



¿Quiere restaurar sus relaciones?

De vez en cuando, al prender la computadora en mi oficina por las mañanas, se aparece una pequeña ventana que me pregunta si deseo ser dirigido a un área de control dentro de la computadora para ver si todos mis programas (software) están trabajando correctamente. Quiero decirles amigos que Dios en su Santa Palabra publica una invitación muy similar. La invitación es para asegurarnos que nuestro 'software' esté trabajando correctamente de acuerdo a Su voluntad. De los muchos programas que son instalados en nuestro ser hay uno que necesita ser checado todos los días. El programa que hay que ver si está trabajando bien, es el de nuestras relaciones con otros. Hay que checar si nuestras relaciones personales trabajan correctamente. Aquí está como el Señor publica aquel reto en **Romanos 12:18** que dice: *"Si es posible, en cuanto de vosotros dependa, estad en paz con todos los hombres."* La frase importante aquí es, *"en cuanto de vosotros dependa."* En primer lugar, Dios al usar ésta frase la dirige personalmente a cada uno de nosotros. Hace todo lo posible para que podamos iniciar una restauración a nuestras relaciones rotas. El Señor quiere que hagamos todo lo que podamos para restaurar cualquier relación que se ha destrozado por el rencor a través de nuestras vidas. Se entiende que posiblemente algunas relaciones podrían haberse destruido debido a lo que otra gente haya hecho y ellos no querrán que aquella relación se restaure. Dios reconoce esto. Por eso él comienza diciendo *"Si es posible"* Pero seamos honestos, algunas de nuestras relaciones se han arruinado debido a que hemos hecho algo en contra para llegar a ese fin. ¿Sí o No? Cuando la palabra de Dios nos dice *"en cuanto de vosotros dependa, estad en paz con todos"* quiere decir que si usted ha causado una rendija en alguna relación entonces usted tiene la responsabilidad de hacer todo lo que usted pueda para restaurar esa relación. Esto incluye algo que probablemente encontramos muy difícil de hacer, y eso es pedir perdón. ¿Vive en paz con todos?

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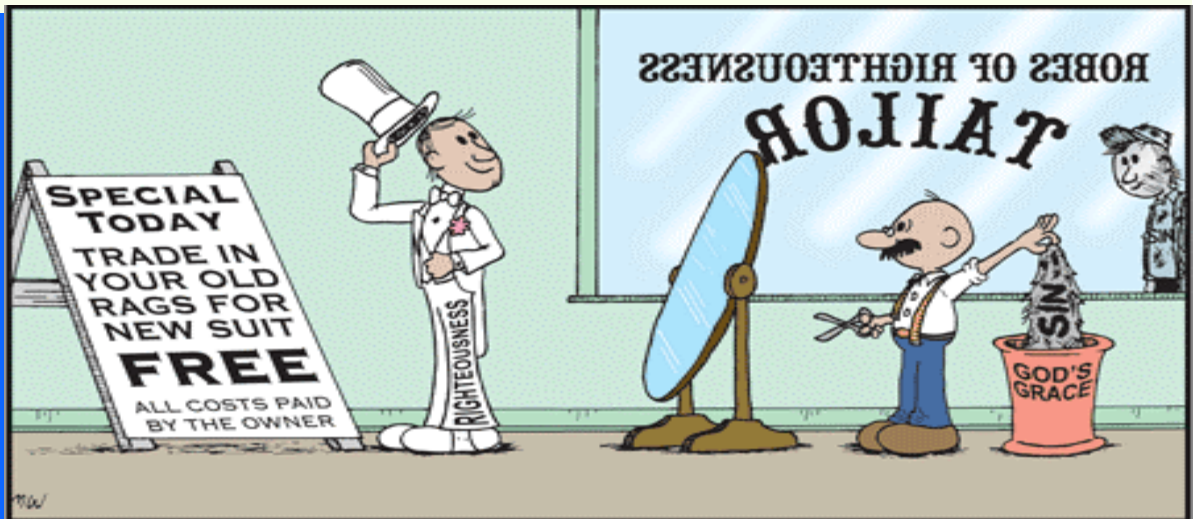
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I will rejoice greatly in the LORD, My soul will exult in my God ; For He has clothed me with garments of salvation, He has wrapped me with a robe of righteousness, As a bridegroom decks himself with a garland, And as a bride adorns herself with her jewels. Isaiah 61:10

"I am not afraid that the people called Methodists should ever cease to exist either in Europe or America. But I am afraid lest they should only exist as a dead sect, having the form of religion without the power. And this undoubtedly will be the case unless they hold fast both the doctrine, spirit, and discipline with which they first set out."

John Wesley

A Word *from the* Pastor

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Are you like an Eagle?

“But they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength, they shall mount up wings as eagles, they shall run and not be weary and they shall walk and not faint.”

Isaiah 40:31

In my ministry throughout the years as I have been invited to speak to groups of young people and young adults I like to share with them the icon of an Eagle. There is something about this majestic bird that just about anyone can relate to this formidable creature as one with lots of power and strength. Christians are made in a similar way as an Eagle. They are to be the best in any area of their lives. It is because of this that we are created in the image and likeness of God; however, this is not always the case, we have a lot Christians still struggling in the life of the ordinary. It is normal for us to be weary as we run or get tired when we walk along the rough road of life, but a supernatural renewal of strength is what our Lord has promised only those who are ready to wait on Him.

CHARACTERISTICS OF EAGLES?

- 1. A Bird of Outstanding Character.** *Job 39:27-30* “Is it at your command that the eagle mounts up and makes his nest on high? On the cliff he dwells and lodges, upon the rocky crag, an inaccessible place. From there he spies out food; His eyes see it from afar. His young ones also suck up blood; And where the slain are, there is he”. Eagle bird flies at an outstanding altitude. They soar high.
- 2. Unusual Sharp Visual Power.** An Eagle has keen ability to watch and observe. That’s what our Savior expects from all believers. *Proverbs 29:18* “Where there is no vision, the people are unrestrained, but happy is he who keeps the law.” You cannot live a fulfilled Christian life without the ability to see into the plans of God. You MUST read His Holy Word, the BIBLE!
- 3. Supernatural Strength.** Eagles are very powerful birds, robust, broad-winged with massive bills and talon.
- 4. Voracious Warrior.** Eagles seize their prey and tear them into pieces. Look at the F-15 eagle bomber. It can penetrate enemy defense and outperform and outfight any enemy aircraft. F-15 eagle also has system and weaponry to detect, acquire, track and attack enemy aircraft. *1 Peter 5:8* “Be of sober spirit, be on the alert. Your adversary, the devil, prowls around like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour.” As a believer God expects you to have a warfare strategy.
- 5. Eagles Can Survive in any Weather Conditions.** From the deserts in North Africa to snow conditions of Alaska and Russia you find eagles surviving. *Philippians 4:13* “I can do all things through Him who strengthens me.”
- 6. Eagles Are Not Like Ducks.** They do not over-pamper their young ones. For purpose of training, she pushes her young off the cliff not because she doesn’t care but training them to become great warriors. *Philippians 4:6* “Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God.” Many believers over-depend on help. God want believers in times of trouble to be able to call directly to Him. Many believers are already suffering from "Man-of-God Syndrome". This is more dependence on man than God. The F-15 bomber that I have been using as an illustration, is designed in such a way that one person can safely perform air-to-air combat.
- 7. Capability for Acquisition.** The F-15, for close-in dogfights, the radar automatically acquires enemy aircraft. *Isaiah 61:6* “But you will be called the priests of the LORD; You will be spoken of as ministers of our God. You will eat the wealth of nations, and in their riches you will boast.”
- 8. Eagles Can Survive Days Without Food.** It has been said, fasting is the most powerful spiritual discipline of all Christian disciplines. This is common with Eagles particularly when they go through a process called MOLTING. It is their most depressed period when they lose virtually everything and are always like turkeys. Most of them do not survive it. When you link it to the life of a believer, whether we like it or not there will be periods of molting. But we can possess some supernatural strength to survive these times by waiting on the Lord.
- 9. Vigilant and Tactical Striker.**
How does this apply to a believer? David never lost a battle so it is the desire of God for all believers to be superior, rule over, and have dominion over all forces of darkness. *Psalms 23:4...* “Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I fear no evil, for You are with me”
- 10. Eagles Have Long Life.**
They rarely die on the way. They must accomplish their missions.

I’m sure that you will agree with me that many Christians have died prematurely without accomplishing their mission here on earth. The main reason is that they do not understand the principles and living a life of Eagle believer.

What the Church of God needs today is DOMINANCE (lots of F-15’s) over the kingdom of Satan.

May the Lord Jesus be with all who proclaim to be a child of God and that we learn to have the character of an EAGLE.



Women's Corner

with
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I have found that there is nothing in the Scriptures that even comes close to giving us such a detailed description of what a “virtuous woman” is as mentioned and described in **Proverbs 31:10-31**. The definition of a “virtuous woman” to most Christians today would center on prayer, Bible study, and their spirituality. But God’s Scriptural portrait of the virtuous woman is surprisingly different. The Bible speaks of the “virtuous woman”. Who is she? How does God in His Word describe her? Does she pray faithfully each day? Does she consistently do daily Bible study and have regular devotional times? Now don’t be surprised of what the answer is. None of these traits are listed in God’s most extensive Scriptural description of virtuous women. Please understand, there is no doubt that the excellent attributes I have just listed are valuable aspects of the lives of the every Christian woman (and man). However, see what God does by devoting almost an entire chapter of the Bible (**Proverbs 31**) to what His description of the “virtuous woman” is. The favorable traits that God lists are, surprisingly to some readers, of a substantially different nature. Please get your Bible and go with me to the Bible’s grand description of the godly woman in the eyes of God — that is, **Proverbs 31:10-31**. Don’t be afraid to mark or highlight each one as we go over it. You can follow along in your Bible as I go over some of the highlights that God’s Word describes as a “Virtuous Woman” and praiseworthy:

•She is of noble character •She is fully trustworthy •She is an asset to her husband •She is domestically skilled •She is concerned that her household be well and nutritiously fed •She is diligent, waking up early before dawn and busy until after dark •She is gifted with a good business sense, even to the point of buying a field and planting a vineyard •She may have her own profitable home-based business (Amway, Mary Kay, etc.) •She is a hard worker •She is generous to and aware of the poor and needy •She is wise in preparing her household for the needs of the family in the days to come •She is wise in making sure that she and her family are well and appropriately clothed •She is in proper relationship to her husband, who is out conducting his business affairs at the city gates •She is a woman of wisdom •She shows dignity and strength •She is a faithful instructor to her children •She is diligent to watch over her household •She is the recipient of blessing and praise from her children and her husband •She is above all a God-fearing, godly woman!

Such a godly woman has been enshrined in the Scriptures for several thousand years as God’s role model for the virtuous woman of God. To the older women I say, teach these things to the younger women. To the younger women, I exhort you to resist the enticements of the antifamily feminist teachings of our day. Reach out, rather, to embrace God’s vision for you, His “virtuous woman”. To such a woman God says (**vs. 31**), *“Let her works praise her at the city gates.”*

Is **Proverbs 31** the only place in the bible that describes the desirable traits of a woman of God? Of course not. There are other Scriptures that speak of women of prayer, women manifesting spiritual gifts, women sharing their testimonies, and much more. A woman under the influence of God carries a lot of power. God made woman to be a helpmeet to her husband. In my marriage, I honor my husband, he honors me. Together, as a team, we serve and do His will.

*What I have just written is in response to a few questions some emails have asked me to share my thoughts on and explain **Proverbs 31**. I have a deep respect to those single women and widows who serve the Lord. They too may be deemed to be “virtuous women” in the light of the verses that apply to them in their unmarried state, both in **Proverbs 31** and elsewhere in the Scriptures. I have simply attempted to focus on **Proverbs 31’s** expression of God’s “virtuous woman” without trying to cover every possible marital situation. I extend my deepest respect to you virtuous ladies among the godly single women and widows!*



May the Lord bless you this day and always when going or coming ask God’s blessing for you, and on your journey. May the God of Love and the Peace of Jesus go with you always. In Jesus name, Amen!

If you would like to share a testimony or just have someone listen, call me! I may be reached at (575) 208-0056. Sometimes as women we need to find a good friend to talk to; I would like to be that friend. If you wish to write, please do so at Carmen.espinoza@live.com or maybe you’d like to send me your prayer request. Rest assured all is kept confidential!

Woman... The Virtuous Woman...

FEARS THE LORD

WISDOM **STRENGTH**

PROVIDER **REJOICES**

KINDNESS **HONOR**

DIGNITY

NOBLE **INDUSTRIOUS**

BLESSED

Virtuous Woman Of God
Proverbs 31:25-31



Strength and honor are her clothing;
She shall rejoice in time to come.
She opens her mouth with wisdom,
And on her tongue is the law of kindness.
She watches over the ways of her household,
And does not eat the bread of idleness.
Her children rise up and call her blessed;
Her husband also, and he praises her:
" Many daughters have done well,
But you excel them all."
Charm is deceitful and beauty is passing,
But a woman who fears the LORD,
She shall be praised.
Give her of the fruit of her hands,
And let her own works praise
her in the gates.

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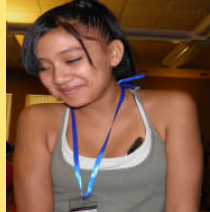
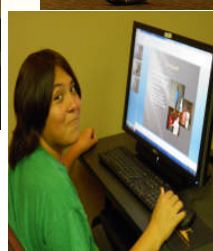
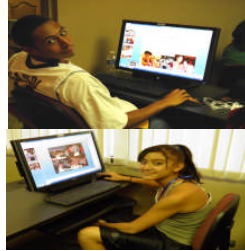
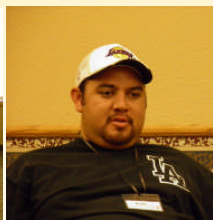
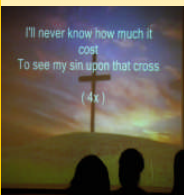
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