plans in the form of recordings, or more books, and oh yeah.....the exceeding, abundantly above surprises that come from a faithful heavenly Father. (Ephesians 3:20) I'm too blessed to be stressed, and too legit to quit, so I can't sit! (Philippians 4:13)

THE PRECIOUS GRACE GIFT

Katie Brigmon

Romans 6:14 *For sin shall not have dominion over you, for you are not under law but under grace.*

Two of my little great nephews got baptized recently. The youngest one must have really got the message of grace down. When he caught his older brother in a lie he said, "Ahmmmm...you're going to heaven." (smile)

My Mom hand made a quilt for each of her grand children when they graduated from college. She poured herself into each of those quilts. A couple of years ago she and I were visiting one of her grandchildren and I noticed how quiet she was. I asked her about it later and she said the great grandchildren were pulling each other around on the floor on one of her quilts. She couldn't believe that the precious gift was being trampled on.

Romans 6:15 *What then? Shall we sin because we are not under law but under grace? Certainly not! NKJV*

This is what my youngest nephew was probably trying to tell his brother, "Ok brother, don't trample on what Christ Jesus has done for us. It's too precious."

"Grace is the desire and power to do God's will. God gives us grace and we must use gracious words to persuade others to do what is right." – Gothard Institute

MINISTRY FOR JANUARY:

- Bartlett Unit..... Jan. 4, 7, 8, 9, 21
- Travis Unit..... Jan. 4, 11, 18, 25
- Lockhart Unit (Women)..... Jan. 10
- Halbert Unit..... Jan. 14
- Bastrop FCI Jan. 17
- Mt. Zion Missionary Bapt. Church..... Jan. 23
- FPC – Bryan..... Jan. 24
- Bradshaw State Jail, Henderson, TX..... Jan. 28
- Del Valle Chapel (TCCC)..... Jan. 31

Prison Ministry Diaries

We have received so many wonderful cards and letters during the Christmas season. It's been very heart warming. One inmate wrote that he was surprised when he got to a new unit a few hundred miles away and saw another inmate reading one of our newsletters. He said, "Hey, I know those people."

We have received many phone calls and meetings with some who have been released and are starting a new life on a better life path. These encounters keep us motivated to continue doing what we're doing.

HAPPY NEW YEAR

Pray the Word

Philippians 4:13 I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.

Philippians 4:19 And my God shall supply all your need according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus. NKJV

"Do your best, God will do the rest."

Linda

May

Last Month our partners equipped us to minister the Word at: Bartlett Unit, Lockhart Unit, Travis Unit, Bastrop FCI, Kyle Unit as well as county jail visits.

Mail Bag

Ron: I have excellent news. They are not going to deport me back to Germany. It was awesome how the Lord changed my case in just a matter of seconds. God took a case that was just about to be written in stone into a case that no longer exists. I can not express in words how much I appreciate you and Katie's prayers. If all goes well with parole I will be released Feb. 1st. You and Katie have a special place in my heart. H.M.

Ron -Thanks for the encouragement you gave to the grad. Class this week - I teach GED and heard many great comments about your ministry - received a devotional that I am most impressed with. Please put me on your mailing list. Hope to meet you soon. B.J. (instructor at Bradshaw State Jail)

Ron & Katie: First I want to thank y'all so much for all the motivational speeches and the Word of God that y'all spoke into my life. Ron, thru you and the Word of God my whole way of thinking is new. As you say, I took all that old junk out and put all new stuff in. I had some rough times through this journey but I'm standing on God's promises. My lovely wife is also living for God. She saw the fire that was in me while I was at B.B.I. (Bartlett Bible Institute) and has grasp the vision of living righteous and standing on God's promises. So thank you very much for blessing my family. D.W.

Ron & Katie, Thanks for all you do for us at Bartlett. You have been a blessing for me in my time of need here at this place. I am grateful to God for giving me that blessing while my family & I get through this season of our life. Your book has been helpful and your words of encouragement have been a blessing to me. J.S.

**MATTHEW 25:36
TEAM MEMBER**

...I WAS IN PRISON AND YOU CAME...