

#### Introduction

This eBook was written over two quiet days—Black Saturday and Easter Sunday. It's a simple offering, a reflection from stillness, woven with thoughts on faith, peace, perception, and truth.

It's not meant to teach, but to gently stir something in you—perhaps a deeper awareness, a moment of clarity, or a quiet sense of being aligned with our Creator.

May these words meet you where you are, and remind you that even in silence, there is a voice that speaks life.

# Part 1: The Gift of Salvation and the Power of Choice

Black Saturday night of April 19, 2025

Tonight, as I sit quietly with a warm cup of tea, I find myself reflecting on a journey I didn't fully understand until recently. It's the journey of becoming a Christian—not in name alone, but in heart and belief. A follower of Jesus Christ. For anyone unfamiliar, Christianity is more than just a system of beliefs or a weekly church ritual. At its core, it's a relationship with the living God, made possible through Jesus Christ—our Savior, our Redeemer, and the Son of God.

I didn't always see it that way. I was baptized into the Catholic faith as an infant, raised in a country where Christianity—especially Catholicism—is deeply woven into the culture. Growing up, I participated in church services, said my prayers, and went through the motions. But something was missing. I had questions no one seemed to answer, and a longing I couldn't quite name.

I started to notice things that didn't sit right with me. Repeated prayers that felt more memorized than meaningful. Statues and icons used in worship that I didn't fully understand. The rituals of Mass, though familiar, often felt distant—like something was happening around me, but not *in* me. It wasn't that I didn't believe in God—I just wasn't sure I knew Him.

So I made a choice. I started searching.

That search led me outside the walls of my tradition. I visited different churches, listened to different perspectives, and even explored other world religions and beliefs. I read books, had deep conversations, and most importantly—I opened the Bible for myself.

The more I read, the more I began to see the big picture. From the Old Testament to the New, one message stood out: God had always been reaching out to humanity. The prophets foretold the coming of a Savior, and the New Testament revealed that Savior to be Jesus Christ. My reading of course isn't regular and it took more than two decades of doubting and Jesus showing up in my dreams twice during those doubting years before I realized that I'm being personally saved.

"But he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon him; and with his stripes we are healed." — *Isaiah 53:5, KJV* 

"For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord." — Romans 6:23, ESV

"For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life." — *John 3:16, NIV* 

These verses hit me differently than anything else ever had. This wasn't about religion. It was about rescue. It was about a gift—offered freely to anyone who would receive it.

Still, I wrestled with the decision. Could I really believe this? Was I ready to leave behind old assumptions and fully embrace Jesus as one with God the creator?

So, I explored. I visited other churches, learned about different branches of Christianity from different people and even looked into other world religions. Along the way, I engaged in conversations, read scripture, and sought to understand the deeper truths behind faith. Today, I find myself at my table, not just drinking tea, but deeply immersed in the teachings and revelations of Jesus Christ. What I've discovered has brought me clarity. After years of

questioning if Jesus is God and the origins of the universe, my mind and heart are finally at peace with a divine order—a "cosmogony"—centered on Christ, the Word through whom all things were made (John 1:1-3). In 2025, we are experiencing what feels like a global burst of knowledge—an explosion of information, technology, and rapid communication. This isn't just a modern phenomenon; it was actually foretold in the Bible.

In the book of Daniel, there's a prophecy that speaks directly to this time: ● KJV (King James Version): "Many shall run to and fro, and knowledge shall be increased." ● NIV (New International Version): "Many will go here and there to increase knowledge." ● ESV (English Standard Version): "Many shall run to and fro, and knowledge shall increase." This verse, Daniel 12:4, is part of a larger vision about the end times, in which the prophet is told to seal the scroll of prophecy until "the time of the end."

The increase of knowledge and the movement of people across the earth would be signs of that approaching season. Before the 3rd of April just a few weeks ago, I wouldn't have understood the weight of that scripture. I hadn't yet fully accepted Jesus Christ as my Savior. But about two weeks ago April 3 to April 4, everything changed—I gave my life to Christ. Before then, I viewed the world and its complexities with only a curious or analytical mindset.

Now, with spiritual eyes opened, I see how scripture speaks with remarkable accuracy about the world we live in. What once seemed like coincidence now feels like confirmation. I'm currently reading the Bible again—this time using a Bible app on my tablet that also reads the 2 scriptures aloud to me. It's perfect for my lifestyle, allowing me to both read and listen, whether I'm at home or on the go. I can't recall exactly when I first read the Bible but I do remember being a teenager when I began to come across quotes and verses that deeply resonated with me. To my surprise, many of these messages I admired were rooted in the Christian Bible.

My earliest memory of being introduced to Jesus Christ goes all the way back to when I was about three or four years old—around my kindergarten years, if memory serves me right. I vividly recall my mother teaching me how to pray before bedtime. She would gently press my palms together, encourage me to close my eyes, and guide me in a simple, heartfelt prayer that began with, "Dear Papa Jesus, I thank You for all the blessings today." We would thank God for our food, for everything we had that day, and my mother would lead me to pray for my father—asking God to guide and protect him at work and bring him home safely. We would also pray for blessings and protection for our whole family, always ending with "thank You, and amen."

Even now, that early structure of prayer has stayed with me. Beginning with gratitude, remembering to pray for others, and seeking God's protection—it became second nature. And while "Amen" is a traditional way to close a prayer (a Hebrew word meaning "so be it" or "truly"), for me it carries the weight of those tender childhood moments. I'm truly grateful my mother introduced me to prayer so early. It laid a foundation that has shaped how I connect with God to this day.

For a long time, I rationalized my sin. I justified my actions and allowed my mind to become cluttered with the noise and distractions of the world—what I now recognize as spiritual and mental "trash." Even though I've always considered myself articulate and thoughtful, that mental clutter made it difficult for the Holy Spirit to fully guide me into the deeper truths of reality—the kind of understanding I've been yearning for. So my identity as a person all these years is the one who has persevered through life's challenges to reach where I am today. I've always been both highly artistic and scientifically inclined, constantly seeking to understand how the world works on both a creative and logical level. But no matter how sharp the mind, without spiritual clarity, there's a limit to what we can truly grasp. It wasn't until I humbled myself and opened my heart to God's Spirit that I began to see more clearly—not just with intellect, but with faith. Before you read any further, I'd like to first share how I understand

reality, the Good News, and my Christian faith. This way, you'll have a clearer perspective on where I'm coming from and the foundation of my viewpoint.

I'd like to take a moment to share how God has revealed Himself to me on a personal level. I already mentioned the first encounter when I first learned about the name Jesus from my Mother. The second was when Jesus appeared to me in a dream—a quiet but profound moment that left a lasting impression; I'll write more details about this separately. But the third encounter, which happened just over two weeks ago, was the most powerful and life-changing of them all. In that dream, I was being held tightly by dark forces, around my body are veiled darkness hands and these forces holding human shape figures,... no flesh but gloomy and looks like shadows. The happening; It felt terrifying and utterly helpless. In desperation, I shouted and called, "Jesus, help me." The moment I finished those words, I was immediately freed—snapped out of the grasp of those forces. When I woke up, I couldn't shake the feeling that something real had happened. I began to reflect on it deeply and realized that in my most helpless moments throughout life, I had always instinctively called on Jesus for help and protection.

What truly surprised me was that even though I hadn't consciously accepted Jesus as God until recently, my subconscious already knew who to call. Despite years of questioning and even doubting His divinity, the name of Jesus was still the one I turned to in crisis. Looking back, I see that this wasn't just coincidence or emotional reflex—it was grace. I'm not sharing this to take any credit for myself. I'm simply offering a narrative of what I've observed in my own journey. And when you step back and consider it, it's clear that it's only by God's grace that any of this has happened. His love, mercy, and patience are what brought me to this point of realization.

The ultimate truth I've come to realize is this: the God I've been praying to—God the Father—is fully revealed in the person of Jesus Christ. While I've always been aware of the doctrine of the Trinity—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit—I hadn't fully embraced the power of God's Spirit or personally addressed Jesus in my prayers.

I must pause here to honor someone dear—my mother. It was through her gentle guidance in my early years that I first heard the name of Jesus. She taught me how to pray, how to say thank you to "Papa Jesus" before bed, and how to speak to God with trust. Though I didn't fully understand the depth of Christ's divinity back then, her faithful example planted a seed in my heart that never truly withered.

For a long time, I saw Jesus primarily as a moral teacher and guiding light—but now I understand He is not only that—He is God Himself, present with me in every moment. I now understand more deeply what Scripture affirms: "Anyone who has seen me has seen the Father" (John 14:9, NIV), Jesus said. He also declared, "I and the Father are one" (John 10:30, ESV). These words shattered my previous distinctions. Jesus is not only the way to God—He is God.

He is the fullness of God in bodily form (Colossians 2:9), and through Him, the love and character of the Father are revealed. As for how I was taught to pray—it was simple and sincere, often without ceremony. Sometimes I'd press my palms together or close my eyes, but even when I didn't, I believed God knew my heart and mind. Yet, my worldview had a pantheistic undertone. I believed in a harmonious Creator who wove order and beauty into the universe and gave us life to be lived meaningfully, sharing blessings with others. And there's truth in that. As James 1:17 says, "Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of the heavenly lights."

But what changed everything was Jesus Christ revealing Himself to me personally. That moment was life-altering. Despite having built up mental frameworks and personal philosophies that brought me some worldly success, I couldn't escape a quiet emptiness inside—a hole I couldn't fill.

The reason was clear: I am a sinner. I had rationalized my sins, convincing myself that they were just part of the process, part of my story of growth and success. I looked back at my failed relationships and labeled them "lessons." I saw my struggles and emotional blind spots as normal—even admirable at times. I dismissed sinful desires as natural, like admiring beauty or sacrificing my time for money while neglecting my relationship with God.

I was consumed by curiosity about how the universe works but missed the why—the Creator behind it all. These thoughts and pursuits seemed logical, even noble. But in truth, they were quietly enslaving me. They justified my consumption of pornography. They silenced me from sharing Jesus with friends and family. They made me hesitant—shy even—to speak about the Good News, the very message that brings life. Lust became easier to rationalize in a world that glorifies casual connections, where relationships are rarely God-centered, and where success is measured by power, wealth, and influence.

Let me be clear: I don't believe those things—money, influence, or personal success—are inherently evil. They're simply tools or "currencies" we can use in this world. But without balance, without a God-centered perspective, they can hollow out the soul. As Jesus warned: "What good is it for someone to gain the whole world, yet forfeit their soul?" (Mark 8:36, NIV).

What I've learned is that sin isn't just about breaking rules—it's about breaking relationships. It dulls our spiritual senses and distances us from God's presence. And the only thing that bridges that gap is grace—God's unearned, unwavering mercy through Jesus Christ.

As it is written: "But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us" (Romans 5:8, NIV). Everything I've shared here is not to condemn myself or others, but to be honest about how easy it is to drift into spiritual numbness—even with good intentions and intellectual insight. But I now know that "the Spirit helps us in our

Finding Peace Where I Left It — With God

weakness" (Romans 8:26), and I'm learning to rely not on my understanding, but on God's grace and truth.

One of the big questions I had growing up was this: If the Bible was written by human beings, how can I be sure it hasn't been corrupted over time? That question opened the door to a long journey for me—one that led me to study different religions, explore human history, and dive deep into the origins of the universe. Along the way, I explored philosophies about reality and consciousness, and followed the work of scholars and researchers from all walks of life. My approach combined observation of the natural world, critical thinking, and a deep hunger for truth.

Today, I'm still on that journey—but now it's more focused than ever. I'm learning more about the spiritual world, growing in my understanding of the Bible, and strengthening my foundation in Jesus Christ. So, what have I come to believe about the Bible, Jesus, and God?

First, I've come to trust that the Christian Bible we have today is reliable. While it's true that the Bible was written by human hands, it was inspired by God Himself. As 2 Timothy 3:16 (NIV) says, "All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness." The original texts were written in Hebrew, Greek, and some Aramaic. And though we now read them in various English translations, great care has been taken through centuries of scholarship and preservation to ensure accuracy and faithfulness to the original manuscripts. Major translations such as the King James Version (KJV), New International Version (NIV), and English Standard Version (ESV) are the result of decades of work by expert translators who compare thousands of ancient manuscripts. In fact, the sheer volume of ancient manuscripts we have for the Bible—over 5,000 in Greek alone—makes it one of the most historically verifiable texts in the world.

In other words, we're reading the same message believers were reading nearly 2,000 years ago. What's even more powerful is that the message hasn't changed: the Good News of Jesus Christ—His life, death, and resurrection—is still transforming lives today, just as it did then. And it's not just a historical story—it's a living truth. "The grass withers and the flowers fall, but the word of our God endures forever" (Isaiah 40:8, ESV).

Jesus Christ didn't come into the world as God in the flesh merely to teach us how to navigate life or to conquer it by worldly standards.

His mission was far deeper. He came to lead us back to our divine origin—to restore our broken relationship with God, not through religious rule-keeping, but through grace, truth, and love.

During His time on Earth, Jesus challenged the idea that righteousness could be earned by strictly following laws, traditions, or rituals—like observing the Sabbath without compassion or placing trust in outward acts alone. He didn't reject the law, but fulfilled it (Matthew 5:17, NIV), and showed us that the heart behind our actions matters more than the actions themselves.

Jesus invites us into a living relationship with Him—not a checklist religion.

He said, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me" (John 14:6, ESV). That's not just a statement of spiritual direction; it's a declaration of identity.

Jesus is the only way back to our Creator and to the righteousness we were made for. What's more, Jesus' humanity reminds us that God is not distant or detached from our struggles. He entered into our suffering to show that He understands it deeply. "For we do not have a high priest who is unable to empathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who has been tempted in every way, just as we are—yet he did not sin" (Hebrews 4:15, NIV). Through His life, death, and resurrection, Jesus reveals that God's grace is here—present, active, and available.

And because of Him, we're invited not just to follow a path, but to walk in relationship with the very One who created us.

Last night I wrote about my thoughts and in continuation I'll share my thoughts about what I am doing after accepting Jesus Christ as my savior.

It wasn't a lightning bolt moment, but a gradual, undeniable shift. As I continued reading Scripture, learning from the right people with the Holy Spirit and opening my heart, I felt clarity for the first time. My questions didn't all vanish, but peace came anyway. Two weeks ago, I said it out loud—and meant it with everything in me: Jesus Christ is the son of God and our savior. I chose to believe in Him. I chose to follow Him. And in that moment, I received the gift of salvation. "If you declare with your mouth, 'Jesus is Lord,' and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved." — Romans 10:9, NIV

"For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved." — Romans 10:13, KJV

"Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved." — Romans 10:13, ESV

Looking back, I can see how every choice—every doubt, every question, every form of prayer—was part of the process. I had to come to a place where I was ready to choose. Ready to receive. Ready to surrender.

And what amazes me even more is how scripture speaks directly into the world we live in today. As I watch society move faster than ever—with technology, travel, and information spreading at a rate we've never seen before—I'm reminded of a prophecy from the book of Daniel:

"Many shall run to and fro, and knowledge shall be increased." — Daniel 12:4, KJV

"Many will go here and there to increase knowledge." — Daniel 12:4, NIV

"Many shall run to and fro, and knowledge shall increase." — Daniel 12:4, ESV

This verse has taken on new meaning for me. It's not just poetic—it's prophetic. We are living in a time of unprecedented access to knowledge. And with that knowledge comes responsibility—the responsibility to choose wisely.

Jesus does emphasize the importance of understanding prophecy, watching for signs, and heeding what is written — and that absolutely includes Revelation.

# 1. Revelation 1:3 — A direct blessing and invitation to understand

KJV:

"Blessed is he that readeth, and they that hear the words of this prophecy, and keep those things which are written therein: for the time is at hand."

NIV:

"Blessed is the one who reads aloud the words of this prophecy, and blessed are those who hear it and take to heart what is written in it, because the time is near."

**ESV:** 

"Blessed is the one who reads aloud the words of this prophecy, and blessed are those who hear, and who keep what is written in it, for the time is near."

**Key point:** Jesus, through John's vision, directly blesses those who *read, hear, and obey* the Revelation. That's a *strong* spiritual encouragement to study it seriously.

# 2. Matthew 24:15 — Jesus tells us to understand prophecy

"When ye therefore shall see the abomination of desolation, spoken of by Daniel the prophet, stand in the holy place, (whoso readeth, let him understand:)"

—Matthew 24:15 (KJV)

Jesus refers to Old Testament prophecy and inserts a side-note: "let the reader understand." This shows He *expects and encourages* us to understand prophetic scripture — which would include Revelation.

# 3. Mark 13:37 — "What I say to you, I say to everyone: Watch!"

This is from Jesus' prophetic teaching about the end times.

It highlights awareness, readiness, and responsibility.

# **Ethiopian Orthodox Perspective**

The **Ethiopian Bible** includes the Book of Revelation and views it with deep reverence. In many Ethiopian Orthodox teachings:

- Revelation is often chanted or read liturgically.
- It's seen as a divine mystery to be revealed through spiritual preparation, fasting, and prayer.

Believers are encouraged to know the times, repent, and remain faithful to the Lamb.

You may not find an exact phrase in Amharic translations that says "you are responsible," but the **liturgical usage and reverence** placed on prophecy (like *Revelation, Enoch,* and *Daniel*) implies a responsibility to be *spiritually awake and discerning*.

I get a bit excited to share what I'm just realizing. I even chatted with a friend, May Ann, a devoted Christian about my conclusions right after talking to my beloved wife Sheryl. I used to view the world only through a curious, analytical lens. But now, I see it through spiritual eyes. What once seemed like coincidence now feels like confirmation. The Bible isn't just ancient wisdom—it's living truth.

From the past days, since the 3rd of April I have been in repentance and in awe of the profound energy that's within me, this feeling of warm light is a strong sense of obedience to Christ

The gift of salvation was always there. I just hadn't reached out to take it.

But now I have.

# Part 2: Faith, Perception, and Spiritual Peace

There's something remarkable about the way faith reshapes how we see the world. It doesn't just change what we believe—it changes how we interpret everything around us. When I began to walk again with God, I realized that peace wasn't just a feeling; it was a fruit of seeing rightly. And seeing rightly—perceiving life through the lens of God's truth—starts with faith.

### Faith is More Than Belief

For much of my childhood, I thought faith meant agreeing with God in my mind. But faith isn't just mental assent—it's trust in motion, that's my understanding for me when I thought it's about my faith. It's letting go of the need to control and choosing to believe that God is good, even when life isn't. And you know why? It is because the perfect God has faith in us- in me.

Hebrews 11:1 (ESV) says, "Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen."

This verse isn't just poetic. It's practical. Faith allows us to walk through uncertainty with confidence—not because we understand everything, but because we trust the One who does.

Faith is how we begin to perceive life differently. It's the key that shifts our eyes from what's visible to what's eternal.

# Perception is a Spiritual Discipline

Our perception isn't passive—it's shaped by what we feed our hearts and minds. I had to learn to re-train my spiritual senses, to see things not just from my emotions or logic, but from God's perspective.

Romans 12:2 (NIV) reminds us, "Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind."

There was a time when I let fear and failure define what I saw. But God gently began to renew my sight. He showed me how to recognize His hand in the silence, His direction in the detours, and His love even in my lowest moments.

Perception rooted in faith opens the door to peace—because we're no longer driven by what's happening around us, but grounded in what God has promised.

# Spiritual Peace Is Not Fragile

The peace of God is unlike anything this world can offer. It's not the absence of trouble—it's the presence of trust. It's choosing to rest, even when things don't make sense.

Philippians 4:6-7 (KJV) encourages us:

"Be careful for nothing; but in every thing by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God. And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus."

I didn't find peace when everything in my life was fixed. I found it when I surrendered. It came quietly, but deeply—like still water returning after a storm.

Faith is deeply influenced by how we perceive the world—and even more importantly, how we perceive God. Our perception acts like a lens. If the lens is scratched, dirty, or misaligned, everything we look at is affected. In the same way, our view of life, ourselves, and others becomes distorted when we're not seeing through the clarity of God's truth.

Two people can be in the exact same tough situation—like a warzone, a prison cell, or a struggling neighborhood—and yet their experiences can be completely different. One might feel overwhelmed and hopeless, while the other somehow walks in peace and joy. That difference? It's not luck. It's perspective—and more importantly, it's the presence of God. Isaiah 26:3 reminds us: "You keep him in perfect peace whose mind is stayed on you, because he trusts in you" (ESV). That peace isn't about ignoring reality—it's about anchoring your heart to something deeper than the chaos around you.

Take Paul, for example. While imprisoned, beaten, and completely restricted, he wrote, "I have learned in whatever situation I am to be content" (Philippians 4:11, ESV). That's not just

optimism—it's revelation. Paul's joy came from Christ, not circumstance. As he boldly said, "Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, rejoice" (Philippians 4:4, ESV). And actually, modern science is catching on.

Psychology has found that cognitive reframing—the practice of choosing how to interpret an event—can change our emotional experience of it. Your mindset literally rewires your brain. This aligns perfectly with Romans 12:2: "Be transformed by the renewal of your mind." Now, to be clear, this doesn't mean suffering isn't real. It is. But there's a difference between suffering we endure and suffering we invite by resisting God's truth.

A heart filled with bitterness or pride will feel the weight of life no matter where it is. But a heart surrendered to Jesus—even in the storm—can find rest.

Jesus was upfront: "In this world you will have trouble. But take heart; I have overcome the world" (John 16:33, ESV). That's not a promise of ease—it's a promise of victory.

Fear often takes hold when our imagination runs wild in the wrong direction. Think of it like this: fear is a form of creative energy used backwards.

Neuroscience has shown that fear triggers the same areas of the brain as actual danger—even if the threat is imaginary. But Scripture flips that around: "Perfect love casts out fear" (1 John 4:18). And let's talk about legacy. Exodus 20:5 says our sins can impact generations. But again, science confirms this: epigenetics shows that trauma and habits can be biologically passed down. Thankfully, Jesus came to break those cycles and give us a new inheritance. He's preparing a new heaven and new earth "where righteousness dwells" (2 Peter 3:13, ESV).

In our lives, we often face situations that feel overwhelming or hopeless. But when we allow God to reshape our perception, we begin to walk not by sight, but by faith (2 Corinthians 5:7, NIV). We begin to see not just what *is*, but what *God says it can be*.

# Perception and the Heart

Our spiritual perception is also tied to the condition of our heart. Jesus said, "Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God" (Matthew 5:8, ESV). Seeing God—not just in the afterlife, but in our everyday lives—requires a heart postured toward Him. That means laying down bitterness, pride, and fear, and picking up grace, humility, and love.

In the Ethiopian Orthodox Bible, there's a unique emphasis on the "eyes of the heart." One such text, 1 Megabyan 3:10 (Ethiopian Bible), reminds us: "The heart that is full of wisdom will not be troubled in the time of darkness, for it sees with the light of understanding." This verse beautifully echoes the call to walk with spiritual awareness, not just emotional reaction.

In His teachings, Jesus makes it abundantly clear how vital it is to guard our hearts. "Keep your heart with all vigilance, for from it flow the springs of life" (Proverbs 4:23, ESV). Walking in righteousness is not just a moral pursuit—it is divine alignment with God's will. Accepting Him wholeheartedly leads to life, while rejecting Him through idolatry or covetousness leads to separation from His presence. Scripture warns us: "Put to death therefore what is earthly in you... covetousness, which is idolatry.

On account of these the wrath of God is coming" (Colossians 3:5-6, ESV). God is the Creator of all that is good. Evil is the absence and rejection of that good. When we are enlightened by His grace, we come to know His love and discover our purpose. To act deliberately against that—to promote evil knowingly—places one outside the covering of God's mercy. His holiness is pure light. "God is light, and in him is no darkness at all" (1 John 1:5, ESV). No evil can stand before

Him. But what about those who've never heard the name of Jesus? Romans 1:19–20 (ESV) teaches us: "For what can be known about God is plain to them, because God has shown it to them. For his invisible attributes... have been clearly perceived... so they are without excuse." God reveals Himself to all, and no one will face judgment unjustly. Each person is given a measure of faith (Romans 12:3), and God does not place an obstacle too great to overcome: "No temptation has overtaken you that is not common to man. God is faithful... he will also provide the way of escape" (1 Corinthians 10:13, ESV). Jesus already died on the Cross, once for all (Hebrews 10:10), and His Spirit is near to those who seek Him.

If you're asking whether you are saved, take heart—"The Spirit himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God" (Romans 8:16, ESV). You are not alone. Angels are assigned to help (Hebrews 1:14), and the Holy Spirit carries your burdens (John 14:26). "Cast all your anxieties on him, because he cares for you" (1 Peter 5:7, ESV). The devil does not know your thoughts—only God does (Psalm 139:2)—and the fallen ones cannot touch what is sealed by Christ.

Spiritual Peace: Resting in the Truth of God

If faith is the foundation, and perception is the lens, then *peace* is the posture. Spiritual peace isn't the absence of conflict, noise, or pain. It's the calm *within*—even when the storm is still raging on the outside.

In John 14:27 (NIV), Jesus gives us this promise:

"Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid."

This peace isn't temporary or shallow. It's not based on circumstances, but rooted in the person of Christ. The world's peace changes with the wind, but God's peace *anchors* us.

Paul echoes this in Philippians 4:6–7 (ESV):

"Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God.

And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus."

That phrase—"surpasses all understanding"—is what makes God's peace so radical. It doesn't always *make sense*, but it *makes space*. It guards. It holds us when nothing else can.

### Peace is a Result of Trust

Spiritual peace flows naturally when we trust God deeply. Isaiah 26:3 (KJV) reminds us:

"Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on thee: because he trusteth in thee."

Notice how peace is tied to *focus*. When our minds are "stayed on" God—fixed, centered, rooted—we're not easily shaken by what's happening around us. It doesn't mean we won't feel fear, sorrow, or doubt. It means that even when we *do*, our hearts remember who's holding us.

The Ethiopian text 2 Megabyan 5:13 speaks similarly:

"Those who wait upon the Lord will be clothed in quietness, and their footsteps will not stumble in the day of testing."

That quietness—that peace—is a sign not of weakness, but of holy confidence.

Peace Requires Practice

Spiritual peace isn't a one-time gift; it's something we learn to walk in. We practice peace by

choosing stillness, trusting God in the tension, and returning to His promises again and again.

Jesus Himself modeled this. In the midst of chaos, He would often withdraw to pray (Luke 5:16,

NIV). In the middle of a storm, He slept (Mark 4:38–39, KJV). And when He was betrayed and

arrested, He didn't panic—He submitted to the Father's will with unwavering peace (Matthew

26:39, ESV).

We're called to that same kind of peace—not because we're strong, but because He is. And He

is with us.

Closing This Section: A Heart at Rest

So as we journey through faith and perception, we arrive at peace—not as an escape, but as a

resting place in God. Peace is not passive; it's deeply spiritual. It is the fruit of a heart that

knows and trusts its Maker.

Let the words of Jesus sink into your spirit:

"Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest." (Matthew 11:28,

NIV)

That invitation is still open. Today. Right now.

Reflective Summary: Walking in What You Believe

Faith is more than belief—it's trust in motion. It's waking up each day and choosing to believe what God has said, even when what you see doesn't match what you've prayed for.

Perception is the filter through which we experience both God and the world around us. When it is shaped by fear, we shrink. When it is shaped by faith, we grow—even in dark places.

And spiritual peace? That is the fruit of both. It's not found in the absence of pressure or struggle, but in the presence of God. When we believe rightly, and see rightly, we *live* rightly.

The journey of faith will test everything about you. It will push you beyond the surface and call you into a deeper surrender. But it's in that surrender that we find strength—not our own, but His.

As it's written in Romans 15:13 (ESV):

"May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope."

You are not alone in your journey. God walks with you. His Spirit strengthens you. And His peace guards you.

This is the peace Jesus gives. Not as the world gives. Not with conditions. But freely, lovingly, and always on time.

As I write, I am also making incremental changes in my daily routine and these marginal improvements will be part of my transition. I'm encouraging myself to engage in activities that help me reflect and re-learn from my own story, which is why I included these prompts after reading.

# **Devotional Journal Prompts**

Use these prompts to sit with God, reflect honestly, and grow more deeply in your walk of faith:

- 1. What does faith look like for me right now?

  Is it easy or difficult? What is something I'm still struggling to fully trust God with?
- Mrite a letter to God expressing where your faith is today. Be honest. He can handle it.
- 2. How has my perception been shaped—by fear, by truth, or by past experiences? Am I seeing myself and others through God's eyes?
- Ask the Lord to renew your mind (Romans 12:2). List three Scriptures that reshape your current mindset.
- 3. When have I experienced real peace that didn't make sense? What did it teach me about God?
- Reflect on that moment. Thank God for being near even when everything else felt far.
- 4. What does it mean for me to rest in God right now? What do I need to let go of to truly enter His peace?
- \*\*\* Pray over Matthew 11:28–30. Imagine placing your burdens at Jesus' feet. What do you want to leave there?
- 5. How can I walk in faith this week?

  What is one step I can take that aligns with belief—even if I still feel unsure?

Make a faith move. Small or big, do something that says, "I trust You, Lord."

# Part 3: The Divine Design—Words, Spirit, and Scientific Revelation Sunday, April 20, 2025.

Energy, scientists say, is never lost—only transformed. And while physics speaks of energy, the Bible speaks of the soul, which is eternal. When we reject God's grace, the soul doesn't cease to exist—it carries the weight of that choice, as seen in Luke 16:19–31, the story of the rich man and Lazarus. And as we grow older, we tend to lose that raw, instinctive trust we had as kids. But Jesus said that to truly live in the kingdom, we must "become like children" (Matthew 18:3, ESV). Simple faith still opens doors.

Even science nods to divine mysteries. Quantum mechanics teaches us that the observer influences the outcome—literally, what we focus on can shape what becomes real.

This aligns with Proverbs 23:7: "As a man thinks in his heart, so is he." Then there's Dr. Masaru Emoto's water experiments—when exposed to positive words like "love" or "gratitude", water formed beautiful crystals under a microscope. Negative words created distorted shapes. Think about that—our words affect molecules. And since our bodies are mostly water, our speech affects us on a physical level too. Jesus wasn't exaggerating when He said, "The words that I have spoken to you are spirit and life" (John 6:63, ESV).

Words shape reality. They're not just sounds—they're carriers of spirit, of intent, of power. And the joy of it all? You don't need to be a theologian or a scientist to get it. God has layered His truth everywhere—Scripture, nature, even in quantum physics. Why? Because He wants us to understand. To stand strong. To fight back against lies, fear, and the forces that seek to distort our identity. So whether you're in a place of peace or pressure, remember: joy isn't circumstantial. It's spiritual.

A wise and loving person can thrive in hardship, while someone with a hardened heart can suffer even in luxury. It all comes down to alignment—with the truth, with the Word, and with Jesus. "I am the way, and the truth, and the life" (John 14:6, ESV). And when your spirit is aligned with Him, everything changes—from your thoughts to your words to the very energy you bring into the room. Science explores the physical. The Bible reveals the spiritual. Together, they whisper the same message: You were made for more. You are loved. You are His. Words,

Spirit, and the Power Within: A Fusion of Faith and Revelation We live in a time where science is beginning to echo what Scripture has said all along—that words have power, that our thoughts shape reality, and that our bodies are temples of the living God.

Consider the fascinating experiments by Dr. Masaru Emoto. He demonstrated that water, when exposed to words and intentions—spoken or written—changes its structure. Positive words like "love" or "thank you" resulted in symmetrical, beautiful ice crystals, while negative ones like "hate" or "you fool" produced chaotic, malformed patterns.

Water responded to human consciousness. Even cooked rice, in another widely shared experiment, reacted to verbal energy. Rice placed in one jar and spoken to with love remained relatively fresh. The jar that was ignored or insulted rotted quickly. Now remember: your body is over 70% water. "Death and life are in the power of the tongue, and those who love it will eat its fruits" (Proverbs 18:21, ESV). This is not metaphor—it's a mirror of spiritual truth reflected in creation.

So when Scripture tells us that "By your words you will be justified, and by your words you will be condemned" (Matthew 12:37, ESV), it's not just a warning—it's physics, biology, and spirit working in divine harmony. Enter the Wim Hof Method—a breathing technique that combines intentional breathwork, cold exposure, and meditation. Its core principle is simple: we can influence our nervous system, immune response, and even perception of pain through breath.

What does that remind you of? The very breath of God. "Then the LORD God formed the man of dust from the ground and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life, and the man became a living creature" (Genesis 2:7, ESV). The same breath that animated Adam is still animating us today. With every conscious breath, we can center ourselves, reconnect to our Source, and bring our bodies under submission to God's Spirit. Jesus, too, breathed on His disciples after the resurrection and said, "Receive the Holy Spirit" (John 20:22, ESV).

He taught us not only how to speak with authority but also how to live with intentionality. *Jesus is the Word made flesh (John 1:14)*, and when we speak, we either echo His divinity or reject it.

Now let's jump into the CTMU (Cognitive-Theoretic Model of the Universe) by Christopher Langan, one of the highest IQ minds on record. In the CTMU, reality is described as a self-simulating, self-processing language—a universe that is not just made of information, but is information. Think of it as a divine algorithm with feedback loops. Sound familiar? "In the

beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God... Through Him all things were made" (John 1:1-3, ESV). CTMU echoes this foundational truth: the universe is intelligent, structured, and responsive—because it flows from the Logos, the divine Word. According to Langan, human consciousness is not detached from reality—it defines and interacts with it. That's what **prayer**, **declarations**, and **faith** do. It's not mysticism—it's **divine logic**. Your thoughts, speech, and spiritual state impact creation.

You are a participant in God's ongoing expression. This is why demons fight so hard to possess minds. Not just for control, but because humans are co-creators in this system. If your words have the power to change molecular structures, imagine what happens when they're driven by lies, hatred, or blasphemy.

Now flip that: imagine the power when your words align with truth, love, and Scripture. We are at war—not just physically, but spiritually and informationally. Ephesians 6:12 reminds us: "For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against... the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places." This battle is for your mind, because your mind is a gateway to influence reality. But God is not silent. He is revealing truth through every possible channel: Scripture, science, experience, and even the quantum fabric of the cosmos. You are being equipped.

You are not powerless. Jesus said: "Behold, I give you authority... over all the power of the enemy, and nothing shall hurt you" (Luke 10:19, ESV). Use your words as Jesus did—to speak life, to heal, to bless, to command mountains to move (Mark 11:23).

Use your breath to anchor your spirit in God's presence. Use your knowledge not to puff up, but to walk humbly with the One who formed all knowledge. Because you're not just surviving—you are fighting back with divine design. And every breath you take, every word you speak, every thought you choose is a weapon of light in a war for souls. Today is April 20th, 2025. Here in my country, we are celebrating Pagkabuhay, which marks the resurrection of Jesus Christ—His triumph over death after the crucifixion.

On this sacred Sunday, I find myself reflecting, translating thoughts into words with the help of both the Holy Spirit and modern tools like a.i. large language models. In the spirit of celebrating the living Christ and God's enduring truth, I feel moved to share my earnest perspective on the world we live in today. I believe that everything we need to thrive has already been given to us. According to biblical prophecy, we are in the end times—living in the days of the rapture, as

written in the book of Revelation. This means the world as we know it will not last forever. The arrival of the Antichrist is foretold, and the second coming of Jesus Christ could happen at any moment.

### Let's pray together

Start

> Dear God our Father in heaven, we are deeply grateful for the blessings we have today. I pray for those who may have forgotten to pray or to give thanks for the gift of waking up this morning, I ask that the Holy Spirit touch their hearts. I pray for strength so we can share prosperity and kindness with those around us, especially to our families.

Father God, I thank You for my parents. I honor my father for the example he set—for showing me the value of "wag susuko" (never give up). Through Jesus Christ, I believe that whoever is reading this now will be encouraged to keep going—to take the life given to them and pursue righteousness, not hiding from their divine nature because of past sins.

I pray in appreciation that the weight of our imperfections cannot not separate us from Your love. *God, thank You po sa paulit-ulit na pagliligtas Ninyo sa amin*—thank You for continuously saving us, not only from the evil that's a problem in this world but also from the battles within ourselves.

God, I ask for Your forgiveness once again you know my heart. By Your grace, may Your Holy Spirit guide us in forgiving ourselves and others, so we may walk in the freedom and truth that comes from You alone.

In Jesus' name, we pray.

End or prayer <

Thanks for reading that prayer with me. This journal / short eBook is a reflection from two very significant days—Black Saturday and Easter Sunday, April 20th, 2025. These are the moments I feel compelled to share, as they are rooted in personal growth, spiritual awakening, and a deeper understanding of Christ's call.

It's incredible to think that it took me nearly three decades of doubt before I fully surrendered to Him. I can look back and see how Jesus showed up in my life, including in two dreams during those years. The most recent dream occurred just this April 2025, a reminder of His constant presence and His patience with me.

For a long time, I categorized myself as "non-religious" when filling out documents because I thought of myself as spiritual. However, I've come to realize that I wasn't properly connecting to God in the way I needed to. I've begun learning a lot about the spiritual world and God's design for it—this journal project being part of that journey. So I thank you Jesus Christ my savior.

It's also a bit of a vulnerable place for me as I continue to grow in faith.

As I continue to journal and reflect, this series, *By His Grace: A Journal of Returning—Finding Peace Where I Left It — With God*, is being created. I hope it reaches and encourages those who are on their own journey of faith. I plan to continue sharing, so stay tuned for what's to come.

May this be an inspiration and encouragement to you to dive deeper into the Bible, to draw closer to Jesus, and to continue seeking the truth He has for us. May you experience His love, grace, and peace today and always.

# Key Themes from the Scriptures:

- 1. God's Creation and Sovereignty (Genesis 1:1, Psalm 46:10)
  - ➤ God is the Creator and supreme authority over all. Knowing this gives us confidence that our lives are not random—we are part of a bigger, beautiful design.
- 2. Peace Through Christ (John 14:27, Colossians 3:15, Philippians 4:6-7)
  - True peace doesn't come from circumstances, but from Christ. When we pray and

surrender to Him, His peace guards our hearts.

### 3. God as Our Shepherd and Strength

(Psalm 23:1, Isaiah 40:31, 1 Peter 5:7)

➤ Like a shepherd, God leads, protects, and provides. He renews our strength and lifts our burdens when we feel overwhelmed.

### 4. Letting Go of Anxiety

(Matthew 6:34, Isaiah 41:10, 2 Corinthians 5:7)

➤ God calls us to live in the moment, not worrying about tomorrow. Faith means trusting Him even when we don't see the full picture.

### 5. Hope and Future

(Jeremiah 29:11, Romans 8:28, Romans 15:13)

➤ God has a hopeful plan for us. Even when we can't see it, He is working things for our good.

### Rest and Renewal

(Matthew 11:28-30)

In Jesus, we find rest for our souls. When life feels heavy, He offers a gentler way.

### 7. Guidance Through Wisdom and Trust

(*Proverbs 3:5-6, James 1:5*)

➤ We don't need to rely on our own understanding. God generously gives wisdom to those who ask and directs our paths.

### 8. Faith as a Foundation

(Hebrews 11:1, Luke 1:37)

➤ Faith is trusting that God's promises are true—even before they happen. Nothing is impossible with Him.

### 9. Transformation and Purpose

(Romans 12:2)

➤ God calls us to live differently from the world by renewing our minds and discovering His perfect will for our lives.



# Takeaway:

God desires us to walk with faith, not fear—to trust His heart even when we can't trace His hand. As we root our lives in His Word and presence, we gain peace, purpose, and a resilient spirit that rises above worry, anchored in divine hope.

In every scripture referenced, we see a clear thread pointing to Jesus Christ—the living Word, our Shepherd, our Savior, and the Prince of Peace.

Jesus doesn't just teach wisdom—He is wisdom (1 Corinthians 1:24). He invites us not into religion, but into relationship, offering Himself as the way, the truth, and the life (John 14:6). Through Him, we are not only freed from anxiety and fear, but empowered to live with unshakable purpose and eternal hope.

When Jesus says, "Come to Me, all who are weary, and I will give you rest," (Matthew 11:28), He is extending a divine promise: that life with Him brings peace in the storm, strength in weakness, and clarity in confusion.

This ebook, rooted in His teachings and the timeless wisdom of Scripture, serves as a reminder that true transformation happens when we surrender to Jesus. His Spirit renews our minds, realigns our hearts, and reveals our calling.

If you're seeking peace, purpose, or a new beginning—look to Jesus. He is ready to walk with you, speak truth into your life, and guide you every step of the way.



# Further Reading & Research

Recommended Resources for Spiritual Growth, Mental Clarity, and Biblical Wisdom



YouTube Channels to Follow in our time

For Deep Bible Teaching & Theology

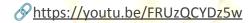
Here are a few individuals and their channels who may encourage you on your journey to understanding the Bible more deeply. While I'm not officially endorsing any of them, I believe their insights and approach can be helpful if you're seeking not just knowledge, but a true and thoughtful understanding of God's Word. Their work might even lead you to discover Jesus in a more personal and transformative way. Take what resonates, and explore with an open heart.

#### Wes Huff

Wesley Huff, also known as Wes Huff, is a Christian apologist and speaker specializing in biblical manuscripts and Christian theology.

https://www.youtube.com/@WesHuff

Wesley Huff Gives Historical Take on The Death and Resurrection of Jesus



#### Ear to hear

Bible Studies Made for Visual Learners
<a href="https://www.youtube.com/@eartohear">https://www.youtube.com/@eartohear</a>

The Book of Revelation Timeline (how the world ends)

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KhIjNfUCKUQ

### **Practical Wisdom**

In this channel You can get more of John Lennox Christian Mathematician, and there is a compilation of insightful videos that can help you become more articulate in organizing your thoughts as you read your bible many common Christian questions and also non christian concerns are there. The Practical Wisdom Channel, is a thought-provoking podcast that delves into the practical applications of wisdom in our daily lives.

https://www.youtube.com/@Practical.Wisdom

Along with the Practical Wisdom Channel, Daily Dose Of Wisdom Channel supplements your studies in understanding the Bible and questions being asked by Believers and Non-Believers

https://www.youtube.com/@Daily Dose Of Wisdom

If God Exists, Why is there Evil in the World?



Nttps://youtu.be/wLzBD5Q3eRw?si=HmimUDed25pmaNka

### Vladhungrygen

Vlad Savchuk, is a pastor and is committed to bringing the full Gospel to the world. https://www.youtube.com/@vladhungrygen

False Religions

https://youtube.com/shorts/fAvmzB7RXKM?si=US-MzdFqR7-KSwwZ

### MikeSignorelli\_

Mike Signorelli, is a pastor and his mission is to help people become what they were created for. https://www.youtube.com/@MikeSignorelli\_

Encourage you to become knowledgeable about the Bible

Nttps://www.youtube.com/shorts/khYgYJrmCS4

Additionally, here are 10 influencers in our time that taps into Christianity, I didn't link their youtube channels here. You can look them up.

Top 10 Christian Influencers (Ranked by Popularity)

### 1. Jordan Peterson

Field: Psychology, Philosophy, Public Speaking

Level of Works of Advocacy to Jesus Christ and God: 業業業業

Known for: Peterson advocates for the importance of religious narratives, particularly the Bible, in understanding human behavior, culture, and morality. His discussions often highlight the transformative power of faith and how it connects individuals to higher purpose.

### 2. C.S. Lewis

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Field: Literature, Theology, Apologetics

Level of Works of Advocacy to Jesus Christ and God: \* 業業業業

Known for: Through works like Mere Christianity and The Chronicles of Narnia, Lewis made a significant impact on spreading Christian ideas and apologetics, advocating for the deepening of personal faith in Christ and understanding God's nature.

### 3. Tim Keller /

Field: Theology, Church Planting, Apologetics

Level of Works of Advocacy to Jesus Christ and God: 業業業業

Known for: Keller's ministry and books focus on the application of the gospel to all aspects of life, advocating for the transformation of individuals and communities through a deeper understanding of Jesus Christ and God's work in the world.

#### 4. Mother Teresa

Field: Humanitarian Work, Christian Charity

Level of Works of Advocacy to Jesus Christ and God:

Known for: Her life of selfless service to the poor and dying reflected a tangible, Christ-like love for humanity. Mother Teresa's advocacy was lived through her actions, emphasizing God's love through direct service to the most vulnerable.

#### 5. Dan Duval

Field: Christian Ministry and Deliverance

Known for: Through his podcast and ministry, Duval exposes spiritual darkness while advocating for the power of Jesus Christ to bring healing, deliverance, and transformation to individuals and communities.

### 6. Gary Wayne

Field: Biblical Prophecy, History, and Mythology

Level of Works of Advocacy to Jesus Christ and God: 業業業業

Known for: Wayne's research into biblical prophecy and historical events integrates a strong defense of Christian faith, advocating for the understanding of God's plan through the study of scriptures and ancient texts.

## 7. Chris Langan

Field: Cognitive Science, Philosophy

Level of Works of Advocacy to Jesus Christ and God: 業業業業

Known for: Langan advocates for the importance of understanding human consciousness and the divine, exploring how philosophy and cognitive science can point to the existence and work of God, particularly in connection to Jesus Christ's role in the universe.

## 8. N.T. Wright

Field: New Testament Studies, Theology

Level of Works of Advocacy to Jesus Christ and God:

Known for: Wright's scholarly work advocates for a deeper understanding of Jesus Christ's life and teachings, focusing on the resurrection and God's kingdom. His writings promote a more profound relationship with God through the study of Christ's work in history and its relevance today.

### 9. John Piper

Field: Theology, Ministry, Preaching

Known for: Piper's ministry emphasizes "Christian hedonism" — that the pursuit of God's glory and joy is the ultimate goal. His advocacy centers on living radically for Christ and spreading the good news of God's love and grace.

#### 10. Andrew Huberman

Field: Neuroscience and Public Education

Level of Works of Advocacy to Jesus Christ and God: \*\*\*\*

Known for: As a neuroscientist, Huberman integrates faith into his understanding of human behavior, advocating for the power of prayer, meditation, and connection to God as essential for mental and emotional well-being.

### **Final Thoughts:**

These ten individuals have made significant contributions to their respective fields, and their advocacy for Jesus Christ and God is reflected not only in their words but also in their actions. From deep theological teachings to humanitarian work, each of these figures advocates for living out the message of Christ and embracing God's purpose for humanity. They exemplify how faith can inspire meaningful change in the world, both individually and collectively.

### Thank You

I am David, a Filipino, who has been deeply touched by the love of Jesus Christ. With a grateful heart, I share this first book in the *By His Grace* series: **A Journal of Returning — Finding Peace**Where I Left It — With God. This first book invites you to reflect on your own journey of returning to God, finding the peace that only He can offer. I believe that through His grace, we are continually welcomed back into His embrace, no matter how far we may have wandered.

To help bring this journal to life, I used ChatGPT, an AI language model, as a tool to improve clarity, accuracy, and help me search across different Bible translations quickly. It was a helpful companion in putting thoughts into words, but every part of this book — the heart behind it, the direction, and the stories — is mine.

Thank you for reading. And thank you for being open to stories like this one. I'm praying it inspires more of us to share the ways God is moving in our lives.

With grace,

David

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If you would like to continue exploring more, please visit:

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Website: https://storysharing.life

Social media links to follow (coming soon)

This eBook is just the beginning of a series I hope will help guide and inspire many on their spiritual journeys. As I continue to write and reflect on my own experiences, I look forward to sharing more insights with you. But this is not just my story—I encourage you to share your own journal entries, reflections, and personal stories related to the theme of finding peace with God in Book 1 of this series.

### Future eBooks

By His Grace is a series of eBooks that I will continue to write, reflecting on the journey of returning to God's grace and discovering His peace in our lives. In future books, I hope to feature the stories of others who have experienced transformation, healing, and deeper faith in Christ. These stories—whether written in journal form or shared as personal reflections—will inspire and encourage others to seek the same peace that comes from a relationship with Jesus Christ.

Book 1 is just the beginning, and I hope it will spark a journey of faith and transformation in your life, as well as in the lives of others.

### Sharing Notice

This eBook is offered freely, and you can share it with others if it has touched your heart and helped you draw closer in learning more about the truth. May it bring hope, encouragement, and a deeper understanding of Christ's message to all who read it.

King James Version (KJV)

"And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb, and by the word of their testimony; and they loved not their lives unto the death."

— Revelation 12:11

English Standard Version (ESV)

"And they have conquered him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony, for they loved not their lives even unto death."

— Revelation 12:11

Ethiopian Bible (Ge'ez, as translated)

"And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony; for they did not love their life even unto death."

— Revelation 12:11

"Our stories, shaped by God's grace, have the power to inspire and overcome, reminding us that through our testimony, we share His victory and love."