

"Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths." **PROVERBS 3:5-6** 

Inchained. Finding Freedom in God's f by David Hilton

Happy fourth of July! As a Marine Corps combat veteran, I understand the sacrifice many have made and how much it means to many of you this time of year. This devotional I created is specifically designed for those longing for hope and seeking solace in the midst of challenging circumstances. I aim to inspire and encourage you with the unchanging truth of God's Word. It is my prayer that as you embark on this journey, you will discover the transformative power of God's love, find peace that surpasses understanding, and experience true freedom in His presence.

Reflect on the unending love of God, which transcends all limitations and knows no boundaries. Despite your circumstances, meditate on the truth that God's love is constant, unwavering, and available to you in every moment.

### "For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord." Romans 8:38-39

Consider the transformative power of forgiveness, both as an act of receiving God's forgiveness and extending it to others. Reflect on the forgiveness offered through Christ, embracing the freedom that comes from releasing the burden of guilt and bitterness.

## "Blessed is the one whose transgressions are forgiven, whose sins are covered." Fsalm 32:1

Acknowledge your own weaknesses and limitations, recognizing that God's strength is made perfect in your weakness. Trust in His empowering grace to sustain you through difficult times.

## "But he said to me, 'My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness.' Therefore, I will boast all the more gladly about my weaknesses, so that Christ's power may rest on me." 2 Corinthians 12:9

Reflect on the promises of God that offer hope, restoration, and a future filled with purpose. Allow His Word to penetrate your heart, renewing your mind and filling you with anticipation for the plans He has for you.

### "For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future." Jeremiah 29:11

As you delve deeper into God's Word and seek His presence, may you experience His love, forgiveness, strength, and hope in abundant measure. Remember, you are never alone, for God is with you every step of the way, offering comfort, healing, and a pathway to transformation. Brothers, everyone in this Ministry continuously prays for you! God Bless!

	On July 4th, Christians across the United States celebrate their deep love and appreciation for military veterans. They recognize the sacrifices made by these brave men and women	Please join us in welcoming our newest arrivals:
	who have served their country with unwavering commitment. Through prayers, support, and acts of kindness, Christians	Andrew Price April 2023
	express their gratitude and honor the veterans' selflessness in protecting the freedoms cherished by all Americans.	Paul Kight June 2023
Blessed is the NATION whose God is the Lord. Psalm 33.12 David Patzold June 2023		
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# Finding Hope in Dire Times

#### by Bill Bishop

Hello, my brothers in Christ, and greetings in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. I am writing to not believe the lies and rumors circulating in that prison, the ones that label you as a felon or carry a stigma for certain people who will assist you if you are willing to help yourself, providing food, clothing, and even free dental care. I was released on October 12, 2022, with a fractured arm and a stimulus check. Due to arm surgery, I couldn't work for four months, but when the doctor cleared me for work, the Lord blessed me with a job Father, I am in awe of the magnificent different from you or anyone else. I hope understanding,

#### Ministry Wins!! by Travis and May house Leadership

First off, I just wanted to tell everyone that God is truly moving in the Ministry. God has stirred the hearts of some old graduates and they are returning to assist with needed tasks. Shout out to Jimmy Young, Randy Gressett, Mike Tipton, Randy Eyre, and Matt Sandoval for all the help, guidance, and assistance you provide to the guys in this ministry. Andrew encourage you and let you know that you and Shane both got a warehousing job that includes an abundance of overtime. Also, can make it out here on the outside. Do Shane bought a car and now almost Congrats to Matthew Sandoval for successfully enduring his time on paper and is now enjoying time and relationship with much less restrictions. David Patzold just received a well-paying job weeks after getting out through crimes. I am living proof that positive training and assistance from his time on the inside. Bill got a new job in warehousing as things can and will happen in your life in well and is making much more money. All in all, both the May house and the Travis house God's time. You will meet amazing are doing quite well and although we have bumps in the road, we pray that our brothers and those coming will continue to stay positive, live for the Lord, and stay the path!

A Prayer of Steven Cash

at a linen and uniform service unloading world and the extraordinary people you heavy bags from eighteen-wheelers and have created. Each one of us has been placing them on a conveyor belt or hooks. given life by your divine breath, and you I worked there for a little over ninety days, have bestowed upon us the purpose of riding my bike 2.1 miles there and back. fostering relationships with you and with One day, while it was pouring rain, I one another. I am deeply grateful for this questioned God, wondering what I had incredible gift. Lord, I extend my heartfelt done to deserve this. Then I felt humbled thanks for standing by me and my family as the Holy Spirit reminded me that God during these uncertain times, even when sent His one and only Son to die for me, we faced the fiercest trials. Placing my undeserving as I am. I continued to work trust in you, I am assured that your love diligently, as if working for the Lord, from for me will endure eternally. Amidst the Monday to Friday, and saved enough challenges, New Name Ministries has money to eventually afford a vehicle. God been an immense blessing for my family. then blessed me with a better-paying job When I sought your assistance, you at DHL LEGO as an order picker, faithfully provided it. You guided me to handling lighter boxes with less stress. I this place, and in obedience to your will, want you all to know what the Lord has I carried out what you asked of me. Since done for me, He can and will do for you. arriving here, I have gained profound All you need to do is believe and remain insights about myself and the true faithful to our Lord and Savior Jesus essence of following Jesus. Lord, your Christ, for He shows no partiality. I am no knowledge of me exceeds my own different from you or anyone else. I hope understanding, and you constantly these words provide you with rescue me from negative thoughts, encouragement. With much love and temptations, and the influence of the respect, your brother in Christ. offer this prayer. Amen.

## Unfurling Hope in Tough Times

A Poem by David Hilton

In a land where freedom's flag unfurls, Amidst the trials and the storms that swirls. We stand as Christians, united and strong, In tough times, we find hope and healing's song.

When the battles rage and the burdens weigh, We lift our voices, we kneel to pray, For in the midst of struggles we may face, God's love and grace fill every space.

Though trials test our faith each day, We trust in God, who lights the way, He guides us through the darkest night, And turns our sorrow into pure delight.

In tough times, we cling to the truth, That God's promises remain in youth, He heals the broken, wounded heart, And grants us strength to make a fresh start.

As we remember this July's embrace. The birth of freedom, cherished grace, We celebrate the liberty we possess, Through Christ's redemption, we are blessed.

In unity, we raise our voice, With hope, we make a joyful noise, For God's love brings healing and peace, In every struggle, it will never cease.

So, on this July 4th, let us proclaim, The power of Christ's redeeming flame, In tough times, we find strength anew, As Christians, with hope, we will break through.

#### New Name Proverbs...

Never give up or give in, keep your faith in God - Andrew

Peace starts with a smile - Steven

#### The best mathematical equation I have ever seen: 1 cross + 3 nails = 4 given - Matt

Just keep on 'til you can't - Shane

Keep your head up, God is with you! - Larry

If God is your copilot, swap seats - David H

He who angers you controls you - Joseph

Since God gave us two ears and one mouth, He must have wanted us to do twice as much listening as talking – David P Life and death are in the power of the tongue, so be careful what you say - Roy

Be strong and of good courage; do not be afraid nor dismayed, for the Lord God is with you wherever you go - Bill

We appreciate your continued prayers and financial encouragement for this ministry. Our current needs include financial support for administrative staff, gainful employment for our men, and more bed space & staff for expansion. Please join us in pravers for the New Name director and his wife as they embark on a mission to bring more awareness and knowledge to the women and family members in the lives of those that are on the registry. This group includes support for spouses and girlfriends seeking comfort with others in a similar situation. For information about New Name Ministries please visit our website at www.newnameministries.org or write to P.O. Box 11694 Fort Worth. Texas 76110