

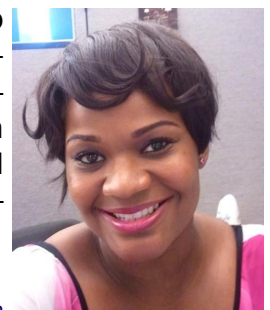
Monthly Inspiration

In this the month of Resurrection we celebrate what is arguably the greatest day in Christendom, Easter. Juxtaposed only against the Christmas Holiday, Easter is the ultimate fulfillment of God's greatest promise. God promised to send us a Savior and that He did; but it wasn't until that Savior sacrificed His life and the promise through death was brought to life. We now have access to life and that more abundantly and ready access to eternal life!

God has given us so many promises both spiritual and natural. Things that we have longed for in our lives, our hearts' desires, our dreams have all been realized but many are yet to come to fruition. What is the missing piece of the puzzle? Why are our dreams and goals sleeping in their graves when God has spoken life to them? I urge you to realize that your dreams are not too far gone. Whatever your heart's desire, it can still come to pass. In Ezekiel 37 the Lord asked Ezekiel the question, "Can these dry bones live?" Then He instructed Ezekiel to prophesy that the bones *would live!* Ezekiel's name means that God will strengthen. A prophecy is simply a word from God that something will come to pass. In short, we all need to realize that God has strengthened us to call those things that are not as though they are, as faith is the substance of things hoped for and the evidence of things not seen. The missing component in resurrecting our dreams is our belief! We have got to step out on faith and realize our God given power. With just a word we can speak life and or death into our lives and dreams... You should choose life!

God breathed life into the nostrils of man and such initiated life. He granted us that very same power (figuratively) in Ezekiel. I admonish you to use your breath to breathe life into every dead situation you've experienced. When I say every - I do mean EVERY... You may say, "Oh I overcame an old relationship that meant me no good and I have no desire to breathe life back into that situation." I implore you to dig a little deeper into yourself. You may find some of the things you once loved, you once did, and you once enjoyed, you no longer do because they're connected to such a dead situation. Get back into the swing of life and enjoy every aspect of it! Why? Because Jesus said He did not come to condemn the world nor shame it for its wrongs but He came to renew our minds and to give us life and that more abundantly. Because of the blood that He shed we owe it to Him to get the most out of this life that we live. If you once had a vision to persevere until your passion for holiness was realized by everyone you encountered then make sure you resurrect those desires as we move ministry forward.

We thank Jesus for His obeisance to the Father in this month of Resurrection. What a wondrous advent we come together to celebrate!!! We acquiesced to sadness, defeat and anger for a moment; but we took it all back when the resurrection occurred. The resurrection undid all of the bad that we thought we had succumb to. The debt was paid, the battle won. Take a note from the story, life, death and resurrection of Christ. Realize you have the power to triumph over every trial because you've been given the word from God to speak life to any dead or dry situation you will every encounter!



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