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Hebrews: Living in the
New Covenant Reality, Part 2



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Hebrews

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This month, we're continuing our study of Hebrews. This is absolutely essential if you want to operate in the New Covenant grace Jesus purchased for us. Hebrews is a radical book and contrary to modern-day Christianity, where many still live under the Old Covenant and haven't entered into the freedom and the liberty available through Jesus in the New Covenant. That's really the heart of it.

The eleventh chapter of Hebrews is known as the "Hall of Faith" because it shows the extraordinary exploits of many people in the Old Testament. The key takeaway from each example is that it wasn't just about their physical actions, but their heart attitude of faith. So, even under the Old Covenant, it was faith that was the victory that overcame the world, not just performance. As 1 John 5:4 says, *"For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world: and this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith."*

Abraham and Sarah's story is a prime example of this. The scripture below is one of the most important things that I've ever seen in the Word of God, and it has literally changed my life.

And truly, if they had been mindful of that country from whence they came out, they might have had opportunity to have returned.

Hebrews 11:15

This verse has deeply impacted my understanding and highlights a profound truth: you cannot be tempted by something you don't think about. Abraham and Sarah didn't dwell on returning to their old life; therefore, they weren't tempted to go back. They were focused on what lay ahead, not what they left behind.

Many people find themselves constantly battling temptation because they let their minds dwell on things they should avoid. They end up struggling, trying to hold on and plead with God to hold them steady so that they'll last. But it's because they shouldn't have ever been thinking that way in the first place. You won't be tempted with something if

you don't think about it. For instance, I've dealt with a lot of Christian men who struggled with lust, largely because they viewed pornography. They thought of it as harmless because they were just looking. But even this "just looking" involves thinking about things that lead to greater temptation.

Jesus made it clear in Matthew 5:28 that lustful thoughts are equivalent to committing adultery. Sin begins in our minds. James 1:15 says, *"Then when lust hath conceived, it bringeth forth sin: and sin, when it is finished, bringeth forth death."*

Sin doesn't strike us unexpectedly; it starts with our thoughts. But if we guard our minds and avoid thinking about such things, we won't be tempted by them. This principle applies to all areas of our lives. For example, if someone is worried about their health, they might struggle with fear because they focus on the negative possibilities instead of standing on God's promises, such as Psalm 118:17: *"I shall not die, but live, and declare the works of the LORD."* You see, God's Word is full of promises of healing and wholeness (Ps. 103:2-3 and 1 Pet. 2:24). We just need to focus on God's promises rather than our fears.

I recall a time when I was an enthusiastic young believer, passionately sharing my faith wherever I went. At age eighteen, I had a profound encounter with God that transformed my life. I became intensely devoted, which led me to join a group travelling to hear Billy Graham speak in Switzerland. During a stop in New York City, I found myself in Times Square, witnessing to anyone who would listen. I encountered many people, including a group of prostitutes, whom I shared tracts with. At the time, I didn't fully grasp the reality of their situation, so I wasn't even tempted by it because I didn't think that way. My focus was on spreading the Gospel, not on what I was surrounded by.

In the same way, when Abraham was tested by God to offer up his son Isaac, he didn't dwell on the potential losses or challenges he saw in the natural. His faith was so strong that he trusted God to raise Isaac from the dead if necessary. I don't believe God ever truly wanted Isaac as a physical sacrifice—He simply wanted Abraham's complete trust and willingness to obey.



What an encouraging example to fix our eyes on God's promises rather than our fears or doubts. This is mirrored in Romans 8:6, where it says, "*For to be carnally minded is death; but to be spiritually minded is life and peace.*" Being spiritually minded means letting God's Word guide your thoughts and actions, rather than being controlled by your senses or life's uncertainties.

You know, when God touched my life, I became so focussed on Him that I went about twenty years without even watching TV. Sure, I missed out on a lot of American and pop culture, but I didn't miss anything that truly mattered. I haven't dealt with depression, serious sickness, or poverty. Instead, I've witnessed incredible miracles and lives transformed by the Word of God. My point is, while you might miss some worldly things by focussing on God, the trade-off is a life overflowing with spiritual fruit and divine encounters.

If you're struggling with faith, healing, or any other issue, it often comes down to what you are focussing on. Are you giving place to doubts and fears, or are you holding fast to God's promises? God's Word is an incorruptible seed (1 Pet. 1:23) that will produce results if you let it grow in your heart. Your part is to nurture that seed by fixing your thoughts on God's truth. If you're not seeing results, it might be because you're letting contrary thoughts undermine your faith.

We need to remember that faith is not a feeling but a choice—a choice to focus on God's promises, to ignore the distractions and doubts, and to live with the assurance that what He has promised, He is also able to perform (Rom. 4:20–21). Whether we face personal challenges or global uncertainties, our focus on God's Word will keep us anchored in faith, peace, and strength.

I want you to experience the full freedom of the New Covenant and understand the power of faith.

This article is just a starting point, so I encourage you to get my full teaching, titled *Hebrews: Living in the New Covenant Reality*. I believe it'll help you overcome temptations and truly embrace the freedom Christ offers.

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Andrew and Jamie



Moving Past Disappointment

God's Never the Problem; He's Always Our Answer

Disappointment is an inevitable part of life. Whether it's unmet expectations, unanswered prayers, or the disbelief of those around us, disappointment can lead us to back off from the Word of God and lose sight of His promises. So how do we move past disappointment and realign ourselves with God's truth?

The first step is to get our focus on the Word. Let's look at Jesus' words in John 14:12:

Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that believeth on me, the works that I do shall he do also; and greater works than these shall he do; because I go unto my Father.

Instead, come boldly to the throne of grace as you surrender your heart and cast your cares on the Lord (1 Pet. 5:7). That will allow the Spirit and the Word to work together within you, bringing the transformation your soul needs to move forward and be of good cheer!

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Getting our minds fixed on this powerful truth helps us remember who we are in Christ. We only have two choices when disappointment comes: we can either turn to God's Word and believe it or turn away and reject it. God once told me during a difficult family time, "Daniel, you either believe My Word or you don't." I don't know about you, but I'm choosing to believe the Word and focus on that instead of circumstances.

Next, we need to surrender our hearts and cast our cares onto the Lord. That's what Jesus did in the Garden of Gethsemane when his three closest friends fell asleep and failed to pray (Mark 14:37). Jesus did not want to endure what was to come, but He chose to submit His soul to the will of God and cast His cares upon the Father.

How did Jesus do this? Well, He prayed a prayer of consecration, repeatedly praying and surrendering His will to God until He was fully aligned with the Father's plan (Mark 14:36). This is a powerful lesson for us. The prayer of consecration deals with the heart at a core level, and we need to keep submitting and yielding our hearts to God until our souls align with His Word.

But as I often say, sometimes there's a fight to delight. It can be a fight to shut out distractions or fear and focus solely on God and His Word. Jesus was such a man of prayer that He often spent entire nights praying to the Father and fellowshiping with Him, preparing His heart to deal with the challenges of the next day. Following Jesus' example—by spending quality time with God and in His Word—will make a big difference in your life. I want to encourage you, don't get stuck in disappointment!



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God's Provision to End World Hunger

Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us, Unto him be glory in the church by Christ Jesus throughout all ages, world without end. Amen.

Ephesians 3:20–21

After being excommunicated from their Amish church in 2006, the Lapp family faced an uncertain future. With no formal education, limited resources, and a lack of understanding of the new culture they found themselves in, they had to rely on their faith.

Around this time, their brother-in-law, Aaron, started volunteering at a food bank. He brought much-needed provisions home for their family. As they shared their surplus, God blessed them with even more.

Discovering that the majority of food donations in America go to waste, the four men saw an opportunity to put groceries in the homes of those in need rather than in landfills. In 2010, they founded Blessings of Hope, a small food distribution center, with the ambitious goal of combating world hunger.

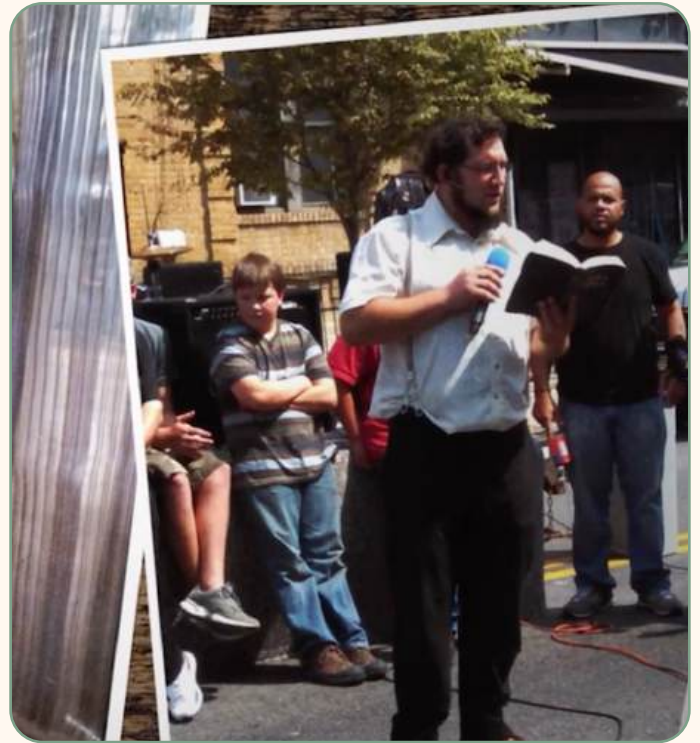
They started out small, packing food boxes in a three-car garage. But their ministry grew, and God started bringing them more donations than they could handle. The family then created an innovative business model to prevent waste and manage donations more efficiently, allowing churches and nonprofits to pick up supplies from their warehouse in amounts that were needed.

As a result, they experienced tremendous success and growth. However, they realized that expert guidance was needed to move their ministry to the next level. That's when they were introduced to WealthBuilders, a ministry led by Billy Epperhart, the CEO of Andrew Wommack Ministries. After gaining knowledge through teachings on real estate and business growth, the Lapps took a calculated risk and purchased a 48,000-square-foot warehouse in 2019 just before the COVID-19 pandemic hit.

Despite seeing many businesses and ministries decline and their own inventory dwindling, the Lapps chose to push forward, praying to God for provision and

increase. "We decided to continue giving food away until we either ran out of food or ran out of money," Aaron recounts.

Their faith was rewarded as massive amounts of food, volunteers, and funding started pouring in. Their efforts



also caught the attention of the White House, who recruited Blessings of Hope for the Farmers to Families Food Program. By the end of 2020, they had distributed over sixty-five million pounds of food and served countless families during the pandemic.

Today, Blessings of Hope continues to grow into multiple locations and has plans to expand their distribution centers both nationally and internationally. The Lapp family's journey is a powerful reminder that through faith, trust, and obedience, God can turn the most challenging situations into opportunities to bless others!

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On September 30, we were thrilled to launch our brand new 24/7 video-on-demand and broadcast TV network, the Gospel Truth Network (GTN). GTN is all about lifting you up and pointing you to Jesus. No matter what time it is or what you're facing, we're always there with open arms and a warm smile, ready to help you grow in your faith. And on those tough days, that can make all the difference.

Here's what GTN brings to the table:

- Something for everyone, from kids to adults
- Solid biblical teaching and exclusive programming
- Consistent messaging on God's unconditional love and grace
- Shows featuring your favorite Charis-affiliated teachers

You'll still find all your favourites like Andrew Wommack's daily *Gospel Truth* program, Carrie Pickett's *Life Foundations*, and the *Truth & Liberty Show*. Plus, we're also rolling out some brand-new shows for the entire family.

So, whether you need a boost of encouragement or just want to soak in some rich Bible teaching, GTN is there with comfort and wisdom whenever you need it. Watch anytime for free at **GTNTV.com**.

Here's a glimpse of some new shows:



Andrew's Classics: Mike and Carrie Pickett dive into Andrew Wommack's past and present teachings, revealing personal stories and insights that haven't been shared before. Carrie shares, "This program has become everyone's favourite, as it opens a door into Andrew's life and heart like never before. You will be blessed!"



Charis Unplugged: This refreshing podcast-style show explores a biblical worldview through intimate interviews and inspiring testimonies. The host, Julianne Harris, invites viewers to "unplug from the chaos and plug into God's truth as we dive into raw, transformational stories that will light up your faith and energize your spirit."



Free Indeed: Barry Bennett's show is all about discovering true freedom in Christ. It's like a breath of fresh air, inviting you to let go of guilt and stress while embracing a life of peace and joy grounded in biblical truth.

My desire is that Free Indeed would help believers discover a true, joy-filled relationship with God that would transform them, their families, and their futures. I believe the abundant life that Jesus promised is possible and available to those who receive His freedom.

— Barry Bennett



Good Day: In a world filled with challenges and negativity, host Daniel Bennett guides viewers to an optimistic outlook because God is good! Enjoy practical tips, games, hilarious reactions, and more! It's like having a friend who reminds you to stay hopeful, have a merry heart, and see the good in every situation.



Let's Talk: This show connects teenage girls with mentors for conversations about addressing real-life issues with biblical principles. It empowers young girls to gain wisdom and make confident decisions, encouraging them to lean into their inheritance as daughters of the Most High God.

Every show on GTN will strengthen your faith and grow your relationship with the Lord!



Grace & Faith Today: Filmed in front of a live studio audience, host Andrew Wommack, along with cohosts Mike and Carrie Pickett, interview guests and engage in lively discussions. Through a mix of biblical teachings and inspiring testimonies, this show motivates you to embrace a victorious life in Christ.

Check out the new network currently available at GTNTV.com and discover a channel dedicated to sharing life's journey with you.



An Important Announcement

From the Desk of Andrew Wommack

I have a HUGE announcement to make, and because you're one of our partners who has made this worldwide ministry possible, I wanted you to be among the first to hear.

I just turned seventy-five in April, and we had an awesome celebration here at AWM and Charis. If you haven't seen the performance my staff put together yet, you can visit awmi.net/birthday to watch it. I guarantee it will make you smile. We had a great time.

Now, on to the big news. The HUGE announcement concerns a legacy move regarding Charis and how we plan to carry this life-transforming ministry into the next generation.

I know many of you only connect with this ministry through our television broadcasts or products, but Charis is a big part of what the Lord has called me to do. I won't be on TV forever, but Charis is positioned to be around for generations, not only in the U.S. but around the world.



Just as Moses asked the Lord who was going to follow him in Numbers 27:15–17, Jamie and I asked the Lord to show us who to pass this baton of Charis Bible College to. This is a very important decision that we have put a lot of prayer into and sought counsel for.

We actually started this process seven years ago when I called some of my leadership team together and sought their counsel in deciding what to do as I get older. I plan on living a long, healthy life, but I am aware that each one of us has an expiration date, and I don't want my promotion to glory to cause any problems because of a lack of preparation.

After four years of asking the Lord to guide our steps in this, Jamie and I decided that Mike and Carrie Pickett are the ones the Lord has anointed for this role. We shared this with our board of directors, and they all unanimously agreed that the Picketts are the ones the Lord has appointed to take Charis into the future. We shared this with Mike and Carrie three years ago, and we have been coaching and preparing them for that transition ever since.

I decided that the celebration of Charis' 30th anniversary was the ideal time to make this public.

Just to clarify, I'm not retiring. I'm going to continue doing everything I'm doing now and more. I plan to live a long, healthy, and productive life. So, while I'm not stepping down, the Picketts will gradually assume more and more of the daily decision-making and leadership responsibilities of Charis.

In fact, this transition has already been underway over the last three years. Charis is a huge ministry with fifty-three locations in twenty-two nations. I haven't been managing this by myself. Mike and Carrie have been integral to Charis leadership for nine years. Things will continue transitioning as they have been, but at an accelerated pace and now with more people recognising their pivotal role in shaping the future.

Many of you are already familiar with Mike and Carrie. We've been giving them more and more visibility in our ministry over the last few years. But regardless of whether you know much about them or not, Jamie and I both assure you that they have our DNA and are the perfect couple for this next step.

I've known Carrie since she was ten years old. After graduating from Charis, Carrie spent sixteen years as a missionary in Russia. It was there that she met Mike. Together, they led our ministry in Russia, making significant strides such as securing spots on Russian TV, translating our literature, opening and operating our Russian office, and directing our Russian Charis Bible College. Their impact was profound, touching thousands of lives, and the ripple effects of their discipleship are still felt by thousands more today.

They had very little help from us in those early days and learnt invaluable lessons about trusting the Lord to be their provider in every area. For the past nine years, they



have been back in the States helping us, and everything they have touched in the ministry has prospered.

I remember when we invited them over to our home to share with them that we believed the Lord had anointed them to take Charis into the future. They knew that was where the Lord was leading them, but they made it clear that if we ever changed our minds, they would be glad to step back and let someone else lead. They just want to serve the Lord in whatever capacity He wants them to.

That attitude is pure gold. That's the heart and attitude Jamie and I have, and we believe that the Lord will give them grace because of that humble attitude (1 Pet. 5:5).

So, please rejoice with us over this milestone in our ministry, and pray for Mike and Carrie and their two children, Elliana and Michael, as they move into a ministry position that is literally impacting the world. They recognise the magnitude of this responsibility, but they also know that they can do all things through Christ (Phil. 4:13) and have consistently proven their trust in the Lord to do just that.

I'm excited about this. Charis would never have gotten to the place it is today without the contribution of Mike and Carrie, and I'm confident they will take it to new heights of influence in the body of Christ.

I've often said that if your vision isn't bigger than you, you haven't truly got God's vision for your life yet. AWM and Charis are way beyond Jamie and me.



With just under 1,200 employees worldwide across twenty-two foreign AWM offices, our vision outgrew our abilities decades ago. One of the greatest blessings to us has been all the anointed, gifted, and totally awesome people the Lord has brought alongside us to help accomplish God's vision. And Mike and Carrie are two of God's best, and it is marvellous in our eyes that the Lord has put this together (Ps. 118:23).

Thank God for Jesus!

Andrew and Jamie

Watch the Charis 30th Anniversary at awmi.net. Go to watch, then event video archives.



Time: Your Greatest Investment

Time is such a precious gift. Without managing it carefully and setting clear priorities, life's busyness can easily pull us away from our true purpose, leaving us feeling exhausted in a whirlwind of activity.

But life is so much better when we give every aspect of it to the Lord and seek His guidance. The Word says, *"Trust in the LORD with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths"* (Prov. 3:5–6).

So, how can we use our time wisely while inviting God into our daily routines? It begins with centering our lives on God and investing in our relationship with Him.

The term *invest* is purposeful here because it involves placing something valuable, like our time, into something that yields great returns. When we make God a priority and consistently nurture our relationship with Him, He multiplies our time and boosts our efficiency. We also experience a different level of grace in managing everything we once struggled with.



CARRIE PICKETT

spent sixteen years as a missionary in Russia, where she established and directed the Charis Bible College campus in St. Petersburg. In 2015, she returned to Colorado and is now serving as an executive vice president of Andrew Wommack Ministries and Charis. Carrie is dedicated to spreading God's grace worldwide and raising up powerful ministers with a Great Commission vision.

Sometimes, we get so focused on our own plans that we lose sight of God's will for us. It's important to make sure that our personal ambitions don't overshadow our relationship with God. Even good ideas can lead us astray if they distract us from what God has planned for us.

The enemy's goal is to keep us overwhelmed and distracted enough to steer us off course from our true calling and lead us down the wrong path. But God's plan is far better than our own. Look how He reassures us through His Word: When we trust that God's plans for us are good and we allow Him to guide our days, the results will be far

For I know the plans I have for you, declares the LORD, plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope.

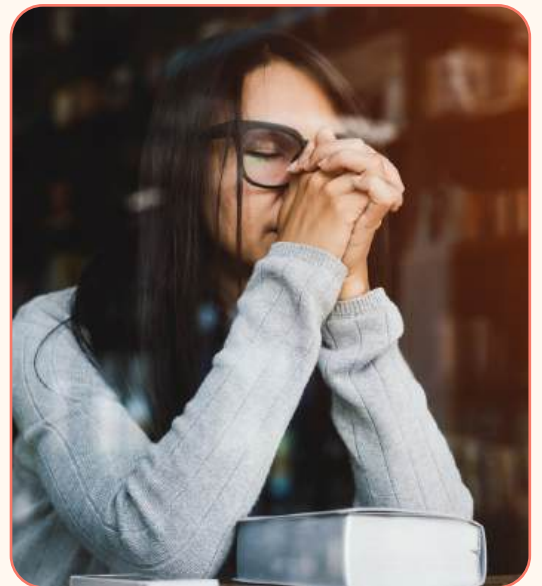
Jeremiah 29:11, English Standard Version, emphasis added

Time Management Tips:

1. Pray before making commitments.
2. Talk to God about your schedule.
3. Let the Holy Spirit lead you.

more fulfilling than anything we could accomplish on our own. Starting my day early with exercise, Bible study, prayer, and journaling helps keep me focused on the Lord and ready for the day.

I encourage you to invite the Holy Spirit into your day from the moment you wake up. Ask God to talk to you about every task on your calendar, every conversation, and every thought. He is always listening to you and eager to help you be more efficient, effective, and successful in everything you do.



Faith, Hope, and Healing Journeys!

Your steadfast support is bearing incredible fruit! Lives are being changed through the power of God's truth, bringing healing, hope, and freedom. Let these inspiring testimonies encourage you:

Faith Conquers Jaw Pain

"Thanks for all that you are doing for the kingdom of God. Recently, I started watching the healing services online for the first time, including Healing Is Here 2024. During one of the services, Andrew called out jaw pain and, in that moment, I knew he was speaking to me. By faith, I received my healing and ran around praising the Lord!"

— Thelma M.

From Addiction to Salvation

"My struggles with drugs, alcohol, and crime were spiraling out of control. One night while working my pizza delivery job, I decided to listen to Andrew's CD, *Spirit, Soul & Body*. The teaching CD was given to me by a Christian friend I used to avoid, and it had been sitting in my backseat for weeks! As soon as I heard Andrew say, 'You must be born again,' my heart was convicted to be saved. Soon after, I got filled with the Holy Spirit, quit drugs and crime, and my life has been transformed!"

— Adrian S.

Jesus, the Divine Physician

"Your ministry has blessed me with encouragement, healing, and prosperity. During my home labour, I knew Jesus was my ultimate Doctor. Although I fought against doubts, I gave it all to Him and delivered a healthy baby girl. All glory to God! She's perfect, and Jesus has provided for us financially. I don't rely on doctors like I used to, and I am healed in every way! Thank You, Jesus."

— Christina D.

*Therefore, if any man be in Christ,
he is a new creature: old things are
passed away; behold, all things are
become new.*

2 Corinthians 5:17

No weapon formed against you shall prosper

"My brother-in-law had been suffering from cancer for 2 years. I decided to ring the UK Helpline for prayer. The prayer minister agreed with me for health and wholeness. Just four weeks after the prayer, my brother-in-law was declared cancer free. Praise Jesus."

— Bernadette.

Breaking Free from Guilt and Legalism

"Being enrolled in a legalistic Christian training center, I viewed God as a very rigorous judge and felt crushed by the weight of guilt. Then I came across Andrew's teachings by chance one day, and I got new revelation about life as a Christian. I learned that God loves me not because I'm lovable or perfect, but because He is love. Today, I no longer feel guilty, and I thank God for setting me free!"

— Céline B.

Surely, He Took Our Pain

"I called Andrew's UK Helpline as I woke up with a bad neck. I could barely move it and I was in excruciating pain – the worst pain I'd ever experienced. I wasn't able to make it to the GP physically but I spoke to him on the phone. The GP said I had twisted a muscle in my sleep, and it would take up to 2 weeks to get better. This was a Monday at 10am. On the same day at 2pm I decided to call the Helpline for prayer, and praise God, the pain left completely within 3 hours of that prayer. I went back to work the day after. I was so grateful."

— Steve.

Empowered to Walk in Divine Health

"Hallelujah! After years of listening to Andrew's messages, I can testify that these truths are working for me! Refusing to accept any symptoms in my body, I stand on God's Word that by His stripes, I am healed! I now walk in divine health—praise God! Thank you, Andrew and Jamie!"

— Janine L.

Testimonies edited for length and clarity.



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