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*with rev. kenneth hagin jr.*

## The stone was rolled away

Just a few days ago, we celebrated the Resurrection of the Lord Jesus Christ. But we also recalled the events leading up to that glorious moment.

In the time Jesus spent on earth, He went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed of the devil (Acts 10:38). He gave sight to the blind, speech to the mute, hearing to the deaf, new bodies to the crippled, and life to the dead. He did nothing wrong, yet He was tried, pronounced guilty, and condemned to die.

Jesus was paraded through the streets of Jerusalem while crowds jeered and shouted at Him. On those same streets a few days earlier, the crowds had honored Him by putting their coats down in front of Him as He rode upon a donkey. They had waved their palm branches and shouted, "Hosanna!" Then just a few days later, Jesus walked those streets with a cross upon His back, His innocent blood flowing. Instead of "Hosanna," the people shouted, "Crucify Him!"

The soldiers took Jesus to a place called Golgotha — the Place of the Skull. They laid Him on the cross, drove nails into the hands and feet of the Son of God, and then raised the cross upright. As Jesus hung on the cross, the soldiers gathered below Him, gambling for His clothes. As the sky grew dark, Jesus uttered the words, "It is finished," and He gave up His spirit. His followers and family knelt at the cross and wept.

Joseph of Arimathea took Jesus' body from the cross, wrapped it in burial clothes, and laid it in a tomb, which the soldiers then sealed with a large stone.

The day Jesus was crucified was the darkest moment in history, but three days later, the darkest moment was turned into the brightest.

When Mary, the mother of James, and others went to visit the tomb, they found the stone had been rolled away. An angel said to them, "*He [Jesus] is not here: for he is risen, as he said. Come, see the place where the Lord lay. And go quickly, and tell his disciples that he is risen from the dead; and, behold, he goeth before you into Galilee; there shall ye see him: lo, I have told you*" (Matt. 28:6,7).

From the darkest day in history came the brightest day, because He who once was dead now lives forevermore!

Notice the angel said, "Come and see the place where the Lord lay." It's important to realize that the stone wasn't rolled away to let Jesus out. The stone was rolled away so that people might come and see the empty tomb!

If you were to visit the graves of Mohammed, Buddha, and the deceased leaders of other religions, you would see



that their graves are still there. But you can go to Jerusalem and see an empty tomb! Thank God, *Jesus is alive!*

Today, do you have a "stone" in your life that you want God to roll away? If you will let Him, God will roll away the stone of depression, worry, and anguish from your life. He will replace that stone with His peace. He said in John 14:27, "*Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you . . .*"

If you are sealed in a tomb of your own making, and you want to be set free, then let God roll the stone away! When the stone — whatever is hindering you in life — is rolled away, you will be free and able to receive all that God desires to give you.

God desires that you be His child, and, as His child, His heir, and a joint-heir with Jesus Christ. Romans 8:14 says, "*For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God.*" Verse 17 says, "*And if children, then heirs; heirs of God, and joint-heirs with Christ; if so be that we suffer with him, that we may be also glorified together.*"

When you become a Christian, you are adopted into God's family, and you become a joint-heir with Jesus Christ. We are adopted into God's family through a blood covenant — through the blood that Jesus shed on the cross.

But, remember, Jesus didn't stay on the cross. And He didn't stay in the tomb, either! He ascended on High and is now seated at the right hand of the Father. As His joint-heir, you, too, have been raised to walk in newness of life (Rom. 6:4) and are now seated with Him in heavenly places (Eph. 2:6)!

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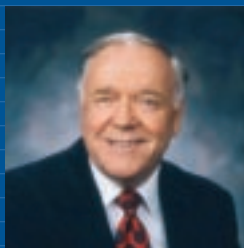
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# Set Free From DISEASE

*Christ hath redeemed us from the curse of the law, being made a curse for us. . . . — Galatians 3:13*

**According to the Law written in Deuteronomy 28,** we deserve sickness and disease as penalty for our sin. But, thanks be to God, Jesus has paid the penalty for us! He has redeemed us from the curse of the Law, redeeming us from every part of the curse!



*Kenneth E. Hagin*

**C**hrist has redeemed us from the curse of the Law! According to Deuteronomy 28:15-22, 27-29, 35, and 58-61, sickness is part of the curse of the Law. The dreadful diseases and curses enumerated in Deuteronomy chapter 28 are part of the punishment for breaking God's Law. In fact, every sickness and every disease is part of the curse according to Deuteronomy 28:61, which says, "Also **EVERY** sickness, and every plague, which is not written in the book of this law, them will the Lord bring upon thee, until thou be destroyed."

The *King James Version* of the Bible would lead us to believe that God Himself puts sickness and afflictions upon His people, for it reads, "The Lord will smite thee. . . ."

Dr. Robert Young, author of *Hints to Bible Interpretation*, points out that in the original Hebrew, the verb is in

the permissive rather than the causative sense. Actually, this verse should have been translated something like this: "The Lord will *allow* you to be smitten. . . . The Lord will *allow* these plagues to be brought upon you. . . ."

Many other verbs were translated in the causative sense in the *King James Version*. For example, Isaiah 45:7 reads, "I form the light, and create darkness: I make peace, and create evil: I the Lord do all these things." Does God create evil? No. That would make God a devil. God may permit evil, but He does not create it.

Amos 3:6 in the *King James Version* declares, "Shall a trumpet be blown in the city, and the people not be afraid? shall there be evil in a city, and the Lord hath not done it?" If the Lord commits evil, then He has no right whatsoever to judge man for sinning. But God has not done evil; He only per-

mits evil because of man's free will — his right to free choice. There is a vast difference between *commission* and *permission*.

When King Saul backslid, First Samuel 16:14 says, “. . . *the Spirit of the Lord departed from Saul, and an evil spirit from the Lord troubled him.*”

What actually happened was that Saul's sin broke his fellowship with God, and God permitted the evil spirit from the devil to trouble him.

The original Hebrew of these scriptures was in the permissive tense, but the verbs were translated in the causative tense.

No, God does not send plagues and sicknesses upon His people as these verses seem to indicate. The overall context of God's Word does not teach that these things come directly from God. In fact, it teaches quite the opposite.

When God's people broke His commandments, they were no longer under His divine protection. All He could do was permit the devil to bring those afflictions upon them. The people's sin and wrongdoing brought those dreadful plagues upon them.

Deuteronomy 28 lists several diseases in the curse of the broken Law. Among them are pestilence, consumption (tuberculosis), fever (including all types, such as typhus, scarlet, typhoid, smallpox, and all other eruptive fevers), inflammation, extreme burning, the botch (boils) of Egypt, hemorrhoids, scab (all skin disease), itch, madness, and blindness.

According to verse 60, we can add to this list “. . . *all the diseases of Egypt, which thou wast afraid of.*” And verse 61 makes it all-inclusive: “*Also every sickness, and every plague, which is not written in the book of the law.*”

We can conclude from these scriptures that sickness and disease are a part of the curse of the Law — and they should come upon us. But, praise God, “*Christ hath redeemed us from the curse of the law . . .*” (Gal. 3:13).

Is sickness a blessing or a curse? God's Word declares it is a curse. Some people would have you believe God “blesses” His children with sickness and disease. (If He does, I would prefer to let someone else have that “blessing”!) *But, according to God's Word,*

*sickness is a curse, and health is a blessing!*

Dis-ease is *broken ease*. Sickness is pain and suffering. It makes slaves of family and friends who must care for sick loved ones. Disease and sickness are enemies of mankind.

Sickness is a thief and a robber. It has robbed many a mother of her health, beauty, and joy. It has robbed her husband of his wife, and has deprived her children of their mother, for she is no longer able to fulfill the duties of wife and mother.

Disease has robbed many men, coming upon them in the midst of manhood, filling them with anxiety and fear, and robbing them of faith.

Sickness and disease rob people of happiness and health and money needed for other things.

Sickness and disease are not the will of God for His people. He does not want a curse to be upon His children because of their disobedience; He wants to bless them with health.

“Oh, yes,” some people have said to me, “I believe God was Israel's Healer under the Old Covenant, and He wanted the children of Israel to have health. But we're not living under that covenant.”

That's true. But if the Old Covenant provided for healing and the New Covenant (or Testament) does not, I wonder if the New Covenant is as good as the old? Thank God, the Bible says that the New Covenant is *better*:

**HEBREWS 8:6**

**6 But now hath he obtained a more excellent ministry, by how much also he is the mediator of a BETTER covenant, which was established upon BETTER promises.**

Let me remind you that our text is from the New Testament: “*Christ hath redeemed us from the curse of the law, being made a curse for us . . .*” (Gal. 3:13).

It is not the will of God that we be sick. Sickness and disease are not of love. And we know that God is love.

In Luke 13, Jesus was teaching in one of the synagogues on the Sabbath. A woman came in who was bent over. She could have had arthritis or something of that nature, because her body was permanently bent over. She couldn't stand up straight. Jesus called her to Him and said, “. . . *Woman, thou art loosed from thine infirmity*” (v. 12).

When the ruler of the synagogue became angry because Christ had healed the sick woman, Jesus said, “*Ought not this woman, being a daughter of Abraham, WHOM SATAN HATH BOUND, lo, these eighteen years, be loosed from this bond on the sabbath day?*” (v. 16). Jesus said it was Satan who had bound this woman.

In preaching to Cornelius' household, Peter said:

**ACTS 10:38**

**38 How God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Ghost and with power: who went about doing good, and healing all that were oppressed of the devil; for God was with him.**

This scripture makes it clear that the people Jesus healed were oppressed of the devil.

Some people today would have you believe that God sends sickness upon people to bless them. They will tell you, “Stay away from those meetings where they pray for the sick to be healed. That's of the devil.”

If they are right, then God and the devil must have swapped jobs, because when the Gospels and the Book of Acts were written, Satan was oppressing people and Jesus was *healing* them!

The Bible tells us, “*Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and to day, and for ever*” (Heb. 13:8). Jesus never changes! From the beginning to the end of His public ministry, Christ was successfully combating Satan. His battle was not

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with men, but with demons who indwelt men.

It puzzles me that people will take medicines and do everything they can to get well, but if you suggest they have someone pray for their healing, they will say, "It may not be God's will to heal me."

Well, if it isn't God's will for them to be well, they shouldn't take any medicine or treatment! They would be out of God's will trying to get well! That sounds ridiculous, and it is. But I used that to make a point.

I do not mean to discredit the medical profession. Doctors are fighting the same devil we are. I merely want to point out that the idea that healing is not God's will is human reasoning and wrong thinking, and it has robbed many people of the blessings of healing and health.

Don't ever tell anyone that sickness is the will of God for us. It isn't! Healing and health are the will of God for mankind. If sickness were the will of God, Heaven would be filled with sickness and disease.

In His earth walk, Jesus was the will of God in action. He came to unveil the Father to us. He is the Word of God. He is God speaking to us. (See

John 1:14 and Hebrews 1:1,2.) If you want to know what God thinks about sickness, look at Jesus! He went about *healing* the sick!

**ISAIAH 53:4,5**

**4 Surely he hath borne our griefs [sicknesses], and carried our sorrows [diseases]: yet we did esteem him stricken, smitten of God, and afflicted.**

**5 But he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon him; and with his stripes we are healed.**

**to sins, should live unto righteousness: by whose stripes ye were healed.**

We have been healed by the stripes Jesus bore. And according to Galatians 3:13, Jesus has redeemed us from the curse of sickness and disease!

I challenge you to insert the name of any disease you or a loved one desires to be healed from into Deuteronomy 28:61, which says that *every sickness* is a curse of the Law. Repeat to yourself, "According to Deuteronomy 28:61,

**Don't ever tell anyone that sickness is the will of God for us. It isn't!**

Matthew quotes a portion of these scriptures:

**MATTHEW 8:17**

**17 That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Esaias the prophet, saying, Himself took our infirmities, and bare our sicknesses.**

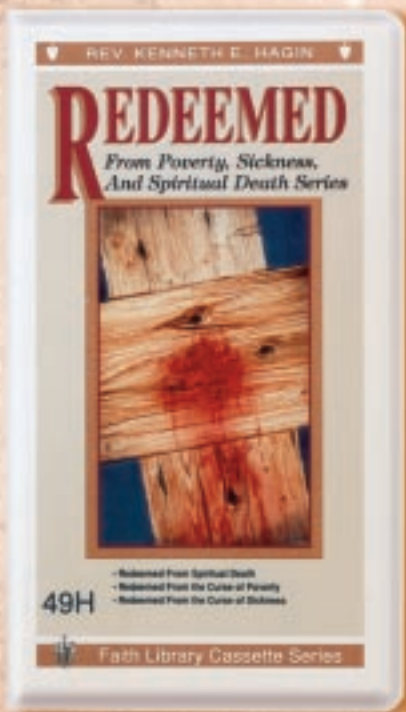
The Holy Spirit, looking back at Calvary, wrote in the past tense through Peter:

**1 PETER 2:24**

**24 Who his own self bare our sins in his own body on the tree, that we, being dead**

[insert name of sickness or disease] is a curse of the Law. But according to Galatians 3:13, Christ has redeemed me from the curse of the Law. Therefore, I no longer have [insert name of sickness or disease].

Jesus has set you free! He has paid the price for you. He has ransomed you by His death, burial, and resurrection. You are not under the curse, because Jesus has set you free from the curse of the Law. And that curse includes sickness and disease! ♠



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— Isaiah 58:11 (NIV)

## Seed Thoughts from Lynette

In May of each year, Americans set aside one Sunday to honor mothers. But in the hustle and bustle of life, we often fail to honor the one to whom we owe our life. Without our mothers, none of us would be here!

Abraham Lincoln once said, "All that I am or ever hope to be, I owe to my angel mother."

George Washington put it this way: "My mother was the most beautiful woman I ever saw. All I am, I owe to my mother. I attribute all my success in life to the moral, intellectual, and physical education I received from her."

Mother is the one who was always there. She is the one who was there to tend to you when you were sick. And if she could have taken your place, she would have.

My mother always made potato soup for us when we were sick. That, in itself, seemed to begin the healing process. We knew that Mother's soup would do wonders for us!

As we grow older and have our own children, we realize what an awesome responsibility motherhood is. We realize that

the natural things we do for our children are important, and they will be cherished memories. But the most important contribution we can give to our children is a heritage of faith in the Lord.

Paul, in writing to Timothy, said it like this: "I have been reminded of your sincere faith, which first lived in your grandmother Lois and in your mother Eunice and, I am persuaded, now lives in you also" (2 Timothy 1:5 NIV).

These women not only lived their faith, but they passed it on to Timothy. They realized that it was their responsibility to teach Timothy about the things of God and to be a daily example for him to follow.

I am so thankful for the heritage of faith that I received from my mother. I still have the privilege of having her with me. And at the age of 87, she is still an inspiration to me — in the natural as well as in the spiritual.

I am grateful for the excellent example my mother has set for me to follow. For instance, in the natural, she is still very active. In fact, over the Christmas holidays, she and my aunt drove from Dallas to Tulsa to spend the holidays with me. And several years ago, she was amused when someone asked for identification to make sure that she qualified for the Senior Citizen's discount!

But the thing that I am most grateful for is the spiritual example that she has given me. Her faith in God has always been unwavering. I would daily see her commune with God in the Word, as well as in prayer. When things would get tough, she knew that her God was well able to take care of it for her. The things of God were always first place in our home. She taught me how to be a godly wife. I

observed her always standing beside my father in ministry, supporting him in every way. Her commitment to God and the ministry was unwavering. She taught me to press on through the hard places — never giving up.

Ministry was always a team effort and she was a vital part of the team. Her example has made me what I am today — standing beside my husband and, together, carrying out the plan of God for our lives.

I am forever grateful for a godly example. The foundation that I received has given me the strength to withstand the trials and adversities of life.

Too often, we take our mothers for granted. But I encourage you to take time this month to do something special for your mother. Express your gratitude for all the things that she has done for you. Don't wait until it's too late for her to hear your kind words.

And I want to say to my mother, "Thank you for the values that you've taught me, for being there for me when I needed an encouraging word. Thank you for a shoulder to cry on when disappointments come my way, and showing me that a sense of humor would always lighten the way. But most of all, thank you for always keeping me in remembrance of Matthew 6:33, 'But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added unto you.'"

Lynette



# The Adventure of

first year

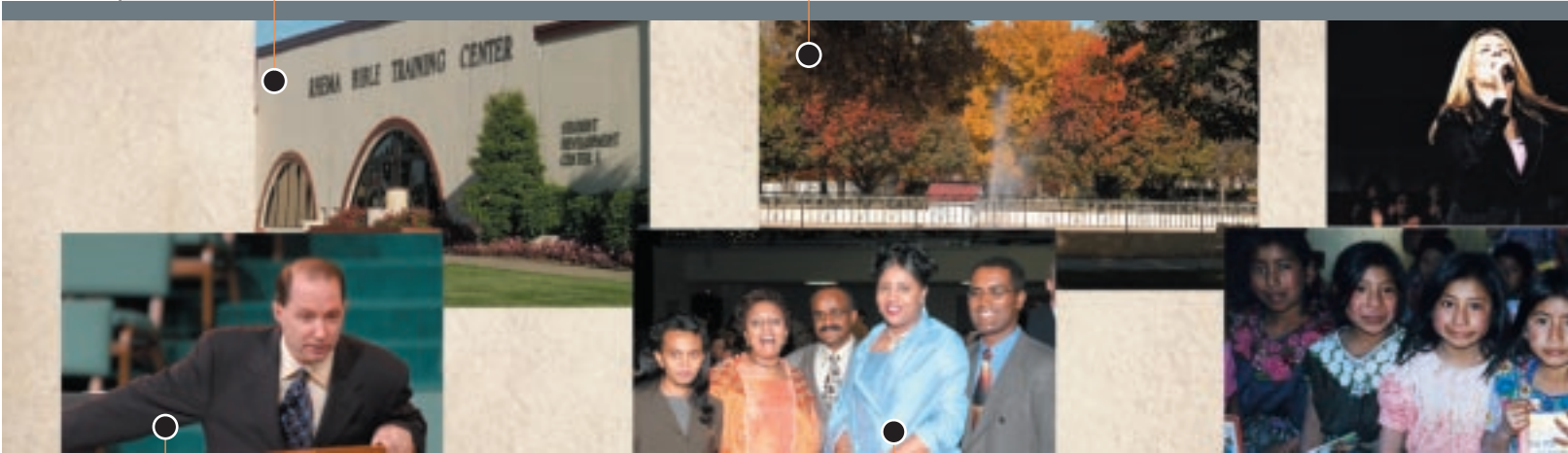
## ● AUGUST

I am departing tomorrow to move halfway across the country. I will wave good-bye to job, profession, family, and friends as I pull out the driveway and round the corner. I am embarking on the adventure of a lifetime. This time I am heading into unknown territory, dependent only upon God and the tug in my heart to attend RHEMA Bible Training Center . . . .

## ● SEPTEMBER

Today I stepped onto RHEMA's campus for the first time. What a privilege to be here! I have never seen anything like this place, so clean and fresh and manicured. It looks like an airbrushed photograph, any imperfections removed.

The buildings look freshly painted in white and brown stucco, and the landscape is artistically arranged. The park is serene with its creek and pond. I sat on a park bench and strolled along the sidewalks to drink in the whole scene. As I drove around campus, tears fell as thankfulness and joy overflowed in my heart. School starts in a few days, and I know God has amazing things in store for me over the next two years and for a lifetime.



## ● NOVEMBER

The instructors teach God's Word so powerfully — three hours a day for five days a week! Already, my life is changed as I learn and grow each day!

The classes are perfectly balanced with natural and spiritual topics, and it seems that the Holy Spirit teaches me supernaturally as the teachers speak. I learn just what I need, just when I need it. I see now that I am definitely in the right place at the right time, and though tests and trials have and will come my way, it sure is worth it. It feels good to be in the center of God's will!

## ● MAY

At RHEMA, I have met people from all over the United States and the world. Each one comes with a story of how God brought him or her here.

I had dinner with international student friends last night. I am trying food I never knew existed! Several of them are second-year students and will be graduating soon to return to their home countries. Although I am sad to see them go, I know they must do what God has called them to do. The friends I've made here are for eternity!

At RHEMA, I have learned to see that we are not here on earth at this time for ourselves. We are part of the "bigger picture" — the plan of God for the last days we're living in. How humbled and honored I am to be a part of it all!



second year

## OCTOBER

Last week Darlene Zschech came to RHEMA Bible Church to lead us in the unparalleled experience of Hillsongs worship! The church auditorium was filled with people worshipping God "in Spirit and in truth" and I was a part of it. We've had such amazing guest speakers in school. Each one has such a passion for God and what He's called them to do. They come from all over the world to take time to share with us. As I've listened to them, I am sensing more of what God has put in my own heart to do. I am learning to listen to the Spirit of God for myself.

Many students have chosen to specialize in Pastors, Missions, Youth, or Children's ministry in their second year, but I have chosen the Supportive Ministry group so that I can learn all aspects of the ministry. I'm looking forward to another unforgettable year!

## DECEMBER

I've served in a few different volunteer positions at RHEMA Bible Church since I've been here. There are so many places to be involved. I try to make the time between work and school to participate.

The hands-on training has been as valuable as the classroom instruction and has helped prepare me for the future.

## FEBRUARY

Tonight is the third night of Winter Bible Seminar. I was able to get a few days off of work this week so I could attend the evening services. What an opportunity to attend this internationally known event and to hear Brother Hagin minister!

## MAY

The rich spiritual truths that I have received in the Bible-based classes, practical ministry training, and the experience and expertise of the instructors and guest speakers have taught me more than I could have learned in multiple years on my own.

Although difficulties have come throughout my two years of school, I know I am learning what I need to overcome anything that comes my way! I would not trade this experience for the world! God called me, not just into ministry but also into training.

## Dear RHEMA family,

I want to inform you of all that God is doing in my ministry and thank you, because without RHEMA, I would not be where I am today.

After serving in my local church for two years, I moved to Guatemala, where I have been for three years. God is moving here! Adults, youth, and children are being saved, baptized in the Holy Ghost, delivered, healed, and set on fire for God! I am also training many of the nationals to do the work of the ministry — just as I was trained at RHEMA.

Wonderful things are happening and it is all because of God and the two years I spent at RHEMA learning all I could — naturally and spiritually. From the bottom of my heart and the hearts of the people I've ministered to, I say thank you!

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# Take What Belongs

**T**he blessings and provisions God has given to us don't just fall on us. We have to reach out and take them.

Salvation is an example. Did you get saved without reaching out and taking what God was offering you? Did salvation just fall on you? Or did you respond, reach out by faith, and take the gift God was offering you in salvation?

How many businessmen attain success without taking action? Do they just sit back in their offices, put their feet up on their desks, and say, "Well, I'm a businessman; I know all the business principles" and have big business deals fall on them? No. They are successful because they go out, take hold of opportunities, and make these principles work.

It seems that man is programmed to be a success. Do you *not* want to succeed? I have never met anyone who didn't want to succeed, have you? Everyone I've ever met has wanted to be a success in life.

Some people may say they don't want to be a success, but don't listen to their words. Watch their actions. Their actions prove they want to be a success, because they are striving for it every day.

Success comes when a person realizes what he or she has, who he or she is, and what abilities he or she possesses in the natural. Then that person takes those abilities and surrounds himself with people who have abilities in areas where he or she is weak. Together, they make a strong team, and they go out into the world and become a success.

If you study business partners closely, you will usually find that one has expertise in one area and another has expertise in a different area. Put them together, and they have expertise in all areas of their business. If they need more expertise, they will find department heads or supervisors to handle those jobs. And they become successful.



*Kenneth Hagin Jr.*



I'm talking about natural things here. I like to parallel spiritual principles with natural ones so they are easier to understand. I want you to see the parallel between success in your natural life and success in your spiritual life.

Most people try to divorce the two, putting natural life in one corner and spiritual life in another. But the truth is: You are a *natural* human being. You live in a natural world. At the same time, however, you are a *spiritual* being — a spirit. You live in a spirit world. You must learn to combine the two and become an explosive force for God in both areas of life.

It doesn't matter which translation of the Bible you own; it still contains

# to You!

some 32,000 promises made by God Himself. For whom did Jesus purchase these 32,000 promises? For God? For the angels? No, they don't need them. Jesus purchased them for the Church of the Lord Jesus Christ — the *ecclesia* — the called-out ones.

God gave us Jesus: all that He is, all that He has, and all that He has done. That's what has been given to the Church. Second Peter 1:3 says, "*According as his divine power hath given unto us all things that pertain unto life and godliness. . .*" Notice the word "hath" in that scripture. Is "hath" past tense, present tense, or future tense? It's *past!*

If someone "hath" (or has) done something for you, it's yours. If God *hath* given unto us all things that pertain to life and godliness, how should we respond? With gratitude and awe, because He has already done it. He has already given it to me!

Suppose I'm away from home holding a service, and a delivery person walks through the door of the church and says, "Telegram for you." I open that telegram, and it announces that the richest man in the world has read one of my books and has put one million dollars into my bank account in Tulsa, Oklahoma. Everyone would praise God with me!

But suppose the next day you accompany me to the airport, and I sit in the waiting area whining and complaining, "I sure would like to get back to Tulsa! I sure would like to go back home, but I don't have a ticket to fly home today."

You would say, "Hey, I thought you had one million dollars in your bank account! You received that telegram while you were here. The money is yours."

"Oh, yes. I know that. I sure wish I could get home."

You would think something was wrong with me if I said that. You would know that all I had to do was go to the counter, purchase a ticket, and write out a check or charge it — because I had the money in the bank to back it.

Well, what is the difference between that and spiritual things? God *hath* already given us everything that pertains to life and godliness. Why are we sitting around, whining, crying, and saying to one another, "I just don't know what is going to happen. I don't know if I'm going to be able to make it or not. The devil has been after me. My life is so messed up."

That is what many people are doing — people who have been born again — people who have been given everything that pertains to life and godliness!

This is where the word "take" comes in. "Take" is a small word with big importance.

When I say the word "take," most people immediately get a visual impression in their mind. Whether you realize it or not, when you hear a word, a memory bank in your brain is automatically triggered, and that memory bank brings

up a certain definition or image of that word. Different people see different pictures.

When I hear the word "take," the image it triggers in my mind is a hand reaching out and grabbing hold of something, gaining possession of it. What kind of mental picture do you see? By faith, we are to reach out and *take* what belongs to us. We can begin to live in the success, liberty, and power of God's Word. *Faith takes it!*

We are to receive what God has for us by reaching out in faith and taking it! The problem is that most people are waiting for God to hover over them like a gardener hovers over his flowers. They're waiting for God to stand over the top of them with a little watering pot. Then they will get a little excited and say, "God just poured out a blessing for me!"

No, God poured out a blessing on the Church more than 2,000 years ago when Jesus Christ Himself, suspended between Heaven and earth on that rugged cross, said, "It is finished."

Jesus died, went into the pits of hell, and forever defeated the enemy. Then He rose victorious over death, hell, and the grave! He ascended and sat down at the right hand of the Father. He purchased all there is in life and godliness — and He has given it to the Church.

We don't have to wait for God to come by and pour us out a blessing! All we have to do is know who we are in Christ, what we have in Christ, and what the Word of God says — then reach out and take what belongs to us!

The Holy Spirit could say to us, as the angels said to those who were gazing heavenward after Jesus' ascension, "*Why stand ye gazing up into heaven? this same Jesus, which is taken up from you into heaven, shall so come in like manner as ye have seen him go into heaven*" (Acts 1:11). Then the angels added, "Now go do what He told you to do."

Too often Christians are sitting in this world, gazing off into the wild blue yonder, looking for some kind of "pie in the sky," singing about the "Sweet By-and-By," or talking about how great it's going to be on the "other side."

*The blessings and provisions God has given to us don't just fall on us. We have to reach out and take them.*

Heaven is going to be good, and I thank God for it, but what I'm interested in is what can help me in the now. *Now* is when I'm living. *Now* is when I need something to carry me through the threat of war and terrorism, economic recession, and so forth — not in the Sweet By-and-By. Thank God for the promise of Heaven. I need that as inspi-

and take hold of all the provisions of life that God's hand is offering you.

You see, God is not going to hit you over the head with a twenty-pound sledgehammer and force you to take what He has given. He is not going to drop it on you or spoon-feed it to you. All He is going to do is offer it. It's there for the taking.

to life and godliness. Tell Him you are taking what belongs to you by faith, and you will never again relinquish what belongs to you in the Name of Jesus.

Then begin to rejoice! Rejoice *now* — not when you see it happen or manifest in your life. Faith rejoices at the moment of taking, so do what you would do if you saw it happen this very moment — if you saw it take place in front of your eyes at this moment!

As you walk this great walk of faith, never again say, "I don't know whether or not I'm going to make it." From now on, speak your faith in God's Word and take what you need by faith. Situations and circumstances may look bleak, but never relinquish your hold. Once you start out in faith, hold fast to your confession and praise God all the way to victory. Keep taking. Keep conquering the enemy. Keep winning more people to Jesus!

Rejoice because you have everything that pertains to life and godliness. It is yours. Live like it, rejoice in it, and have a good time on your way to Heaven! ♠

## *Faith takes, and after faith takes, faith never turns loose.*

ration, as my heavenly hope! But I need something right now to carry me through the darkness of this world.

The Word of God says, "*Take it!*"

God is reaching His hand down from Heaven, saying, "My child, here is all you ever need to have happiness, godliness, and a joyous life on earth. Here it is! Here it is!"

You can look at His hand and say, "Oh, I wish it were so. Oh, wouldn't that be nice!" Or you can reach up by faith

You must take it by faith. Faith takes, and after faith takes, faith never turns loose. And because faith never turns loose, success by the power of God is sure to follow.

Begin to talk to God. Whatever it is that you need, quote scriptures to Him concerning your need. If it's finances you need, quote scriptures to God about finances. If it's healing you need, quote healing scriptures to Him. Remind Him that He *hath* given you all that pertains

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"At these local crusades, there is more personal ministry and interaction with the people than at the larger annual meetings. There are various types of min-

istry, including laying on of hands, words of knowledge, prophecy, and special altar calls."

**"This crusade has taught me how to walk in faith and healing and how to walk in love as a Christian and in my marriage. Brother Hagin has taught me always to speak good things and to watch my mouth!"**

"During prayer by Rev. Craig Hagin at one crusade, my left leg, which had been very painful since a fall a year ago, stopped hurting and I no longer

have to limp!"

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"I teach at a Christian preschool in Live Oak, Florida. I believed the Lord had something special for me at this crusade, so I made plans to come. As I purposed to attend, the Lord provided





in marvelous ways, including volunteer workers to take care of my classroom. The enemy also set to work to hinder and prevent. The first day I arrived, my car was rear-ended by another vehicle at a red light. My car sustained a bent frame and bumper damage. My neck and head hurt, but I chose to trust God and go to the crusade rather than to the ER. I recognized this was only one more attack of the enemy. That night, they asked for anyone with neck pain or shoulder pain to come forward for prayer. I did and God touched me, removing the pain and headache. I gave my testimony the next day. Minor stiffness was present at that point, although I knew it had to leave. It did! "God is good! I'm healed, and the devil lost another round. Also, on the last day of the crusade, my car was ready to be picked



up from the body shop! I returned home blessed, healed, and repaired! We serve an awesome God!

***My wife and I aren't RHEMA graduates, but we have attended Winter Bible Seminar and Camp-meeting every year since 1985. We live in Tennessee, but we haven't missed a Brother Hagin meeting in Florida since he started holding annual meetings there in the 1990s.***

"I was introduced to the teaching of Kenneth Hagin in the late 1970s while attending a Full Gospel Businessmen World Convention in New Orleans. Brother Hagin was an afternoon Bible teacher. I believe Brother Hagin is a prophet in the last days. My wife and I attend his meetings to hear what the Holy Spirit has to say about the end times. Knowing about change ahead of time enables us to make the right moves in our business and personal lives. We have learned that God is interested in us spirit, soul, and body. It's important to be in these meetings because we want to be used in the last days. Brother Hagin is the father of the modern faith movement, so we want to hear from the "top," so to

speak. He has spoken into our lives greatly regarding healing and believing God for finances. We attend two to three crusades a year and have attended crusades in Florida, Mississippi, Minnesota, Louisiana, Georgia, Tennessee, and Canada. We attend these meetings to get refreshed and to allow Brother Hagin to speak into our lives. We actually owe him our lives because of what we have learned about healing. I was even healed of high blood pressure during a service at this 2003 Lakeland meeting!"



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**M**any people around the world are struggling with fear. But God doesn't want His children to be afraid. Whether we're dealing with our safety, our family, our finances, or our health, God wants us to be ruled by peace, not by fear.

Watching the news, we have opportunities to fear every day. But God wants us to fear not! We can't operate in faith and in fear at the same time. We will either be in faith or be in fear. Many Christians start out in faith but then they allow fear to creep in.

God has not given us the spirit of fear, but of power, of love, and of a sound mind (2 Tim. 1:7). A sound mind is a peaceful mind. We can let the peace of God — the peace that passes all understanding — protect our hearts and minds through Christ Jesus (Phil. 4:7).

With everything that is happening in the world, it would be easy to live in fear.

to listen to the Holy Spirit and to the wisdom of God's Word!

We can't afford to ignore the urgings and leadings in our spirit. If you have a prompting not to go somewhere, don't go! If you have a prompting not to get on a particular airplane, don't get on that airplane. Don't misunderstand me. I'm not telling you to live in fear. I'm not telling you to stay home and not to go anywhere, and I'm not telling you not to get on any airplanes. I am simply telling you *to be led!*

If you have a particular urging in your heart, follow it! We can't be ruled by fear, but we've been given something on the inside of us, the Holy Ghost to guide us, and we must be sensitive to His leading.

Some Christians are afraid of this, that, and the other thing, and live their lives in constant torment and bondage. For example, some parents are afraid to send their kids to school. Sometimes par-

that it's fairly easy to deal with. We categorize cancer, AIDS, and so forth, as "F5" sicknesses. But when it comes to receiving healing from God, there are no categories!

All you need is to have faith in God, and you can say to *any* mountain of sickness, "Be thou moved, and be thou cast into the sea" (Mark 11:22). Mark 9:23 says that *all* things are possible to him that believes. How many things are possible? *All* things!

Some people are healed immediately, and that's great. But just because you're not healed immediately doesn't mean you aren't going to be healed. What's most important is that you believe that the power of God is working in your body to effect a healing and a cure.

Giving place to fear will rob you of your healing. The devil will say, "You're not healed." And thoughts will come to your head, trying to fill you with fear and

## RULED BY *Peace*, NOT BY FEAR

CRAIG W. HAGIN

But we can choose to live in peace. With God on our side, we can be at peace when everyone else is afraid.

If we want to be kept safe during these dangerous times, we must learn to be led by peace and by the Spirit of God.

I've heard testimony after testimony about people who were supposed to be in the World Trade Center buildings on September 11, 2001. But for one reason or another, they weren't there that day. They took an alternate route to work that day, or did something out of the ordinary — they didn't follow their usual routine. Some stopped and picked up their dry-cleaning or ran other errands before they went to work. Others decided to drive their kids to school that day instead of having them take the bus. Some just felt led to stay away.

It's very important to be led by the Spirit of God. Yes, there are bad things going on in this world, but the Spirit of God wants to lead and guide us along a safe path. We must learn to follow Him!

Proverbs 1:33 says, "*But whoso hearkeneth unto me [wisdom] shall dwell safely, and shall be quiet from fear of evil.*" Another translation says, "He who listens to me shall live securely, and shall be at ease from the dread of evil." It pays

ents don't want their children to play certain sports because the sport is dangerous and their kids might get hurt. We can use wisdom in all things, but we can't be ruled by fear. If we allow fear to control us, fear can kill us. We must take our God-given authority over the spirit of fear and allow the peace of God to control our hearts and minds.

Too many times people who are dealing with sickness allow fear to rule them. They are afraid of what will happen to them. Some Christians are even afraid that they don't have enough faith to be healed because they think their sickness is a "big one" — a sickness too big for God! But I have never read in the Bible that one sickness is greater than another sickness in God's eyes. In fact, in one place, the Bible says, ". . . [Jesus] *went about doing good, and healing ALL that were oppressed of the devil; for God was with him*" (Acts 10:38).

Man puts things in categories. In Oklahoma, we are very familiar with the scale used to categorize tornadoes, and we have experienced tornadoes at every level — F1 being the lowest, and F5 being the greatest.

Too often, we try to categorize sickness the same way. For example, a common cold would be an "F1" sickness, meaning

doubt. But don't allow fear to stop God's healing power from working in your body! You can decide to believe God's Word and to stand on it for whatever you need or want.

Faith is having a knowing on the inside. Faith knows you are healed even when you don't feel it yet. Faith knows you're safe even when tragedy happens nearby. Faith knows you have peace even when everyone around you is afraid. Faith doesn't deny the circumstances. Faith believes in the higher truth of God's Word *in spite of* the circumstance.

Remember, God has not given us a spirit of fear. He has given us His peace (John 14:27). He has given us a spirit of love, power, and a sound mind. And He has given us the measure of faith (Rom. 12:3)!

You are going to have opportunities to fear — probably on a daily basis. But you can overcome fear with your faith. Whatever you're facing today, God is on your side. And since God is for you, who can be against you (Rom. 8:31)? Whether you need healing or just need peace in your life, God has the answer. Simply have faith in Him according to Mark 11:22 and 23, and every mountain that stands in your way will have to move! ♥

# KINDLE THE FLAME HIGHLIGHTS



## You Are Special to God

Each September, Lynette Hagin hosts a unique conference for women in which she preaches powerful messages and offers practical workshops, food and fellowship, and anointed prayer services. *Kindle the Flame* 2002 guest speakers included Patsy Cameneti, Debbie Varney, and Donna Pickens. Last month's issue highlighted a service by Debbie Varney. The following is a brief excerpt from Donna Pickens' message.

Donna and her husband, Tom, pastor Antelope Valley Christian Center and are the founders and pastors of Victory Christian Center in Victorville, California. Donna spoke in the Saturday morning service of *Kindle the Flame* 2002.

Donna began her message, saying, "When I asked the Lord what I had to give to 'Kindle the Flame,' He said, 'How about a little wildfire?' Well, that sounds all right to me!

"It's time that we became wild about the things of God! For too long, God's women have been depressed, suppressed, and oppressed! Women of God have endured raggedy marriages. Some of you may be contemplating right now whether or not you're going to stay with your mate. Some of you are wondering whether your husband is ever going to love you like he once did. Yes! In the Name of Jesus, you can pull down those strongholds. You can declare in the Name of Jesus what will go on in your house! It's time to say, 'As for me and my house we're going to serve the Lord.'

"It's time we got wild about the things of God and told Satan, 'No! In the Name of Jesus, you will not have my children. You will not have my marriage. You will not have my ministry! In the Name of Jesus, you will not defeat me! My family is not going under for going over!"

"If you are a single woman, confess that you will wait on God for the godly man that He has for you. Make the decision to be a success-

ful single woman as you wait for God's best!

"To be successful in any area of life, we have to base our lives on the Word of God. You see, God has already called you a success. He is just waiting for you to take hold of His Word!

"Your attitude has everything to do with your success in life. Your attitude and what you believe will determine your position in God and in life. Maybe you don't believe God is able to help you. Maybe you think your situation is too messed up and too big for God to handle.

"Abraham was fully persuaded that God was *well able* to give a child to a ninety-year-old barren woman and a one-hundred-year-old man. What do you believe about your situation? What kind of hold has life got on you?

"Are you a depressed woman of God? Are you a miserable, unhappy daughter of Zion? That's not the will of God! But you can have that if you want it. If you settle for it, that's what you'll have!

"We must believe that our God is *able*. He is bigger than any problem! We serve Jehovah-Rapha — the God who heals us. We serve El Shaddai — the God who is

more than enough. He's more than enough.

"You are special to God. You are somebody in the Body of Christ. You are valuable and precious in the sight of God. He doesn't want you carrying burdens, problems, and circumstances. That is not His will for you.

"It's time to cast the whole of our care on God (1 Peter 5:7). We're carrying too much baggage. God is looking down from Heaven, and He sees us carrying our kids, our marriages, and our finances. Jesus came that we might have life and enjoy it (John 10:10). You can't enjoy life when you are depressed. You can't enjoy a life of peace and joy when you are burdened down with worry.

"Cast your cares onto God! Remember, He is always on time. He knows where you are, and He cares about you. You are significant to God. You are top-priority, because you are one of His kids!

"Make this your confession: *I am the righteousness of God in Christ. I am somebody going somewhere to be effective for God. I am committed to the things of God. I have to put my hand to the plow, and I will never look back. As for me and my house, we will serve the Lord!*"

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*Now the Lord is that Spirit: and where the Spirit of the Lord is there is liberty. But we all, with open face beholding as in a glass the glory of the Lord, are changed into the same image from glory to glory, even as by the Spirit of the Lord (2 Corinthians 3:17,18).*



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# From the Archives

*A nostalgic look at the beginnings of Kenneth Hagin Ministries*



## Ready To Do Anything for God

*On August 8, 1934, Rev. Kenneth E. Hagin was healed by the power of God through faith and prayer after lying bed-fast for 16 months. This month, Rev. Hagin recalls some of the events of his life in the months following his healing.*

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As I said earlier, I'd finished two years of high school before I became bed-fast. After I was born again and healed, I went back to high school, and I made a straight-A report card. I never made straight A's before I was born again. I barely skimmed by in some subjects.

But when I returned to high school, I discovered something. If I would just listen intently in the classroom to everything that was said, and if I would use the study hall periods to study instead of looking around or throwing paper wads, I would be ready for tests. I didn't have to take one single book home to study. I never did any studying at home. I didn't have to do any special preparation, because I was already prepared.

I remember I once missed a whole month of school. Coming from a broken home, I lived with different relatives at different times, even though I was a teenager. I went to live with some relatives and had to change schools. Then that arrangement didn't work out, so I had to go back to the relatives I had been living with.

This was in my junior year, and I was taking second-year algebra. Because I had a straight-A report card, I didn't have to take any final examinations. But I remember saying to Mr. Cooley, who was my algebra teacher, "I

missed a whole month, so I missed a whole chapter in the book."

Well, Mr. Cooley said, "There are twenty-five chapters in the book. I'm going to ask twenty-seven questions on the final examination and let everyone skip any two questions they want to. There's just one question from the chapter you missed, so if you took the test, you could skip the question from the chapter you missed and still get 100. So you don't need to take the test."

"Well, would it be all right if I take it anyway?" I asked.

"If you want to take it, come on and take it!" he replied.

So I took the final exam and made 100 on it, praise God! I didn't do any special preparation because I was already prepared!

Well, after I was healed, I began to attend a different denominational church than the one I had been raised in. The one I had been raised in would not accept my testimony of healing.

This other church I began attending was about two blocks from our house. So I decided, *I am not going to walk two miles to my old church when I could go two blocks to this other church where they accept my healing testimony.* (There wasn't a Full Gospel church in my town.) I hadn't found anyone really who believed as I did at that time.

I remember the first Sunday morning I went to visit this church. I was born within a block of the new church I would be attending, so the people knew me. As I came walking up the steps that morning, the pastor and the Sunday

school superintendent were standing on the front steps greeting people. As I approached them, the Sunday school superintendent said to me, "Kenneth, I want you to teach the young people's class."

I wasn't a member of that church, and he knew that, but this superintendent had known me from the time I was born. He told me later, "You were born and raised right here. We all know it had to be God that raised you up from a deathbed. We accept that. Do you want to go to work for God?"

I answered, "Yes, sir." I was ready to do anything for God.

Some folks want to do something for God, but they want it to be on *their* terms. But I was ready to do anything for God that He wanted me to do. If He wanted me to sweep the church, I would sweep it. I would do anything for God. I believe it should be that way.

So this superintendent asked me to teach the young people's class. Then he told me, "You can teach from the Sunday school curriculum, or you can do what the pastor does; you can just teach the Bible. In our adult men's class, the pastor doesn't use the literature at all; He just uses the Bible."

I said, "I believe I will teach the Bible then."

The superintendent said, "All right, just have at it." So I did. I was seventeen years old at that time, and I began to teach and preach. And I've been teaching and preaching ever since. Praise the Lord!

*To be continued . . .*



# Kids' Page

Fearless, Anointed, Inward-led, Trustworthy Heirs of God

## faith lessons

### Listen Carefully & Look Carefully!

Jesus often encouraged people to **"listen carefully"** to the words that He spoke. We encourage you to **"look carefully"** at the two pictures below and find the eight differences between them.



### Who Should Listen to Jesus?

Jesus told us clearly who should listen to His words. Find the answer by changing the word pictures below into a phrase.



**ANSWERS:**  
 Faith Match-up - ANSWERS: A. Psalms 103:3; B. Psalms 91:11; C. Phil. 4:19; D. James 1:5; E. Proverbs 3:24  
 Listen Carefully & Look Carefully - ANSWERS: 1. Jesus beard is light brown in A and dark in B. 2. Jesus is wearing sandals in B not in A. 3. The stool is missing a leg in B. 4. The blonde girl is wearing sandals in B not in A. 5. The blonde girl has an extra strap on her sandals in A. 6. The blonde girl's head covering is light brown in B and dark in A. 7. The blonde girl has no sandals in B. 8. The blonde girl's hair is a different color in B.  
 Who Should Listen to Jesus? ANSWER: HE WHO HAS EARS TO HEAR.

### Who's steering YOUR HEARING?



Romans 10:17 tells us, "Faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God." Here is a really cool way to remember this very important fact about FAITH. Picture in your mind that FAITH is a package being delivered to you in a truck called HEARING. The truck is about to enter the "tunnel" of your ear, and when it enters, you will BELIEVE (have faith in) something. The all-important part of this picture is the driver of the truck. WHO'S STEERING YOUR HEARING? In other words, who are you listening to? You see, whom you listen to will determine what you believe. If you listen to your friends, you will end up believing what they believe. If you listen to movie stars, you will end up believing what they believe. But if you listen to the Word of God, you will end up believing what God believes. Read and listen to the Word of God daily, and your faith in God and in what He believes will become strong!

## Faith Match-Up!

Reading and hearing God's Word helps to build your faith when you're facing different needs in your life. Read the NEEDS in the left column below and match them up with the scripture in the right column that builds your faith for that need to be met.

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| <p><b>A. protection</b></p> <p><b>B. healing</b></p> <p><b>C. provision</b></p> <p><b>D. wisdom</b></p> <p><b>E. peaceful sleep</b></p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• My God shall supply all of your needs according to His riches in glory – Philippians 4:19</li> <li>• If any of you lacks wisdom let him ask of God, who gives to all liberally – James 1:5</li> <li>• When you lie down you will not be afraid; you will lie down and your sleep will be sweet – Proverbs 3:24</li> <li>• He forgives all your iniquities, he heals all your diseases – Psalm 103:3</li> <li>• He shall give His angels charge over you to keep you in all your ways – Psalm 91:11</li> </ul> |
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## Jokes & Riddles



Q: What do you get when you cross a mouth with a tornado?  
 A: A tongue twister!

Q: Five men went out fishing. It started thundering, lightning, and raining. The boat tipped over, yet not a single man got wet! How?  
 A: They were all married!

Q: Why didn't the boy get hurt when he fell off a 100-foot ladder?  
 A: Because he was on the first step!

Q: What did George Washington's father say when he saw his son's report card?  
 A: You're going down in history!

Q: If T is having a tea party and all the other letters of the alphabet were invited, which would be late?  
 A: U, V, W, X, Y, and Z!!! They all come after T (tea)

Q: What did the judge say when he saw the skunk in the courtroom?  
 A: "Odor in the court!!!"

Jack: Someone said that you look like an owl.  
 Jill: Who?  
 Jack: You sound like one too!