



## NEWSLETTER ♦ FALL 2010

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### **Relationship Relationship Relationship**

*by Donna Milham*

#### **Relationship relationship relationship!**

This is what I heard for 2010 and as the year is coming to an end I continue to hear the same words ringing in my heart and spirit.

So many have left churches, wandering, looking, dissatisfied - I believe most are looking for relationship, true relationship.

The kind of relationship that when you don't show up at a gathering, you are missed.

The kind that when you do show up, you are embraced, loved and valued.

The kind that allows you to be transparent and be yourself and you are accepted with the understanding that we are all in the process of being made into His likeness. Our relationships actually are critical to this shaping process.

It is face to face fellowship, where you can truly look into each others faces and eyes and share from your hearts because you have looked into His Eyes and are secure in His love.

Relationships that honor each other and see the gold and preciousness within each life.

We live in a time where our 'independence' attempts to rule our lives and our 'rights' can scream in our ears affecting our decisions and our relationships. However we gave up our rights when we accepted Jesus as our Savior and Lord and we are called to live in community, in body life, understanding that what we do or don't do affects those around us. We truly are not free to do whatever we please, not if we are to be true disciples and followers of Jesus Christ. He is our life and focus and we seek to bring Him pleasure through intimate relationship with Him and walking out our lives in simple obedience to what He asks of us.

Others may have freedoms that you have not been given. Some will call you a legalist or religious, however there is a narrow path and way that those who follow Him understand they must remain on and not be detoured. Where the Spirit of the Lord is there is freedom, liberty, love - but in that freedom there are boundaries that He draws with His Hand around our lives that guard and protect us and shape us to be like Him. We have those boundaries individually as well as corporately. His Mighty Right Hand that drew the boundaries of the seas and rivers and continents - guide us and hold us and lead us in all truth on paths of light filled with His wisdom.

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**Relationship relationship relationship** - for me the relationships He has given to me are the most precious treasures in my life. I seek to walk in greater love, transparency and honor with each special individual God has lovingly knit my heart with. Relationship with Him and relationship with those around me - the symbol of the cross - vertical and horizontal love. Oh Father give us fresh eyes to see each other and honor each other and love each other as you love us. For the glory of Your Name!

## Breath of Life

by Donna Milham

**His Breath blew across the pages of the Word**

**THE WORD** blew His Breath of revelation upon the written Word

The pages did not rustle in the wind

there was no sensation upon my face

but passages awakened to my heart and soul

and blew into my being

fresh truth - fresh life

I cry out for more - hungry and thirsty

He comes to feed us

for HE is the Bread of Life

HE comes and blows upon us and into us

for HE is the Breath of Life

**Breathe again Resurrected King**

**Breathe fresh upon us!**

## It's Gone!

by Chickie Taylor

Recently I had minor surgery done to remove a small spot of basal cell skin cancer from just above my lip. After the doctor removed it, I had to wait to make sure it was all gone before they would stitch me back up and send me home. I waited for what seemed like an eternity, and I prayed in those moments for others I know who were battling cancer. Finally, the doctor came in and said two small wonderful words, "IT'S GONE"! I said a silent, but big thank you to the Lord. I wonder how people I know battling cancer would've felt had they heard those same words, too. Oh how I pray, they would.

A redemptive analogy came to mind. These are the same words that apply when we ask forgiveness for our sins. He says, "it's gone"! As far as the east is from the west, it's gone! Thank you Lord, for these words that cleanse body, mind and soul.

## LIFE LIGHT

by Karen Elliott

You are Light and You are Life  
You are Breath and You are Song!

You are the melody of life,  
The cadence of existence

I step into Your song  
I step into Your melody

I move within the cadence of Your existence

And the ebb and flow of Your breath.

Free from encumbrances, free from locks and chains

Free to be who I am and who we are together.

Light and sound pulsating with the rhythm and colors of Your heartbeat.

All I want is to be with You

All I need is to be with You

You are my Life Light!

~sam~

## PASSION & PURSUIT

by Karen Elliott

*The books are open, the pages turning  
Your glory being revealed  
Leaves of healing brought by waves of Your Presence  
Lives set free eternally to be  
Free from bondage and entanglements  
Free to fly, free to soar  
Stepping into that for which we were born.  
The Bride and the Bridegroom becoming One.  
Living, breathing light  
Illuminating radiant life  
Your breath bringing a new life and clarity we've never know  
The beauty of the cross.  
Stepping beyond the known, beyond our comfort zone  
Into a place beyond imagination  
With holy, joyful expectation.  
Your eyes, Your eyes, Your eyes  
Burning passion, unquenchable flames drawing me in  
I am captured in your glance  
Dancing within the flame  
Within Your embrace.*

### BE FREE

by Karen Elliott

Bound to earthly flesh and circumstances is not where we need to be as Sons of God. We have assignments to be carried out on this earth while we are in our earth-suits, but we have the freedom of the Spirit IN the Spirit, unbound by the flesh-suit, yet bound in holy union with the laws of the Kingdom, by choice!

### STEP INTO ME

by Karen Elliott

I am purifying My Bride, I am maturing My Sons. You are one and the same. With each trial and test, press into Me. Do not withdraw from Me. Step deeper into Me each time~  
I Am here ~ I Am present ~  
I Am Emmanuel.

# Compelled by Your Love

by Lupe King

**...To love the unloved,  
the hard, and  
the hardest.**

**Compelled by Your love**

**...To embrace the hurt,  
the angry,  
the hopeless.**

**Compelled by Your love**

**...to hope beyond hope,  
to expect the good  
though surrounded by bad.**

**Compelled by Your love**

**...To reach out to the fearful,  
the untrusting,  
and the uncaring.**

**Compelled by Your love**

**...To release healing,  
compassion, acceptance,  
and love.**

**Compelled by Your love**

**...To pray without ceasing,  
To never give up when at  
times I grow weary.**

**Compelled by Your love,**

**...To be compelled by Your love.**

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# Letters to God

by CCH

Dear God,

What is it like up in heaven? Do you get to see Shyla? Do you play with her as much as we did? Shyla was the best dog we ever had. Does Shyla have wings like an angel?

I'm so sorry that I haven't been writing you. I've been having a lot of things on my mind. What does heaven look like, does everything look the same as here, or is it all colors like the rainbow?

Love always,

Naica Luca

age 12

Dear God,

Thank you for family, holidays, nature, homes, schools, and especially You! You are the BEST! I hope your family is well. Tell Shyla that I miss her. I did not forget about her, she was the best dog. Can you let her know that I am doing well?

God, can you pray for DeShaun (my friend), we will pray for him too.

Love,

Taya Manon

Age 10

Dear God,

Is there Christmas in heaven? Thank you for keeping my family and friends safe. Thank you everything you have done for me. Thank you for dying on the cross for us.

Thank you for everything that you have given me. Thank you for keeping Diane safe, thank you for keeping Shyla in your hands.

Love,

Mariah Bradley

Age 10

## Vision Seen, and Understanding Given, during Worship at Judah's Roar on 10/9/10

by Deanna Rodriguez



In the vision, I saw feet dancing whilst the drumming of our worship was going on. I saw many feet dancing (like what you'd see at a powwow if you were sitting on the ground). I also saw the mallet, with a red end/top, that was being used to beat a hand held drum. (In my heart, I was questioning who's feet they were, belonging to Christians or... non-Christians. I had a sense that intermingled with the Christians were those who stood against God's Kingdom, though futile it is as the Lord reigns over all.)

Then, I saw Jesus rolling out "Carpets of Truth". I saw huge rolls of what looked like sod grass rolled up like a giant sized roll of carpet, the width of a path, with the capital letters T-R-U-T-H just above them, as He rolled them out, so people would be able to walk the path of Truth.

Then, I saw Him (Jesus) on one of the highest points—with like a barrel (or sepulchre) that was filled with His blood. He poured it out, sloshing it down the incline so it would wash/run down into the town (My sense was that the place was Gloucester as the Lord typically speaks to me about Gloucester when I'm at Judah's Roar or as I come into the city).

Then I saw 3 of His warring angels, each on a high point, with a bow fully pulled back with an arrow engaged, pointed down the hill, ready to shoot, to keep the enemy from coming up.

When the worship song "Our God Reigns" began, I saw 3 angels, with long gold trumpets. As they began to play them, heralding the coming of the Lord, a white translucent square flag suddenly dropped down from under the mouth piece to the end of the trumpet that signified the righteousness and holiness of the Lord. During this time the horizon became brighter and the intensity of the brightness increased, as the Lord came closer and closer. I sensed His coming as on "the wings of the wind"—like He was riding on the clouds. There was a rising sense of His supreme majesty as He came nearer the city. There was an increase of this awesome glow, like unto the rising of the sun.

Then I saw the demonic activity cease. The demons were cowering, hiding behind rocks, where they were, so as not to be noticed and called out and banished by the Lord, but He knew they were there. I heard, "They were rendered helpless."

Once Jesus had appointed/positioned certain people over certain areas, He pointed at and spoke to the cowering demons and said of the people appointed, "I have put them in charge, at every word you must obey."

*John Metcalfe was a dear friend of myself and this tribe. He was a spiritual advisor to this ministry and brought into our lives godly counsel, wisdom and friendship. He walked and lived as a true spiritual father and he will be missed more than I can begin to express in words. We want to honor John and are publishing here his last article that we received before he went into the hospital for surgery and went home to be with the Lord!*

*John's words and teachings call to a walk of deep humility, wonderful confidence in God's love as His sons! You are missed John Metcalfe, thank you God for the gift of John and the thousands of lives he impacted.*

## Sons and Orphans

by John Metcalfe

October 26, 2010

When Adam sinned he did two things indicating he had changed his mindset from being a son (see Luke 3:38) to becoming an orphan. Before he sinned he had walked with his Father in the cool of the day. He had enjoyed his Father; now he viewed his Father as an enemy. This is evident because he hid from his Father and he clothed himself. He no longer had confidence that the Father loved him and he was no longer happy with the way he looked.

Adam was afraid of the God who is perfect love; who created man in His image and was later to send His only Son to redeem man to Himself. Adam now felt he was unworthy to fellowship with his Father so he hid and made clothes for himself trying to prove he was now worthy.

When Adam hid he became an orphan. When anyone loses or dismisses his father he is no longer a member of the family but an orphan who does not have a family. Please note God did not abandon or get angry with Adam, in fact, He came to the garden and called to Adam; "Where are you?" God knew Adam had sinned (He knows the end from the beginning) but He came looking for him anyway.

God did not abandon Adam, and continued to speak to him as the pages of Scripture reveal (see Genesis 3). Now the whole of their relationship changed from being a son and walking with his Father in the garden to being an orphan who wanted to hide from God.

So it is with us today. We are told "God loves us", but when the pressure is on, we do not really believe this. We are told to talk to God, however, when we do, we come as an unworthy beggar trying to convince God that He should do what we ask. Many times we feel so unworthy we forget to ask for anything.

We feel like the prodigal son who said in Luke 15:18-20:

<sup>18</sup> *Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you.*

<sup>19</sup> *I am no longer worthy to be called your son; make me like one of your hired men.* NIV

An orphan feels unworthy and unloved, he feels like a hired man. Deep down, he knows the Father does not really love him. He is aware of the multiple sins he has committed and the extreme difficulty to be free of those sins. Some of us have attended recovery groups for years and are not sure we can be forgiven. We have had accountability partners or an accountability group and have confessed our sins each week with little or no progress. We have gone through deliverance and had seven devils cast out but we still feel the same as before.

An orphan also knows he must provide for himself. Adam introduced this to us by making clothing to cover his nakedness (see Genesis 3:6). Later on, God made clothes for Adam and Eve to replace the fig leaves with the skins of animals (see Genesis 3:21). God sacrificed animals because He continued to love man.

Since an orphan knows he must provide for himself, he becomes a hoarder. He has a house full of stuff; "just in case". He now rents a storage unit to house all his back issues of National Geographic because you never know when you might want them. Probably his hard-drive is full as well. A recent series of programs on A&E is entitled "The Hoarders", and shows houses so full of stuff it is hard to find a place to sit or sleep.

An orphan is usually competitive, always telling you he got a better deal or can beat you at any game. He is anxious to get a better job or position. He is not satisfied with the amount of money he has and always wants a better car, house or boat. He feels unfulfilled and is frustrated that he never seems to get fulfilled in his dream in the Lord.

No one can correct an orphan. He is most often angry and will keep you away for fear he will explode if you get too close. He sees any attempt to correct him as rejection of him.

We were all born into Adam. In other words we were born an orphan. Some of us had a wonderful loving natural father, but most of us did not. A good relationship with a natural father certainly gives us a great advantage of knowing and understanding The Heavenly Father.

Jesus said; "I will not leave you as orphans". In other words He will not leave us as He found us. He wants us to know and experience His love and humility. He is desirous of building us (the corporate man) into a holy nation. He created man in His image and His likeness. He is in the process of conforming us into the image and likeness of Jesus Christ. This conforming is not something that will take place in the millennium but on earth as it is in heaven, right now.

A son thinks differently than an orphan. He knows the Father loves him and wants the best for him. A son is one who is in the process of giving up his right to run, hide and shift blame. He has given up the right to himself. He chooses to identify with God's interests in other people.

He has taken the position of humility. He does not have to vindicate himself and is not upset when other people get recognition. He is correctable. In fact he presents his thoughts and ideas to his spiritual father and receives correction and encouragement. Jesus humbled Himself and became obedient, even unto death.

The Sermon on the Mount is no longer a poetic metaphor but a grand experiment in the life of a son as he is being conformed to the image of Jesus. He has not the slightest trace of resentment even suppressed in his heart.

Death is no longer a threat. A son has already died; No one can threaten him with a gun to his head. An orphan will respond with fear when someone puts a gun to his head but a son will not be dissuaded to change his mind.

A mature son is not interested in gaining power by political means. He knows he is a citizen of another nation who's maker and ruler is God. He is neither a democrat nor republican. He does not pray against anything, including unpopular or immoral political leaders. He is not upset by "Special Interest Groups" who support issues that are "not Christian".

He is not a pacifist but a son of God. He is not worried about events in Israel or the Middle East. He is not "anti-church" but allows the love of God to be expressed in his life to all people. He feels comfortable with people of all nationalities and races; in fact, he learns to draw on their strengths and insights. He is not concerned with the Anti-Christ or the demonic principalities over a geographic region of the country.

He (or she) is a son; celebrating his sonship with a spiritual father and the family of God. His celebration results in a joy and peace that passes his understanding. As a result, people are drawn to him and his spiritual family. People recognize the humility and love of this group and want to be a part of it.

Isa 2:2-4

<sup>2</sup> *In the last days, the mountain of the LORD's house will be the highest of all— the most important place on earth. It will be raised above the other hills, and people from all over the world will stream there to worship.*

<sup>3</sup> *People from many nations will come and say, "Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, to the house of Jacob's God. There he will teach us his ways, and we will walk in his paths." For the LORD's teaching will go out from Zion; his word will go out from Jerusalem.*

<sup>4</sup> *The LORD will mediate between nations and will settle international disputes. They will hammer their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks. Nation will no longer fight against nation, nor train for war anymore. NLT*

These are the "Last Days" in which God is turning the hearts of the fathers to the children and the children to the fathers. He is establishing His Holy Nation above all the other nations. God is putting His sons on display giving them the glory that is rightfully theirs.

He intends to put us on display so all the other nations will see us and come to find what makes us so joyous. It will be so evident that many orphans will come and ask us to "teach them our ways". They will know their ways do not work and we offer a superior alternative.

God is changing us, so others will be drawn to us. We do not have to go and find them, they will come to us. We do not have to pray them in or do battle in the heavenlies for their salvation. They will pray to find us and God will connect us.

They will come as orphans and our influence will make them sons of God. They will join us in the body of Christ, taking their place and glorifying God.

Let us choose the way of the Lord. He has called us as sons. Our response should be; "Yes Lord"!

# MINISTRY UPDATES AND OPPORTUNITIES

## Judah's Roar Church/ Worship Center:

Weekly Meetings • Every Saturday • 7-10 pm

**Location:** YMCA Arts & Activity Center, 5 Center St, Gloucester, MA

## Monday Prayer Meeting : A Call to the Gate:

**Time:** Mondays, 9:30am – 12:00 noon (Please feel free to join us for all or part of these meetings)

**Location:** CALL OR EMAIL FOR LOCATION

**Contact:** Donna Milham, 978-283-9111, [eagleanddove@comcast.net](mailto:eagleanddove@comcast.net)

## Weekly Bible Study : Going Deeper Gatherings:

### “Loving on Purpose: Honor Among Us”

We are showing a leadership teaching series by Danny Silk titled, "Loving on Purpose: Honor Among Us". It is a five part DVD series about how to implement and preserve a culture of honor as well as about being a powerful person and empowering those around you.

Danny Silk and his wife, Sherri, are pastors of Family Life at Bethel Church. He is a popular teacher and noted author of books about transformation that communicate truth with humor and power.

**Time:** Tuesday Evenings, 7:00—9:30 pm

**Location:** 61 Quarry St., Gloucester, MA 01930

**Contact:** Donna Milham, 978-283-9111 or Martha Hart, 978-283-0755

**Directions to 61 Quarry Street** – Take 128N to the Rotary. From the Gloucester Rotary take the third exit towards Annisquam. Drive about 3.7 miles and take a right onto Quarry Street (purple house on the corner). Watch for #61 at the end of their driveway, on your right.

## Intercessors:

We are calling for those who have a heart for this ministry to prayerfully consider becoming an intercessor for this work. If that is you, please call Karen Elliott at 978-263-6436 or Rev. Donna Milham at 978-283-9111

## Financial Gifts:

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