"Living in the clash between two kingdoms



#### The Joy of the Paradox

I love the freedom of a paradox. No longer does everything have to fit into the categories of "either/or". The Kingdom has a great deal of "both/and" truths.

As members in The Warrior Class, we live in a paradox of acceleration and establishing. We find our development moving forward at a dizzying pace, and yet we are also learning how to put down deep roots that will establish our discoveries into a Kingdom lifestyle.

While we are rapidly being introduced to new Kingdom mindsets in our training, our passion is for our lives to be transformed into the image of Christ. We want to see our revelations actually become brilliant thinking, delightful disciplines and actions that Jesus would take.

It means that with all our learning, we want to embrace the time it takes for wisdom to emerge. We want to reflect on our training process when we *think* it is completed. Is there something more to see?

This journal provides support for navigating the paradox of speed and depth. It is a compass during transitions, a resource of promises and examples of transformation on the journey that often leaves us breathless.

Enjoy the exploration! ~ Allison

## The Warrior Class for Graham Cooke **Training Journal**

For the Equipping & Development of Kingdom Warriors

# Establishing Your Gains

Victories are important but we must establish our breakthroughs for them to become true Kingdom territory.

### Question for Graham:

John 14:14 says, "If you ask anything in My name, it will be given to you." What does "in My name" really mean?

When you know what God wants to do, you have the pleasure of speaking back to Him what He's said:

"Lord, as I understand it, this is what you've given me permission for. Because I am in Jesus, and He is in me, you will treat me exactly the same way that you would treat Him. So in Jesus name ... " It is as if Jesus was asking the Father, with the same authority and permission.

I want to be clear about what my permissions are. Then I want to say "yes" to them and begin to tailor my thinking, my approach, my faith, my walk and my persistence in warfare to line up behind that promise. I don't want to be half-hearted about it. I'm going to go after them and see them established. I'm practicing the art of alignment with who God is for me and what he's praying on my behalf.

"In Jesus name" means I'm aligning myself with Jesus, behind Him, beside Him... but not in front of Him. If He is interceding for me and I find out what He is praying, I'm praying the same ~ Graham

thing... in His name.

### How are you intentionally establishing your training into your lifestyle? PAGE

Toward the end of the year, our finances have grown tighter, and the LORD has asked me to participate in some radical giving. I have been obedient and I remind myself that He is good, He is wildly in love with me and He has incredible plans for me and mine. I remember His Promises – that He is my Great Provider and He blesses me exceedingly and abundantly above ALL I could ever ask for, think of or even imagine.

My faith is not in raises, promotions, bonuses...my faith and my hope is in HIM and He takes *great* care of me.

Chanda Fulgham

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One way I am establishing my learning is by repetition. I need repetition. So I speak my identity statement out and listen to Graham's CDs over and over. I read his books again, as well as the "Decisions that Define Us".

I need all of these over and over to build them into my life, as well as having a chance to talk about it with other sisters and brothers too.

Kathy Brown

I am focusing more on what God is doing and I see my perception changing. I used to focus more on the negativity of the circumstances, which would make me crazy, frustrated and stressed.

Now I am learning to ask God how He sees the situation and how I can partner with what He is doing.

It has created a shift that allows me to hang onto my peace and stay in that place of rest.

**Connie Jennings** 

I am establishing the confidence that God is in control. He is mighty and He is good all the time and He is trustworthy.

I simply believe that Papa God is standing right behind me when I face the enemy, so I just take a step backward and hide myself in Him.

I am drawing wisdom, courage and strength from Him.

**Terry Khor** 

I use the Decisions that Define Us as prophetic words that I speak over myself every day – letting them pull my soul into alignment with who we are becoming. They reshape me and lift me to a new level in the Spirit that is consistent with my personas.

Carol Goble

### The Realm of Absolute Possibility ~ by Graham Gooke

The point of Jesus coming into the world was to introduce us to the reality of becoming citizens of heaven whilst we are still living on earth. We have access to a domain that is out of this world and we have the possibility to interact with that domain so that we can come boldly before the throne of grace and learn real confidence. From that place, we can truly bring heaven to earth.

### Part of your education, growth and development as a Warrior Class member is that you come and live in the realm of absolute possibility.

All things are possible. Your partnership with the Holy Spirit is simply to be there in faith, watching Him do His "stuff" brilliantly. We are a different race of people, because we belong to Jesus. We are the new creation, never seen in the earth before Jesus. Prior to that, it was a visitation culture. God came on people, but He never stayed. Now, in Christ, we are a people who have God living on the inside of them. We're a habitation people. That marks us out as different because now we are carriers of the presence of God.

A part of your relationship with God and of your role in The Warrior Class, is to take care of your own internal presence with the Lord. That's your job. The key word for that in the New Testament is the word "abiding". Your role in the Kingdom is to *stay*, to *dwell* and to *abide* in the place that God has set aside for you.

In that place, everything is a possibility. From a place of abiding, you're never frustrated because there's no frustration in heaven. It's an illegal behavior. It doesn't exist for us. Frustration says, "I am stopped by this obstacle and I'm powerless to do anything. I'm so frustrated." But that can't be true when you're in Christ because in Him, everything is a possibility. God is never stumped by anything. He's got countless ways of doing everything because He lives in a realm that *He* created and it is full of endless possibilities.

In The Warrior Class, we are in a constant place of discovery. It's like a Promised Land that keeps opening up in front of us. You come into a place of promise and then you get to love it, enjoy it... and then God wants to show you more. So He pushes beyond your current sphere into another place, because He's got something more for you.

Then you go through this whole cycle of discovery, exploration, taking the territory, living in it and enjoying it. Just when you get settled and have remodeled the house, God wants to give you a bigger one! So he pushes you out again. It's called "transition".

### Transition is a lifestyle, it's not an event.



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We are being change from glory into glory. That means God is not going to be satisfied with your present experience of Him. He wants to give you more, because His purpose is to bring many sons into glory. There is a continuous unfolding of who He is, what heaven is like and therefore who you are and what you can be like.

The Realm of Absolute Possibility continued...



#### It's not just that you are exploring God and seeing more of Him.

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The more you see who He really is, the more you'll understand who *you* are in God's scheme of things.

A perfect example of this is in Matthew 16 with Jesus saying "Who do you say the I am?" He's not asking the question because He has an identity problem. He's asking the question because He knows the boys need an upgrade in who Jesus is. When you see more of Jesus, you understand more of what He's seeing in you. So Peter pipes up, "You're the Christ, the son of the living God". Jesus grins at him and says, "Flesh and blood hasn't shown you that. That's My Father in heaven. And *you*, you're Peter and you're a rock and the church is going to be built on that revelation."

Peter has seen more of Jesus and suddenly, he sees what Jesus sees in him. He gets the revelation, "I can see more of You and now I can see more of myself!". God loves to unfold who He is because you need to know who you're going to be next. That's how it works.

In a lifestyle of transition, our identity keeps changing and growing so you have to redefine yourself every three to five years. It's true of our relationships on earth as well. They too need redefinition every three to five years. Otherwise, we just get used to each other and our relationships level out. Understanding that allows us to prepare for it.

# One of the purposes of our relationships in The Warrior Class is that we are continually seeing more of the unfolding wonder about each other.

It's always been my pleasure to see people as God sees them before they see it. It's called ... encouragement. In our teams, our relationships with each other are continually being renewed when we share our growing understanding of our true Kingdom identity and what we see in our fellow travelers. This cycle of transition keeps our community refreshed, encouraged and moving forward.

We are warriors, fellow pioneers and friends who are coming into our true identity because we are continually growing in the knowledge of who God is. We can rise up regardless of circumstances.

# Transition is not an event to be endured, but a continuing discovery and exploration from one glory to the next where all things become possible.

We are and are becoming a people who will not settle for just going to church because we understand that we *are* the church. A prototype community of Kingdom warriors who will have significant impact, while experiencing a great deal of joy in the process. A people who are establishing the realm of absolute possibility.



#### What "EVIDENCES OF TRANSFORMATION" are you encountering?

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#### FAITH:

I am demonstrating increasing trust and conviction of who God is for me.

Evidence: I used to have to see massive changes to feel like I was breaking through and warfare required intense effort.

Now, I've developed a confidence in God so that when I see the slightest evidence that breakthrough might be occurring, I celebrate with joy and thanksgiving as though I had already broken through.

I joyfully press into that place and watch the enemy fall back until the crack becomes a fissure and finally the wall just can't withstand the pressure anymore and crashes down. It's fun!

#### ~ Carol Goble

#### THINKING: I am thinking in "positives" increasing in reframing negatives.

Evidence: When rejoicing becomes a "habit", then attacks on my joy stand out. When circumstances in life/job/family/health/ finances cry out for a negative response, I declare the Father's goodness and wait expectantly for the manifestation of His Love. ~ Ric Peterson

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### LANGUAGE: How we talk about ourselves, God & others Evidence: I am seeing myself

seeing the best in people. I have really enjoyed this "better" perspective of people! When I see how God made them, it really makes it easier to be kind to them. And it brings out the best in me to see the best in

> someone else. ~ Bill Johnson

BEHAVIOR: I am encountering a relational increase with God:

Evidence: I am now getting up an hour early to spend time with Him and I have spent more time soaking in His presence.

WOW-I have more energy, the Bible is coming alive and fresh, and I feel better physically.

~ Patti Smith

## THINKING: I am connecting favor to my true self in Christ (not performance based thinking).

Evidence: Connecting favor to my true self has catapulted me into a higher level of confidence in my persona. Doing battle with old mindsets through the discipline of stillness and rest has been key in bringing release to areas where I was previously bound.

For me, getting victory over myself was huge. Using problems as opportunities for growth brought freedom. Nothing has brought more freedom in my life than knowing my truest identity. ~ Madeline Rooney

#### FAITH:

I am more willing to take risks with less fear of failure

Evidence: Before entering Warrior Class I never believed that I could hear from the Lord. I was always worried that it was not from Him so I wouldn't share. I expected the more Spiritual ones to speak.

Since understanding who I really am, I have had wonderful Holy Spirit times. I hear all the time. I recently gave a gift to a friend that I felt was an encouragement from the Lord. She has been having issues with Her own identity and she told me that the gift was the answer to what she has been asking God! I obeyed and gave the gift. He gave her the answers! ~ Lynne Powell

#### **PERCEPTION:**

How we see the world around us I am reflecting confidence in the nature of God for me.

Evidence: Once I understood that what God thinks is good for me may not be the same as what I think is good for me, it became easier to find what He is doing, and cooperate; leaving the outcome to Him. ~ Ann Thompson

### The Promise of Increase ~ by Rita Reidenauer ~ Two council PAGE6

"Give and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together and running over, will be poured into your lap. For with the measure you use, it will be measured to you." Luke 6:38

There is a vast expanse of knowledge and experiences with Holy Spirit that The Warrior Class has yet to encounter. There are Kingdom treasures that have yet to be revealed and paths in the Spirit which we have yet to explore. It's a big journey, but in His goodness, He has given us this promise to strengthen and encourage us on our way.

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Recently, I sat with Holy Spirit, to reflect on my "Evidences of Transformation" and this Scripture in Luke came to me. As I pondered it, I felt the smile of His pleasure. I was somewhat surprised, as this is a scripture that I usually connect with the giving of tithes and offerings. I had not seen my training as an offering before.

As I read Luke 6:38, I sensed His delight in saying, "Wait until you see what I have in store for you!". I knew the "you" was plural. This was something He wasn't just saying to me, but to **all** the warriors of The Warrior Class. I knew I had to share it, so your joy, like mine, would be made full!

#### God delights in our giving and loves a cheerful giver. (2 Cor. 9:7) As we joyfully give of ourselves in pursuit of Him and our spiritual inheritance, He promises to give us His good measure of increase in the revelation of Himself.

We will reap blessings from His hands, as we sit at His feet, to listen and obey. As we advance His Kingdom, together, we will remember the promise of His good measure. What we offer of ourselves may seem small to us, but in His hands, we increase as who He is in us expands.

The bondages that have restrained our growth into maturity are beginning to crumble and the deposit of His Kingdom "insteads" are becoming a launching pad, to propel us forward into an even deeper place in Him. By using the tools of TWC and as we listen to the voice of His Spirit, we grow up in all things in Him. We become truth and light to everyone around us. We develop into world changers and Kingdom builders.

#### He has given us this promise of His good measure to give us CONFIDENCE as we continue in The Warrior Class .

It is a promise of obtaining, living in, and operating out of our divine inheritance in Him, as His mature sons. We give him the widow's mite and He gives us His Kingdom. What do you do with a God like that?

Can you believe how far we have come from the birthing of TWC until now? And in 2012, we will continue to move onward and upward in our training, as one, with The One.

As we move with Him into His greater measure, we ask that one important motivation be in the forefront of your training process: that you will not do this alone. Do it with the One who adores you, in the intimate place of your heart where you and your First Love commune together. And then, step into your Warrior Class team and share His heart and your process with them.

## The Truth of His Word with the Power of His Spirit, is making us an unbeatable prophetic company.

We are a revelatory, intercessory group whose divine destinies have converged. The Warrior Class is an instrument and a community of God which brings us into our true identity, inheritance and highest Kingdom potential.

Since seeing the truth of Luke 6:38, this has become my proclamation:

"I give you Lord, all of myself, for all of Your purposes. I commit to train and yield to change, in order to move forward into my divine destiny in You. I am standing with Graham, to fight and to expand Your Kingdom, for Your glory and Your honor!! I set my face as flint toward my First Love to see His will be done on earth as in heaven! I give you my best measure and I know you will open the floodgates of heaven over me and pour out a blessing that I cannot contain." Confidence is the boldness that comes from a relationship with God. It gives us a brave view of the future because we know Jesus is in control. We are fully persuaded of God's love for us. It is only in this "happy trust", that our Truest Identity emerges.

## We put our confidence in what we love.

Upgrades in the Kingdom of God are not based on confidence in our own abilities to succeed. Many of us have invested big chunks of our lives "trying" through countless measures (religious & worldly) to climb the "steps to greatness". Even within the church these methods are modeled. But we've learned: placing our confidence in these alternatives defrauds us of our Truest Identity.

## We love because He first loved us.

Once we embrace His Love, we return love to Him by placing our *confidence (happy trust)* in Him. That's where we experience rest unlike any we have ever known. We find ourselves at peace, not trying to get or prove anything to ourselves or to anyone else. We are free in the Presence of an Audience of One – living as the one with the ONE, becoming what we behold. We love and rest in happy trust because He first loved us.

## Only LOVE will grant a true upgrade.

When we place our confidence in God's love, we are awakened to the freedom embedded in our Identity upgrades. Think about it - our "I AM" statements are entrenched with

God's Love. They are endorsed with His permission and freedom. God's LOVE always translates into freedom:

Freedom to imagine.

Freedom to dream.

Freedom to confidently say "yes". Freedom to become.

Only Love from God and for God will grant confidence for freedom to upgrade into our Truest Identity.

## When LOVE begins to work – upgrades are accelerated.

In each stage of an upgrade - God's Love is the determining factor, not our human efforts. LOVE is persistent in its determination to release us from what has held us beneath glass ceilings and behind glass walls. Love is unrelenting to set us free from imaginations and speculations, failures & disappointments. Love empowers us to bounce back. In the grip of love, we become confident that Love really is stronger than death.

### In Happy Trust the seeds of our Truest Identity begin to emerge.

As we abide in this place of happy trust, the seeds of our Truest Identity begin to emerge; we are able to enter into a sphere of intimacy with Father God. Intimacy is found as we maintain our confidence in His Love. This is the place of germination. The seeds germinate – then He forms Himself in our very being. Our Truest Identity emerges.

#### **Don't Fling Away Happy Trust**

At times we may feel discouraged because we cannot see much

progress in our upgrades. At such times, God's message is clear "Do not, there-fore, fling away your fearless confidence (happy trust), for it carries a great and glorious compensation of reward. For you have need of steadfast patience and endurance, so that you may perform and fully accomplish the will of God; and, thus receive what is promised." Heb 10:35-38 (Amplified & New Living Translations)

#### **Questions to Consider**

Where are you experiencing God's intentional love in your life? In your development process? In circumstances?

How is that increasing your confidence and happy trust in Him?

What freedoms or new permissions are there in your Identity Statement that you may not have seen yet?

Are there obstacles to embracing those? What are they and what aspects of God's nature will displace them?

What areas might you feel pressure to abandon your confidence? What aspects of God's love will displace that fear?

Seeing the good outcome intended by the Lord is a critical part of endurance with joy. What rewards do you anticipate as you upgrade in these areas?

Consider crafting a declaration of your confidence in God's love and the specific areas of upgrade or circumstances it overcomes.

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### Homework for the Journey ~ The Value of Remembering~ Allison Bown

Remembering is essential in establishing our lives in God.

David did it often. In Psalm 77:10-11, "And I said, "This is my anguish; But I will remember the years of the right hand of the Most High. "I will remember the works of the LORD. Surely, I will remember Your wonders of old." David knew the provision of remembering. Look at Psalms 42, 63, 78, 111 - in each of these, David remembers who God has been for him.

Joshua knew this truth too. In Joshua 4, he follows God's instructions to take 12 stones as they cross the Jordan to build a memorial. God wanted future generations to ask, "What do these stones mean to you?" and their elders were to tell them the stories of God's deliverance from Egypt.

But I think Joshua knew the value of personal remembrance too. In verse 9 it says, "Then **Joshua** set up twelve stones in the midst of the Jordan, in the place where the feet of the priests who bore the ark of the covenant stood; and they are there to this day." Why?

On the day that his apprenticeship ended and his Kingdom destiny was validated by God in the sight of all Israel - I believe Joshua wanted to remember.

It's just one of my wonderings, but what if each stone was a memory of God's faithfulness? In the wilderness ...in the days living in the tabernacle...under Moses' mentorship... with his friend Caleb. My vivid imagination sees Joshua stopping by the Jordan over the years, possibly after the not-so-great days. While others were focused on the famous memorial stones on shore, he would be looking at the calm surface of the Jordan, thinking of the stones that no one else could see... remembering.

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When I realize that The Warrior Class is not yet one year in official existence, I'm overwhelmed with gratitude. Here are a few of my personal remembrance stones:

I remember saying "yes" to this job and then breathing deeply on the drive home because I wasn't sure what I had actually said "yes" to. It has created a joyful dependency, where I've watched God consistently provide wisdom, insight and a smile, for a job I've discovered He's spent a lifetime preparing me for.

I remember the first discussion with Graham about the concept of The Warrior Class and wondering what it would look like. Now there are people I love and a collection of victorious adventures to tell.

I remember looking at the first pile of intel to sort... and praying. I asked lots of questions, prayed more and just kept learning... still am. But the growth in a year is phenomenal and humbling.

Each memory, each stone, is a treasure and a foundation to build on. When I intentionally remember God's faithfulness - just in this past year - I am encouraged, renewed and empowered for the next challenge ahead.

What are some of the victories you've already seen in your Warrior Class journey? Create a tangible place of remembrance:

journal bulletin board artwork poetry song

of great things that God has done.



**ACTIVATION:** 

INTENTIONALITY

REMEMBERING

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Make a list of

challenges in your life

and how God provided

for you

- in your development,

your finances or your

family and work

situations.

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