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An Insider's View

By Beecher Cameron

Elements of Success

This is a continuation of an article from last quarter offering my opinion on the characteristics needed for success in the New Name Ministry program.

Honor – There was, and likely still is, a large amount of selfishness operating in my life. Prison is tough, but it's also tough on those that do not go. It affects anyone we are close to. I gave my family and friends little or no thought before committing my crime. They served time with me and suffered disillusionment, embarrassment, and anger. There is not a way to reconcile

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Please join us in welcoming our newest arrivals:

Duane Heller March 31, 2019

Rene Novoa May 21, 2019

Pray that our recent graduates will walk in their God-given talents for His glory:

Jason Spray April 17, 2019

We cannot solve problems with the same type of thinking that created them.

Albert Einstein

Out of the Clear, Blue Sky: a Cautionary Tale.

By D. Deramus

Most of you reading this will know the thrill of walking out the gates of a prison unit after having been locked away for some number of years. It was an overwhelming joy to walk into the free world unfettered and unsupervised, at liberty to choose my own path across the great wide open. Looking back, it is easy to see that my perceived freedom was an illusion; as a parolee, I wasn't totally unfettered, and certainly not unsupervised as I walked through the shadow of the gun-tower toward the bus station. And that state-provided bus ticket itself belied my liberty to choose, as it said, in effect, "get outta

town by sundown." Still, there I was in those mismatched, ill-fitted clown clothes, a check in my pocket soon to be real cash, about to settle into a deeply cushioned seat aboard an air-conditioned bus—without shackles!—and so my freedom was indeed real, even if only relative.

The limits of my freedom became obvious over the next weeks and months. Parolees must initially live under virtual house arrest, restricted in their comings and goings only for work and life needs, and in many cases fitted with a GPS device to limit their paths. Because I was subject to Super Intensive Supervision Program (SISP), I saw my parole officer

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From the Father's Heart

By Pastor Jon Cordeiro

Occasionally, I'll hear from someone who has read one of my contributions to the New Name Ministries Newsletter letting me know that something I said hit home and helped in a significant way. This always encourages me to write more and consider the reason I do so. Nothing's changed as far as the motivation, only the measure of motivation.



Recently I attended training for trainers of the prophetic at The Mission Church in Vacaville, CA. As part of the training that I pursued, I got to go through an accelerated version of the Processing the Prophetic with the author and trainer, Dan McCullum. If you have any bent or interest at all in the prophetic, I highly recommend his books and trainings. As part of the exercise, I had to bring three prophetic words spoken over

me to process. The process was amazing and the results even more so.

That being said, as part of the exercise, I had to craft a declaration from the prophetic words I brought. Then I had to share it with the other students from the stage. When I started to read my declaration, I felt an obvious shift in the atmosphere, as though I was delivering, or better yet, heralding, a Kingdom message. I got eight words into it and Dan stepped back and said "Drop the mike! That voice needs to be on the radio!" As applause erupted in agreement, I looked at him and told him I'd share the back story later. As I finished reading my declaration, there was a stillness in the atmosphere as though people were wondering what just happened. Here's my declaration:

I am a voice for the Father's heart, bringing His Kingdom to earth. I set captives free, open the eyes of those who already see and ears of those who already hear. I am a catalyst for change. I champion with the Lord for the changing of nations and the Church.

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my criminal and non-criminal acts with a proper concept of love and honor because those two words, which are misused all too often, are not concepts but actions.

I do not have a wide knowledge of theology but will go out on a limb here, the words "What's in it for me?" have no place in the vocabulary of a Christian. What's the motivation for your actions....recognition, awards? That's performance. Honor values people for who they are, not what they have. Honor doesn't seek an audience. Everyone is faced daily with hundreds of decisions on how they will behave. When situations pile up and it's tempting to display irritation, anger, impatience, and frustration; what are you passing to those you encounter? The Kingdom decision is to not make a situation worse; not diminish another, and it's definitely not to add discord to an already broken world.

Responsibility - This goes hand-in-hand with honor. Rules are necessary, but a poor substitute for responsibility. Operating from responsibility comes from love and honor, not fear of penalty. In any place where people live together, freedom cannot exist without the self-restraint of responsibility and accountability.

It applies at the societal scale and the personal. I started too many relationships not prepared for the emotional responsibilities I was assuming. There are several faces imbedded in my mind. They are people for whom I had no legal responsibility, but a personal one nonetheless, one I assumed voluntarily, established expectations and then put aside when it became inconvenient for me....the action of a child. There was no legal penalty involved, but a large piece of my soul was removed and another person injured. Responsibility is the base of all relationships and of a free society. It is not a hindrance of life; it is life.

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Sharing this with you feels a bit risky. Concerns of being judged as arrogant or grandiose accompanied by fear of rejection. Yet, there is a longer story to be told at a later date, and, I pray an even longer one awaiting to prove that I am indeed a voice for the Father's heart that brings wisdom and revelation to his chosen and changes nations and the Church for God's glory.

The Word says to judge all words of prophecy by the Spirit. So, before you get a knot in your knickers I would encourage you to ask the Lord through the Holy Spirit if indeed this bears witness. If it does, then I would ask for your prayers using my declaration as a template for proclaiming this as His given destiny over my life. I will tell you that God has already opened a door and Dan McCullum gave me a prophetic word that has encouraged me to press in.



Part of what brings me joy is having others join me in the journey and sharing the spoils of victory. I invite you to send me topics for "The Father's Heart For You" radio program and tell me what radio stations you think would be a good fit. Thanks in advance for your input and prayers. Blessings!



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frequently and was subject to urinalysis and polygraph examinations. My very *thoughts* were being watched!

But as time passed I was allowed to earn greater freedom by being accountable and responsible. I took a job and worked diligently. I participated whole-heartedly in group therapy and faithfully attended weekly AA meetings. I stayed away from tobacco, alcohol/drugs, and wicked women, and I saved my earnings, buying only needs and not succumbing to wants. Thus was I able to satisfy parole requirements and consequently allowed to move more freely, join a church of my own choosing, establish relationship with the community at large and reconcile with my family. All of these things took time, effort, discipline on my part as well as the considerable assistance of the fellowship at New Name Ministries.

An actual transformation *did* take place in me, and I was surprised by the power and extent of the change in thought and perception. I have indeed become a new man; my habits, my thoughts and even my desires have changed. The journey which began at the nadir of my existence—locked away from life in a concrete and steel cell—evolved from *doing* the time to *using* the time to *giving thanks for the time* that I spent inside, because it provided me the impetus for change. What a great thing to step into this new identity! But in so doing there is also great peril: if I forget the past I could easily slip away again into those old obsessions. The past is a great predictor of the future, unless there is a deliberate effort toward change every day. In short, complacency is a threat to our freedom.

Lightning strikes kill an average of 54 people each year. Most of these fatalities occur at sporting or recreational events where the approaching storm was obvious. It may seem that lightening accidents are just the result of really bad luck, could be avoided by planning ahead;

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Right and Access to the Treasures of Wisdom and Knowledge

By: Dana Harbin
(Board Member/Prayer Team Leader)

Be encouraged! I recently received a "King-size" revelation (in the words of Pastor Jon) that has revolutionized my prayer life. It is very simple and yet, profound, and will hopefully fuel the flame within your spirit as well.

The scriptures are certain that we, as believers, have everything we need in Christ Jesus. In Him we have been made complete. Col. 2:10. We are complete because we are His body and, as His body, we have access to the treasures of all wisdom and knowledge. Colossians 2:2-3 says: having been knit together in love and attaining to all the wealth that comes from the full assurance of understanding, **resulting in a true knowledge of God's mystery, that is Christ Himself, in whom are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge.**

Everything we need is in Jesus because all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge are in Jesus and Jesus is in us. The mystery of Christ in us is referred to as "the hope of glory". Col. 1:27. Hope of glory is the expectation that we will manifest His glory and in doing so we glorify Him. How do we do that? By hearing and operating in His treasures of wisdom and knowledge.

Here's the revelation – we have the legal right to the hidden treasures of wisdom and knowledge as a member of His body in His kingdom. Matthew 13:10-11 says: And the disciples came and said to Him, "Why do You speak to them in parables?"

And He answered and said to them, **To you it has been granted to know the mysteries of the kingdom of heaven, but to them it has not been granted.**

For whoever has, to him more shall be given, and he shall have an abundance; but whoever does not have, even what he has shall be taken away from him.

As Disciples of Christ we can know the mysteries of the kingdom, the treasures of wisdom and knowledge, not in small doses but in abundance.

I have always prayed for my clients and their legal cases. Yet, with this new revelation that I have not only the right but access to the hidden treasures of wisdom and knowledge in Jesus, I have received supernatural downloads of the strategy to see justice in each of my cases. In some cases, the Lord has graciously given me the knowledge of the exact amount of the recovery. These rhema words coupled with the written word strengthen my faith in God that my work is not in vain and that my expectation to manifest and bring Him glory is fulfilled.

I invite you to join New Name Ministries for a time of prayer in July. This will be the platform from which we pray – it is God's good pleasure to give us the kingdom and His kingdom includes the treasures of wisdom and knowledge for strategies to prosper New Name Ministries and see the kingdom of God on earth. I expect that we will all receive from the Lord in abundance.



Prayer Meeting
July 13, 2019
2804 Travis Ave.
Fort Worth, TX. 76110
2:00 pm to 5:00 pm



- Strategies for bringing public awareness to the communities and churches of the value and redemptive benefits of NNM reentry tools and programs;
- Strategies for developing new prison outreach programs;
- Strategies for developing ministry programs for non-offenders and opportunities to provide ministry services to the public;
- Divine connections with others who have the revelation of the redemptive benefits of NNM and financial supporters;
- Foundational revelation to each member of NNM of the gifts and anointings in their personal lives and ministry.
- For unity and agreement amount the leadership, staff, and members of NNM;
- For those whom the Lord will call to be new registrants of NNM.

-Pray for the board of NNM for the treasures of wisdom and knowledge in restructuring/reorganization of the board and specific responsibilities in the administration of NNM. Prov. 24:3-6.

This is the first of what we hope will be regular contributions. Dana is a good friend of the ministry and has been most generous with her personal and professional time.

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recognizing and avoiding risky situations; and having an escape strategy in case we are caught off-guard. These seem like common sense measures and some will recognize that we practice these same techniques to avoid relapsing into our past destructive patterns. Just watch for the ominous, threatening storm clouds and we'll stay out of danger from either lightning or reoffending, right? Unfortunately, this is a dangerous oversimplification. It is not uncommon for lightning strikes to occur miles from the cells that spawn them, as static electricity is generated both ahead and behind the advancing storm. So it is that on a bright sunny day the unforeseen can happen, and disaster can strike from a clear blue sky.

The point of this comparison is this: As felons with our type of crimes, we must be cautious, even overcautious, if we are to safeguard our freedom. We may have developed good habits like being aware of our surroundings, avoiding areas that will get us in trouble, and having an escape strategy for emergencies, all of which are essential to our successful interaction with the public. But while these measures will keep us out of trouble in almost all situations, there is still a chance that the unexpected can happen, and it is up to us to constantly evaluate our thoughts and actions to eliminate even the appearance of misconduct.

A couple of weeks ago, on a sunny Saturday afternoon, an eight year-old girl was snatched away from her

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mother in the affluent Ryan Place neighborhood of south Ft. Worth. The residents were understandably alarmed and demanded police action, even taking to the streets to demonstrate their intention to find the girl and punish her abductor. It was an alarming situation to me and others in the ministry because our Travis House is just blocks from where the abduction occurred. These are streets I and others have become accustomed to walking, jogging and bicycling through, on our routes to AA and to the grocery store. It has, in fact, been a real pleasure to have the freedom to experience the beautifully landscaped homes and even to vicariously enjoy the neighborhood, forgetting, for a moment, my felony status. Therein lies the danger, in my desire to be a part, to blend in with the rest of the world. That lapse of awareness, that forgetting to be cautious and responsible, could have gotten me into a real jam that Saturday; had I not been busy elsewhere, I might well have been jogging down those very streets, alone and without an accountability partner or even any of the brothers knowing my route. I could have been caught up in the swarm of police and immediately become a "person of interest." We are avoiding that neighborhood limiting our transit only to necessary travel. It's certainly not difficult for anyone to find out the nature of the Travis residence, and because of our past, we are viewed with automatic suspicion.

That public suspicion may seem unfair in light of the efforts we are making to be accountable and to be transformed men, but it is reasonable and in fact we earned it by our criminal behavior, so we might as well embrace that fact that we have to live well above suspicion for the rest of our lives. That means organizing our activities to include people who can vouch for us when the unexpected happens. It means limiting the time we spend alone and unaccounted for. That's a hard fact for the loners amongst us, but we can still find space for alone-time within an umbra of community.

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So the important qualities for us to develop are transparency (especially with parole/probation officers, police, and other public safety figures), respect for the public and their right to a safe neighborhood, and accountability which requires us to build community with our fellows and with the public. Finally, we must realize that all of us are effected by the actions of each one of us, and in keeping myself safe I am also keeping you safe.

I love my new identity. I have been reformed. As a child of God I no longer will live in fear, because I believe my future is already secure. But I will live prudently, behaving in a way that is acceptable for the people who surround me, and I'll do my best to give back instead of taking away. This is living in Love and not in Fear. I will gladly be your partner in this journey!



*Between stimulus and response
there is a space. In that space is
our power to choose our
response. In our response lies
our growth and our freedom.*

Victor Frankl