

*They said, “Come, let us*  
*1. build ourselves a city,*  
*and a tower whose top is in the heavens;*  
*Let us ... 2. make a name for ourselves,*  
*3. lest we be scattered abroad over the*  
*face of the whole earth.”*

*Genesis 11:4*

*“Come, let Us go down and there  
confuse their language, that they  
may not understand one another’s  
speech.”*

*So the Lord scattered them abroad  
from there over the face of all the  
earth, and they ceased building the  
city.*

*Genesis 11:7,8*

*Therefore its name is called  
Babel,  
because there the Lord confused the  
language of all the earth;  
and from there the Lord scattered  
them abroad over the face  
of all the earth.*

*And there were dwelling in Jerusalem  
Jews, devout men from every nation  
under heaven.*

*And when this sound occurred, the  
multitude came together and were  
confused, because everyone heard  
them speak in their own language.*

*Acts 2:5,6*

# First things first



# What has changed ?



# Remember me?

- Cock-a-doodle-doo



# What about me?



# In our brokenness

We may run away from God in fear,  
shame, guilt and unbelief

We may run towards God in hope,  
trust, faith in Who He is

# perspectives

A word cloud of terms related to perspectives, with 'point' and 'view' as the largest words. Other prominent words include 'angle', 'interpretation', 'negotiation', 'outlook', 'frame of mind', 'dispute', 'stance', 'standpoint', 'opinion', 'survey', 'viewpoint', 'scale', 'stereotypes', 'approach', 'worldview', 'inspection', 'paradigm', 'framework', 'way of looking at', 'prosocial behavior', 'emotional intelligence', 'reconciliation', 'context', 'look-see', 'X in terms of Y', 'dispute resolution', 'aspect', 'attitude', 'dispute', 'frame of reference', 'observation', 'bias', 'empathy', 'her', 'compassion', 'see', 'mind set', 'interpretation', 'negotiation', 'frame of reference', 'observation', 'bias', 'empathy', 'her', 'compassion', 'see', 'mind set'. The words are arranged in a horizontal, cloud-like shape, with 'point' and 'view' being the largest and most central.

point view

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OUR FAITH CAN  
ONLY GO AS FAR AS  
OUR AWARENESS  
OF GOD'S  
GOODNESS.

— *Bill Johnson* —

ME  
**PRAYER**~~CHANGES THINGS~~

DO NOT ALLOW  
YOUR WOUNDS  
TO TURN  
YOU INTO SOMEONE  
YOU ARE NOT.

— *#RYLO* —



"KEEP LOOKING UP ...  
THAT'S THE SECRET OF  
LIFE ... "

Snoopy



*“The greatest  
mistake we  
can make is to  
stay on the  
ground after  
falling.”*

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# Pentecost

- Promise fulfilled
- Strange unconventional manner
- Set a new paradigm for God's people
- Presence
- Power & Authority
- Harvest

A close-up photograph of a person's bare feet walking on a thin, orange tightrope. The person is wearing black leggings. The background is a blurred green field with a geometric, low-poly overlay in shades of green and yellow. The text "God uses ordinary people to do extraordinary things" is superimposed in the center in a white, bold, italicized font with a black drop shadow.

***God uses ordinary people  
to do extraordinary things***

# Three characteristics

- Newness
- Unity in the diversity
- Mission



The way of the righteous is like the first gleam of dawn,  
which shines ever brighter until the full light of day.

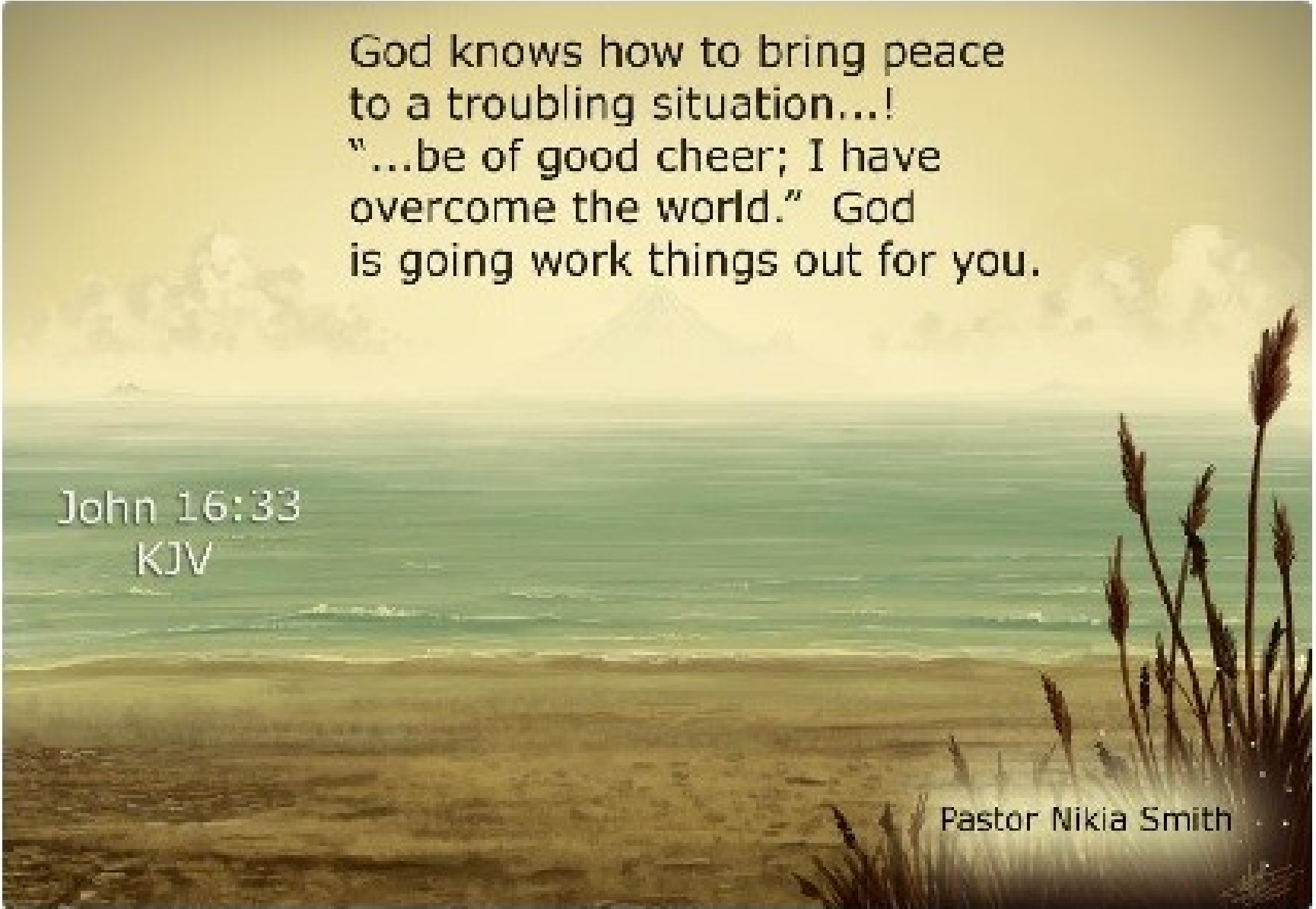


JUST WHEN THE CATERPILLAR  
THOUGHT THE WORLD WAS OVER,



IT BECAME A BUTTERFLY.

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God knows how to bring peace  
to a troubling situation...!  
"...be of good cheer; I have  
overcome the world." God  
is going work things out for you.

John 16:33  
KJV

Pastor Nikia Smith

# Unity in Diversity



# LEARNING FROM ONE ANOTHER




# Harmony





**MISSION  
IMPOSSIBLE**





*Not all of us can  
do great things,  
But we can do  
small things with  
great love.*

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**GRACE MEANS THAT  
ALL OF YOUR  
MISTAKES  
NOW SERVE  
A PURPOSE  
INSTEAD OF  
SERVING SHAME.**

# Some reasons I may turn off: In my emotions

- Negative experiences:
- Abuse and immaturity of others
- Too much emotionalism
- My own mistakes
- Fear of men... opinion of others

# Some reasons I may turn off: intellectually

- Confusion: either by theological or church interpretations
- Lack of proper models, and practical teaching, we assume it's just for the past
- The way I am “wired”...


# Some reasons I may turn off: Wanting things my way

- I like my comfort zone and security, why complicate my life ?
- Be in Control



Don't doubt in the dark  
what you learned in the light!

- Ezekiel 47:1-9
- Rev 22:1
- There is a river that flows from God's Presence bringing freshness, healing to our soul, joy and creativity. It has the power to make us a channel to others while refreshing our own beings.
- As you learn to yield your life to Him you will grow in freedom to celebrate the unique gift you are first to His heart and then to others.



MY GOD  
IS BIGGER  
THAN  
MY MESS

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