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Whatever is true, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, if anything is excellent or praiseworthy—think about such things.

How to Stay Positive in a Negative World



If you haven't been touched by all the negativism in the world in recent months, you aren't paying attention.

Often, it seems like each side in politics is just tearing the other one up, and talk show hosts only present the worst-case scenarios. We live in a fallen world in which we are constantly bombarded with negativity. Add to that natural life—where people experience sickness and relationship problems—and there is a pressure in this world that if you were to allow it, it would totally defeat you.

However, it's important that we maintain a positive attitude no matter what is happening in the world.

I've often told people that life is a terminal experience. It really doesn't matter how young or healthy you are. Unless Jesus comes back, we're all headed toward a grave. If you just look at things from this perspective, you could feel defeated.

In Scripture, Jesus talked about end times. He said wars and suffering would increase (Matt. 24:6–7, Mark 13:7, and Luke 21:9), and people would cry out for “peace and safety” (1 Thess. 5:3), but instead there would be earthquakes and other terrible things happening. In Matthew 24:10–12, Jesus says:

And then shall many be offended, and shall betray one another, and shall hate one another. And many false prophets shall rise, and shall deceive many. And because iniquity shall abound, the love of many shall wax cold.

This is an amazing statement. Jesus is saying that because of what's going on around us, “the love of many shall wax cold.” The word wax is significant. It goes back to the way candles used to be made. They would take a wick and dip it in hot wax, then lift it up and keep it out for a short time. That wax would instantly cool off and form a little layer on the wick.

They would keep doing this over and over, hundreds of times. That is how candles were made, and that's what this verse is referring to. The constant negativity and ungodliness in the world causes the love of many to wax cold. In other words, it's a process. It's like a callus on your hand. It happens layer after layer. Over time, you get to where you become hardened toward the love of God.

Sad to say, the news media focuses on everything that can go wrong. Good news doesn't sell. People capitalise on the bad news and if there isn't any bad news, they will make up dire predictions! In contrast, every

year people get really excited about the first day of school at Charis Bible College. Some people have spent years believing God to get here. This is the fulfillment of all their efforts, and it's electrifying when you are in that Auditorium. People are shouting and praising God. There's nothing like it.

However, the exact same people who were so excited at the beginning of school—after a few months of having to get up early every morning don't display the same enthusiasm.

I prayed about this and asked God what made the difference. The Lord told me it was because on the first day, people were anticipating. Hope made the difference! Hope is anticipating all the positive things that are going to come. Thinking about all the bad things that can happen results in dread and fear. This is the opposite of hope.

Hope is a powerful force. The reason students were praising God and were so excited was because they were only thinking on the positive things that were going to happen. They were envisioning good things.

But then as life sets in, people's attitudes change. God is not the one who cuts off the spigot. God is not the one who's different two months into the school year. God is never the variable. He's the same yesterday, today, and forever (Heb. 13:8). God doesn't change.

What changes is our focus. When you get caught up in negative news and the mundane things that it takes to just walk through life, you can get into trouble. In Matthew 14:24–32, Jesus called Peter to walk on the water. As long as Peter kept his eyes on Jesus, he was able to walk on top of that water. But then he took his eyes off Jesus. He saw the wind and the waves, which had nothing to do with him walking on the water. He couldn't have walked on the water even if it had been a perfectly calm day. He took his eyes off the Lord, related to things only as a natural person, and began to sink. The Lord had to reach out and lift him up, and it's the same thing with us!

If we could keep ourselves focused on what God has said, on the promises of God, and all the good things God has done, we could maintain a positive attitude in the midst of a negative world. Think about it. You could maintain your faith even if a doctor gives you a bad report. You could maintain your joy and your peace even if a relationship is falling apart.

Regardless of what's going on in the world, you can stay positive. But I guarantee you it's not going to happen without effort. I believe it's absolutely crucial that you make a deliberate attempt to stay positive!

What I've shared with you here is just the tip of the iceberg on this topic. I've got many biblical examples—David, Moses, and Abraham all found themselves in crisis situations and had to stay positive. I hope you'll get the complete teaching so that you can fully understand and be equipped to apply what I'm talking about. I promise you'll be encouraged! To order *How to Stay Positive in a Negative World*, go to awme.net/shop or call our UK Helpline on **+44 (0)1922 473300**. **GT**

We love you,

Andrew and Jamie

How to Stay Positive in a Negative World

If you haven't noticed that we live in a negative world, you're not paying attention. Watch the news, read the newspaper, or listen to the negative conversations around you long enough, and you'll find yourself discouraged.

So how do you stay positive in the midst of this negative world? In this teaching, available as a DVD or CD album, Andrew addresses the subject head-on. You'll learn how to rise above the noise of negativity and live according to the promises of God's Word.

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Reaching Out to Jesus in Faith Heals Cancer

After being diagnosed with ovarian cancer, Vonya Currey did everything in her human ability to be free from her deadly condition.

Vonya, a nurse and nutritionist, knew the terrible side effects of chemotherapy. So, she opted for a grueling cancer therapy that had worked for her husband years prior. It included a strict diet, taking up to seventy pills a day, and detox sessions. She was so regimented that the therapy consumed her life. However, she wasn't improving.

In desperation, Vonya had sought out many physicians, but an unexpected occurrence would spark the change she critically needed.

A doctor suggested that she explore the supplement bentonite clay. While researching it online, Vonya "stumbled upon" the healing journey of Niki Ochenski Weller. She was amazed that Niki was miraculously healed of fibromyalgia, and it inspired hope that she, too, could be healed.

Vonya scoured the Andrew Wommack Ministries website, awmi.net. She immersed herself in the free teachings and *Healing Journeys* videos, determined to find the formula for healing. But as hope increased, her condition worsened.

While searching for more answers, she discovered Robert and Elizabeth Muren's *God with Us* musical. She immediately identified with the character of the woman with the issue of blood, played by Jamie Wommack. She had also suffered many things from the hands of physicians with no success (Mark 5:25–26).

Vonya desired to have a relationship with God. So, she asked Him, for the first time, what He thought about her diagnosis. The Holy Spirit then gently ministered to her that she had been trying to get healed in her own strength, not God's. She realised that the common theme in all the *Healing Journeys* she'd watched was not a formula, but a focus on God's Word.

She delved into the Word and began renewing her mind. The "Assuring Your Heart" section of Andrew's *Who Told You That You Were Naked?* teaching helped anchor her faith.

Having watched the *God with Us* video numerous times, Vonya and her family visited Colorado to see the live performance. While there, she met Andrew and Jamie Wommack and the Murens. She told them her story. Andrew asked her point-blank if she was healed. And she declared, "Yes!" But when she returned home, she received her worst laboratory test results ever.

Vonya was undeterred. Just like the woman with the issue of blood risked her life to touch the hem of Jesus's garment, Vonya stopped all her medications with the Holy Spirit's peace and guidance. She subsequently received complete healing!

Today, Vonya and her family are actively involved in sharing the same truths that set her free. They help film the *Healing Journeys* Conferences, which feature many of her *Healing Journeys* heroes, including Niki Ochenski Weller.

Additionally, they host *Charis Healing University* sessions at their local library, where they regularly see miracles. Vonya also helps with sewing the hems of garments used in performances of the *God with Us* musical that gave her hope.

To watch Vonya's full *Healing Journeys* video, go to L.awmi.net/VonyaCurrey. **GT**



God with Us: The Empire and the Kingdom

It's just amazing! We have had people compare this to Broadway. And it's every bit as good.

— Andrew Wommack

There is a saying that a picture is worth a thousand words. Once you have experienced a theatrical production by internationally recognised producers Robert and Elizabeth Muren, you may find the phrase to be an understatement. The beautiful pictures created onstage in the Murens original musical, *God with Us*, bring the Bible to life in a profound way. The show will take you on a journey through Bible history and you'll learn of an unchanging God who is mighty to save His people.

The story is told by the aging Apostle Peter as he arrives in Rome in 64 AD. Christians are being persecuted for their faith by Emperor Nero, and many, including Peter, are thrown into jail and risk execution. To encourage them while they are imprisoned, Peter tells stories from Scripture of people who "fought the good fight of faith"—such as Daniel, who was thrown into the lions' den, and Esther, a young Jewish woman who became the queen of Persia.

With their backs against the wall, Peter and his friends are confronted with rejecting Yeshua or holding on to the confession of their faith. Peter tells them that he faced a similar challenge of denying the Lord.

Robert Muren explains that the story is one we can all relate to: "People recognise themselves in Peter . . . we all are broken vessels, people with mistakes and flaws in our lives. But the grace of God can just totally cover and transform anyone," says Robert.

Past attendees and cast members of *God with Us* appreciate the outstanding production quality. The performance features interactive scenes created with an LED backdrop, and the gorgeous costuming is so realistic that you'll think you've been transported back to biblical times! Here is what one former cast member had to say about the show:

This musical brings the story and context of the Bible alive! It is a moving experience with artistic genius woven throughout the entire production. The God with Us musical is an experience you won't forget.

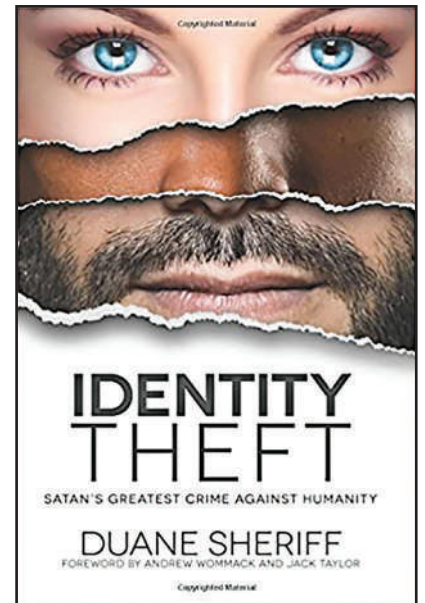
— Emma H.

One of the highlights of the performance is the unforgettable music. Powerful, soaring melodies, such as "Hem of His Garment" sung by Jamie Wommack, will touch you on a heart level. Additionally, choreographed moves will urge you out of your seat to dance along with the cast.

Make plans to attend *God with Us*, showing 2nd-4th April at The Auditorium, our world-class performing arts and events centre on the campus of Charis Bible College in Woodland Park, CO. It is an event for the entire family that you won't want to miss. Let this time be a wonderful reminder that no matter what is going on in the world, **God is indeed with us**. Go to **GodWithUsMusical.com** to watch the trailer, purchase tickets, and learn more. **GT**



Understanding Your Identity in Christ



By Duane Sheriff



About Duane Sheriff

Duane Sheriff is the Senior and Founding Pastor of Victory Life Church, a multi-campus church headquartered in Durant, Oklahoma. Pastor Duane is an author and speaker who travels around the world speaking at conferences and churches, as well as Charis Bible College. His first book, *Identity Theft*, was released in 2017 and can be purchased at IDTheft.PastorDuane.com.

To learn more about Charis, visit Charisbiblecollege.org.uk

From the age of nine, I sought God profoundly by myself. But I failed miserably. I tried to follow all the church rules but still didn't feel like I was pleasing to the Lord. I failed so many times that I eventually gave up.

It wasn't until years later, when I had an open vision of the cross, that I got a glimpse of my identification with and in Christ. I supernaturally saw myself in Him as He died, was buried, and went to the lower parts of the earth. I saw Him walking out of the grave, and I saw myself on the inside of Him. But it was not the same me that died on the cross. It was a different me.

The vision, which I cannot describe in full detail here, had a profound impact on me. I began to pursue God for an understanding of what I had seen. And the Lord began to teach me what many of us have not been taught—**the power of the cross.**

He took me to 2 Corinthians 5. I saw in verse 17 that **I was a new creation** and that old things had passed away. But I looked at my body, and it hadn't changed. My stinkin' thinkin' hadn't passed away. Furthermore, verse 18 said, *"And all things are of God."* But I knew all things were not of God in my flesh and my carnal, unrenewed mind.

Then, the Lord showed me that there's more to me than my flesh.

I saw that the reason I had struggled all these years was that no one had introduced me to *the new me* in Christ Jesus. No one had explained to me that I am three parts: spirit, soul, and body (1 Thess. 5:23).

God began showing me through Philippians 1:6 that He had begun a good work inside me in my **spirit man**. He's working daily on my **soulish man**, and He's given me a promise of my **outer man** (my body) being redeemed at the appearing of Jesus. So, I'm saved (Eph. 2:8), I'm being saved (Rom. 12:2), and I will be saved (Rom. 8:23–24).

If you're struggling in the flesh, I can identify with you. You're trying to live this life *for* God. Instead, you should be learning how to live *from—and with—* God in your new identity in Christ.

I covered more of this all-important topic in my sessions at the 2020 Identity in Christ Conference and extensively in my book *Identity Theft*. I highly encourage you to get these resources. Understanding identification with Christ will transform your life as it did mine. **GT**



AWMPACT: AWM Helpline

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Andrew's heart is going after the one—just like the shepherd whose heart is to leave the ninety-nine to go after the one.

— Andrew J.

Our AWM Helpline ministers are making an eternal impact in the lives of callers worldwide! Whether a person is looking for prayer, a teaching from Andrew, or to donate to AWM—our ministers are providing a critical service to help others in a time of need.

In January 2020, the **AWMI (USA office) Helpline** expanded its hours to twenty-four hours a day, five days a week. Before the Helpline offered extended hours, an average of twenty-eight calls came in per night while it was closed. This may represent callers from different time zones or people unable to reach the Helpline during normal business hours. Now, during late-night hours, phone ministers are averaging one-hundred and fifty phone calls!

With the success of the expansion, the Helpline is now open seven days a week and calls are answered on Saturday and Sunday from 7:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Mountain Time. Check out testimonies that our phone ministers have shared about the impact of our extended hours:

A caller has tried to call on weekends in the past but with no answer. She "felt led" to call on Saturday and was surprised and grateful to place her order. She said AWMI is the best!

— James N.

I have had at least a dozen people thank us for being open on the weekends. I also had a lady call in yesterday with strange flashes in her eyes. While we prayed, the flashes went away. She was very excited.

— Debra F.

I've had lots of people say how grateful they are that we are here on the weekend. Many people call just hoping someone will answer the phone, even though they believe we are closed, and are so happy someone answered.

— Aaron S.

Partners, you are providing a lifeline for people to connect to the AWM Helpline whenever it is convenient for them. Thank you for making this important resource available to those who need it most! For prayer or to order product, call the **UK Helpline on +44(0)1922 473300 open from 8am - 9pm, Monday - Friday.** **GT**

Note: Testimonies have been edited for length and clarity.

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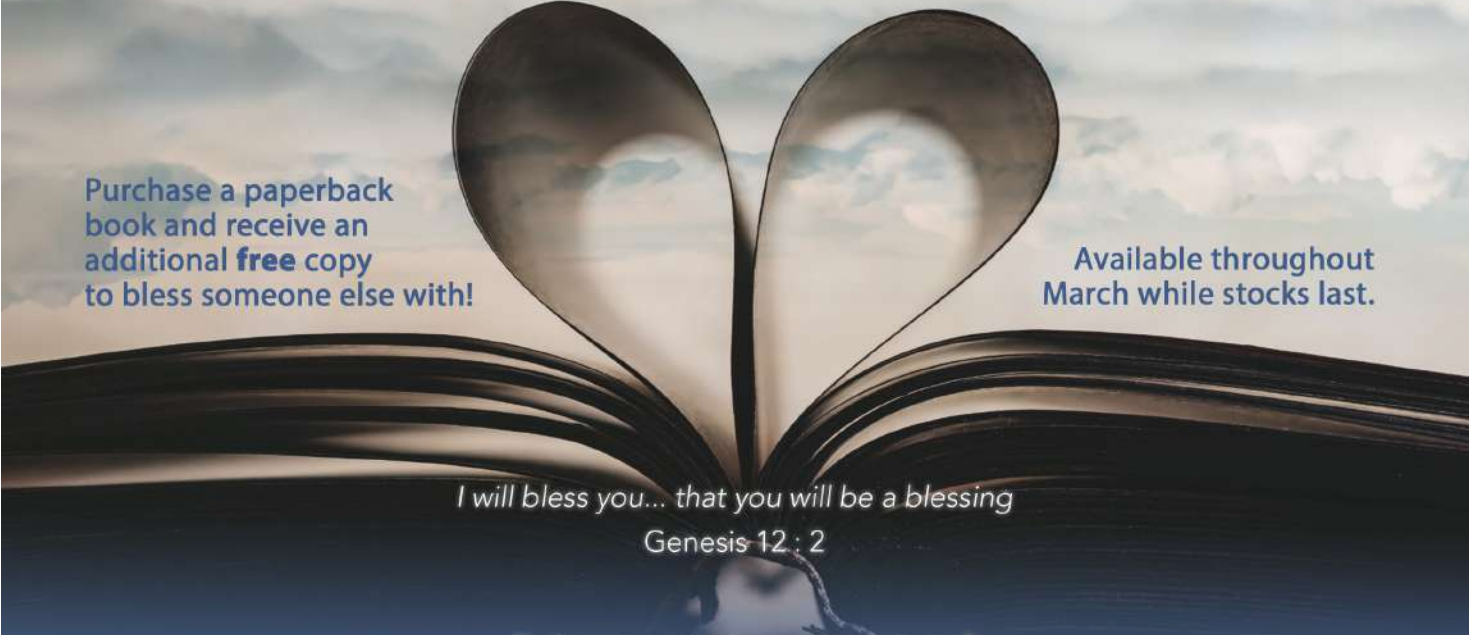
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