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Breakthrough

Lately, I've been praying for breakthrough. It was a word spoken over us at a recent conference in CA. As I've been praying, I also keep hearing the word miracle. After all, I think they are related. A breakthrough requires a miracle. The other word I keep going after is "encounter". I believe it takes an encounter with the Holy Spirit that generates the miracle that brings forth the breakthrough.

I sense in my spirit that a breakthrough is coming, that it is going to be big, and it will affect the lives of many. It feels like something in the spiritual realm is fighting and ready to bust through. It is going to be huge. I think one will start the avalanche and many will follow. I think people will not only be healed from addiction, but that they will encounter the Holy Spirit in ways they never had before. These encounters will bring healing to brokenness; and many will surrender their lives to God and live lives of adventure and purpose with Him.

I saw a post the other day on Facebook that said, "Maybe your breakthrough is waiting for your follow through." I think there is some truth in

that statement. Do we live life looking for and expecting miracles? Do we give God the chance to come in and "wow" us? Or do we try to do everything for ourselves? We are so self-sufficient; and I think to some degree we are supposed to be. BUT what if we lived life a little more risky?

Have you ever been in the store and had the sense to pray for someone; but didn't do it? What would have happened if we had taken that chance? Would we have gotten to experience God showing up and revealing himself to someone that day? Have you ever had the urge to pray for someone injured or sick; but didn't because you were afraid? What would it look like if we stepped out in faith and prayed healing for them? Would we have gotten to experience a healing miracle?

I was talking to a participant who has been looking for work. I encouraged this person to hit the pavement, to be vulnerable. He had a specific job he really wanted to do. I told him to go to every business where this particular job might be a possibility. I told him to give them a chance to say no and give them a chance to say yes. Be honest. Say, "This is my background, but I am ready for change, I want something new and I am

asking you to take a chance on me." I told him to make room for God to show up.

I wish I could tell you he did it and he got the job; but fear and rational, logical thinking stopped him. "That's never going to happen." filled his thoughts.

I don't want to live afraid of miracles. I want to encounter the Holy Spirit; and I want breakthrough. I'm tired of the enemy robbing, killing and destroying this generation. Jesus came to give life and to give it abundantly. (John 10:10) I'm ready for life. I heard a statistic that 110 people overdose in this country every day. That is not okay. I've spoken to a person who went to prison seven times because of drug-related issues. I know people who have gone to rehab over and over and over. This is a heart issue. This is a spiritual issue; and we must fight it in the spiritual realm.

Will you fight with me? Will you join me in prayer for encounters, miracles and breakthrough?

James 5:16 New Living Translation (NLT) says, "Confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed."

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The earnest prayer of a righteous person has great power and produces wonderful results."

And John 14: 12-14 New Living Translation (NLT) proclaims, "I tell you the truth, anyone who believes in me will do the same works I have done, and even greater works, because I am going to be with the Father. You can ask for anything in my name, and I will do it, so that the Son can bring glory to the Father. Yes, ask me for anything in my name, and I will do it!"

I know this is risky. I am taking a risk by sharing this with you; but I think the next generation is worth it.

~ Christina

Participant's Note

This month's Participant Note is from Heidi. Some of you may remember her story from previous newsletters. Our June 2014 Newsletter highlighted Heidi and a story of hope. As she shared, she was then just two months away from being released from prison. (You can view the June 2014 Newsletter on our webpage, under News)

Well, here we are, 14 months later, and Heidi has been out of prison for one year. On that day she wrote the following.

"One year ago today, I walked out of prison into the waiting arms of my mom and Miss Christina Bowling. I was excited, nervous, anxious, scared, and ready all at the same time! I didn't know what lay ahead; but I knew I was ready to live and be happy, clean and sober for the first time in years. This year has been amazing... lots of ups and downs, but far more ups than downs. I got baptized!! I rededicated my life to my higher power, and have been trying to lead a meaningful life. I think I'm doing pretty great! I work full time at a job I love; and I come home to my amazing sister, nieces, & nephew (the loves of my life for those of you who don't know me!) Without them I don't know where I would be. Let me tell you, making amends to the ones you've hurt can change both of your lives. This has been the happiest summer of my life! I have 19 months clean and I walk

with the Lord every single day. Trust me, there is life and love and joy after addiction. Thank you to all my supporters!!"

Heidi Swiggart

I am so proud of Heidi. One of the

"violated" status; and that often means jail time. I am happy to report to you that Heidi made it the entire year with ZERO violations.

It blesses my heart to see Heidi live life with Jesus. She has faced many trials this year, losing her transitional home,



Stacy and Heidi



Heidi and Christina

things she doesn't share, that I am compelled to let you know is, that during her year out, Heidi was under Department of Correction supervision. This means that Heidi had to regularly check in with her DOC officer. She had to take random urinalysis tests and meet other requirements. The failure to do any of these things means you get a

employment complications and relationship issues; but through it all, Heidi has remained steadfast in her faith and in her choice to live life sober. She is an inspiration; and I am so proud of her. Heidi, I love you. Keep looking to Jesus. With Him at your side, you will make it through. Keep trusting and loving and believing. You've got this, Girl!

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