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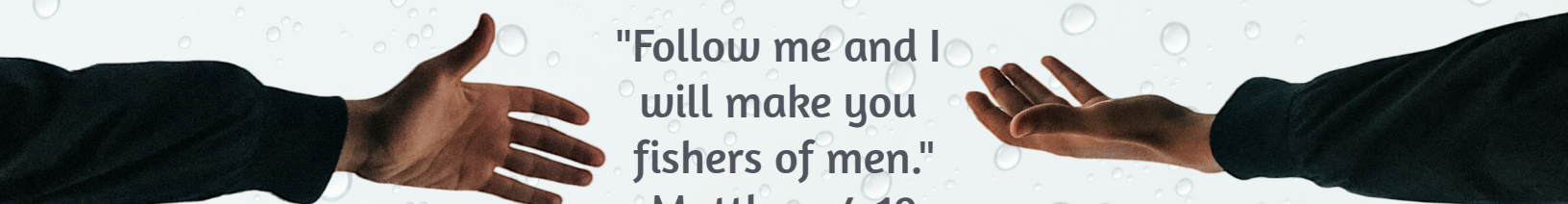
NAMES - Preferred is the Hebrew translation; using the names, Elohim, Yehovah, Yeshua and the Ruach HaKodesh but we also use the English translation; using the names, God, Jesus, Christ and the Holy Spirit as we seek to be reach people where they are.

*"Some people read their Bibles in Hebrew, some in Greek, I like to read mine in the Holy Ghost"
- Smith Wigglesworth*

INTRODUCTION TO I'M A WITNESS SERIES

This is Part 5 of 6 Workbooks taken from the I'M A WITNESS SERIES presented by Kenny on our BulldozerFaith YouTube channel.

Each month we will be sending out the next part for you to work through, taking you deeper into the teaching and expanding on the key points discussed.



"Follow me and I
will make you
fishers of men."
Matthew 4:19

In these Workbooks, we have provided exercises that will help you to write your account of how Yehovah, God has changed your life and who He is to you. You can confidently share this story and your testimony with others. Your testimony is very important to overcoming and is a very real witness to unbelievers.

"Then I heard a loud voice in heaven say: 'Now have come the salvation and the power and the Kingdom of our God, and the authority of His Messiah.

For the accuser of our brothers and sisters, who accuses them before our God day and night, has been hurled down. They triumphed over him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony; they did not love their lives so much as to shrink from death.

Therefore rejoice, you heavens and you who dwell in them!

But woe to the earth and the sea, because the devil has gone down to you!

He is filled with fury, because he knows that his time is short."

Revelations 12:10-12

Take your time as you work through each part and allow the Ruach HaKodesh, Holy Spirit to lead your way, showing you what He wants you to see and remember about your journey from when you were first saved.

As you read through the verses, we recommend you also go to the Scriptures to read them in context, which will help you better understand what the Father is saying to you through His words.

Find a place of peace to get comfortable and let Yehovah, God's words, wash over you and absorb into your spirit.

We have provided pages for you to print out and use to do the exercises. These will be very helpful for you to keep with you as you go out to share the goodness of Yehovah, God and what He has done in your life.

Points of Learning

- Increasing our desire to share the gospel with others
- How do we activate the passion and desire to be a witness for Yehovah?
- What are some of the key things that we have to experience?
- What are some of the things that we should be rehearsing so that we are being established in the will of Yehovah?

Prayer

"I pray that this will put you in a position of strength and growth. I pray you will see the fruit of people coming to faith in Yeshua. And as they come to faith in Yeshua, I pray you will have the opportunity to disciple and minister into the lives of others to bring transformation of the love of Yehovah into the hearts of others." Kenny

Firstly, let's establish YEHOUAH, GOD's as the reason for our JOY

"..and even though you do not see Him(Yeshua) now, you believe in Him and are filled with an inexpressible and glorious joy."

JAMES 1:2-3, "**Consider it pure joy, my brothers and sisters, whenever you face trials of many kinds, because you know that the testing of your faith produces perseverance.**"

PSALMS 47:1-7, "Clap your hands, all you nations; **shout to God with cries of joy. For the Lord Most High is awesome, the great King over all the earth.** He subdued nations under us, peoples under our feet. He chose our inheritance for us, the pride of Jacob, whom He loved. **God has ascended amid shouts of joy, the Lord amid the sounding of trumpets.** Sing praises to God, sing praises; sing praises to our King, sing praises. For God is the King of all the earth; sing to Him a psalm of praise.

ISAIAH 9:3, "**You have enlarged the nation and increased their joy;** they rejoice before You as people rejoice at the harvest, as warriors rejoice when dividing the plunder."

ECCLESIASTES 9:7, "**Go, eat your food with gladness, and drink your wine with a joyful heart, for God has already approved what you do.**"

PROVERBS 10:28, "**The prospect of the righteous is joy,** but the hopes of the wicked come to nothing."

1 PETER 1:8-9, "Though you have not seen Him, you love Him; **and even though you do not see Him now, you believe in Him and are filled with an inexpressible and glorious joy,** for you are receiving the end result of your faith, the salvation of your souls."

ROMANS 15:13, "**May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in Him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.**"

2JOHN 1:12, "I have much to write to you, but I do not want to use paper and ink. Instead, **I hope to visit you and talk with you face to face, so that our joy may be complete.**"

LUKE 15:7, "I tell you that in the same way there will be **more rejoicing in heaven over one sinner who repents** than over ninety-nine righteous persons who do not need to repent.."

NEHEMIAH 8:10, "Nehemiah said, "Go and enjoy choice food and sweet drinks, and send some to those who have nothing prepared. This day is holy to our Lord. **Do not grieve, for the joy of the Lord is your strength.**"

ESTHER 8:17, "In every province and in **every city to which the edict of the king came, there was joy and gladness among the Jews,** with feasting and celebrating. And many people of other nationalities became Jews because fear of the Jews had seized them."

GALATIANS 5:22-23, "**But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, 23gentleness and self-control.** Against such things there is no law."

PSALMS 16:11, "You make known to me the path of life; **You will fill me with joy in Your presence,** with eternal pleasures at Your right hand."

JOHN 15:9-11, "As the Father has loved Me, so have I loved you. Now remain in My love. If you keep My commands, you will remain in My love, just as I have kept my Father's commands and remain in His love. **I have told you this so that My joy may be in you and that your joy may be complete.**"

JOHN 16:22-24, "So with you: Now is your time of grief, but **I will see you again and you will rejoice, and no one will take away your joy.** In that day you will no longer ask Me anything. Very truly I tell you, My Father will give you whatever you ask in My Name. Until now you have not asked for anything in My Name. **Ask and you will receive, and your joy will be complete.**"

PROVERBS 17:22, "**A cheerful heart is good medicine,** but a crushed spirit dries up the bones.."

ROMANS 14:17, "**For the Kingdom of God is not a matter of eating and drinking, but of righteousness, peace and joy in the Holy Spirit.**"

PSALMS 118:24, "**The Lord has done it this very day; let us rejoice today and be glad.**"

PSALMS 5:11, "**But let all who take refuge in You be glad; let them ever sing for joy.**"

HEBREWS 12:1=3, "...And let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us, fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith. **For the joy set before Him He endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.** Consider Him who endured such opposition from sinners, so that you will not grow weary and lose heart."

TRADING MY SORROWS

As we have been working through this series, "I'm A Witness", we have identified,

- Who is Yeshua to me
- What we have been through
- The love Yehovah has for us and the hope we find in Him
- The blessing of salvation
- Being delivered and transformed by the power of Yehovah

I want us to meditate on the Word and see how amazing our Elohim is. We have a great God who is a righteous King and ruler over everything. He loves you and me, so let's rejoice together as we desire to be better witnesses. Father, I want to be a witness for You. I pray that we all realize what Yeshua has **done for us** so we can understand what He wants to **do through us**. You are born again for such a time as this. It didn't just happen by chance that you are alive today for such a time as this. This is a great day to be found in the Kingdom of Yehovah, but there's work to be done. There's no room for the unemployed when it comes to Kingdom living. Hallelujah!

PRAYER

"Father, I want to thank You for the transformation in our lives. We are not the same. We are bought at a price. Father, we worship You. We serve the living God. You're a great and mighty God, and You dwell within us. I thank You, Father, that You have set me free. You have set us free. You've taken us from that yoke of slavery. You have put the yoke of Messiah on us. You've given us freedom. You've allowed us to walk in truth and righteousness to be sanctified and holy in Your presence. I pray we are cleansed vessels for Your Kingdom and that You will move through our lives. I speak blessing over every household and person represented here today. May Your glory fill our lives today, in Yeshua's name." Hallelujah!

Identify Where You Have Come From So You Can Help Others

We're talking today about 'Trading My Sorrows' as we go back to the time of salvation when we came to know Yeshua and were born again of the Spirit. I want to encourage you to be refreshed in the Spirit and identify where you've come from. You must never forget where you've come from. I remember when my wife, Hayley shared a bit of her testimony on where she has come from. There were so many things of the past that she didn't want to talk about because she could recognize that she wasn't that person anymore. She had 'traded her sorrows' and was a transformed person. Hallelujah!

As we go through the following scriptures, I don't want you to go through them just for your benefit. Even though that's good but I want to encourage you on how important it is to be people who will reach out to the brokenhearted. Ask yourself this question, "Do I care for the needs of others?" There are key things that the Father wants us to be connected with. He wants us to be people who have compassion and who are concerned about the brokenhearted.

As we walk around and spend time within our communities, do we see through the eyes of Yeshua? I pray that we will wake up to discover who the Father is within our lives through Yeshua so we can be effective for His Kingdom today.

Deliverance And Transformation

Psalm 30:11-12 "You turned my wailing into dancing; You removed my sackcloth and clothed me with joy, that my heart may sing to you and not be silent. Oh, my Elohim, I will give thanks forever." Picture the glory of what we see within this Psalm and its delivery. This is a Psalm of thanksgiving that David is declaring. He is talking about deliverance and transformation.

PSALMS 30

A psalm. A song. For the dedication of the temple. Of David.

I will exalt you, Lord, for you lifted me out of the depths and did not let my enemies gloat over me.

Lord my God, I called to You for help, and You healed me.
You, Lord, brought me up from the realm of the dead; You spared me from going down to the pit.

Sing the praises of the Lord, you His faithful people; praise His holy name.
For His anger lasts only a moment, but His favor lasts a lifetime; weeping may stay for the night, but rejoicing comes in the morning.

When I felt secure, I said, "I will never be shaken!"

Lord, when You favored me, You made my royal mountain
That is, Mount Zion stand firm; but when You hid Your face, I was dismayed.

To you, Lord, I called; to the Lord I cried for mercy: "What is gained if I am silenced, if I go down to the pit?"



Will the dust praise You?
Will it proclaim Your faithfulness?
Hear, Lord, and be merciful to me;
Lord, be my help!"

You turned my wailing into dancing;
you removed my sackcloth and clothed me with joy,
that my heart may sing your praises and not be silent.
Lord my God, I will praise you forever.



TRADING MY SORROWS

When we look at trading our sorrows, it is an opportunity that we have on an ongoing basis. We're going to read from Luke 15 shortly and talk about the prodigal son who said to his Father, "Come on, give me your inheritance," and goes to walk away, but then there's a turning point.

There are two places where turning points happen; one is when we recognize that we are lost in our sin, and the other is when we come to a place where we call out to Yehovah.

If you're in that place of despair, call on His name, Yeshua. He cares for you.

David says, "You turned my wailing into dancing." A supernatural moment is about to take place in your life when you align yourself with the Scriptures.

Psalm 30:1 *"I will exalt You, Yehovah, for You lifted me out of the depths and did not let my enemies gloat over me." He's rejoicing. 'You lifted me out of the depths. You didn't let my enemies gloat over you.'*

What do we see from this? The devil wants you to fail. He wants you broken and smashed. He wants you in a place where you're groveling and subject to the needs of man and others.

But here the Father is saying, 'I have a hand of protection for you. I can lift you up, and your enemies will not gloat over you; they're not going to keep cursing you down.' No. We are free from the curse. Hallelujah!

We're free from the curse of sin and death in Messiah. We've traded our sorrows. We're free from the curses of man.

We lift our heads high. "We exalt You, oh Yehovah, because You lifted us out of the depths."

In Part 4, we talked about being lifted out of the miry clay. Scripture describes many instances when God's people are delivered. It doesn't matter how long you've been walking with the Father; if you're walking in His will and purposes and all hell is let loose against you, oh, Hallelujah! Rejoice in Yehovah, for your deliverance is near. This is the time for victory in your life. You don't have to be caught in despair as a believer.

Have you traded your sorrows? Now your wailing will be turned into dancing. It's time to get the sackcloth off. Hallelujah. That time of mourning is over! It's time to proclaim the blessings of Yehovah! We are saved and sanctified! What does it mean to be sanctified? Sanctified, like a saint. We have been cleaned up in the presence of Yehovah, and there also comes a time when we have to clean ourselves up. We've got to choose not to live in squalor anymore—more about that in Luke 15 and the prodigal son.

Psalm 30:2-3, *"Yehovah my Elohim, I called to You for help, and You healed me! You, Yehovah, brought me up from the realm of death, You spared me from going down into the pit."*

You brought me up from the grave. I am born again, Spirit-filled, washed with the blood of Yeshua! That's who I am. This is my declaration, and I hope it is yours too.

Who are you right now, and whose report are you listening to? Are you listening to the report of the enemy, or are you listening to the report of Yehovah? Are you born again, washed with the blood of Yeshua?

If your answer is yes, you can come against the devil's assignments, and you can say enough is enough! I'm not walking down the dark way or on the devil's path. I'm walking in the victory that's found in Messiah!

God Is for You. Rise Up!

Psalm 30:4-5 *"Sing the praises of Yehovah, you His faithful people; praise His holy name. For His anger lasts only a moment, but His favor lasts a lifetime; weeping may stay for the night, but rejoicing comes in the morning."*

What a glorious Psalm we see with different levels of emotions and struggles that we are going through, dealing with what's happening outside and how people respond to us. Then we're dealing with what's going on the inside. When we talk about the weeping remaining for a night, we're talking about how we comprehend what's happening around us and how it affects us individually. You must assess these things when you're in the midst of attack and challenges within your faith walk. You must look at them. It's not a sin to identify with where you are at, but it is a sin to stay there and lose touch with who you are in Messiah.

TRADING MY SORROWS

Do you see yourself as the Father sees you? So often, when we look in the mirror, we don't have a lot of great things to say about ourselves. We may feel like, 'if you knew me, you wouldn't like me either. We can go through different emotional challenges and struggles dealing with how people think about us and how they react towards us, but we've got to rise up.

Even if everyone else is against you, know that Elohim is for you! God is for you, and that's a word for someone right now. He is for you! You might have looked at your sickness today and what you're going through and thought Elohim was against you. No, He is for you! He is your Deliverer! He's the one that brings forth your healing! He's the one that brings forth the transformation that needs to happen within our lives.

Psalm 30:6-7 *"When I felt secure, I said I will never be shaken. Yehovah, when you favoured me, You made my royal mountain stand firm; but when you hid your face I was dismayed."*

We have times where we see ourselves on the mountaintop and walk in the favor of Yehovah. Then we have those times when we say, "Where is Yehovah? Where is He?"

If we are going to minister from the testimony of victory in Yeshua, we need to decide to trade our sorrows, knowing that being in the presence of God is everything.

Come to that place of recognizing the Holy Spirit is within us working through us?

Psalm 30:8-9 *"To You, Yehovah, I called; to Yehovah, I cried for mercy; 'What gain is there in my destruction in my going down into the pit? Will the dust praise You? Will it proclaim Your faithfulness?" We have this opportunity "to call" and "to cry" It is the day of testimony **I am saved; I am forgiven!***

If you're broken and destroyed into the dust, what gain is there in the presence of Yehovah? "Oh, Father, that you will lift us up! Father, you will bring restoration and transformation within our life so we can experience the richness of Your glory and walk in the undeserved favor. Bless us in abundance and make a way amid our difficulties and trials. Today, we decide we are trading our sorrows."

What are you looking at? Stop looking at the circumstances around you and allowing them to connect to your emotion so that your entire world is shaped by what's happening around you. Our world, who we are, what we see, and how we operate should be shaped by the Word of Yehovah and in His presence. Even amid trials, brokenness and lack, it doesn't matter. If it's emotional, it doesn't matter. If it's physical; if it's a sickness; if it's imprisonment; if it's hopelessness; if it's desperation; despair; all these things; 'I choose to lift myself up by the Holy Spirit. I prefer to identify with the Word, that I stand firm in Your presence.

"You're a mighty God. I praise You. You will not allow me to stay and remain in the place of weeping."

Yes, there may be weeping in the night while I go through what I'm faced with because we are connected and emotional, and it's okay. But the question is, "Are we going to stay there, or will we come to that place to rejoice? How long are you going to mope around in the place of weeping? You've got to make a decision. In the morning, it's time to rise up. In the morning, it's time for you to brush off all that stuff and say I'm trading my sorrow; I'm trading this for the glory of Yehovah. I'm coming to that place to proclaim the promises of Yehovah, and His promises are good.

Psalm 30:10-12 *"Hear, Yehovah, and be merciful to me; Yehovah, be my help. You turned my wailing into dancing; you removed my sackcloth and clothed me with joy, that my heart may sing your praises and not be silent. Lord my God, I will praise you forever."* What a beautiful statement through what we have just read in this Psalm of thanksgiving because that's what we are seeing. We see thanksgiving in the midst of this. I want to speak the word of Yehovah over you right now. It's time to get your dance on. It's time to move to a new level. It might be undeserved, and you might look at yourself and what you're going through and say, "I don't deserve to be dancing at this time." But we cry to Yehovah, 'Be merciful to me, even in the midst of my weakness. You are my strength. You are my all."

In **Ecclesiastes 3:4**, *"...a time to weep and a time to laugh, a time to mourn and a time to dance."* So, what time is it in your life? Are you going to allow the enemy to push you down or are you going to rise up and be found in the presence of Yehovah? Praise the name of Yeshua.

TRADING MY SORROWS

Dealing With Who We Are

Psalm 34:17-18, "For the righteous cry out and Yehovah hears them; He delivers them from all their troubles. Yehovah is close to the brokenhearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit."

Let's ponder that. Yehovah is close to the brokenhearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit. This is the God I serve. This is the God you serve. He can take you through. He can bring you to the place of deliverance.

Psalm 34:19 says, "A righteous man may have many troubles, but Yehovah delivers him from all of them. He protects all his bones, and not one of them will be broken."

This is the messianic promise of what happened to Yeshua on the cross when He paid the price for you and me. Not one of His bones was broken. He was the perfect Passover lamb.

If we don't start dealing with who we are, how will we be a witness and a testimony to this generation? How will we stand in Yehovah's presence to see His victory?

I was reading over the scriptures in Jeremiah about the lost sheep of the House of Israel and the difference between Judah and Israel, the Southern and Northern Kingdoms. One verse stood out to me as we focus on our witness, sharing our faith, and being born again of the Spirit, we must be grafted in.

Jeremiah 31:1-2, "At that time, declares Yehovah, I will be the Elohim of all the families of Israel, and they will be My people. This is what the Lord says: The people who survived the sword will find favor in the wilderness; I will come to give rest to Israel."

This is not just for Judah but the whole house of Israel. The people who survived the sword will find favor in the desert. What does the desert represent? No water or shelter, but He will bring forth the nourishment that you and I need, the covering against the heat of the day and the blessings.

Jeremiah 31:3, "Yehovah appeared to us in the past saying: I have loved you with an everlasting love; I have drawn you with unfailing kindness."

And that's what I want you to see today, especially in the heart as we seek to be a witness, especially in that place as we seek to reach out. What do we see?

Here is the verse that stood out today that just sent me off rejoicing!

Jeremiah 31:4, "I will build you up again, and you, Virgin Israel, will be rebuilt. Again, you will take up your timbrels and go out to dance with the joyful." I'm trading my sorrows. I'm not going to live in a place of brokenness. You may think you're downcast, but I'm speaking to you—rise up in Yeshua's name.

"I'm a witness for the glory of Yehovah. I'm a witness to the transforming power of a mighty God." That is our testimony. Hallelujah!

When we share our faith with others, we share what it truly means to be born again. I'm not what I used to be! I am a blood-bought, transformed by the power of a mighty God! He's the One who loved me with everlasting love! He has drawn me to His unfailing kindness.

V4 says, "I will build you up again, and you, Virgin Israel, will be rebuilt." Here is the picture of being born again by the Spirit. 'I will build you up again'. As Jeremiah's writing this, he has not read chapter 31 yet because he is just now penning this out as this Word is coming forth. I love looking at the procession of how the Word comes out of the mouth of the prophet and how it is written down. Israel, you're no virgin. What needs to take place for you to be a virgin, Israel? You need to be born again of the Spirit. Hallelujah! You need a new covenant. Hallelujah!

Jeremiah 31:5, "Again you will plant your vineyards on the hills of Samaria; the farmers will plant them and enjoy their fruit."

That place where you were cursed, your ancestors were cursed, because of disobedience and not following the Torah. You were kicked out from the land, and now we hear the promise of the return. We see the promise of blessings. My blessings are coming back, says Yehovah! The blessings of Yehovah are being restored within my life, within your life, and you will witness in this generation a mighty outpouring of His Spirit. Hallelujah! Praise the name of Yeshua!

TRADING MY SORROWS

Being Secure In Yehovah

I don't know about you, but I'm just happy in the Word, rejoicing in the Word, standing on the promises of Yehovah.

His promises are Yes, and Amen! I want you to take hold of that today! I want you to see that.

As we meditate on this by the Spirit, watch what the Holy Spirit will do within your life. He says I'm filling you up. I'm empowering you with authority. As we saw in **Psalm 30:7**, "*Yehovah, when You favored me, You made my royal mountain stand firm...*" Receive the favor of Yehovah. He favors you. You are called to be secure in His presence. I will not be shaken! This is my stand. I'm going to exalt Yehovah. Together we are going to exalt Him when we align ourselves.

If you're reading this right now and you've not received Yeshua, or your backslidden on the sidelines, let me tell you something. You don't know what true joy is until you experience the joy of Yehovah.

You can have joy within this world; you can dance, sing, jump around and have that type of joy, but when you experience the joy of Yehovah, it's so much more!

What is the difference between the joy of Yehovah? It's the joy of recognizing that I am walking in a place I don't deserve. I have the favor, the grace of Yehovah that has transformed me! I've traded my sorrows! I've given up that old man, that old life. I have been sanctified.

There's that Word again, sanctified, that's come up a few times just as I'm proclaiming. It reminds me of **John 17:17**, "*Sanctify them by the Truth; Your Word is Truth.*"

We are sanctified in the presence of Yehovah. We are crucified. We discussed this in **Galatians 2:20**, "*I've been crucified in Messiah and I no longer live, but Messiah who lives in me. The life I now live in the body, I live by faith in the Son of Elohim, who loved me and gave Himself for me.*"

2 Timothy 2:21, "*Those who cleanse themselves from the latter will be instruments for special purposes, made holy, useful to the Master and prepared to do any good work.*"

You can't clean yourself up if you're in a place of sin and haven't received Yeshua. You need to be born again of the Spirit.

Hear the Word of Yehovah! Be born again right now, don't wait another moment. If you are five parts into this series and haven't received Yeshua, this is the day of the transforming power of the Spirit within your life. Don't wait another day. Don't wait another moment. You don't know how long your lifespan is. We don't know if this is our last day because life is fragile. Many of us know this if you've lost loved ones if you've experienced the pain of brokenness of someone who has been taken way before their time. We understand life is fragile. We don't know how many days the Father has ordained for us.

One thing for me, I want to be one proclaiming the love of Yehovah, the promises of Yehovah. I want to minister like this is my last day. I hope I have other days to praise Yehovah, to minister His love, but if this were the last day, this would be my message: That we would be sanctified. That we would cleanse ourselves. We would receive Yehovah and recognize the work the Father does in us.

1 Thessalonians 5:23 "*May Elohim Himself, the Elohim of peace, sanctify you through and through. May your whole Spirit, soul, and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Yeshua.*"

That's different from us cleaning ourselves up. You can't clean yourself up if you're not yet saved. We need the saving power of Yeshua to cleanse us from all our unrighteousness.

As a believer, there's a point where we must recognize, "I've got to be clean before my God." You might be reading this now and dealing with drugs, cigarettes, alcohol, addictions, and other problems. Clean yourself up in the name of Yeshua! We've got to clean ourselves up, "Let's be cleansed before Yehovah."

Sometimes we want to sit in our slacks and a t-shirt and whatever. But be sanctified. Be holy before Yehovah. Recognize who He is so we can understand the sanctification and the peace that comes from Yehovah. He sanctifies you completely. He's the God of peace. He wants you to walk in the blessings that He has for you. I hope this is blessing you because it is blessing me.

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Recognize Yeshua is Your Deliverer

What brought me to this word today was reading **Matthew 15:21-28**, "*Leaving that place, Yeshua withdrew to the region of Tyre and Sidon. A Canaanite woman from the vicinity came to Him, crying, "Lord, Son of David, have mercy on me! My daughter is demon-possessed and suffering terribly." Yeshua did not answer a word. So, His disciples came to Him and urged Him, "Send her away, for she keeps crying out after us." He answered, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the House of Israel." The woman came and knelt before Him, "Lord help me!" she said. He replied, "It is not right to take the children's bread and toss it to the dogs." "Yes, it is, Lord," she said, "Even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their master's table." Then Yeshua said to her, "Woman, you have great faith! Your request is granted." And her daughter was healed at that moment.*"

If you look at what she is crying out, she's identifying who He is, "Lord, Son of David, have mercy on me." Yeshua didn't answer a word. His disciples came saying send her away; she kept on crying. They're waiting for Yeshua to send her away, and what did he do? As we picture this, she hears the stories that are going around. She heard of the miracles at the hand of Yeshua, and many people were saying, "He's the Son of David! He is the Son of David! This is the Messiah! The One we have been waiting for!" She's not even an Israelite, but, "Oh, Son of David, have mercy on me!"

Hallelujah! Woman, you have great faith. Where are the people of great faith who want to experience Yehovah's deliverance, the transforming power? You need to recognize Yeshua as the Son of David. He is the Messiah. Receive the Messiah, then rely on Him to bring forth His deliverance, healing, and transformation. What a blessing it is to see how Yeshua responded. Sometimes when we see that portion displayed in media form, it looks much harsher than it is. Still, you see the heart of Yeshua and how He ministers to this woman. He said, "*I was sent only to the lost sheep of the House of Israel.*" This is why He was in the Galilee region because it's where the northern kingdom was expelled to the nations in 722 BC. They were expelled to Assyria from this location. Yeshua came back. "*I've come to restore my Kingdom.*" *Jeremiah chapter 31, "A new covenant with the House of Israel and the House of Judah."* Praise the name of Yeshua!

You Have A Purpose

Luke 15 is important as I believe that people are in so many different places. We have people who need to be born of the Spirit and hear the Word of Yehovah. Don't delay; receive Him today. We also have those who feel that they are unclean, that God can't use them, and that He doesn't care about them. I want you to see that this is the day to trade your sorrows. He has a purpose for you. You were born for such a time as this! What's my gift, what's my talent? You can share your testimony of what it means to overcome and what it means to be transformed by a mighty God. He wants to bring that deliverance to you so powerfully that you can lay hands on the sick, and they will recover; you can minister to the brokenhearted and transform them. Hallelujah!

Luke 15:1-7, "*Now the tax collectors and sinners were all gathering around to hear Yeshua. But the Pharisees and the teachers of the law muttered, "This man welcomes sinners and eats with them." Then Yeshua told them this parable: "Suppose one of you has one hundred sheep and loses one of them. Doesn't he leave the ninety-nine in the open country and go after the lost sheep until he finds it? And when he finds it, he joyfully puts it on his shoulders and goes home. Then he calls his friends and his neighbours together and says, 'Rejoice with me, I have found my lost sheep. I tell you that in the same way there will be more rejoicing in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who do not need to repent.'*"

What a powerful testimony. This is why Yeshua came to the lost. He wants you and me to go minister to the lost. Look at the value that Yeshua was talking about in this parable. He leaves the ninety-nine to go to find the one. Where does He leave the ninety-nine?

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He leaves them in the open. It's not like they are in that safe place. They're not in that walled or fenced area. He leaves them in the open. He takes that risk to find the one who is lost.

When we see the testimony of the return of that lost sheep, He doesn't just rejoice and say, "Oh, I found you, stupid sheep. Welcome back." He throws a party. It's identifying the great value that He sees within the sheep.

Luke 15:8 "Or suppose a woman has ten silver coins and loses one. Does she light a lamp, sweep the house, and search carefully until she finds it? And when she finds it, she calls her friends and neighbours together and says, 'Rejoice with me, I have found my lost coin.' In the same way, I tell you, there is rejoicing in the presence of the angels of Elohim over one sinner who repents."

There's rejoicing in the heavens over one sinner who repents. You are special. You are important to Yehovah. If you're lost in your sin, I call on you today to come into the saving knowledge of a mighty God. Don't delay. Speak it out loud. "Yeshua, I receive you. I don't want to walk this life anymore without you. I want to experience the fullness of the joy of Yehovah."

As we go through this "I'm a Witness" in this series, one of the primary purposes is that we are on fire to realize how important it is that we are people who share our faith. We see the value that the Father has in that one sinner who repents and returns. The Father, will you use us to minister to the lost sheep?

You Have So Much Value To God

Luke 15:11-20, "Yeshua continued: 'There was a man who had two sons. The younger one said to his father, 'Father, give me my share of the estate.' So, he divided his property between them. Not long after that, the younger son got together all he had, set off for a distant country, and there squandered his wealth in wild living. After he had spent everything, there was a severe famine in that whole country, and he began to be in need. So, he went and hired himself out to a citizen of that country who sent him to his field to feed pigs. He longed to fill his stomach with the pods that the pigs were eating, but no one gave him anything. When he came to his senses, he said 'How many of my father's hired servants have food to spare, and here I am starving to death! I will set out and go back to my father and say to him: 'Father I have sinned against heaven and against you. I'm no longer worthy to be called your son; make me like one of your hired servants.' So, he got up and he went to his father, but while he was still a long way off, the father saw him and was filled with compassion for him; he ran to his son, threw his arms around him and kissed him."

Here's the heart of Father Elohim, Father God, filled with compassion for him.

Luke 15:21-24, "His son said to him: 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. I'm no longer worthy to be called your son. But the Father said to his servants, 'Quick! Bring the best robes and put it on him. Put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. Bring the fattened calf and kill it. Let us have a feast and celebrate. For this son of mine was dead and is alive again; He was lost and his found so they began to celebrate.'" Hallelujah!

Luke 15:25-32, "Meanwhile the older son was in the field. When he came near to the house, he heard the music and the dancing. So, he called one of the servants and asked him what's going on. 'Your brother has come.' he replied, 'and your father has killed the fatted calf because he has him back safe and sound.' The older brother became angry and refused to go in. So, his father went out and pleaded with him. But he answered his father, 'Look! All these years I've been slaving for you and never disobeyed your orders. Yet you never gave me even a young goat so that I could celebrate with my friends. But when this son of yours who has squandered your property with prostitutes comes home, you kill the fatted calf for him!' 'My son, the father said, 'You are always with me and everything I have is yours. But we had to celebrate and be glad, because this brother of yours was dead and is alive again. He was lost and is found."

He was lost and is found. What a beautiful story. What an incredible picture of the forgiveness of Yehovah. What type of insight do you think this brother had? He said, 'My brother, the one who squanders all his inheritance, the ones who's doing the high living with those prostitutes.'

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There must have been stories of his brother's sinful living coming back to the estate, to his father's house. This is the one who's coming back. This is the one.

We go back to the beginning of **Luke 15:1**, saying, *"The tax collectors and the sinners were all gathered around to hear him."* The Pharisees are like, *"What is this? This man welcomes sinners, and he eats with them."*

This is the point of these parables that I shared with you today—the value of someone coming to faith in Yeshua. "Oh, Father, You are worthy. You are worthy. You set me free."

Take a moment and rejoice in your salvation. Take a moment and say, "Father, I want to pause and give You glory for what you have done within my life. My heart is that my life may be a testimony, maybe a witness, to the glory of Yehovah. You have set me free. I'm not what I used to be. I've traded my sorrows for the joy of Yehovah. I've traded my sorrows."

If you're in that place today, you might be in a backslidden place; you might feel like you're useless, wondering how God can use you? You may feel like you're no good; you don't have a purpose.

Well, hear the Word of Yehovah, "This is the day. Trade in your sorrows. This is the day for you to stop looking at how you see yourself from where you stand today and start seeing yourself through the eyes of a mighty God."

I will exalt Yehovah. I'll exalt the Lord with all my strength and my might. I will exalt You. I've been crucified with Messiah. It's no longer I that live, but it's Messiah living in me.

Come To Messiah

If you're in that place where you feel like you're at the end of your life, you don't have to commit suicide. Just surrender your life to Yeshua and live for Him. You're no good if you get to the place where you're at the end of yourself. Don't end your life. Come to Messiah. Give Him your life and be a sanctified vessel before Yehovah, to be used for honourable purposes. You fall into the dust, and guess what? From that dust, you will remain. No praise comes out of that dust, but you lay your life before Him and say, "Father, I give you my everything." Trade your sorrows for His joy. You've been given beautiful ashes. Hallelujah! Praise the name of Yeshua. Stand up on His promises.

Isaiah 25:8, *"He will swallow up death forever. Yehovah Elohim will wipe away the tears from all faces; He will remove His people's disgrace from all the earth. Yehovah has spoken."* So, it's time to get your praise on. It's time for you to rejoice. It's time for you to stop weeping and allow the joy of Yehovah to overflow you.

I want you to take the next few moments to celebrate and rejoice at what the Father is doing in your life. If you are in that place of brokenness and feel like you're separated from Yehovah, this is the moment for you to return. We don't want to deliver a feel-good message, but we want to see the deliverance of Yehovah in your life. If you feel like you don't have the strength to go forward, you're in the right place, right here, right now.

PRAYER

"Father, we ask for Your healing power. We ask for Your transforming power to be upon the broken-hearted, those in need, and those who feel insignificant in your Kingdom. Father, you will wake us up to whom You have called us to be and bring forth Your deliverance. Bring forth your healing power that we will not be beaten down by the plans and the words and the curses of the devil and the mocking of the unrighteous, but we will be lifted up. So, we cancel every curse against us this day. Every word curses against us, we break them off our lives right now, and we stand in Your presence. We say yes, Lord, we receive You. We receive the fullness of everything that You have for us. We're not going to weep any longer, but we will come to that place where the weeping and the mourning will turn to laughter and dancing. We shout the victory. We shout the victory that Yehovah is Lord! " Amen.

A Challenge

Take some time to ask the Ruach HaKodesh, (Holy Spirit) who is struggling with feeling disconnected? They may be struggling with their identity and need the saving grace of Yeshua HaMashiach

"Father, will you give us an opportunity to reach out to those in need today and show us how we can help them in whatever situation they are in.

Just take a moment and allow the Holy Spirit to speak to you. I'm sure He's going to tell you right now who needs to know there is a Savior who wants to give them a new beginning and a new identity.

Whatever names come to you, write them down below and ask the Holy Spirit to show you ways to help them or just reach out and ask them.

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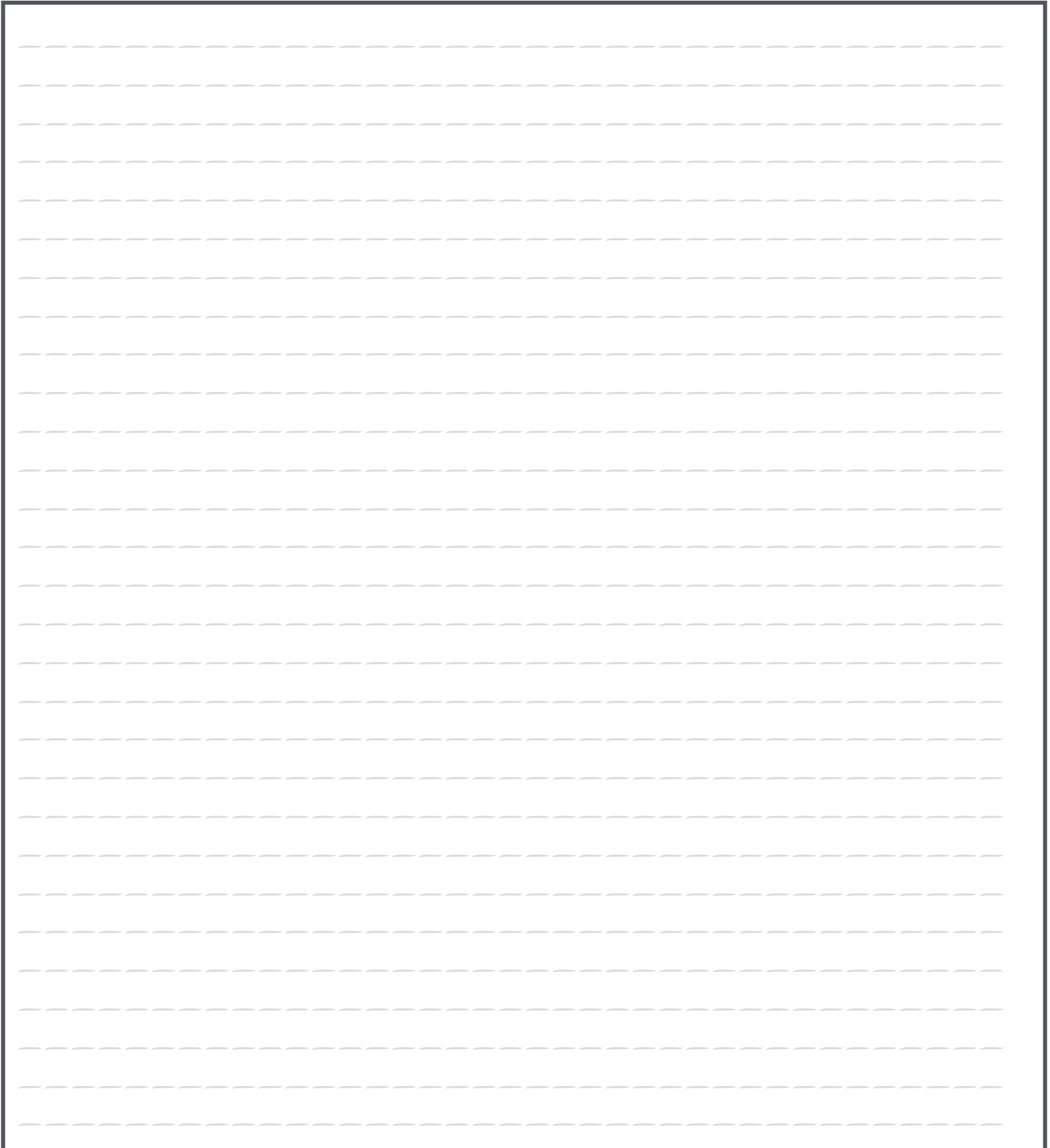
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As the Holy Spirit prompts you, start taking notes about all the times Yeshua has helped, rescued and delivered you. Pray and ask the Holy Spirit to remind you.

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MY STORY AND TESTIMONY

As you gather your notes and memories, your testimony will begin to expand as you write it below. Each month as you work through each part and the Holy Spirit prompts, you will be able to add to your testimony.

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PARTNERSHIP IN MINISTRY

Gottalife Ministries is blessed to have a growing partnership base standing with us. We want to encourage newcomers to consider partnering with BulldozerFaith, monthly or as the Ruach HaKodesh leads. We have been serving the global community of believers for over 28 years through media, online, and traveling ministry. For us, it is not only about people listening to teachings and attending ministry events but also joining together with other like-minded people to engage in missions.

Today, we are connected with a growing group of passionate believers from different nations who desire to gather in one designated online space for prayer and encouragement in the Messiah. This has inspired us to launch Crossing Point Global Community to support the calling the Father has placed on our lives and create an environment for us to unite in faith and purpose.

The positive takeaway from the events of 2020 during the Covid-19 pandemic is that we have enjoyed more frequent interaction and online fellowship. Our daily devotional times have been a great source of encouragement and faith-building as we focus on edifying and supporting many on their daily faith walk.

Through BulldozerFaith, get ready for more spiritual growth and consider playing a part in our mission to develop ways to interact and build a strong faith community. Crossing Point's focus is to be a new platform developed within Bulldozerfaith as an outreach tool to share with our families and friends, bringing Yeshua's truth through the Torah and the Gospel of the Kingdom. We will be providing better access for personal ministry, prayer groups, and discipleship training to equip and operate more as a faith community where we can serve each other and function better as the body of Messiah, making a difference in others' lives.

Our direction in outreach is in three steps for ministry growth: friendship, relationship, & partnership.

1. **Friendship** – Outreach through caring for the needs of others and hands-on personal ministry.
2. **Relationship** - When we spend time together around the Word in the presence of Elohim, bringing us all to closer relationships, as a family, being one in the Messiah.
3. **Partnership** - When we establish mutual trust and desire unity together in outreach and fellowship, partnering becomes easy for seeking His Will and being dedicated to giving in time and finances to support the ministry.

We are prayerfully seeking Elohim to bring new partners to join us as the Spirit leads us to continue maintaining the ministry and expanding into the areas of greatest need.

Kenny is available to chat with you if you are considering supporting us in any way, and we thank you for being a part of what Yehovah is doing through BulldozerFaith.

Please send Kenny an email at kenny@bulldozerfaith.com, and we look forward to what YHVH has in store for our future.

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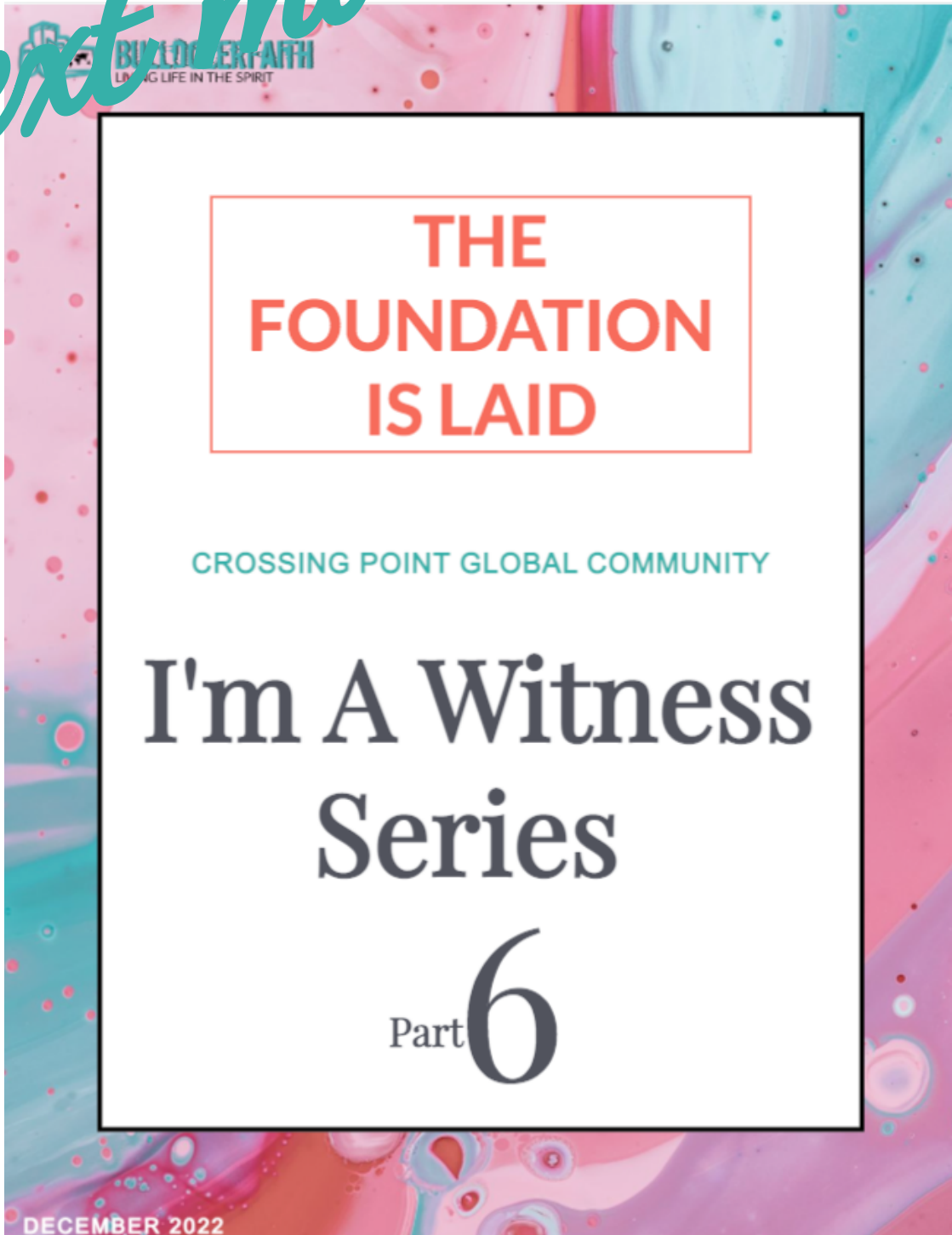
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Next month...



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