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# I N T R O D U C T I O N

“The words that I speak to you are spirit, and they are life.”<sup>1</sup> That’s as true today as it was when Jesus said it to His disciples of old. And it’s also just as true of the fresh, new words He speaks today as it is of His words that we read in the Bible. Jesus speaks to anyone who believes in Him, asks Him sincerely, and then accepts that what he or she “hears” are truly His words. This book contains 64 short, soul-stirring messages of love, comfort, inspiration, and guidance from Jesus received in answer to people’s prayers for themselves or their loved ones.

Some passages are purely inspirational, while others offer solutions to specific problems. Some may seem like they could have been written for you alone, and

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1. John 6:63

some may not seem to apply to you—at least not right now. Whatever the case, all of these messages have one thing in common: they express Jesus’ great love and personal concern. The key to this book is faith. It took faith for ordinary people to ask Jesus to speak directly to them with messages of love, encouragement, and guidance—and it will take faith for you to believe, apply, and benefit from them. The Bible tells us that faith comes through reading God’s Word.<sup>1</sup>

As you read the messages in this book, please do so with an open mind and heart, asking Jesus to give you faith to receive, believe, and apply them—and He will.

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1. Romans 10:17





## *Let's live!*

I am far more than a historical character who lived and died 2,000 years ago. I lived and died back then, yes, but I also rose from the dead and am as alive and active today as I was when I walked the earth. And because I live, you can experience life and love as they were meant to be experienced, both now and forever—boundless and eternal.

When your spirit reaches out to Me, when you invite Me into your life, I give you full access to My love and power, which can help you succeed in every aspect of life. There is no problem that I can't fix, nothing bad that I can't make good, and nothing good that I can't make better. There is no hurt that I can't heal. There is no sadness that I can't turn to joy. There is no need that I can't provide. There is no void that I can't fill.

I am alive today in each heart that welcomes Me. I am active and at work, always renewing, restoring, and replenishing, making everything better and more beautiful whenever I am given a chance. Let Me live in you.



## *My presence*

I'm just as real and present as someone you can see and touch. I'm right here by your side, and I'm ready, willing, and able to speak to you, to help you, to direct you, to comfort you, to love you, to heal you, and to provide for you. I have a lot to offer, but how fully I am able to bless you depends on how much room you make for Me.

I want you to bring Me into every area of your life. I want you to think about Me, to converse with Me, and to learn to follow where I lead. I don't ask this because I want to harness or control you, but because I love you. I want to provide for you and protect you and shower you with love. I want to be with you and around you and in you all the time, like a lover wants to be with the one he loves.

When you include Me in whatever it is you're doing, it strengthens our relationship. It draws you closer to My Spirit, and we form stronger bonds of love and communication. The more we talk, the more you come to Me for companionship, the more you look to Me for answers to your questions and solutions to your problems, the more you bring Me into each area of your life, the more our love will grow and the greater satisfaction you will find in life, because all you do will be blessed with My presence.



## *When you're happiest*

I know you're happiest when you feel loved, and because My love is the richest, fullest form of love there is—true, unfailing, unconditional love, the kind of love you've wanted and waited for all your life—the happiness it brings is out of this world. It's not the fleeting happiness you sometimes find elsewhere, but deep, abiding happiness in all of its many hues and tones—joy, comfort, contentment, peace, stability, security, positiveness, delight.

And I'll always be here, just a thought away, to enjoy the good times with you and help you through the tough ones. I never tire of your company, and I have the answers to all of your questions and problems. You can talk to Me any time, anywhere, and I'll whisper back to your heart or mind just what you need at that moment.



## *The eternal chain of love*

I came to earth because I love you. I gave up the splendor of heaven to come and make salvation and eternal life available to you.

Throughout the ages, multitudes of My followers have given of themselves to continue this chain of love. Some have given little, some have given much, and some have given all, but all were a part. All were needed, and My great worldwide chain of love would not have been complete without each one playing a part.

I want My chain of love to grow longer and stronger. I want it to encompass the whole earth! I want everyone to have a chance to be part of it. I want My love to touch every life. Will you do your part? Will you receive My love and then share it with others? Give them Me, give them My words, give of yourself—and above all, give love.



## *The real thing*

I am not a fabrication, a figment of the imagination, or a fable. I am real—and I am what you need. I am the great problem solver. If you want to know how to overcome life's trials, come to Me. I will give you comfort to replace anxiety, faith to replace fear, rest in place of struggle, peace in place of worry, happiness in place of sadness, and answers to your questions. I will be your strength, your help in time of need, your friend and companion. That does not mean you will never have another problem or challenge in life, but I will be able to help you with life's problems. You will no longer have to try to handle things on your own, because you can call on Me.

I have the power to satisfy your spiritual hunger. In My Spirit you will find real love and satisfaction and the fulfillment of all your needs. I understand your deepest desires and dreams. I can fill your life with true love, peace of mind and heart, unfailing friendship, answers, strength for every task.



## *You're special*

You are part of a magnificent, vast, overall plan. You can't see that plan, but I can. You can't see how beautifully you fit in with the overall panorama of life and the balance of the universe, but I can. Someday you will see it too, and you will marvel together with Me at how wonderfully it all came together and how perfect it all is.

You are unique. There has never been a person like you, nor will there ever be another just like you. That's one of the things I like most about you. Don't look negatively at yourself and focus on what you think are your shortcomings, inabilities, and imperfections. What you perceive as imperfections I perceive as uniqueness. What is perfection, after all? It is fulfilling the purpose for which you were created, which is to love and be loved. I love you just the way you are, and I love you as though you were the only person in the world.

Let Me show you how much I love you and how special you are to Me.

## *The difference*

Picture a forest—lush, deep, inviting. You enter and look around, but the birds are not singing, there is no breeze to rustle the leaves, and the stream is not flowing. Everything is still, frozen in time, lifeless. You are in the forest, but it might as well be a picture hanging on the wall.

Now imagine the same scene, except this time everything you expect is there—the cheerful singing of birds, the babbling of the brook, the rustling of the leaves, the breeze in your hair, the scent that follows rain, the cool, lingering mist, the mossy path beneath your feet.

The contrast between these two forests is like the difference between knowing of Me and actually knowing Me. It's the difference between merely having heard or read about Me and having a direct, personal relationship with Me. One is static; the other is vibrant and brimming with excitement and love. One is empty; the other fills your senses. One may help you be a better person, but the other makes you complete.

I know what our relationship can be like, but I won't force Myself on you. The choice is yours.

## *My miracle-working power is yours*

I have promised miracles to those who love and follow Me, and I can deliver on that promise. My power is limitless. According to your need and the situation, I will do wondrous things for you and through you.

In order to see these manifestations of My power, only one thing is required of you: faith. You must believe that I am able to work the miracle and ask Me to do it, and then expect that I will. When you ask in faith, I am bound by My word to give you what you need. It might not always be what you think you need, but I will always rescue, protect, supply for you, or resolve the problem in some way, as I know is best. Sometimes it will be an overt miracle where there is no doubt that I have answered your prayer, but other times it won't be so obvious.

I manifest My power most freely on behalf of those who follow Me closest, who do their best to live according to the principles of My Word and what they believe is My will for them personally. But anyone who calls on Me in faith will get the help he or she needs, according to My will.



## *I can heal*

When I walked the earth many, many years ago, I went about doing good to all who crossed My path. I healed the sick, comforted the brokenhearted, lifted the spirits of those who were discouraged, and strengthened those who felt weak. And My love and power are the same today! I still long to heal the bodies of those who suffer, and I still long to encourage the hearts of those who stoop under heavy burdens or go through difficult times. I have touched many who lifted their hearts to Me and told Me their needs, and I want to do the same for you.

Tell Me about your troubles, your fears, your worries, and ask Me to help and heal you. Sometimes healing the body takes a while, but the healing of your heart—by means of the gifts of peace in place of turmoil and faith in place of fear—I can give in an instant. It is something that you can't understand with your mind, but when you ask in faith and it happens, you will know that I have touched you.

## *The climb to victory*

The rugged climb doesn't dissuade the determined mountain climber; he revels in the challenge. Nothing can stop him from pressing on until he reaches his goal. No adversity can cause him to turn back. When he looks at the steep cliffs ahead he doesn't focus on the danger, but on the toeholds and narrow rock ledges that will take him to the peak. He isn't held back by the harshness of his surroundings or the toll the climb is taking on his body; he is propelled onward and upward by the thought of triumph.

There are many obstacles to surmount in life, but each one you conquer is another one behind you. When the going gets tough, lean on Me. Let Me lead the way and guide you up the rugged cliffs. I know all the danger spots and how to get past them. Together we will overcome each obstacle, together we will reach the summit, and together we will plant the flag of victory!

## *Work with Me*

Look at Me not only as a spiritual guide and counselor, but as someone who can actually get in there, roll up His sleeves, and help you do the work. I can save you hours and hours of work time by taking care of the behind-the-scenes side of things. I will even take care of situations before you have to get involved.

Tell Me specifically what you want to see done, and leave it with Me. Don't worry or fret about it, and don't keep checking up on Me to see if I'm on the job. Of course I'm on the job! Have faith, and your faith will bring out an entirely new dynamic in our relationship.

This is the key to your success: let Me carry a good chunk of the load, which is exactly what I want to do. Commit things to Me in prayer. Depend on Me, and let Me do the heavy lifting. I can easily remove obstacles that look insurmountable to you and help things to fall into place as they should. Give Me a chance to help you out, to do some of the work.

## *Constant companion*

I want to be a very present companion, counselor, and help to you—not merely someone you know of, or someone you met once but rarely think about or talk to, or even an advisor that you consult from time to time when you have a problem or need to make an important decision. I want to be a constant, loving presence.

I want to communicate with you personally and directly, and not in a distant, formal, or mental sort of way, but heart to heart. I want us to commune as intimates would, to talk things over, to reach decisions together, and to sometimes communicate without saying a word.

Learning to converse freely with Me is something that comes with time and practice. At first you may think that little voice you hear deep inside is your own mind, but in time you will know that it is Me. I may give you ideas or solutions or answers to your questions, or I may give you a feeling of peace and well-being, or I may simply tell you how special you are to Me and how much I enjoy being with you. I'm full of surprises, so you'll never know what to expect, but this one thing I promise: I will never disappoint you!

## *Unconditional love*

Life can be rough; it's not always easy to understand why things happen the way they do. When everything seems to be going wrong, it's natural to question My love, but it's during those very times that I want to be closer than ever to you. My love is what will get you through the tough times, and it's always there for you.

Unconditional love in its purest form comes from Me. Even when you blame Me for the troubles that have befallen you, I love you and don't condemn you. Even when you question My love I still love you, and I'm not going to give up on you. I'm still going to be right there beside you when you need counsel, when you need some company, when you are desperate for a listening ear, or when you need a friend. I want to ease your mind with the knowledge that there is always someone who loves you and sees endless possibilities in you, someone who enjoys you as you are—and that someone is Me.

No matter what, I will always love you unconditionally. That love will see you through anything. It will be a light in dark places, a compass when you are lost, an anchor to hold you fast in the storm, and a warm blanket to comfort you when you are alone and cold.



## *I understand*

I understand the trying of men's hearts—the despair, the discouragement, the desperation.

I understand the pain of leaving loved ones, for first I had to leave My Father to go to earth, and then I had to leave those that I loved so dearly on earth to return to My Father.

I understand what it's like to feel betrayed, for one whom I had befriended betrayed Me with a kiss.

I understand fear of what lies ahead, and so I prayed, "Father, let this cup pass from Me!"

I understand what it's like to feel ridiculed and abused, for I was ridiculed and abused.

I understand pain, for I felt excruciating pain as the nails pierced My hands and My feet.

I understand what it's like to feel abandoned, for I felt abandoned by those whom I loved, by those who also loved Me. For a moment I felt that even My Father had abandoned Me.

Though it looked like a great defeat, it all brought about a great victory and great salvation—a great resurrection that changed the course of history and all eternity!

I died to save you, but I went through all the rest to understand you better.



## *Nothing makes Me happier*

Each person is created with a unique blend of gifts, talents, and abilities. Some qualities appear to be natural abilities—a quick or inquisitive mind, or an aptitude for a certain skill or type of work, for example. Some are gifts of the spirit that are clearly manifested in the physical, such as charisma. Others are gifts of the spirit that often go unnoticed but can actually go even further, such as the gifts of optimism, compassion, and self-sacrifice. And then there is one of the greatest gifts of all: the ability to give and receive love. This is a gift that everyone receives a measure of, and it's part of having been created in God's image.<sup>1</sup> Whatever your gifts, they work together to make you special to Me.

All of these precious gifts have been given to enrich your life and the lives of others, but what you do with them and how much you do with them is up to you. Nothing makes Me happier than to see you use them to benefit others and make them happy. When you do, you are giving back to Me and the most wonderful thing happens: your gifts and talents grow, they are multiplied, and that love that was your motivation spreads from heart to heart and comes back to you.

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1. Genesis 1:26–27



## *Happy new you!*

I can help you become more like you want to be. In fact, I can do better than that! I can help you become more like I want you to be. As I do, I think you'll find that your plans for yourself and My plans for you really aren't that different. They may start out that way, but if you'll trust that I know best and go My way, you'll soon find that I was right. You'll know that by the love and happiness and fulfillment you'll experience, which will be much greater than anything you might have found on your own.

Yes, it will take some effort on your part. You must ask Me to help you change, and you must be willing to work at overcoming any habits that are holding you back from becoming all you could be. Don't expect to be totally changed overnight, for this is not the way I work. Be patient, be consistent, and I will bring about the desired changes.

## *Staying in touch*

If you want to talk to Me, I'm available anytime and anywhere. I don't have office hours or office fees. I don't even have an office. I am available for you whenever you need Me. If you will stop, acknowledge Me, speak to Me, and wait, I will answer. I will never leave you comfortless.<sup>1</sup> I will never leave you without an answer. I will never walk away from you. I am here for you.

You can ask Me *anything*, and I will give you an answer. In fact, if you want to make a difference in this world, ask Me *everything*! Ask Me about everything and you will find that it is a key to progress, a key to happiness, a key that will set your spirit free.

So if you want to reach a place where you can make a difference, where there is joy in place of sorrow, sunshine instead of shadows, love that casts out fear, and beauty for ashes<sup>2</sup>—then come to Me. I will not turn you away. I can't wait to talk to you. I love you!

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1. John 14:18 KJV

2. Isaiah 61:3

## *A special place*

When I was on earth, I told those who loved Me that I was going before them to prepare a place for them, so that where I'd be, they could also be. Since that time, I've been preparing a city for those who love Me to come to and live with Me. Since this place is for My special friends, I wanted it to be the best and most wonderful place there ever was, so I have created it to be perfect in every way.

If you have received Me as your Savior, that makes you one of My special friends, and I have such a place for you. I have reserved a corner of heaven just for you, a place where all your dreams will come true, where everything you've ever wanted will be right at your fingertips, where all those you love will be near you and you will be totally happy. This is a surprise that I have waiting for you when your earthly life is over. I can hardly wait to show you all that I've made for you and to enjoy the look on your face when I do.

You might feel you don't deserve these things. You might still be ashamed of things you've done, or you may have only just met Me, or you might feel like you haven't done much for Me. But when you give gifts to loved ones, you don't give only because of what they do for you or because they deserve it; you give it because you love them. That's how I feel about you.

## *Rest in Me*

I love it when you take time to commune with Me. We can be like two lovers who are happy at the thought of just being in each other's presence, no words passing between them. They hold each other and gaze into each other's eyes. Their hearts get on the same wavelength. They don't need to communicate verbally because their closeness lets them know what the other is thinking.

It can be the same with you and Me. You start out by praising Me or thinking about Me, turning your heart toward Me and meditating on My goodness to you. As you do, we will start to connect in the spirit.

It takes peace and contentment of spirit to create this link with Me. Often the connection won't happen if you are worked up or worried about other things. It's like learning to float in water. If you struggle, the balance will be upset. But if you lie back and focus on relaxing every muscle in your body, shutting out the noise of the world, you'll find that the water holds you up perfectly.

I want you to learn how to enter that state of full relaxation of mind and body, your thoughts filled entirely with Me. That is where I can minister to your spirit more directly, guide you in important matters, and give you solutions to your problems.

## *My strength, not yours*

As you wait on Me in prayer, I am able to fill you with My strength. What does it mean to wait on Me? It means to give your thoughts and will to Me and to accept Mine. Often I do not reveal My will—what I know will prove best in the long run—all at once. That is often a step-by-step process. You surrender your thoughts and plans to Me, whether they be your plans for the day, your personal desires, your opinions on a certain subject, or whatever the case. But even after that initial yielding, it's still a step-by-step process as My plan unfolds. As I reveal more and more of My will, you must give Me more and more of yours.

As that process takes place, you are filled with My strength and My grace for each step. It is only when you begin to buck against My will or insist on keeping some of yours that you find you don't have the strength to keep up. As long as you're yielding and accepting, you'll receive all the grace and strength and peace of mind you need. This is the simple principle of operating in My strength.



## *You can change*

Anybody can change, because I can change anybody who wants to be changed and comes to Me. In fact, if you're willing to do things My way, you can be anything that you want to be—as happy as you want to be, as fulfilled as you want to be, as challenged as you want to be, as content as you want to be, as positive as you want to be—because all of these things are within My power to give.

Whatever change you want to make in your life is possible. It doesn't matter what you've been like or how long you've been that way. It doesn't even matter if something you're trying to change is a part of your personality, your inborn nature, or something you feel is unchangeable. Even if you don't think you can change, you can because I can change you. All things are possible with Me, if you believe.





## *Let's start anew*

Life's many problems and worries have pulled you away from Me. Your self-doubt and fear of failure have weakened your faith that I hear your prayers and am concerned and want to help you. The doubt, discouragement, and depression you are falling into are not from Me. I want to rescue you and lift you up and make you happier than you think is possible. I want to give you a new start.

When you feel discouraged over some mistake you've made or the way you are, remember that I specialize in using weak fallible people to show My love to the world. I allowed the disappointments and setbacks you've experienced in order to make you more gentle, more compassionate, more understanding of others' weaknesses and problems—more like Me—so you can be a bigger help to others.

Even deep dark experiences are good for you. If you will put yourself into My hands and be soft and moldable, like clay in the hands of a master potter, I will remake you. I will take your broken dreams, your heartaches, your disappointments, and with My hands of love make you a better “pot.” It may not be as grand or beautiful or perfect as what you had in mind, but it will be perfect in My sight, perfect for the role I have for you to play here, and perfect for your place in My heavenly kingdom.

## *Understanding, answers, faith*

What may seem logical to you in a particular situation isn't necessarily right, because you're human and fallible. "My thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways My ways. As the heavens are higher than the earth, so are My ways higher than your ways, and My thoughts than your thoughts."<sup>1</sup> You may be able to figure some things out and get some things right, but you'll do much better if you learn to ask Me for My insight and solutions. I understand it all, and I am ready, willing, and able to pass that understanding on to you when you ask Me to.

Sometimes I will lead you to the answer in My Word. Sometimes I will give you the answer in a flash of revelation. Other times I may guide your thoughts until you reach the right conclusion. I may even give you the answer through someone else. The point is, you'll get much farther by praying for My guidance than by trying to reason things out yourself. Not only am I able to give you understanding of situations and answers to your problems, but I am also able to give you the "intangibles": love, faith, happiness, peace of mind, and a general sense of well-being. Come to Me with an open heart and an open mind, and let Me give you all that I have for you.

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1. Isaiah 55:8-9

## *The God factor*

I told My disciples long ago, “With men it is impossible, but not with God; for with God all things are possible.”<sup>1</sup> That truth—“with God all things are possible”—is the “God factor.” When you apply the God factor, all things become possible for you too, because faith in God and His promises overrides all impossibilities.

Here are some promises you can bank on: “God shall supply all your need according to His riches in glory.”<sup>2</sup> “Whatever things you ask when you pray, believe that you receive them, and you will have them.”<sup>3</sup> “Seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added to you.”<sup>4</sup>

All that the Father has is Mine, so I have all the riches of the universe at My disposal. I can give you all that you need and more, and I love you enough and am concerned about your happiness and well-being enough to do just that. No good thing will I withhold from you when you have done what you can do, and you then apply the God factor, by asking Me to step in and do what you can’t do.

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1. Mark 10:27

2. Philippians 4:19

3. Mark 11:24

4. Matthew 6:33

## *Ever-present help in sickness*

I don't want you to look at this sickness as something that I stand back and watch you go through—you there and Me here. It's never been like that, really, and I certainly don't want it to be like that now.

My heart breaks to see you in pain—not only the physical pain, but also the mental and spiritual attacks that come with it: the thoughts of helplessness, hopelessness, and despair. Please believe that I never allow anything to happen to you who love Me that's not in some way for your good. Hang on to that promise.

I'm right here. I know it hurts, and I feel for you. I'm right here by your side. No, I'm not even that distant. I surround you, covering all the sore spots, soothing as only I can, and I won't leave you for an instant.

In times of pain I will bring sweet relief. In times of distress I will be your comforter. In times of doubt I will fan your spark of faith. In your darkest hour I will be your guiding light. In times of torment I will be your safe haven. In times of emptiness I will be your all in all.



## *Thank you, mothers!*

You may feel incapable in your task as a mother. You see your faults and know that you aren't perfect. But, oh, there is so much beauty surrounding a mother! You mothers resemble Me in the way you unselfishly give, sometimes without seeming to receive much in return, and in the way you pray for your children and support their dreams.

I knew when I gave you children that there would be times of disappointment, desperation, and heartbreak, but I also knew that there would be times of great joy and love beyond measure, and that in your children you would find much of the meaning to your life.

Being a mother requires a lot, but it also has its rewards: the joy of holding a newborn, the smile of a little child, the happy moments shared as a family, the appreciation and respect shown by your grown child, and the love exchanged all along the way. These and many more are My blessings for all that you give up to be a mother. And one day here in heaven you will receive the ultimate reward for all that you have given.

## *I love you for who you are*

You are special to Me! My love for you is personal. Don't ever think that you're just one in the crowd to Me. Don't ever think that because there are so many others, I don't have time for you or that My love will run out before it reaches you.

I know your innermost longings and your innermost fears and insecurities. I know your faults too, and I love you just the same. I am love, mercy, tenderness, forgiveness, and sympathy. When you struggle, when you are tempted or weary or weak, I feel for you. When you are victorious, I rejoice with you.

I love and care about you, and I am not far away. I am right there beside you. Let Me shower you with My love. Let Me surround you with the warmth of My love. Let Me clothe you with the security of My love. Let Me fill you to overflowing with My love. Let Me show you how special you are to Me.

## *Wheels of progress*

There are cycles in life—times in which everything seems to go well, and times when things seem to go badly. I want you to learn to hold on to Me through each phase of the cycle.

When you are faced with a new obstacle or problem, don't let it discourage you and don't worry that you and I together won't be able to overcome it. We will, but you must pass through this low phase of the cycle in the process. Problems cause you to exercise your faith as you rise up to meet them, and that brings the next phase of the cycle: you call on Me for help, and you fight and you win and you make progress. It's like a wheel as it turns: as the top goes down, the bottom comes around to the top and the wheel carries you forward.

So don't look at the low points in your life as defeats, but as opportunities to make forward progress. I know it's often difficult to go through these cycles, but you must in order to keep moving forward, so keep at it!

## *A life of gratitude*

When you think positive thoughts, speak positive things, and take positive action, you feel better and things generally work out better. Expressing your gratitude accelerates that positive cycle, because it not only helps you to think on the good in your life, but it moves you out of the physical realm with all of its limitations into the spiritual realm, where all things are possible.

Gratitude brings you closer to Me. That enables Me to speak to you more clearly. It opens a channel in the spirit through which I can pour out My blessings.

Giving Me thanks reminds you that only I am capable of solving your problems. It also tells Me that you're trusting Me and My power to bring victory. Your thankfulness pleases Me and moves Me to answer your prayers, but it also encourages you and causes you to see beyond your request and present circumstances, to focus instead on the fulfillment.

Gratitude brings so much of My Spirit into your life, particularly the gifts of faith and positiveness, and those put you in line for healing, good health, and miracles of all sorts.

Once you start expressing your thankfulness, you'll realize how much there is to thank Me for. A life of gratitude will turn your times of trouble into times of triumph.



## *What is truth?*

Many people today don't ask the age-old question, "What is truth?" because they've lost faith that there is an answer; their inborn hunger for truth has been dulled by the skepticism and notion of "relative morality" that pervade modern thought.

But does truth cease to exist because people don't seek it or don't want to acknowledge it? Does God cease to exist because so many choose not to believe? Of course not! The truth is the truth, and it's not contingent on anyone believing it. The truth is spiritual reality, and it's there for all who sincerely want it. I gave the keys to finding it when I said, "I am the way, the truth, and the life. If you abide in My Word, you shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free. Ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you."<sup>1</sup>

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1. John 14:6; 8:31–32; Matthew 7:7



## *Sweet dreams tonight*

Sleep has obvious physical benefits: relaxation, energy restoration, growth, and healing, to name a few. Sleep helps you to live longer by giving your body a chance to focus on strengthening and repairing itself. You may spend a third of your life sleeping, but it's hardly a waste of time, because without it you wouldn't live long enough to enjoy all the time you'd save by not sleeping. And that's not the half of it!

The spiritual benefits from sleep are even greater and longer lasting, because your spirit is more attuned to the spiritual realm when your body is asleep. Sleep is a time when your spirit can discover truths that your mortal mind can't fathom. But most of all, it can be a time when you can tap into My Spirit, experience My love in fuller measure, and learn to let it guide your thoughts and decisions. That's easier than you may think. All you need to do is commit any unfinished business or problems of the day to Me and ask Me to watch over you, and I will.

Come away with Me tonight! Find sweet rest and perfect peace at My side.

## *Pressure vs. stress*

Pressure can be either good or bad for you, depending on where it's coming from and how you deal with it. Sometimes a little pressure is just what you need to help you reach your full potential. But stress—mental, emotional, or physical strain that wears you out and gets you nowhere—is never good for you. If you're feeling stressed, then something isn't right. You're either going about things the wrong way, or you're looking at things the wrong way.

The pressure situations I have designed for your life are meant to help, not hurt you—and they will if you handle them the right way. If they cause you to recognize your own limitations and become more dependent on Me, you're sure to come out ahead. If they cause you to turn around and transfer that pressure to Me by asking Me to help carry the load, I will. I will also give you the strength, patience, wisdom, understanding, or whatever it is you need in extra measure so you can do your part. Together we can tackle any problem without you getting stressed.



## *Getting the most from life*

The secret to getting the most out of life is in living close to Me and living in My Word. By that I don't mean that you should hide away and give yourself solely to quiet reflection and study; I mean that you should try to include Me in your daily activities and apply My Word to whatever you're doing. If you can learn to do that, your life will take on new meaning and depth. You will not only be much happier and feel more fulfilled, but you will brighten the lives of those around you.

It starts by making a habit of taking a few quiet minutes at the start of every day for prayer and reading My Word. Then take what I have taught you in the "classroom" and apply it throughout the day. On the job, running errands, or relaxing with family and friends, I can make you a greater blessing to others and bless you in the process. Life will become richer and more meaningful as I help you make more time for the most interesting and rewarding thing I have going—people.



## *What is true and right?*

Solomon, when he was first made king of ancient Israel, was desperate for My wisdom because he knew that he needed it. He prayed sincerely, wholeheartedly, and unselfishly, “Give to Your servant an understanding heart to judge Your people, that I may discern between good and evil. For who is able to judge this great people of Yours?”<sup>1</sup> Because his heart was in the right place, I poured it on. As long as he stayed close to Me, he was one of the wisest men who had ever lived.

Wisdom is a great gift to have, because it’s the gift of understanding what’s true and right—and in today’s mixed-up world, that can sometimes be hard to know. If you were to go only by what you read or hear, you’d be completely lost—you’d have no idea what the truth is or what’s really happening around you. But with My gift of wisdom, you can know exactly where things truly stand.

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1. 1 Kings 3:9

## *Up close and personal*

You're not just a number or one in a crowd—you're special to Me! I know you personally, and I am speaking to you personally now. Ask Me to speak to you whenever you want, when you're up or when you're down, or even when you just want some good company. I'm happy to speak to you on any subject, whenever you need it.

Tell Me your problems and I will give you sweet assurance, guidance, and answers. Unload on Me. I can handle any burden you place on My shoulders. I will take careful note of each concern and tenderly handle it. Be specific so I can answer you specifically. I will give you all that you need, and more. Best of all, we will enjoy sweet friendship as we spend time together.

You can come to Me anytime, wherever you happen to be. You don't have to worry that I'll be too busy or that I won't want to be with you. I love to spend time with you, and I'd love to spend more time with you. Whenever you take a moment with Me, I'll make things better.

## *Loved by the Light*

If you have faith in Me, you have no need to fear the future. With Me in your heart, you can know that I will care for you all the days of your life and on into the next life. Find peace in knowing Me, believing in My love, and believing that there is a better world waiting.

Let the light of My love shine into your life. Find comfort and solace in this light. When you know that I love you, you can rest assured that everything is going to be okay.

You cannot possibly imagine the love and joy and freedom that await you in the heavenly realm, but I can give you a little foretaste—a little glimpse of heaven and its wonders. Won't you step into the light and experience a touch of that love?

## *Be wise—Let Me decide!*

It's natural to have your own ideas, opinions, and preferences. That's the way you were created, and it's part of what makes you the unique individual you are. It's natural, but it doesn't always lead to the wisest and best choices unless you also involve Me in the decision-making process.

There's no decision too big or too small for Me to help you with. It may surprise you how practical and down to earth I can be! As you bring your plans or wishes to Me in prayer, I will give you My thoughts, counsel, and instruction.

It's not that I want to control you, but from My vantage point I can see things much more clearly than you can, and I always know what will work out best and make you and everyone else involved happiest in the end. So when you pray about what to do in a certain situation, ask Me to override your own ideas and personal desires if I know that something else would prove better.



## *Happiness as constant as the sun*

The happiness of the spirit is far above the happiness of the flesh, for the happiness of the spirit is something that will always be there for you. The loneliest nights or the darkest clouds can't take it away from you. The happiness of the physical world is fleeting. It comes and goes with your mood and surroundings, with the things that you see and feel, but the happiness of the spirit comes from knowing that I am your Savior and that I care for you.

The happiness that I give is as constant as the sun. When the sun disappears beneath the horizon at night, do you worry that it's gone forever? No, you realize that it is constant, always there. Though the night comes and you cannot see the sun, you never doubt its existence or that it will rise the next morning. So is the happiness of the spirit; it's ever present, like the sun.

When darkness settles on your spirit and you lose sight of the happiness I have promised, that is the time to trust until morning, until you see and feel the sunshine of My love again. Never doubt—the dawn will come!

## *Let My love fill you*

No matter how down you may be, if you are out of work and have an empty wallet or bank account, if you're lonely or sick or have suffered personal loss, if war or hate or injustice or others' indifference have chilled your heart, My love can change that. Let My birth and all that it heralded be remembered. Let My love fill you and give you purpose.

Evils also plagued the world at the time of My birth and throughout My life on earth, but in the midst of such great darkness came the brightest light the world has ever known; amidst great suffering the greatest gift was given. My Father sent Me in the form of a weak and helpless baby to grow up and live as one of you and experience the same hurts you do, and to suffer at the hands of unjust men. I became one of you in order to save you.

Let the truth and love that I brought shine in your heart now. Let Me wipe away your fears and tears. Let My love warm your life.

## *The science of prayer*

It's a law of My Spirit that your prayers have an effect; they move My hand and they go to work in the lives of those you pray for.

Prayer shows your faith in Me—faith that I will bring the solutions, show you the way, work in people's lives, or even do the impossible when necessary. It also shows that you realize you need Me and are depending on Me, and this pleases Me greatly.

When you pray, you are operating in the realm of faith, where miracles are born. Just little old you praying and asking Me to do something is very powerful. You don't have to feel that power. It's not the feeling that matters, it's the spirit of prayer that is powerful, supernatural.

Prayers always have an effect. When you pray, things happen in the spirit world, and because of that, things happen on earth. I may not always give you the answer that you ask for or expect, but I promise to answer according to what I know is best. I respect your prayers and have committed Myself to answer every one.

## *I am here to help*

I know all about you—your gifts, your talents, your strengths. I also know your weaknesses, your idiosyncrasies, and all the funny things about you that make you an individual. I know about the nagging problems that you can't seem to overcome and all the things about yourself that bother you. I know your heart's desires and secret longings. There is nothing hidden from Me.

I care about each of your disappointments and heartbreaks. I care about how you feel. I care about what you think. I care about the difficulties and hardships that you face. I care about your health. I care about your material needs. I care about your spiritual struggles. There is not one detail of your life that does not concern Me, and I am here to help.

I never get tired of listening to you. I am never distant. I am never too tired or too busy for you. I never turn away. I never sleep. I never hang a "Do Not Disturb" sign on My door. I always hear and answer your prayers.

## *Thank you, dear parents...*

for being part of the miracle of  
bringing new lives into the world;  
for loving the children I have  
entrusted to your care;  
for teaching them that I am love, by  
your own loving examples;  
for giving them a listening ear and a  
shoulder to cry on;  
for comforting them when they hurt  
and need extra tender loving care;  
for giving of yourselves for them,  
asking nothing in return, which  
teaches them unselfishness and self-  
sacrifice;  
for showing mercy, even when  
they least deserve it, that they  
might understand My mercy and  
forgiveness;

for praying for them in all things big  
and small, that they might learn the  
power of prayer;  
for leaning on Me when your own  
strength runs out, which teaches  
them that My grace and strength  
are always enough;  
for holding on to the promises of My  
Word, that they too might learn to  
put their trust in Me;  
for giving them back to Me, knowing  
that I always care for My own;  
for loving them unconditionally, no  
matter where their choices may  
take them;  
for helping them grow into men and  
women we can all be proud of.



## *Each step of the way*

I love you and delight to travel the road of life with you, but you need to remember to hold on to Me. This road will not always be smooth. It will have its costs, its tests, its difficulties, its sacrifices, but these are designed by Me to help you mature and grow in love, in depth, in giving, and in learning what real love is. They are designed to draw you closer to My heart.

Sometimes, as in a fog, you won't be able to see the road ahead, but I want you to trust Me anyway. Always give Me first place in your life, and I will greatly bless, protect, and keep you. The road will take some turns you're not expecting or prepared for, but I will be with you each step of the way.

## *Come fly with Me!*

Connect with Me by praising, and I will carry you to spiritual heights that you never dreamed existed. Fill your heart and mind and mouth with something you're thankful for, and the chain reaction will begin. Praise for the wonderful life I have given you. Praise for the wonderful people I have surrounded you with, to love and be loved by. Praising for even the simplest things puts you on My positive channel and in a position to receive more of My positive input.

Open your heart to Me by praising, and I will flood you with My love and My Spirit—enough to carry you through the day if you will keep your heart open and turned to Me. I am light, and in Me is no darkness at all.<sup>1</sup> That's the way it is. Connect with Me, and I will flood your heart and mind and life with light, so there will be no room for darkness—those worries and negative thoughts that can so easily spoil your day by keeping you earthbound. Praise is your ticket to fly.

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1. 1 John 1:5



## *Share My Love*

If you'll count your blessings, you will see how I have blessed you in so many ways, through so many things and so many people. Each of these is a token of My great love for you, personally.

I ask that you also think about how much love you have given. What did you do today to show love to others, so they could be touched by My love? If you followed the leading of your heart, that little nudge I gave you each time I made an opportunity to show love, you were also touched by My love. You can't give love without receiving My love in return. That's why it can be truly said that it is more blessed to give than to receive,<sup>1</sup> that more love is found in giving love than in receiving love. If others don't return your love, I still repay; and if they do, you receive doubly, from them and from Me.

How much love do you give? Remember that I have no mouth but yours and no hands but yours, to touch others' hearts and draw them to Me. Give and it shall be given to you.<sup>2</sup> As much as you have done it to others, you have done it to Me.<sup>3</sup>

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1. Acts 20:35

2. Luke 6:38

3. Matthew 25:40





## *A promise for you and your children*

It is part of parental love to want the best for your children, even if it means giving of yourself beyond your natural limits.

But don't make the mistake many parents do in thinking they have to carry the whole load themselves. If you do that, you'll soon wear out. You need to learn to share the load with Me. If you can't give your children everything you would like to every day, give them what you can and then trust Me for the rest.

The most important thing you can give your children is love—your love and My love. Do that, and you will have happy, well-adjusted children; you will have succeeded as a parent. But to have that love, you must take time with Me and My Word, in prayer and reflection. I have all the strength and peace and faith and love and answers you need. I love your children and know exactly what they need day by day. I want to fill your every need so together we can fill theirs, but to get those things you must spend time with Me.



## *My kind of music*

Music is like water for your spirit. As you drink it in and absorb it—as the music and lyrics resonate in your mind—it becomes part of you.

The music is the channel through which you receive the message, the words. Music that is inspired by Me bears My message and brings life and hope. It speaks to your heart. It makes you happy, and it makes you want to spread that happiness to others. It lifts your mood. It deepens your love for Me, and it inspires you to do things that will please Me. It pours My Spirit into your spirit, and answers the longings of your heart. Like cool, pure, clear water, it refreshes you every time you drink it.

Come up to the mountains where the streams are clear and fresh. Leave the things of this world behind you, and find thrills of the spirit.

## *People of praise*

Oh that My people would be people of praise! Oh that they would constantly have a word or song of praise in their hearts and on their lips!

When you are praising, then I can envelop you in My Spirit. Praise helps to ward off the attacks of doubts, fears, and worries. Praise brings great strength, because praise helps you to keep your mind on Me.

The words of praise that come from your heart and lips are the joy of My life. Speak them any time to Me. Never be ashamed or embarrassed or afraid to express how thankful you are for Me and My love.

I love each and every one of your words. No matter what you say, I understand. Even when you feel your words are inadequate, I understand. Every expression of praise and thanks thrills Me and satisfies Me.



## *Stay in contact with the source*

Spiritual strength comes from Me—from abiding in Me,<sup>1</sup> abiding in My Spirit. It takes faith to put other things aside in order to come to Me. This step in itself causes strength of spirit, because it is trusting Me.

It's easy to get busy with a little here and a little there for there's always so much to do. But remember to take that time to make contact with Me and to keep that contact with Me. When you do My Spirit is able to flow. When it's needed, it will be available; it will be there to help you with solutions to your problems or whatever else you need.

Stay in contact with the source! Let Me constantly replenish your reservoirs of spiritual strength. Take time to come to the fountain, to open your vessel and let it be filled. Abide in the flow of My Spirit and let it lead you, guide you, strengthen you, refresh you, and keep you happy and fulfilled.

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1. John 15:7



## *What is love?*

Love comes in many forms. Love has many faces. Love brings with it many feelings—and many responsibilities. Love can't be put in a box. Love is a gift that I place in the hearts of people the world over, yet love is manifested differently in each person's life.

Love can be emotional or love can be stable. Emotional love can come and go, like the waves of the sea, but true love, My love, is more unmovable, unchanging, and eternal than the mountains.

The basis of all true love, of marriages or any kind of deep personal relationship that is destined to succeed, must be in Me, the source of love, the creator of love, the embodiment of love. If you make Me the foundation of your relationship, I will hold you together. If you look to Me, hold on to Me and love Me, then you can be assured that your love will grow and succeed because you have this sure promise: My love never fails.



## *Love without boundaries*

Love is My special gift for you. Love that knows no boundaries. Love that does not judge you by the color of your skin, the way you look, or how you speak. Love that gives. Love that shares. Love that cares. Love that is alive, vibrant, warm, and kind. Love that is unconditional and forever.

Love that is patient. Love that is understanding. Love that is kind and tender. Love that comforts you in your sorrow, that consoles you when you're lonely, that gives you a helping hand when you're down. Love that is full of happiness and laughter. Love that brings peace in the midst of stormy weather.

My love is always there for you—any place, any time, day or night. My love will descend to any depth to save, go any length to rescue. It knows no stopping place; it knows no limit in giving. My love brings peace of mind, rest when you are weary, and strength when you feel you cannot go on. My love will calm your fears and give you courage. My love can heal when your body is broken; it will melt away tension, worry, and strain.

## *I'm always here for you*

Turn to Me in your loneliness. I love you dearly, and I am there for you anytime, all the time. I am your constant companion, your best friend.

When you feel like no one cares and there is no love to be found, that is the time to lie back in My arms and find peace. When you are discouraged and feel like a mess, look into My face and see Me smile upon you, for I love you just the way you are. When you feel worried or frustrated, run to Me. I will be your perfect companion. When you feel that no one can possibly understand the difficulties you are passing through, that is the time to run to Me. I always understand. Set your affections on Me, and I will fill your every need.

In those special times together, our love will grow stronger and our relationship deeper than any earthly love or relationship could ever be. From this oneness with Me will grow your greatest and most lasting happiness, fulfillment, and contentment.

## *I love you, just you*

I love you as if you were the only one. My love is reaching out to you right now. My love, My forgiveness, and My mercy are all right there, just for you, if you will only receive them.

I love you just the way you are. I am not stacking up all your faults and failures and mistakes to hold against you. I see only the good, and I see possibilities that others do not see.

I see your every tear. I hear your every cry. I feel your every frustration, your every worry, your every burden, your every desire. I know everything about you—all your wants, all your lacks. I see straight through to your heart of hearts and all that is in it, and I deeply love you.

I long to hold you close. I am right there by your side, and I will never, ever forsake you.

I love you, just you, and here I patiently wait—for you.



## *The things that truly matter*

I love you. It's just that simple. No matter what you've done or haven't done, I love you!

You are on earth, living your life, trying to find out what's the best thing to do and how to do it—how to live, how to survive—and it is a struggle. I know this and I understand, for this is the struggle of life. But all of this can be made easier if you will spiritually connect to Me.

For though your life carries on and you age and then die, your spirit never ages and it never dies. The real you, the you that now dwells within the confines of your body, will live forever.

This is why the material things of this world are not the things to strive for, because one day you must leave them behind. The only things that truly matter are those of the spirit: love, kindness, mercy, understanding, giving.

So do good. Love your family. Love your friends. Love your neighbors. Love those you meet. Show mercy, kindness, and compassion. By showing love you show Me to others, for I am love.

## *Wonderful gifts*

Look at the gifts that I have for you. Such wonderful gifts!

The gift of My Word—words that teach you truth, give you strength, bring you to Me, and help you find My plan for your life. Don't let them slip through your fingers, but read them, follow them, and be thankful for them.

The gift of My love—more love than you can contain, love that overflows on others.

The gift of prayer—of knowing that you always have My ear and heart.

The gift of hearing My voice—My voice beside you saying, “This is the way to go.”<sup>1</sup>

The gift of closeness to Me—of lying in My arms as we share the secrets of our hearts.

The gifts of the Spirit—wisdom, knowledge, understanding, the practical gifts that help you day to day, the gift of faith, the gift of hope.

The gift of others—a needy world around you with whom you can share all that I've given you.

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1. Isaiah 30:21

## *The past is past*

In times of darkness I will be your light. In times of sadness I will be your joy. In times of struggle I will be your deliverance. In times of weakness I will be your strength. In times of question I will be your answer. And more important than any of this, I am love to you. You can never be lost to My love.

So never be discouraged or disheartened, and don't look back. Don't be remorseful about the mistakes and sins of the past, for the past is the past. In the very moment that you sought My forgiveness and called out to Me, I granted forgiveness, so there is no need to worry or fear or carry the burden yourself.

Never agonize over the past, and never fear for the future. Look up into My loving face. Come to Me, and you will find perfect forgiveness, perfect comfort, perfect strength, and perfect love.



## *Always and forever*

I pour forth My love constantly, without end. The flow is always rich and free and abundant, but how much you see and feel this love in your life depends on your faith—how much you look for it and recognize it in the ways that I manifest My love each day. Whether or not you see it or feel it or recognize it does not change the fact that My love is constant and abundant and unconditional.

You cannot deserve it or work for it or be worthy of it in yourself, for My love is a free gift. I love you because I love you.—It's as simple as that! I love you, I will never stop loving you, and I will never love you any less than I do today. I will always love you with a perfect, unending, and abundant love.

I long for you to partake of this love of Mine in all its richness, beauty, power, and glory. My love for you is forever love.



## *My special creation*

I remember when I formed you. With great care and special attention I handpicked each talent, each gift, each characteristic, each fiber of your being, until the combination and proportions were exactly right and each was perfectly in sync to accomplish My purpose.

I also remember the moment when I breathed into you the breath of life. Love welled up inside Me, for I knew the joy you would bring to Me and those whose lives you would touch while on the great journey of life.

My eye has been on you from the very beginning. I have been with you every step of the way. I have watched you. I have loved you. I have cared for you. You have never been out of My sight.

I love you from everlasting to everlasting. Listen to My voice in your heart, and I will show you of My great, great love for you—love which is greater than the ocean, love which stretches further than the horizon, love which the whole universe with all its stars and galaxies cannot contain, love which stretches beyond understanding into infinity and eternity!



## *Because I love you...*

I see your every tear. I hear your every cry.

I feel your every frustration, your every worry, your every burden, your every desire. I know everything about you—all your wants, all your lacks. I see your heart and all that is in it, and I deeply love you.

I long to hold you and kiss away the hurts and heartaches, if you will but allow Me to. I long to comfort, to soothe, and to pour My balm of love upon your aching heart. I long to take away every worry, every fear, every tear, every frustration. I long to blow away every cloud of confusion and to soothe your frazzled nerves. I long to melt away the bitterness and turn every deep longing into marvelous fulfillment and true satisfaction.

I long to give you the sun and the moon, the stars in the sky, the ecstasies of heaven, and a love that will never end. I long to pull you through whatever deep, dark experience, whatever dense fog you find yourself in. Whatever confusion or frustration you have bottled up inside, I long to melt it all away—because I love you.

## *Reach out and receive healing*

Ask for My healing, for I am the Great Physician and I long to make you whole.

I have My arms outstretched, and in My hands are precious gifts for you who are suffering, you who are crying, you who are aching—gifts of love, forgiveness, mercy, and healing. All of these things are in My hands, and I will freely give them to you if you will only reach out and receive them by faith.

These gifts are not earned by your goodness. But I give them to you freely if you will only reach out by faith and receive them.

These light afflictions are but steppingstones, all working together for good to accomplish My will and My purpose.<sup>1</sup> They lead to the higher ground of fuller faith and trust in Me.

As you pray and trust in Me it will encourage and increase not only your faith, but the faith of others as they see your example of faith, trust, and dependency on Me in your affliction.

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1. 2 Corinthians 4:17



## *In the quiet chambers*

In the quiet chambers, as you take time with Me, I will speak to you. At first it won't even be in words. I'll just give you the peace that you need.

As you take this time with Me more, you will begin to hear Me more clearly. It's something that you have to practice. You have to attune your spiritual ears so that you can hear My voice. At first you have to concentrate, really make an effort.

It's like someone learning to tune a musical instrument. At first it's difficult. Musicians have to concentrate to be able to tell which notes are off key, which strings need to be tightened and which need to be loosened. But after a while, it becomes second nature to them, and they can do it almost without thinking. So it is with learning to listen to Me and hear from Me. Step into the quiet chambers of your heart and tune in to hear My voice. Little by little you will begin to hear Me clearer and clearer, until pretty soon it won't be such a big effort. You'll be able to hear Me loud and clear.





## *Trust Me*

Keep your eyes upon Me and have faith in My promises. Have faith in My words to you. Have faith in My voice speaking to your heart. Have faith in the love that is surrounding you.

When you are tempted to fear or doubt or worry, fix your eyes on Me and trust. When you are tempted to tremble, just trust in Me. When you are overwhelmed and the tears fall, keep trusting in Me. Trust Me through everything.

Trust that I know best. Trust in My wisdom. Trust in My ability to lead you and guide you and use you to the fullest. Trust in Me for the future. Trust that I will fulfill all of My promises to you. Trust that I will not leave you comfortless.

Trust that I will comfort you in the night when you feel that you have no one else. Trust that I am there by your side. Trust that I will not fail you, no matter what your mind tells you. Keep your eyes on Me and trust Me wholly.

## *Try Me*

If you don't know Me yet, then I have a proposal for you: rather than trying to figure Me out, why not give Me a chance to show you the truth? All that I am cannot be comprehended by the mind. You have to seek and understand with your heart. Accept My love and presence into your life, and then see what I can do for you.

I can be your closest friend and confidant. I can help you when things go wrong and you need support. I can give happiness in place of grief, and I can bring beauty out of the ashes of failures and mistakes. Once you ask Me into your life, I will never leave you. That's a solemn pledge! I will always love and care for you in spite of everything, including your own faults and failings.

Once you connect with Me personally, then as you delve into what I have revealed in the Bible—and particularly in the Gospels—you will discover pure and life-giving truths within My Word.

All you need to do to start to receive all that I have to offer is open your heart and invite Me in.

## *A gift that keeps on giving*

I have a very special gift for you—one that's different from anything you've ever received from anyone else. It's not for sale in any store, because it can't be bought or sold, but I give it freely. It will never get old, never break down or wear out, and you can never outgrow it. No one can take it from you, and it will last forever. You can take it with you wherever you go and enjoy it any time, all the time. It never changes, but will never cease to surprise and amaze you. You can share it all you want, and there will always be plenty to go around. In fact, the more you share it, the more you'll have.

Have you guessed what it is?

My gift to you is the promise of My presence. I want to be nearer and dearer to you than any earthly friend can be, and I have so much to give you—more than enough to fill every day from now through eternity.

# A F T E R W O R D

If you haven't yet experienced the depth of love expressed in these messages from Jesus, it may be that you haven't yet received His gifts of eternal love and life that come by accepting Him as your Savior. Jesus waits for you to invite Him into your life. He says, "Behold, I stand at the door [of your heart] and knock. If anyone hears My voice and opens the door, I will come in."<sup>1</sup> You can receive Him right now by praying the following:

*Dear Jesus, thank You for dying for me so I can have eternal life. Please forgive me now for every wrong and unloving thing I have ever done. I need Your love to fill and satisfy my heart. I want the life of heavenly happiness You have for me—here and now, and in heaven hereafter. I open the door of my heart and ask You, Jesus, to come in. Thank You for hearing and answering my prayer, and thank You for helping me share Your love and be a force for good in the lives of others. Amen.*

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1. Revelation 3:20







