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Dear Partners,

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With sadness in our hearts we begin this newsletter on what is supposed to be a wonderful month of celebrating the goodness of God with Thanksgiving but we are once again surrounded with news of destruction and death. The tragedy in Texas has left us with heavy, saddened hearts but we know one thing, **our God is STILL good and our God is STILL faithful!** So what can we, as Christians, do in moments like these when our world seems to go into “fear” mode? Do we make a decision out of fear, lock ourselves up and refuse to go out into the world again? Do we avoid large crowds, malls, movie theaters, etc? NO! We stand united and PRAY. Jesus is the answer to everything and prayer is the gateway to Him.

As Christians we are instructed to pray. We are instructed to pray without ceasing (1 Thess. 5:16). Unfortunately, very few Christians know how to pray victoriously as opposed to praying in defeat. **A prayer that is prayed according to the Word of God is preventative medicine against all the wiles of the enemy** (Eph 6:11).

Our family has adopted Psalm 91 as our *family anthem* and we pray it over the entire family every single day. We pray it with authority; we apply it and the blood of Jesus to each member of our family daily. We pray it before we leave the house, in the car or on an airplane. We have learned that it is important to pray divine protection over ourselves every single day and command all of Satan’s attacks canceled and annulled! **Fear** can paralyze us into staying indoors and hibernating because of all the evil in the world. **Prayer** arms us with boldness and courage to face all of the enemy’s attacks when they come. As Christians we will face opposition from the devil. We are not immune to his attacks so we must learn how to fight them with the authority of the Word in the name of Jesus.

There are three key points that every Christian should be mindful of in their daily prayers:

1. Pray with authority
2. Pray with confidence in the promise of God’s Word
3. Do not allow any thoughts to condemn you

What does it mean to pray with authority? It means having boldness when you approach the throne of God based on the Word of God (Heb 4:16). Some Christians do not have victory or confidence in their prayers and therefore do not see results. When we pray we are actually fighting (in the spirit) with satan and the power of evil! **We cannot fight against satan without the authority and confidence that is only found in the Word of God. By praying WITH Scripture and telling Satan “it is written”, we are no longer fighting with our words; we are fighting back with God’s Word!** If we do not have the proper weapon (the Word) or the confidence to pray and fight in the Spirit, satan can condemn us. Romans 8:1 says, **There is therefore now no condemnation to those who are in Christ Jesus.** When our prayers are backed up by the Word, the enemy has no legal rights to condemn or judge us and torment our mind.

How many times have you been defeated because of the condemnation that comes over you? We have been given the power to fight against this! And you do not have to live under that torment any longer. Isaiah 54:17 says that it is the **heritage of the servants of the Lord**. The dictionary defines heritage as, "something that comes or belongs to one by reason of birth." We have inherited this right because we are sons and daughters of the Most High God! The promise was given to us by God through Isaiah 700 years before Christ and fulfilled by Jesus in Luke 10:19 and Luke 9:1.

In Luke 9:1 when Jesus called his twelve disciples together He, "**gave them power and authority over all demons, and to cure diseases.**" It is so important to know the Word of God. It is the only guaranteed way to fight and WIN against the powers of evil. "**For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal but mighty in God for pulling down strongholds (2 Corinthians 10:4).**"

Days ago we received a phone call from a dear viewer overseas who has seen tremendous results using the authority of the Word. Several months ago she noticed her hands were covered in warts causing severe dry, scaly skin that kept her from leaving her home. She was in a lot of pain. As a faithful viewer of our programs, she would always pray together with John at the end of every program. She decided that instead of accepting her diagnosis, she would begin confessing and proclaiming the promises of God's word over her hands. She faithfully prayed Psalm 91 over herself every morning and every evening. One morning when she woke up she noticed that her hands were completely healed! She had no evidence of the warts or the severe dry skin. Her message to all of our partners is this: **The Word of God is power and Jesus still heals people today!**

It is our responsibility to pray and believe. **So what we can do for the precious brothers and sisters in Christ who have lost loved ones in the tragic Texas shooting? We can PRAY for them.** We can pray for God's peace to rule in their hearts. We can be praying for the Holy Spirit to come and comfort them in a way that they have never experienced before. We can pray for their hearts to be repaired by the only One who holds their heart in the palm of His hands (Is. 61, Luke 4:18). His name is Jesus. Jesus, we thank you for comforting all the mothers, fathers, sisters, brothers, aunts, uncles, grandparents and all those who have lost loved ones. We know that most of them knew you as their personal Savior and are with you in eternity now. As for the rest, we pray that those who do not know You as their Redeemer yet will know You. **We pray that they will have a divine intervention with the Messiah and be changed forever.** We pray all this in Jesus name, Amen.

Prayer is the backbone of JMM and it always has been. We have experienced miracles through victorious prayer and without it we would not be where we are today. We need YOUR confident, victorious prayers this month and next more than ever. We are just weeks away from children's Christmas project when our team will fly overseas once again and distribute gifts to impoverished children. The teddy bears are en route to Romania as we speak and we pray for God's protection over them and that they will arrive on time! Thank you to those of you who have responded to this project and gave generously! Thank you for continuing to support this project with your best gift.

As we approach the holidays, remember that YOU can impact the life of a child who may not have food on the table this Christmas. **No gift is too small or too large.** Do the best you can with what God is putting on your heart to give.

Wishing all of our partners a Blessed Thanksgiving and God's divine protection,

John & Alexandra and the rest of the JMM team