

GLORY TO THE TRINITY MINISTRY
“SPIRITUAL FOOD FOR THOUGHT”

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“MY BEARS & LIONS”

When King David was a young shepherd boy, the Lord began His spiritual training by fighting against a bear or a lion in order to save his lamb.

“AND THY SERVANT KEPT HIS FATHER’S SHEEP, AND THERE CAME A LION AND A BEAR, AND TOOK A LAMB OUT OF THE FLOCK”

“AND I WENT OUT AFTER HIM, AND SMOTE HIM, AND DELIVERED IT OUT OF HIS MOUTH: AND WHEN HE AROSE AGAINST ME, I CAUGHT HIM BY THE BEARD, AND SMOTE AND SLEW HIM.”
(1 SAMUEL 17:34,35)

Likewise, in my life, in my younger days, I faced many “bears” and “lions” that was sent my way by the Lord in order for me to battle them depending on the Lord moment by moment, trials by trials, through constant prayers and His words.

I shall share a few of these stories at a time with you as I recall these difficulties. May the name of our Lord once again be uplifted as I share my testimonies with you.

GOD’S PROVISION FOR MY OLD CAR

When I first came to America to study in the University of San Francisco, I had to depend on my small business of selling special occasion dresses to the bridal shops since my parents are in the business. The Lord has been extremely faithful unto me and prior to every business trip, I always read God’s word and pray first before I petition for sales in my business. Since our Lord’s rule of thumb is:

“ BUT SEEK YE FIRST THE KINGDOM OF GOD AND HIS RIGHTEOUSNESS; AND ALL THESE THINGS SHALL BE ADDED UNTO YOU.”
(MATTHEW 6:33)

Since I became a born again Christian and my parents had yet to believe in Jesus, I could only cling to the Lord for all of my financial needs. I remembered vividly that I was facing my last semester in the university and my personal saving was depleted. I could not pay my final semester school fees and my monthly apartment rent and food etc with what I had. On the top of that, my old used car had an engine sign problem and I needed a new car to be able to travel safely from San Francisco to Los Angeles and San Diego and many parts of California in order to do my sales. Hence, my first priority is to get a new car; and yet I do not have enough money neither to buy a new car or continue my school.

School was about to start in a month and I needed to quickly sell some dresses to be able to get enough money to pay all of my school expenses which is about \$3500.00 per semester plus food and lodging. I only have approximately \$1500.00 in my saving, not enough to pay my final semester school fees. Given all of these pressures, I asked my husband whom I just got married, whether we could get a loan from the bank to purchase a new car. To this, he answered that as students we could not qualify for a loan since we did not have established credit. This answer from my husband was the final push that led me to “the throne of Grace” crying before the Lord for help in desperation.

The next thing I knew I was on my knees telling Jesus my needs in tears, crying desperately to God for help as I had no way out of my situations. However, as I prayed and cried to the Lord Jesus that I needed money to buy a car and it is a need and not “out of covetousness”, to this the Lord answered me miraculously. As I turn to the Bible, my eyes fell into Matthew chapter 6 verse 25-34

“THEREFORE I SAY UNTO YOU, TAKE NO THOUGHT FOR YOUR LIFE, WHAT YE SHALL EAT, OR WHAT YE SHALL DRINK; NOR YET FOR YOUR BODY, WHAT YE SHALL PUT ON. IS NOT LIFE MORE THAN MEAT, AND THE BODY THAN RAIMENT?”

“BEHOLD THE FOWLS OF THE AIR: FOR THEY SOW NOT, NEITHER DO THEY REAP, NOR GATHER INTO BARNES; YET YOUR HEAVENLY FATHER FEEDETH THEM. ARE YE NOT MUCH BETTER THAN THEY?”

“WHEREFORE IF GOD SO CLOTHE THE GRASS OF THE FIELD, WHICH TODAY IS AND TOMMORROW IS CAST INTO THE OVEN, SHALL HE NOT MUCH MORE CLOTHE YOU, O YE OF LITTLE FAITH?”

“TAKE NO THOUGHT, SAYING WHAT SHALL WE EAT, OR WHAT SHALL WE DRINK? OR, WHEREWITHAL SHALL WE BE CLOTHED”

(FOR AFTER ALL THESE THINGS DO THE GENTILES SEEK) FOR YOUR HEAVENLY FATHER KNOWETH THAT YE HAVE NEED OF ALL THESE THINGS”

“BUT SEEK YE FIRST THE KINGDOM OF GOD AND HIS RIGHTEOUSNESS; AND ALL THESE THINGS SHALL BE ADDED UNTO YOU.”
(MATTHEW 6:25-33)

These words jumped out from the Bible. The Lord Jesus was clearly speaking to me of my problems and His solutions. Immediately, I asked the Lord to forgive my sins of having no faith. Upon confessions of my sins, I felt the “super peace” in my heart knowing that the Lord will take care of my car problem. Even though, after I made my prayers, my old car was still parked outside as it was with the car problem. Nonetheless, I pick up my bag joyfully and left for school trusting in the Lord for his provision.

By the time I arrived at school, my professor announced that it was our last marketing class and that we are “to drink, eat cookie and chit chat”. As I sat down on my chair, I heard the voice of the Holy Spirit whispering in my ear saying: “Isn’t that American friend Kent, his father own the biggest car dealer in Burlingame (a city close to San Francisco)? Go and talk to him about your car needs.” All of a sudden, my eyes were open and I said: “that’s right, I’ll talk to him.”

As I spoke to Kent about my car needs and my financial problems; he merely asked me what my husband did for a living. To this I honestly replied that we both were students and not working. Then, he told me to come to his office the next day. My friend Kent instructed his Hong Kong sales representative to take care of me and gave me what I wanted. Praise the Lord, all I did was to sign the paper and leave with a brand new car without even putting any money for a deposit. Little did I know that getting a new car was this easy. How amazing that our Lord Jesus is always faithful to His words once again answering my prayer in time of needs!!

My dear brothers and sisters in Christ, this story of my small “bears” and “lions” are only the beginning of walking by faith in our Lord Jesus. Our Lord Jesus is always faithful to His children and he is very much alive through the indwelling presence of the Holy Spirit who is constantly helping us, watching us and counseling us to go through every trials and temptations.

So I left with a brand new car to start my “salesrep” life of selling dresses in order to collect enough money to graduate for my last semester of school.

MY FINANCIAL NEEDS PROVIDED

Our Lord God is our “Jehovah Jireh” (Genesis 22:14) which spiritually means that he is our provider for all of our needs. As I travel from San Francisco to Los Angeles and San Diego with a brand new car for 3 weeks on the road and covering 3000 miles by myself, I was accompanied by the presence of the Lord all the way. I faced a life of a long distance travelling sales representative. Amidst this journey, the Lord was with me and I shall share with you some of my encounters in this journey. My other prayer partner was my other “spiritual teacher” who was the servant of the Lord by the name of Titus Dong and his wife. Uncle Titus Dong and his wife were elderly couple, who were both imprisoned in China for 20 years for their faith in Jesus. Uncle Titus Tung reassured me that all will be fine as they will continue to pray for me everyday.

BUSINESS ENCOUNTER IN PORTERVILLE

It was late at night, and I had driven many hours and miles from morning to night. I was trying to go into a small town where there was a bridal shop and it was located in a small town call Porterville. As I arrived in front of the door of the shop, it barely closed and I remembered it was 7 PM in the evening. The door of the store just closed but the owner Rita was still inside. As I approached the door and showed her by my hand signal to come and showed her my 2 fingers meaning just for “2 minutes please”, she came forward towards the door.

At this point of time, I began to cry to Jesus my Lord for help and I said my prayers in my heart”
“Lord, please help me to sell these dresses as I have driven for hours and you know I truly need money. Please touch her heart to buy from me,” I pleaded in my heart to the Lord.

As I made these prayers, the lady owner opened the door and I spoke to her requesting her just to take a look at what I had without any pressure of buying if she did not wish to do so. I merely ask her to give me a chance to show her since I came from a far away place. To my surprise, not only she bought everything that I showed her with all her cash for that day and she even told me to come back for more cash the next day. Praise the Lord! Once again the Lord had answered my prayers! How amazing that the Lord is always so merciful to me and touched her heart to provide my financial needs as His “Jehovah Jireh!”

Every single business trip in that 3 weeks was accompanied by His presence. Every morning, I would read God's words and pray prior to leaving the motels and began to do sales work. Every prayer of sales was accompanied by His blessings as the Lord was with me.

VISITING THE SERVANT OF THE LORD IN LOS ANGELOS

One of my other precious "spiritual teacher" was miss Esther Wang. She was indeed the servant of the Lord who was imprisoned in Communist China for 20 years for her faith in Jesus. I had been touched by the Holy Spirit to visit her and gave her my offerings of \$40.00 as I passed through the city of Los Angeles where she lived. In return, she gave me a box of cookie and insisted that I should take with me for my trip. At first, I was reluctant but finally I took it only to realize that those cookies was the Lord's provision as I face the upcoming trouble heading my way back to San Francisco.

TROUBLE IN THE CITY OF LOMPOC

As I began to wrap up my business trip back to San Francisco, I had to go through a small town call Lompoc close to Santa Barbara about 6 hours drive from San Francisco. I had been travelling about 2 ½ weeks on the road and I was physically exhausted and I did not have enough rest as I slept from motel to motel to do my salesman trip. That morning, as I was doing my quiet time with the Lord in prayers and reading His words. The Holy Spirit "pre-warned" me of my upcoming trouble as I turned to the word of God and it said:

**"GOD IS OUR REFUGE AND STRENGTH, A VERY PRESENT
HELP IN TROUBLE" (PSALMS 46:1)**

These verses spoke to me and were made alive. Little did I know that I was to face a serious trouble coming up.

My physical exhaustion of more than 2 weeks of travelling on the road, plus my improper rest and watching a television program instead of resting, plus eating my left over "burger king burger", all in all created a problem for my digestive system. As I travel along these highways out of no where since it was my first time, I began to feel sick. At first, I had to stop my car and throw up in my burger king bag. By the time I had to stop my car for the second time to throw up in my burger king bag again, the bag had suddenly burst and made a big mess

all over my car. It was an awful sight in my car and what made it worst was the fact that I was left with no energy to drive any longer. I did not know neither where I was and nor where the closest motel would be for me to just collapsed and sleep. I began to pray to God for help and remembered the Bible verse that was given to me that morning. Finally, I came to a motel and got the key to my room and fell asleep. The cold wind from the open window in my room had awakened me as I realized that I had fallen asleep out of exhaustion and it was late at night. I also discovered that I had no energy to even walk and felt extremely weak physically. On the top of that, I am at least 6 hours away from driving home in San Francisco. I could not tell anyone, least of all my husband who would be extremely worried.

It was at this critical juncture of helplessness that I fell on my knees once again in prayers to our heavenly Father for help. I had to first confess my sins of resorting to the “lust of my eyes” of watching television instead of praying and resting early. Nonetheless, the word of God came to me and the Holy Spirit reassured me and told me to take the hot water from the tap and Miss Esther Wang’s cookies. Miraculously as I drank the hot water from the tap and put the cookies and dip it in the hot water and ate them, my physical strength recovered. How amazing that God knew what was to come of me. If I had not visited Miss Esther Wang who gave me the cookie in return, I do not know what will happen. However, because our Lord is real and knows what is needed to protect His children, He will always have a solution prepared whenever His children faces upcoming trouble.

The next day, I left Lompoc and was blessed with more sales and sweet customers who offered me teas and cakes which I declined since I had to be “super careful” not to be sick again. Finally, I arrived back in San Francisco peacefully. God had provided me \$10000.00 in cash plus orders with these funds as His “Jehovah Jireh”. I graduated the University of San Francisco and manage to pay all of my school fees, lodging etc. God is very faithful in His words of promise. Little did I expect not only he provided me with a new car, my finances to graduate but more importantly his lessons of faith and testimonies to once again uplift the name of our Lord.

THE TRAGIC DEATH OF PENG MY SCHOOLMATE

It is amazing how our Lord would use His children to speak to some one that Jesus equally loves. I had a friend a Malaysian young man named Peng. He had a very rough university life as he had to earn his living just like myself in order to graduate from school. His father was financially bankrupt and his parents were divorced leaving his 3 younger

brothers in Malaysia with his father, while Peng had his youngest sister with his mom in America. His mother had another boyfriend and left his little sister to his care. Peng would work as a truck driver for a fish company and made very minimal wages during the off school spare time. He had a life of misery and full of financial burden. It so happened that he was invited to our Bible study, which I started of in the campus among the Asian Christian community. One month prior to our final semester and graduation, the Lord had orchestrated me to meet Peng, prior to going for another class. Little did I know that the Holy Spirit would use me to have him repent for the last time. As I met him and began to testify to him about the Lord and his faithfulness and how my financial problem was solved. I told him that he needed Jesus and I persuaded him with all my heart to turn to the Lord for help. I had spent an hour and a half or so and insisted for him to turn to the Lord. His answer was: “if only I had a million dollar, then all my problems would be solved!” To this, I said that money could solve some problems but not every problem. Finally, we both parted and left for our classes.

When I graduated, I went back to Indonesia and returned to San Francisco to be picked up by my husband. It was through my husband’s lips that I was very shocked to discover that Peng had died. It was a tragic death. As Peng graduated, he had planned to invite all of his good friends for a graduation luncheon party. Towards the end of that party, Peng who was filled with depression and obviously as the destructive work of satan took over, he put his gun underneath his chin and shot himself to death in front of everyone in the restaurant. What a tragedy!!

My dear brothers and sisters, this heartbreaking story of my friend Peng, only tells me that Jesus is very merciful and fair towards everyone. Little did I know that the Lord would use my mouth to try to give him a last chance of repentance before his tragic death that only the Lord knew was coming up soon.

May these testimonies of mine be a ringing bell to your ears. May you choose to walk in obedience to the Lord God and cast all of your burden upon him as our Lord is faithful and merciful. May you repent of your sins if you have not accepted Jesus as your personal saviour. Please do not continue to reject Jesus, as it will be too late like Peng who was destroyed by Satan and will face hell for eternity!

Remember! For God so loved you that he gave his only son Jesus to die on the cross on your behalf, in order for you to live for eternity and escape the penalty of hell and second death. Please value this moment as you read these testimonies to bring glory to our heavenly Father.

For those who are going through trials and tribulations, may you continue to depend on the Lord in your prayers and his words of promise and may these testimonies strengthen you in the walk with the Lord.

Prayerfully yours, His servant
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