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**Choosing our Perspective of the Fight**Graham Cooke

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Member Spotlight Victoria Boyd From the beginning of my health issues in 2009, I have made a choice. I don't want a mindset that is based on a negative. At the very start, I knew I had to find a better way of thinking than the one that the enemy was presenting me with.

In 2 Timothy 1:7 it says that "God has not given us a spirit of timidity but of power, love, and a sound mind." I am choosing to live my life on the battlefield in the clash between two kingdoms. That is where I want to live, and to live there successfully you need two things.

- 1) You need a passion for Jesus that is greater than anything else in your life.
- 2) You need an equal and opposing hatred of the devil and all his works.

You have to fight, and you need to relish the fight. You need to want the fight. It's not just a matter of beating the enemy. It is actually a matter of discovering the sovereignty and supremacy and majesty of Jesus. On earth, in life, I want to know majesty.

1 Peter 1:13 talks about "gird up the loins of your mind." Get yourself ready for some good thinking. The attacks that come on your mind and your emotions are there to separate you from who God is for you. The enemy tries to convince you that God is distant. He is such a liar! God is on the inside of you. How close is that?! God is within me. Who can separate me from the love of God? Nobody!

In a battle, life has to rise up from within. The enemy tries to convince you that you need to get something from God, but it's not true. You just need to allow God to rise up within you. He is in you and life arises from within, so you need a mindset that is rooted in your spirit, not your soul. It is the inner man of the spirit that knows how to think in times of adversity, and the only way for that thought process to rise up is by giving thanks.

It is in rejoicing, and in giving thanks that the inner man of your spirit rises up and comes to the fore in your circumstances. It's not trying to think from within. It is simply worshipping the God who is within you, and knowing that as you worship, that the anointing will rise up within you...and so will all the resources that come with it.

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When situations persist, we need to upgrade our relationship with God first, rather than just trying to resolve the issue. Intimacy is the first place we go in the fight-back. What is it that God wants to be for me now that He couldn't be at any other time? What does God want to be for you right now in your situation?

Here are my key mindsets in this fight:

- #1 A mindset can never be based on a negative. I'm not a sick man trying to get well. I am a whole man doing battle with illness.
- #2 It's not enough just to believe, you have to be fully persuaded. Abraham was and it changed everything.
- #3 I want to make this whole situation part of my present-future relationship with God. I've filled my mind with my promises and prophecies, not my problems.

You can't succeed beyond your wildest dreams unless you begin with them. I want to embrace the spirit of wisdom that is in me and pursue it like Daniel did. I want to be generous and extravagant with my substance. I intend to be a man of a different spirit. I want to spend my life building up, inspiring, and making joyful everybody I meet regardless of their enmity or their difficulty. I want to experience the most favor possible, and I want to exact the greatest vengeance on the enemy of our souls. But last and most important, most vital, I want to love the Lord my God with all my heart, soul, mind, and strength.

This is my thinking: it is utterly irrelevant whether our current time is good or bad. Life in the Spirit is not about avoiding tough situations. It is about making a profit from them. It's about being in alignment, and to be in alignment we must understand and agree with God's intention for our lives, and then we must embrace His intentionality and make it our own. Prosperity, to me, is about taking advantage of the grace and the goodness of God regardless of circumstances.

Every one of us has an identity. We have a destiny. We each have a legacy, and we should start to walk in line with our human footprint so that we achieve the things that God wants us to achieve; that the things that have been set aside for us come to us. Warriors know how to go out and get them and we experience the joy of living in that space.

Thanks for sharing this fight with me, for your prayers and continued perseverance in the promises of God that are "yes" and "amen". We are taking territory, both internally and in all of our assignments, discovering the majesty of God that is ever present.

Graham



#### HEALTH AND REST PRAYER POINTS FOR GRAHAM

#### We rejoice that:

- God is faithful and intentional to heal.
- Graham (F.A.I.T.H.) God's true nature as Healer is Truth that changes physical facts.
- Opposition only brings amplification of the true nature of God for him.
- Peace, joy and loving-kindness surround him at all times, in every circumstance.
- Great rest and peace are promised to him always. He will not be overcome.
- God is both his Healer or his Keeper at all times but we'll take Healer any day!

#### We declare:

- \* Graham to be on earth as he is in heaven, strong and brilliant.
- \* A man of Your joy, rejoicing always.
- \* A celebrant on an optimistic journey with the Holy Spirit.
- \* A whole man overcoming illness.
- \* A strong man of stamina and energy.
- \* Normal blood sugar levels.
- \* Joints that move freely.
- \* Freedom from pain in any form, from any source.

Inheritance Word: Psalm 91 & 27



#### Leadership Development Training 2016

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Allison Bown
Director of TWC

# **Leadership Development Training Has Begun:** The Value of Values

We just finished our first module, "Leading from Values" with over 50 current and prospective TWC leaders. This year, we are continuing to "streamline and establish" by taking everyone through the same training process to provide a unified foundation for our leadership culture in The Warrior Class.

As Graham commented in our Q&A time in Anaheim last year, how we have trained in TWC and how we will train in the future will change. Our early years were almost a complete exploration process because we were in absolutely new territory. But over time, we've sorted out not only who we want to be in our leadership culture, but also what has primacy for us... and leading from values is one of those foundations.

As was observed by Neil Hardisty, our Lightbearers Team Leader in New Zealand, values give freedom and encourage individuality. A value is unchanging, no matter what the circumstance, because our values should be based on the nature of God... and His nature is constant.

But the principles of how that value is applied can change, grow, expand and be refined based on the individuals involved or the opportunities present. For example, we have a value in The Warrior Class of "taking joyful responsibility for our own development, not dependent on others to carry us along." That value is a constant, but for a person who is learning to live in that truth, encouragement in their true identity may be what is needed. For another, it may require asking great questions that will equip them to make a more tangible plan to arrive at the outcome they desire. Different principles of application - same value.

On the other hand, rules and regulations produce limitation and sameness. If this is the case, then there is a goal of trying to get everyone to do the same thing, in the same way, at the same time. Success is getting 100% compliance. Anything less means someone isn't doing well.

I often think about the woman caught in adultery and Jesus' response. She had not followed the rules and now she was in trouble. But Jesus did something that called her up into obedience, and it wasn't by releasing shame for her behavior. His gift of forgiveness was woven together with an encouragement towards excellence. "Go (you're free) and sin no more." And I don't think she did. Why? Because she was afraid of judgement? No, because she wanted to become the person Jesus saw her to be.

Values are the foundation of the decision-making process in leadership. I always want to be able to answer the question, "What value am I basing this decision on?" Once I know that, I'm on solid ground to initiate a dialogue, consider my options or choose an action. How that value manifests in TWC has and will continue to change over time. But like knowing our true identity, our values give us a compass that keeps us headed in the right direction.

Most of which are thoughts I've understood for a while, but as I watch this group of intrepid, delightful Warrior Class leaders, I was once again grateful. We've explored this culture of leadership for five years now and it's more true today than ever. The value of values are standing the test of time.

Here's a peek at some of the insights of our current and prospective leaders during this first module of Leadership Development Training:

Accountability is meant to be provoked from the ground up (not the top down) because you want to go higher. Graham's key question in mentoring: "How much do you really want this?" (We have a lot of leaders and LDT candidates who want it a lot!)

Our TWC values reflect a functional family, not a dysfunctional one. "Family" is often not a great concept for folks, but living in our TWC values reframes that.

Values are like a Constitution, a reference point for how we navigate this journey.

The fresh perspective of primary objectives and thinking what we want them to be for us personally and in TWC.

Leaders give people the permission to wonder.

There is power in creating identity statements for various aspects of our persona - in this case, leadership. So many had the "A-ha" moment of, "This IS me!!"

We all laughed at how much performance thinking we all still have at times.

We shared the camaraderie of feeling like we weren't qualified, but taking the risk of training anyway... and being amazed at God's faithfulness!

We loved the permission of making the best decision we can see so far, until another one becomes evident... then choosing that.

We marveled at how the Holy Spirit was connecting dots for us that had long been there and how He had been preparing us for LDT before it started.

I look forward to reading through our participant's activations with Kelly Megonigle, our Director of Training this month and crafting our responses. This is a company of brilliant thinkers and true Kingdom explorers, and I want to take notes on what they are seeing.

In the meantime, Faith Donaldson, our Director of Leadership has launched into Module 2: Refining our Identity as Leaders. I'm looking forward to going through that one myself!

~ Allison





Lorri Hernandez – Vanguard Team Leader & Allison



Anna & Mark Barber Pioneer Team Leaders



Lori Mateer & Jimetta Mayne – Lead Coach



Thank you to those who have signed on for real time prayer as Graham and Theresa fly to New Zealand. All times are PACIFIC STANDARD time, so please note for yourself what time zone you've taken in your local time. This is one of the most powerful, impactful real-time opportunities we have as intercessors, so dive right in and take advantage of it. If you did not have a chance to sign-up, that's ok you can jump in anytime. Thank you friends!

#### SUNDAY, MARCH 6th

6-7 p.m. (PST) Kelly Megonigle, Ana Cross

7-8 p.m. (PST) Allison, Faith Donaldson

9-10 p.m. (PST) Victoria Boyd, Kristy Lindvall, Vicki Koger

10-11 p.m. (PST) Robyn Hannah, Rebecca Schwab, Angela Young, Angela Taylor

11p.m.-12 a.m. (PST) Angela Joy (Doris) Chapman, Lecia Retter, Judy Austin

#### MONDAY, MARCH 7th

12-1:00 a.m. (PST) Melissa Kuhns, Lisa Smidt, Julie George, Mark & Anna Barber

1-2 a.m. (PST) Mara Roberts [2:30 - 3:30, Susan Berger Baker]

2-3 a.m. (PST) Sue Doran, Rod Miller, Mackenzie Bailey, Kelly Richardson

3-4 a.m. (PST) Patty Halbeck, Patricia (Pat) Mohr, Helen Duperree, Sherry Sommerville

4-5 a.m. (PST) Jan Rannow, Cindy Bullis

5-6 a.m. (PST) Wei Stephens, Madeline Rooney, Gideon Yohannes

6-7 a.m. (PST) Deanne Cline, Christine Casten, Charlotte Allen

7-8 a.m. (PST) Debby Schmidt, Krica Flaming

8-9 a.m. (PST) Emily Dedmon, Julie Preston

9-10 a.m. (PST) Jane Love, Maricela Damerow, Linda Smallbones, Connie Jennings

10-11 a.m. (PST) Juna Light Stayner, Neil Hardisty

11 a.m. – 12 p.m. (PST) Michelle Bell, Christine Taylor

12 - 1 p.m (PST) Teresa Morrison, Jimetta Mayne

1 - 2 p.m. (PST) Victoria Boyd, Ted Mather

## Prayer Points for the Aglow New Zealand National Conference Christchurch, NZ

March 10-13, 2016



#### In Shifting the Atmosphere before arrival

We unlock:

A hopeful expectancy in each delegate to experience God's majesty as never before.

An encounter with the fullness of God's true nature that fuels continuing transformation.

Divine connections for Aglow with key New Zealand leaders, both in the church and in communities before, during and after this gathering.

We lock up:

Perceptions of measured safety with God.

The key: His nature of abundance - Eph. 3:20 and adventure of fullness.

Fear of enemy reprisal

The key: The reality of His perfect love that nothing can separate us from Him.

Religious limitations:

The key: Freedom of life in Christ and the New Man/Woman created in Him.

#### We declare and affirm:

Aglow NZ as true Game Changers in New Zealand with favor and influence.

That Aglow NZ is destined for such a time as this, positioned and will be prepared.

Are pioneers of the relational territory of the true nature of God... not settlers.

#### We thank God for:

The angels assigned to this gathering who move and minister freely.

For the prodigals in families to be brought home, physically and mentally whole.

Supernatural "unlearning" and the creation of new paths of thinking and perception to see the true nature of God and the Kingdom.

One key truth of fullness now releases a domino effect of Old Man mindsets falling one after the other in rapid succession.

#### Key Scripture:

Psalm 65:9-10

"You visit the earth and water it; you **greatly** enrich it; the river of God is **full** of water; you provide their grain, for so you have prepared it. You water its furrows **abundantly**, settling its ridges, softening it with showers, and blessing its growth."

# Prayer Points for Melbourne, Australia Stairway Church 2016



#### In Shifting Atmosphere prior to arrival:

We Unlock:

An expectancy of intimate, personal connection with God during this gathering. A supernatural sense of rest during any challenges prior to this conference. An atmosphere of joyful, relational intentionality to respond to what God initiates.

We lock up:

Any passive sense of being "just" a member.

Key: Accepting the invitation of God and of leadership to be a member of influence.

Old mindsets of devotion, rest and intimacy as lazy.

Key: Mindset of rest as a weapon and ministering personally to the Lord as our highest priority.

Defining the future through the lens of past battles.

Key: Present/Future perspective of destiny heals wounded warriors.

#### We declare:

Stairway as a Gateway to the Melbourne region and to Australia.

The rising of every member of the Stairway community into their true Kingdom identity with one heart, one mind and one voice.

The next level of joyful intercession revealed as the key ring that holds the keys God has given to the Stairway community for the region and for Australia.

#### We thank God for:

Wisdom that unwraps the personal and strategic understanding of intercession for the Stairway community.

Wisdom that reframes obstacles as a birthing process into a new Kingdom life.

His kindness in His meticulous preparation and training of this powerful community. Australia is ready for more.

Healing from present/past perceptions of the battle with present/future hope of destiny and true identity for all members.

# What is on your mind?



Was listening to "Developing your destiny" in the car the other day and this little statement has been on my mind and shifting a lot of stuff inside me.

"God's promises for our lives, are chiropractic in nature, they are always adjusting us. They are adjusting our posture in the way we think, hear, and see. They give us a posture of strength, eliminating the obstacles in our lives and turning them into opportunities! They are always bringing us into a higher level of wholeness and fullness, restoring us to the way we were originally designed to function. They also bring us into proper alignment with God's ways!"

I'm discovering that as we become a person of one desire and passion for God's glory and name, everything in our lives comes into proper alignment with His perfect ways and plans for our lives. As my life becomes properly aligned, order and peace come in, and all the burdens that once seemed heavy have now become light, and I realize His yoke is easy, not burdensome to me. I'm noticing that our learning, experiences, capacity to lead, and our knowledge of God is accelerated and our capacity to take on more and lead with more focus and passion significantly increases!

What areas of your life is God adjusting with his wonderful promises?

Eric Dystra *Freedom Fighters* 





I am LOVING Graham's "Living Your True Identity." I had no idea I needed some guidance on identity before this class started, and now I'm seeing all sorts of fun areas I can upgrade my life. I seriously laughed out loud when he said pick a number between 1 and 150 and that's your psalm inheritance word! And did anyone else notice how richly happy he sounds in this recording? Praying that Graham has more and more sweet and potent times of ministry fun, just like it sounds in the recording.

Mackenzie Bailey
Pioneer Team

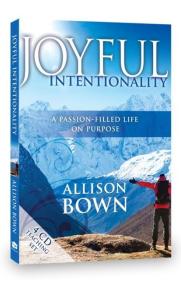


What aspect of your personality or identity is God highlighting to you? I have been shown rest as a weapon so much lately. Even as things happen around me, there is a firmness and a steadfast place in rest. For me, the Lord is highlighting it as a place to operate from as He is taking me into places I would have never imagined or expected. I'm learning to believe the best in every situation and to focus on calling forth good in every location I travel to. God has broken out in healing and restorations in those places as I operate in that rest. It's a wonderful season and a new depth on an old truth. Rest is a weapon - and it defeats the enemy when we show up!

What have you been learning?

Rick Roberts *Discovery Team* 

# "Now Available: Joyful Intentionality - The CD Teaching Series"



### In Focus Blog

As much as I enjoyed the wonderful process of writing "Joyful Intentionality," the material has continued to grow and expand when I teach it at an event. I'm always amazed at how the Holy Spirit interacts during a live teaching session, customizing the truths for that moment, dropping in fresh ideas and expanding previous revelations.

On these CDs, I shared the story of my journey from trying-harder-to-do-better-for-God to living life fueled by His passion for me and the joy that gives momentum to all I do. We discussed several of the basic mindsets of joyfully intentional people through content that is in the book and some that isn't. I don't go through the book point by point. This teaching is like a harmony, with some of the material presented exactly as it's written, some arranged differently, and some that is brand new.

But it was the last two sessions especially that I'll always treasure. One was penciled out early that morning as the Holy Spirit woke me up to combine some well-loved revelations with fresh truths in a unique way. It's part teaching, part devotional soaking, as Amy, the wonderful worship leader, was willing to play softly throughout the session at my request. God unwrapped the power of the joyfully intentional lens that sees all of life through the lens of worship.

The last session was "The Journey from Servant to Friend." It is a truth that God first began to open up for me in 1995, and one I didn't know if I'd ever teach, as it was a very dear, personal revelation. But of all the times I've shared it, this one was unique. The previous session on worship had created a rich atmosphere, thick with glorious presence. You could have heard a pin drop as we unfolded the story of Moses' friendship with God and the beautiful way I believe he made his final transition from earth to Heaven.

One session created that morning; the other, 20 years in the making. The Holy Spirit really is a true genius, who is ever faithful to keep us joyfully dependent on Him... which makes it a wonderful adventure for me. And hopefully for you too as you listen.



## Submissions for In Focus

"In Focus was designed to be a community space where friends and fans of Graham Cooke can share their stories of change and growth through the revelation of Graham's teachings. Testimonies are always gladly welcomed at In Focus because they allow our community to connect with one another on a deeper level. If you're interested in submitting a testimony to In Focus, there are a few things that might be helpful to know:

- + Submissions should be between 200-1000 words approximately.
- + Testimonies don't necessarily need to mention a Graham Cooke teaching, but specific testimonies of how a certain series or teaching impacted you are always welcome. Stories like these are a great resource for us and others who want new teachings but aren't sure what they are looking for.
- + If a testimony doesn't connect directly to a product, it should connect to a theme or idea you found in some of Graham's work.

If you would like to submit some writing, please send your story to Distribution@BrilliantBookHouse.com. I always try to post within the month that I've received something, but will always communicate my plans for posting in advance. This is a great way to build up the brilliant community and celebrate the process of learning and growing in the spirit.

Thank you in advance!

Sarah "Moxie" Eaton Distribution & Publication Manager Brilliant Book House

## Brilliant Event 2016



#### Conference

Start:

September 30, 2016

End:

October 2, 2016

Venue:

Hyatt Regency Orange County 11999 Harbor Blvd. Garden Grove, CA 92840



# TWC Training Days



## **TWC Training Days**

Start:

September 29, 2016

End:

September 30, 2016

Please begin worshipping, listening and praying for this event now.

Please note that at this time, the 2016 Training Days will be for Members Only. We have previously opened this day to "friends and family" but due to the growing number of TWC Members, the interest and our limited space, we will initially open Training Day registration for 100 members only. Four weeks prior to the conference, if we still have seats available, we will allow members to sign up one guest on a first come, first served basis.

# MEMBER SPOTLIGHT: Victoria Boyd

Team: Light Bearers



I joined The Warrior Class in 2014 and have loved the ride with you all so far! I'm so grateful for the environment to discover and grow, especially in the areas of identity and the prophetic, and also for the precious friendships the Lord has brought together on our journey with each other. One of my favorite aspects of TWC is the area of intel, and discovering what the Lord's intentions are for people, communities and regions.

I'm married to Shawn and we have three children, ages 4, 6 and 10, whom I home school. Our family is part of a thriving missional community of believers that love to pray and worship. We live in the beautiful Bay of Plenty in New Zealand. I have lots of interests - I'm a big reader, love the creative, especially worship and art, and enjoy researching and writing. I love to run, walk on the beach, and am a fairly health-conscious foodie! I tend to get very passionate about many different causes, especially those involving the vulnerable and the voiceless, so I find myself involved in many things.

#### \* Becoming the Beloved

I'm learning to be free from performance Christianity, which is based on what I do to be accepted. Acceptance is resting in His love and what He's already done for me. He has eternally secured my acceptance. From this place I can walk in my prophetic gift, and not bow to the pressure to perform.

\* What part of God's nature are you discovering?

In this season, I am learning and encountering the goodness of God. I have an expectation that His goodness is found in every circumstance in my life. Where I come into any difficulty, I expect His goodness to rise higher than anything I am facing. He has proven His faithfulness to me in this, and I'm encountering His goodness over and over.

\* In what ways are your thoughts and language being upgraded in TWC?

I'm seeing and engaging in warfare in a completely different way. I'm learning not to fight the darkness, but instead to enthrone Jesus and seek His majesty. Warfare from a place of rest, from my seated position in Christ, is changing the language of my prayers as well as keeping me safe from burning myself out!



#### MY IDENTITY STATEMENT

I am a beloved, much-adored daughter who is stepping into every good work and heavenly encounter pre-destined for me. I am positioned in Jesus to receive and abide in Him. He has given me beauty for ashes, oil of joy instead of mourning, and festive praise instead of despair. I have a double portion of honour, prosperity, and everlasting joy.

I am a prophetic seer, dreamer, watchman, guardian, and know how to sound the alarm and respond with heaven's perspective and wisdom. I have the ability to see and discern, and wisdom to know how to respond from a place of peace and victory.

I'm a worshipping warrior, joyful declaring the intentions of heaven on the earth. I am a nation changer, who brings hope, strategic insight, wisdom and fruit of the Spirit. I am an atmosphere shifter, who releases the presence of Jesus and declares open spaces in lives and regions. I have all authority to open doors of breakthrough over people and over regions.

I am a Deborah, bold and courageous, filled with revelation and divine wisdom, employing strategies in prayer and in the Body of Christ. I am wise and courageous, a righteous judge, valiant warrior, and strategically positioned and raised up 'for such a time' to release others into their identity and inheritance.

I am a rebuilder of walls and restorer of homes, called to put lives back together through intentional and strategic prayer, words, and action. I am called to re-discover ancient paths and re-dig wells. I am a revivalist, reformer, refiner, and redeemer.

I have the prophetic persona of an owl. I expose the darkness and am equipped for the darkness. I operate like a spiritual sniper and am part of the Lord's 'special forces', called to undertake specific assignments for the advancement of the Kingdom.

I am an armor bearer for specific ones who are in highly visible, far-reaching, and influential public ministry, who will affect and employ strategies for reaching souls and bringing the Kingdom to earth.

I am growing as a strong communicator, destined to be a wise strategist, a visionary, an empowering and releasing teacher and encourager, and a writer who communicates with preciseness, and a Kingdom mindset and language.