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an historical account of one man's walk with God

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Boldly declaring the new things of Isaiah 42:9 and the greater things of John 14:12 in this rapture generation

In a fallen world, righteousness does not depend upon perfect conduct but upon obedience

A DAY WITH GOD

On Thursday, January 27, 2011, the Lord instructed me with these words, "And yes, the April 10, 2004 entry in your journal is a hallmark in your writing. It would be good to put that in a letter. That work is ninety percent done – I have done it for you. 3,140** words from me in a single day is beyond the concept of all in the Pentecost Method."

The Lord has also instructed me to testify in this letter, so that will also be something new for my writing.

In view of these facts, you may wonder why I have waited more than eight months to publish this letter. The reason is that when the Lord gave me these instructions, I had already written my letters through September (No. 142).

As He has instructed me, following is a tabulation of prophetic words God gave me at three different times on *April 10, 2004*, with brief explanations and footnotes I added to His original words. The explanations and footnotes are expediciencies to understanding the prophetic words, but I have deleted both in column two of the following tabulation for a comparative word count. Here is the tabulation of words in each one:

TOTAL WORDS

	<u>With</u> explanations & footnotes	<u>Without</u> explanations & footnotes
Early morning	0,782	0,782
Beginning at 8:35 PM	0,153	0,112
Beginning at 10:30 PM	<u>2,205</u>	<u>1,737</u>
<u>Totals</u>	<u>3,140**</u>	<u>2,631</u>

This number of words from the mouth of God on one day was a first. It was an awesome experience. I still remember that night particularly, when God began talking to me at 10:30 P. M. and continued until midnight. It made a profound impression on me as my notes indicate. And the fact that these words were given to me, instead of to someone who is highly visible out on the front line doing great things for God, made it a very humbling experience. Believe me, He is looking for nobodies who are willing to do His work.

Here, unedited, except for the deletion of four names for the sake of discretion, is how these words appear as transcribed from my journal on *April 10, 2004*. In transcribing and printing these words from my journal, I have added underlining, bold fonts, italics and six footnotes for emphasis, explanations and better understanding.

Early morning
4/10/04 – Saturday.

My son, you can send My Word to accomplish

what I please and prosper in the thing for which I sent it, says God to you this morning. Approach the Bible with this intent: to learn to use the Word, My Word, as I used it says God. Study as you read, meditate as you study, and I will bring you to the fruition you have expressed to Me this morning, for you see that is My desire for you – to desire Me in the fullness thereof that I may be glorified in all you say and do, hence, hasten My soon coming, says your Friend to you this morning.

My son, approach your days hereafter as a classroom for you and Me to talk – to chat – a chat room – for Me to impart to you the desire of My heart. My son, it is the desire of My heart for My servants to desire Me – to desire the desire of My heart for them, for then is when progress begins. But you must remember that slower progress equals greater retention, says God.

I can grant you the greater quantity of Me as requested, but only as you sacrifice your needs to Mine. Then I can be to you what I want to be, and progress is assured.

My son, you asked Me to come by and see you. That is what I have done this morning. I am talking to you even as you write. So continue to ask Me to come by for a visit. That blesses Me and allows Me to come by more often.

I enjoy these times as much as you, for you see, you are made in My – in Our image. That is why what pleases Me pleases you. When you desire to please Me, that is My invitation to come by. But that, reinforced with your heart's request to come by and see you – to visit with you personally – thrills My heart and is an invitation I cannot resist.

Today My son, starts a new relationship with Me. Just ask and I will respond. But remember, ask based on My Word. It is a Word request that I cannot refuse. For you see, My Word is powerful, especially powerful when My servants speak it from the heart. Then is when heart-to-heart communion occurs. That is what pleases Me and that is the request I cannot refuse. Just as a mother hears the request of her child, so I hear your request of Me.

This is a new day – a new beginning again. Look over these words for they contain blessings for you and others, says the Lord to you this morning.

Enjoy the rest of the day My son, for My hand of anointed blessing is upon you. You will be led – guided – only as you desire it today, says the Lord.

I long for My children to desire Me. Not for what I can do or not to provide an urgent need that I can supply, but to desire Me just for My sake. To desire to be with Me, that is the longing of My heart – for My

servants to long to be with Me – to see Me – for My sake. I need that for My sake even as you need Me for your sake. Can you see that – can you understand that? You are made in My, or in Our image. We are so much alike, that most never see, perceive nor understand that. You were made in Our image for fellowship – communion – My son. You see We (Elohiym) desire friendship, fellowship or communion with you. That is why you are – that is why you were created. We (the three of Us) were lonely for true fellowship. You see, we had many failures before Adam. And that discouraged Us. Adam's fall therefore was a sad day in heaven. There was a thirty minute silence in heaven when Adam sinned, for that postponed the communion We had desired in his creation. But thereafter, preparation for the re-establishment of that communion was begun in Christ. He made the reuniting of God and man possible again. That is why He came. That is why He is anxiously awaiting My signal to "Go get your bride," because the communion We long for will begin then. But that is only the preamble to the marriage, the return, the millennial reign and the eternal state which will achieve to the ultimate what We long for, My son. So take heart. Be blessed that I have chosen you as one of My servant warrior soldiers in the pristine end-time army.

Be blessed this day My son.

Saturday, 4/10/04 @ 8:35 P.M.

I simply talked out loud to God while sitting at my desk and asked Him about funding to publish my Rapture Trust, Spiritual Warfare Handbook and several other planned books or pamphlets originating from my letters. I then spoke in tongues and here was the interpretation: (speaking in tongues followed by interpretation or prophetic utterance is happening more frequently now. I believe this is the first time that I simply expressed my thoughts to God out loud while sitting at my desk and got an immediate response. This is exciting and such a blessing. Thank you Lord!)

His answer

My son you must continue to trust Me. I have not forgotten you. See that you do not forget Me in these endeavors. I am your provision and will provide for you when the time is right. Then you will see the reason for the delay. Delay is not denial but perfection in your case. Trust Me, says the Lord.

Saturday, 4/10/04 @ 10:30 P. M.

Dale was still in Henley, England but was scheduled to arrive at D/FW tomorrow at 5:00 P. M. I went to bed about 10:30 P.M., took with me a bible and a note pad intending to read and make any pertinent notes that came to my mind. Then after I had read in Matthew for a few minutes, I prayed in tongues for a short while and the Lord began to speak to me. Here are the words – **the most awesome prophecy I had ever received at that point in time.**

My son you are beginning to see what relationship means. I desire for man to be free and he

must surrender to Me to be free. Surrender is only the first step, then the refining process starts. Gradually, as the processing continues, one is prepared to serve Me. With service comes dedication, then consecration¹ and then freedom. Many come to Me and stay only long enough to be saved. That, My son, is only the first step. When one stays through consecration, then is when relationship begins. That is the object of salvation – consecration – for then I can begin My real work in that one, for he sees Me then as I am, and longs for more. That longing is satisfied only by Me, by My presence in that one's life. When My presence is dominant in one's life, he then is ready for My consuming fire to purge, cleanse and refine the dross until the vessel is cleansed, purified and prepared for service. Only then is that vessel fit for My service. Only then is that one prepared to stand – having done all to stand and to be My disciple to share with others the Life within that saves, justifies and purifies to completion, to the perfection of My Father.

My son, I have begun to reveal to you the blessing I prophesied to you six months ago, that would begin on April 1, 2004. This is the relationship I have been talking to you about. Do you see I have removed the blinders, the obstacles, all hindrances from our communication so that it flows freely now? This is what I have been promising you. This is special. And it has come because of obedience. Obedience is a clearing of the pathway to Me. It all starts with obedience, but few get to the place you now occupy. Occupy until I come, says the Lord. Occupy, meaning, occupy one's self with Me. I am the objective, I am the Prize, I am the One to be sought, for it is only I Who am able to bless to the optimum, for blessings from Me allow Me to draw one to Me.

I am all one needs in life. I am the One to be sought. I am able to be to each one ALL HE DESIRES, but only as He progresses to the point of consecration. Be blessed, My son. This is the beginning of what you have longed for – of what I have longed for you to have. Blessings await – more than you can imagine. Your hunger will be satisfied, your thirst quenched – WITH ME, My son. That is the meaning of communion. I feed you with Me – with Myself. Only that – only I – the

¹Consecration (Hebrews 7:28, Strong's #5048) means to *make perfect* or *to be perfected*. In this scripture, the writer of Hebrews, refers to the Son (Christ) Who has been perfected (or made perfect) forever. The Lord has instructed me, concerning the prophetic words He gives me, to meditate, study or research certain aspects of His prophetic word. As I was researching the word *consecrate*, He showed me, in my mind's eye, a picture of the total creation – our complete solar system and all of the universes (not just ours – there are more than one), and Christ, Who created it all, was standing at the top looking down or looking over His whole creation which He spoke into existence. Somewhere in that vast morass of creation, **unseen**, was the planet earth – infinitesimally small by comparison to the total.

How awesome it is to know personally, the Word Who became flesh and dwelt among men, paid for the sin of the world on the cross, and still cares for us and loves us with a love so real and pure and intense, it is humbling as well as exalting.

Great I AM can fulfill you. Only when one desires to know Me, for the sake of communion with Me, without wanting anything else in return, am I able to bless to the full.

My son, much blessing awaits. I am thrilled and excited about this, as are you. Together we will bless many as you are obedient, says your Friend to you tonight.

You are beginning to see what I call everyone to – the call is actually to come to Me. That is, I am all one really ever needs. But this is a growth measure, not a learned mechanism. Come and learn of Me was My admonition. Now you are beginning to know – to understand what that means. I and the Father are One, I am in Him and He is in Me. We, through the Spirit, are One in purpose and objective. That is now what you are becoming to Me. We (you and I) are to become One in objective and purpose in life. The reason I was able to minister as I did in My personal ministry was because I and the Father were One.

What I now want in your life is for you and Me to become One.² That is now your objective. My son, look forward to becoming One with Me for real ministry. This is what you have longed for. This is what I have longed for. **This is why the wait at your age is worthwhile.** As you grow into this new relationship, the sign ministry you have prayed for yourself, will become manifest. Do not get in a hurry. Bask in the new relationship. Become familiar with your new surroundings (Me), and wonderful things will occur. You will be able to bless many and teach many as you have longed to do. Not many, My son, long to share – to teach as do you.

Try and be patient with the learning cycle. It will be most rewarding and will bless many. Remember to wait and await My direction. We can have a relationship like I had with My Father. This is a last day's blessing, My son, for a chosen few. Just be content to learn and be not too quick to announce to others this new walk. This, My son, will be more important than My restoring the \$2 million owed to you. This new walk will be unencumbered by riches. I have divested you of that. Now you can see why. This has been My doing. Do you not remember My telling you to give away your watch?³ That was a wealth measure unneeded by you. Neither do you need the \$2 million. I will now be your Source and you don't need a 501(c)(3). I am your 501(c)(3). I can handle the tax problem. Believe Me.

Just look forward now to becoming comfortable with Me on a daily basis. You will understand more as we walk together. And I say again, I am as excited as you are about this. I have looked forward to this time and am calling others to this same walk. Enjoy it. Be cautious and obedient, and many will be blessed. I know

that has been the desire of your heart for some time. Now you will see that desire come to fruition, says God to you tonight.

My son, there is much more. But enough for tonight. Now you see why I have not wanted you to become involved in another's ministry. You will have your own ministry. That has been My objective all along. Enough for tonight. Be blessed.

(At this point I knew the Lord wanted to stop talking to me to let me get some sleep, but I didn't want to stop listening – I knew in my spirit that this was the beginning of an unending flow of the word of God – communication – communion – with God – that I had longed for, that I had never experienced, and I did not want it to stop. For that reason, He read my thoughts and continued)

Communion portends relationship wherein one desires only ME. The eating of My flesh and drinking of My blood portends the time when you will desire only ME. I am holy. When you desire Me, you desire to be holy. I make you holy by desiring ME. Be holy for I am holy is My way of calling you to Me.⁴

Be not hasty to share this new walk with others. Become a learner first. Learn of (from) Me first, then you will be ready – will be prepared.

You see, My son, I have been preparing you for this for some time – for years without your awareness, for that is the only way of such training. This will be a humbling experience as you speak and act at My instructions, for as you do so, My power will be made manifest in your ministry. That is why I showed you the Elohiym⁵ in you. That is the total power package of the universe available to everyone *only as he becomes One with Me.* Just be contented to be in a learning mode and enjoy the process. Remember, I will do the work – only as you are obedient.

This will be a new walk but a blessed, interesting and exciting one. There will be others like you. Laymen with whom you can compare notes – talk with. My son, I should withhold from you very much additional information so as to benefit you most in the initial training time. Just be blessed. Be not concerned about (name withheld). His ministry is not yours. Just be content with what I have called you to do. Remember, I told you that if you would stay at (name withheld) church, I would feed you more than you could get anywhere else? (Name withheld) was only a small part of that “more.” I am the “More,” My son, to which I referred. (Name withheld) was simply the beginning for you. Your ministry will be yours. Not anyone else's – just yours. Your writing, teaching and deliverance ministries will become more powerful and powerfully known, says the Lord. I will be your P.R. Man. I am a

⁴See 1 Peter 1:16; Leviticus 11:44.

⁵Elohiym is the plural name of God, meaning God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit. Elohiym indwells every born-again, Spirit-filled believer. For a complete explanation, see my letter dated April 8, 2004, entitled **THE POWER SOURCE.**

²See John 17:21

³I was wearing a man's eighteen carat gold Rolex watch with a president's band, a diamond face and a diamond bezel.

good One! You need not be concerned about publicity, I can handle it, My son.

Now We better stop this so you can get some sleep. This is enough for tonight, says the Lord.

(end of prophetic word)

[This was concluded about 12:00 midnight. I knew in my spirit if I had insisted, He would have again continued talking to me. But this time I acquiesced to His leading and was willing for our communication – communion – to be ended for the night although secretly in my heart I didn't want it to stop. What a revelation! The impression in my mind, during the flow of words in this prophetic utterance, was of the unending flow of water (the river of life) originating from under Ezekiel's millennial temple. This new walk with God beginning 4/1/2004 was prophesied to me about six months ago. What blessing this portends, for the future is totally unknown and totally unlimited! I wish everyone could experience this kind of personal relationship with God. What a different world this would be.]

This may be duplication, but it is important so I record it here. Within the past several days I asked the Lord why He was so imminently successful in His personal ministry from the beginning and He spoke to me and said, "Foxes have holes and birds of the air have nests, but the Son of Man has no place to lay His head."⁶ This speaks volumes and is sufficient within this simple statement. He left all – home, mother, father, sisters, brothers and therefore was dependent on the Father for His total sustenance, maintenance and provision. He literally gave up everything. That is why He said those who have left or given up any or all of these things for the sake of the Gospel will receive a hundredfold now and in the age to come, eternal life. He also said if one is not willing to give up all or any of these things for Him, and for the sake of the Gospel, he is not worthy of Me⁷. There is nothing He asked anyone to do that He did not do Himself. The cross was not just for Jesus. There is a cross for every believer. We must be willing to give our life for Him, even as He gave His life for us, or we are not worthy of Him.

(end of my journal entries on 4/10/04)

One reason I tabulated the number of words in these prophecies is to show by comparison, prophetic words given to New Testament writers. Realize that the Source of both are the Same.

Number of words in N. T. bible books

Galatians	2,230	1 Thess.	1,481
Ephesians	2,422	2 Thess.	0,823
Philippians	1,629	1 John	2,141
Colossians	1,582	3 John	0,219

For years I have been writing in my letters that in this *rapture generation*, God is doing a new thing

⁶Matthew 8:20.

⁷See Matthew 10:37

prophesied in Isaiah 42:9. **One** of those *new things* is the **Listening Method** of spiritual growth. You have the same capability to hear His voice that I have. The ingredients needed for the maximum utilization of the *Listening Method* are obedience, faithfulness, trustworthiness and dedication – daily. You may begin with only a few minutes of time dedicated to Him each day. The rewards are limitless. While the *Hound of heaven* pursues us as a Lover, our response to Him determines our destiny.

There are three measures of obedience: passive, active and aggressive. Aggressive obedience can change the mind of God. Aggressive obedience means to pursue God – to pursue *Him* – not things from Him – but to pursue *God Himself* – to pursue *intimacy* with the One who spoke the galaxies into existence. Because of aggressive obedience, God has confirmed to me that He has changed His objective for my life three times. I am three levels removed from His original design for my life. God *is* a respecter of persons. He respects and loves everyone who relentlessly pursues Him *for who He is*.

Sin, sickness, disease, aging and death are products of the Pentecost Method. When you accept the Listening Method and begin to practice it, you may be able to gradually walk without sin, without illness, disease and death to walk in perfect health and not die, but will be raptured. That should be sufficient incentive to take a step toward learning the Listening Method.

Another word from our Lord given to me on 1/22/11:

Yes, My son, your salvation draws nigh. You are almost there.

Realize what you have tapped into. As you listen to Me for a sufficient period of time, according to My standard, you actually become Me, Jehovah God, for in the spirit world, as well as in the physical world, you become Whom or what you eat.

You were reluctant to write that until I said it to you in words. That's quite a message. **That message needs to be made known.** The Pentecost Method leads to death. The Listening Method leads to life without dying *in this rapture generation*. **In this rapture generation**, it may literally become a life or death situation, depending on whether you continue to remain in the Pentecost Method or change to the Listening Method.

It's your work (the Pentecost Method) or My work (the Listening Method).⁸ It's your choice. Isn't that simple when seen by revelation?

(end of prophetic word)

Now for my promised testimony (the mini-version) which the Lord has instructed me to give.

I am ninety-one years old, I have no chronic or acute aches or pains or illness, I am on no medication, I walk in perfect health, I will not get sick, will not die and will be raptured. I am about to be released into an unusual ministry, at an age beyond that of both Abram and Moses when God called them. All of this has occurred in my life because I have walked in the **Listening Method** for years. You have that same capability. Try it. You'll like it. To God be the glory!

⁸See Jim Ash letter No. 141.