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PREFACE

This book is a compilation of truths I have come to see over the years by the Holy Spirit. The truths themselves are not new, but have been around ever since the Spirit Of Truth Himself determined them. However, I have found that the way He has *expressed them* to me has come in such a way that it not only crystallized clearly some things for me, but others have said, "When you said this in this way, it became so clear to me."

That's the purpose of this book, to share with you truths that have been extremely helpful for me. The truth of these may not be new, and some are merely a re-expression of Scripture, but perhaps the way it is stated may be in such a way that you can see them more clearly.

Most are thoughts given to me personally by the Spirit Himself, but a few are the work of the Spirit thru others, but are so well-said that I thought they should be included in this work because they help us all.

Lastly, some of these truths may dawn on you immediately, some may take time for your spirit to see them. None of us are born again full-grown, we grow in our ability to comprehend and see truths of the Kingdom. We perceive the things of God with our spirit, not our intellect alone, and that may take time. Feed on them over and over until they dawn on you.

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The Supernatural & Faith

The true believers in God have the supernatural.

Everybody who was ever pleasing to God had the supernatural.

When it comes to receiving, you have to have faith for it.

Doing what's right includes believing the Lord - taking Him at His Word.

Your good works aren't enough; just enter His rest by believing.

You get in the mullygrubs when you go by your flesh, by what you see.

A Christian is required to flow in the Spirit, not just have the Spirit.

We, who are God's, have a right to claim protection.

Your head has zero to do with speaking in tongues.

God wants our joy to be made full. He wants to answer your prayers.

It is a requirement to have faith, to believe what is unseen.

Everything that works for you comes from your heart.

When you get a verse to work for you is when you believe it with your spirit.

The power of the Holy Spirit takes you from the jailhouse to the penthouse; *but* it's a short walk from the penthouse to the outhouse, things can change in a hurry.

You can sense/feel things in the spirit that you cannot see in the physical.

Don't fuss with the Bible (the Word), just accept it.

If everything looked great all of the time, you would have no reason to have faith.

The devil loves to pull you over into the realm of reason, but faith believes the impossible.

Only when the confession of your mouth matches the confession of your heart is when faith will work for you.

You get what you say and *believe*, not just what you say.

Stop going by what you think and start going by what He said.

Go by what the Holy Spirit is saying in your spirit, not by what your head is telling you. Be sure it is the Holy Spirit.

The purpose of prayer is to receive and prevail, not to merely pray.

The devil is no match for us in Jesus. We are no match for him otherwise.

God wants you to know & exercise faith not by definition but by demonstration.

Act like you expect God to answer you.

Don't put on a fake act, actually believe He will give you what you ask.

Protecting Myself-Stay in the place of

faith.

- 1. Make up your mind you won't quit, you will prevail, and keep faith.
- 2. Spend extra time reading the Word & in His presence.
- 3. Stay away from worldly and/or negative influences.
- 4. Fast if necessary, but don't dwell on your problem.
- Keep persisting until revelation comes that you have it. You have to know you've got it.

Act like you believe His Word – because you do.

Some have said in regards to speaking with tongues, "It just seems like it's just me doing it." No kidding. Who else would it be?

The Holy Spirit never speaks in tongues, men do.

Some say, "I don't know what I'm saying in other tongues." No kidding! If you understood it, it wouldn't be other tongues now would it?

The Holy Spirit only gives an utterance or prompting, you must do the speaking out. You must form the syllables and they are foreign to you.

Knowing Truth & God

It's the truth you know in your spirit that will set you free, not mere memorization.

If God shows/reveals something to you he is entrusting you with it. You must watch over yourself. If you fail at this, you have lost/failed at your stewardship.

It's not what you know that will put you in the trick bag, it's what you don't know.

All you know is not all there is to know. One of the greatest truths of life is, "you don't know how much you don't know". You think you know a lot until more of the Word shows up your ignorance.

You are at fault if you are misled.

It is not by education, but by revelation.

Memorizing a verse doesn't help you, having revelation in our heart does help you.

A tender heart is one that easily perceives truth.

God is perfectly good – the devil is ruthless beyond comprehension.

God, good – devil, bad.

Light from God is progressive.

Your willingness will determine if you recognize truth.

The Bible is only confusing to the confused.

It is more important to be taught correctly, than it is just to be taught.

There are no new demons, they have not multiplied. The very same demons here harassing you today are the same ones that harassed Moses' generation, David's generation and Jesus' generation, right up to today. Their number has not diminished or increased.

Homosexuality is wrong; even the animal kingdom knows it; when was the last time you had to teach your male dog to mate with a female dog? (Did you have to send them to obedience school to learn this?) No, it's instinctive, it's what's right. God made it so. Read the New Testament thru the way it *was* written, not the way you think it *should have been* written.

It's not wrong to be wrong – it's just wrong to stay wrong.

Your will has everything to do with what happens to you.

Never forget in the dark what you *knew* to be true in the light.

Everything in the created "physical" world is set up to teach you something (some principle) about the "Spirit" world & the Kingdom of God.

Jesus is the only source of protection in the whole universe.

Satan is a master at discovering if there

is any pretension in your faith and walk; if your house is built on sand, he will eventually know it.

The full answer to any spiritual question is not found in any one place in the Bible, it will be interwoven throughout.

You live by what you give, not by what you can take.

Be careful about making one wrong step. Satan will veil you then, so it will be easier to make a second wrong step. That's how people progressively go from good to bad to worse without knowing and realizing it. It was that first wrong step into darkness.

Find a Pastor who is not afraid to correct you – you need it.

Discipline and correction is always implemented (carried out) by imperfect people. Parents, don't be afraid to correct and discipline your children when necessary. Pastors, do not be afraid to correct your congregation, they are your children also.

Every positive thing in this life has some negatives. Prosperity, honor, healing and privileges all have with it it's corresponding and associated pitfalls.

Boldness is good only if you're right.

Examining the claims of who Jesus said He was, it is self evident that He is who He said He was, or else He was a nut.

He claimed to be God in the flesh, and He is.

Examining the claims of Jesus, it is impossible to believe He was a prophet or a good teacher. He claimed to be God so if He wasn't, then He couldn't be a good teacher *or* prophet.

Err on the side of caution. It is better to be overly cautious, than not cautious enough in many decisions. It is best, however, to be neither overly cautious nor flippantly careless, but make the correct decision.

If everybody who will be open to salvation had a stripe on their forehead, we would know to whom to minister. They don't, so go out and see who's open.

You can be right in your position, but wrong in your attitude.

The biggest enemy you will ever face is your own will.

As long as your will is your own, you will have trouble with God.

If you are not submitted to God's will, you will have trouble with God.

If you are not submitted to God's will, you are not submitted.

Satan is so bent on destroying you, he will overplay his hand and make his reality known to you all the more.

Serving God & Holiness

If you get so consumed with worldly affairs, you will be lost from the Gospel.

God doesn't just send the Gospel to the entire world by Himself—he sends it through us.

You get around the world too much it will evaporate the Holy Spirit off of you.

Whose definition of good are you — yours or God's?

Don't fill your mind with what the devil is pedaling.

Don't bring things in your house that open the door for the devil, like wrong movies or music.

The devil works by gradualism. Carefully assess the "minor" changes.

The devil understands momentum, if you have it for the good he must stop it; if the devil has the momentum in your life for bad, he must keep it going for he knows the value of momentum.

God will never excuse the things you do wrong simply because you do other things right.

Who is going to close the door on wrong things – you are.

You can't have one foot in the world and the other with the Lord. The pull from each side is such that it requires that you choose one or the other. Idolatry is anything that has your affection or interest more than God and His work.

To get what we need from God takes effort.

Learn to be comfortable in the conflict.

If you want to get back at the devil - do right - live right - you will be getting back at him.

Your will to do wrong is more powerful than God's will for you.

Sin will harden you.

Be secure in your Christianity. Christianity is God's way, period.

We all know what you believe by what you do.

You are only obedient to the degree you listen to the Father. What verse in the Bible do you *not* obey?

You will have to be filled with the Spirit; otherwise you will be filled with other things.

Don't be caught partying when the Lord comes. Don't be caught partying at all, ever.

If you don't pray much, you are a sitting duck. If you don't worship much, you are a sitting duck.

The more you yield to the Father, the easier it will be to yield to the Father.

The more you do this, the more you want to do it. The less you do this, the less you want to do it.

When you don't walk with God, you do walk with the devil.

God and I have no favorites; we are for whoever wants to do right.

No one ever goes to Heaven or Hell alone, you will always bring somebody with you, you will have influenced somebody along the way by what you were or were not.

As a minister, be interested in Godly results, not merely congregational votes and congregational numbers growth.

Whatever your position is do it faithfully.

The reason I extend worship is because I'm interested in results, not votes.

If you can read, you know *what* Jesus said, but I want to know what He *meant* by what He said.

You would be amazed at how much you are *not hearing*. Go back over your Pastor's teachings from long ago and you'll be amazed what you did not hear.

Regarding Character

Most people in pride don't even know they're in it.

Whatever God does in you, through you, with you, is not going to be because of who you are.

The more you try to come to God with who you are – the less He will hear you.

You have to humble yourself to receive from God.

Know the difference between confidence & pride – you have to be able to discern the difference.

Pride Check:

1. Do you not like to look like a

servant?

- 2. Do you constantly try to instruct people?
- 3. Do you steal credit due other people?
- 4. How do you react when you fail?
- 5. Are you overly competitive?
- 6. Is it hard to receive when someone gives you something?
- 7. Do you get upset when someone didn't call you back?
- 8. How do you act when people don't do what you say?
- 9. Do you force your way into a position?
- 10. How do you act when you are blessed?

Pride won't acknowledge the greatness of others. If it has to, it does so

reluctantly.

Recognizing you are wrong is the first step to repentance.

Part of the repentance process is to recognize you were wrong. If you constantly avoid having to feel bad, you couldn't possibly repent. Feeling bad about it is a natural part of the repentance process.

The picture of power in the world is the picture of arrogance.

Some men lose the anointing because they become money-minded; some lose their life because they become angryminded.

A person who can not submit to authority is not qualified to have any

authority.

It's amazing how significant church becomes when the devil's in your backyard.

There is no competition among lighthouses. We believers are all on the same team, working for the same purpose.

Love

How ashamed people will be when they realize God loved them & they didn't receive it.

If you don't love your enemies – who will?

If you don't do something kind for someone – who will?

A requisite to be blessed of the Lord is to walk in love.

Make sure your love does not grow cold because others are wicked or evil.

You may fail at receiving certain blessings from God, but do not fail to love your enemies, otherwise you will fail with God and be lost.

"Because lawlessness is increased, most people's love will grow cold". Determine you will never fail at love, for it is only the one who endures to the end *in love*, who will be saved.

Satan can and will gain a hold in the life of a Christian if they do not walk in love and forgive. Read ICorinthians 11:30. For this reason many are weak, sick, and a number die early – they woudn't walk in love.

There remains faith, hope, and love, but the GREATEST of these is love.

Eternity

If you are not declared righteous by God before you die, you can not be after you die.

Eternal Life is not merely a length of time, but a quality of existence (being) brought in by the indwelling Spirit of God, (the very nature of God imparted to our spirit). The God who never ceases to be or be without unlimited power.

Eternity is forever. Make salvation for you secure. Forever is just too long to be lost in Hell.

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