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Foreword

Dearly loved Pat Subritzky passed away in March 2011. Prior to her going to glory she was working on this book so we are delighted to bring it to you now.

We hope this book brings you joy and encouragement just as Pat did for many in her lifetime. This ministry now continues through her books, CDs, DVDs and in the hearts of those whose lives she touched.

Pat wrote these messages during her 40 years of ministry to women around the world. During this time she conducted evangelistic outreach meetings and teaching seminars for women on behalf of churches and Christian organisations. The chapters in this book have been adapted from Pat's radio programmes that were aired in New Zealand, Australia, Tonga and Western Samoa.

Pat was always investing her life into people and her love for people will be evident as you read this book. We also encourage you to read her life story, "Chosen Destiny". In it she writes of how God took her from small humble beginnings feeling shy and uneducated, to become a woman full of Holy Spirit courage and doing things she only dreamed about. Described as a true life Cinderella story, it is a testimony of how God can choose a woman and empower her to share the love of Jesus Christ with the lost and needy.

Her mottos for life included these three sayings:

"I will go wherever you want me to go." (Psalm 86:11)

"I will do whatever you want me to do." (James 2:22)

"It helps to grow when you never say no to Jesus."

She will be remembered for being a wonderful wife, mother, grandmother, great grandmother, sister, aunty and friend. She was energetic, courageous, a tireless encourager, evangelist and leader. Now she is safe in the arms of Jesus.

Abundant blessings,

Candice Osborne Project editor for Pat Subritzky

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hen I read in the Bible that God could use Balaam's donkey to speak to Balaam (Numbers 22:23-30) I thought to myself, I suppose He could use me to speak through too! I said to God, "Okay I'm all yours but you'll have to do the work."

I was in my husband's study one day looking at the photos on the wall of my four children and

my husband Bill in their graduation gowns and caps. God must have read my thoughts for He said to me, "Your inadequacy is my opportunity to teach women and I am putting you through MY University."

I was encouraged by what God said and it affirmed to me just how loving and caring our Heavenly Father is. He takes what we consider an inadequacy and turns it into an opportunity to be used for His glory.

He can use the weak things of this world to confound the wise. 1 Corinthians 1:27 says, "But God has chosen the foolish things of the world to put to shame the wise, and God has chosen the weak things of the world to put to shame the things which are mighty."

If I feel something is too difficult for me I remember those words and trust and believe God to be my enabler.

It is when we offer ourselves to God just as we are that He can use us. Sometimes in the process of getting us ready for His purposes He will break, melt and mould us, making us more into His likeness.

A Scripture that encourages us to see that every step of the way God has our life in His hand is Philippians 4:13, "I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me."

I think they left the word "can't" out of God's dictionary! So the next time you are challenged to do something for the Lord don't hold back, instead why not say, "Yes I will do it," then call on the Lord to be your enabler.

I was in a meeting where a lady was about to give her testimony for the first time and she was very nervous and hesitant. The Lord gave me this encouraging word for her: "Tell her not to fear for I am her enabler." I shared this with her and it encouraged her to be bold in giving her testimony.

Prayer:

"Dear Lord, help me to trust in You. I believe that I can do whatever You call me to do. Thank you Jesus that I'm in Your heavenly work-force! Amen."





When you have a problem do you seek the pill bottle, a cigarette, food or alcohol? You might ask, "Have you got a better solution?"

From experience I can say, "God is in the business of solving problems."

At one time I too sought other solutions instead of turning to God.

I used to be afraid of heights and the unknown.

We knew a doctor who supplied pills for water skiing to settle the nerves. I was becoming dependent on these pills until I found a much better solution when I learnt to ski with Jesus.

The name of Jesus was the answer for a fast run down the slopes.

He even gave me this song:

"He skied with me on the mountain tops

He skied with me in the valleys

He skied with me on the mountain tops

And He was there

And He was there!"

Another time was when I faced an operation to remove a lump. Fear gripped me and I began to think the worse, "What if the lump is cancerous?"

So I turned to pills with alcohol. On the way to the hospital to have the operation the taxi driver said it was the first time he had taken a person to hospital in such high spirits!

When I faced the same situation at a later time I was high on Jesus not on drugs. He gave me peace and comfort.

While waiting for the operation the Lord gave me these three scriptures to help me through.

Isaiah 40:29 "He gives power to the weak, and to those who have no might He increases strength."

Isaiah 41:6 "Everyone helped his neighbour, and said to his brother, 'Be of good courage!"

Isaiah 41:10 "Fear not, for I am with you; Be not dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you, Yes, I will help you, I will uphold you with My righteous right hand."

In both cases the lumps were non-malignant (i.e. not cancerous).

Another situation that I could not have dealt with effectively in my own strength was when my daughter became very ill at 4am one morning. We prayed for her and anointed her with oil (suntan oil, because that's all we had). For the next couple of hours I continued to pray that the devil would not deprive me of what was rightfully mine and in this case that was the health of my family. Then my daughter's health quickly improved.

On another occasion I received a phone call where I was told that something serious had happened to my horse. Shortly afterwards I was told the sad news that my horse was dead. I thought, "Oh no. Not my beautiful horse." Then I started to think of all sorts of questions, "Why was he let out of the paddock? Why didn't the farmer feed him with hay?"

During the following days I was able to forgive the farmer but only with the help of the Holy Spirit. I realised that the farmer was doing his job to the best of his ability.

If we are facing a problem with our health, family, finances or relationships we can trust God to take care of it.

I know He is able to help us in all circumstances and through every difficult situation.

My greatest problem was that our marriage was close to breaking point.

With a family of four growing children I was so occupied with attending to their needs that I did not notice my marriage relationship was deteriorating.

Before long things got so bad that home was only a place of food and shelter. There was no communication between my husband, Bill, and me.

We needed help in our marriage. The turning point came when we sought help from God by becoming born-again Christians. When we each handed our lives over to God our marriage was completely changed. The shackles and burdens of the past fell away. We began to value our relationship and we started to trust each other again. The outlook for our marriage was good and our family became united through the change that God had brought about in all of us.

Psalm 138:7 "Though I walk in the midst of trouble, You will revive me; You will stretch out Your hand against the wrath of my enemies, And

Your right hand will save me."

You too can experience God's right hand carrying you through difficulties and walking with you during times of trouble. If you allow Him into your life you can watch your problems disappear as Jesus takes them over.

Prayer:

"Dear Jesus, I seek Your help in my life today. Please come into my heart and life. Help me to pass all my troubles and worries over to You. I know you care about these things because you care about me. Thank you Jesus. Amen."





How is your life now, not yesterday, but right at this moment? Some might say, "Well it couldn't get much worse." Another person could say, "Life's been good. Dare I hope it will continue?" Yet another may say, "I've gone about as far as I can go. I need help desperately."

Life is an on-going process but when it comes down to it, your life is either in God's hands or Satan's. We can choose what we do with it. We can either walk with Jesus Christ and go onwards or walk with Satan and go backwards. The ideal life is where we go for God and say, "Get behind me Satan".

Since I received Jesus Christ as my personal Saviour and submitted my life to Him, my life has been an on-going experience. The Lord has taken me from one point to another, always onwards and upwards.

To grow in our Christian walk and have that onwards and upwards experience we need to be water baptised (Mathew 3:14), receive the baptism of the Holy Spirit and speak in tongues (Acts 1 and 2). We need to read our Bible daily using a plan that takes us through the Bible in one year. It is also necessary to attend a church which knows Jesus Christ as Lord and Saviour, believes the Word of God and acts upon it.

Life is better when we take our guidelines for living from Scripture.

"In all your ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct your paths." (Proverbs 3:6.)

Then we are able to live in God's joy and peace.

"These things I have spoken to you, that My joy may remain in you, and that your joy may be full." (John 15:11.)

Jesus said, "Peace I leave with you, My peace I give to you; not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid." (John 14:27.)

Is your life expectant, hopeful, joyful and peaceful? Are you living in the faith that Jesus offers? If not, why not start living your life His way today? Then God can richly bless you.

Prayer:

"Dear Heavenly Father, I come to you in the name of Your Son, Jesus Christ. I confess all of my sins (name them).... I believe You sent Jesus Christ into the world to die on the cross for me, to pay the penalty for all of my sins and to give me the gift of eternal life.

I believe Jesus Christ rose from the dead on the third day and is seated at the right hand of God. I turn to You now Jesus Christ. I turn away from all sin and I ask You to be my Lord and Saviour. Thank you for saving me.

Help me live my life for You and experience Your joy and peace everyday. Amen."





How is your faith when things crash down around you?

Sometimes when everything is going smoothly our faith is dormant or non-existent. This can be especially true for young people who say, "One day, I'll change but not just now."

Australian woman Michelle Hamilton didn't think she needed God in her life. That was until at 22-years-old she found herself in a small canoe in a tropical storm facing death.

In desperation she cried out to God asking, "Am I going to die?"

Michelle believed that God replied, "No, you are not going to die."

So she started thinking, "Nothing is free, not even lunch." Then she asked God, "What do you want in return for saving my life?"

He said, "I want 100 percent of your faith."

"Yes God," she replied, "You have it."

God knew her thoughts for He said, "No not 90 percent. I said 100 percent."

In great need she said to God, "I believe You have the power to save me." That was the point of total faith. With sharks all around her and bleeding from injury, she needed all the faith she could muster to believe totally for God to save her.

After three days and nights in massive tropical seas Michelle was rescued. She now knows that

God exists and that He has awesome power, incredible mercy and amazing grace.

The Bible says in Hebrews 11:6, "But without faith it is impossible to please Him, for he who comes to God must believe that He is, and that He is a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him."

How do we get this kind of faith? We can ask God for it. Be careful though if you do ask because God knows that through challenges and circumstances your faith is strengthened.

You may ask, "How much faith do we need?" Matthew 17:20 says, "So Jesus said to them, "Because of your unbelief; for assuredly, I say to you, if you have faith as a mustard seed, you will say to this mountain, 'Move from here to there,' and it will move; and nothing will be impossible for you."

A mustard seed is a very small seed indeed which means that our faith can be small too but still very effective. I wonder what we could accomplish with faith as big as a coconut which is a very large seed. If we start off with faith for small things, our faith grows. How about faith for healing? How do you think your faith would be if you were diagnosed with a serious illness? In any situation we need to stand on God's word and believe that by His stripes we are healed. (Isaiah 53:4-5.)

Do we have faith to believe that God heals today? That He will rescue, deliver and set us free? Have you received healing or seen others healed? Take time to give thanks to God for these healings.

Prayer:

"Dear God I trust You 100 percent with my life. I desire to have a supernatural faith that doesn't doubt but only believes.

I know that You are the Healer and You are working in my life. I pray that You will also do a work in the lives of my friends and family who need healing. Thank You for the miracles You performed in the Bible and the miracles that You do today. Amen."





We have night and day, darkness and light. The Bible tells us that we can walk either in darkness or have the light of life. In John 8:12 we read, "I am the light of the world. He who follows Me shall not walk in darkness, but have the light of life."

Have you experienced darkness in your life through sin or evil influences and now you are following Jesus in His light?

What seems sometimes the easy way out can result in disaster. My husband Bill and I were on that path before we gave our lives over to Jesus Christ. I see many people who are in the grip of Satan bringing spiritual and physical darkness into their lives.

I know a young woman who has lived in darkness and now lives in the light. She says in her own words, "I think children's lives are meant to be filled with hopes and dreams but through my eyes in my childhood there was no hope, only nightmares.

When I was born my mother told me that I was an accident and that she never wanted me. Feeling rejected by her I would strive for her love and affection but all I ever got was abuse and condemnation. My home was not filled with love but with fear and violence.

My parents were both involved in the Occult and I was forced to participate in many Occultic ceremonies. I was alone, afraid and engulfed in darkness. I did not trust people and did not know how to receive or give love.

Growing up I knew there was a God and I would often pray for His protection.

Over time God has revealed Himself more and more to me. By faith in God I have stepped out of my darkness and into His light. I can see that He has me firmly in His hands and that His love surpasses all understanding.

I encourage you to step into His light to receive the love and blessings that He has for each of you. Don't be afraid. He is waiting with open arms."

That is a wonderful testimony of how we can come through a dreadful situation of darkness where Satan has gripped parts of our lives to keep us bound. But there is hope. Jesus Christ offers complete freedom as we turn our lives over to Him. Often there needs to be a turning from the old ways of sin and waywardness to the path of righteousness. In Acts 26:18 we read, "... turn them from darkness to light, and from the power of Satan to the power of God." Paul says in Romans 13:12, "The night is far spent, the day is at hand. Therefore let us cast off the works of darkness, and let us put on the armour of light." Are there areas of darkness in our lives that need to be brought to the light?

Prayer:

"Dear Jesus, I want to follow You and allow You to bring me into that wonderful light that You are able to provide. Set me free from the darkness and things in my past that hinder my walk with You. Help me to receive Your love and power into my life. Transform me into the person You have called me to be. Let me bring Your light into the lives of others so they can know the freedom that comes from walking in Your light. Amen."





hat is a moment in time if I've got a lifetime in front of me?

People who ask this question don't want to think of anything that might restrict what they want to do with their life. Instead they think, "She'll be right mate. I'm having an awesome time. Life is great."

This might shock you but your life is really not your own anyway. Eventually, when you die,

either God or Satan will reclaim it and this can happen at any time and any place.

You can choose whether you go to be with God in heaven or go to hell with Satan. You can either accept or reject Jesus' free gift of salvation and eternal life in heaven.

In Matthew 16:24 we read, "Then Jesus said to His disciples, "If anyone desires to come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow Me."

When Jesus calls you, you must take up your Cross and follow Him. Leave aside your own desires and give your life over to Him. In doing this you'll discover that He will give you dreams and aspirations that are in line with the Word of God.

There has never been a better time than now to do something about where you are going to spend eternity.

Are you fully committed to the Lord or is your life just slipping away aimlessly without meaning? Do you look back at the last few years and think you've gone nowhere? Are you living without purpose and direction? Why not seize the moment and start making your life count.

I often think what it would be like sitting in a rocking chair, going back and forth thinking, "I wish I'd done that. I wish I'd done this. I wish I'd spent more time with others. I wish I'd have invited people into my home. I wish I'd served on the mission field. I wish I'd shared the gospel with more people. I wish I'd ministered the love of God to more women."

My prayer is that while I'm physically able I will make my life count through the power of the Holy Spirit.

Some years ago the men's ministry Promise Keepers, had Events all around New Zealand titled, "Seize the Moment". It reminded me that we need to rise up and seize the moment. A favourite saying of mine is, "Do it now. Tomorrow, the opportunity may have passed you by."

I believe God wants women to be on the move, not static and ineffective, but dynamic and fulfilling His purposes.

Prayer:

"Lord I thank You that you are a dynamic God who wants us to seize the moment and be living wholeheartedly for You. Help me to follow You and fulfil Your purposes for my life and show Your love to those around me. Amen."





m forever amazed as I see the work of the Holy Spirit in our midst and the power of the anointing working in our lives. It's a privilege to be part of this special move of God.

Jesus had a problem in Nazareth because of unbelief. In Scripture we read in Matthew 13:58, "Now He did not do many mighty works there

because of their unbelief."

Check your heart for unbelief and ask God to fill you with faith. Do not let there be any barriers for what the Holy Spirit wants to do in and through you. Know in your heart that there is hope in the Name of Jesus Christ and nothing is impossible for Him. He is able to meet your every need.

Jesus cared about the needs of women. He healed and set them free. There are many examples of this in Scripture. One time it was Peter's mother-in-law who was sick with a fever. Another time it was the woman who was healed of a flow of blood. Also a girl was raised from the dead. A demon possessed girl was set free and a woman who had had a Spirit of infirmity for 18 years was healed.

Hebrews 13:8 says, "Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today and forever." Do you believe that?

Jesus tells us in John 14:12, "Most assuredly, I say to you, he who believes in Me, the works that I do he will do also; and greater works than these he will do, because I go to My Father." Jesus didn't leave us comfortless but sent His Holy Spirit to minister comfort to us.

Today we have the power of His anointing working in and through us. I think that Jesus wants us to know that He loves us unreservedly. He wants us to receive that love deep within. To know His love is the first step to healing and renewal. Let His love flow right through us even now.

Maybe we need a new direction, perhaps we need God's intervention in our marriage, or maybe we have sickness. Maybe we need God to help us overcome unbelief, loneliness, addictions or unclean thoughts. Some of these things we need to be released from and some of them we need to hear God's direction for. When we say sorry to God for our sin, then God hears our needs and we can often hear His direction telling us what to do next.

Prayer:

"Dear Heavenly Father, touch my heart with Your love. Open my heart to receive Your precious anointing. Come Holy Spirit and remind me of any needs that I might have so I can bring them to You and have the assurance that all the promises in You are Yes and Amen."





Would like to share a friend's story of how God brought restoration to her life.

She writes:

"A while ago Pat's daughter Maria invited me to a meeting where she introduced me to her mother, Pat.

During a time of prayer with Pat, and others, the Lord began to set me free from a vow I had made Restoration

that I would never set foot in a church again.

I was terrified of running into another person like those in a church that had hurt me in the past. So I would steer right away from Christians.

However after prayer my life began to change. Gently over a few months the Holy Spirit dealt with me little by little and revealed areas of my life that needed healing.

I discovered God loved me, even though I had turned my back on Him. Now drawing near to Him was like coming home.

I began to attend a church. I didn't get too involved at first instead I just sat back and enjoyed it. It felt good. Gradually I started helping young people to play music in church and assist other leaders with musical requirements.

Now I've found a personal God. Not one handed down from my parents or anyone in the past but a God who speaks to me personally. Today God is my friend who listens, encourages me, and teaches me. I can wake up now not in fear, but in prayer! Every day I commit my day and my life to the Lord.

I believe that He never asks us to endure anything we are not given the strength to cope with. Hardship brings out talents and qualities that otherwise may lay dormant. Now I am allowing God to bring me through the refiner's fire as pure gold for His glory. I truly believe the Lord has restored me just as it says in Joel 2:25, "So I will restore to you the years that the swarming locusts have eaten."

I actually believe that I can be whole again as I see God at work in my life bringing me through the process of emotional healing."

Isn't it good to hear the way the Lord works? Just as the Lord has done for her, so I believe God can do the same for you. He is able to restore the years that the locusts have eaten.

Do you need to allow God to bring restoration in your life? If so He is waiting for you to ask Him.

Prayer:

"Dear Lord Jesus, I thank you that you are the healer and restorer of lost years. I give You my life and ask You to please restore it so that I may know You personally, trust You fully and live life in abundance, following You all the days of my life. Amen."





"This man will never make it," I thought. "He's got one foot on a banana skin and the other in the grave!" But after prayer believing for his restoration, God healed him of a life-threatening cancer condition.

I used to think that if a person wasn't healed after I prayed it was my fault. I soon learnt that Jesus is the healer and we are just His instruments.

My daughter sometimes visits me when she is on

her way to the doctor with a sick child. So I ask, "Have you asked God to heal the child?" I think that we should first believe for Jesus to heal before we take pills and medication. However I still believe that God can use doctors and medicine to bring healing.

I've seen children who without doubt believe that Jesus heals. They readily lay hands on the sick and see them healed.

Jesus said in John 14:12, "Most assuredly, I say to you, he who believes in Me, the works that I do he will do also; and greater works than these he will do, because I go to My Father."

Do you believe that Jesus heals today? This scripture tells us that we can see people healed today and experience even more healings than in Jesus' day.

Bible teacher Derek Prince said, "We laid hands on the laypeople (that means ordinary people like you and me) and the miracles increased. The anointing of the Holy Spirit and God's supernatural power was present in an even increasing manner." Smith Wigglesworth was a wonderful man of faith who trusted and believed God for people's healing. He even saw people raised from the dead.

Catherine Marshall, (who was the wife of the wellknown American minister, Peter Marshall) spent two years recovering from tuberculosis. It was only when Catherine gave up striving and instead allowed Jesus to heal her that she got better.

The greatest healing of all is when you come to Jesus Christ and invite Him to be your personal Saviour. This spiritual healing is much more important than receiving a physical healing because it lasts for all eternity. Before we pray for a person's body to be healed we should believe for their soul to be reconciled to God. It is better to go to heaven and have eternal life and not be healed, than to be healed and go to hell and suffer eternal damnation.

Not everyone receives a physical healing but those who do give us hope.

I have witnessed miracles and healings. Sometimes God will reveal, by word of Jesus Heals

knowledge, a condition that He desires to heal. Then when the person with that condition is prayed for the anointing of the Holy Spirit falls on them. They sense the presence of the Holy Spirit and often are miraculously healed.

There is a song that says, "Rise and be healed," which indicates to us that to be healed we need to do something. We need to seek the name of Jesus, let faith arise in us and come believing that God can bring healing. He will heal us and make us whole.

However sometimes there is a process that we need to go through before we receive our healing. Jesus said in Matthew 17:14-21, "And when they had come to the multitude, a man came to Him, kneeling down to Him and saying, "Lord, have mercy on my son, for he is an epileptic and suffers severely; for he often falls into the fire and often into the water. So I brought him to Your disciples, but they could not cure him." Then Jesus answered and said, "O faithless and perverse generation, how long shall I be with you? How long shall I bear with you? Bring him here to Me." And Jesus rebuked the demon, and it came out of him; and the child was cured from that very hour.

Then the disciples came to Jesus privately and said, "Why could we not cast it out?" So Jesus said to them, "Because of your unbelief; for assuredly, I say to you, if you have faith as a mustard seed, you will say to this mountain, 'Move from here to there,' and it will move; and nothing will be impossible for you. However, this kind does not go out except by prayer and fasting."

This means that belief, prayer and fasting are sometimes required by the person receiving the healing. In Bill's meeting when miracles happen under the anointing, usually the person has already been praying, believing and fasting for their healing.

We must bear in mind some of the hindrances to healing are: Disobedience towards God, lack of knowledge of God's Word, lack of faith, unbelief, unconfessed sin, unforgiveness towards others, occult involvement, Freemasonry, Druids Lodge and secret societies, neglect of the poor, curses others or we may have said over ourselves, rejection, unconfessed and hidden anger, a lack of peace of mind, fear, or sickness caused by Jesus heals

demonic activity.

We need to repent of these things before God can bring healing in our lives.

Be encouraged, nothing is impossible with God so let us always pray believing for Him to heal, restore and set free. With all healings whether physical, emotional or spiritual I say never give up. Jesus always gives us hope!

Continue to pray believing for healing until the person is either healed or goes to glory. We need to give that person and their healing completely over to God and trust Him for the outcome.

Exodus 15:26 says, "....For I am the Lord who heals you."

Prayer:

"Dear Jesus, I repent of my wrongdoing and ask You to come into my life. I believe You are the healer, yesterday, today and forever. I give myself over to you, Lord, and ask You to heal any physical sickness I may have. Bring any emotional healing that I may need and minister to me any spiritual healing that needs to occur. Thank you Jesus. Amen."





believe that through faith in Jesus Christ, God wants to perform miracles in us and through us.

An exceptional miracle from my husband, Bill's ministry, was when he prayed for a woman who wanted a child and had been trying for seven years to become pregnant. When we met this lady five years later she introduced us to her five children. They were all under five and included two sets of twins. She said to us, "Do not pray for any more children for me!"

God is a God of miracles! Sometimes to encourage my faith I need to see the evidence of a miracle in the lives around me.

Perhaps you are in that same situation that until you see a miracle then it's hard for you to believe. Sometimes we don't have the opportunity to see a miracle with our own eyes. However the Bible is full of miracles and reading these can build our faith to believe for a miracle in our own life.

In 1 Kings chapters 17 and 18 the Bible tells us of how God performed four miracles through Elijah.

In the first miracle God sent the ravens to feed Elijah morning and evening with bread and meat until he no longer needed it. (1 Kings 17:2-6.)

The second miracle tells of a woman who only had a drop of oil and a little flour. Elijah told her that the flour and oil would not run out until the drought in the land was over and that is what happened. (1 Kings 17:12-16.) The third miracle occurred when the same woman's son was raised from the dead by Elijah. (1 Kings 17:17-22.)

The fourth miracle was the coming of the rain after three years of drought. (1 Kings 18.)

In the New Testament we read about the Apostle Paul who God transformed from being a persecutor of Christians into a man used by God to reach the world with the Gospel.

My own conversion experience is not to be compared with the great people in the Bible, like the Apostle Paul, but I'm doing my best to share the Gospel just as I hope you are also doing.

As we spend time reading the Bible we are changed and transformed for God's purposes and that in itself is a miracle. But the greatest miracle of all is to know Jesus as our personal Saviour and when we know Him, people will see Jesus reflected in us. They will see a person who is completely changed and that is one of the greatest miracles they can ever see.

Prayer:

"Dear Lord Jesus, I thank You that You are in the business of transforming our lives and making us more like You. Help me to have faith to know that You are able to do immeasurably more than we ask or can imagine according to Your power that is at work within us. Amen."

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