

TIMES OF REFRESHING NEWSLETTER



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New Covenant Commandment

By
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Jn. 13:34 – A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another; as I have loved you, that you also love one another.

1 Jn. 3:22-23 – And whatever we ask we receive from Him, because we keep His commandments and do those things that are pleasing in His sight. And this is His commandment: that we should believe on the name of His Son Jesus Christ and love one another, as He gave us commandment.

The words “command” and “commandment” provide images much different from early believers’ understanding. Some words have difficulty or are even impossible to translate from one language to another. When we think of a command, we have the idea of the exercise of external authority, harsh tone of voice, instant respect and obedience – “Do it immediately without asking questions!” You click your heels and issue a sharp salute with a brisk, “Yes Sir!” Commands create inner resistance; you just do not want to do it! A reluctance develops as if you’re boxed in, no longer free to make your own decisions, imposition of limitation,; no room for “Why?” Just obey! This description fits well with the religious mindset with its traditions, rules, and regulations.

The Old Covenant had the Ten Commandments which represents God’s moral law. These commandments revealed and stimulated sin (Rom.3:19-20;7:19-24;1Cor.15:56;1Tim.1:8-10)! These commandments carried a death penalty to violators, and no one could keep them! This required a series of sacrifices for individuals as well as for the nation to atone for sin.

The New Covenant Greek word translated “command” is *ENTOLE* which carries an altogether different meaning than we have understood. EN means to go inside; to nest within; set inside; secure; an organic union; to implant. TOLE means a finished work; accomplished, achieved; goal acquired, mission accomplished; intention achieved. So, *ENTOLE* is an implanted intention within believers, an accomplished directive, a vision of a goal achieved. *ENTOLE* is Holy Spirit implanting a desire in your heart for a finished reality, a knowing it’s already been accomplished, all the while being made manifest in your life as you move toward it. This is certainly not our idea of a commandment! This is Love’s version of a commandment – *ENTOLE*!

ENTOLE comes into our lives with a call to partnership as Holy Spirit beckons, “Let us go together for it has already been done!” Paul explains God’s original blueprint for humanity in Eph. 1:3-4 where he stated that we have been blessed with every spiritual blessing in heavenly places in Christ, and we were chosen in Him before the foundation of the world! This is the Trinity’s intention (*ENTOLE*): that completed desire of what was yet to happen! The incarnation initiated

this plan of the ages as the Word of God, the Creator, became flesh as one of His own creations! All mankind was represented in this Man!

Ps. 139:13-14 – “For You formed my inward parts; You covered me in my mother’s womb. I will praise You, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made; marvelous are Your works, and that my soul knows very well.” Jesus’ fingerprints are all over you! The Creator joined us in our darkened state, now a creation Himself. He elevated us with Himself by not submitting to the accuser. In Christ, we share with Him in His relationship with Father so much that we’re loved by Father just as Jesus in exactly the same way – *ENTOLE*! This implanted intention is all about Jesus. Jesus is the Goal, and He achieved the goal for us! Rev. 1:17-18 – “Do not be afraid, I am the First and the Last. I am He who lives, and was dead, and behold, I am alive forevermore, Amen. And I have the keys of Hades and Death.” Mission accomplished!

On the cross, Jesus became our sin (2 Cor. 5:21) as well as the curse of the law (Gal. 3:13-14). Through His Finished Work – resurrection, ascension and sending of Holy Spirit to live in and through us – we’ve been made the righteousness of God, declared innocent and made holy and a new creation in Christ (2 Cor. 5:17). Sin and the resulting darkness caused mankind to have amnesia and dementia, at the same time not recognizing who their Father was. Men lost their minds, causing spiritual blindness. They invented their own god, fitting their demented, imagined reality. The fall made the world become an insane asylum where mankind lives in an alternate imagined universe. One inmate declared he remembered who our father was. Other inmates gathered around as he reasoned that a monkey was their father! They all cheered and raved about his brilliance – “Let’s give him 3 PHD’s and make him chancellor of a great university!” Ever heard of Darwin? Mankind without Christ are in this darkened state of not knowing their original identity. They live in an imagined world where life outside of Christ is meaningless, futile, confusing. When you believe you’ve evolved from a monkey, abortion make senses, and you can be whatever sex you feel like today! Insanity! Jesus came as a Man right into this mess, not as an attendant or a doctor, but as an ordinary inmate – yet He did not give into the darkness, but delivered us from it!

Jn. 10:18 – “This command I have received from My Father.” The religious spirit declares you’re a miserable sinner. Father says you’re His creation designed to live in His love! With *ENTOLE*, Jesus is the meaning of life! He became our sin and curse and went into our death. You were in Him in His death. When He arose from the dead, you were resurrected in Him. Just as He conquered death and darkness, so did you in Him! Prayer is no longer begging Him to do or give you something! It’s making a withdrawal from your heavenly bank account of what’s already yours! Instead of praying and thinking from earth to heaven, you think from heaven to earth. Pray from Christ, not to Him!

So, what is this Gospel of Grace? It is *ENTOLE* and you were a participant in God’s *ENTOLE*, His implanted intention before time began. *ENTOLE* is the ultimate prophetic word confirming God’s implanted intention for humanity and uniquely for each person. When you see this truth, this *ENTOLE* causes old habits to fall away; re-establishes your priorities; and allows you to discover what is here and now! *ENTOLE* brings clarity of vision, showing you where you are going and re-directs your life! *ENTOLE* is Love Himself living His life in and through you, and, yes, uniquely as you! Amen.



PRAISE

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REPORTS

TESTIMONIES FROM RECENT STREAMING SERVICES:

The Lord is using Amy to pray for others.

We prayed for Adam, who was pronounced as dying from Covid. By the end of the next week, he was down to 50% on a ventilator.

Mark was prayed for a rash around his eye. It dried up.

OTHER PRAISE REPORTS

Rhonda requested prayer for premature twins. They're home from the hospital and doing well.

One day before a ZOOM meeting, the Lord gave a WOK. It was for Anita, and she was touched.

Doris led a man to God 2 days before he went in a coma and died.

Two people in one week requested prayer for houses. By the next week, Kenny was scheduled for a closing on the house he wanted to buy. Charlotte had sold her house.



SHEPHERD'S STAFF

This Month's Submission Comes as We Prepare to Remember 9/11 on the 20th Anniversary. Carol Norris from Indiana, Found It Online.

MEET ME IN THE STAIRWELL

You say you'll never forget where you were when you heard the news on September 11, 2001. Neither will I.

I was on the 110th floor in a smoke-filled room with a man who called his wife to say "Good-Bye." I held his fingers steady as he dialed. I gave him peace to say, "Honey, I am not going to make it, but it's OK. I'm ready to go."

I was with his wife when he called as she fed breakfast to their children. I held her up as she tried to understand his words and as she realized he wasn't coming home that night.

I was in the stairwell of the 23rd floor when a woman cried out to Me for help. "I've been knocking on the door of your heart for 50 years!" I said. "Of course I'll show you the way home. Believe in Me now."

I was at the base of the building with the priest ministering to the injured and devastated souls. I took him home to tend to his flock in Heaven. He heard my voice and answered.

I was on all four of those planes, in every seat, with every prayer. I was with the crew as they were overtaken. I was in the hearts of believers, comforting and assuring them that their faith has saved them.

I was in Texas, Virginia, California, Michigan, Afghanistan. I was standing next to you when you heard the terrible news. Did you sense Me? I want you to know I saw every face and knew every name though not all knew Me. Some met Me for the first time on the 86th floor.

Some sought Me with their last breath. Some couldn't hear Me calling them through smoke and flames: "Come to Me, this way. Take my hand." Some chose, for the final time, to ignore Me. But I was there.

I didn't place you in the Tower that day. You may not know why, but I do. However, if you were there in that explosive moment in time, would you have reached for Me?

Sept. 11, 2001, wasn't the end of the journey for you. But someday your journey will end. And I will be there for you. Seek Me now while I may be found. Then, at any moment, you know you are "ready to go."

CHURCH BULLETIN: Peace isn't merely a distant goal but a means by which we arrive at that goal.

HOPE

by

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A few years ago, we celebrated Thanksgiving in Oklahoma City with our daughter. We enjoyed days of eating, shopping, eating,

visiting, eating, watching movies, eating, relaxing, then eating. The following Monday morning, we started home in the dark, five pounds heavier and slightly dreading the thirteen-hour drive to Connersville.

The toll road had sparse traffic that morning. Those miles were boring without many exits or sunshine to allow me to read. I thought about sleeping; but I felt guilty that I'd suggested we leave so early. Instead, I made conversation and counted down the miles, calculating distances to the next town. Then, on the outskirts of Tulsa, the sight made me gaze in awe. The expanse of the Oklahoma plains stretching on the horizon was majestic. The sun hadn't yet risen, but suddenly a promise peeped in the east in front of us. Pinks, oranges, and purples with nuances of color were flirting with the horizon. It wasn't day, just the promise, but I knew what would arrive behind it would be full-fledged morning. Those few moments when only colors said, "I promise I'm coming," made me realize that's what HOPE looks like.

Sometimes, we become so overwhelmed we don't see there's something beyond the nonproductive part of our lives. Night is a time of rest to be followed by day. Fallow ground has inactivity before it produces during another season. Hibernating animals come back to life when their time of sleep has run its course. Bread must rest before rising into fullness, just as a potter's clay needs resting time to come into its destiny. Your life also has dormant times, but your answer's going to come. Don't lose hope. Eventually, you'll see far-off signs. Then, you should believe He's going to finish what He started. Holding onto hope produces faith, "the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen" (Heb. 11:1). Hope spans the distance so faith can bring it to fruition.

After the long drought, Elijah knew rain was coming. Evidence didn't present itself until the seventh time his servant looked, but then the distant cloud confirmed the impending arrival of God's promise (see 1 Ki. 18:41-46). The cloud wasn't rain, just the promise—HOPE. Rahab had to hold onto hope, too. She wanted to be saved by the Israelites' God. She hid the spies, sent soldiers away, then begged for her and her family's salvation. She was told to hang a cord from her window. This cord was a *tiqvah*, in Hebrew, "expectation, hope" (*Strong's*, H8615). In other words, she and her family were saved because Rahab hung her hope out the window. That's where we must hang ours, too, and wait. Then, as Joshua's hope took Israel around that seventh time on the seventh day, Rahab's hope was rewarded (see Josh. 2). Our promise may not have happened yet, but hope is hanging there for God to see, and He won't let us down.

HOPE. It's what receiving all good things hinges upon. It's not the promise's fulfillment. It's just the assurance it will happen—our families' salvation, our children's safety, our financial turn-around. Lord, today, as every day, I'll hang my hope upon You.



The Lighter Side

Milly: "Do you have hot water at your house?"

Billy: "Yes, and I'm always in it!!"

PRAYER REQUESTS

If you have a prayer request, we believe in a miracle-working God. Write us. Our prayer warriors and readers who are your friends and family will pray diligently for you.

PRAY FOR:

PHYSICAL: ACCIDENTS: **Donna** (had back surgery, fell, broke small bone in lower leg, busted knee, from knee down swollen & painful, weaning off pain meds), **Vickey** (car wreck), **Young Man** (motorcycle accident), **Ellen** (94, fell, staples in head, broke

tailbone, she & husband need placed in nursing home), **Marsha** (fell & busted head); **ADDICTIONS: Young man & wife** (both in recovery), **For spirit of addiction in families to be broken, Luke** (drugs), **Sharon, Shastiney** (drugs, talking about harming herself); **AUTOIMMUNE DISEASES: Chron's** (Noah – 12, Abby – 10), **Lupus, RA, MS, Grave's** (Rhonda), **Alzheimer's, Hodgkin's, Parkinson's, Leukemia, Hashimoto** (Melana); **BREATHING: Tim, Sue** (fluid build-up, hard to breathe); **CANCER: Barbara** (breast), **Becky** (face), **Bev** (numbers improving, pray for continued healing), **Bill, Brenda** (return of cancer in whole body), **Chris, Crisilla, Christiana** (ovarian, sick from chemo), **Dave** (also pray for wife Pam), **Denny** (skin & leukemia; lymphoma; clarity of mind), **Doug, Edith** (kidney), **Gary** (mouth), **Janet** (had breast cancer, now tumors on spine/spinal column, & brain), **Jessica** (pregnant), **John, Joy** (last stages), **Karia** (inoperable brain tumor, allergic to chemo), **LD** (kidney), **Larry, Leonard** (inoperable), **Linda, Logan** (rare form), **Marla, Martha** (rectal), **Marvin** (skin & chest, can't walk anymore), **Melissa** (throughout body, has begun radiation for cancer, very sick & swollen), **Monica** (rectal), **Rich** (kidneys), **Richard & his wife** (kidneys), **Rusty, Sil, Steve** (throat), **Susan** (female organs), **Tom** (prostate), **Tracy, Trevor** (not responding to chemo); **COVID: Numbers to go down – To be eradicated, Adam** (still on vent, going to wake him up), **Naomi** (2nd time), **Rachel** (2nd time), **Joni, Donald, 4 ladies at rehab center, Jerry, Yvonne & daughter, Don & Betty in hospital, Storm** (in hospital in critical condition), **James, Dillon** (pray for wife, son, & infant not to get it), **Healthcare providers, Julie & Family she was around, Stephanie, 20 year old lady** (in hospital), **Noah, Catita** (employer mandating vaccines), **Patricia & 4 kids, Kristin & Family she was around; DIABETES: Bill, Brenda, Brice, Chad** (blindness), **Charles** (memory cells restored from hernia surgery anesthesia, body shaking), **Colby** (child), **Curt, David, Derek, Diane, Everett, Georgia, Gina, Gwen, Hailee** (diabetic pump, boils breaking thru skin), **Jamie, Jean, Jeff, Jenna, Jennifer, Jim, Jo, John, Karla, Larry, Libby, Mark, Mary, Mike, Norm, Rachel, Rick, Rosie** (raising autistic grandson), **Sil** (cancer, can't walk), **Sophia** (juvenile diabetes), **Vickie, Virgie; EYES: Luanne** (irritation in eye), **Lillian** (sudden loss of vision, also dementia, strength); **HEALING: Dave & Deb** (energy, also finances), **Bill** (eyes), **Jean** (bedridden, needs to get out of bed more, hard because of pain, much fear, mind not right, husband desperate), **Brady** (getting better but needs complete healing, for body temperature to remain stationary & ward off seizures), **Georgia** (legs), **Bill** (knees), **Karenlynn** (healing & special needs met), **Sherry's Granddaughter** (GI issues), **Loretta** (GI issues, appetite, memory), **Denver** (chest & back tightness, stomach discomfort), **Lois** (right side, diverticulitis, had severe bronchitis, lots of pain in throat & abdomen), **Katie** (bone in hand dying, may need another surgery, also God's will in engagement), **Xylo** (infant, not gaining weight), **Marie** (weight loss), **Heidi** (knees & foot), **Palmer** (pet dog w/ neurological issues), **Marie** (upper respiratory infection), **Jim** (diagnosed with ALC, on respirator), **Levi** (infant, many seizures), **Jan** (massive stroke), **Jayna** (hurt back, hard to breathe), **Bruce** (fainted, dehydration), **Rob** (fainted, dehydration), **David** (2 strokes, sundowner's disease), **Marva** (much weight loss), **Tony** (BP), **Sharon** (report of asthma), **Anna** (optic nerves swollen in both eyes), **Madi & Baby** (in hospital), **Lincoln** (infant, was premie, had many trips to hospital, now in hospital with pneumonia, pray for his immune system to build up), **Pam** (hospitalized), **Denny** (high calcium level, disoriented, on

double chemo, stomach needs healed or will have surgery); **HEART: Man from Texas, Jared** (had surgery, heart stopped, kidney failure), **Steve** (feet & left leg swollen, seeing heart specialist & rheumatologist, pressure on side creating lung issue), **Sue** (coronary artery disease, cognition, can't drive), **Mike** (recovery from heart procedures); **PAIN: Richard** (groin), **Becky** (everywhere, back, kidneys), **Anna** (ankle), **Sharon** (right shoulder), **Deb** (hurt hip & ankle, affects sleep), **Tom** (knee swollen), **Sheila** (left arm, pain for long time); **PREGNANCIES: CONCEIVE: Julie, Chelsea, Amanda, Nikol, Tiffany, Kaylee, Rachel, Michelle, Alexis, Jen, Brittany, Tiffany, Brooke, Mercedes; HEALTHY PREGNANCY: Brooke, Maddie, Ivy; SURGERY: Debbie** (unexpected back surgery, long recuperation, pray for smoothest healing time), **Diana** (had hip replacement. After recovery will have spine surgery), **Judy** (had shoulder surgery, much pain, chronic back pain), **Randy** (tumors on liver, removed, massive infection), **Karla** (gall bladder surgery), **Charles** (recovery from surgery), **Kay** (recovery from surgery, strength, normal urination), **Becky** (recovery, cancer surgery), **Jennifer** (amputation), **Lady** (implants for ears), **Helen** (biopsy), **Lynda** (root canal), **April** (recovery)

SPIRITUAL: AWAKENING OF THE CHURCH; BREAKTHROUGH:

Becky, Deb (much junk in family trees), **Misty** (break stronghold of cigarettes); **DECEPTION: Sue** (family divided by what's going on w/ her); **DIRECTION: Lynda** (for ministry); **FAVOR: Jackie** (also leg & foot cramps); **RELATIONSHIP: Phil** (Damascus Rd. experience), **Hope** (come back to Father); **GOD'S WILL: Sheri; MINISTRIES: Elizabeth** (from Germany, God's grace, also health issues), **Beatriz** (experiencing antagonism in music ministry); **OPPRESSION: Naomi, Joshua, Hannah** (bad memories, also be drawn closer to the Lord); **RELATIONSHIP: Patrik** (closer to God, wisdom, discernment, humility), **Brice** (turn to God), **Tammy** (in new relationship); **SALVATION (or turn back to God): FAMILIES & EXTENDED FAMILIES, Adam, Aiden, Alex, Alisha, Alan, Alice, Allen, Amy, Andrew, Ann, Anna's Family, Anne, Anthony, Aubrey, Becky, Becky's Neighbors, Beth's Family, Betsy, Bill, Bob, Bobbie, Bobby, Bradley, Brent, Brian, Brice, Brynn, Buddy, Caralee's Family, Casey, Cello, Chad, Charity, Charles, Chelsea, Chris, Claudio, Clint, Cody, Cory, Dakota, Dale, Daniel, Danny, Darlene, Daughter, David, Dawn, Dennis, Dom, Doug, Dylan, Earl, Edson, Ellie, Erica, Ernest, Eugene, Everett, Gabriella, Gibson, Grace, Hannah, Hayden, Heather, Hunter, Jack, Jackie's grandchildren, Jaelen, Jamie, James, Jane's lost loved ones, Jared, Jasen, Jeremy, Jerod, Jerry, Jessica, Jim, Joan, Joe, John, Jordan, Joshua, Joy, Joyce, Judy's Family, Kate, Kathy's Family, Keith, Kiana, Kimberly, Kyle, Lacey, Laura, Lauren, Lee, Leticia, Linda, Lipford, Loretta, Loris' Lost Family Members, Luke, Lynn, Madilyn, Marcia, Marie, Marlin, Marquita, Martha, Mary, Mary's Grandchildren Matthew, Melody, Micah, Michael, Michelle, Mindy, Morgan, Naomi, Norman, Normand, Paige, Patrick, Paul, Phillip, Rachel, Ray, Rebecca, Renee, Rich, Richard, Rochelle, Roger, Roy, Sandra, Scott, Shane, Skyler, Steven, Sue, TJ, Terrie, Thurman & Family, Thurman & Family, Tiffany, Tom, Tony, Tonya, Tracey, Trent, Verne, Vickey's Family, Vickie, Viorica, Walt, Wayne, William, Xavier, Zoey**

EMOTIONAL/MENTAL: DISCOURAGEMENT:

Anna, Joe (adversities); **GRIEF: Martin Family, Callahan Family, Robbie's Family, Gallimore Family, Hans, Bre, Smarr Family, Miller Family, Bledsoe Family, Hoffmadel Family,**

McElfresh Family, Frost Family, Roberts Family, Lackey Family, Stone Family, Military (grief about Afghanistan), **Saxon Family**; **HEALING: Doug** (emotional, physical, spiritual, heart, mind, soul); **HURTS: Connie** (turn loose of hurts & unforgiveness); **STRESS: Amy**

LIFE ISSUES: Afghanistan people, especially women; DECISIONS: Catherine & Others (about college); **HOMES: Holly** (loan approved); **JOBS: Beth** (back to work after 22 years); **LEGAL PROCEEDINGS: Nicole** (favor on disability hearing), **Christian Couple** (another hearing coming up for final adoption of foster child), **Amanda** (facing jail time), **Rachel**; **RELATIONSHIPS: Jason** (family issues), **Tabetha** (treat mother better), **Bill w/ his mom & brother, Becky & Children & Grandchildren, Amanda** (to return to husband from homosexual relationship), **Naomi** (restoration in family, forgiveness); **Kim, Jonah** (child); **Water to test positive on new ranch**

Announcements

RESTORATION  MINISTRIES

OUR UPDATED CALENDAR IS AVAILABLE ON OUR WEBSITE.

Connie's latest book—*Enemies of Destiny*—will be released soon. We will post on Facebook when it's available for purchase. Our other books—*God's Plan for Our Success*, *Nehemiah's Way*, *The Elijah Anointing*, *Your Holy Spirit Arsenal*, & *Be Healed!*—are available on book sites, our website, or by sending \$15. (includes shipping in U.S.) to our PO Box. Study guides are available. Connie's children's books, *Butchie's New Home*, *Butchie Comes Home*, & *Izzy: Outside Our Reach* (last 2 illustrated by Claudia Banks) are also for sale.

~~~RESTORATION MINISTRIES' UPCOMING EVENTS~~~

- STREAMING – Teaching & intercessory prayer @ 6:00 on Facebook Live on Monday Nights or @ the Resource Center, 1210 Illinois Ave. in Connersville.

- Our 3rd round of Discipleship Class will begin in September. We will later inform you of the day and location. Let us know if you want to participate or know someone who needs to learn about what comes next in the Lord.
- Connie's launch service for her new book, *Enemies of Destiny*, will be October 10th at Higher Praise @ 10:30. Plan to stay afterwards for ministry and a fellowship dinner.
- Connie will speak at the First Assembly of Crawfordsville conference on October 16th at 9:00. The theme is "Rise and Shine." Lunch will be provided. If you'd like to attend, register at cvillefirst.churchcenter.com/registrations/events/938284.
- TIMES OF REFRESHING – Upcoming dates will be at the Resource Center at 6:00 on Sept. 24th, Oct. 29th, Nov. 19th & Dec. 17th. These services provide opportunities for you to use your gifts to minister to others or have others minister to you.
- Wade has recorded some powerful teaching series on YouTube. You can access them by searching "Restoration Ministries Wade Urban."

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