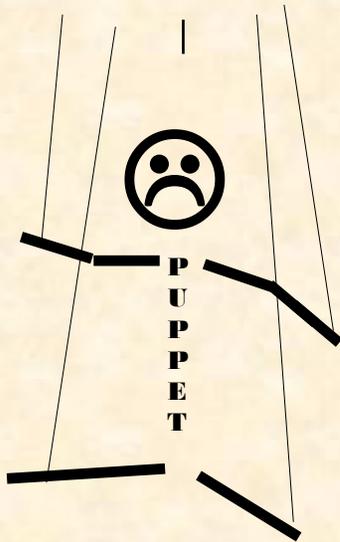




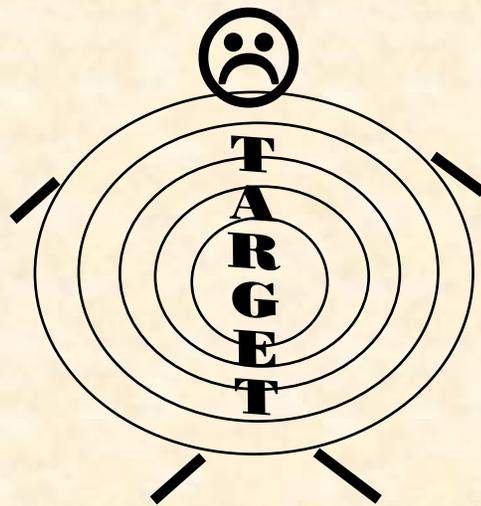
***A Path to  
Overflowing Hope;  
the New Day !!!***



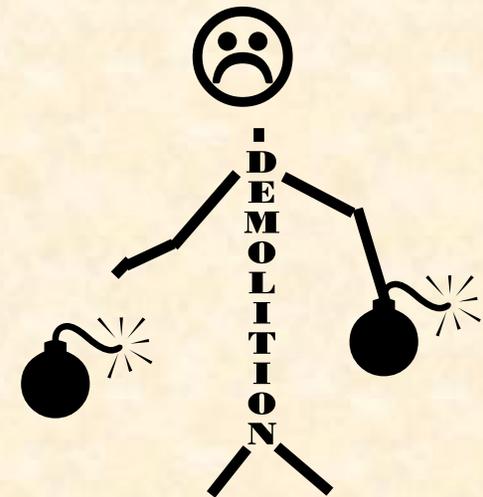
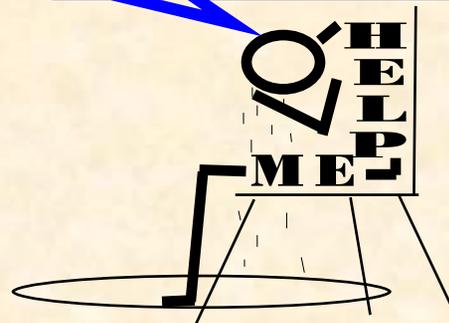
## This was me in 1992

Through no known fault of my own.  
Life as I had lived it ceased.  
I found myself without a clue,  
lost in a hopeless pit of despair.

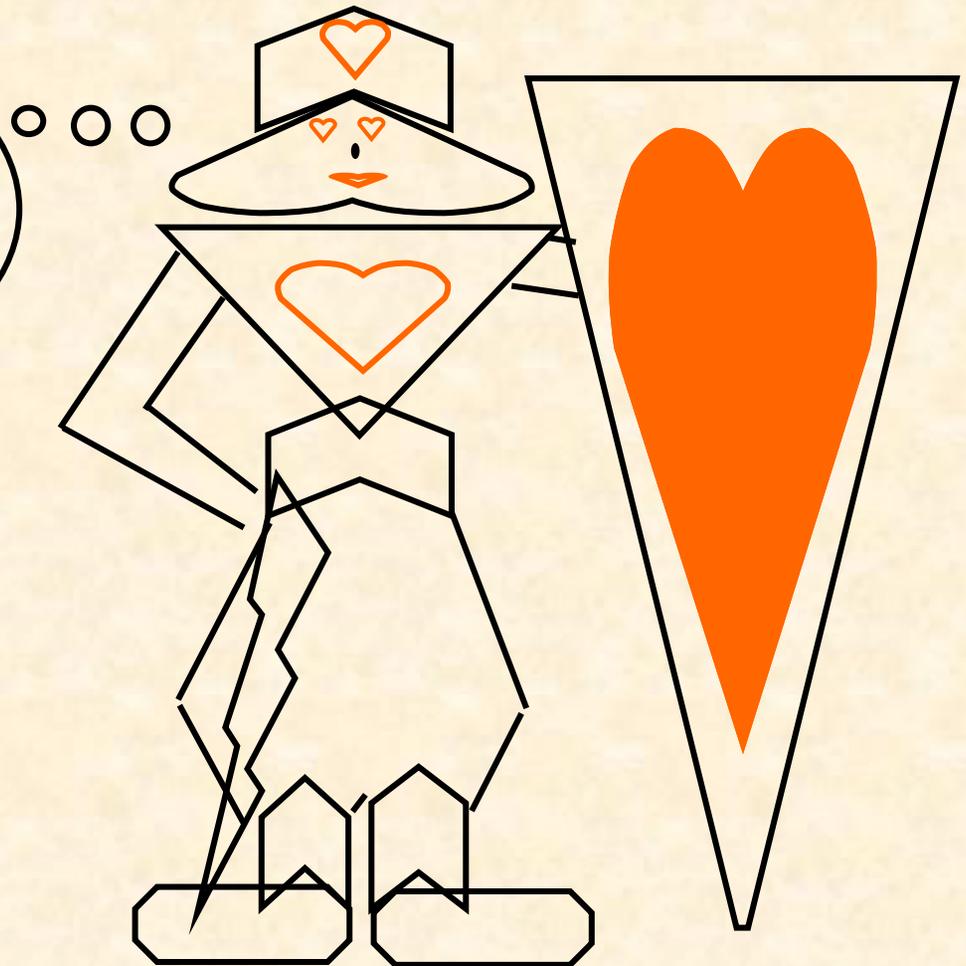
## And this is where my Wilderness Journey began ...



I'm Helpless ... I'm worthless...  
I'm useless .... I'm Hopeless ...



*No longer Captive  
Lives Life with Hope, Overflowing  
Stands on Romans 8:28  
Knows God Loves Us All  
and He always has a PLAN!*



***I arrived at my own promised land in 2005,***  
having followed the Lord through the Wilderness for nearly 13 years.

*So what did my journey look like? I didn't realize I had had a journey like the Israelite's until I was entering into my Jericho experience. I couldn't believe it either. No one had shared with me it was possible; it would have made it much easier had I known. I would later learn so much I didn't know that the ways of God are the same yesterday, today and forever. As a result, we can see God's ways repeated throughout the Bible and even into our own lives in form of Biblical Patterns.*

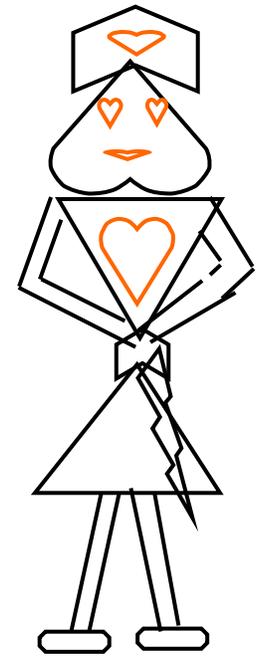
*First, there was the "Let My people go" which was my hospitalization on May 29, 1992, my 34th birthday. That was the first indication that my life was changing, but I didn't receive the message. It would be another year later after doing everything everyone said to do but finding myself physically depleting/deteriorating to the point, I was forced to change my life as I lived it (my Red Sea Experience.).*

*It was my "Red Sea" experience that took me into the wilderness. I would call it a pit of despair without a known way to get out. It was there that I either chose to really develop a strong relationship with Jesus or leave the planet. I had exhausted all I knew to do and nothing worked. I would spend the next 12 years and 7 months in the wilderness connected as close as I could get to My Lord. The first 6 years and 3 months of my journey was about having my heart cleansed and purified—as if I had laid my life on the Altar and all the things of my life that wasn't of God's desires for me were burned away. It was so painful. I endured test after test and trial after trial so that when the process was finished I was emptied. This was the end of the "Deprogramming" process. If we were to look at an illustration (as in following pages) of the Tabernacle in the Wilderness, it would be "The Outer Court" area of the Tabernacle.*

*The Lord was ever present in my thoughts in my wilderness journey; He was constantly teaching me through the guidance of the Holy Spirit, as well as encouraging and strengthening with each step and test we took together. He never left me nor forsook me, but I can't say that about people. It was a very lonely time, but My Heavenly Father, My Lord and Savior, and the Holy Spirit were always there to comfort and encourage me, as well as the greatest guy in the whole wide world., my husband. We say that Jesus provides the glue that keeps our marriage together and believe me, we needed a lot of glue to keep the pieces from falling apart as my life fell apart as I had lived it.*

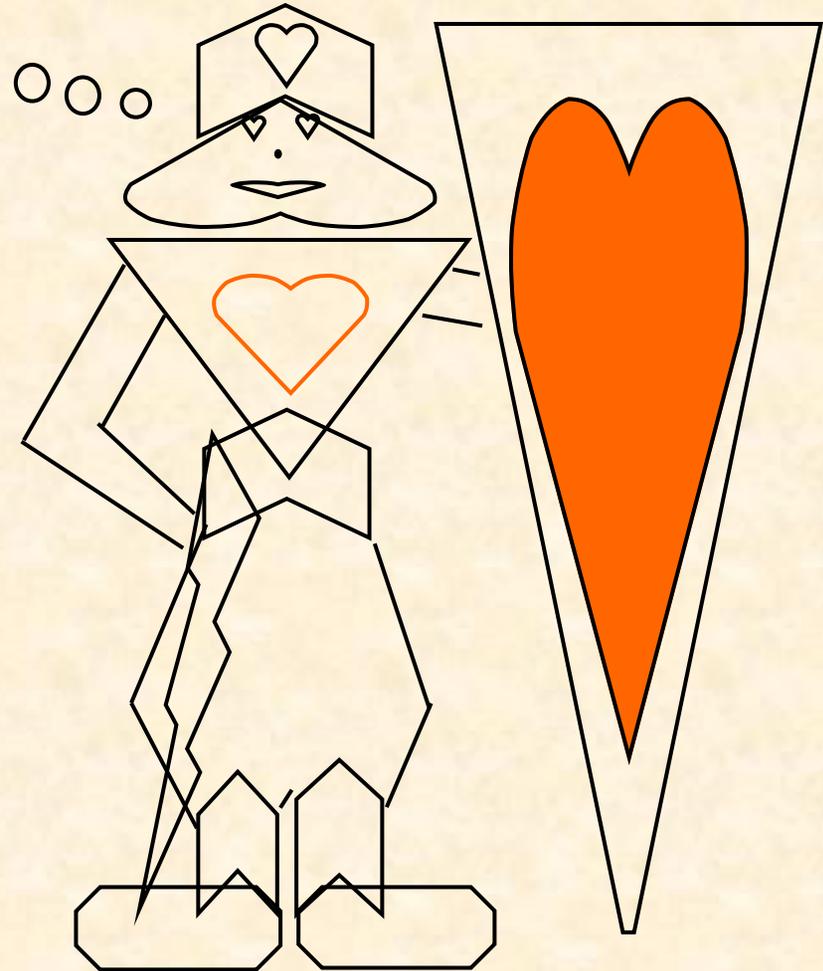
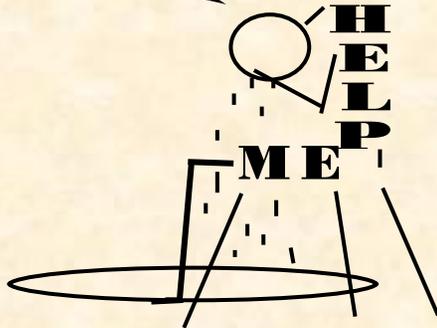
*On October 31, 1998, at mid point in my journey, I received a surprise. I had been given dreams as well as a few visions as was necessary to warn me of difficulties that were coming, necessary tests and trials that would be so difficult for me especially in the fragile state I was in.. I had to face my fears in order to be free to live my life as the Creator of the Universe had designed me to live. So, on October 31, I know the date because I documented everything, a little thought started nagging at me to "Come to the Palace." I was a real estate agent and I was having a very bad day and I remember arguing because I knew the source of the little "voice/thought" and I thought I was being asked to show an expensive property; I was not prepared; it was a really bad hair day. The thought /voice kept nagging and so I took my pen and pad and started writing. When I finished I had instructions for what I would become. It was the beginning of the Re-Programming process of my journey and the first of over 1500 writings that I refer to as my Manna; my life-sustaining food.*

*Over time, receiving my writings became my greatest joy.—treasure to be uncovered . Again looking at the Wilderness Journey Tabernacle illustration, it would be the point of entering into the Holy Place (the Inner Court) where over the next 6 years and 3 months I would be transformed as the Lord through the Holy Spirit would pour into me everything that I would need in order to fulfill His purpose for My life. I reached my Promised Land officially, in January, 2005. I noted it as "Graduation Day." I think I got so excited I forgot to date, with day, the writing that gave me a title of purpose—Ambassador. But I want you to know that as I sat waiting and now understanding I was at my own Deut 29:4 experience at the edge of the Jordan River, not knowing then what I know now and share with you. At that point, I thought I would wander in the desert for the rest of my life. I didn't realize I was so close to my own Promised Land. If you find yourself in the pit of despair, take every step and never give up for you never know where the next one will lead.. But you now can glean from what I have shared of my journey experience—a little more detail/treasure to be shared. If you find yourself being stripped of all you are, all you desire to be, all your Hopes, Dreams, all you think you deserve, then start reaching for Jesus and listen for that gentle small nudging thought/voice and hold onto Him with all you have to hold onto with and follow as closely as you can—one step after another. I've Been There/Done That. He's proven Himself Faithful!*



God Loves Me and He loves you, too,  
and He loves, and loves, and loves. The  
actions of men who are deceived by  
evil may cause us to doubt God's love.  
But God has a PLAN to take what evil  
meant for our destruction and turn it  
around for the good of His people and  
His Kingdom. There's so much to  
discover.

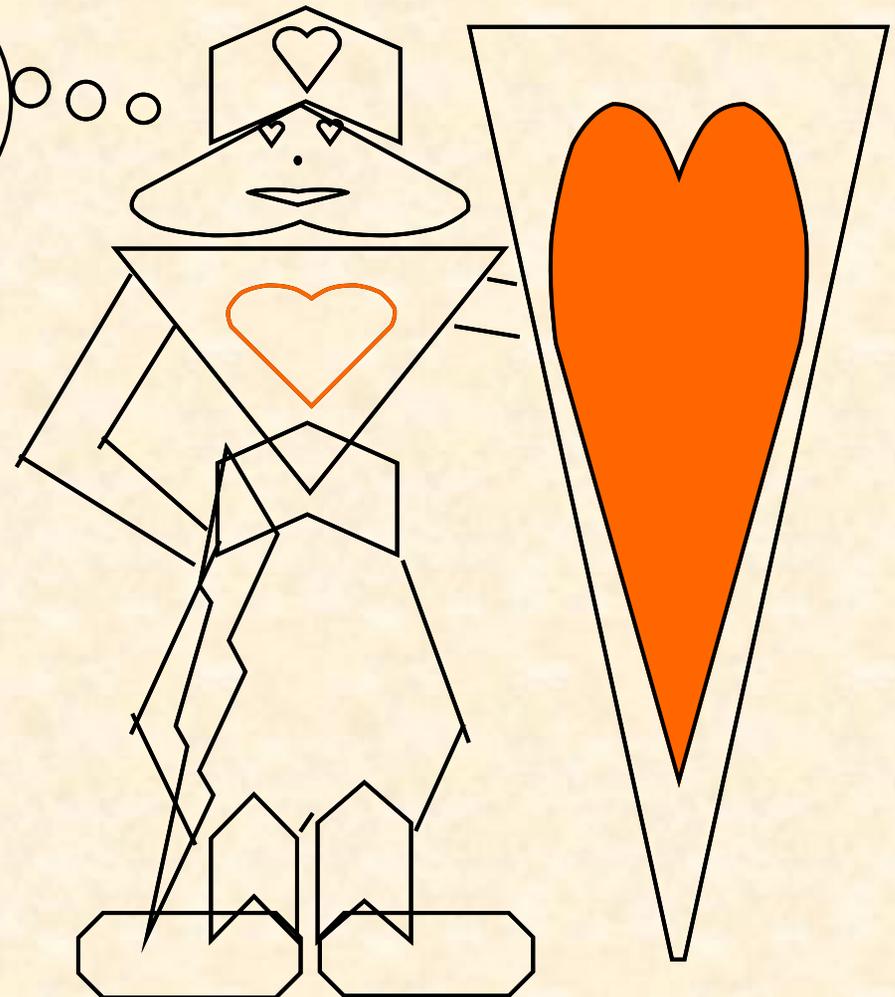
Help Me Understand.  
Does God still love me?



If life as lived it ceases, you may need reassurance !!!

In 2 Chronicles 7:14 KJV, we do read His promise, “If my people, which are called by My name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek My face, and turn from their wicked ways, then will I hear from Heaven, and will forgive their sins, and will heal their land.” But as will be revealed, here, before He can heal our land, He must , first, heal our hearts.

**What about God’s promise  
to Heal our Land?**



Before our Nation can be healed, our hearts must be healed.  
The process of cleansing/purification of our hearts—the Wilderness Journey.

## Noah

### God Called

To come out of the World -  
Society was Collapsing

Building Process

### Gathering-in Process

(Gathering in enough to start his  
new life)

**God's Mercy**—God closed the  
door of the ark with Noah &  
family safe and snug and  
protected inside —Noah **parted**  
from the world's ways and into  
God's plan for a new life.

**Destruction Came**—Floods  
Noah was safe having listened  
to God.

## Israelites

### God Called

To free the Captives from Egypt  
(World's captivity)  
Let My People Go

### Gathering-in Process

The Egyptians surrendered their  
worldly stuff—just leave—take  
it—just stop the plagues.

### Arrive at Red Sea

**(God's Mercy)** - Red Sea  
parted—Israelites were protected  
and safe, crossed over to other  
side—Israelites **parted** from  
Captivity of World's Ways unable  
to return to Egypt—and into God's  
plan for a new life.

**Destruction Came**—Pharaoh and  
Army drowned.  
Israelite's were safe because  
Moses listened to God.

## Jerusalem

### Jesus Called

The Temple will be destroyed  
Jerusalem will be overrun

### Liquidation Process

Prepare to Move

### Relocation Process

**Gathering-In Process**  
**Rebuilding Process**

### Arrive at Red Sea

**Experience**  
**(God's Mercy)** - **Depart** from  
Jerusalem when city is  
surrounded by enemy. Flee  
and begin new life in the  
mountains.

**Destruction Came**—Those  
in city were killed or taken  
Captives by the Roman Army.  
The ones who fled, were safe.

## USA (theory)

### God Called 2008

To come out of World's Ways  
Threat of Economic/Stock Market/  
National Collapse

### Gathering-In Process

Consult [www.ready.gov](http://www.ready.gov). and other  
preparedness organizations  
Develop Preparedness Plan  
And prepare Mentally, Physically,  
Emotionally and Spiritually—be  
filled with overflowing Hope

### Arrive at Red Sea Experience

**(God's Mercy)** **EMP ?**  
**(Electro Magnetic Pulse)** —  
Immediately **depart** any buildings/  
city that could be targeted by  
terrorists—proceed to follow your  
Preparedness Plan to safety and  
security. And ready yourself to  
**part** from the old ways and  
embrace a new way of living your  
life—God's Way.

**Revealing the Secrets of the Wilderness Journey Experience**  
**Our Heavenly Father has taken the Mystery out of the Mystery**  
**Biblical Patterns revealed over and over so we ought not be caught “unsuspecting.”**

# ***What's God's Desire for His People***

***“My desire has always been to have a people that wished to be My people ; to observe My ways and live their life more abundantly! I want them to desire Me, to seek Me, to have eternal life with Me (overflowing Hope.) I want to be their God and them My people. I want them to follow My ways, not out of duty, but because they do so out of love and respect for their Heavenly Father.”*** *From my writings*

## ***The Path of Life:***

***To seek Me is to know Me***

***To know Me is to have Trust and Faith***

***To have Trust and Faith is to Love Me***

***To Love Me is to have eternal life in Heaven***

***To have life eternal in Heaven is to have Hope, overflowing.***

***Path of Life as in Psalms 16:11, Proverbs 2:19, KJV***

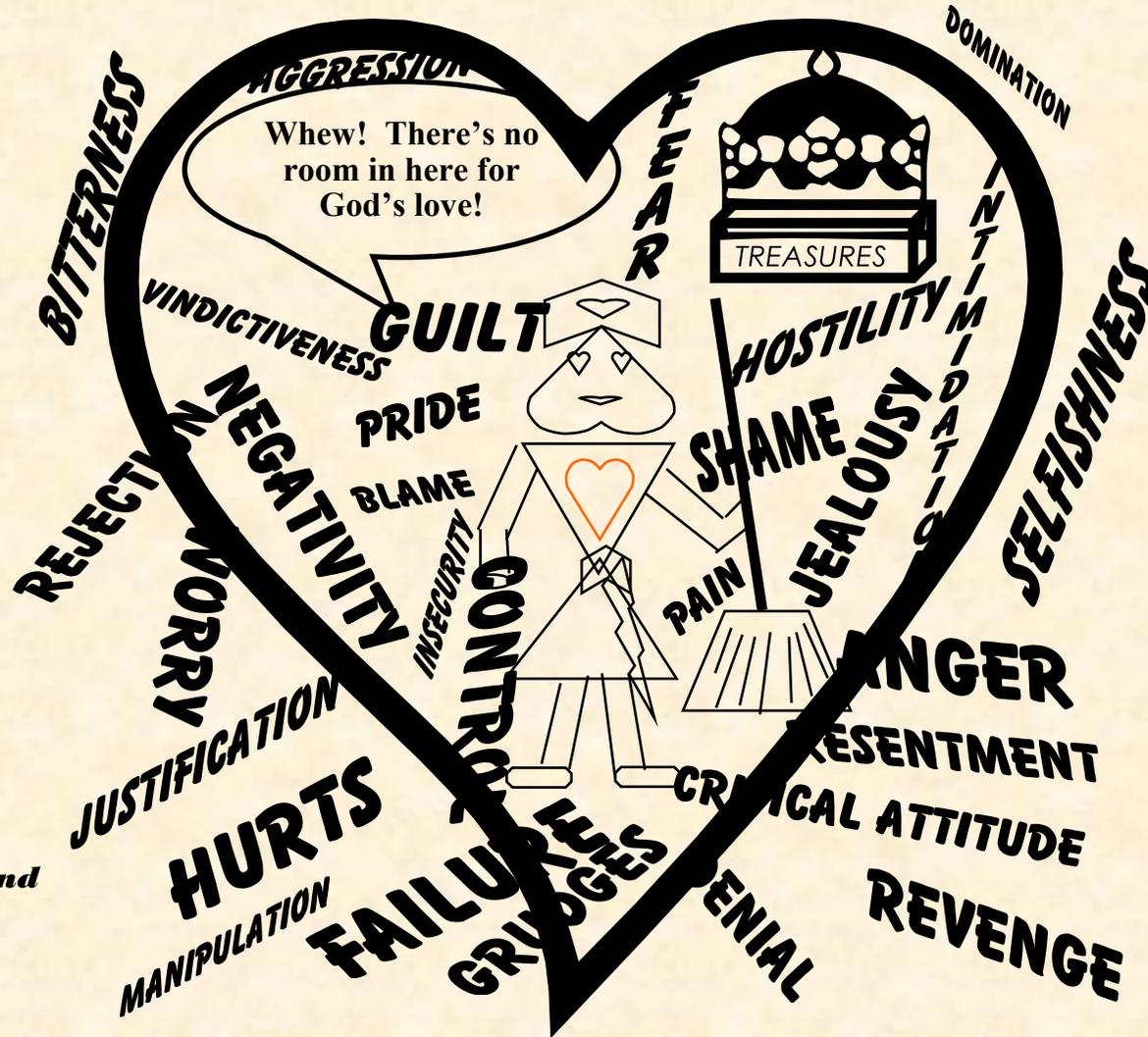




*The Pure Heart of Adam and Eve  
(Before the deception)*

***From Genesis 3:8 KJV: “And they heard the voice of the Lord God walking in the garden in the cool of the day ...” (no fear)***

To fulfill God’s desires for His people, man has to have a pure heart!

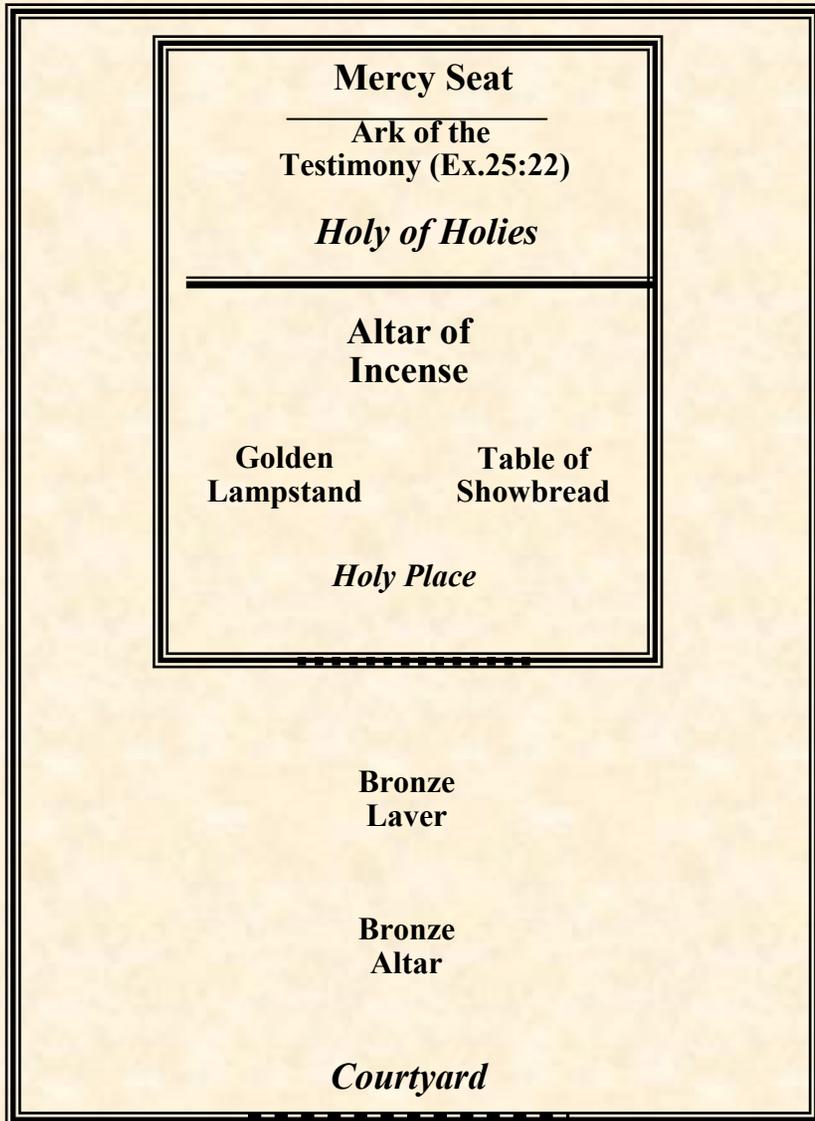


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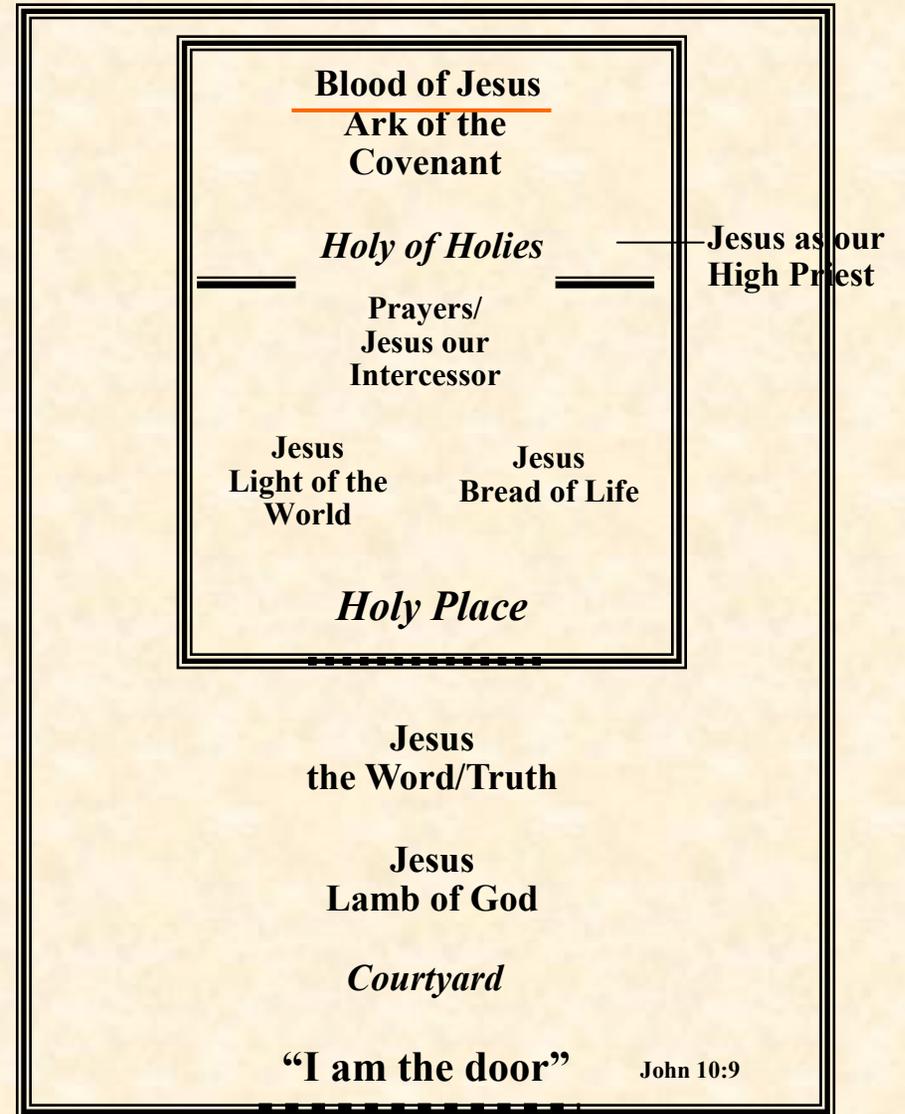
**“And the Lord God said, Behold the man is become as one of us, to know good and evil, and now, lest he put forth his hand, and take also of the tree of life, and eat, and live forever.” Gen 3:22 KJV . *Broken trust.***

The “self” nature with deceptions and addictions consumes the heart of man separating man from God. The rest of the story is God’s love and His restoring His relationship with man ....

# Old Covenant



**Wilderness Tabernacle (Exodus 36-40)**



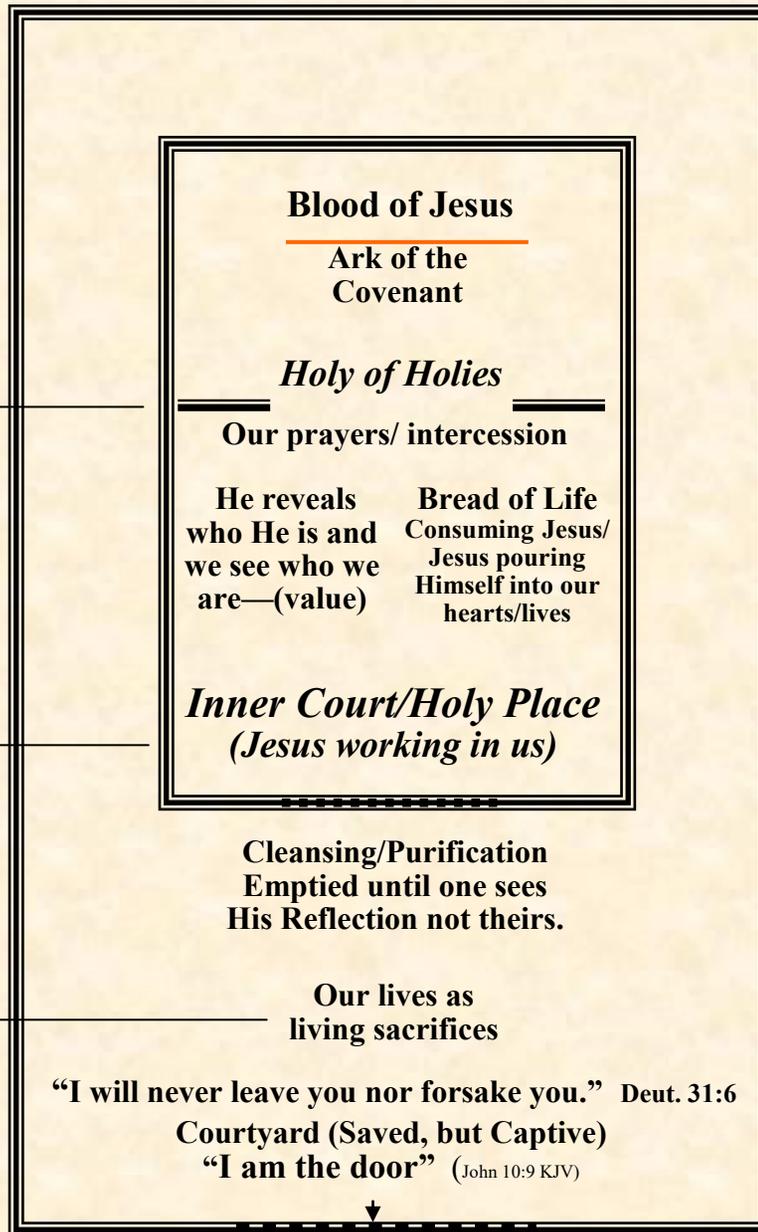
**“And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us”**

**(John 1:14 KJV)**

With every step we take on Path of Life, the closer we become in a Personal one- on- one Relationship with the Creator of the Universe— even to hear His desires. Deut. 29:4

Jesus Prepares us for Ministry. Our hearts having been cleansed of our selfish/self - centered nature as well as ways of world.

Beginning Wilderness Journey/ Path of Life following Jesus



***Our Hearts: His Dwelling Place***

## Our Christian Walk

Following Jesus along the path from the Courtyard that leads to the King's Palace

(no shortcuts permitted)

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## Tests and Trials will Come

Jesus said, "In the world you shall have tribulation: but be of good cheer; I have overcome the world." John 16:33 KJV **S**

### **Fiery Tests of the Fiery Furnace:**

Where Warriors/ettes have been purified; impurities of the world system have been skimmed from the surface and replaced with Strength of Compassion; able to reflect God's love as He pours into their hearts.

**Molded on the Potter's Wheel** with God's hands surrounding and molding a lump of clay of failed hopes and dreams and plans in the world—replaced with Boundaries, Walls, and Strengths as God molds what once was with little purpose into a vessel able and capable to carry out His plans and desires and to be filled to the brim with Hope and His love to pour onto those who are broken and shattered by the world's unfulfilled promises.

**The Threshing Floor** where one has been sifted over and over; broken and beaten until all that is chaff (needless and burdensome) has been removed leaving only that which is fortified in truth remains. The scourging of the self nature; deception falls away. It is no longer about getting one's needs met, but about making sure God's will be done.

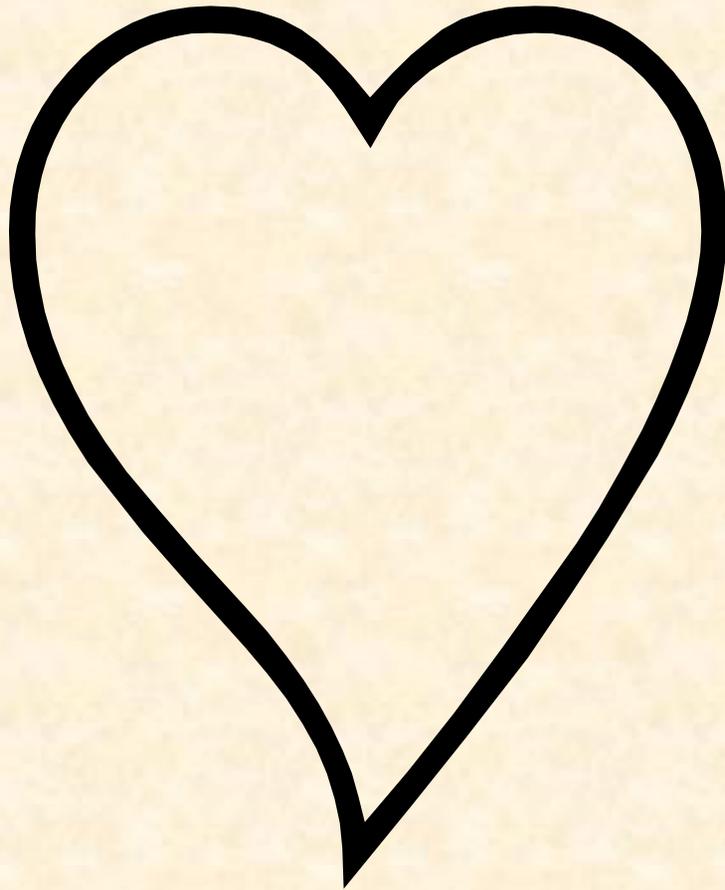
Descriptions taken from my writings!

“You have seen all that the Lord did before your eyes in the land of Egypt, to Pharaoh and to all his servants and to all the servants and to all this land—the great trials (temptations) which your eyes have seen, the signs, and those great wonders miracles).” Deut. 29:2-3 KJV (NKJV)

***“Yet the Lord hath not given you a heart to perceive, and eyes to see, and ears to hear, unto this day.”***

Deuteronomy 29:4

They had wandered for 40 years and seen all the miracles so why couldn't they see until this day? With their hearts cleansed and purified, they could now see as they were never able to see before—as the Creator had designed them for His Glory.



*God's love is Reflected  
from one heart to another*



*God's Love is Refracted through Filters*

Once one's heart is cleansed and purified, their heart is able to receive God's love and reflect His love from one heart to another as He intended. With our hearts filled with our self nature, we receive God's love and then process it through our filters and then release our version of God's love to another.

# At this point, we begin the Deprogramming and Reprogramming of our Heart, Mind, and Soul's process.

For the entire booklet, please download the seminar—details with Debbie's notes from the seminar will not be repeated here—only topics will be provided illustrating the Deprogramming and Reprogramming process.

Whatever you decide, you do not want to miss the Surprise Message found at the end, here.

You have been provided a tour of the Wilderness Journey, but the title promises the path's end of Overflowing, Hope.  
***So, don't forget to look at the last pages, here.***

Thank you for giving me an opportunity to share with you.  
Please know How Much "God Loves You."

***BUT THE FRUIT OF THE SPIRIT IS***

**LOVE, JOY, PEACE, PATIENCE, KINDNESS, GOODNESS,  
FAITHFULNESS, GENTLENESS, AND SELF CONTROL.**

Against such things there is no law. Those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the sinful nature with its passions and desires. Since we live by the Spirit, let us keep in step with the Spirit. Let us not become conceited, provoking and envying each other. Galatians 5:22-26 (NIV)

***Why Does Carnality Rule?*** (The Bottom Line) Galatians 5:16-

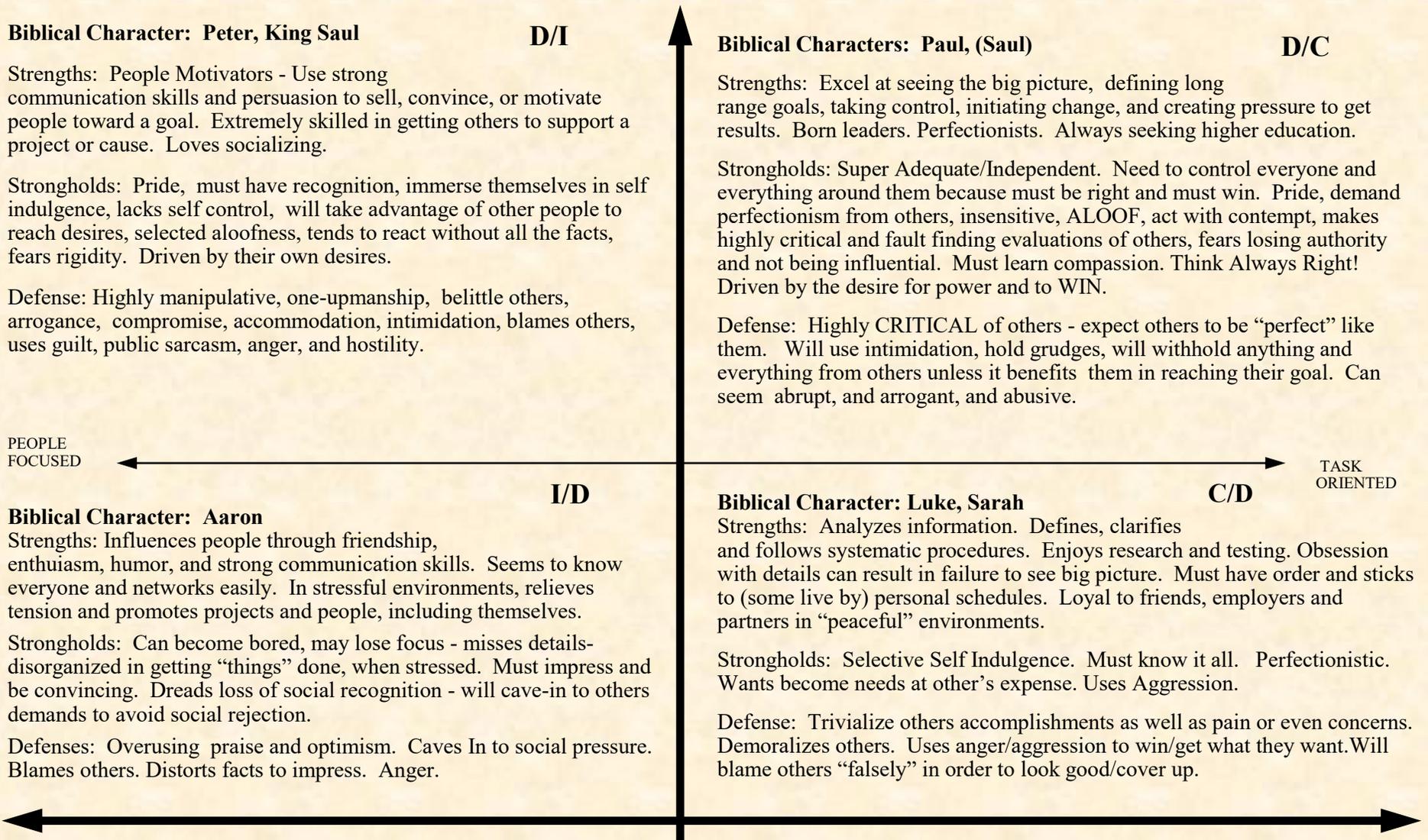
**I**  
**(Everyone must Respect Me)**

**D**  
**(I must Control/Win)**

**S**  
**(Everyone must Love Me)**

**C**  
**(I must be Right)**

## INDIVIDUALS ARE MOTIVATED BY THEIR OWN REASONS, NOT OURS!!!



**Biblical Character: Barnabas** **I/S**

Strengths: Use strong people-oriented skills to express concern and compassion. Focuses on objective facts and personal insights to form opinions. Faithful, and dependable to those in need. Excellent mediators. Encourages, develops, and nurtures people. They are naturally spontaneous, and seek freedom from rigid deadlines or details. Flexible and love variety. Genuine. Optimistic Attitude. Desire everyone to be happy.

Strongholds: Desire Perfect Performance (A+), or will withdraw. Too trusting of others. Seeks approval/permission. Must have others respect. Fears being accused of taking advantage or “harming” others. Fears social rejection, conflict, confrontation, and most of all “Failure and/or their perceived failure.” Fears criticism because they perceive it as a sign of not being respected or accepted. Driven by the needs of others.

Defense: Perform at 100% or withdraw. Explain/defend,

**Biblical Character: Moses** **C/S**

Strengths: Motivated to do things (tasks) right. Maintains high standards with attention to quality. Driven by commitment to excellence. Communicates commands/directions diplomatically and accurately. Extremely conscientious, faithful and dependable to people as well as tasks and goals. Exercises caution and restraint especially with policies, procedures, & law. Loves catalogues, instruction manuals and debate.

Strongholds: Perfectionism. Must be right. Highly sensitive to criticism when others question their abilities, decisions, or judges/questions their performance. Resist change. Internalizes criticism. Reluctant to share their insights and opinions with others. Critical of themselves and others in the quest for quality. Internalized criticism can lead them to feelings of isolation and depression.

Defense: Resist/Refute the idea, criticism or implied criticism, etc. DEBATE wears opponent down with numerous questions (seeking info.) - makes them appear to be negative. Will push others to limit to obtain desired result. Are tenacious, will use sarcasm, and will withdraw if feel criticized.

**Biblical Character: Abraham** **S/I**

Strengths: Extremely loyal. Committed, dedicated, pleasant, positive attitudes, good listeners, with good team-building skills. Their priorities rest with maintaining harmony and preserving relationships with people. Shows empathy and is supportive. Carries out duties in a consistent/system-type way. Service oriented.

Strongholds: Avoid/Ignore. Stubborn. Will avoid antagonistic situations and appease persons who express hostility. To maintain stability will neglect their personal preferences and give in to wishes of others, even if surrendering their own rights and freedom. Needs certainty, confidence, & support from others. Vain. Fears change and disorganization. Has difficulty saying, “No.”

Defense: Refuse to get involved. Use humor. Retreat into silence, grieve over problem, worry, anxiety, anger (explode), depression, health problems (emotional stress wears down immune system).

**Biblical Character: Anna** **S/C**

Strengths: Determined and Orderly. Detail Oriented. Organizes actions around a purpose. They are determined and tenacious. Comprehensive, objective, and thorough. Works well in small group. Good listeners and can provide well, detailed counsel to others.

Strongholds: Denial of reality. Difficulty expressing feelings, internalizes their feelings. Fears personal rejection. Questions others’ motives because of past wrongs (keeps a mental list). Are stressed by changes without time to prepare, disorganization, disruptions to their schedule, and conflict. Needs time to prepare and have all the answers before making a decision.

Defense: Denial of Reality (escapes into a shell of silence). Emotional Insulation, very little expression of anger, can experience depression and health problems can result (emotional stress wears down immune system).

**Compassion**

**Examine those "Fiery Darts" Condemnation** (Ephesians 6:16)

**8 Individual Personality Types and Deceptions Addictive Nature is in parenthesis. Deceptions are in bold. These are based on my observances.**

**King Saul** Lies about own worth. **Tells themselves they are inherently great.** Others are viewed as means of achieving status or ones who threaten status. (Seeks to rule over others.) **I'm gonna have what I'm gonna have and you're going to help me get it.**

**Aaron** (Exodus 32:21-25) Lacks loyalty. Motivated by wants and desires of peers. Their worth is linked to their popularity. When they feel threatened, look out - they can become very aggressive. (Seeks to "win over" others for Prestige/popularity) **I'm gonna do what I'm gonna do and you're gonna let me do it. Prominence**

**Barnabas** (Acts 15:36 - 16:) (Their view of themselves is based on others "verbal" opinions regarding their accomplished abilities, talents, appearance, etc.) They lie to themselves about their self worth. Deceiving themselves by feeling worth "less." than others if unable to gain other's respect through performance, etc. Others are viewed to be experts: perfect, knowledgeable, competent, etc. However, can lose respect for those they admire - then the relationship is over. (Seeks Approval from others.) **I have to do everything everybody wants me to do, perfectly, within their time frame or I feel like a failure. I have to make everyone happy!**

**Abraham** (Genesis 20:11-14) (**APPEASE TO PLEASE**) Avoid and Ignores Others as well as sometimes Avoids and Ignores the real truth thereby "deceiving" themselves. Can rationalize till they believe their own lies. (Seeks Acceptance of others.)

**Anna & Jacob** (Luke 2:36) (Genesis 25:21 - 31) Acquires "position" of (Admiration by others) through their ability to impress or influence through success, wealth, achievement, character, etc.; always searching for the highest standards available/possible. As a result of having to be admired—takes on too much and then may feel "It's not fair." Can be very PERSISTENT..

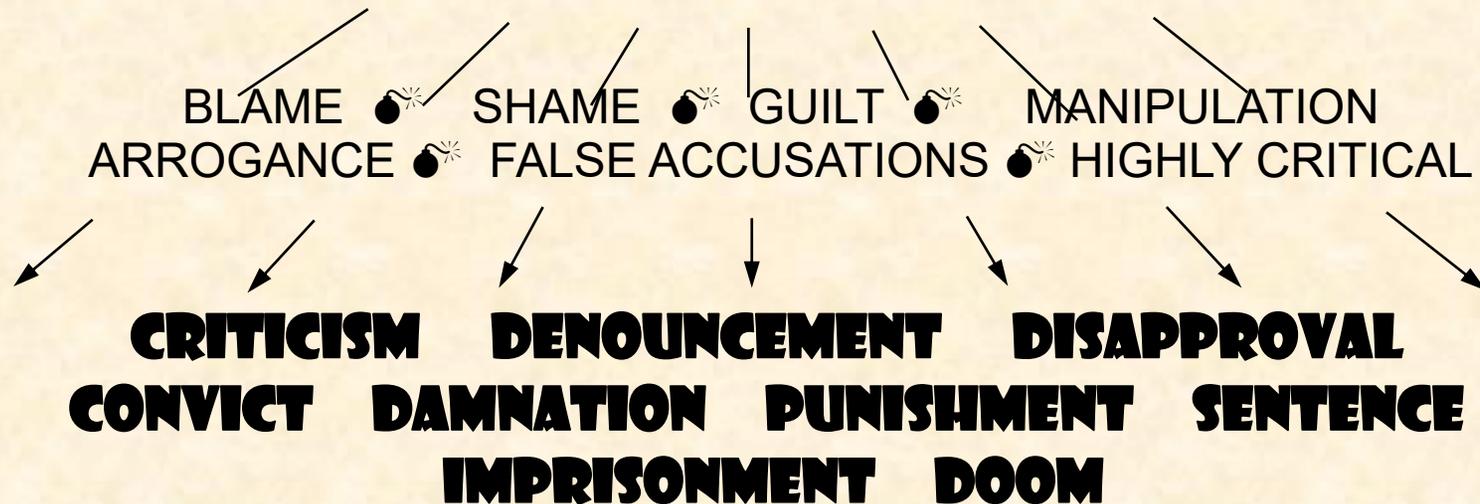
**Moses** (Exodus 3:13-4:17) Resist and Refute. **I'm Right so get ready to prove your case.** It's time for the questions and the grilling as you prove your plan, goal, or objective, idea, suggestion, etc. is workable, and if they want to participate. (Seeks Acknowledgement as Expert.) (Exodus 4:13 Moses said, "Please Lord send someone else.)

**Sarah** (Genesis 21:9-11) Trivialize and Demoralize Others. **I am the Expert, I've Got it all figured out, I've Got it all Under Control and you know nothing.** Can become very jealous and use intimidation, also cover up, etc. when threatened. (Seeks position of Authority over others.)

**Paul** (Acts 9:1-10) Highly critical of others. Deceives themselves by striving for their "ideal" perfection through dominating and controlling everyone around them; making decisions without all the facts; narrow focused. They view others as tools to meet their own goals and objectives. (Serious argument between Paul & Barnabas regarding John Mark as reported in ACTS 15:36-16:5) (Seeks Total Control of everyone and everything.) **It's my way or the highway.**

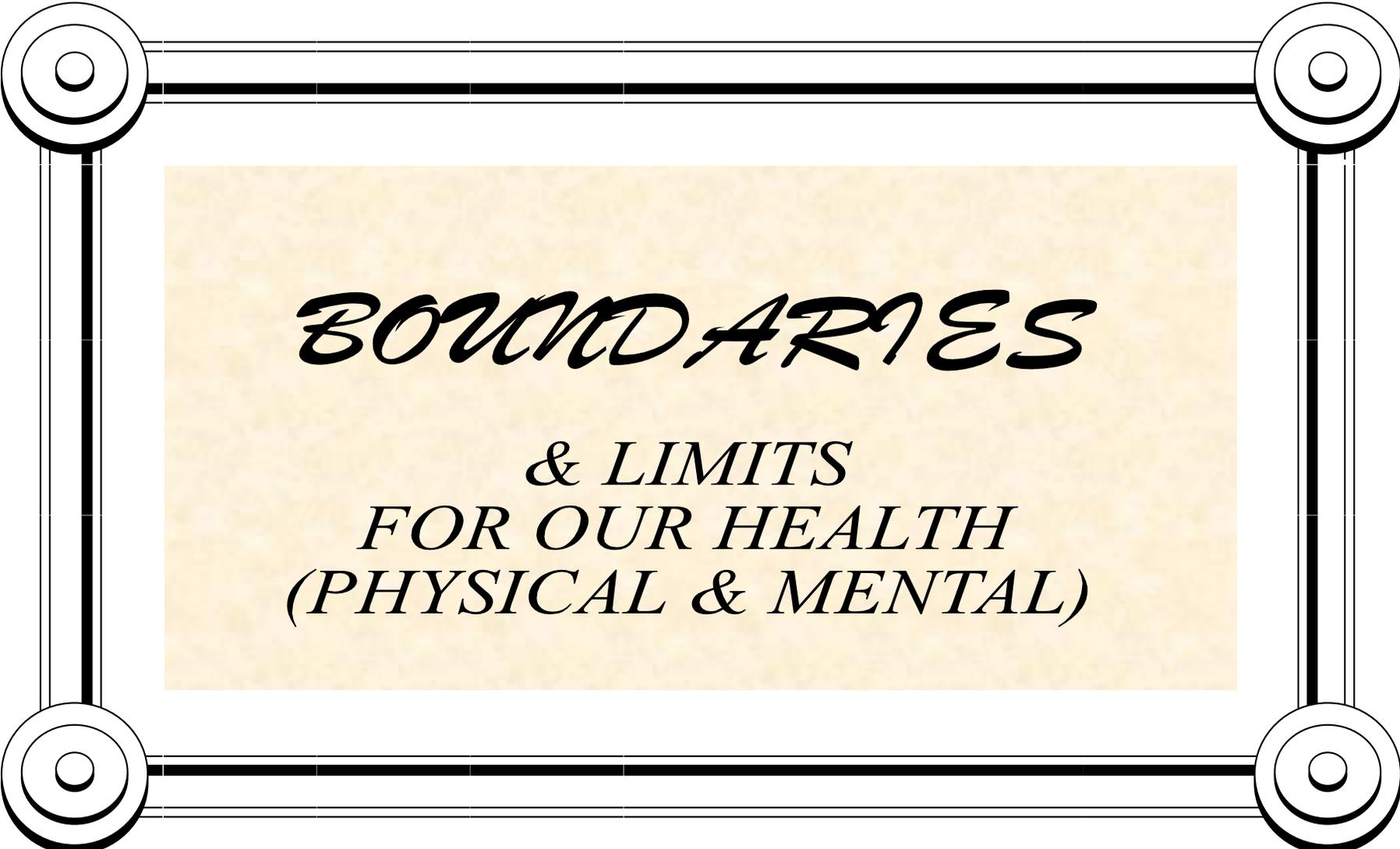
These Addictive Natures apply not only to men, but to nations.

# Condemnation



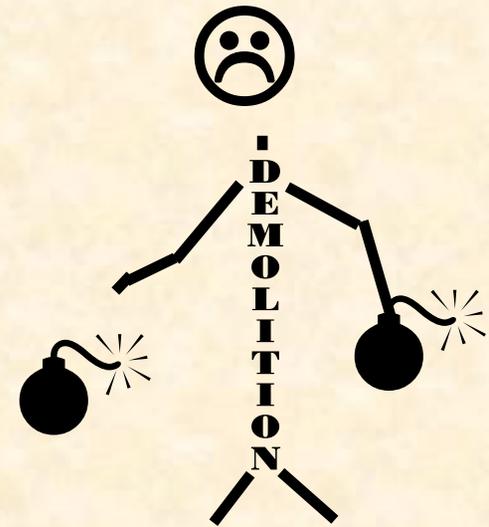
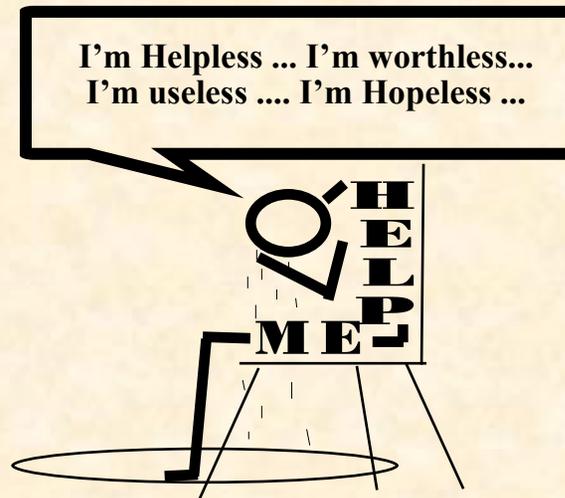
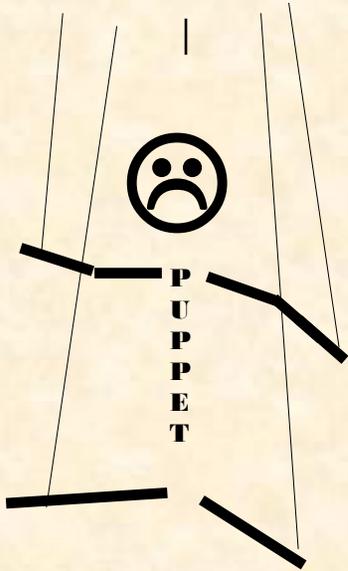
*But Let Us Be Ruled by the Holy Spirit*

*There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit. For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus hath made me free from the law of sin and death. Romans 8:1&2*



***BOUNDARIES***  
***& LIMITS***  
***FOR OUR HEALTH***  
***(PHYSICAL & MENTAL)***

# Boundaryless People Hurt!



## 12 God Given Rights - (My Sanity Survival Kit)

- 1 You have the duty, under God, to be the judge of all you are and do. Thus you, not others, must make judgments concerning yourself. (I Chronicles 28:9)
- 2 The feelings, desires, wishes, and preferences of a human being are important. Yours are as important as everyone else's. (Not less important; not more important) But, you are responsible for making your feelings clear to others in a loving way. (Matthew 18:15-19, Matthew 5:23-24, Galatians 6:1, Leviticus 19:17)
- 3 You are not obligated in every situation to defend yourself or your actions, make excuses or offer reasons to justify your behavior. (Nehemiah 6:1-8)
- 4 You have the obligation to judge in each case whether you are responsible for finding solutions to other people's problems (Galatians 6:4-5)
- 5 There is no divine law against changing your mind; you may do so whenever you wish to, and, under God judge it appropriate. (Acts 11:1-18) (You have the right to express your opinion and the right to change your mind.)
- 6 Although God commands that we do not sin, he knows we can't keep the law. We are responsible to admit our mistakes and ask forgiveness. (1 John 1:8-10, Romans 5:20) (I'm sorry!)
- 7 You do not need the goodwill of others to deal with them effectively. It is not necessary to make everyone love you, etc. all the time. (Matthew 10:14&22, John 15:18)
- 8 You are NOT omniscient. Don't have to be perfect. Can make a mistake. OK to say, "I don't know." Can't know the future or outcome. (Be kind to yourself.)
- 9 There is no law requiring you to always be logical when making decisions- sometimes our faith leads us to actions that seem illogical to others. (I Corinthians 1:18-25)
- 10 You don't have to guess the desires of others when *they* are trying to induce guilt or manipulate you. Ask people to clarify their comments that presume guilt. (You have a right to say, NO.)
- 11 People's feelings are always valid, even if they seem distorted or wrong to you.
- 12 Love does not require you always to be seen as "Nice," and *Kindness* doesn't imply always being compliant or that you must meet other's expectations.

**Courtesy of Dana Medcalf, Ph.D.**

# Put On The Full Armor of God

Ephesians 6:13 - 18

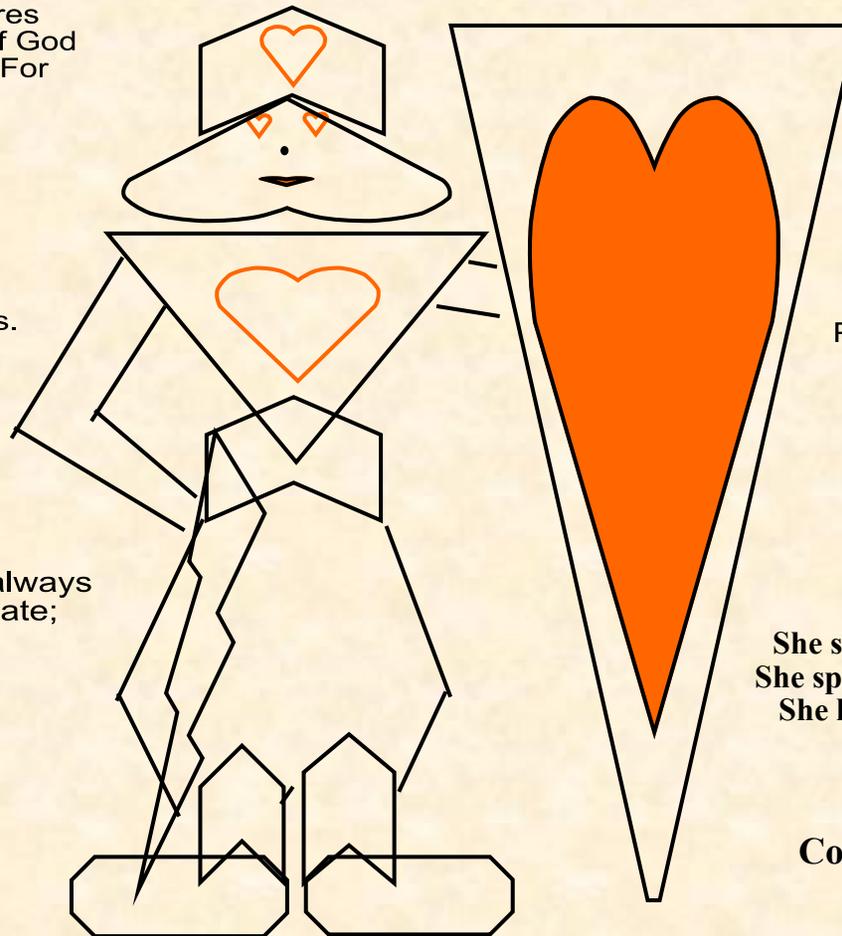
Helmet of Salvation  
John 3:16 Declares  
I'm 100% A Child of God  
Bought and Paid For

Breastplate of Righteousness  
Reminds us that living "right,"  
according to God's instructions, protects us.

Belt of truth  
Encircles our waist  
Reminds us to "Always" tell the truth.

The Sword, God's word, is always  
ready to restore and educate;  
never to destroy.

The Good News of Peace  
helps us stand strong, and  
also reminds us to come  
and go in Peace.



Shield of Faith  
Protects from the  
fiery darts.

She sees with eyes of compassion  
She speaks from lips of compassion  
She lives with a heart that beats  
with compassion

She is a  
**Compassion Warriorette**

***Blessed are the peacemakers: for they shall  
be called the children of God.*** Matthew 5:9-13

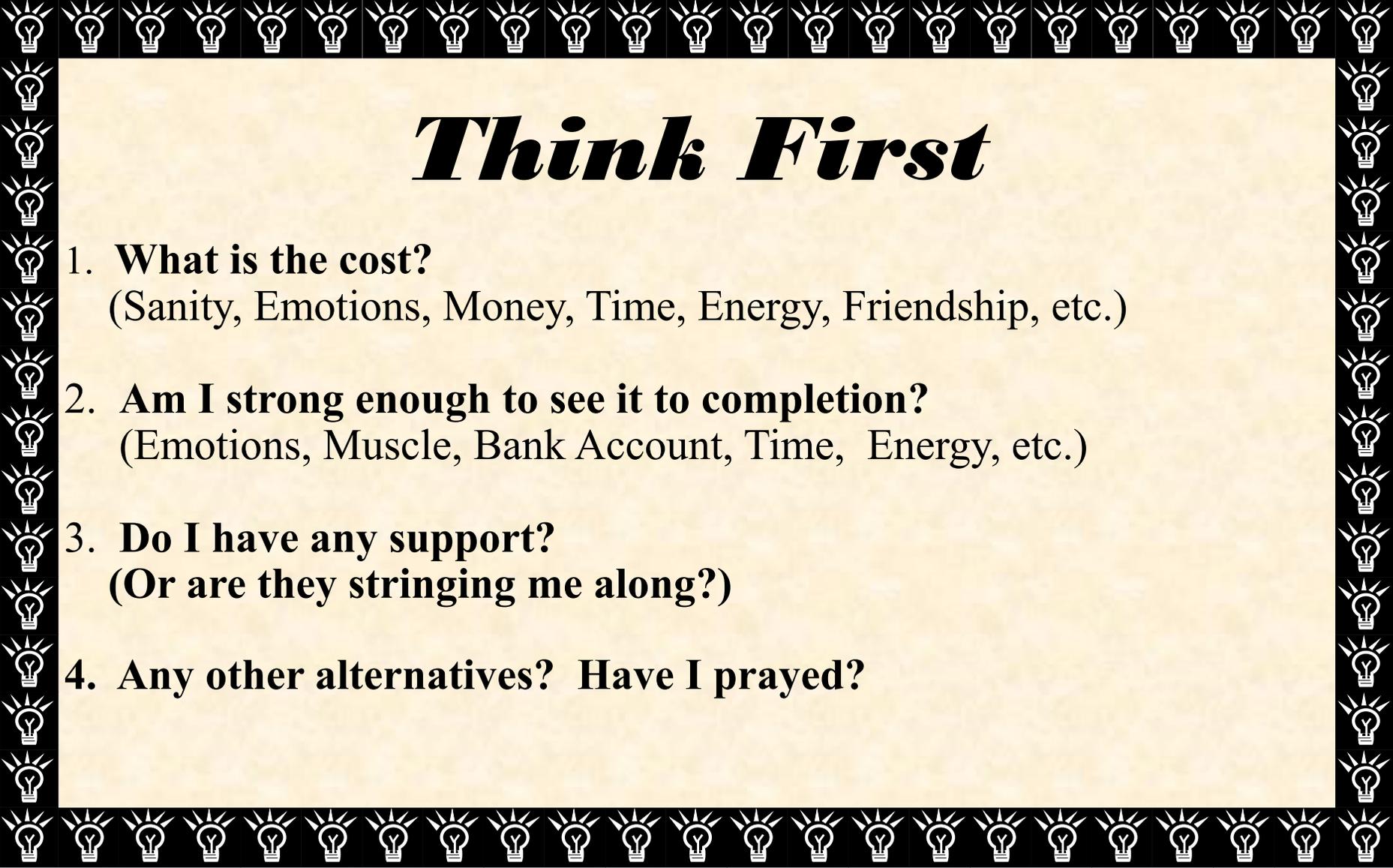
*Peacemakers love God and understand that God loves everyone; therefore they reach out in love to others - even if that means to "confront in love."*

*Peacemakers look for strengths, talents and skills in others and encourage and affirm them.*

*Peacemakers look to "really" see people for who they are (that includes others' strengths, strongholds, as well as defenses).*

*Peacemakers are concerned for other people's welfare and concerns, and are willing to confront and step into conflict if necessary to protect others.*

*Peacemakers "act" in love. (That doesn't mean that others will not hurt when confronted; and as a result may respond with anger or out of pain.)*



# ***Think First***

- 1. What is the cost?**  
(Sanity, Emotions, Money, Time, Energy, Friendship, etc.)
- 2. Am I strong enough to see it to completion?**  
(Emotions, Muscle, Bank Account, Time, Energy, etc.)
- 3. Do I have any support?**  
(Or are they stringing me along?)
- 4. Any other alternatives? Have I prayed?**

# ***SOURCES OF CONFLICT AND CONFRONTATION***

*Irritants*

*Misunderstandings/Miscommunications*

*Willful Actions*

***Ready to Confront?***  
***PLAN YOUR PLAN***

1. Define Your Objective.
2. Gather facts and research.
3. Develop possible “workable” solutions.
4. Check your motivation/heart.
5. Present your concerns. Be assertive, not aggressive. (perhaps using an email/letter rather than face to face.)
6. Be prepared to receive others “confrontational” responses.
7. Was your objective met? Remember the goal is “reaching the objective;” and not “who” wins.
8. If your objective was not met; was your objective reasonable?
9. If objective was reasonable, make a list of options and decide what is best for your. It is imperative that you not surrender your “God-given” rights. Seek the Lord and He’ll help

# Our Conflicting Ways

## RESPONDING TO CONFRONTATION

<b>You “will” give in</b>	☹️ <b>DOMINATE</b> ☹️	<b>no response allowed</b>
<b>Just gives in</b>	☹️ <b>PLACATE</b> ☹️	<b>”OK, If you say so...”</b>
<b>Gives in a little</b>	☺️ <b>COMPROMISE</b> ☺️	<b>”Willing, if you are?”</b>
<b>Cooperative</b>	☺️ <b>COLLABORATE</b> ☺️	<b>”Let’s do it together!”</b>
<b>Retreat</b>	☹️☹️ <b>WITHDRAWAL</b> ☹️☹️	<b>”I’m out of here!”</b>

*So if you have disagreements that must be judged, why do you take them to those who are not part of the Church (1 Cor. 6:3-7)*

***WHAT DOES THE BIBLE  
SAY about  
CONFRONTATION?  
(Matthew 18:15-17)***

**This is what Jesus said to do ...**

## *Prayer for Serenity*

*God, grant me serenity to accept the things I cannot change, courage to change things I can, and wisdom to know the difference; living one day at a time, enjoying one moment at a time; accepting hardship as a pathway to peace; taking, as Jesus did, this sinful world as it is, not as I would have it; trusting that You will make all things right if I surrender to your will so that I may be reasonably happy in this life and supremely happy with you forever in the next. AMEN*

*Reinhold Niebuhr*



*(Courtesy of Dana Medcalf, PhD)*

***FAILURE!***

***REPENTANCE!***

*The key to “Trusting” again.*

*Are there any “**SAFE**” People?*

*Have I **FORGIVEN** Others?*

## ***Suggestions for Mending Fences once the Bridge has been Burned***

*The best way I know to avoid Burning a Bridge when you are at that point in a conflict/confrontation is to "Agree to Disagree," outlined earlier in this booklet. Also, "Conciliatory Compromise" mentioned earlier.*

*Once a bridge is burned, one may be able to restore the relationship, understanding one is willing to pay the costs and others may be manipulating or working out of their Strongholds/Defenses. It is not likely one can mend a fence unless it benefits them. "Think First" before you act. For the most part, they have their own life and are getting along just fine.*

*For those who won't let another off the hook for a mistake in the past – they can't remember what initiated the response, only that you had a response of which they disapproved. God given right #1. First, validate their concern for past behavior, and gently assure them that none of us are not the same as we were 10 years ago, 5 years ago, 1 year ago, or even 1 week ago. We, all, are constantly growing in understanding. And, the statute of limitations has expired so its time to move on.*

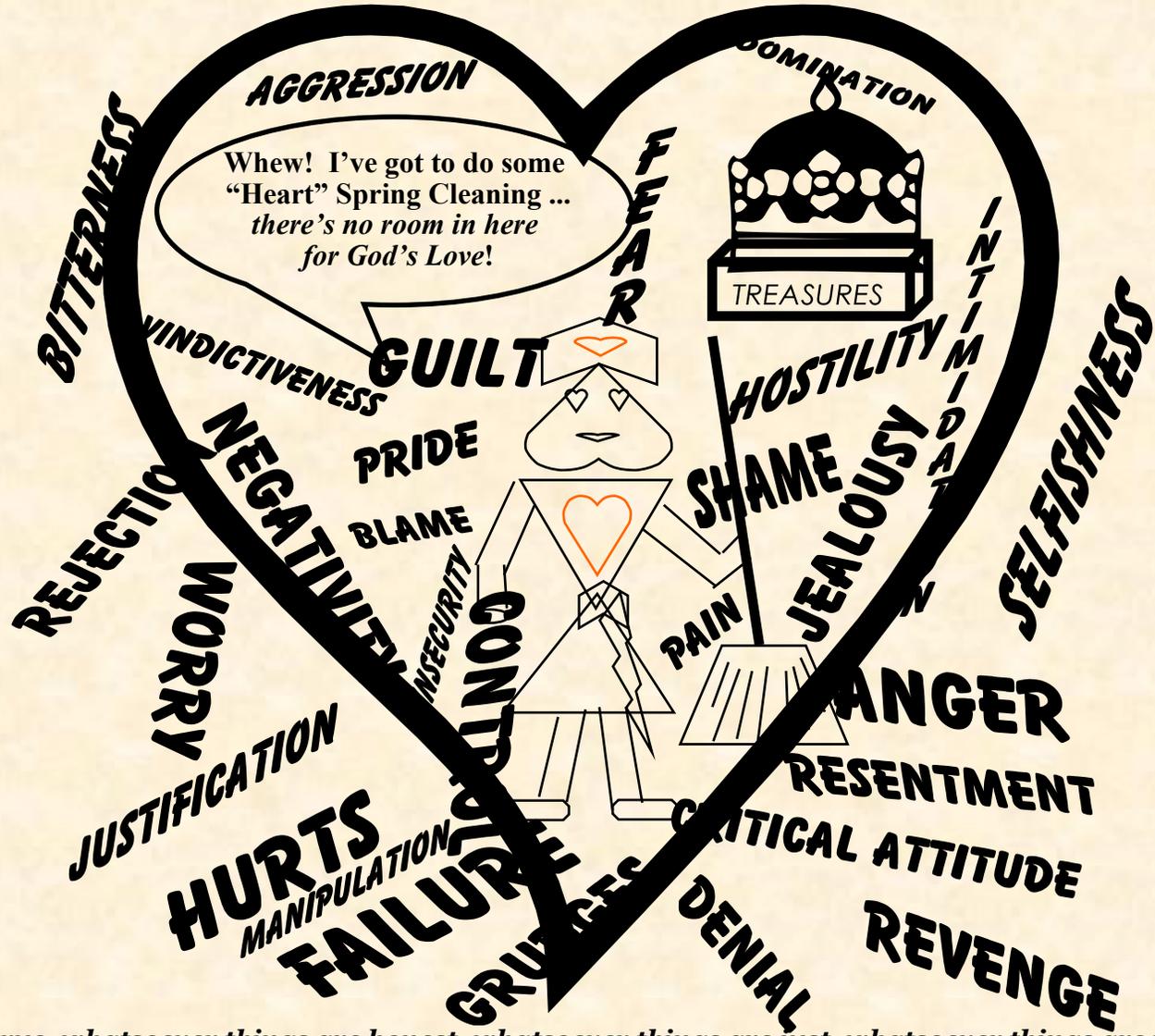
*One might need a **liaison** to share, help, convey one's message, provide info on their behalf until the offended party can trust again.*

***Letter/Email** indicating desire to put past hurt feelings and pain aside - uniting for the good of each other or others.*

***Face to Face** Contact, probably the most difficult, for the good of another with a common cause putting past hurt feelings and pain aside.*

***Hand in Need** is reaching out, putting aside all hurt feelings and pain in order to help someone in need.*

***BE CAREFUL ABOUT BURNING A BRIDGE; ONE MAY WANT TO GET BACK ACROSS IT!***



*“whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report, if there be any virtue and if there be any praise, think on these things.”*  
 Phil. 4:8 KJV

**John 16:33 KJV**

Jesus said, "In the world you shall have tribulation: but be of good cheer; I have overcome the world."

**Matthew 10:16&17&19 KJV**

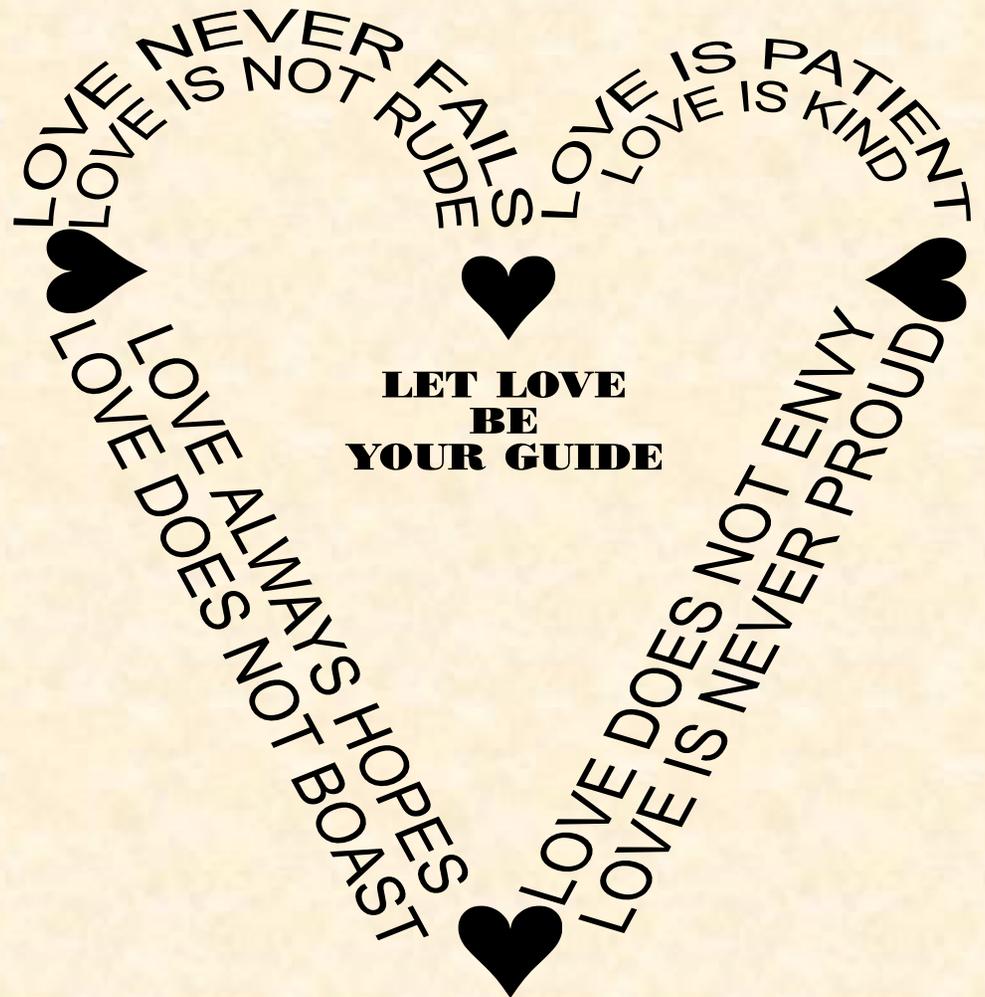
Jesus said to his twelve disciples, "Behold, I send you forth as sheep in the midst of wolves; be ye therefore wise as serpents and "harmless" as doves. But beware of men: for they will deliver you up to the councils and they will scourge you in their synagogues."

**Matthew 5:11-13 NIV**

Jesus said, "Blessed are you when people insult you and persecute you and falsely say all kinds of evil against you because of me. Rejoice and be glad .... You are the salt of the earth. But if the salt loses its saltiness, how can it be made salty again? It is no longer good for anything, except to be thrown out and trampled by men."

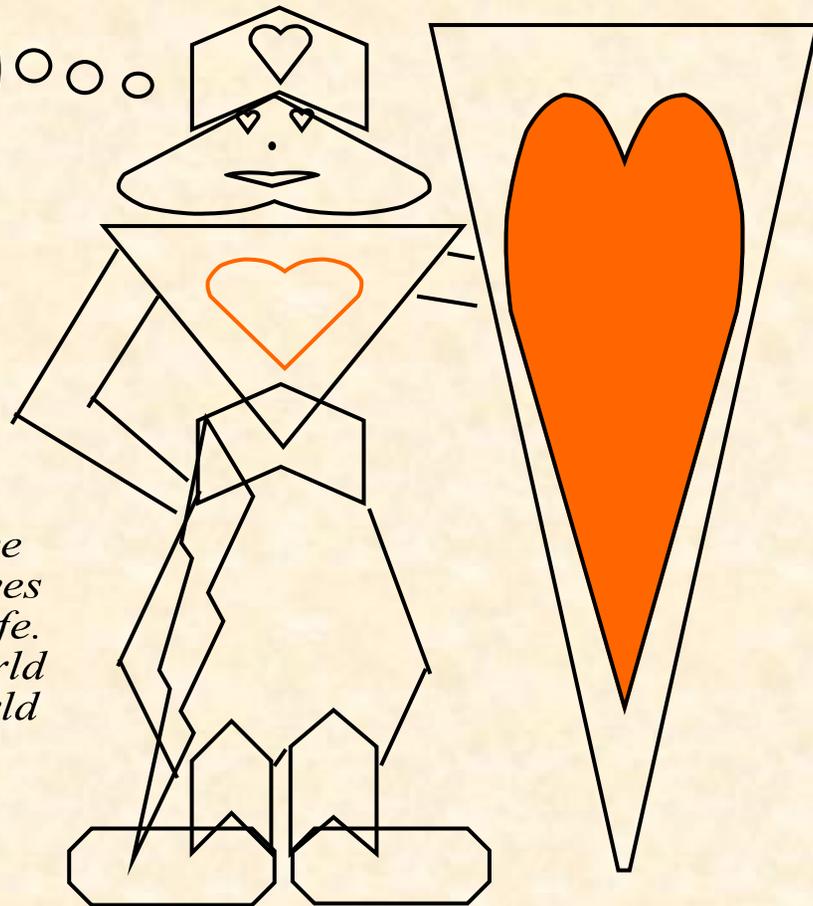
**Ephesians 4:1-6 NCV**

Paul encourages us, "... I tell you now to live the way God's people should live. Always be humble and gentle. Be patient and accept each other with love. You are joined together with peace through the Spirit. Do all you can to continue together this way. Let peace hold you together. There is one body and one Spirit. And God called you to have one hope. There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism. There is one God and Father of everything. He rules everything. He is everywhere and in everything."



1 CORINTHIANS 13:1 - 14:1

*God "Really" does Love Me &  
He Loves You and He Loves  
& He Loves and He Loves ...*



*"For God so loved the world that he gave  
his one and only Son, that whoever believes  
in him shall not perish but have eternal life.  
For God did not send his Son into the world  
to condemn the world, but to save the world  
through him." John 3:16 &17 NIV*

*Do you know what God's plan is for Saving Your Life?*

**A. (Admit that you have sinned)**

*All of us have sinned and fallen short of God's glory (Romans 3:23)*

**B. (Believe in Jesus)**

*The penalty for sin is death. But God's gift is eternal life given by Jesus Christ our Lord (Romans 6:23) ...God is patient, because He wants everyone to turn from sin and no one to be lost (2 Peter 3:9)*

**C. (Confess and Forsake your Sin)**

*But if we confess our sins to God, He can always be trusted to forgive us and take our sins away (1 John 1:9)*

*By faith we have been made acceptable to God. And now, because of our Lord, Jesus Christ, we live at peace with God (Romans 5:1)*

***Acknowledge that you have sinned, Ask for forgiveness of your sins, Believe that Jesus paid the price for your sins and thereby you are made acceptable to God, then Receive all the love God has for you by faith.***

# Sick

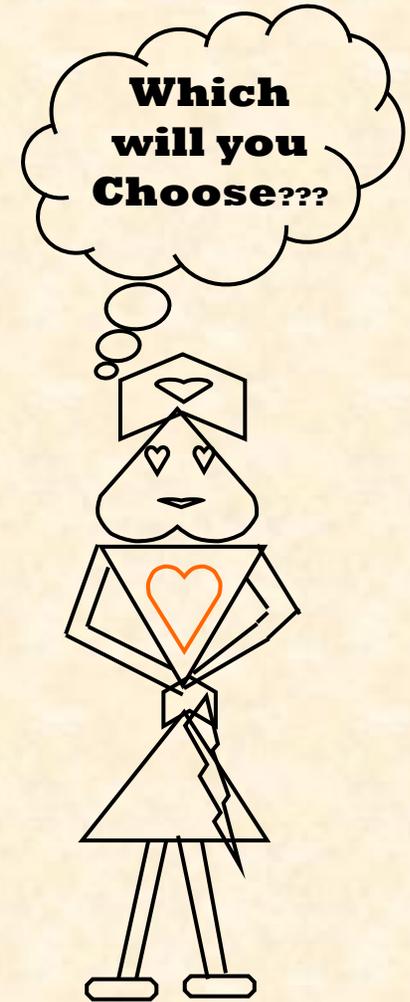
(Continue to live life the same old way; feeding my addiction at others and my own expense; being deceived, a Captive expecting a different/positive result.)

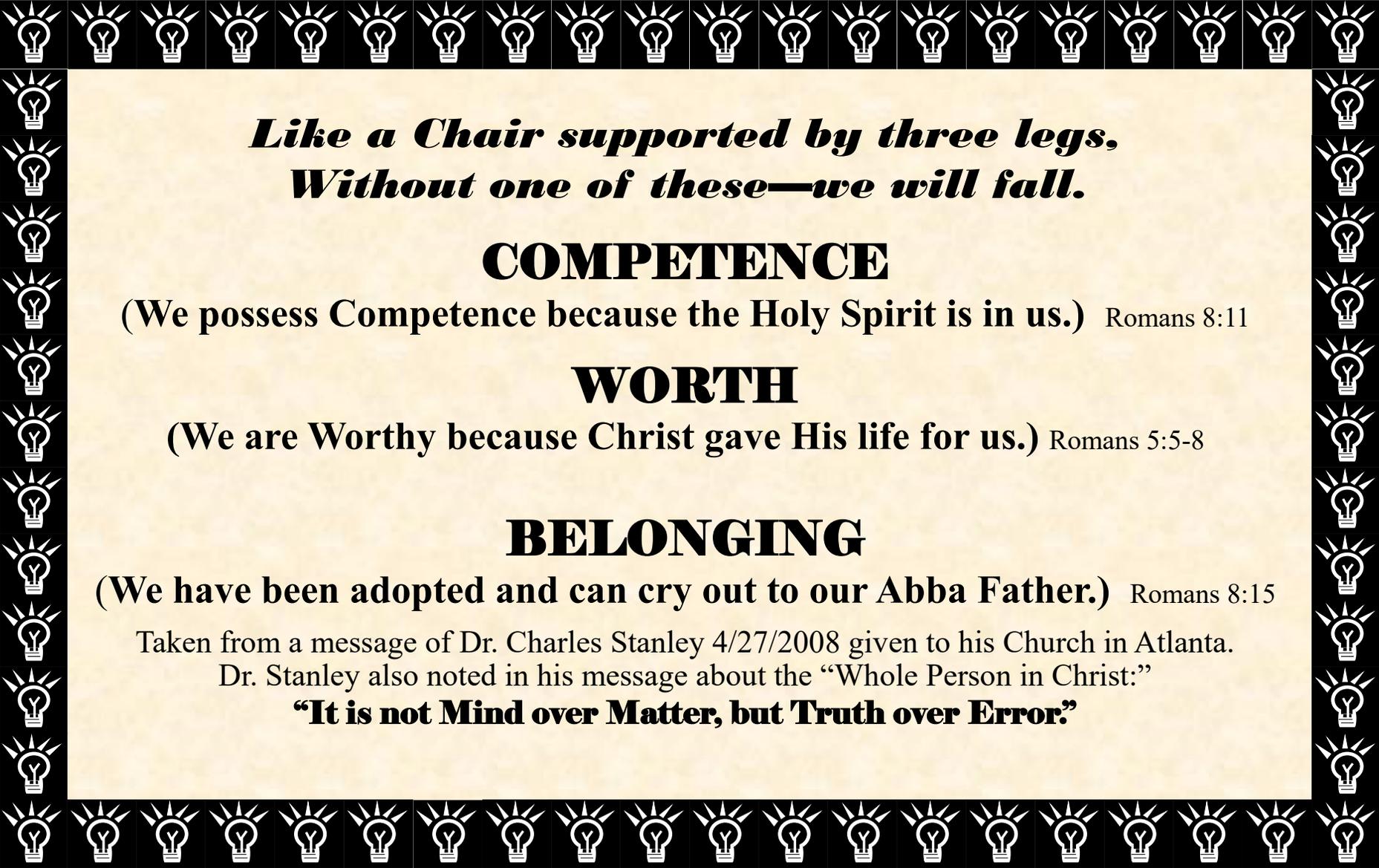
# Safe

(Can only function where I am respected and accepted—Safe at the present, but still a Captive of Fear or even Perceived Fear. Or maybe, I've learned to control others though fear, intimidation, or manipulation; all forms of control. I may appear Safe, but I'm still a Captive.) Can I be/do what God has created me to be/do if I can only function in a safe place?

# Well

(Asking, then Trusting the Lord to help me identify my addictions and help me face my fears so that I have Victory and can live my life free from any Addictions/Deceptions/Strongholds/Defenses and live life God's Ways.)  
To be and Do what the Creator Created the Creation to be and do.  
Truly Live Life More Abundantly.  
Ephesians 3:20





***Like a Chair supported by three legs,  
Without one of these—we will fall.***

## **COMPETENCE**

**(We possess Competence because the Holy Spirit is in us.)** Romans 8:11

## **WORTH**

**(We are Worthy because Christ gave His life for us.)** Romans 5:5-8

## **BELONGING**

**(We have been adopted and can cry out to our Abba Father.)** Romans 8:15

Taken from a message of Dr. Charles Stanley 4/27/2008 given to his Church in Atlanta.

Dr. Stanley also noted in his message about the “Whole Person in Christ:”

**“It is not Mind over Matter, but Truth over Error.”**

SURPRISE! I shared earlier that I had received many writings. It seemed whenever there was a new concept; a new path to be discovered, I was invited to the King's Palace. And, every visit I was given a description to write down of the Palace before I was given the rest of the writing. When it was clear that I was to share this "Path to Overflowing Hope" with you, I was instructed to share some of the descriptions in my King's Palace writings. After 16 years of writings, I did a search to find King's Palace in the Bible. The reference is from Psalm 45.

From the first one of 10/31/1998, "... Come to my palace. You've been invited. Gaze at the beautiful lights; stroll down My Golden Corridors. I've asked you here for a reason. I asked you here as my guest. I want to share with you all that I love. And watch your eyes light up with joy and hope..." (This was midpoint of my wilderness journey; it was a very difficult time.)

Some descriptions have been formed in my thoughts from my writings; others are directly from my writings. Here we go: As you enter into the King's Palace, looking up, there is a beautiful/magnificent Chandelier. The Chandelier is like a tree upside down made of gold branches and diamonds like leaves of a tree. It is powered by God's love—no other power source in the Palace. And God's love/light is so powerful there are no shadows—everything is exposed to light.

The way the Chandelier operates is God's love/light is caught by the prism/diamond and that one reflects to another and that one to another and so on and so on until the entire Chandelier lights up. From a writing dated 1/14/2011: "It is a perfect reflection for their sides are smooth and pure without blemish and deception or encumbrance. This is the way man's heart has been created. But due to pain, bitterness, and deception, man's heart has become hidden and shadowed. My power is not able to be reflected. When it is caught, it is skewed by traditions, by strongholds/defenses, addictions and deceptions. What was pure and meant for good of My Kingdom is distorted and used in a way never meant to be. I have sought to limit what I very much desire to give My people..."

After all that I have been shown, I realize the Chandelier represents the way God desires to light up the world with His love—reflecting His love from one heart to another. Not refracted light through our heart's filters, but His love reflected through our pure hearts to others as He intends.

From the entry, we enter into the Corridor of Faith and Trust. (Our tour is now taking on the look of the Path of Life described earlier.) As we saw in the first writing, it is a golden corridor with golden walls with images, like pictures, etched in platinum and gold, of faces. These are the faces of just ordinary men and women (like you and I) who when faced with the most difficult circumstances, through the empowerment of God's love, became extraordinary—the overcomers of their day.

From the Golden Corridor of Faith and Trust, we enter into the Great Room of Hope. It is huge with a very long table. At the table I was seated, are the saints, old and new, who "speak of events in the past and those yet to come." from 10/23/13. There was a special place for me to sit in front of a place setting reserved just for me. There was no food on the plate before me, but there were three goblets/cups. I was shown one was filled with pain and one with suffering and I had to take sips from time to time for that is of "life of this world," but the third was filled with God's love and I could gorge on it. And when I had finished drinking all I was given, Jesus, Himself, stepped up and gave me a re-fill to the brim. In one writing, at the table when I first was given the description, there were folks there who seemed gnarled and emaciated and I was shown that those folks only drank from the two cups, pain and suffering, and only sipped occasionally from God's love.

Outside the Great Room of Hope—From a writing 7/32/2010: "Enter through the gate, Beautiful. You have now entered the grounds of My Palace. The grounds are covered in blues and greens, yellows and pinks, purples and even vivid reds—all the colors of the rainbows. These colors are vibrant and full of vitality. They exist for pleasure and delight. Each has a fragrance given each one and produced by the stems that produce the petals. In My Kingdom, is no death. Everything has a purpose for which it was created and fulfills that purpose. If a petal is plucked, it lives on continuing to provide fragrance and beauty wherever it goes and a new petal emerges to fulfill its purpose ... You see, I am the Creator of the Universe but I take great delight in creating My creations—as an artist who delights in filling a blank canvas with color and shapes; designs to fit one with another to form beauty, form, fit, and function as only an artist can .... When I look upon the Earth, I see a garden of My creations. They vary in color; each one with a specific purpose to fulfill in My Kingdom—never meant to die, but live eternal life with Me in Heaven. **They are My children, but they have lost touch with their Creator....**"

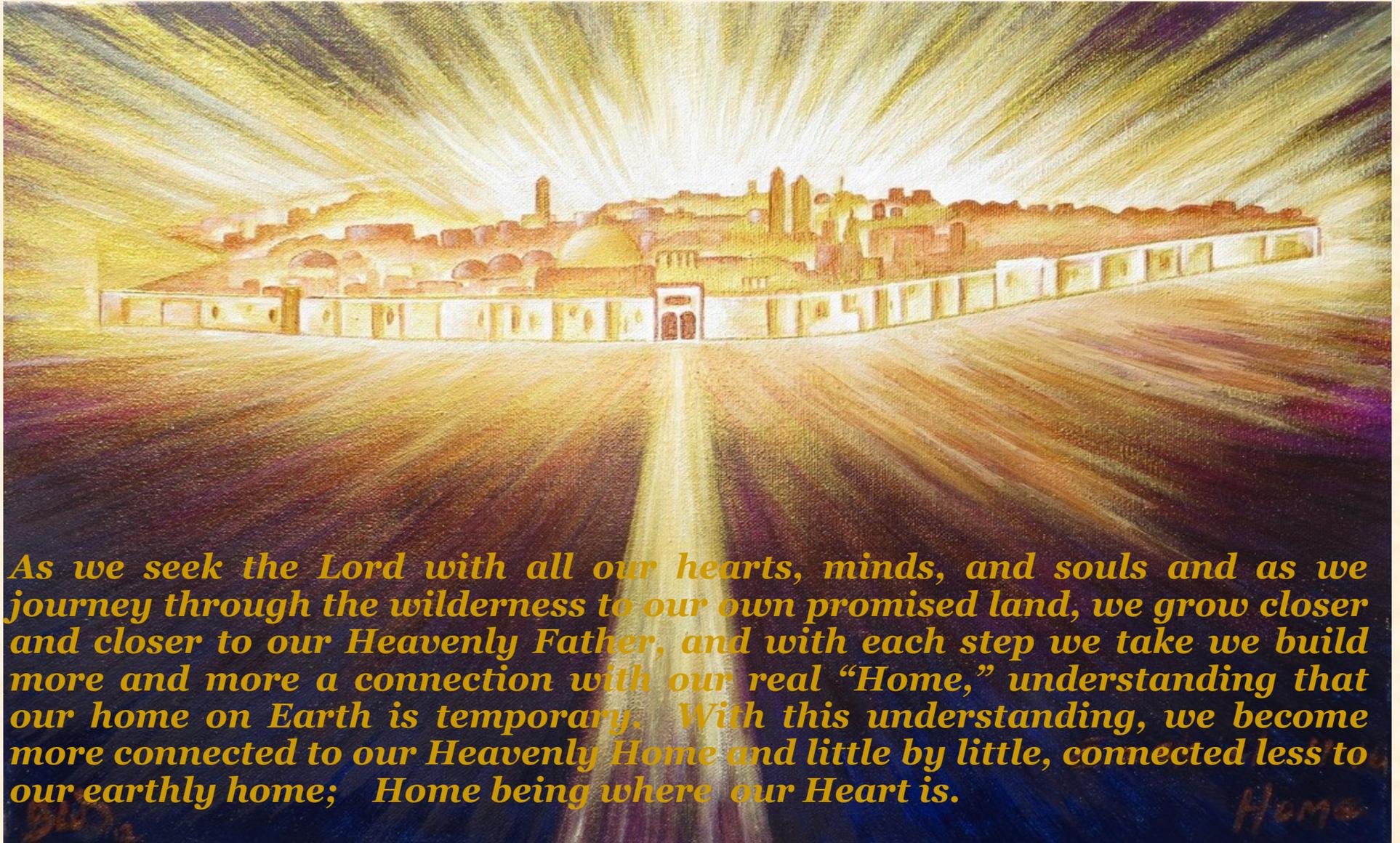
And then there is the River. From my writing 4/5/2011 “On each side of the River are golden pathways lined with trees that are fed by the river. The trees are tall and their roots grow deep. They glisten like glass and the branches reach upward. As the gentle wind flows through their branches, the trees sing a song of Hope and Thankfulness. In My Kingdom, all creations sing. It is as they have been created. As you travel down the path by the river, the river will also reveal its true nature in song of Hope and Thankfulness as it flows and provides refreshment to My creations. My creations were designed with a song in their hearts of Hope and Thankfulness. It is when all is stripped away of deception and addiction and their true nature is revealed, My children will sing .... It is impossible for My creations, once they do/be what they were created to do/be, to not sing—it is as they have been created.”

As I type this I can't help but think of Pastor Saeed in an Iranian Prison and also a Pastor I heard interviewed from Eastern Ukraine who had also been imprisoned for his Faith, but had been released. They sing in prison like Paul and Silas did. Pastor Saeed's wife said in interviews on Christian TV Networks, TBN and CBN that her husband sings and his singing then is caught by Muslim prisoners who start singing with him. Please pray for his release.

So, my King's Palace writings stopped in 2011. I was given no more descriptions of the Palace. However, on May 6, 2011 from my writing: “Look Up, Debbie. Look Up as far as you can see. Look up beyond the tallest mountain peak. Look up and up, further than the clouds. Continue, Up and Up. Keep looking Up. Do you see it in the distance? The King's Palace—Home. Enter under the great chandelier of diamonds and gold powered only by the love of Your Heavenly Father. Stroll down the corridor of Faith and Trust and gaze at each face of the overcomers etched in gold and platinum. A place setting is waiting for you at the King's Table in the Great Room of Hope. Gathered around are the Saints, new and old. They are chatting about the things to come. As you listen, you will hear much that you do not know. They have been to places you must go. ...Debbie, this is your home. This is where you are most at home. This is where you belong. This is where you find strength and comfort. This is where you are welcomed. This is your place—where only you sit. This is the place you can come and walk in the garden or by the stream that flows along the path. This is your place to run to when all seems too overwhelming. It's the place that has what you find lacking. When life as you have lived it ceases, find comfort knowing there is a place of security and peace that you can run to. Find comfort in knowing the Creator of the Universe has invited you to the King's Palace. Find comfort that you can always find peace there as you visit what has become familiar. The King's Palace is the place of peace and strength. It is a place that has been given to you as a refuge in times of difficulties. It is a place for treasure hunting; it is not an escape, it is a place where what seems impossible is proved to be possible.”

It was my delight to share with you.

Thank you once again for letting me share!



*As we seek the Lord with all our hearts, minds, and souls and as we journey through the wilderness to our own promised land, we grow closer and closer to our Heavenly Father, and with each step we take we build more and more a connection with our real “Home,” understanding that our home on Earth is temporary. With this understanding, we become more connected to our Heavenly Home and little by little, connected less to our earthly home; Home being where our Heart is.*

Interpretation taken from one of my writings.

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Our Heavenly Father, the Lord Jesus Christ, our Savior and Friend, and the Holy Spirit