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Welcome to a newsletter that has you in mind!



"And beside this, giving all diligence, add to your faith virtue; and to virtue knowledge; (6) And to knowledge temperance; and to temperance patience; and to patience godliness; (7) And to godliness brotherly kindness; and to brotherly kindness charity. (8) For if these things be in you, and abound, they make you that ye shall neither be barren nor unfruitful in the knowledge of our

Lord Jesus Christ." 2 Peter 1:5-8.

Bless the name of the Lord, and welcome back! We are still on the subject: *How To Hold Up Under Trials*. In our last issue I started sharing with you some basic fundamentals that are needed to develop perseverance. I started with the fact that we must have the Word of God. Why? Because it is through patience and comfort of the scriptures that we might have hope.

Our second fundamental is that we must have a strong hope, which helps us to wait eagerly with perseverance. **Romans 8:25** declares, **"But if we hope for that we see not, then do we with patience (perseverance) wait for it."** It takes something to hope for what we cannot see. And that something is perseverance!

Thirdly, we need prayer to be strengthened. Paul's prayer for the Colossians, according to **Colossians 1:11**, was that they be **"strengthened with all might, according to his glorious power, unto all patience and longsuffering with joyfulness."** Prayer is the bedrock of our perseverance to stay the course. And we must never faint in praying.

Fourthly, we need tribulations, believe it or not. Yes, that's a fundamental that we need to develop perseverance, according to **Romans 5:3**. **"And not only so, but we glory in tribulations also: knowing that tribulation worketh patience."** **James 1:3** declares, **"Knowing this, that the trying of your faith worketh patience."** Listen! Tribulations produce perseverance and perseverance prepares us for tribulation. We are not required to love misfortune, but to endure it.

As we work through those fundamentals, I need to add the fact

that we also need to have the right perspectives. Well, what are they, you ask? Allow me to start by sharing five with you.

Our first perspective, according to **Hebrews 12:3**, we have to look to Jesus, which is the key to running the race set before us! By considering **"Him who endured such hostility,"** we are less likely to grumble, sulk, whine and give up. Consider Him!

Secondly, we have to look to the prophets of old. **James 5:10-11** tells us to, **"Take, my brethren, the prophets, who have spoken in the name of the Lord, for an example of suffering affliction, and of patience."** Their example of steadfastness should motivate us. Consider what they patiently endured. And then consider your excuses for not persevering or your failure to bear up under trials and they will seem silly and foolish! Some of us have given up too easily: and right at the point of our breakthrough. We are not excused from suffering.

Thirdly, we have to look to each other. Encouragement by the brethren is a powerful aid to being persistent. Through daily exhortations and frequently assembling ourselves together, we are more likely to bear up under trials. It's good to have a cheering section! After all, we ourselves are compassed about with a great cloud of witnesses.

I have two more that I'll share with you in our next edition. Until then, continue to persevere!

Willie J. Moore

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Evangelist Diana Black-Tucker

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Soteriology: The Doctrine of Salvation

Greetings, everyone!

In recent months, we have studied the Doctrine of God, Christology, and Pneumatology. This month, I will address Soteriology. Soteriology is the branch of Christian theology that studies salvation. The term *soteriology* comes from the Greek word *sōtēr*, meaning “savior,” “deliverer,” or “rescuer,” and *logos*, meaning “study,” “teaching,” or “reasoned explanation.” Therefore, soteriology literally means the study or doctrine of salvation. In Christian theology, it focuses on the saving work of God through Jesus Christ, who rescues sinners from the guilt and power of sin, restores them to fellowship with God, and grants eternal life. Salvation is not merely a religious idea; it is the heart of the gospel and the central hope of the Christian faith.

Historical Views of Soteriology

Throughout church history, Christians have agreed that salvation is centered in Jesus Christ, but they have often explained the nature, order, and application of salvation in different ways. These historical views developed as the church responded to biblical interpretation, pastoral concerns, heresies, philosophical questions, and debates about grace, faith, free will, and human nature.

Early Church Emphasis

In the early church, salvation was commonly described in terms of redemption, forgiveness, victory over death, union with Christ, and restoration to God. Early Christian writers emphasized that Christ’s incarnation, death, and resurrection rescued humanity from sin and corruption. Many also spoke of salvation as healing and transformation, not only pardon from guilt.

What Does the Bible Say?

The Bible presents salvation as God’s gracious work from beginning to end. Humanity is unable to save itself because sin has separated people from God, but God acts in love, mercy, and grace to redeem those who trust in Christ. As **Ephesians 2:8–9** teaches, salvation is “by grace” and “through faith,” not a human achievement or ground for boasting.

Christian soteriology begins with the reality of sin. Scripture teaches that “all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God” (**Romans 3:23**). Sin is more than moral failure; it is rebellion against God, resulting in guilt, separation, and spiritual death. **Romans 6:23 (NKJV)** states, “**For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.**”

Because the problem is spiritual and universal, salvation must come from God. Human effort, religious performance, and good works cannot erase sin or create righteousness before God. **Titus 3:5 (NLT)** explains that God “saved us, not because of righteous things we had done, but because of his mercy.”

May each of us take this study of soteriology to heart and be encouraged by the saving grace of God. Lord willing, we will continue this study next month.

Take care everyone and God bless.

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Marriage Matters *Expectations (Part 7)*

Expectation is a strong belief that something will happen or materialize in the future. It is a belief or assumption about what someone or something should be like. One could say that expectation is akin to faith. Expectations, or rather unrealized expectations, are a major cause for disappointment in relationships and a leading cause for divorce.

In the Christian community, our hope is built on the expectation or hope that Jesus is coming back again to receive the righteous (**1 Thessalonians 4:16-17** – “**For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first: Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord.**”) As in the Christian community, expectations are a serious reality and must be respected, even the absurd ones.

Expectations play a vital role in the health of a marriage and shape how spouses interpret each other's actions, handle conflict, and feel satisfied or disappointed. Our expectations of marriage are developed early in our lives and shape our thoughts and desires. When expectations are clear, realistic, and shared, they can strengthen a relationship. However, when unspoken or unrealistic, they often become a source of friction, fiction, and resentment. Therefore, it is important to express your expectations before and after the wedding. Bear in mind, as time goes on, we change and so do our expectations.

In marriage, expectations are the conscious and unconscious beliefs that spouses may hold about how respect, love, commitment, and responsibility should be expressed. Some counselors suggest that expectations are formed by emotional needs and create assumptions that guide behavior. I shamefully admit that I grew up watching daytime soap operas that painted a false picture of marriage that shaped my ideas and desires. They led me to believe that we would live in a big house, be financially secure, make love day and night, and go on vacations whenever we wanted to. This may be the reality for some, but not most. External influences like these lead to assumptions. Assumptions leave the door open for disappointment, dysfunction, distance, and anger.

I suggest two things regarding expectations: 1) Be clear about what you expect, and 2) Be practical.

When discussing expectations, say what you mean and mean what you say. Using innuendos is not a good idea. Try to understand WHY you believe the way you believe. You may need to go way back. For example, I thought all women liked to cook because that was what I saw growing up. Well, let's just say, times have changed. How you view society and your relationships shapes how you view yourself and what you expect from your relationships. Having a meaningful conversation that lays out your desires early on, and often, gives you a safe place to start.

Some people have very unrealistic expectations for themselves, their spouse, and their marriage that create tension, stress, and confusion. Be realistic. Don't expect too much too soon. If your spouse is not a good communicator, don't expect that to change overnight because they read a book on how to communicate with your spouse. Some of our characteristics are innate and very difficult to overcome. It is important to extend the same courtesy and grace to your spouse that you desire to send a signal you genuinely love and respect him/her.

“Marriage works best when you trade assumptions for conversations and reveal your true self.”

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How Desperate are you to see Jesus?

Scripture Focus: “Then Jesus entered and passed through Jericho. (2) Now behold, there was a man named Zacchaeus who was a chief tax collector, and he was rich. (3) And he sought to see who Jesus was, but could not because of the crowd, for he was of short stature. (4) So he ran ahead and climbed up into a sycamore tree to see Him, for He was going to pass that way. (5) And when Jesus came to the place, He looked up and saw him, and said to him, “Zacchaeus, make haste and come down, for today I must stay at your house.” Luke 19:1-10 (NKJV)

Have you ever wanted something so badly that you didn’t care what others thought of you? In our walk of faith, there comes a time when we must ask ourselves a challenging question: How desperate are we to see Jesus?

In **Luke 19**, we encounter a man named Zacchaeus. He was a chief tax collector, a man of wealth, but also a man deeply despised by his own community. Tax collectors were notoriously known for taking more money than required, enriching themselves at the expense of their neighbors. Yet, despite his worldly wealth, Zacchaeus had a profound spiritual void. He was desperate to see who Jesus was.

But there was a problem. Zacchaeus was a man of short stature, and the bustling, eager crowd around Jesus completely impeded his line of sight. Instead of giving up and walking away, Zacchaeus did something radical. He ran ahead and climbed a sycamore tree just to get a better view. Think about that for a moment—a wealthy, prominent official, willing to make himself look completely silly, climbing a tree like a child, all for just a glimpse of the Savior.

His desperation did not go unnoticed. When Jesus reached the tree, He didn’t just see a tax collector; He saw a heart desperate for Him. Jesus looked up and told him to come down immediately, declaring that He would be dining at Zacchaeus’ home that very day.

Naturally, the crowd criticized this. They murmured and complained, wondering why Jesus would ever want to socialize with such a known “sinner.” But Jesus’ interaction with Zacchaeus shattered the expectations of the crowd. Jesus showed us that no matter who you are, what your past looks like, or what society says about you, you are never too insignificant for Jesus to spend time with and provide a blessing for.

To cultivate a desperate heart for Jesus in your daily life, try this simple practice this week:

1. **Identify Your Distractions (The Crowds):** Write down 1–2 things that currently block your focus or limit your time with God (e.g., social media, a busy routine, or the fear of what others think of your faith).
2. **Find Your Sycamore Tree:** Decide on an intentional step you will take to rise above those distractions. This could be waking up 15 minutes earlier to read scripture, setting aside your phone during lunch to pray, or stepping out of your comfort zone to share your faith.
3. **Take Action:** Just as Zacchaeus ran ahead and climbed, take that practical step today. Do not wait for the perfect conditions; prioritize seeking Jesus above your pride and your busyness.

An Encouraging Prayer

Heavenly Father, we thank You that we are never too small, too broken, or too insignificant for Your love. Lord, forgive us for the times we have let the “crowds” of life—our busy schedules, the opinions of others, or our own worries—keep us from seeing You clearly. Give us a holy desperation like Zacchaeus. Help us to push past every obstacle, to lay down our pride, and to seek Your face above all else. We welcome You into our hearts, our homes, and our church today. In Jesus’ mighty name, Amen.

Arkeshia Brown

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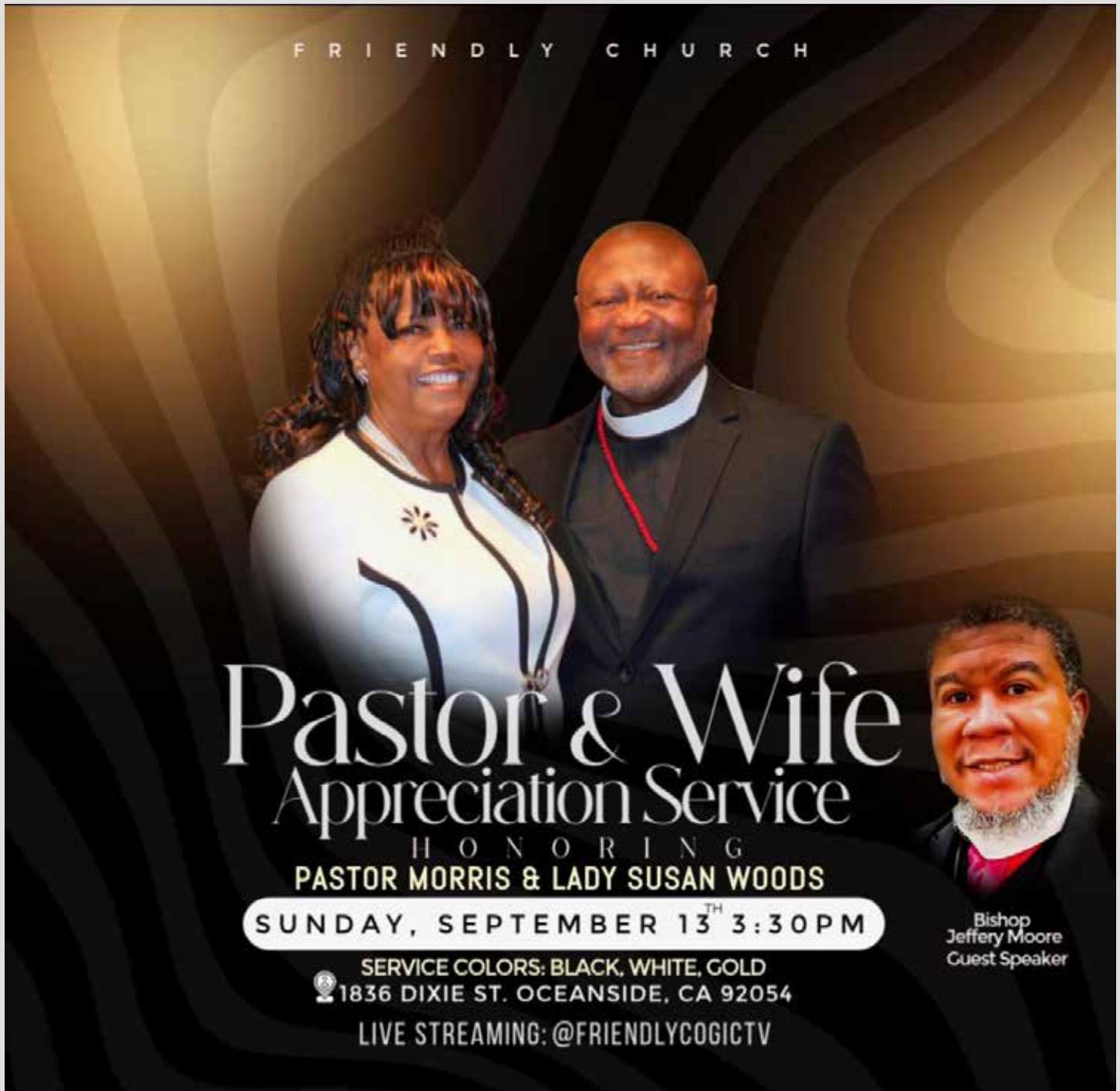
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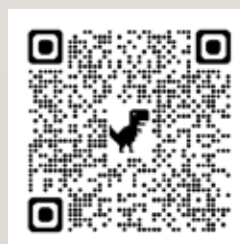
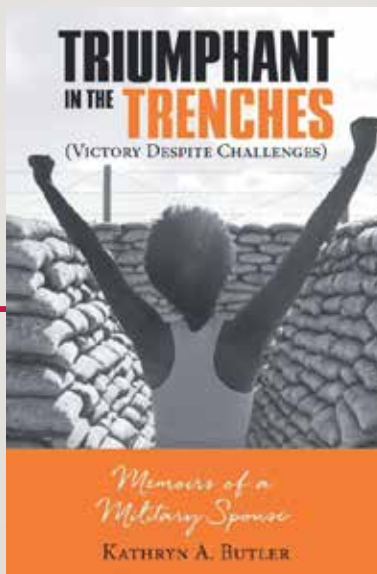
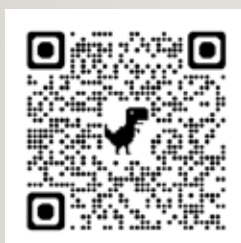
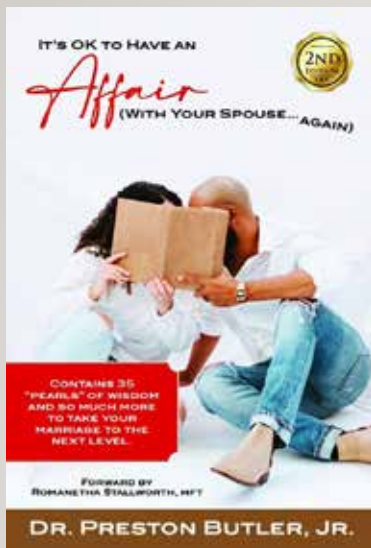


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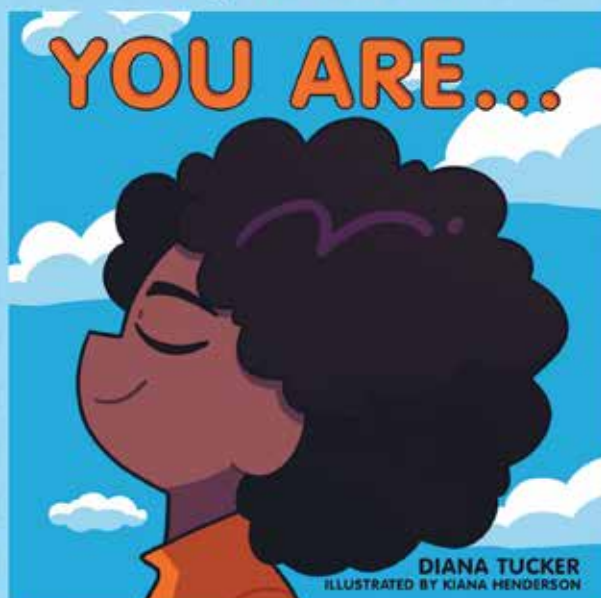


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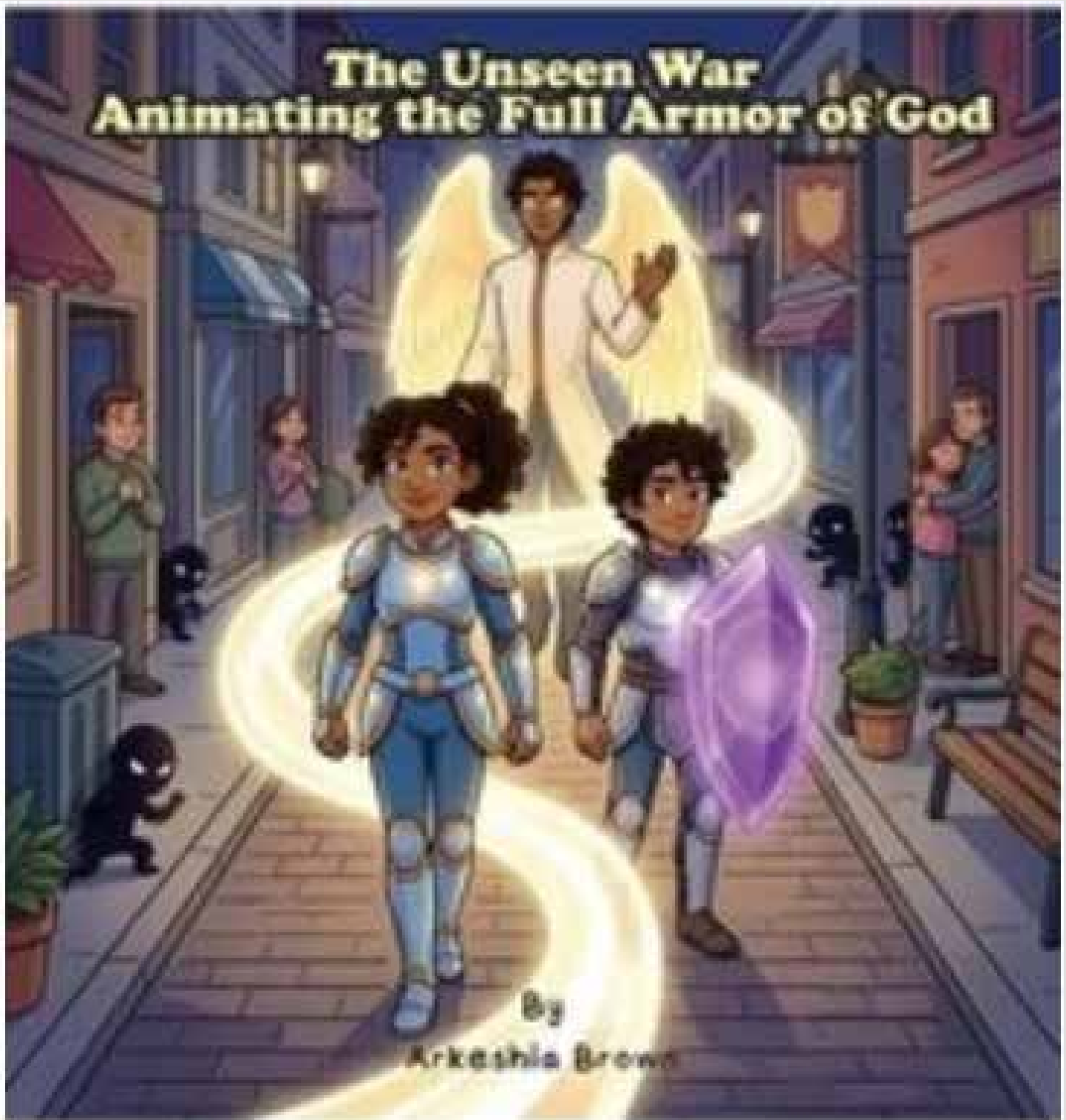


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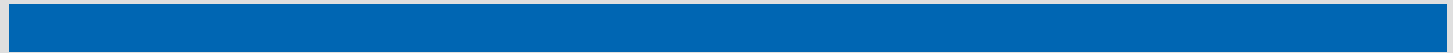
What a power declaration! The Apostle Paul makes us to know that life experiences have taught him many things, both good and bad. And through them all he learned and believed that he could do all things through the strength of Christ. What is your confession?

Powerful articles in this edition! Evangelist Tucker-Black introduces us to the doctrine of salvation, which focuses on the saving work of God through Jesus Christ. Dr. Butler takes us into another chapter of Marriage Matters, where he calls our attention to “expectations” in the marriage bond and offers two things that are very helpful. Sister Brown shares with us a biblical example to cultivate a desperate heart for Jesus. That example is none other than Zacchaeus! These articles are page-turners. Don't forget to share!

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