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Training Journal

For Warriors, Champions & Game Changers

Key Territories: Taking Your Internal Ground

“You can’t take ground from the enemy if he has ground in you.”

Graham Cooke

Each of us signed on to explore this life because we share Kingdom Assignments to express the brilliance of Jesus on earth, as it appears in heaven. But we want to be ever mindful that the Warrior boot camp for impacting the world around us is most often found on the practice ground of establishing our internal territory.

In the past four years, The Warrior Class has consistently gathered prophetic “intel” for all of Graham’s assignments. We’ve spent time in worship, listening for what God seeks to accomplish in every place we go. Each event had a specific purpose that became apparent, but in the past few years, we consistently saw a distinct repetition of themes, in which eight specific targets of intercession have emerged.

We believe we have God’s permission, promises and empowering presence to inhabit these Kingdom Territories. The strategy is to become even more established Warriors in what we’ve discovered so far, who through intimacy with the Lord and continued training, can create the deposits of prayer that will eventually shift atmospheres anywhere, any place, any time in His favor. (more on that in the Spring 2016 Training Journal).

The first step into this upgraded focus of intercession is based on the quote above and our value for The Warrior Class always being a two-way street. Your prayers for assignments should also be ones that contribute to your identity and destiny as well.

**We are establishing the territory we’ve been exploring
in a deeper way - and our starting point for that must always
be in our relationship with God.**

So in this Training Journal, we will focus on the internal ground of the Key Territories that we discovered largely by intuition and now desire to establish with Joyful Intentionality. It is a resource that you will refer to for years to come because each territory is expansive and will be a process to establish, both personally and corporately.

This journal is a place for you to go when you are fighting a good fight, to gain wisdom in what is occurring and how you rise up as a Warrior in taking your internal territory, as part of an advancing Kingdom army that wants to impact the world with what we’ve encountered in our own lives. - Allison

The Story and Journey of “Key Territories”

Allison Bown



**“We must know what we are contending for,
not just what we are fighting against.”**

Graham Cooke in *Prophecy and Responsibility*

This past year, Graham and I discussed the repetition that we were currently seeing in TWC intel. Just when I thought he was about to encourage us to be more creative, he asked a question instead: “What does that tell us?”

What *did* the sameness in our intel tell us?

That’s the question a group of us have been exploring for about several months.

It began by reviewing every intel submission, from every single Warrior in the past four years and looking for the common strands. I thought the process would take days, but it was finished in three hours. And when I was done, there were eight stacks of eight themes. It seems common sense to say that there were exceptions. I’ve gone through them again looking for them... but I have yet to find one.

**In over 1,000 individual intel submissions, spanning four years,
every one of them included at least one of these eight themes.**

Sitting in the middle of all those papers provoked a deep sense of thanksgiving and wonder... and some grateful tears. Warriors both present and past had faithfully worshipped, listened and prayed, took risks and submitted their pieces, even when they were just beginning to understand the process.

You were willing to explore and learn, rarely knowing whether your specific contribution actually made a difference. Maybe it didn’t apply to that particular assignment. Maybe we missed the mark on a particular piece as we were developing. But I believe God was smiling, waiting for the day where *every single submission* would be a signpost to a new, and significant assignment for us in intercession. - much larger than the event-to-event lens we started with.

We looked at the language you used in your descriptions of the Prevailing Atmospheres, Key Fights, Primary Assignments, Promises and Scriptures. From those, we began to compile descriptions that commonly appeared for each. As we did, an initial picture began to form that described each Key Fight and its God opposite - the Key Territory, that each was designed to take.

Here is what we discovered to be our:

Warrior Class Territories in Intercession

Territory of the New Man and a Present/Future Lifestyle

(Key Fight: Past/Present - Old Man Focus)

Territory of Empowering Grace and the New Testament Nature of God

(Key Fight: Legalism / Old Testament God)

Territory of Joyful Intentionality

(Key Fight: Passivity / Mediocrity)

Territory of Fullness & Abundance (Eph. 3:20)

(Key Fight: Poverty / Measured Mindsets)

Territory of Limitless Possibilities

(Key Fight: Negativity / Problem focus)

Territory for An Abiding Life

(Key Fight: Habitation vs. Visitation mindset)

Territory of Identity in Christ

(Key Fight: Performance Christianity)

Territory for New Testament Prophetic Culture

(Key Fight: Old Testament Prophetic culture of judgement)

These obviously reflect Graham's Kingdom Assignments and themes that appear consistently in his teaching as well, so once again, the two-way street for our shared passions is manifested.

And woven into all of them, is the Way of the Warrior in how we identify, invade and establish each one personally and corporately.

As was said in the introduction, every battle begins with establishing our internal territory. So this journal will focus on our **personal training** in each of these areas. While it's true for all TWC Training Journals, this one more than any other is a **resource guide for current and future reference**. There is no expectation that you're supposed to have these all fully evident in your life in a few months!

As you process your training, this Journal will be a place for you to consider which Key Territory you are establishing in your life, and gain wisdom and understanding in that process. Every personal upgrade you make in any Key Territory equips you as a Warrior in our fight together for Kingdom brilliance.



The purpose of what's woven together in this Training Journal is:

To give a *basic* understanding of each fight and the territory that is on offer

To equip you with Key Truths that can keep you on course in your process

To discover great questions that will facilitate your conversations with God

To connect you with resources to further explore and establish each territory

To give you encouragement through testimonies of overcoming

To provide scriptures and promises for meditation

To provide a prophetic word for an Overcoming Life

In early 2016, we will release our initial prophetic declarations, based on your intel, along with our corporate strategy in using them for prophetic intercession in TWC. We expect these to change and grow as we learn and encounter more about our Key Territories, but they will give us a starting point in intercession to do that.

**The reality is that we'll always be doing both,
either taking both internal and external territory as we go.
But developing a more powerful inner life is our starting place for now.**

Above all else, *enjoy* your initial overview of the rich inheritance God has for us both personally and the Good Fight ahead for us as a Warrior Class to make these territories as real in our lives and on earth as they already are in the heart of God for us.

How the Intel Process has contributed to my development

Steve Mateer - Treasure Hunters Team



The Intel Development Training opened the door for me to understand what happens behind the scenes. What was amazing to me in the process of collating the many intel words people gave, is how there were so many common themes. It reaffirmed to me that what I hear from God isn't just a random thought but something that He orchestrates as he speaks to TWC as a whole. Yet, even though there are common themes, we each bring our unique selves to how it is said, described and portrayed.



Key Truths for Establishing Your Internal Territory

This overview of our Key Territories is massive, because Jesus is “big country”. There’s so much more to Him than what is emerging as our Key Territories and Key Fights, but just these are a lifetime of exploration of Christ in us.

So we’ve highlighted some Key Truths that are good to pack with you on any journey, to help you sort your process. These are keys that can lock up old mindsets and unlock the Mind of Christ that will keep you refreshed and encouraged as we explore our Key Territories from a personal perspective of development.

Five Key Truths

- **You have permission to take one territory at a time, and one aspect at a time within that territory. Let the Holy Spirit choose your starting point**
- **Let God do the work. He is the chief Author and Finisher of your faith**
- **Let any discomfort work for you in identifying your next upgrade**
- **Rest in knowing that gifts and character are meant to mature together, not separately**
- **Love the learning in learning to listen**

One Territory at a Time

Ask the Holy Spirit which is yours to focus on *first* (or which one you are already focusing on). We can only effectively fight one at a time - and almost all of us have more than one territory to overcome in.

As we’ve been taught, when we have multiple areas of internal territory to take, we focus on **one** first and learn how to overcome in it. Then, after it is established, we determine which one to partner with God in next. That one will go more quickly than the first. The other issues that you see have already been there a long time, so nothing really changes by ignoring them. Area three will go down even easier and often the enemy just abandons the fight for issues four, five and beyond!

This may well occur within a single Key Territory that God is developing in your inner man (and probably will since each Key Territory is a vast landscape to explore). For example, if the Holy Spirit kindly says, “Let’s explore your inner territory of My fullness and abundance”, you may discover that there are several Old Man mindsets that need to be upgraded to the Mind of Christ.

Approach it with the same wisdom to allow the Holy Spirit to lead, to choose where He wants to be brilliant in to you first. Then allow the process to make you rich, as one by one, your former obstacles become your greatest opportunities.

Let God Do the Work

“We can approach God's work in our lives in two ways: we can try to do it for Him, or we can allow Him to do it for us. The apostle Paul wrote, "likewise you also, reckon yourselves to be dead indeed to sin, but alive to God in Christ Jesus our Lord" (Romans 6:11). We can live under the idea that we still need to die to everything, but that still puts the focus on ourselves and our wills.

The second part of the verse, "but alive to God in Christ Jesus our Lord," takes that same change in behavior and attitude and allows God to perform it.

What a choice! Our very happiness depends on how we respond to God's touch. Do we kill ourselves or let God come alive? Without even realizing it, we've taken over the Holy Spirit's job of bringing ourselves under God's rule. ‘I'll do it,’ we say. Our soul takes the issue, sticks it in the oven for a while and waits until God is looking away pull it back out again.



**Trying to die makes us preoccupied with all we are not.
But living in Jesus makes us preoccupied with Him. We become alive to God,
which automatically makes us dead to ourselves...**

Of course our spirits will have to say ‘no’ to our souls from time to time, and the soul will have to grin and bear it. You must be disciplined to take thoughts captive, just be sure to make your discipline a delight.

‘No, I'm not thinking that. I'm thinking about purity and love and God's grace.’

‘No, I'm not thinking about that. I'm thinking about how I can be generous for the Lord sake.’

‘No, I'm not thinking that. I'm thinking about how I can show that person the love of God.’...

God does not beat us up over missing it one day. In fact, His love bubbles over for us, ‘I know the struggle you're having, but it's a good fight. I promise, it's a good fight you can win. Just stop condemning yourself for it. If we don't win today, we will win tomorrow. Every day is new day, by My mercy.’” - from *Towards a Powerful Inner Life*

Use Your Discomfort

**“The truth may indeed set us free, but before it does, it bothers us.”
- Graham Cooke in *Prophecy and Responsibility*.**

Pay attention to the truth that creates discomfort; that one that we honestly agree with, yet we try to justify why it doesn't completely apply to us. That wonderful truth that we applauded at a conference, but now blame others for making it difficult to live in, or the one we keep watering down until we find it reasonable.

While the Holy Spirit is ever gracious, His initial touch on our hearts in the areas He plans to show us more of Jesus can create discomfort. It's a chief reason that one of His identities is as our Comforter. If you find a truth that bothers you, know that freedom is on offer. It isn't dependent on your circumstances improving or others changing their ways towards you. True transformation into the image of Christ is available no matter what is occurring.

“Often, I've discovered, the very things that the enemy uses or accuses us of, the very things he condemns us for are also the very areas of your life that God wants to bless and upgrade. It's almost like the Lord uses the enemy as a signpost... Incredibly frustrating for him, absolutely wonderful for us.” from *Radical Permission 2*

Fruit and Gifts Mature Together

We are not required to have every Key Territory absolutely established in our internal lives to be intercessors with impact. Life with God is a paradox of His strength in our weakness; His empowering presence that enables us to become the person He already sees when He looks at us in Christ. We both are and are becoming more Christ-like every day and one of the best places to practice that is walking out the development of our gifts and Kingdom Assignments.

Every situation, circumstance and area of personal overcoming is training for reigning. God allows us to practice our gifts and our calling *as* we are growing up into all things in Christ.



“The fruit is not more important than gifts. We must not let the enemy push us into a choice that the Holy Spirit is not asking us to make. In matters of morality, the fruit of our character must always take precedence. In times of development, fruit and gift grow together. Fruit does not grow well in a vacuum. We want the fullness of God - both gift and fruit.”
from *Prophetic Wisdom*

Learning to Listen

“For some of us, God may not talk initially, but He will talk eventually. What's He doing? He is teaching you how to listen. Sometimes we think, ‘Well, you know, I asked the Lord and I listened, but I didn't hear anything.’ No? Well, maybe you just need a bit more practice in listening, and God is kindly giving you the opportunity to do just that.

God is not reluctant to speak to you. The truth is He is speaking to you all the time. It's just that we've got so many voices crowding us out in our heads and our hearts. We have to get rid of all of those voices; let them dissipate. That's when you listen.

Always put your listening in the context of worship. You worship, you listen. You worship, you listen. Worship allows you to focus on God so your listening can get more and more pure and all those thoughts that shouldn't be there get filtered out. Then you are going to hear Him. He is not reluctant to speak to you. He is just tuning you in to His voice. You have got to tune it until you get to the right alignment. Worship will do that for you. He will speak. Ask Him for a promise.”
- from *Fullness Now*

Practical Personal Process for “Key Territories”

Collect your promises.

Review your prophecies and read them back to the Lord with joy. If you don't have a current prophetic word or desire more prophetic input, there is a corporate prophetic word on the Overcoming Life included at the end of this journal for you to explore.

Use your Identity Statement to connect your upgrades with who you really are.

Ask God who He wants to be for you here that He couldn't be at any other time.

Craft a prayer or a declaration of promise to proclaim and speak it out, “Lord, You said...”

Connect with your Team Leader for coaching or just to share your discoveries.

Add a note to The Warrior Class Facebook page or share a testimony on a Team Call.

Journal your discoveries so others can gain from what you've encountered.

How the Intel Process has contributed to my personal development

Ellen Scharffenburg Lionheart Team Leader

As I look back on my journey in the intel process, I realize I have been most impacted by being teachable and allowing God to refine some mindsets that have needed upgrading. The intel process gave me the grace to listen to God's heart for Graham as well as for myself and the other areas I have been given as my areas of influence.

I have always been busy with work, church, family and friends plus TWC and various other ministries. All are good things however, I was feeling overwhelmed and beginning to realize I was unable to hear the strategies needed to proceed in just about all of them!

The intel process brought to the surface my tendency to over-extend myself and still expect to maintain a priority on the intimacy needed to hear God well. It became pretty clear that I was not spending my time "practicing the peace" I needed daily. I began to hear from God that my time with Him needed to be expanded and other things let go. Being part of the process has given me clarity in an "open heaven" to gain the power to stand with God and shift the atmosphere to hit the mark He wanted: time with Him.



*“In the soul,
everything is about
what you're losing.*

*In the Spirit, everything is about
what you're gaining.*

*What you're gaining is what
dominates your thinking and
the way you do life.”*

*Graham Cooke
TWC Training Day - Anaheim 2015*



Key Territory: **NEW MAN ~ PRESENT/FUTURE LIFE**

Key Fight: Old Man ~ Present / Past Focus

New Man Theology excerpts from *Breaking the Mold*

2 Corinthians 5:18 *Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old things have passed away, and behold new things have come. And all these things are from God who reconciles us to Himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation.*

The old man is dead and we are raised to newness of life. So our focus, therefore, moves to the new creation as the place of God's dealings with us. New things have come and they all originate in God. You get to see all of those new things day by day, circumstance by circumstance, because there is not anything going on in your life that does not relate to the newness of life in Christ. Literally, everything in your life is about one thing – you being made in the image of God.

The number one order of business in every situation is you seeing it as He sees it, thinking about it in the way that He thinks about it, talking about it and talking to it in the way that He would, and seeing that new life emerge in you.

If the old man of sin is dead, then all the old things that are associated with that (behavior, thinking, negativity, the flesh, natural thinking, carnal thinking), they are all dead, too. Therefore, God is only dealing with the new man in Christ. That means we are being trained solely to be made in the image of God. That is what we are partnering with.

Key # 1: Because the old man is dead, it means that when God looks at you, He does not see anything wrong with you. He only sees what is missing in your new man, and He is totally committed to giving you that encounter and that experience of Him.

That is why we can count everything as joy because everything is about you in Jesus. Everything is about Jesus in you. We grow fastest when we love the learning. It is vital, therefore, that we do not oppose what the Holy Spirit is doing, but we learn to partner with Him in the process. The two ways in which we grow are by an outright act of God in our life, an intervention, but also by following it through in walking out that empowerment in the pleasure of God and in the presence of the Holy Spirit.

Key # 2: God is not working on your behavior. He is creating your identity in Jesus in the new man.

The truth is, we do not deal with the old self; we lay it aside. We put it away from us. God is not engaged on behavior modification. You know, if a gospel is only about behavior modification, Jesus need not have died. He did not die to change our behavior; He died to transform our personality. He died so that we could live in Him, so that our identity in Him could give us a life above our circumstances, and teach us how to be citizens of Heaven living here on earth.

When you live in the old man, you react to things. The new man does not react. He or she responds because God tells you stuff and you respond to it. That is how we learn to walk with God. That is what obedience is - responding to what we have been told. Responding to what you know. Saying yes. Standing up. Walking forward. Pressing in. That is what obedience is. And when you do that, you validate the process of your own transformation. You are acting decisively with the Holy Spirit, and you know that this situation is going to transform you and you are up for it.

Key # 3: God is not dealing with your sin. He is establishing your righteousness.

Remember:

- **Romans 6:10** *dealt with sin once for all.*
- **Romans 6:6** *Our body of sin has been done away with.*
- **Romans 6:11** *Consider yourself dead to sin.*
- **2 Corinthians 5:21** *He made Him who knew no sin to become sin on our behalf so that we might become the righteousness of God in Him.*



Key # 4: When the Holy Spirit is putting His finger on a part of our life that is not working properly, He is pointing to the site of our next miracle.

When the Holy Spirit is putting His finger... because He is training us in the new man. Remember, God does not see anything wrong, He only sees what is missing. So when the Holy Spirit puts His finger on something, He is saying to you, “You are missing something here, and I have what you need.” He is pointing to the site of your next upgrade. He is not berating you because of sin. He is not condemning you because that is in your life. He is just pointing out, “I have come to give you an upgrade for this area.”

Key # 5: We are growing up in God into all things in Jesus.

He is pointing to the site of your next upgrade in Jesus. Why? Because we are learning how to grow up in all things in Christ and it takes time. It is a process. We are learning how to walk in newness of life.

We do not have a sin nature. We have a sin habit, and habits can be broken. Your sin nature died on the cross with Jesus. What we have right now are sin habits that we are learning to put away from us. We are learning to do away with them. We are learning how to become habitually righteousness in Christ.

The truth is, you are a new creation, all the old things have passed away. The truth does not call you out on your behavior; it calls you up to your identity.

A Reformation is Coming

There is a new reformation coming into the Body of Christ and the church worldwide - and this is it. It is not a new revelation. It is not a new truth. It is an old truth released and rediscovered. It fights against the religious spirit and the legalistic mindset.

The new man, the saint, is a person who is delighted by God. God is not in a rush to transform us. They live present/future, “I love where I am right now. I love who I am becoming. ~ G.C.

“These Key fights, we’re not limited by them or defined by them. They are not a formula in themselves. They overlap with each other and as you weave in and out of each, you become a mature son and daughter. We feel that the foundational territory is **New Man Focus: A new Wine skin that can now expand with the new wine.**”

(Notes from a Team Leader Call on Key Territories)



Choosing the New Man

Jimetta Mayne ~ Lead Coach

We've heard Graham say numerous times, "You're dead, stay dead. Don't talk to a corpse.

Try out that new you; that brand new car, or that amazing new dress." **Got it!**

So I thought...And then I realized, I'm still in process but at a new level.

In my own life I've been driving that new car for a while and seeing what it will do. Yep, I picked the car over the dress because I have a passion for speed. It was taking the curves quite nicely and picking up momentum. I was getting use to the gearing and the acceleration, and I passionately wanted everyone to have their new rides.

My upgrade was presented to me when I saw others, whom I deeply love and believe in, who had their new rides, choosing to drive their old vehicles. They had bad brakes and many were heading for cliffs. Fear began to rise up in me, my heart began to leap and my mind shouted, "Control and fix it so they don't miss their destiny. Counsel and help them fix their brakes and, paint their 'cars!'"

It took me a while the first time to recognize that voice. It definitely was **not** the voice of my loving Father.

I kicked in the "instead": I put on love, said "no" to fear, flipped the channel, and tuned into the Lord saying "Let it go! Give them to me, it's their journey, I passionately love them. Keep showing them their new ride. Let them get excited about the fullness I have for them. Make them drool over the glorious new I have promised, and keep sporting your new ride."

I'm getting a greater revelation that my old man is very irrelevant, useless, out of date, and it's dead and buried.

**If I try to resurrect it and find a power source for it,
I will be plugging in to the wrong kingdom.**

In my life, that is not an option. I'm going to choose to sport that new dress Graham talks about in "Radical Permission 2:", and see how this new ride handles.



Key Territory:
EMPOWERING GRACE &
the New Testament NATURE OF GOD
Key Fight: Legalism & an OT Image of God

The Abundance of Grace

Graham Cooke - *Radical Permission 2*

Do you have a constant sense of well-being about who you are in Jesus and who God is for you?
Is your daily experience of grace and goodness governing your mind, your will and your emotions?
Do you have a sense of awe about being in union with God and being personally loved by the heavenly Father?

That's one side of grace...

Or do you judge yourself based on your performance as a believer?

Is your language of relationship filled with "I should have, I ought to have, I will do better...?"

Are you often feeling shame or pulling yourself out of condemnation?

Do mistakes and errors of behavior or sins bring God's relationship with you into disfavor or dishonor?

Do you feel you have to do things in order to please Him or make yourself acceptable to Him?

Do you see yourself as a sinner saved by grace but still living under the shadows of guilt?

A sinner mindset dwells on failings, shortcomings, and it internalizes condemnation. Thinking you are a sinner creates a disposition in you that means that you will doubt the glory and the freedom that is yours in Jesus. A sinner mindset can never be elevated to a higher level of relationship, trust and freedom.

So which side of that grace line do you live on?

It's important for us to really make a decision that I'm going to practice grace the way that God talks about it, not the way that legalistic mindsets teach about it. It's important that you practice grace from inside the affections of God, not from a place outside.

When the Bible talks about abundance of grace it's talking about grace so big, so huge you can get swallowed up by it. You can get enveloped in it. You can be surrounded on all sides in height and in depth, completely covered and saturated in something so beautiful, so awesome, so incredible, so powerful it governs you, and this grace is so massive and abundant you can reign in life just by being in grace, just by understanding grace.



Grace is the empowering presence of God that enables you to become the person in Christ that He sees every time He looks at you regardless of your behavior because grace depends on Him, it has never depended on you.

If we're going to be made in the likeness of God, then we have to imagine what that life looks like from His side. You can't just keep looking at what it might look like from yours. At some point you have to cross a line and stand in a place of grace that is so huge and so delightful that it takes you up, it takes you over as a person.

This grace in which we stand in Him creates an internal disposition that gives us an approach to life in grace. It gives us a frame of mind and a perspective about His true nature and about how we see ourselves in the lovingkindness of God.

Grace has this power to take anything that is oppositional and turn it into something beneficial.

We are reigning in life through grace. What does that mean? We win! We triumph. We prevail. But we don't triumph over people. We triumph by releasing them into something of the goodness of God that touches them. We win someone's heart who is oppositional to us because we embrace them in the same grace that God does with us, and it changes everything.

Grace reigns no matter what. *Where sin abounds, grace does much more abound.* That doesn't give us a reason to sin, but it gives us an expectation that if I've been defeated, I can rise again quickly.

Grace will always draw us back to righteousness.

Grace takes precedence over our history. It overshadows shame and condemnation. It obliterates it. What is it that stops grace from ruling in our heart? It's not just shame and guilt and condemnation. It's also the thoughts, the perceptions, the language, and the fears, and the learned behaviors that come to us as part of our experience in this world. But you can put a stop to that by understanding that you're in the world, but you're not of it. The world has got nothing to teach you about life when the Kingdom is a better tutor. The Kingdom has a better training program for life.

Our new man in Christ gives us a powerful perception, an unchanging mindset, and a constant and confident language. Can we stop making allowances for being defeated? God never makes allowances for losing. The Holy Spirit is talking you into something. Don't let the enemy or circumstances talk you out of it.



GREAT *Grace*

Allison Bown

When I first heard this session on grace at Radical Permission 2, something began to shift deeply... and it surprised me. I thought I had a pretty solid understanding of grace.

I was wrong.

My exploration began the way it usually does, with a transcript of a talk, a notebook, a Bible and a good chunk of time. Every morning became a discovery session as familiar words and concepts began to become three dimensional. This session at Radical Permission, partnered with the one before it on “Legalism”, began to poke at some long held beliefs; areas where what was previously true was confronted with Truth. The scriptures I meditated on were ones I had known since childhood, yet suddenly seemed freshly written.

I discovered that I had “good” grace, but had yet to truly encounter amazing grace. My sense of grace was okay, but there were definite limitations to just how much power was actually in that Empowering Presence.

And how has that been best learned?

As much as my notebooks and times of meditation were a springboard, it was being in a season where I found myself in need of grace... of great grace. There was no crisis of morality or major “issue”, just a relentlessness in circumstances that superseded my own ability to be strong, wise or patient.

It's a challenge to understand how having more stupid days than you can ever remember can be an upgrade... but they have been. God didn't jump in with answers. He just kept showing up, day after day, consistent and unwavering in His kindness. Only recently, have I realized that this is His way of rewiring me from being a “Truth & Justice” gal to a “Grace and Mercy” one.

Truth is vital. Justice is a good cause. But there is a joyful dependency that is shifting me away from my own abilities to resting in the massiveness of His empowering presence. There is an overcoming, triumphant nature to mercy that I've not known before. There are places that I've contended for truth and justice that were better served in being as relentless in grace and mercy as He has been with me.

God is kind enough in any upgrade to allow us to experience first what He has for us to reflect of His true nature in the earth. It may initially be disorienting and all our insecurities rise to tell us that we need to contend for ourselves and our just cause. But I will be eternally grateful for the kindness, patience and relentless grace that refuses to give up until it becomes as amazing as God always intended it to be.



Key Territory: **JOYFUL INTENTIONALITY**

Key Fight: Passivity and Mediocrity

Passivity is the Lack of Engagement with Favor

Graham Cooke - TWC Training Day Q&A

“What are the best ways to overcome passivity, especially in our TWC Training Process?”

Passivity is not caused by issues or problems. It's caused by lack of engagement with our favor. When you really engage, when you see the bigness of the favor that's on you right now, RIGHT NOW, you can become so thrilled by that--that it pushes you out there.

**Honestly, passivity should be such a non-issue.
It's caused by lack of engagement with favor, with blessing,
with promise, with the goodness of God.**

When you engage with the joy that God has over you, you can't wait to be out there and have another conversation with Him. You can't wait to engage with life, either. The image I want of The Warrior Class is of people running through a mall waving a promise saying, "I got a promise! It's as big as this mall!" Even if folks think you're weird. It's okay.



We want people in TWC who are super excited by what God is doing!

Jeremiah 29:11 says that God has an intentional plan for your life. It's a plan for good, with a good future full of joyful expectation. It is filled with the kind intentions of His will for you. Your training process is the discovery of what that plan is for you. All your promises. All your favor. The fullness of your identity as a warrior and a champion. Why wouldn't you want to respond to His intentions with your own intentionality?

In the nicest possible way I couldn't care less about where you've been. I don't even care about where I've come from. I don't care about my past. It's over. I don't care about what people did to me, what people said to me. I don't care about how that made me feel because I'm a different person, and I haven't got time to be thinking back. We've got too much to do, all of us. Then we don't have to be concerned about the past robbing us of our present process.

**The antidote to all of your past is for you to discover how amazing
you really are and live that life.**

I'm not at all concerned with low self esteem. When I talk to people who are in that place, I'm thinking, "I'm not going to deal with your low self esteem. I'm going to tell you who you really are and make you excited about it." And when you're excited about who you're going to become, you won't have any issues with low self esteem, much less passivity! You'll be running ahead and shouting like a lunatic!

Joy is the antidote to your past.

Count everything as joy and you will develop a joyful, intentional lens for this life. You will see that *everything* is useful for training, past and present, so you are always in forward motion.

Passivity is destroyed just by the sheer pleasure of being in Christ.

Let's focus on the real cause of passivity. It's just because you're not tracking with your favor. So let's talk about passivity in the context of the favor that belongs to you and the joy that brings. Let's open it up, get a good look at it, and then start to make you adjust to your favor. When you adjust to your favor, I don't think passivity will be an issue.

I firmly believe that we don't work on our negatives.

We work on the glory of what God is doing in us.

We don't work on our weaknesses, we work on our strengths.

When you work on your strengths, your weaknesses become less and less until they are easily dealt with. When you work on who you are becoming in Jesus, everything that you're not becomes automatically reduced to a point where you can flick it away, and overcome it easily. It doesn't even require exertion anymore.

I'm fascinated by Jesus just blithely saying, "The Kingdom of Heaven is within you! The Kingdom is all around you. No one is bothered about this legalistic stuff anymore. All the law and the prophets, you had them until now. But now the Kingdom is here and everyone is pressing into it." All the issues of the Pharisees and the Sadducees were about the law of Moses, but what they never realized was the Messiah was here and the law of Moses didn't apply anymore. We're in a different game and different rules apply. You're in the Kingdom now. You're in the world but you're not of it.

It's like trying to play baseball with football rules!

You're in the Kingdom now. Different rules apply.

That's the Gospel of Jesus Christ. The Gospel is the transition from the Old Testament to the New Testament. Jesus came saying, "You have heard it said, but now I say..." What He said turned everything they'd ever known on its head. That's why He did the Sermon on the Mount because that's the manifesto of heaven, "Yeah, this is what we're doing."

Nobody understood it, nobody got it, but He wasn't too bothered about that. He was intent on speaking it into the atmosphere of the earth knowing that there would eventually be millions and millions of people who would be circulating that message all around the world and every culture could be shaped by it, and that's what we're doing slowly but surely.

In The Warrior Class, it is important for us that we have a mindset that is not rooted in the norms of how we learn things in the world. Instead, it is rooted in the process of the Kingdom and what we're learning about who God is for us and what God is like because you would expect that life in Jesus would be that way.

Who wouldn't joyfully go after that with everything inside of them?





Key Territory: **FULLNESS and ABUNDANCE**

Key Fight: Poverty and Measure

You Have Been Made Complete

excerpts from *Fullness Now*

The glorious thing about God is He doesn't think like we think on earth. We think when someone is growing up they can learn something, then we'll give them something. They learn something, you give them something, so we grow by installments. But God doesn't do that. He gives us everything up front. He says, "All of this is yours and you can have it as fast as you want. Just partner with me."

It's not fullness eventually, it's fullness now.

You have been made complete in Him.

He is in you in fullness now because in Jesus, the gift of God is that everything is up front. That means nothing is hidden. He is saying, "It's all yours. I'm just going to teach you how to live in it, how to find it, but right from the start I want you to understand it's all yours as a gift."



Do you know what that sets us free from? Performance. That whole sense of, "Well, you have to earn it. You have to step into things and then you earn the blessing." It doesn't depend on how good we do, it depends on how big God wants to be for us.

Fullness now is a major revelation for us to embrace. Note the tense in 2 Peter 1:2, "You have been made complete." When God looks at you, He sees something in Christ that we are not seeing yet but we will see it. As we grow up we see it more and more. But when God looks at you, He doesn't see anything wrong with you. Why? Because He sees that you have been made complete.

We think it's always up to us that we have to convince God that we want to walk with Him. No! He is convincing us that He wants to walk with us. "I want to be with you. I want to show you things. I want you to think like me. I want us to have better and better conversations, and for that you need to think like I think. You need to see like I see, and then when I talk to you, you can use the language that I use for you in your life and in your circumstances. I am teaching you all this stuff because I want to walk with you!" He initiated this life. He will finish it.

It's just you understanding what is available to you in Jesus and being as committed towards that as God is committed towards you.

When God says something to you, everything in Him is committed to it. So learning how to dwell, learning how to abide in that place of fullness, for me that whole thing became just "Stay where God has placed you. You are in Christ; stay, dwell, remain," because the enemy has come to try and yank you out of what God has put you in. Don't let him.

When God grants you something, He expects you to take Him for granted.

There is an intentionality with God that sometimes is like an intensity with Him. Everything in Him in yours, and it's critical for the Kingdom that you receive it because the world needs to see you operating in absolute completion and fullness. God wants to bless you for your sake, but He also wants to bless you for the world's sake so the world will see what a blessed life looks like. Then people will come and you can talk to them about who Jesus is, and you can pray for them and bless them, and empower them to taste and see that God is good.

Beloved, we cannot be in two minds about the goodness of God, the majesty of God, the sovereignty of God, or the power of the life that God has placed within us.

You are born again. That means the old lifestyle should not exist anymore. You have a new one that you are learning how to be amazing in. You are learning how to be righteous, and holy, and powerful, and intimate with God, how to be filled with faith, how to live in the favor of God, how to move in the power of God. You are a new man learning the fullness of God. Every opportunity in your life is an opportunity to express fullness, to learn the life that God has given you, not to be occupied with the life that He killed off but to learn the life that you are born again into.

There are places in your life where God rules and He occupies that place and it is full of Him. There are other spaces in you that don't have Him in there yet, but for every one of those, there is a promise.

All of us know we have empty places in our life that God doesn't rule there yet. What He has already done is He has put a promise in those empty places so that when you experience that promise and that favor and that blessing, it will open you up to relationship. It will open you up to His nature. So we have an expectation.

Instead of looking at the empty places in our lives and getting down by it, we should look at the empty places in our lives and think, "I wonder what the promises are?"

Honestly, I would make a list. What are all the areas, what are the low places in my life that God intends to fill up? What are the low places? What are the struggles that I have right now in my relationship with God? Anybody struggling in prayer? There is a promise for that. Anybody struggling in morality? There is a promise for that. Anybody struggling financially? There is a promise for that. Ask the Lord. Make a list, ask the Lord, "What is the promise in this area?" and, guys, just stay with it until you hear Him. He will talk.

Ask Him for a promise in all those low places, and when you feel you know what that promise is, then you've got something specific to start praying about. "Lord, in line with Your promise, I pray this..." and what you're doing then is you are putting God in the place He loves to be in, which is the place to answer prayer. It's like (delightedly), "Yes!"



Living in ABUNDANCE

Faith Donaldson
Director of Leadership

“Don’t fret or worry. Instead of worrying, pray. Let petitions and praises shape your worries into prayers, letting God know your concerns. Before you know it, a sense of God’s wholeness, everything coming together for good, will come and settle you down. It’s wonderful what happens when Christ displaces worry at the center of your life.”

Philippians 4:6-7

I cannot tell you the number of times I read the first part of this verse and felt like I had to DO something to not worry or be anxious. I worried about money, family, my circumstances, rejection, not having enough time; and all because I believed I had to be strong enough to figure everything out on my own.

Fortunately, my spiritual life matured and with the added blessing of Graham’s teachings I came to understand that I could really find my true identity in Christ. I am a daughter who has been given the freedom to enjoy a Permission Granted perspective on life.

God opened up my heart to see myself as He sees me. I’m living from a place of Majesty, because if Jesus is majestic then so am I. I have the most brilliant Heavenly Father, Friend Jesus and Holy Spirit who continually offer me heaven’s perspective on everything concerning my life.

Living from the perspective of fullness has literally set me free from worry and anxiety.

I have been liberated to give more freely, trust that my future is good and to live from a place of peace.

This is fun!

One area of transformation: I recall several years ago hearing Graham say, “If you need more give more.” That scared me silly. Yes, I was that cautious giver. Now, I can’t even imagine myself as a cautious giver.

I love giving and seeing the fruit of God’s love all over my gift.

I have permission to live in fullness, without fear, guilt, shame or doubt.

I live life from a point of fearlessness, freedom, confidence and assurance.

Having a permission granted perspective has changed my worries into expectation.

Now these two verses have a whole new meaning to me.



Key Territory: **LIMITLESS POSSIBILITIES**

Key Fight: Negativity and Problem Focused

Overcoming Negativity and Radical Possibilities

excerpts from *Overcoming Negativity through Rest and Radical Permission 2*

Romans 8:5-9 tells us that *a mind set on the Spirit is life and peace, but a mind set on the flesh is death.* So we are learning how to be led by the Spirit, and we are learning how to dwell in the place that God has set aside for us.. Any negative thought that you have about yourself or about anybody else immediately puts you into a hostile place in terms of your own relationship with God . That doesn't sound terribly clever.

Whether it is justified or not, it is still a negative, which gives permission for the enemy to afflict **you**. When you live in a negative or when you entertain a negative, "Opposition attaches to what you don't remove."

When you speak, you make who you are visible.

What does your language say about who you really are? Is it filled with grace, believing the best, with a confident expectation of God? Or is it fault-finding, sarcastic or defeatist? And not just the words of your mouth. What is the background conversation in your head?

There comes a point when the fruit of the spirit is more powerful than your negative emotions. There comes a point when you need to understand the power of the joy and peace in believing. We're believers right? So the critical question is if you're anxious or worried or fearful, what are you believing?

At some point we have to get on top of negative emotions or we'll never mature fully in the things of the Lord. We'll always have these highs and we'll have these lows. What if God wants you to have an even road? What if God has chosen for you to have a place in the heavenlies seated with Him?

We are partnering with God so that we don't live below the line of our privilege.

He gives us a life above things. That means we cannot live below the line of our privilege at all. We have to learn to overcome negativity and problem based mindsets with rejoicing and thanksgiving in our promises and His divine possibilities.

Honestly, all of us have grown up in a world surrounded by problems, surrounded by other people's opinions of us. We've grown up learning how to be betrayed and wounded. We've grown up with things that have happened to us that have been traumatic and awful but now we're in the kingdom which is the safest place ever. We are learning how to be in that place and we're learning how to stop being wounded. We're learning how to get healed quickly. We're learning that God is safe. We're learning that He can be trusted. We're learning about faithfulness. We're learning about not operating out of who we have been because who we have been is dead. We practicing living alive to Christ.

All problems are about discovery. We're discovering who God is for us and what we mean to Him, and what His heart is like towards each one of us. That's why it's good for us not to waste time being worried, or anxious, or fearful, or panicked. Don't waste time doing that. Instead we need to throw ourselves into the possibility of what God could do.

**Every problem comes complete with a provision,
so every circumstance has to carry an upgrade.**

When you get used to this way of thinking, you look at a problem like it is a steak. "I am going to eat this thing. This belongs to me. This is not a problem!" We convert it into a possibility because the mind of Christ would do that. "This is not a difficulty! This is an upgrade in Jesus, because the mind of Christ would do that."

**Do not see the problem.
Do not see the negativity.**

See the opportunity that God is giving you.

**This is an upgrade.
Let Him show you how it works.**



Ephesians 3:20 says, *Now to Him who is able to do exceedingly abundantly beyond all that we can ask or even think, according to the power that works in us now.* There is a power in you that needs to dream, that needs to think beyond your circumstances, that needs to think beyond your needs, that needs to think in a way that attracts the favor and the blessing of God to you.

Let me say again, Beloved, that all negativity has been dealt with in Christ. Do not ever contend with negativity. Let it go! It doesn't belong to you. You don't have to hold onto it, and you don't have to work on it. Instead, you get to embrace the fullness of Jesus as though it were your own... because it is. Learn to use every negative as a signpost of your possibilities. What is God doing instead; and then set your mind, heart and voice to express only that. - GC



From Problems to Possibilities

Christine Casten ~ Director of Intel

From a very early age, life taught me to highlight the **PROBLEM**. All my experiences and training through school, home and work encouraged me to identify a problem and become a good “problem solver.” Every leadership training I stepped into focused on the idea that if I could look at a problem and examine it, I could figure out a way around it. I learned to be very good at seeing the problem!

The problem with “seeing the problem” is that the problem becomes the focus. This perspective opened a mindset of negativity and fostered an attitude of narrow vision. Even though it was realistic from an earth-bound perspective, it did not open the way to hope. In my natural wiring to perceive gaps, I embraced my training and found problem solving to be part of who I was. I defined my world with words like measure, problems, problem solving and lack.

But, then God started talking to me about possibilities. He highlighted the verse in Matthew 19:20
“...With people this is impossible, but with God all things are possible.”

Something began to stir within me:

What if those gaps I saw were not problems but, instead, were possibilities?

At first, reminding myself to see the possibilities took time. I would forget and go back to my problem training. God, in His gentle, yet persistent way, would prompt me to seek out what opened up because those gaps were present.

As I began to see those openings as opportunities waiting to be identified, I stepped into a joyous place of exploration. Excitement filled my heart and I saw life from a whole new perspective: the possibilities are endless!

Now, as possibilities present themselves, I have a passion that rises within me. That passion taps into my thrill for the adventure brought through exploration. I love the opportunity to brainstorm with God. I relish the discovery of how God fills gaps, especially when I recognize them within myself.

What joy! What delight! I get to uncover a space ready to be filled with a gift from God. That gift is a part of Him I am missing. Part of the fun is finding out exactly how He will fill that space. As He pours out more of Himself, He reveals His majesty! Rather than drowning in negativity, I begin to drink in the creativity of God. Those old negative words are displaced by buoyant words like: fullness, opportunity, exploration and abundance!

Now my life is changed. When partnered with God, He opens up the Territory of Possibilities and reveals the potential of what is conceivable, feasible, desirable and imaginable. I am an explorer of potential and I am passionately pursuing the reality of all the things that are possible with God.



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Key Territory: **ABIDING**

Key Fight: Visitation and Event Mindset

The Value of a Life of Habitation

from the TWC Training Day Q&A 2015

The soul is what is in contact with the world so it's subject to all the ups and downs, all the words, all the actions of others, but your inner man of the spirit only lives in the presence of God and has no connection with the world whatsoever. Your secret place is internal, a fortress of the Lord, a refuge.

Years ago, my mentor Arthur began to teach me about how to live from the inside to the outside and not allow the opposite to occur. When the outside world penetrates our inner place of habitation, we get anxious, worried, fearful, and events begin to overwhelm us. But if you're living from the inside, in the presence of God (which is what the Bible calls "abiding") then you're only ever affected by His Presence.

The Prince of Peace lives there. The God who always laughs lives there too. How great is that? You will always have a wonderful sense of who you are because when you live in that place, you become the Beloved because there is only you and Him in there. All of life needs to be practiced from that reality because it is the truest reality you're ever going to face in this time/space world.

Abiding in Christ means living from our Secret Place, always - not just occasionally during a worship service or a conference; not just when things seem tough, but day in, day out, living a life of daily encounters with God and expecting them.

**It is knowing He is always present, either to your faith
or to your feelings... but always present.**

I've always been fascinated by the relationship between Jesus and the Father because my understanding of salvation is we are called into that same space between the Father and the Son. We are called to be part of that first love experience, and we're meant to be having hundreds of encounters and experiences with God out of that place because that's the place where all encounters with God are normal. If you're living in your soul, powerful encounters with God are rare.

I wanted a lifestyle that would allow me to overcome the world around me and not be overcome by it. I realized that I had a high calling with God and I wanted to know exactly what that meant; how could I live in it and how could I engage with the warfare and the suffering that went with it, without being bothered because I'm so delighted about the place I'm living from. It's true. We do suffer in this life but, honestly, compared to what you gain, suffering is a bit of a joke. And I don't say that lightly, either.

**In the soul, everything is about what you're losing.
In the spirit, everything is about what you're gaining.**

**What you gain is what dominates your thinking
when you have a habitation lens for life, not a visitation one.**

I had guys who were veterans of this life, who prophesied over me that I would be a prophet and a teacher and then described to me the journey of development when God trains you to be a mouthpiece because it carries an extraordinary responsibility. They finished with, "You would be mad to go down that road."

But then I heard God say, "Come!" and His voice was so... incredible, that I went. And you know what? Those guys were absolutely right. But so was He.

In a lifestyle of habitation, we turn into a crisis, not away from one because that is where transformation occurs. I have areas of crisis in my life right now and I'm determined to have a really good time! It's in the crisis that you discover who God wants to be for you, and you discover just how powerful this inner life of abiding really really is. The crisis creates a hunger to want to stay there and live there.

All I can say is by the grace of God I'm as hungry now as I was thirty years ago because He is big territory. There's a lot to explore. Jesus is bigger than Montana! He is huge, and that means that we have to be huge in Him, we have to live every day from our internal territory, determined to encounter the fullness of what life in Christ can actually be. ~ GC



A LIFESTYLE of Upgrade ~ Emily Dedmon - New Member

I am so full of joy at the discoveries and treasure I am finding. I am learning that in the midst of a battle, that as I receive the victorious outcome, Holy Spirit shows me how important an upgraded mindset is, and how viewing everything through God's perception is crucial.

I am also learning very quickly how I have no time to be focused on anything but Father and what he is doing. I am also learning how I am receiving gifts as I am walking forward with the Lord.

Another great treasure that I am receiving is how all my resources are already there in my identity in Jesus. The acceleration is incredible. I am so grateful how the Lord has positioned me in the Warrior Class, and company of fellow travelers straight from fathers heart!



LIVING as the One He Calls "Mine"

Erin Shepherd-Ham Soaring Heights Team Leader

I have been blessed to be a part of Dunamis Alaska for a little over ten years. Dunamis is a series of six retreats, held twice a year over a three year period. Each retreat is tucked away up in the mountains of Alaska and focuses on the power of the Holy Spirit. When I started Dunamis I had very little understanding of the Holy Spirit and I was praying for understanding. I was so hungry for more.

During the retreats I would have amazing experiences and revelation. I felt so close to God and so special. Then I would head back into my "real" life (insert the loud thud of my hitting the wall here). I struggled in maintaining the momentum I had gained and how to unpack the takeaways. I felt starved in between the April and October retreats. I felt alone. I missed that intimacy and feeling special to Him. I couldn't wait for the next retreat so I could get "it" back. Meanwhile, back in my daily life I was fighting a battle feeling like I was completely floundering. I had no idea how to fight. I was hanging on just hoping to survive. Then one day as I was driving and listening to KLOVE the verse of the day was read. It was Hosea 2:20 (NLT)

"I will be faithful to you and make you mine, and you will finally know me as the Lord."

My first inheritance word had just jumped out and grabbed a hold of me!

I began to unpack what that meant for me. In this verse He showed me that instead of feeling alone and not special, that He called me "Mine", He was faithful, and I had a promise that I would finally know Him as the Lord every day, without an event to facilitate - my heart's deepest desire.

Along this journey I was introduced to Graham's teaching. I felt like I was finally on a planet where my language was spoken. I was home! Three years after being introduced to Graham's teaching I joined TWC. I loved the instant belonging in this incredible community. I jumped right in and attended four Graham Cooke events plus my "regular" two Dunamis retreats.

Notice the pattern? I fell right back into event mode, consuming as much as possible. And I did. I gorged on the teaching! But this time, there was a distinct difference. I had gone through "Living Your Truest Identity" and the Qualities of a Spiritual Warrior and I knew who I was.

I had my identity in Christ firmly established and I was joyful because it was fluid and changing as He continued to upgrade me.

The first line of my Identity Statement begins with my biggest "Instead": I am the Beloved Daughter of the ONE TRUE KING!!!!

It's hard to say what has had the most life changing impact on me as it has been such a rich process. I have learned (and continue to learn) the importance of unpacking and spending time gleaning what God has for me in all of this. Since joining TWC my tool belt is overflowing with tools needed for this fight and for diving deeper into relationship with my Papa, all facilitated by the Holy Spirit. I love to talk to others about their identity, who they are in Christ, and who He is for them. What an incredible place to start from and knowing that you are fighting from victory to victory.

My favorite take away from my process? It's knowing that He calls me "Mine".



Key Territory: **IDENTITY IN CHRIST**

Key Fight: Performance Christianity

Placement and Portrayal

excerpts from *Growing Up in God*

Placement is like 1 Cor. 1:30 that says *By His doing, you are in Christ Jesus*. God invaded your space with His love, with His grace, with His message of sacrifice and you caught it. Then you discovered later on as you were growing up that He put you into Christ. You can't get yourself into Christ; it is a gift.

When you look at the life of Jesus, what you are looking at is a version of yourself. This is how God wants you to be, and how God wants you to live. Why? Because He is making you like Christ.

When God looks at you, He sees something different than what you see. He sees you complete in Christ. He sees you in fullness. He sees you made in the image of Jesus. Why? Because He put you into Christ so that He could always look at you through the lens of Jesus.

When God looks at you, He doesn't see anything wrong with you, He only sees what is missing from your experience of Him, and He is totally committed to giving you that experience. He has given you a personal tutor, and a comforter if you need one, to help you through that process so that every day you are discovering something about Him and, therefore, about yourself.

**He doesn't give you things according to your behavior.
He gives you things according to who He is, not who you are.**

That is one of the most precious and priceless things to learn, that God loves me because He likes loving. God is generous to me because He loves being generous. It is not about what you are because, remember, nothing initiates with you. Everything initiates with Him.

We are learning how to be in placement with Jesus, and then we are learning portrayal: how to take what we are learning and practice it on somebody else. At some point, if someone looks at us and says, "So what is Jesus like?" "Well, I am a little bit like Him. He is a million times better, but I am actually a little bit like Him." So, who are you portraying Jesus to?"

Every day your prime objective is to learn how to receive from your placement in God so that your true identity in Christ accurately portrays His to the world around you.

Every single day you are going to be faced with that lesson, how to receive. What are you receiving? Maybe we can more define our lives by what we are not receiving right now.

If you need to, make a list of all the things you are not receiving, and then you need to have a conversation with the Lord because you have some catching up to do.

There are lots of things that you are supposed to have because you are supposed to be portraying Jesus in His fullness. So if you are not receiving, then you are only portraying Jesus in your mediocrity, in your measure, not in His fullness.

Let's pray for that:

Father, we stand here with open hands and open hearts, and we say in the name of Jesus, "Lord, I know there are things that I have not received, there are inheritance things that I have not taken on board. I am living in lack. I am living with less than I should. I am living below the line of my privilege in Christ.

So in the name of Jesus, Father, I ask You to begin to pour out Your goodness upon me, begin to pour out Your kindness upon me, begin to pour out Your favor upon me, pour out your Holy Spirit upon me, let me live under a waterfall of a Spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of Jesus so that all the things that You want me to walk in, I can begin to receive them and walk in them. I pray for an unprecedented outpouring in the name of Jesus. Amen.

Don't let the enemy draw you out of the place of comfort in the Holy Spirit, doing things by your own effort, striving in your heart and mind, struggling to try to pray. Receive Rest. The real you is not stressed. So when you start to see the signs of struggle, striving and stress, you know that you're processing life outside of Jesus. No shame. No blame. Just learn to recognize it.

The critical thing for all of us is we have to know the current gift of God that we are living in and establish it in our lives as a reality because the enemy is trying to wear down your resistance.

The enemy thrives on chaos and wants you in a place of unbelief about who God is for you because then he can nail you with, "You don't have enough faith! This situation is too big and you're too small. You can't do it! You're no good." He wants to make you self-conscious

and not God-conscious so that you live below the line of your privilege. There are no failures here. There are some people here who just need to learn to succeed in a different way. But that is what we are learning!

What if a part of your journey is learning just how extraordinary you are?

What if you are learning how extraordinary you can be?

And what if you are learning how to magnificently receive the fullness of your identity in Christ so you can magnificently portray God in this world? ~ GC



A Journey from Performance to Identity ~ Christine Casten

Doing stuff for God means I loved Him, right? For years, I never said “no”. I worked really hard and tried to please everyone. Up late at night, up early in the morning...a real Proverbs 31 woman! “Living for God” brought exhaustion, fakeness and spread me too thin. My tank was empty.

Then, God began to open my heart. He took me on a series of moves through my husband’s job changes. In the first few months after each move, I would have the time to rest and refresh. But then, the pattern would start again. I would seek out leadership roles, volunteer for as much as possible and strive, strive, strive. I am not entirely sure when I realized God had protected me from myself by creating those times of rest, but I began to get a clue as He took me into a wilderness training season that lasted 2 years.

First, He baptized me in the Holy Spirit, and then He took me into a place where He showed me false mindsets I held that had become slave drivers in my life. If I was to know what it means to be His daughter, then I had to step out of a slavery mindset and move into a place where I truly recognized who I am in Him. My role, position, or achievement did not matter to Him.

My journey into the heart of the Great I AM also coincided with finding out who I am: my identity, my wiring, being me without doing. Existing in this place of “being” removed the false pretenses and mindsets that my value came out of my production or my worldly position.

My heart motivation shifted and I learned the amazing privilege of hanging out with Him: no agenda, no goal in mind. It was simply a time to learn about Him and, in so doing, I learned about me.



“For to me to live is Christ, but to die is gain” (Philippines 1:21) took on a whole new meaning. Dying did not equate with going to heaven any longer. Dying meant I was allowing my slave drivers and false paradigms to fall away so the life within could blossom. It meant that my value no longer came through achievements, reaching goals, or performing to some

unknown bar. It meant my value was simply found in me being me. The freedom that comes when living from this lifestyle is indescribable. Each day I gain more and more freedom as I walk this process out.

I know that who I am matters more than what I do. Who I am enters into each role I embrace and connection I make, even when that connection is with Him in the Secret Place. The status of the role no longer matters, instead, who I am in that role, my true identity of what I bring to that place just by being in it, is what shifts the atmosphere, influences the surroundings and takes ground for the kingdom. I do not strive make it happen. I simply show up.

People are drawn to someone walking in identity confidence. Relationships are developed that are more healthy, pure and open. In my identity call, with God’s favor and direction, I can lead from among, ahead or behind the group that represents my divine assignment for the season. Position, whether in leadership or as one of the gang, is now neutral to me. What I bring to that position, through walking in my Christ centered identity, carries with it the force of heaven and all the fruit of the Spirit of God.



Key Territory: **New Testament Prophecy**

Key Fight: Old Testament Prophetic Mindset

The chief role of a New Testament prophet is not to prophesy. It is primarily to teach people how to hear the voice of God for themselves. It is to teach people how to find and live in the will of God for themselves. It is to teach people how to move in the prophetic, but even those things are not the prime gifting of a prophet.

The real ministry of a New Testament prophet is to make God radiant, and to tell people how wonderful, how amazing, how astonishing He is.

Prophecy is one of the ways that God reconciles people to Himself, either firsthand through salvation or reconciling you to a different dimension of the Spirit so that you become restored to God at a greater level.

Every one of us is on a journey, and prophecy should tell you who you are going to be in the next season of your life; who God wants to be for you in it and where He wants to take you next. The action of that word coming into your spirit should cause you to feel good about yourself and good about the God who is with you. It should reconcile you to the greatness of the love of God that is available from heaven.

As a prophetic people, we need to understand that we are representing the heart of God to people around us. A prophet must be Good News because we are living in a New Testament world of grace. So what is judgment in the New Testament? If Christ has been fully judged, and one day the books will be opened, and in between is a season of grace, is there a place for judgment in this current time?

New Testament judgement for us is about assessment, not condemnation.

When you encounter a negative or sinful situation in a person or a community, you judge how much grace and mercy they are going to need in order to find God. Mercy triumphs over judgment, and we need to be kissed by mercy if we are going to represent the heart of a God who delights in us always.

**It doesn't matter what the quality of a person's life is.
What matters is the quality of your relationship with God.**

That doesn't mean He doesn't have plans to change us. He does. He has plans to give us what is missing. He has plans to tell us who we are becoming because He wants us to know what our own future is about.

What if prophecy is not about trying to put something into someone?

What if it is about pulling out what God has already put in there?

What if it is about looking inside a person
and seeing them the way that God sees them?

Prophecy in a way that edifies, encourages, and comforts. Prophecy in a way that builds people up, not pulls them down. Prophecy in a way that brings courage into someone's life. Prophecy in a way that comforts them and connects them with the abundant nature of grace; the empowering presence of God that enables them to become the person He already sees. That is the good news.

We are meant to be the Isaiah 61 representation of Jesus' inheritance word: Good news to the afflicted, binders of the broken hearted, proclaiming liberty to captives, releasing the favor of the Lord, taking vengeance on the enemy and overcoming him with goodness. We focus on what the Father is doing "instead" and give beauty for ashes, the healing joy for mourning, praise instead of depression that He may be glorified.

That is what prophecy is about, Beloved. It is about restoring the image of God to the Body of Christ. It is about the restoration of truth into our experience. I am in Christ, accepted in Him, beloved in Him. ~ excerpts from *Approaching the Heart of Prophecy*

**When someone describes you as a prophetic person,
what do you hope they would say?**

Write out a description of the prophetic person you desire to be.

Are your words filled with grace or is there still the language of Old Testament condemnation in your conversation, as well as in your prophetic words?

Is "assessment without judgement" the lens you use when encountering a grace grower or challenging situation?

Is your focus on the hope of what God is doing "instead", or is there a mixture with fear-based, enemy focused warnings of evil spirits and sinful behaviors?

Have you had Old Testament prophecy experiences that have negatively impacted your perceptions or willingness to engage in a prophetic life?

If so, who does the New Testament God of grace want to be for you "instead"?

The Two Way Street of Intel Development

For me the great treasure in our Intel process is the learning to ask questions.

It never occurred to me to ask the Lord questions about all that I was seeing. My first encounter with these deep thinking, soul searching questions were down right unpleasant as I grappled with them! Talk about growing pains!

What a great awakening I've experienced with relearning to ask questions, to be confident in my curiosity! To sit with the One who knows everything and delight in pondering and wondering is such a great joy!

I love watching my piece of revelation come into focus, knowing that it will help build a perfect picture of what's in the Lord's heart!

Lorri Hernandez
Discovery Team Leader

Everything about the Intel training stimulated me to look and listen in a new way at what Father was teaching me concerning my growth in both TWC and personally.

Those lessons fit right into my everyday life in such a way that I could "see" exactly where Father wanted to go with certain situations and individuals beforehand so I could be prepared for what was coming. I learned how to penetrate enemy lines - gathering strategic information, knowing what to look for and then how to apply it. It's like I was honing in on the key directives for the fight.

Debby Schmidt - Vanguard Team

The intel process has stretched my prophetic gift into seeing beyond what has been and is, into what is possible and what the Lord is opening up. When I have some rich intel in my hands, I'm discovering what it is to pray from the perspective of what is to come, and declare it into the present with faith and expectancy - especially when circumstances are saying exactly the opposite! The intel process has changed my language which in turn has altered how I pray.

Victoria Boyd
Lightbearers Team

Diving into the pool of the prophetic with TWC has been a building block to growing me up in who I am. Sometimes the only way to learn to swim is jumping in the deep end. It has been a builder of confidence and boldness.

The experiences of the Holy Spirit being my teacher has increased my hearing and sight. The freedom of TWC to walk through my experiences without being labeled "wrong" has given me the courage to continue diving in. The outlook of building up others in Christ, taking territory inside and outside, and having no fear in the battle, now that is a change in mindset!

June Light Stayner Soaring Heights

A Prophetic Word for an Overcoming Life

But he who prophesies speaks edification and exhortation and comfort to men.

1 Corinthians 14:3

As you return again and again to this Training Journal resource throughout your Warrior Class experience, this prophetic word is included as a source of:

Edification - to build you up and open your eyes to the understanding
"Oh, this is what God is doing in my life right now."

Exhortation - to influence you in who God is for you and to step into a new place in Jesus. It contains encouragement that will lovingly provoke you out of your circumstances into a more brilliant relationship with God, free of the distractions in our earth-bound realm.

Comfort - to strengthen you; to get you to stand up on the inside and face your situations, knowing that God is going to be with you. To bring peace and courage.

Not everyone has access to a great deal of prophetic ministry. Corporate prophetic words like these are as authentic as personal prophecy when we engage the Holy Spirit in a dialogue of how He sees us in this word.

What are the promises in this word for you?

What are the conditions of those promises?

Who does this word describe you to be in your identity?

Is there a process of development to span any gaps between where you are currently and the fullness of this word being present in your life?

What phrases or thoughts leap off the page? Pay attention to those.

What scriptures connect with those key thoughts?

The Territories described in this journal are expansive and vast. What is here is but the smallest overview to give some definition to the places we've discovered and are establishing. Each one will be contested because they are worth contesting - both in our personal lives and in our shared Kingdom Assignments. That's good news because it's a good fight!

Be built up, encouraged and strengthened by this prophetic word from Overcoming Life 2. It's one that can be lived in and by for many, many years.

A Prophetic Word for an Overcoming Life

from Overcoming Life 2

I believe the Lord is saying, "I know every circumstance of your life without you having to tell Me. I am thoroughly acquainted with your sorrow, your grief, and your tears. And you need to talk to Me about those issues that affect you adversely because it is in the prayer of your heart that I get to exchange your negatives into My possibilities. And as you come and talk to Me about those things, I will take them away from you and I will give you the word of hope in its place. It is in the interaction of prayer that the beginnings of your freedom are sown into your life and into your circumstances. *You have not because you ask not* is always true.

As you ask and keep on asking, I can become your divine exchange as I teach you to begin the process of learning how to stand and enter in and receive."

I am relentless in My pleasure to supply all your needs in My beloved Son. You must become as equally relentless in joyful praying. Pray joyfully. Pray joyfully and the strength of your God will come into your heart. I am uncompromising in battle, and I am very oppressive to the enemy of your soul. I am the very essence of unfaltering persistence on your behalf, and I want you to lift your eyes and see the majesty of your God on your behalf."

And the Father says, "Would you take your eyes off your circumstances and put them on Me? Because when you look upon My face, your own face will be radiant because I am your face in this earth, and you need to get in My face and in My heart.

That's why joy is very important to Me. That's why I am happy in everything because in My happiness, I am eminently approachable, and you have permission to approach. You have permission to stand in My presence and be confident and ask Me boldly for things.

Stay the course. Remain in Me. Dwell in My calm. Live in My peace. Let your mind capitulate to My joy. I will joy to you. I will it to you that you will be joyful in everything, that you would give thanks in everything, that you would count everything as joyful because there is no situation in your life of which I am not a part. I am all, and I am in all, and I will prove that to you consistently.

**My presence is designed to depress the enemy.
He is mine to do with as I will. Let the joy of the Lord strengthen you,
and as it strengthens you it will weaken the opposition around you.**

Our joint determination, our happy endurance together will debilitate him to the point where all his best efforts will only serve the people of God. I am strong in joy. I am powerful in joy, and when you enter into joy, you cannot enter into joy without being strengthened. But you have to enter into it fully and completely, even as we have.

The enemy will quit when I want him to quit.

He must serve My purpose so that My intentions are fully realized. I allow the enemy a certain level of power in your circumstances so that his presence may provoke you to reach out into a higher level of effective prayer. My grand design is that the enemy would inspire you to ask for miracles. I am using him. I am using him for My own purpose and My own ends. I have an agenda. It's vital to me that the enemy would provide for you. I give you the wealth of the wicked, and he must pay for his oppression by being oppressed in return. The slaver is always enslaved to do the will of God, and I use the devil to teach you to stand, to teach you to press in to Me, to teach you to fight in joy and to calmly persist.

**It is on the battleground of life where you discover majesty.
Beloved, it is impossible to become fully Christlike when everything is going well.**

You need the battleground to become strong, to move in authority, to become the powerful men and women that I see when I look at you. It is your conflict with all opposition that empowers you to receive the full weight of My presence and My provision. Here in the place of opposition be provoked to explore My heart. Be prompted to ask Me for miracles. Behold, it is I who put you into the place of needing a miracle. I am in charge of all your conflicts. Come, let us use them effectively. Let us prosper together," says the Lord.

I allow in My wisdom what I could easily prevent by My power. I use the enemy to develop you so that you may grow in strength, in power and anointing. I allow him to touch your possessions that you may encounter the provider in a bigger way. It is vital that you ask Me for favor in this conflict. It is essential for you that you know that because you have found favor in My sight that you have a strong expectation of being resourced by Me in the heat of battle.

**Promotions are won on the battlefield.
Identity is always upgraded in the conflict and
I need you to see your power in the Gospel.**

I need you to see who you are. I need you to understand that you are a warrior and that you're a bigger warrior than you imagined. I need you to see yourself in the way that I see you so I put you into situations of conflict that your own identity may go to another level. I am in charge," says the Lord, "Me. I rule. I reign, and I will teach you to rule and reign with Me in this life in this world.

Territory is won when the strong man is defeated and his possessions are looted when you bind him and cast him down. This is your opportunity. This situation that is facing you now is your opportunity to begin to become the warrior that I see when I look at you. A warrior is easily encouraged because they live in joyful intentionality. They have an untroubled expectation in Me.

I am the relentless one, unyielding, unstoppable, incessant, persistent, unflagging in My sustained desire to bless you and to see you grow up in all the fullness and abundance of My Son. All that He has belongs to you.

In days of conflict, there is a divine advantage that allows you to receive more in days of warfare than you can in days of peace. There is at least a double portion on every battleground you stand on.

To make you like Jesus is My heart's desire, says the Father, because He is a warrior King.

**Hell is hard, but Jesus is tenacious.
Hell is strong, but Jesus is all-powerful.
Hell is ruthless, Jesus is supreme.
Jesus-tougher than hell.**

Persist in His nature. Don't persist in your circumstances. You don't live in your circumstances, you live in Jesus. When I call you to persist, I'm not calling you to persist in your circumstances. I am calling you to persist in My nature, in My person, and I'm calling you to persist in joy or to persist in peace or to persist in patience. You are persisting in Me, not your circumstances because you live above the line of your privilege, not below it. You are not subject to anyone but Me. You are not subject to any circumstances. You are subject to the promises and the words that I bestow upon you. You are subject to the vision that I give you. You are subject to the dreams that you dream, where I tell you I open up places and scenarios for you to explore as the people God. You are subject to all of My kind intentions of My will. Persist in joy, persist in peace and you will always outlast the enemy, and you will always receive all that I want to give you."

In opposition, I have provided a divine advantage. **Ask Me, 'Father, what is the divine advantage for me in this situation?'** and when you know what it is, when you hear what it is, favor shall overwhelm you and the advantage of God shall come to you. It will be the ground that you stand on that you know, that you know, that you know what is being given to you in this conflict, what now belongs to you, what territory is opening up for you, what aspect of your inheritance is coming to you because I will you to receive parts of your inheritance in the conflict that the enemy would bring against you, that everything that he is doing will come to nothing but that you yourself would rise up and become stronger in everything that he is, that you would learn to stand firm and be resourced.

Beloved, this is your time to learn. It's your time to learn majesty. It's your time to receive authority. Wear the armor. It looks good on you!"

Father, in Jesus' name I pray that that seed would grow roots right now and take hold of us, take root firmly in our inner man of the spirit and that that seed will grow outrageously in these next few weeks and months until it becomes like a big tree full of faith, full of promises, full of permissions, until it becomes a huge thing in our life that governs our thinking, governs our perception, governs our language, governs our actions, that we become rooted and grounded in the promises and the blessings and the favor and the inheritance of God, just like Jesus.

Amen!

A final thought:

What do we mean when we say “upgrade” in The Warrior Class?

Here are some thoughts from a recent TWC Facebook post:



From Christine Taylor - Treasure Hunters Team Partner: “ An upgrade for me is an opportunity to step into something new, because I am operating in something old that is not working so well for me. Often times I am aware of it on a subconscious level, but may be wanting to hang on to the old for some reason (fear, uncertainty etc). God brings an upgrade to me and I get to chose. Do I trust Him? Do I really, really, really know that He is good? Am I willing to take His hand and let go of that old thing and step into the new?

I always thought my upgrades would be "YAHOO!" moments, and they are becoming that way as time goes by. But sometimes there is some discomfort in the letting go, that is until I am fully able to step into all of the love and the fullness that He has for me. When that time comes that I know , that I know, that I know - I can trust Him absolutely. I know it in my heart, but head sometimes wants to argue "Yeah, but...". My head always seems to be the trailing one.

I am joyfully able to report that because of Graham Cooke and TWC, I am recognizing my upgrades much quicker now, and able to step forward into them without hesitation.”

This Training Journal is full of both claimed and “unclaimed upgrades”. In it, you’ve seen places that you’ve stepped into, grown and transformed in.... as well as territory that you have yet to stake your claim. The process of claiming our unclaimed upgrades is a true opportunity to partner with our Teacher, Comforter and Helper: the Holy Spirit.

Without Him, we would be overwhelmed by all we are not. With Him? It’s TOTALLY overwhelming in the goodness, kindness and empowering grace that is abundantly available.

Which kind of overwhelmed will you choose to be?



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