**The Joy of Intention Becoming Intentionality**

**by Christine Casten**

When I was young, my mom taught me quotes to build character in my life. For years, each time I left my room, I would see a poster of a duckling. The quote on the poster said, “The smallest good deed outweighs the grandest intention.” Although I don’t remember who said those words, I would think about that quote many times. “Intention” moving from thought to impact, no matter how large or small. The Key Territory of Joyful Intentionality includes the delight of action, through intercession and in life. It is a robust territory and acts as a catalyst of stewardship and maturity.

Over the years, wishing to take my intentions into intentionality, I could easily step into a performance - oriented mindset. The disconnect came in thinking, “faith without works is dead, so I better work really hard.” Imagine how God’s revelation of joyful intentionality brought freedom. The joy He fills me with helps me stay true to His direction of intentionality in my life – just do what He does and say what He says, easy-peasy!

Joy is one fruit of the Spirit. When we are walking with the Spirit, God’s joy is made full in us. God’s joy of my journey with Him develops me. Walking in confidence, in identity, relationship, and the authority He designed me to carry, is joyful. Even the challenges of life move me beyond a surface level of “happy” into the deep wells of joy. God is moving and sovereign, bringing a spiritual joy in the middle of the crazy. This thing will pass, but through it, God will deepen my wells of joy to resource me with the pure waters of His flow.

Whatever intentional application happens beyond myself becomes a joyful outcome of good deeds and helps all around me. The encouragement and partnership with God, and others, are how God’s intentionality becomes mine – in my life, in my walk, in my compassion to see others around me rise to their own fullness.

For those who are seasoned Warriors, we recognize and value intentionality. Stewarding and activating God’s grand intentions creates an understanding of where we are in our journey. We trust God to help us overcome what He puts His finger on next in us. We also celebrate the breakthroughs and gaps we have overcome in our equipping process. This awareness takes stewardship into impact as we take new spiritual territory and bring heaven to earth.

Intentionality comes when a thought becomes activated. It includes the Warrior mindsets we develop in The Warrior Commission. Loving greatly is not for the faint of heart. Preferring one to another first requires the intentionally of choosing humility, placing another before yourself.

Alignment with God in this new era and stepping into the dream God designed us to live requires intentionality of purpose. Our joyful intentionality is housed in a key territory of intercession that empowers us to turn the world Kingdom side up, moment by moment and person by person. With these things in mind, how could intentionality with God be anything else but joyful?

**Christ took hold of You by Sharon Rudolph**

*Matt 6:33 NASB*

*Seek first the Kingdom of God and His Righteousness and all these things will be provided to you.*

*Phil 3:12 – 15 TPT*

*12I admit that I haven’t yet acquired the absolute fullness that I’m pursuing, but I run with passion into His abundance so that I may reach the purpose that Jesus Christ has called me to fulfill and wants me to Discover. 13I don’t depend on my own strength to accomplish this; however, I do have one compelling focus: I forget all of the past as I fasten my heart to the future instead. 14I run straight for the divine invitation of reaching the heavenly goal and gaining the victory-prize through the anointing of Jesus. 15So let all who are fully mature have this some passion, and if anyone is not yet gripped by these desires, God will reveal it to them.*

Joyful intentionality is about choice. The choice we have to pursue Christ just like He pursued us. Jesus did not come to earth to show off that He was God. He came to be human, like us, and model living as one who knows. God, the Father, fully loves Jesus. Because He did it, we can too. There is no should or supposed to here, only opportunity to try, practice, rejoice, and try again. Somehow God sees our try as success; our intentionality is obedience until the obedience is fulfilled.

In this “being taken hold of by Christ,” we have the roots of joyful intentionality. They grow out of the seed of faith that God planted in us. He accomplishes our outcomes as we partner with Him in us. We are able to be joyful in our intentions because we see the outcome through faith and God’s love for us. He really does work all things for our good because He knows we love Him even if sometimes *we* aren’t sure. God takes our tiny bit of human love, our tiny bit of belief, and in Jesus expands it to all it can be. What a beautiful place from which to live and to joyfully embrace our intentions.

We have the choice to take hold of Jesus, His resurrection life and the identity He designed us to have. You don’t have to make it happen. Your choice to say yes and take one step at a time towards it is enough. Your yes plus Jesus is joyfully enough.

How is God calling you to take hold of Christ and what He has for you? What plan, design, or purpose is in your heart that have not even considered taking action on, much less being joyful about? What aspect of Christ in you the hope of Glory is God highlighting for you right now for you to grab ahold of to help you with your intentions?

**Keys of Joyful Intentionality**

**By Alma Copenhefer**

With the turning of a new year, I look forward to hearing a word, phrase, scripture - a treasure Papa (Father God) wants me to explore. I heard the word “transformation”. The first gem!

Since receiving that word, I have gathered spiritual gems related to the process of transformation. I felt Holy Spirit was taking me on a journey to experiencing the “immeasurable”. The second gem!

It was then that I realized Holy Spirit was highlighting the Key Territory of Joyful Intentionality. When I think about living in Joyful Intentionality, Ephesians 3:20 stands out. “Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us…” He put access to the immeasurable in front of us when Christ adopted us into the family of God. He’s already done His share! He’s filled the treasure chest with all we need in our journey. The second part of this verse “according to his power that is at work within us” is the qualifier.

How do we partner with the power that is at work within us? I believe it’s through the process of transformation; the renewing of our minds. It’s through delighting in the promises and the words Holy Spirit has spoken to us. It’s stewarding our personal testimony, sharing and embracing it for the building up and edifying of the church and ourselves.

I am reminded of 1 Timothy 4:14 where he is admonished to not neglect or forget the words spoken over him. They were meant to strengthen Timothy in his daily tasks and challenges as they are also for us. There is a bursting forth of joy that cannot be contained when we step into the delight of how we are known in heaven. It’s the heavenly posture of victory.

We engage with the Power that is at work within us when we:

* Embrace our identity and God given assignments
* Hold on to our promises
* Delight in who we are and wear it proudly to the glory and honor of Christ our Lord.

Papa wants us to live in the space and expectation of the immeasurable.

How is Holy Spirit inviting you to partner with Him in receiving and unlocking these truths? How is living in Joyful Intentionality resonating with you?

New Name for New Members – Chosen Warriors

God is moving. As we talked about on our Welcome Back from Ebb call, TWC is in a redesign. That means we are discovering new language and tweaking things within our tribe.

One thing we feel God has highlighted is a change in how we refer to newer members in The Warrior Commission. They dedicate themselves to fighting past any remaining orphan mindsets, passivity, and poverty spirits into the joy of what being a chosen warrior of God’s heart means for them. Adopted in the beloved takes on new meaning when you understand the empowering presence of God and authority you have in Christ, matched with an ongoing process of maturing.

We are now calling our new members Chosen Warriors. These Chosen Warriors are learning the power of relationship with God. They are discovering why God chose them to be in the here and now, what their commission includes and how to live it out.

Yes, we are all Chosen Warriors. Imagine the impact of having that prophetically spoken over you as you entered into the dynamic commission God opens up as you stepped into TWC? Consider the Fathering heart of God pouring out each time you hear the phrase…You are a Chosen Warrior of God’s heart!

We take a stand to encourage each other into the strength of being fully activated in God. Join together and prophetically speak this reminder and invitation over the newer members of our tribe, easing their transition, as they enter into TWC and this movement of New Era proportions!

Training Article

New Calls for Foundations Stages Training

Starting in February of this year, TWC coaches are hosting new calls for Foundations Stages 3, 4 and 5. Although we will still have TWC wide invitations for other training calls, we are going to specifically focus coaching these members in light of that module. To tailor our coaching and for quality time with each one, only Warriors actively involved in these trainings will be asked to attend.

Stage 3 & 4 calls are hosted on the 2nd Tuesday each month, and the Stage 5 call is on the last Thursday of the month. If you are in one of these Training Modules, you will receive an email with the focus of the call and the Zoom link a week to two weeks before the call date.

On this call we will discuss one of the activations in that training module and have time to share some of our journey and story with one another. The goal of the calls is to support better understanding of how to embrace Kingdom Mindsets that are connected with Father, Son, and Holy Spirit and your relationship with Them and your fellow Warriors.

Foundations Stage1 and Stage 2 have a CoNexus type call just for Chosen Warriors on the third Monday each month. The Chosen Warrior CoNexus gives you a chance to get to know others who are on the journey with you. We all learn and are transformed in relationship. These group mentored calls actually supply exactly what you heart needs to embrace the information your brain is learning.

If you are in Stage 6, you will receive an email for a one-on-one call with a Warrior Coach. This call will be to help you to begin to navigate your transition from foundation building to walking in Sonship. Your TWC training will prepare you for walking in Sonship with confidence, integrity, and humility as much loved Sons and Daughters of God no matter how long you have known the goodness of God.

If you are exploring Foundations Stages as Advanced Training Modules, you will also be able to attend these Training specific calls to support you in your expanded exploration.

If you are looking to grow in strategic intercession, Intel Development Training will start in September. Look for more information and links to the application in the Warrior Updates.

As you navigate The Warrior Commission Training, what are you hoping for? How is your relationship with God through Holy Spirit expanding? We want to encourage you to ask the Lord “what do You have for me in the training and how can I get the most out of it?”

Website Article

 Looking Forward

In The Warrior Commission, our training year runs from July through June. With each new training year comes many opportunities for expanding your exploration of your Identity and Commission in God’s Kingdom. Find information about these expansive trainings on the website under the Empowering Kingdom Influence tab.

In April this year we will be offering Dynamic Kingdom Interchange which is a four-week specialty training practicing refining your heart connection with God on behalf of others. This training is a prerequisite for CoNexus Facilitator Training and Coaches Afire Training. You will find information about this training Modules following this trail on the website: Empowering Kingdom Influence: Kingdom Lifestyle Training: Dynamic Kingdom Interchange (#2 on the list).

In July you will have the opportunity to join a new CoNexus Hub if you have not yet. These groups meet once a month during the training year and provide a delightful place to get to know your fellow Warriors and share your life and the Lord with one another. More information about CoNexus Hubs is also under the Kingdom Lifestyle Training.

If you go to the Beyond Limits tab, you will find our Training Modules where a group mentoring format creates opportunity to practice helping others grow in their identity and intimacy with God. Two such training which start in July of 2024 are CoNexus Facilitator Training – Year 1 and Coaches Afire Training - Year 1. The basics of these trainings are on the Website and more information about applying for these will come to you through the Warrior Update. You can find the applications for these Empowering Kingdom Influence Trainings under the Access tab under Applications.

We are letting you know about these opportunities now so you can take a look at where you are and what you might want to focus on to be available for these opportunities. God is moving in this season and your partnership with Him brings so much revelation of His Goodness and His beauty in you. This is a great time to begin considering what might be possible down the road as you walk with Him.