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Preface

These sayings have been collected over thirty-five years while sitting before the Lord, waiting, listening, and writing what I hear.

Limited attempt has been made to group these sayings. They are mostly listed in the order in which they were received.

Some sayings are similar and appear to be redundant. They have been kept for emphasis.

Some sayings have been inspired by what others have said. The original source of such is anonymous to the author. These are marked by an asterisk.*

Many of these sayings presume a knowledge of the scriptures.

Do not rush the reading. Savor the thoughts.

You may disagree with some theological points made herein. You may be right. You may be wrong. Regardless, enjoy the sharpening of the irons. Psalms 27:17.

- 1. God is bringing forth a people out of a people that He might be brought forth out of them.
- 2. God's wrath is the pulling away of God's presence the absence of His pleasure. He cannot abide in the presence of ungodliness.
- 3. Satan wants to eat your lunch. Jesus wants to be your lunch. "Whoso eats My flesh, and drinks My blood, has eternal life; and I will raise him up at the last day. For My flesh is meat indeed, and my blood is drink indeed. He who eats My flesh, and drinks My blood, dwells in Me, and I in him." John 6:54-56.
- 4. Turn your fault-finding into intercession.
- 5. If Jesus is our substitute in death, thereby, He is our substitute in life. Galatians 2:20.

- 6. Healing is more likely to come miraculously to the non-believer as a sign and wonder. It is more likely to come to the believer in the sanctifying¹ work of the Holy Spirit.
- 7. Obedience to the Holy Spirit leads to holiness (sanctification, separation).
- 8. God's Spirit will move to the extent we make room for Him. We get whisper quiet in His presence, wait upon Him, rest in Him, trust in Him, listen to His voice, then obey Him.
- 9. Law is given to serve it, requiring us to "do." Grace is given to serve us, empowering us to "be."
- 10. An adulterous heart goes after other loves. She lifts her skirt in the market place and beckons unto every lust of her heart, "Come unto me." She lusts for power, position, prestige, prosperity, and passion. She is overtaken by the lusts of her own heart. The more she lays with them, the more she becomes impregnated by them until she is utterly consumed by them. She walks the street in search of them. She hungers for them for there is an emptiness within her that can never be satisfied by

Sanctify means "separate" or "holy."

Reference to the Nicolaitans occurs in Revelation 2:6 and 15. It is a

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them, though she continues to consume them. The more she looks, the more she needs to look. The more she eats, the more she craves. She has become fat on her own lustful diet. Deceptions thicken her blood and she is on the verge of death, yet she will not repent and turn from her wicked ways.

- 11. Stubbornness is like a goat that has to be separated from the sheep.
- 12. Nícolaítans² are líke goats. They líke hígh places.
- 13. Everything that happens to you is designed to test your faith, to see if you will still believe in God. If that which happens to you can shake your faith, then your faith has not been founded and built upon that rock that is higher than you.
- 14. Whatever you decide to do that is not in harmony with God's will in your life is spiritual harlotry.
- 15. When the law of God is written in our hearts, we are free, lawful, and self-governing. When it is not

² Reference to the Nicolaitans occurs in Revelation 2:6 and 15. It is a compound word that means, "conquerer of the laity." It has been embodied in the elevation of clergy above laity within the institutional church systems.

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written within us, we are lawless and subject to the laws of men.

- 16. If we are planted in God, we will be rooted in Him.We will grow up into Him and bear much fruit for Him.
- 17. God's math: God divides so we can multiply. God multiplies so we can divide. We divide so we can multiply. We multiply so we can divide. Hold back and it will be subtracted. Let it go and it will be multiplied back to us. Luke 6:38.
- 18. The fire of God is the testing of God; it is intended to reveal our weaknesses that through Him, we might be perfected and strengthened. The fire is intended to bring us to the end of Self.³
- 19. We need to be immersed both in the Holy Spirit and fire. The Holy Spirit gives us the power of God. The fire purifies and keeps us from misusing the power.
- *20.* Deception occurs anytime we go after anything for Self.

 $^{^{\}rm 3}$ Self, with the capital "S" refers to the egocentrism of the fallen flesh man of sin and death.

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- *21.* Dead works are anything that does not produce the eternal within us.
- 22. Dead works are religious activities in which we engage in the pretense of appeasing God.
- 23. We can never change in order to have eternal life. We have eternal life in order to change.
- 24. Whatever cannot endure the fire of God is not of God. 1 Corinthians 3:12-15.
- *25.* The fire that burns the dead works of man is the fire that refines the man.
- 26. The fire of God will shape and strengthen the man who yields. It will destroy the man who resists. The more we are willing to have our wood, hay, and stubble tossed in the fire, the more the gold and silver will emerge.
- 27. We pray for revival fire. Revival does not bring the fire. The fire brings revival. The only revival of eternal value is that which comes out of the fire of God. No fire, no revival!

- 28. We cannot set ourselves on fire with the God kind of fire.
- 29. Persecution often fans the flames of revival.
- *30.* The fire of God cannot hurt a man already dead to Self.
- 31. The judgment with which we judge another becomes the yardstick by which we will be judged. Moreover, that judgment comes upon us to test us in it.
- *32.* Judging others rather than showing mercy for the trouble in their lives may be the cause of trouble in our own lives.
- 33. Death is the ultimate humiliation to the prideful nature of the flesh. The reborn spirit of man is eternal; therefore, if there remains any fear of death and dying, it is the flesh nature of man.⁴
- *34.* Confusion can find no place in a heart purposed on seeking the will of the Lord.

⁴ Flesh nature of man refers to the fallen Adamic human condition under the power of Sin.

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- *35.* Seeds are the children of the tree. They bear fruit of like kind.
- *36.* The spirit of witchcraft is impulsive. It must get us to act quickly before we discover the will of God and change our minds.
- *37.* Faith is being so caught up in Jesus that we do not notice the waves of the sea lapping at our feet. We can walk on water until we realize we are walking on water. Matthew 14:29-30.
- 38. The Lord places us in the body as He wills for the sake of the body. The spirit of witchcraft wants to rearrange us in the body for her sake.
- *39.* Radical obedience to the Lord can happen only when one has willingly laid down his life to follow Christ. But to him who is radically obedient much is given. Give and it shall be given unto you. Matthew 10:36.
- *40.* If we wait upon the Lord for a thing to happen, we will have the Spirit of the Lord empowering it. If we force a thing to happen, we will have a spirit of witchcraft empowering it.

- *41.* The Bride-of-Christ company are those who are joined to Christ, the Bridegroom. "The Bridegroom is the one who has the Bride." John 3:29a.
- *42.* We are the bride to whomever or whatever we are joined.
- *43.* The Bride of Christ is the one who receives the seed of the word of God. Matthew 13:1-9; 18-23.
- 44. If we make it our goal to become who we are in Christ, the doing of ministry will follow automatically. We do according to who we are. The ministry of the man is the person of the man himself. "A man's gift makes room for him, And brings him before great men." Proverbs 18:16. If we make it our goal to do ministry, we will have to do it in our own strength. The goal, after all, of all ministry is to become as He is. Galatians 4:19.
- *45.* We ought not be quick to judge others by the limited knowledge we think we have of them.
- *46.* If we seek the Lord, we will more likely receive revelation knowledge in truth. If, however, we seek revelation knowledge for the sake of gaining revelation, we will likely receive deception.

- *47.* The more we stand under the authority of God, the more we will stand in the authority of God. The more we stand in the authority of God, the more of His authority will be given to us.
- 48. Prayer is seedtime. Then comes the harvest.
- *49.* Ninety percent or more of effective communication with God should be listening to His still small voice, then doing what He says.
- *50.* Whatever is birthed in the Kingdom of God has of necessity passed through the death canal.
- *51.* When we run from the face of God, we land in the lap of trouble.
- 52. A greedy person harbors an ambitious spirit.
- *53.* Greed is the lust for more of something in the flesh.
- *54.* If we look at a thing long enough, we will mirror its image.
- 55. Emotional hype is not godly fire. It is the stench of flesh.

- 56. To be seated in the heavenly places is to relinquish our ambition to be seated in worldly places. "[God] raised us up together, and made us sit together in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus." Ephesians 2:6.
- *57.* Witchcraft is the art of mind control—manipulating another to do something against his will.
- 58. Children are self-centered. Sons are Fathercentered. Fathers are children-centered. 1 John 2:12-14.
- 59. Prophesies that seek something for Self are not from the Lord. (The prophets of Baal prophesy Self.)⁵
- 60. That "love covers a multitude of sins" is another way of saying, "love forgives." Love is not intended to hide sin. "And above all things have fervent love for one another, for love will cover a multitude of sins." 1 Peter 4:8.
- 61. A legalistic person tends to be a graceless person, lacking humility—a Pharisee full of pride, hypocrisy, and self-righteousness.

Baal is the pagan god of increase in power, position, and riches.

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- 62. Pride is pretentious and pretentiousness is a lying spirit.
- *63.* Pride hides. It is a lying spirit—masking insecurity.
- 64. God has more to work with in a broken man than in a man full of pride.
- 65. Arrogance is a treacherous cliff from which to fall.
- 66. Denominationalism is false headship. False headship is anyone or anything usurping the headship of Christ over a man.
- 67. Pure works stream from a pure heart. Matthew 15:18.
- 68. Babylon is all that the carnal⁶ mind devises; Zion is a place in the spirit where Jesus is all that matters.
- 69. Babylon is the false headship of man over men; Zion is true headship of Christ over every man.

⁶ The carnal mind is in reference to the fleshly, worldly, unredeemed mind of fallen man in contrast to having the mind of Christ.

- *70.* Babylon has only the power of man; Zion is the power of God in the Spirit.
- 71. Babylon trusts in Self; Zion trusts in God.
- 72. We become what we love. Hosea 9:10.
- 73. People put their money where their heart is.
- 74. Being controlled by what others think above what God thinks leads to weakness and codependency.
 Being unconcerned by what others think or what God thinks leads to rebellion and anarchy. Being controlled only by what God thinks leads to strength, integrity, and victory. Isaiah 2:22.
- *75.* If what we have to say does not point to Jesus, it is not worth saying. If it lifts up anyone or anything other than Jesus Christ as Lord, it is a false standard.
- 76. The prophets of God come seeking to give and to bless. The prophets of Baal come seeking to get and to be blessed.
- 77. There's a difference between being a popular preacher and a great preacher. One can be a

popular preacher without a wilderness experience. One will never be a great preacher without it.

- 78. Children will learn what we teach them.
- *79.* A person whose heart is set on God will set his priority to know and obey Him.
- 80. Law seeks reform; grace seeks repentance. Law controls; grace removes. Thus, we are baptized into the name of Jesus for the removal of sins.
- *81.* Deliverance is far more than exorcism. It is rooted and grounded in repentance.
- 82. A preacher in sin is wolf material. He is easily deceived and will quickly lead others into his deception.
- 83. He who stays in the Spirit and walks according to the Spirit will not sin or be deceived. Galatians 5:25.
- 84. Idolaters idolíze.
- 85. We cannot program the Holy Spirit.

- 86. The ministry of fleshly men wants to bring others under subjection to itself; the ministry of spiritual men releases others to be free in Jesus.
- 87. When condemnation, restrictiveness, fear, and anxiety are felt, the principle of law is most likely in operation.
- 88. The Melchizedek⁷ order of ministry is ministry without dead works; glory without needing credit; power without seeking position; nobility without loving recognition; and presence without coveting prestige. Jesus must increase; I must decrease. John 3:30.
- 89. Grace makes it possible to meet the demands of the law. Grace is not the cover for sin. It is the power within not to sin.
- 90. Legalism often gives rise to militancy.
- *91.* Those in Babylon with the most of themselves to lose will find it the hardest to come out of her.

⁷ Melchizedek, referring to the King of righteousness and the King of peace, is the priesthood of Jesus and the pattern for priesthood of His followers.

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- 92. Before saving faith comes to a believer, the aim of Christian instruction is to lay a foundation in the scriptures upon which the knowledge of God is built once saving faith comes.
- *93.* Love is the main formula for raising a healthy child.
- 94. God often uses the hand of oppression to press us from one place onward to where He wants—from Egypt, through the wilderness, on to Canaan.
- *95.* God often uses the hand of oppression to press us into His likeness.
- *96.* If we lack patience, our will and not God's will is in operation.
- *97.* Faith demands acceptance of that which often runs counter to reason.
- 98. Without doubt, there would be no need for faith.
- *99.* Fear and worry are the fruits of doubt and unbelief.

100. Faith demands action before proof.

- 101. Faith demands courage.
- 102. Faith demands endurance, steadfastness.
- 103. Faith demands obedience.
- 104. The idolatrous worship of Baal is the serving of Self—seeking power, position, prestige, and possessions.
- *105.* Fear is believing in the power and works of the devil as superior to the power and works of God.
- *106.* Rest must precede obedience, lest obedience becomes works.
- *107.* Rest is not idleness. Rest is quietly abiding in the Spirit. It is active whereas idleness is passive.
- *108.* Rest is absolute faith in the finished works of God in Christ Jesus.
- 109. Rest is to pray in the Holy Spirit, wait upon the Holy Spirit, listen to the Holy Spirit, seek the

mind of the Holy Spirit. Then in the power of the Holy Spirit, do what the Holy Spirit is doing.

- *110.* Rest is letting God do what He wants to do when He wants to do it and how He wants to do it.
- 111. Rest does not encumber, complicate, or bog down.
- *112.* God's house will be built once we put to rest all self-interest.
- 113. Self-interest gets us into works.
- 114. Self-interest aspires to build a kingdom for self.
- 115. The carnal mind is the seedbed for confusion.
- 116. All flesh is sin. All sin is flesh.
- *117.* The only way we can enter the Holy of Holies is through God's purging fire.
- 118. Law is bondage. Grace is liberty. 2 Corinthians 3:6.

- *119.* A buried man cannot díg hímself out. We díg down, but cannot díg up. We need another to díg us out.
- *120.* The only acceptable service to God is a broken and contrite heart. Proverbs 16:18.
- *121.* The harlot church is the counterfeit to the Bride of Christ, though there really is no resemblance between the two.
- *122.* It cannot be the Holy Spirit if it calls attention to anyone or anything other than to glorify Jesus. Revelation 19:10.
- 123. What God raises up belongs to Him.
- 124. Goats represent the flesh. Sheep represent the Spirit. Both have to be sacrificed. The goat unto death. The sheep unto life.
- 125. Physicians minister to the body. Psychotherapists minister to the mind (psyche). Only the Holy Spirit can minister to the spirit. Unless the healing is in the spirit, it is superficial.

- 126. The sons of the bondwoman cannot abide the sons of the free-woman. Galatians 4:21-31.
- 127. Jesus is our Sabbath rest. Hebrews 4:1-11.
- 128. Absolute freedom is found only in Jesus. In Him there are no laws, yet those who are in Him will not violate His law. —From the dialogue, "Who Shall Ascend?"⁸
- *129.* Absolute freedom is found only in Jesus, not in the ethic of Jesus.
- 130. Christ Jesus is the fulfillment of the law. He abides in us. His laws are written on our hearts. Jesus is the fullness of the law; therefore, He is the governor within us. He is the law written on our hearts. We are, therefore, among men most lawful.
- 131. Sín ís any dísobedíence to God.
- 132. A doer of the Word is he who lets the Word do a work in him. A hearer only is all talk, no walk. A doer is submissive. A hearer only is rebellious.

⁸ "Who Shall Ascend" is the last chapter in the book titled, *The Harlot Church System* by Charles Elliott Newbold, Jr.

- Sayíngs
- *133.* Until that which is preached offends the flesh, it is not yet the gospel of the Kingdom of God.
- 134. The gospel has become so díluted by a false narratíve that most Christians can no longer díscern the truth.
- 135. Any doctrine deduced from the carnal mind is false, regardless of how scripturally based it may present itself.
- *136.* If we find ourselves laboring to keep our ministry going, then it is something we started in self-strength and for the sake of Self.
- 137. When we try to make ministry happen, we are operating in the self-strength of the flesh. Demons stand ready to assist. When we allow ministry to happen, we are operating in the power of the Holy Spirit. Angels stand ready to assist.
- 138. The flesh wants fleshly things—the external, natural, and physical. The spirit wants spiritual things—the internal, supernatural, and spiritual. Flesh gathers unto flesh. Spirit gathers unto spirit. Flesh and spirit have no part in one another. 2 Corinthians 6:14-16.

- 139. This is how we can discern between false and true preaching and teaching: If what we hear preached points to Self, it is false. If it points to Jesus, it is more likely to be true.
- 140. "Then said Jesus unto his disciples, 'If any man will come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow Me." Matthew 16:24. Many seekers suffer the defeat of the cross when they put the emphasis upon self-denial. They miss the point. Self cannot deny self. The decision to follow Jesus is the cross that denies self.
- 141. Our flesh will cultivate any desire we feed it. Conversely, our flesh, in time, will die to any desire we starve.
- 142. The flesh is a wild horse that has to be broken.
- *143.* The only way to break the wild horse of the flesh is through loving obedience to the Holy Spirit.
- 144. Faith of necessity has to be tested.
- 145. The singular objective of Satan is to get us into unbelief. All unbelief is sin. All sin is unbelief. Romans 14:23.

- *146.* The surest way to do what God has ordained for us to do is to be filled with the Holy Spirit of God.
- *147.* If we find ourselves walking on eggshells, we are treading in the minefield of a manipulative spirit.
- 148. One value of fasting is that it makes us weak in the flesh. Thus, we have to rely more upon the grace and power of God for our strength.
- *149.* It is prideful to boast in what we would do in a situation before we are tested in it.
- *150.* The loss of anything pertaining to this world is gain to those who seek the Lord. Philippians 3:7.
- 151. When we are trying to make something happen out of our own understanding and in our own strength, we are engaged in the subtle practice of witchcraft.
- 152. The carnal mind conceives many options. The spirit mind accepts only one: God's plan.
- *153.* In Babylon there are many ways. In Zion only Jesus is The Way.

- 154. Law cannot change the inner man. It can at best control the behavior of the outward man. God's grace changes the inner man. He plants His Law in our hearts.
- 155. Do not judge fruit before it comes forth. Fruit judges itself. It is either good or it is bad.
- *156.* We do not "have" a mínístry; we "are" our mínístríes.
- *157.* Anytime we base our identity upon anyone or anything other than upon being in Jesus, we are sectarian.
- 158. There is only one body in Christ. Therefore, if what we call church⁹ can be divided, it is not the real deal.
- 159. If that which we are in that we call church can be confiscated, abolished, shut down, taken away, incorporated, taxed, or tax-exempted it's not the real thing.

⁹ Church is from the Greek *ekklesia* and is literally translated, "called-out-ones." In original Greek usage, it referred to those who were called out for assembly. True believers in Jesus are called out of the world to be assembled into Christ as one body.

- 160. The true body of Christ, Zion, is freely moving in, with, and by the Holy Spirit. The false church, Babylon, is forever crystallizing and institutionalizing the things of the Spirit.
- 161. The flesh nature of man is under the curse of works, under the bondage of law. The spirit man has been redeemed from the curse of the law. Christian freedom, therefore, is an offense to the flesh.
- *162.* Babylon wants the institution to look good. Zion wants the followers of Jesus to look like Jesus.
- *163.* Babylon wants to perform. Zíon wants a perfected people.
- *164.* Babylon judges the outward appearance. Zion judges the heart.
- *165.* Babylon wants the approval of the world. Zíon has the approval of God.
- *166.* Babylon wants to start some "thing." Zion simply wants to form a people into the likeness of Christ.

- *167.* The ministries in Zion cannot be explained in Babylon.
- *168.* "Christian" entertainment is flesh. It calls attention to Self.
- *169.* A false teacher points his students to himself. A true teacher points his students to Jesus.
- *170.* Insecurity lies behind the need to control things and people.
- 171. Give priority to the unity of the brethren.
- 172. Trouble is in and of the world. If we cause trouble, we will have trouble, and the systems of the world will have to settle it.
- 173. The only path to wholeness is in Christ through brokenness. Brokenness in Christ is not defeat. It is the release from the shackles of pride.
- *174.* Satan is the ruler of this world. Any alliance with the world is an alliance with Satan. Love not the world, nor the things in the world. 1 John 2:15.

- 175. The road to Zion passes through the cross. We cannot go around the cross, under it, or over it. We must go through it.
- *176.* Jealousy rises up when we are going after something that most likely does not belong to us.
- 177. We cannot curse what God has blessed. We cannot bless what God has cursed.
- *178.* We have to come out of Babylon before the Manchild can come forth within us. Revelation 12.
- 179. That which is old came later. That which is, was from the beginning. The old is passing away. See now, the new is coming forth. Those who have eyes to see will reject the old and follow the new.
- 180. When Jesus is Savior, we will try to save our lives through Him. When Jesus is Lord, we will surrender our lives to Him.
- *181.* The world's way—soup line. The Kingdom way banqueting table. It's our choice.
- 182. Soup lines are for the down and outers. They come for a free handout. They do not put

anything into it. They may even be regular customers, but it is an impoverished way to live.

- 183. Banqueting tables are for the rich. We are called to be servants. The more we put in, the more access we have.
- *184.* The closer error gets to the truth, the more dangerous it is for people who cannot discern the difference.
- *185.* He who is not holy has no knowledge of true holiness.
- 186. If our faith can be shaken when our bodies have been afflicted, then the faith we have is only skin deep. And if it is skin deep, it will have to be tested sooner or later to reveal its shallowness.
- 187. If we have to strive to keep our faith, that is exactly what it is—our faith. It's not God's gift of faith to us.
- *188.* If the faith we have produces anxiety, it is not the real thing. It is superficial and counterproductive.

- 189. God-faith is a state of being. False faith has to be drummed up.
- 190. True faith comes from within. It is the knowledge of God within us and can never be taken from us. It is birthed by revelation within us.
- *191.* Submission has to do with who we are. We cannot pretend the matter.
- 192. We learn obedience through the things we suffer. If it were easy, there would be no call for it.
- 193. The way of the Lord's coming is prepared to the extent that His Bride has made herself ready for His coming.
- 194. Wait upon the Lord for that which He wants to well up within us that it might be poured out of us. Otherwise, it remains for us to draw it up in our own self-strength.
- 195. Gluttony is the flesh of man craving for what is self-destructive. It invites the demons of gluttony and self-destruction to banquet with us. The more we try to starve it out, the more compelling it

becomes. Both the hook and the hooked are hooked.

- 196. The flesh is bent on and destined for selfdestruction.
- *197.* Once thought to be our friends, addictions eventually betray us.
- *198.* We become addicted to those things that destroy us.
- 199. The more we approach the presence of His holiness, the more severe we will experience the fire of His purging, and that is a good thing.
- *200.* The only way to become more like Jesus is to become less of ourselves. John 3:30.
- *201.* Humanism is a modern-day version of paganism— Self-worship.
- *202.* The abortion holocaust is the sacrificing of children to the god of Self.

- 203. Self gives rise to ambition. Ambition gives rise to deception. The least of deceptions can cause a man to go astray. Deception is always and only a glance away—a little desire hidden in the heart.
- 204. That which we consume will consume us. Consume the world and we will be consumed by the world. Consume Jesus and we will be consumed by Him.
- 205. The instant a body of believers name themselves, they become a sectarian "Thing"—creating an entity unto itself.
- 206. Spiritual pride is divisive.
- *207.* Babylon conceives of ways. In Zion, Jesus is the only way.
- *208.* Babylon is forever trying to perfect the system. Zion is the perfecting of the saints.
- 209. The servants of Babylon give their lives to the system. The servants of Zion give their lives to Jesus.

- 210. In Babylon, the great and glorious works of man are exalted. In Zion, the great and glorious works of God are exalted.
- 211. Babylon is the submission of men to self. Zion is the submission of men to the Holy Spirit.
- 212. Babylon is in submission to its standing rules. Zion is in submission to the Holy Spirit.
- *213.* We either leave Babylon or go down to destruction with her.
- 214. The cross brings us to the end of Self—the point at which we are translated from one nature to another, from death to life, from darkness to light, to a new creation, a new kingdom. There is no crossing over except through the cross.
- 215. We will be tested with trials and tribulations in nearly every aspect of our lives; but through Christ we have overcome them all. It can be as though they never happened. If we insert Christ in our trials, we see that Satan brings the trials to man. Man takes the trials to Jesus. Jesus won the victory over Satan; therefore, man wins the victory over Satan. Without Christ, the pattern is Satan, trials, and defeats.

- *216.* We preach the true gospel when we preach the cross of Christ.
- *217.* The Word of God is the work of God. He speaks and it is so.
- 218. Whosoever will may come, but some are chosen. Romans 8:29-30.
- 219. Here is the difference. The prophets of God call for repentance, righteousness, and separation. The prophets of Baal prophesy power, position, prestige, recognition, and riches.
- 220. We do according to who we are.
- *221.* God's primary work in our lives is to mold us into the image of Jesus.
- *222.* The power of God is released through a humble and contrite heart.
- *223.* Burnout occurs after the expectations of ambitions have failed.

- *224.* Ambition is the driving force behind the harlot spirit.¹⁰
- 225. Ambition is a tower of Babel. It wants to build a city, a tower, and a name for itself.
- 226. Our Babels are destined for destruction.
- *227.* Our spirituality is in proportion to how much we hunger and thirst after righteousness.
- 228. Spírítualíty ís not what we do, but who we are in Jesus.
- 229. Relígion controls us. Jesus changes us.
- 230. Carnal knowledge leads to confusion, skepticism, and deception. Spiritual knowledge leads to order, faith, and truth.
- *231.* In the kingdom of God, the greater washes the feet of the lesser. The greater is the servant of all.

 $^{^{\}rm 10}$ The harlot spirit is the force behind idolatry. Idolatry is the self-worship of the works of our hands and the imaginations of our minds.

- *232.* The Holy Spírít does not entertain us. He edífies us.
- 233. Self-strength quenches the Holy Spirit.
- 234. The flesh glories in Self.
- 235. We can usually have what we are willing to let go.
- *236.* Criticism and judgmentalism stem from a spirit of legalism.
- 237. Críticism is the seedbed for the root of bitterness. The root of bitterness spreads its roots deep within the soul to give rise to a more odious críticism.
- 238. Without the poor, how shall the rich man ever know he possesses his riches rather than his riches possessing him?
- 239. "Why are some rich and some poor," I asked the Lord. He answered, "To see what the rich man will do in his prosperity and what the poor man will do in his poverty."

240. A satisfied spirit is a quiet and gentle spirit.

- *241.* A quiet spirit is a good listener. A good listener is a good communicator. A good communicator is a peacemaker.
- 242. A punitive spirit is a companion to legalism.
- 243. Law incites rebellion within the lawless.
- *244.* Sin in our lives keeps us under the power of shame and condemnation.
- 245. Sentimentalism is soulish.¹¹
- 246. Babylon says the mind of man is master of everything. Zion says Jesus is Lord.
- *247.* Living the prescribed Christian life is not necessarily the same as living out of the life of Jesus.
- 248. Anything that exalts Self is contrary to the gospel.
- *249.* We cannot teach spiritual things to an unredeemed person.

 $^{^{\}mbox{\tiny 11}}$ Soulish is to be driven by one's emotions in contrast to being guided by the Holy Spirit.

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- *250.* Dross and chaff is everything that is contrary to the life, nature, and character of Jesus.
- *251.* The best hedge against the devil is to live separated unto God in Christ.
- 252. Before grace came, we were rebellious and incapable of obedience, but when grace came, we obtained the ability of Jesus Christ within us to obey Him.
- *253.* "Hype" is a lying spirit. A lying spirit is of the spirit of witchcraft.
- *254.* The rule of Christ within us is the spirit of the bride of Christ; the rule of the flesh of man is the rule of the harlot spirit.
- *255.* That THING we call church that is not the Church is the birth-child of the flesh and, consequently, is a harlot—seeking something for Self.
- *256.* God is not glorified by what we do but in Whom He has caused us to be.
- 257. God is more interested in what we are becoming in Him than in all the good works we do.
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- 258. Grace, not law, provokes repentance.
- 259. Greed is wanting more than we need.
- *260.* If we go our own way, we will have to battle the enemy in our own strength.
- *261.* Whenever we HAVE church, sooner or later, we are going to try to join others to it. We cannot HAVE church. We are the Church; that is, the assembly of called-out-ones.
- *262.* We cannot go on with Jesus if we are not willing to go through the fire.
- *263.* Humility and submission are the lens by which we are given eyes to see the mysteries of God.
- 264. Spiritual pride is divisive.
- *265.* If that which you discern is simple, peaceful, clean and restful, it is most likely the leading of the Holy Spirit.
- *266.* God is bringing His body together by separating them from the world.

- 267. Whatever we put on others will most likely come back on us. Mercy begets mercy; compassion begets compassion; law begets law; judgment begets judgment. What we sow is what we reap. Galatians 6:7.
- *268.* Intellectualism is the counterfeit to the gift of wisdom by the Holy Spirit.
- *269.* The Holy Spirit is a gentleman. He will not violate our wills.
- 270. We cannot walk by the Holy Spirit unless we are baptized (immersed) into the Holy Spirit.
- 271. The carnal mind is a destructive force.
- 272. We cannot come to know God through theology.
- 273. Law is "have to." Obedience is "want to."
- 274. Law is for the flesh. Obedience is from the heart.
- 275. Law is oppressive. Obedience is liberty.
- 276. Ambition is an enemy to obedience.
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- *277.* The glory of God fills the house of God. If anything else fills the house we are in, it cannot be God's house.
- 278. The glory of God the Father rests upon those who glorify Him. The glory of men rests upon men who glorify themselves. The glory of God the father is everlasting. The glory of man withers with the grass. Christ in us is our hope of glory. Colossians 1:27.
- 279. Law has to do with good and bad, right and wrong, and do and don't. Grace is Jesus. He is the fulfillment of the law. Jesus in us legislates right and wrong by the Spirit. Without Jesus in us, there can be no right in the sight of God. All is wrong.
- 280. We cannot be sanctified (separated) inside the gate. We have to go out to Him outside the camp, bearing His reproach. Hebrews 13:12,13.
- 281. Healing and deliverance were fulfilled in Passover. Pentecost is the release of the power of Christ's Lordship. We need to be immersed in the Holy Spirit of God that we might possess the power of His Lordship in our lives.

- 282. The Old Covenant—the works of our hands. The New Covenant—the works of God's hand. Law versus grace; works versus faith.
- 283. Faith in God is offensive to the flesh.
- 284. The flesh nature of man is legalistic. It is subjected to the curse of works-righteousness. Works-righteousness is the seedbed of religion.
- 285. Salvation begins in a person the day the Lord begins to draw that person unto Him.
- 286. That to which we cling in ownership is the most we can ever have. But, to those who release ownership of all things, save Jesus Christ, to them belong all things. For Christ Jesus is our all in all. 1 Corinthians 3:21-23.
- 287. Obedience to the Holy Spirit is the cross we bear. It crucifies something of the flesh every time.
- 288. To humble oneself is to submit completely to the will of God at all cost to self.

- 289. The Christian faith is not a way to be learned, but a person to be received—the person of Jesus, the Messiah as Lord.
- *290.* Where faith is found, there also is grace. Where grace is found, there also is faith.
- 291. The bride is known by her anxious longing for the Bridegroom. Her whole heart and soul is given to that end. Come quickly, Lord Jesus. Come quickly.
- 292. We must come to know God; that is, to know the heart of God—what He desires, wills, approves or disapproves. To know His heart is to know Jesus, for Jesus is the revelation of the heart of God. To know Jesus we must know His Word, for Jesus is the Word. As we come to know the Word, we will come to know the heart of God.
- *293.* If we are not ministering in the power of the Spirit, we are not ministering the life of Jesus.
- *294.* The power of the Holy Spírít is the mantle over the shoulder of the life of Jesus.

- 295. The power of God will always be revealed through the Word of God when it is coupled with faith and preached in Spirit and truth.
- 296. When we are in faith, we are in rest. When we are in rest, we are in the Spirit. When we are in the Spirit, we are in a position to fellowship with, hear from, and be led by the Spirit. Those who are led by the Spirit of God are the sons of God. Romans 8:14.
- *297.* We must settle the issue of death before we can be released from the grip of fear.
- *298.* The Jezebel spirit manipulates the mind and emotions of another to gain something for herself.
- 299. The harlot spirit is present when we want to build something for ourselves. The Holy Spirit is present when we want to build for Him.
- 300. Hypocrisy is pretending to be what we are not and having to fake it in our own strength. True piety is truthfully living who we are by the grace of God and doing so in surrender to His Holy Spirit power.

- *301.* Holiness is not how we practice living our lives. It is the outliving of the life and power of Jesus who abides in us.
- *302.* God's grace is not a license to sin. It is the power of God within, enabling us to be who we are in Him and to do what He has called us to do.
- *303.* Sermons give the preacher an opportunity to say what is on his mind. Proclamation gives the preacher an opportunity to say what is on God's mind.
- *304.* God never asked us to figure Him out; He only asks us to trust and obey.
- *305.* We turn to the use of symbols when the reality behind the symbols ceases to be real in our lives.
- *306.* Anxiety dulls the edge of productivity.
- *307.* We cannot solve the world's problems with the world's answers.
- *308.* Imaginations are the inventions of the carnal mind.

- 309. The only real and viable power and authority in the world is the power and authority of Jesus Christ exercised through His believers in the name of Jesus. Matthew 28:18.
- *310.* When we leave the wilderness to stride onward to Zion, we leave those wilderness friends who choose to stay behind.
- *311.* Riches are not a question of ownership but of stewardship; not how much we have, but what we do with what we have.
- 312. Ambition for ministry is destructive.
- *313.* Ambition for ministry quenches the Holy Spirit. It is the spirit of witchcraft in operation.
- *314.* Ambition for ministry is often driven by the greed for money.
- 315. If we took money away from ministry, how many ministers would be left? Except for the ambitious lust for power, position, prestige, and recognition there would likely be very few.

- 316. Ministry is not something we go into. It is that which is called forth from within us. Ministry is who Jesus is in us. What feels like a "call" to ministry is the Holy Spirit awakening us to the gifting of God in us.
- 317. The works of man cease when man ceases his works, those that are done in self-strength. The works of God are everlasting, because they are done in the power of His Spirit.
- *318.* God is ready, waiting, and willing to empower His servants who are ready, waiting, and willing to do His will.
- *319.* Salvation is God's part. He is the Savior. Our part is to believe in His finished works.
- *320.* God becomes everything to the one who is brought to nothing.
- 321. A prophet prods the conscience of others when his life is what he preaches. He stirs up consternation by his mere presence. Ezekiel 3:15.
- *322.* Spírítual thíngs stumble carnal people. 1 Corinthíans 2:14.

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- 323. Demons take flight when evil is brought to light.
- *324.* Demons have no agreement with love, but cannot argue against it. "Love never fails." 1 Corinthians 13:8.
- 325. The true preaching of the gospel can have no appeal to Self. Luke 9:24.
- *326.* Those who have ears to hear and eyes to see are those with a broken and contrite heart.
- *327.* People in sin are under law. People in righteousness are under grace and liberty. The law is written on their hearts. Romans 6:15ff.
- 328. When we begin to build that Thing we call church, we cease building the true house of the Lord, the ekklesia—assembly of called-out-ones.
- *329.* The harlot is anything we go after in our hearts that contradicts the will of God in our lives.
- *330.* Faith is the result of revelation knowledge; once we "see" the truth in our spirits, it becomes reality.

- *331.* Radical changes most often come through radical experiences.
- *332.* Reconciliation is the ministry of inner healing.
- 333. Príde cannot say, "Forgíve me," "Thank you," or "Excuse me."
- *334.* Repentance is an act of humility. When once we truly see our fallen condition, our pride is shattered.
- *335.* Nakedness is having revealed to us who we are in our fallen Adamic Sin condition.
- *336.* Religion is a garment we adorn to hide the shame of nakedness. Righteousness is the robe Christ puts on us to remove the shame of nakedness.
- *337.* Jesus is the nature we are becoming.
- 338. Amos never went to seminary.*
- *339.* God's evangelism program is a holy people released in an unholy world. Their lives are the very sermon they preach.

- 340. Evangelism without discipleship is like birthing a baby and leaving it on the doorstep of fate. Jesus did not say to the twelve, "Go evangelize." He commanded them, "Go make disciples."
- *341.* Discipleship is a long and patient process. The ultimate goal is to make the disciples better than their "master."
- *342.* Churching people is not discipleship. It is more likely a hindrance to discipleship.
- *343.* We cannot come to know God through theology (the study of God). He is known only by revelation.
- *344.* We cannot draw on the carnal mind to discern spiritual things. Only the spiritual mind can discern between the two. 1 Corinthians 2:14.
- 345. There is rest and peace and joy in Zion.
- *346.* If we do not stay awake in Zion, we will slip into slumber in Babylon.
- *347.* Ruminating is a committee meeting of argumentative spirits in the mind.

- *348.* The harlot spirit is anything for Self. Philippians 2:21.
- 349. If we decide to follow the lusts for Self, we are going the way of the flesh. If we decide to follow the leading of God, we are going the way of the Spirit.
- *350.* The world fears death in any form. That is why they hate those who are already dead in Christ.
- *351.* Those who are dead in Christ are an obedient people.
- *352.* Death to Self is tested through obedience in the face of adversity. Jesus learned obedience through the things He suffered. Hebrews 5:8.
- *353.* Obedience to the Holy Spirit of God offends the flesh.
- *354.* Obedience that is not absolute is disobedience.
- 355. A faithful person is one who takes God literally.

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- *356.* The grain offering¹² typifies the laid-down life of the wheat—the only true sacrifice of praise to God.
- 357. Those who are at ease in Zion are those who refuse to yield to the sanctification work of the Holy Spirit. Woe to those who are at ease in Zion. Amos 6:1.
- *358.* If we are striving to make something happen, we are laying bricks in Egypt made of dung.
- *359.* We have not been given the Holy Spirit to make the harlot (church system) look good.
- *360.* When we succumb to pressure, we are not in God's promised rest.
- *361.* When there is confusion, the carnal mind is in operation.
- *362.* When we work, God rests. When we rest, God works.
- 363. Faith is as limitless as God is Almighty.

¹² Grain offering is an Old Covenant requirement for sacrifice that represents our praise unto God. Exodus 29:41 and Leviticus 2:3-4.

- 364. Revival will come to the people of God whenever we begin to say what God says, use the terms He uses, do things the way He says to do them, and be what He has made us to be.
- *365.* The way to stay out of Babylon is to stay in the Spirit of God.
- *366.* To be glorífied is to look like Jesus.
- *367.* Canaan is a type of the promises of God in covenant living.
- *368.* Even after we have been to Zion, the Christian walk is a wilderness journey and a battle to take the promised land.
- *369.* We are more likely to stay in the Spirit through praise.
- 370. Forgiveness is already paid for.
- *371.* Failure to forgive is a curse that boomerangs upon the unforgiving one.

- *372.* We cannot teach with our mouths what we are not showing with our lives.
- 373. We ought not go back to Babylon once we have been to Zion. We can, however, go back to the people of God who are in Babylon. If we cannot mix among the people of God in Babylon, we have not yet experienced the liberty of Zion. Neither Babylon nor Zion are external, but inward realities. They are not places, but conditions of the heart. If we cannot serve the brethren in Babylon, we have not yet learned the love from Zion.
- 374. There is only one issue to settle—Jesus.
- 375. Sodom and Gomorrah are the strongholds of homosexuality.
- *376.* Strongholds, though demonic, are in the mind. 2 Corinthians 10:3-5.
- *377.* God places His authority upon men. Carnal men place authority in offices and positions.
- 378. Adultery is always only a glance away.

- *379.* If we never say a negative word about anyone or anything, we will never be wrong in our discernment. Philippians 1:9-11.
- 380. We will reflect the likeness of our father, whether God or Satan.
- *381.* The more we look at Jesus, the more we will look like Jesus.
- *382.* Death cannot hold back what God calls forth. John 11:43-44.
- 383. Rest in Jesus fills the spirit of man with God's life. Religious works sap the life from the spirit of man.
- *384.* We cannot DO anything of spiritual value without the Holy Spirit.
- *385.* A humble man consults God, but the arrogant man consults hímself.
- 386. "He cannot praise Me who does not know Me. He cannot know Me who does not have Me. He cannot have Me who does not hunger and thirst after Me. For I am He who satisfies the hungry and quenches the thirst of the thirsty. But he who

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has Me knows Me. He who knows Me loves Me. He who loves Me praises Me. For I am the Lord who satisfies."—Jesus Christ, Lord

- 387. Peace and joy come when we are in righteousness. Righteousness comes when we are in rest. Rest comes when we are in faith. Faith comes when we are in Jesus. Jesus comes when we are in trouble and call out to Him. When we lose our peace and joy in the Holy Spirit, it is most likely because we are out of faith in a matter, or stuck in the mire of our own dead works.
- *388.* Where there is confusion, there is bad leadership. Isaiah 9:16.
- 389. A true man is one who listens to God and obeys Him explicitly. In so doing, he bears the image of the Son of God.
- *390.* The goal of the Christian life is Christlikeness. The goal of true ministry is to bring Christians toward Christlikeness. Ephesians 4:11-13.
- 391. The Kingdom of God is within us. It is not an outward "thing." God is not building buildings, programs, organizations, and memberships. He is building a spiritual house with lively stones for

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His dwelling place. That house, when it is complete, will look like the glorified Jesus.

- *392.* When we are restless, we spend. When we spend, we deplete the land. When we rest, we preserve. When we preserve, the land yields its fruit in abundance.
- 393. Justification is the initial work of Christ. Sanctification is the continual work of Christ. Glorification is the finished work of Christ. Salvation is the process from justification to glorification.
- *394.* When people see us, do they see Jesus or some other "thing" for which we stand?
- 395. If it has to be whispered, it ought not to be said.
- *396.* We cannot change Babylon. We have to come out of her. God does not change the old. He creates the new. We cannot put new wine into old wine skins. Matthew 9:17.
- *397.* Baptism into the death of Jesus is a clean break. We cannot cling to the old while, at the same time, receiving with an open hand the new. Philippians 3:13.

- *398.* It is erroneous to say, "We WERE baptized." We ARE baptized! Baptism depicts of the kind of life we live in Christ.
- *399.* If we are to be disciples of Jesus Christ, we have to come to the end of ourselves. We cannot follow Jesus and at the same time follow the flesh.
- *400.* Jesus has to be Lord before He can be Savíor. Romans 10:9-10.
- *401.* The true Assembly of called-out-ones is an obedient people.
- 402. Submission is the spirit of humility and meekness. James 4:10. We have to be free to be submissive. It is voluntary. He who is submissive in heart is not contentious, possessing a quiet and gentle spirit.
- *403.* Until we first have the revelation of ourselves as worms, we will not realize our flight as eagles.
- *404.* The Kingdom of God is ushered in through repentance. Matthew 3:2.

- *405.* There are no national, geopolitical borders in the Kingdom of God.
- *406.* Prosperity is the result of righteous living, not faith confessing. Righteousness is faith in Jesus Christ.
- 407. Faith is in God and not for things. Mark 11:22.
- *408.* We will be persecuted for the Word's sake. "Their persecution will be My fire," says the Lord.
- *409.* Programmed praise is strange fire to God. *Leviticus 10:1.*
- *410.* When it comes to proclaiming the Word of God, if it has to be written to be remembered, it is not from within the spirit. If it is not from within the spirit, it is from the carnal mind—Babylon.
- *411.* Whenever we "have" church, we open the door to a harlot spirit of Babylon. Ekklesia—His assembly of called-out-ones—is not something we have. It is who we are in Christ.
- *412.* The true body of Christ is gathered into Jesus through obedience to the Holy Spirit.

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413. Men will die for that for which they live.

- *414.* Undisciplined persons have undisciplined thoughts. Undisciplined thoughts are the product of a weak will. A weak will is the product of a weak conscience toward God. A weak conscience is the lack of godly fear. The lack of godly fear is the product of not knowing God. For to know Him is to revere Him.
- *415.* The fear of God is bravery in the world. The fear of man is cowardice in the Kingdom of God.
- *416.* Do not preach salvation. Salvation is the end of the means. Preach Jesus. He is the means toward the end. He and He alone is Savior. When we encounter the Savior, we will have obtained salvation.
- *417.* That which we go after in our hearts is the object of our worship.
- 418. We become like that in which we abide. John 15:1ff.
- *419.* The more apparent the supernatural becomes to us, the more transparent the natural becomes.

- 420. The Kingdom of God is Jesus. The message He preached was the life He lived. The life He lived, He gave to us. The kingdom of God is the nature of Jesus that has been birthed within us.
- *421.* Power is vested in authority both in the world and in the Kingdom of God.
- 422. We cannot build anything based on kingdom principles; that is legalism. We have to abide in the King of the Kingdom and He will cause us to operate in kingdom principles; that is grace.
- *423.* Time is not as important as is timing. Timing is everything in God's economy.
- *424.* Time, distance, and money are of no consequence when we are in Jesus.
- *425.* God uses money for purposes completely contrary to man's viewpoint.
- 426. Take life one "Word" from God at a time.
- 427. Rest, wait, listen, and then do.

- *428.* There is more resting than doing when we are in Jesus. Even in the doing, there is rest.
- *429.* The Spirit of God is a stumbling block to the carnal mind. Romans 2:14.
- *430.* Because God is righteous, He is justified in His wrath. Psalm 51:4; Romans 3:5,6.
- *431.* The highest service we can render Father God is praise, trust, and rest. Romans 12:1.
- *432.* Water baptism is the first act of obedience after we come to believe in Christ Jesus, our Lord. Faith demands it. It touches the issue of submission and obedience as apposed to rebellion and disobedience. Baptism is the work of faith, not the work of law.
- *433.* The flesh really is dead for those who are in Christ Jesus. If we refused an audience to demons, whose job it is to stir up the flesh to sin again, we would more ably live according to the Spirit and not according to the flesh. Romans 6:1-8:17.
- *434.* Love wins. Love sticks by. Love never judges. Love waits.

- *435.* Where do we go who come out of Babylon? To Jesus.
- *436.* If it is not God's way, it is fruitless even if it has the appearance of great success.
- *437.* We have to come out of Babylon to go to Zíon. We cannot take Zíon to Babylon.
- 438. There is no sweat in Jesus. Hebrews 4:9-11
- *439.* When we go back to Egypt, we go back into bondage. When we decide to sin, we let the demons in. When we reckon ourselves dead to sin the demons cannot touch us. 1 Peter 4:1,2.
- *440.* The code of the surrendered life is this: Everything I do, I do for others. I do not do for myself. My calling is to be a blessing and not to seek a blessing. My desire is to give and not to get. Philippians 2:3,8.
- 441. The love of Christ constrains us.
- *442.* Babylon is the bondage of deception. Zion is the liberty of Truth. Both are spiritual states of being.

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- *443.* Do not look to any "thing" for guidance. Look to Jesus and His Holy Spirit.
- *444.* All the good works of God that need to be done have already been done in Christ. All we have to do is to enter into them and start walking. Ephesians 2:10.
- *445.* There is no such thing as fate with God's covenant people.
- *446.* Praise and thanksgiving are the only acceptable responses from God's covenant people for every-thing that happens to them.
- *447.* Faith is declaring the sovereignty of God in all matters.
- *448.* We cannot work for that which has already been given us. Everything is the work of grace in our lives. Ephesians 2:8.
- *449.* The blessings of the covenant are for covenant people only. The covenant, however, extends to whosoever will. That is good news. John 3:16.
- 450. Seed bears fruit where it has been planted.

- *451.* Fruit is for harvesting and not for rotting on the vine. Therefore, plant where the poor can glean from your harvest.
- 452. We are already dead one way or the other. For death is a separation. We are either separated from God or separated from the world. We cannot be both. We have to be one or the other. To be alive unto God is to be dead to the world. Matthew 6:24 and 1 John 2:15.
- *453.* We cannot measure, predict, or control the work of God in the world. Psalm 115:3
- *454.* We either need the body of Christ or someone in the body needs us.
- *455.* Gluttony is a spirit of lust that leeches itself to the lust of the flesh.
- *456.* We need to see by revelation God's holiness. In the light of His holiness, we will see our shame. In view of our shame, we will see His love, mercy, and grace. Then arrogance and pride will pass from us. We will truly humble ourselves in His divine presence. Then, humbled, we can see each other as we are, and love one another as we ought. Isaiah 6:1-5.

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- 457. Except by the grace of God, we are as filthy rags.
- *458.* The simple practice of the gospel is this: preach the Kingdom, heal the sick, cast out devils, love the brethren, feed the poor, give drink to the thirsty, clothe the naked, and visit the imprisoned. Matthew 25:31-46.
- *459.* Insecurity leads to fear. Fear leads to control (manipulation of people and circumstances). Control leads to rejection and that feeds back to insecurity. Suicide is one expression of the ultimate proof of rejection.
- *460.* Those who love the Lord and are the called according to His purpose, who desire deeply to obey Him, will not make a mistake even if they make a mistake because God will cause all things to work together. He really is that big! Romans 8:2.
- *461.* Faith brings yielding. Yielding brings fire. Fire brings death. Death brings life. Life bears fruit. Fruit is the life of Christ in us.
- 462. Manipulation is the subtle practice of witchcraft.
- 463. Mind control is the practice of witchcraft.
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- *464.* We cannot go any farther in the things of God than He has prepared.
- 465. A man will follow the thing that is in his heart.
- *466.* It is only in humble submission to the Holy Spirit that we are entrusted with revelation. 1 Peter 5:5.
- *467.* Revelation is given to bring us to Christ and to be conformed into His likeness. The more we become like Christ, the more revelation can be entrusted to us.
- *468.* Sometimes He gives us revelation just because we are friends.
- 469. Our faith is in God, not for things. Mark 11:22.
- *470.* The gifts of the Spirit are given like tools for a garden to help us bear the fruit of the Spirit as food for God on His table of praise.
- *471.* The ministries of the Spirit are given to equip us all to be ministers of the Spirit.
- 472. A wrong doctrine received hinders truth perceived.

- *473.* The scriptures are given to reveal Jesus Christ, the Son of God. He is the way, the truth, and the life.
- *474.* We want nothing more than for Christ to be formed in us.
- 475. When we stand in the presence of our glorified Lord, there will be no encumbrances between us. Why, then, not remove the baggage now?
- *476.* God decides to do what He does when He decides to do it. When He does it, it is done. Psalm 135:6 and 115:3.
- *477.* When we are properly related to Jesus, we will be properly related to one another. The closer we come to Jesus, the closer we will be to one another. 1 John 1:7.
- 478. The kingdom of God is not of this world, nor does it have to do with worldly things. The kingdom of God is within the hearts of men who, by faith, make Jesus Christ, Lord and King. They are Jerusalem, the assembly of God's people. Within them is a mountain, Zion, the dwelling place of God. From within this mountain flows rivers of living water, the power of God for salvation, healing, sanctification, working of miracles, gifts

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and fruits of the Spirit. Zion is in us who have made Jesus Christ, Lord and King.

- 479. When we minister the Word to others in love, expecting nothing for ourselves, we minister the life of Christ. When, however, we minister the Word to others, expecting something for Self, we sap the very life of Christ from them. Romans 13:8.
- *480.* We are never to take our lives or those of others. Rather, we are to give of our lives.
- *481.* Faith in God changes who we are. Repentance changes what we do.
- 482. We will fail to interpret the scriptures of the Old Testament correctly if we fail to see how they point to Jesus. Hebrew 8:5.
- *483.* Rightly judging the body of Christ in communion is to know by revelation what it means to be crucified with Christ. 1 Corinthians 11:29: John 6:56; Galatians 2:20.
- *484.* We see Jesus through our participation with His death on the cross. John 12:25-26.

- 485. God, through Christ, is our Savior, Healer, Provider and Source of eternal life. He is our allin-all. For us to look elsewhere for any of these things is idolatrous. Yet, it is likewise idolatrous for us to seek Jesus that we might gain these things. We are to seek Him for His sake; be found in Him and He will add these things unto us. This earthly life, our bodies, or any material thing is of no regard. We are not to seek after things. Matthew 6:33; Romans 14:17.
- 486. Six is the number of man. Six hundred and sixtysix is the fullness (completion, culmination) of the number of man, pointing to the time in human history when the mind and hand of man has accomplished its ultimate to the glory and honor of man—the capstone on the pyramid of Selfidolatry. Revelation 13:18.
- 487. God is bringing a people to Zion. Zion is a place in Jesus in us. It is that place where Jesus is all there is. It is a place of praise, power, peace, prosperity, surrender, obedience, rest, and love.
- *488.* The road to Zíon is paved with obedience and faithfulness. Isaiah 62:10-12.

- *489.* An adulterous heart (spiritually speaking) is a prime target for deception. It goes out looking for other loves. Matthew 6:22.
- *490.* The fruit of the Spirit is seed. Seed reproduces itself in like kind.
- *491.* We cannot get around it. If we want to follow Jesus, we must go through the fire of His purging.
- *492.* God brings us to a place of decision. We make that decision by the power of His faith given to us. Then He tests our faith, not to find us faithless, but that He might find Himself faithful.
- *493.* Ephesians 2:8 is the plumb line of the gospel. "For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God, not of works, lest anyone should boast." If anyone puts any other requirement on salvation than this, he is of the circumcision party.¹³
- *494.* As the human body serves the body, so is it with the body of Christ. Serve one another.

¹³ Circumcision party refers to Jewish believers in Christ who required the Gentile believers to be circumcised; thus, putting them under law.

- *495.* Revelation, as confirmed by the written Word, is grace and produces life. Doctrine or form extracted from the written Word is legalistic and produces death.
- *496*. Mínístríes are to build people, not churches. Ephesíans 4:11-13.
- *497.* Stop trouble at the front door. Once it is let in, it is difficult to evict.
- 498. The body is our earthly tent. The soul is our personality. The spirit is the dwelling place of the Holy Spirit. The body will perish. The soul is being renewed. The spirit has been reborn.
- *499.* The flesh hungers after itself. The soul hungers after things. The spirit hungers after God.
- 500. Egypt is a type of the flesh with its immoralities. Babylon is a type of the soul with its idolatries. Canaan is a type of the spirit with its promises of righteousness. The flesh wants to go back to Egypt. The soul wants to go back to Babylon. The spirit wants to go on with God.

- 501. A revelation from God is a word that comes from outside of us that plants a knowing about God within us.
- *502.* Spiritual maturity is finding our strength and sufficiency in Jesus rather than in our religious identities.
- 503. Conscience is the breaking through of a higher life from within us. It says that there is a better me deep within that wants to determine a better me on the outside. It is the still small voice of the life of Jesus that has been birthed within us that transforms us from our kind of life to His.
- 504. Let go of what is already gone.
- 505. Sin often tries to hide its face of shame behind religious "doings," thinking that God is thereby appeased. Religious "doings" are often substitutes for genuine repentance.
- 506. Good communication foils false expectations.
- 507. A bad day is the promise of a better one to come.

- 508. The fewer "pet" doctrines we have to protect, the purer will be the revelations we receive from the Holy Spirit.
- 509. Steward the gifts God has given you.
- *510.* Truth, when spoken, is a two-edged sword that cuts to shreds all that is false.
- 511. Falsehood conceals truth. Truth reveals falsehood.
- 512. As with wisdom, truth is vindicated by her children. We know truth when we hear it. It bears witness to itself.
- *513.* Those with the gift of discernment can often feel the ambience of truth or falsehood in a room.
- 514. Truth brings forth life.
- *515.* Truth stirs up anger in the hearts of those who harbor deception.
- 516. Love enough to speak the truth.
- 517. Truth needs no lies to cover its tracks.
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- 518. Truth is light; deception is darkness.
- 519. Truth is life; deception is death.
- 520. Truth is liberty; deception is bondage.
- 521. Truth is courageous; deception is cowardly.
- *522.* Truth stirs up love in the hearts of those who hunger to know it.
- *523.* Truth is the gateway to greater truth. Likewise, deception is the gateway to deeper deception.
- 524. Truth is a person, the person of Jesus Christ, the Messiah. John 14:6.
- 525. Whatever we hold to be truth is that by which and toward which we will be guided. Be careful, therefore, what we judge to be truth.
- 526. How we see ourselves and what we say about ourselves is the blessing or the curse we speak upon ourselves. Likewise, how we see others and what we say about others is the blessing or the curse we speak upon them.

- 527. When Adam was in the garden, he had dominion over the land. He owned his work. After the fall and under the curse of the toil of the land, his work owned him. After redemption and under the blessing of grace, we are God's workmanship. Ephesians 2:10.
- *528.* Possessiveness and ownership lead to divisiveness. 1 Corinthians 1:12-13.
- 529. We cannot make a fist out of fear to cling to what we have and at the same time keep an open hand to what God might want to put in it.
- 530. If we make up our own gods—as we surely will if we reject the living and true God of the Bible then we will have to empower that god in our own strength and tell it what we are supposed to believe. Idol gods are, after all, mere extensions of Self.
- *531.* Demons will perch themselves on our idolatries and compound our disbelief.
- 532. Until we come to know that Jesus is our sufficiency in all things, we will go after other loves and dependencies.

- *533.* Waiting is one of God's choice chisels for sculpturing patience in our lives.
- *534.* When we voice criticism against others, we empower aught within ourselves toward them.
- 535. Human conditions and circumstances do not define the nature and character of God. Therefore, neither should they define those who have been redeemed by the blood of the Lamb, Jesus Christ.
- 536. God not only knows our future, but also holds our future in His hand, if indeed we have committed our futures to Him.
- 537. Lífe is a maze. Though we encounter many dead ends, through perseverance, we will attain to the mark set before us. These dead ends are there to tell us, "This is not the way." We celebrate and turn to go another way. That is what makes life in Jesus such an a-maze-ment.
- 538. Good things can come out of the seemingly bad things that happen to God's covenant children. Therefore, do not focus on your circumstances, but keep your eyes on the One who makes all things work together for good to those who love Him and

are the called according to His purpose. Romans 8:28. If God is for us, who can be against us? Romans 8:31.

- *539.* Our lives do not consist of the things we possess, but of the One who possesses us, Jesus.
- *540.* He who says there is no God sets himself above the knowledge of God; thereby, supposing himself to be god.
- 541. If you believe there is no god, why then are you so offended by those who do? Does their testimony make you squirm? Why? Are you convicted after all?
- 542. Spend. Spend. Spend. Seed. Seed. Sow. Sow. Sow. Reap. Reap. Reap. Give. Give. Give. Sow by the Spirit. Reap by the Spirit. Give by the Spirit. This is the Father-heart toward His children. This is the Father-heart for His children—that they, too, would be as He is and do as He does. Sow and reap. Sow and reap. Sow and reap. You cannot give too much. The more you sow, the more you reap. Sow by the Spirit. Reap by the Spirit. Give by the Spirit. Give by the Spirit. Increase. Increase.
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- *543.* There is so much freedom in not needing to be right.
- 544. One seemingly insignificant error, one simple act of indiscretion has the potential to ruin your life forever—a gamble not worth the cost, a pleasure not worth the consequences, and an impulse not worth the risk.
- 545. If that which you are seeking is anything other than Jesus, you are seeking it for Self.
- 546. God's grace does not give us permission to sin. It is His power to overcome sin.
- 547. God has given us incredible free will. We were born free moral agents. God planned it that way. We were originally free from Christ and a bondslave to the world. Now we are free from the world and a bond-slave to Christ, forfeiting our right to be free moral agents. Do you not love it that way?
- 548. Once we settle the issue of ownership—that we have been bought with a price and are no longer our own—we will never need to own anyone and no one can ever own us. We will be free for Jesus.

- 549. I absolutely love knowing I have been bought with a price by the precious blood of Jesus. I am not my own and He can do with me as He pleases.
- 550. God's blessings piggyback obedience.
- 551. Legalism is putting faith in human effort. Grace is putting faith in Jesus who finished the work of Father and who is the finished work of Father.
- 552. Our spiritual roots burrow deeper into the soil of God's keeping during the winter seasons of our lives. Colossians 2:7 and Ephesians 3:17.
- 553. Words are pictures of thought forms that are wired to our emotions. They have power. They can speak a curse or a blessing, bring fear or hope, convey sorrow or joy, destroy or build up, kill or give life. It really is all in your mind, but do not take that lightly. Therefore, choose your words wisely. We will be held accountable for every word we speak. "Not that which goes into the mouth defiles a man; but that which comes out of the mouth, this defiles a man." Matthew 15:11 and James 3:1-12.
- *554.* We cannot live like hell while we are alive and expect to go to heaven when we die.
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- 555. Believing in Jesus as the Son of God is not so much about getting to go to heaven when we die as it is with heaven coming to us while we yet live.
- 556. The power of the Spirit upon us and the reality of Christ within us make way for the miraculous to emerge around us as a way of life.
- 557. Just because we apply the term "Kingdom" to what we are doing or writing or receiving, does not make it so. Labeling what we are doing as "Kingdom" for personal gain is deceptive. For the Kingdom's sake, let us have a little integrity here, please!
- 558. Christmas, Easter, and Halloween originated in pagan Christianity, was hijacked by commerce, loved by the world, and made idolatrous in the church.
- 559. That which we idolize becomes demonized.
- *560.* If we do not crush our ídols, our ídols will crush us.
- *561.* Exist for what is in the best interest of others and we will likely find ourselves doing God's Kingdom

business. If we are doing God's Kingdom business, all the essential things we might have otherwise pursued for ourselves will pursue us. "Therefore, take no thought for yourself." Matthew 6:19-34.

- 562. When we depart from the traditional tenets of the Christian faith—the doctrines of the apostles and the teachings of the canonized scriptures—we have cut anchor, drifting in the winds of false doctrines.
- 563. Seek the Truth and we shall be found. Our true identity is only found in Jesus who is the Way, and the Truth, and the Life. John 14:6.
- 564. The leader is the one who is out in front of the pack—the one who has gone farther and blazed the trail before them—after whom the rest can safely follow.
- 565. The extent to which I am free is the extent to which I am able to allow others to be free.
- *566.* Faith is the surrender of Self-sufficiency for the sufficiency of Jesus Christ in our lives.
- *567.* If what we are in does not produce life, we should leave it.

- 568. How can it be called peace when we have to set up defenses against the ones with whom we are making peace?
- *569.* Persecution drives us out of our complacency and passivity.
- *570.* Apart from a few righteous men in office, politics might be defined as the art of lying.
- 571. The flesh nature of fallen man has a death sentence upon its head. It is programmed to selfdestruct and, without conscience, will take down with it anything in its path.
- *572.* Darkness cannot be converted. It has to be eradicated by the light.
- *573.* If the faith we think we have has to be maintained by our own constant confessions, it is not the gift of faith from God.
- *574.* Jesus makes the incomprehensibility of God, comprehensible.
- *575.* I am convinced that the world is completely evil through and through. It is of the full-grown tree

of the knowledge of good and evil. We cannot overcome the tree of the knowledge of good and evil by doing more good, but only by allowing the tree of Life, Jesus, to take root and grow from the very core of our being.

- *576.* Reach out and hug a lonely soul today. You may save a lífe.
- 577. Not every generation within a family is purposed for greatness. Some generations, perhaps even several sequential generations, are purposed to raise a future generation for greatness. That within itself is a great calling.
- 578. An obedient life renders tithing irrelevant.
- *579.* How can we be content with giving the Lord a tenth when all we are and have belongs to Him?
- 580. True repentance is the genesis of a true and lasting spiritual revolution.
- 581. We cannot rush the Lord. Nowhere does it say the Lord waits on us. It does say that we are to wait upon Him.

- 582. In prayer, I once did all the talking as if I had anything worth saying. Now, I mostly listen, then say or do according to what I hear. "Be still and know that I am God."
- 583. Apart from having the mind of Christ, we will follow our own carnal minds, always leading contrary to the will of God. 1 Corinthians 1:27.
- *584.* Let our last words to another be seasoned with grace and we will never have regrets.
- 585. We can accomplish more in one hour of prayer than in thirty hours of works.
- 586. Never make a change untíl you know ít ís tíme. 1 Corinthíans 7:24.
- *587.* One cannot harbor dísdaín for Israel and prosper spírit, soul, and body.
- 588. He is the Potter. We are the clay. We are His workmanship. If we have an issue with any of His pots, including ourselves, we should take it up with the Potter and not with the pot.

- 589. Grace is the ability God gives us to be who He has made us to be and to do what He has called us to do.*
- *590.* The declaration of our God-given faith releases the power of God's grace.
- 591. To be free in Jesus is to be free for Jesus.
- *592.* We cannot keep what God has promísed; only God can keep what He has promísed.
- 593. He who flatters will be just as quick to slander.
- *594.* Dry seasons are meant to make us thirsty. Matthew 5:6.
- 595. Some things change whether we want them to or not: some supernaturally, some naturally. Some things never change whether we want them to or not. Some things do not change unless we change some things. We are challenged to learn these differences.
- *596.* Obedience to God is an offense to the flesh. Obedience to the flesh is an offense to God.

- *597.* Agape-love is the unconditional, sacrificial laying down of your life for what is in the best interest of another person without expecting anything in return.
- *598.* Agape-love is other-centered with no thought of asking, "What is in it for me?"
- *599.* If you can say, I do not love you anymore, we can know by that, it was not agape-love. We cannot fall out of agape-love.
- 600. Agape is the action we take against all selfcenteredness.
- *601.* Agape is allowing an inconvenience in our lives for the sake of another.
- 602. Agape seeks nothing for Self, but has the best interest of others at heart.
- *603.* Agape love of necessity requires involvement. It can never be passive.
- 604. Agape love is the life and power of Jesus Christ being actualized through our own lives. Galatians 2:20.

- Sayíngs
- 605. We are more likely to succeed at doing that for which we are willing to die.
- 606. God is glorified through us until we begin to glorify ourselves.
- 607. What is it we do, that when we do it, we feel God's pleasure? That is likely our life's mission.
- 608. Whatever we do or say spiritually that is not the result of what God has done in us is phony religious facade.
- 609. We seed into many tomorrows by what we feed on today. Hosea 10:12.
- 610. Being able to wait upon the Lord is one of the highest marks of Christian maturity.
- 611. If it is complicated, it is not the gospel truth.
- *612.* Spírítual guídance trends toward corruption when you are seeking it for Self.
- 613. Pride is a pretentious spirit.

- 614. If you want something from me that I cannot give, most likely, you want something that does not belong to you.
- 615. Our Dagons¹⁴ cannot stand in the presence of the living God.
- 616. We will not feel abandoned by the loss of those things we have already abandoned to God.
- *617.* We who truly want God's agenda will gladly lay down our own.
- 618. Be careful not to allow your children's inheritance to amount to more worth than you are to them.*
- 619. Righteousness is the stream in which flows all the goodness of God—redemption, deliverance, holiness, health and healing, life, blessings, revelation, authority and power—all that pertains to the Kingdom of God. Unrighteousness is the logjam to the free flow of God's blessings. This logjam is not God's punishment for our sins. Rather, it is the little beavers of sin that are building the dams. John 3:17-19.

¹⁴ Dagon is the name of the Philistine god. 1 Samuel 5:1-5.

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- 620. Righteousness is the result of having absolute faith in the finished works of God in Christ.
- 621. Not calling it a sin, in order to justify the sin, does not make it any less a sin.
- 622. Sin is any act that contradicts something of the nature and character of God.
- *623.* There are no cultural evolutions in the Kingdom of God.
- 624. When righteousness fails, evil prevails. When righteousness prevails, evil fails.
- 625. The Ark of the Lord's Presence can only be carried on sanctified shoulders.
- 626. The Ark of the Lord's Presence will always triumph over His enemies.
- *627.* The Ark of the Lord's Presence will always represent righteousness and holiness.
- 628. God gave us Hís law out of Hís great love toward us. It was given to keep us safe from the conse-

quences of sin leading to death. That which God gave for our sake out of His love toward us is considered by the world to be hate language. How ironic!

- 629. If, in the face of persecution, I should renounce Jesus and live, I die. If I do not renounce Jesus and die, I live. Luke 17:33.
- 630. Any government action to legalize sin doesn't make it so. It only makes more indistinguishable to the world the difference between darkness and light.
- 631. Unforgiveness is making a judgment against another person. That judgment becomes a measuring stick against which we will likewise be tested and judged. The measure by which we measure becomes the measuring rod by which we will be measured. It sets us up for failure. The failure is not intended to humiliate, but to stir up humility, empathy, and forgiveness. Forgiveness liberates and the measuring rod is removed.
- 632. Hell is not an assignment from an angry God; it is the consequence of a rebellious people. "For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord." Romans 6:23.

- 633. Divorce is running from problems that are destined to follow us—like a dog trying to escape its tail.
- *634.* Divorce, more often than not, is the dominion of the flesh. It is indicative of a hardened heart.
- *635.* Divorce is a forgivable sin in the face of true repentance.
- 636. When God speaks, He speaks life. When Satan speaks, he speaks death. You can judge all manner of speech by this: Does it produce life or death?
- 637. Speak edification.
- *638.* The righteous leap over walls; the unrighteous run ínto them.
- 639. Think of money as heirloom seed and plant it in the rich soil of wisdom. Always ask, how can I make this grow thirtyfold, sixtyfold, even a hundredfold? Matthew 25:14-30.
- 640. Money is nothing to God. Money is nothing to us when we are doing God's business. God operates with an entirely different currency.

- 641. You cannot sustain life by choking it to death. Hold everything loosely in the palm of your hands, cupped upward toward heaven.
- 642. Going from the belly of the whale to doing the will of God is like going from the slime to the sublime.
- 643. People who fall prey to scams, the lottery, and getrich-quick schemes are seeking something for Self. We would profit more by giving it to the poor.
- 644. The greatest value of currency is in how it reveals the hearts of men.
- 645. Promises delayed often reveal the purity of the heart.
- 646. I make no apologies. I am straight and narrow. Matthew 7:14.
- 647. We cannot structure Kingdom relationships. The Holy Spirit appoints them.
- 648. World politics is a colossal chess game that, at the end of the day, only God wins.

- Sayíngs
- 649. A healthy sense of humor is symptomatic of a thriving personality.
- 650. Taking God at His word and living accordingly is a sure path to victorious living.
- *651.* We who follow Jesus as Lord are different and that difference is intended to make a difference in the world.
- 652. Knowledge, embedded in arrogance, is worthless.
 "And if anyone thinks that he knows anything, he knows nothing yet as he ought to know."
 1 Corinthians 8:2.
- 653. Just as we delight in the first signs of spring, so do we seek to capture the glory of a new day dawning in this, the day of the Lord.
- 654. Derogatory words embitter the soul of the one speaking them, perhaps more so, than the one for whom the words were meant.
- 655. Following Jesus does not follow denying self. Denying self follows following Jesus. The cross we bear is not the act of denying self. The cross we bear is the decision to follow Jesus. The decision to

follow Jesus is the cross that denies self. Matthew 16:24.

- 656. What often seems like a cross we bear may just as likely be the crown we wear.
- 657. If we take a drink of living water from the river of Life, Jesus, we will live. If we try to drink the river we will drown. A river of words is flooding today in the body of Christ and not all of it is pure. Be led by the Holy Spirit in choosing the dipper from which you drink.
- 658. We do not need to know everything about everything. It is quite freeing to admit, "I don't know," when we really do not know.
- 659. A spiritual writing is not worth the read if, in the end, it has not laid a single stone to further the formation of Christ within us.
- 660. The treasures God gives us are not for us alone, but for any others who "receive the prophet in the name of a prophet".
- 661. The word of God is like a treasure; not to be hoarded, but shared. The more we share the

treasures of God, the more we attain for ourselves. We divide. He multiplies.

- 662. The more love we give, the more we have in return.
- 663. Time and times are significant. Timing is critical.
- 664. The hand of the Lord is mighty, able to crush empires in the twinkling of an eye.
- 665. Make no promíses you cannot keep. Keep the promíses you do make and your promíses will keep you.
- 666. Sleep is a gift from the Lord. Rest is a place in the Lord.
- *667.* Announce your presence and you will be seen by all.
- 668. A haughty man revels in the limelight.
- 669. What good is a prophet of God to others if he heeds not God's word for himself?

- 670. Everything the carnal mind of man can imagine has both a benevolent and malevolent prospect. It can be used for good or bad. This is the nature of the Tree of Good and Evil, but neither are from the Tree of Life.
- 671. We become the likeness of the god we serve; conversely, the likeness we become reveals the kind of god we serve. If our god is a god of love, then we take on the likeness of love. If we become love, we announce to the world that our god is a god of love. If our god is evil, we take on the likeness of evil. If we have become evil, we announce to the world that our god is a god of evil. "Therefore by their fruits you will know them." Matthew 7:20.
 "By this all will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another." John 13:35.
- 672. All religions are fundamentally the embodiment of their sacred documents, inspiring the behavior of their constituents: convicting them of their loyalty and engendering tolerance or intolerance, love or hatred, life or death.
- 673. Every false expectation we put on others is a setup for disappointment. Fewer the expectations, fewer will be the disappointments.

- 674. While the world prepares for war, the Lord prepares for harvest. Choose for yourself the sword or the sickle.
- 675. Oftentimes, the worst among us brings out the best within us.
- 676. In the world we find favor by what we accomplish. In the Kingdom of God we find favor by what Christ has accomplished.
- 677. The issue is not whether one sin is greater than the other. All sins are the product of the fallen nature of man. Therefore, the issue at hand is whether we are living out of our fallen nature or out of our resurrected nature in Christ Jesus. If we live out of our fallen nature, then the only difference between one sin and the other is the consequence it thrusts upon us, or others. 2 Corinthians 5:17.
- 678. Wisdom always trumps knowledge. Knowledge tells us what and how. Wisdom tells us why. Knowledge can deceive. Wisdom is known by her fruit. Luke 7:35.
- 679. People cannot push buttons we do not have.
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- 680. If our bubble can be burst, consider the fact that it was just that—a bubble.
- 681. The world loves what God hates and hates what God loves; therefore, what the world loves cannot be from God.*
- 682. We will deceitfully invent gods of our own making as well as deceitful doctrines and theologies when we claim to follow God and, all the while, insist on going our own way—fulfilling the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life.
- 683. Under the Old Covenant, man keeps the law outwardly. Under the New Covenant, the law keeps the man inwardly. Jeremiah 31:31-33; Hebrews 10:16.
- 684. The Law of God was made to serve man, not for man to serve the Law. Mark 2:27.
- 685. If we do not know what to do in a matter, do nothing.
- 686. If you do not know what to do with your life, look around and find something to do that makes a difference for good. Keep doing that until you

know what to do. Chances are, what you do while waiting to know what to do will end up being what you were meant to do.

- 687. Spírítualíty without the Holy Spírít is an exercíse in futility.
- 688. We cannot live the crucified life in our own strength, but in the power of the Lord's resurrected life within us.
- 689. The tree of life is God conforming men into His image. The tree of the knowledge of good and evil is men trying to conform God into the image of their own making. We simply cannot make God to be the way we want Him to be.
- 690. The best way to live with death is to die to it.
- 691. There are no emergencies in the Kingdom of God.
- 692. God always requires of us the impossible so that when we come to the end of ourselves He can be for us what we cannot be for Him. 2 Corinthians 12:9.
- 693. Hard lessons in life are usually costly. Hard lessons learned are usually worth the cost. The
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profitability of the cost is incalculable once the lesson is learned. The cost is squandered by a lesson unlearned. The Lord frequently allows the cost to linger to seal a lesson learned. Sometimes the cost is etched in stone. Even so, a lesson learned is unfailingly a good thing.

- *694.* Tough love is careful not to lessen the cost of another, thereby, prolonging the lesson learned.
- 695. Anyone or thing that brings asunder those whom God has joined together is an adversary of God.
- 696. Anyone or thing that contradicts what God has declared in His word is an adversary of God and is of the antichrist spirit.
- *697.* God is bigger than any circumstance we could imagine.
- *698.* When the grace of God is lifted in a situation, that in and of itself is most likely a leading from God.
- 699. When it comes to food and doctrine, I don't swallow what I cannot chew. May I suggest neither should you.

- *700.* Do not let your path take you to a place where Jesus cannot go with you.
- *701.* After all is said and done and nothing more to tell, I pray it may be said of me, "He finished well."

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