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Dear Friends,

I am excited, yet somewhat daunted, by my lack of constructive instruction for this month's letter to you. Normally, I would have something that the Lord had laid on my heart to share with you that was topic, specific. However, this month is different, and that is perfectly ok!

*I believe the Lord is preparing something special to take place in our lives here, and **in your life, by association**. The challenge lies in **my obedience** to the **"still small voice"** of His instruction! That is why I started by saying; I am excited, yet daunted, at the same time. Yet, I am never let down by my Lord. He always follows up with some word of encouragement from somebody; either personally, or by letter, or message on DVD, or TV, or even our daily devotionals, however varied the source of same. I never cease to be amazed at how the Lord orchestrates the exact right word of peace, or encouragement to come from my devotional readings each morning. Some of my books are three monthly devotionals; some are annual and perpetual. As I enquire of Him, first, with an attitude of gratitude for all of the blessings in my life, and then for my needs and, the needs of others to be met, prior to beginning my personal devotional time each day; **I marvel, in hindsight, at how God could have organised to have those wonderful words of wisdom and comfort ready for me to read, at exactly the right time, on exactly the right day.***

*It is somewhat daunting just trying to get my head around that information. I guess it is really because God knows our needs before we ask. Since He knows our every thought and the deepest desires of our heart, and we have been so blessed with His favour - He has walked ahead of us, and prepared our path, with all of the necessary words of encouragement, instruction and peace. He knew exactly what we would be in need of, on exactly - **"that particular day"!!!** You know what I mean. You too, have experienced something similar in your life; probably many times over.*

Just earlier this week I had an attack from the enemy, and just when I needed someone to stand with me in prayer, the **phone rang**. It was a prayer minister from KCM who called and asked could they pray with me about anything at all. I have had that exact same impromptu call come from that same office, about four times now. Praise the Lord! **That is God's faithfulness at its best!** Wow! You can see why I am forever grateful to the faithful of the brotherhood of the brethren, who reach out to me, as I endeavour to reach out to others. However, in that moment, I stand in awe of God's amazing timing. And, even more in awe of His faithfulness to never leave me nor forsake me.

Just today I was blessed with **these words**: - "Sometimes diamonds are done up in rough packages; ...God may send you some costly packages. Do not worry if they are done up in rough wrappings. You may be sure there are treasures of love, and kindness, and wisdom, hidden within ...He that is mastered by Christ is the master of every circumstance. ...Your mastery will come, not by arresting its progress but by enduring its discipline, for it is not only shaping you into a vessel of beauty and honour, **but it is making your resources available.**"

Then I went on to read **a letter** I received in the mail and part of it read: - "**Beware of sharing your vision** – the dreams of your heart – **with people of 'lazy vision.'** They may be good people but they are **'hearers' and not 'doers' of God's Word and they will not encourage you.** Don't think with your head; think with the **WORD!** That's called 'God-inside minded.' Don't let your faith stagnate. Keep speaking to your mountain and moving toward your goals." Wow!!!

You see, when I needed to hear something truly uplifting and encouraging in my spirit, the Lord sent my way **three little reminders in the form of a phone call, a devotional reading, and a monthly partner letter** from one of my favourite mentors. God knew my needs right this very hour, of this very day, of this very month, in this amazing year. **He had already walked ahead of me; sometimes months, and mostly, years before, to prepare for me the very writings I may be blessed by, today.** Other times it may be the impromptu, random, phone call that just arrives at the right moment, to stand in agreement with you, for whatever you may be - believing for.

Here at Jachin Boaz Ministries, I believe God has a plan and a purpose rapidly coming to fruition. If we stumble and hesitate over any issue that already has the LORD'S blessing and instruction, we feed into the devil's hand, just because we don't heed the great - uplifting and encouraging fragments of enlightenment, that slowly drip feeds us, through time spent receiving from our Holy source, the Word of God; followed close by the encouragement from all of the other resources we draw strength and inspiration from. **As mentioned prior; the printed word, the encouraging phone calls, the unexpected conversation, the impromptu meeting!!!**

We need always to operate in the **knowledge and authority**, which Christ has implanted, within those of us who gratefully receive the gifts He gives. It is one thing to name the name of Christ as your Saviour. It is quite something else – to name Him **Lord of your life!** Now that is empowerment. That is the key to the authority He avails us. That key takes us through the

door - from the 'believing room' to the 'knowing room'. That key unlocks the door to positive talk, and, knowing with authority, that what you believed God for, will manifest itself and become the reality you, for so long, believed it could be. **We have to perfect the art of walking by faith and not by sight.** That simply is a **choice** we make daily; to do or not to do. But, when the manifestation of our vision becomes our reality, our joy also becomes infectious. It is a wonderful place to be. It is a humbling experience. It cannot be contained. **It must be shared and the experience multiplied, blessing upon blessing.**

Remember that quote from the devotional I shared with you back at the beginning of this letter: - "He that is mastered by Christ is the master of every circumstance. ...Your mastery will come, not by arresting its progress but by enduring its discipline, for it is not only shaping you into a vessel of beauty and honour, **but it is making your resources available.**"

We are only blessed in order to bless. Our resources can be made available in so many different ways, as we walk the road of **obedience** - to His "still small voice"; then, seeing the manifestation of all we have believed for, as a church. Amen!!!

I started this letter to you, excited, yet somewhat daunted, by my lack of organised, specific, topic points, to talk with you about. I knew in my spirit that I had been so blessed with revelation knowledge, gleaned from the scripture, and confirmed again and again by other writings I read. I know that my Lord has heard my prayer, and the prayers of the faithful fellow brethren, who pray for us, and with us. I am overwhelmed in my soul with an attitude of eternal gratitude that, **my God is faithful to perform; that which He says.** And, for all of the above reasons shared, I am still excited, and yes, daunted, by the magnitude of the task ahead.

I have tried to **highlight**, in this letter to you, the importance of the **many and varied resources from which we draw our inspiration, knowledge and encouragement.** And, for us to be ever mindful of and grateful for, during our personal, private time spent with God, the **abundance of His resources.** He is the organiser of all that we have access to and hold most dear. He is our ultimate provider. Thank you Jesus! We often entertain angels, unaware!!! It is mostly with the benefit of 20/20 hindsight, that we put the pieces of the puzzle of our lives together. But, those calls, letters, devotionals, or personal time spent in His Word, are the visits from His ministering angels, via the Holy Spirit Himself, who tend our need in the moment; and I am so grateful for every single encounter.

God is a God of order!!! If you don't already have an organised time of fellowship with your Lord each day, then allow me to encourage you to find something that you consider may work for you, and follow a routine toward a very rich, and rewarding - continual dialogue with Jesus. **He desires a personal relationship with you. He loves you.** We want to spend **quality time** with the people **we love**; our family and friends; our colleagues. And **so it should be with - our Jesus; our Saviour, Redeemer and King!**

I encourage you this month to spend some time reflecting on the abundance of blessings and resources He makes available to us, for our betterment, and His glory. I encourage you to ponder **2 Timothy 3:14-17** ...the purpose for which He has made His sacred writings available to us. Then, reflect on the abundant blessings that come in the form of other writings; the other

fellow believers who bothered to journal their profound experiences, for our betterment and education; just as the prophets and apostles of old, were divinely led to write the scriptures.

*As you journey, **walk by faith and NOT by sight.** Remember, your time spent in sweet communion with Jesus should be a mutual conversation. Receive that instruction, correction, or discipline; whatever it is that necessitates your next step, to where you need to be. Speak to your mountain. Continue to walk with purpose toward your heavenly destination, via the vision He implanted within your spirit.*

I close by sharing this scripture with you.

2Ti 3:14 But as for you, continue to hold to the things that you have learned and of which you are convinced, knowing from whom you learned [*them*],

2Ti 3:15 And how from your childhood you have had a knowledge of and been acquainted with the **sacred Writings, which are able to instruct you and give you the understanding for salvation which comes** through faith in Christ Jesus [*through the leaning of the entire human personality on God in Christ Jesus in absolute trust and confidence in His power, wisdom, and goodness*].

2Ti 3:16 **Every Scripture is God-breathed** (given by His inspiration) and **profitable for instruction, for reproof and conviction of sin, for correction of error and discipline in obedience, [and] for training in righteousness (in holy living, in conformity to God's will in thought, purpose, and action),**

2Ti 3:17 So that the man of God may be complete and proficient, well fitted and thoroughly equipped for every good work.

*Be blessed, **especially by sharing those unlocked resources.***

Till next month

From my house to yours

Blessings of the abundant kind!

Leila Nord.

