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One

God's extravagant love for us, his children

We know that God loves us, but God does not only love us he loves us extravagantly, way beyond what we think or understand. We will never know or fully understand the extravagant love of God until we stand before him and all is revealed.

When I asked the Holy Spirit what I shall write about today, these were the words he gave me, **“the extravagant love of God.”**

First I needed to find out the meaning of extravagant so that I can understand for myself what it means and it means, **“Excessive, spendthrift, overgenerous, exaggerated, overstated, profligate, wasteful, squandering, and lavish.”**

This is the main meaning of extravagant, God is excessive in his love for us, he goes over the top as the saying goes, and he goes beyond the boundaries of normal love, his love is not confined, it goes beyond the boundaries of where human love stops. We have often thought of God as tight fisted because of bad teaching we have listened to in our Christian life, but when you see that the Holy Spirit calls him **‘extravagant’ ‘in his love,’** we can see we have been misinformed. We see a God who is **overgenerous** in his love for us, his overgenerous nature was the reason he sacrificed his only Son, a part of himself, sent to suffer a horrible torture and then an excessive death on a cross, hung naked exposed to all around to dehumanise him.

When I read these meanings to extravagant I realise how much I don't know the love of God for me. I find it hard to comprehend the depth of love that he has for me personally, and I believe that most Christians don't realise either how much we are loved. We know God loves us but we don't know the extent of his love, we have absolutely no idea how much we are loved, it is beyond our understanding, it is too high, too wide, too long, too deep for us to really understand and know the depth, it is as large as God himself, for he is love.

I know I have written on the love God has for us in my other books but every time I think I understand how much love he has for me, I find it goes even deeper.

I have written God created us billions of years before he made the world out of a great love for us, an extravagant love which knows no boundaries.

Ephesians 1-4. The Way Bible

Long ago even before he made the world, “God created us” to be his very own through what Christ would do for us; he decided then to make us holy in his eyes, without a single fault- we who stand before him covered with his love.

That's extravagant love in action, to be **created holy like God himself**, like Jesus and the Holy Spirit that is beyond what normal love as we know it goes, to be considered holy in his eyes, without a single fault. How can we have not seen this extravagant love that God has for us? We are too busy condemning ourselves for every little or large fault we have, we have missed the point that God has made, that **he created us Holy like himself without a single fault**, that is how the extravagant love of God sees us. Holy means to be like God; that is how we look

to God, sadly that is not how we see ourselves, we see through eyes of condemnation and criticism, we don't see ourselves as our creator sees us, his blessed and holy children, made in his image. If only we could grasp that we are actually made in the image and likeness of God, this truth has eluded the Christian church for centuries. Our churches have focused on sin and sin alone, or sin and salvation, they have never understood that God created us like himself, holy without a single fault, and so they have never taught that to their people. Once we have accepted Jesus into our lives we are born again of the Holy Spirit, we were born in God's image in heaven and we were born again on earth by accepting Jesus extravagant love, that extravagant love that gave us free will when we came forth from our mother's womb, the will to either love God in return or to reject him as many do. This is the first sign of the extravagant love that God has for us.

We were created **covered by his love**- his extravagant love, his excessive love his overgenerous love, and his lavish love. Most Christians don't understand the extravagance of the love of God they have him pressed down to human size, he is squashed into a familiare sized box, he is limited in his love, and you can see from the meaning of extravagant that his love cannot be confined to a box of human thinking, his love has no beginning or no end because God is love. They don't realise that we were created billions of years ago, not twenty or thirty years ago according to your birthday. The extravagant love of God created us in heaven with himself and then when it became time for us to be born in the flesh and blood on earth through human parents we were formed in our mother's womb, by our earthly fathers seed or sperm, but the seed or sperm of God remains inside us **-1-John-5-** and so we are a **spirit love being** just like our heavenly Father. His extravagant love for us decided no matter how much it would hurt him, he would let us decide if we would return his love in exchange or not, and sad to say a lot of people have no time for God and so reject him, his extravagant love allowed us to chose to love him or reject him. His love didn't make us robots with no will of our own; he gave us free will just like he gave the angels free will, and many of them rebelled against him. And we have the choice to do the same. God took an extravagant chance on us his creation; if it were me that made people, I would probably have made them love me as part of their makeup, but I am still part flesh and all spirit and I think from a human perspective of emotions and feelings. God is not flesh and blood he is spirit love, and his extravagant love allowed us free will. Overgenerous, that is who God is; I have heard preachers say God won't give you this or that, or give in small amounts if it is money, but that is not the nature of the extravagant God of love, God wishes to give in abundance; our belief restricts him, we never expect God to give us hundreds of thousands or make us millionaires, but that is exactly what God wants to do. We are the ones who say we can't ask for money or large amounts; we have put terrible limits on God.

About four or five years ago I was standing at my kitchen sink peeling potatoes, I wasn't going to church at the time or doing anything for God, I was thinking about the dinner I was making when the Holy Spirit spoke to me audible and I heard this voice say; "I am giving you a lottery;" I thought someone spoke to me so I turned around to see who was there but no one was there; I thought that can't be God, then the voice spoke again and said, "**you shall have what you say,**" quoting scripture. To be truthful I told people this for a long time but deep down inside me I didn't expect God to give me an enormous sum of money, it was beyond my belief or my faith. I still had inside me the Old Catholic belief that you don't ask God for money, and if you had a need God would just supply that and not a penny more. 'Oh' how I have I restricted God from giving me that lottery, he owns all the money in the world, no one

can take a single cent with them when they die so all the money returns to God, it's all his, as scripture says **“all the gold and silver belongs to God all the cattle in a thousand hills belong to him.”** we own nothing. But our, or should I say ‘my belief’ has restricted God from blessing me {us} financially. God wanted to give me a lottery probably to bless other Christian people, and I stopped him because of unbelief, even though he spoke those words to me personally. I could not see why God would want to bless me with a lottery win.

Now I see that he is overgenerous, his generosity is beyond the boundaries that I have him boxed into. I repent of my limited belief in an awesome overgenerous God and I ask his forgiveness. Seeing what I see in this book about his extravagant love, I see the light in what he told me those years ago, and I am going to accept what he offered me all that time ago, because I know from his word he never revokes his call or word on our lives, so I know that offer is still there, so I thank him for it publicly in this book, let him be as generous to me as he wishes to.

Perhaps you like me have restricted God in his blessing us his own children, and then you also can repent and begin to expect the best from him.

We don't think that God, who claims to be our Father, and as a father to us he is over lavish with his generosity we think he limits what he gives us. We don't even realise he owns everything there is in this world, it is all his, no man owns anything, man will die and leave it all behind him to others, even Bill Gates will die and all that enormous wealth he accumulated will do him no good when he dies because he can't take a single cent with him. It didn't belong to him in the first place, God allowed him to be blessed financially, he believed he would become a millionaire and he did; God honoured his faith and belief, just like he would honour ours if we changed our belief. Belief and faith will work for anyone believer and unbeliever. We are God's own children; if he wished to bless anyone who would you think he would want to bless first, us, or the children of the world? We think everyone else but me, we don't believe that God is actually our Father and is overgenerous or lavish or a spendthrift, or wasteful with what he owns towards us his very own children, beloved by him. We haven't believed this until now and there is no point in saying we do or we would be wealthy and in abundance helping the poor and destitute and in good health. Or even seeing gigantic unbelievable miracles signs and wonders happening; these are the beginning of the end time and God wants his children going home in a blaze of glory.

I am sick and tired of hearing preachers saying ‘God won't do this or that,’ ‘God won't give you a lottery,’ ‘God won't do awesome miracles through you,’ no longer will I sit and stay in silence and let the preachers say those things, I will contradict them when they are wrong because they are teaching untruths about the word of God. The Christian church has sold God as someone who is stingy, tight fisted and judgemental seeing if you're deserving of his paltry gifts. And God is the opposite he is worthy of all praise because he is an awesome generous, squanderer of his resources, he is the Almighty Alfa and Omega, the Beginning and the End the owner of everything in all creation.

God was so generous to us he not only gave us the world with the sun and moon for light, he gave us countless stars and planets, the cosmos and universes, to enjoy looking at and now seeing in greater detail with the satellites they have in space and the telescopes on board spacecrafts like Hubble. We can see the excessive way he creates when we look at the stars in the sky. He could have just created the earth, the sun, the moon and nothing else but he wanted us to enjoy the beauty of a heaven glory in his stars.

Two

1 John 4-8 Contemporary English Version (CEV) God is love

If God is love and God is unlimited in his structure, then love is unlimited in its structure also, because love is God and God is love, sadly we have limited the construction of love to a human level. I believe that at this time God is changing our perspective of his love, I believe he is giving us a revelation of who he is, and what he is, and he is Love. If we could only understand that love is actually God; and is therefore unlimited in its structure we may begin to see the size of love. There is no limit to God he is inestimable, he reaches from here to eternity he is like a circle that has no beginning and no end, and that is what his love is, it has no beginning and no end, **love is God and God is love.**

I am finding it difficult to understand what I am writing because I have only known the God that I have limited in his love for me, and now I see a God who is love and is like that never ending circle and that love concerns me his son. This is going to take revelation for me and you to begin to understand the enormity of the love of God for me and for you. The greatest thing I am beginning to understand now is that I am at the centre of God's circle of love; I am not outside it looking up at the sky at heaven trying to reach God with my mind, I am at the centre of God's own universe, as he says in scripture he is in me and I am in him at the centre not the fringe. I have remembered people saying to me we can just touch the edge of God's garment, the hem, that is not true, we are at the centre of his being, because of Jesus, I in them and you in me all being together. That is extravagant love to be in the centre of the love of God, not on the fringe, we are in a place where we can never depart, and we're in the centre of God's own heart, what a place to be, one with God!

John 17-20-Complete Jewish Bible (CJB)

“I pray not only for these, but also for those who will trust in me because of their word, ²¹ that they may all be one. Just as you, Father, are united with me and I with you, I pray that they may be united with us, so that the world may believe that you sent me. ²² The glory which you have given to me, I have given to them; so that they may be one, just as we are one — ²³ I united with them and you with me, so that they may be completely one, and the world thus realize that you sent me, and that you have loved them just as you have loved me.”

Jesus says, ‘that you would love them just as you have loved me.’ If God the Father loves Jesus because he is part of himself how much do you think he loves us now we are part of himself through Jesus? He makes no difference between Jesus and us; who says he is our brother, and we are God's children, his family. Would God give Jesus anything he asked for, no matter how enormous it is, no matter how impossible it seemed to be? Yes he would, because he makes no discrepancy between us and Jesus, we are his sons and daughters just as Jesus is, he tells us that we are equal with Jesus, because we are like Him, we were carved out of the same substance that Jesus was carved out of, **‘love,’ God's own substance, the substance of**

himself. Of course God will give us what he would give Jesus we just don't ask with belief or faith or believe that he loves us as extravagantly as he loves Jesus.

The flesh of love

A chicken has one kind of flesh, a fish has another kind of flesh and we have a different kind of flesh and God has a different kind of flesh his flesh is the **substance called love;** it is the **essence of the material God is made up of.**

We think of love as a feeling and it is not really that at all, true love is a substance that you can feel with all that is in you; love responds to love, we are attracted to the same substance in others and when it is a relationship we respond to the love substance in both of us, both love substances jell together, and there is something in the makeup of love that attracts us to one person as a husband or wife for the rest of our lives, there is also a sexual attraction at the same time; it is a blending of both substances into one, that we become one in the sight of God.

The substance of love makes us feel good towards others, wanting what is best for them, and helping them along in life. For someone who loves mightily there is an attraction, not sexual which is different from love; these people generate out of them the love of God which people can feel with their senses, and can actually feel the presence of God in them, people like Smith Wigglesworth a mighty man of God who when he walked through a train carriage one time, people cried out in repentance asking God for mercy and repenting of their sins, because they felt the love substance in him of Almighty God, there was an abundance of the substance of God's love in this mighty man of God, and people got saved by crying out to God when he just walked by them, I wish I had just a portion of that amount of love in me.

I know that God sacrificed his son for me, sacrificing him to a horrible death, to pay for my sins, but it goes beyond even that depth of love, it goes to an enormous unending love that I am seeing as I write.

Think of it like this; God created you in himself, carved us out of the very flesh in his hand; out of himself he made you, he carved you 'in love,' think of this **'he carved you in love,' where? In his hand in his own hand** and he is love, so you were carved out of love, God's own supernatural makeup, his hand is made of love, and love is a real substance, it is a supernatural substance. We are flesh and blood and of course most importantly, we are spirit made in the image of God himself.

God is love, so his hand is love, so we that are carved in that hand are a love being; also that is the spirit side of us, a love spirit. We are love just like our father. We have thought more of ourselves as a flesh and blood being with a soul and a spirit, but that is wrong thinking; we are a spirit being, with a soul and a body. But we are more than that we are **love spirit beings,** God is love and we are made in his image- love.

Genesis 1-27 **Complete Jewish Bible (CJB)**

²⁷ So **God created humankind in his own image;**
in the image of God he created him:
male and female he created them.

28 God blessed them: God said to them, “Be fruitful, multiply, fill the earth and subdue it. Rule over the fish in the sea, the birds in the air and every living creature that crawls on the earth.” 29 Then God said, “Here! Throughout the whole earth I am giving you as food every seed-bearing plant and every tree with seed-bearing fruit.³⁰ and to every wild animal, bird in the air and creature crawling on the earth, in which there is a living soul, I am giving as food every kind of green plant.” And that is how it was

God gave an overabundance of good things to his children, he gave us every seed bearing fruit, the fish to eat, the birds, and every living creature crawling on the earth; that was an wasteful amount of food for just two people, Adam and Eve, but God showed his nature of over generosity, here in the very beginning; that excessive nature that gives too much, squandering what was left over.

When you read this scripture you can see the excessive love that God had for his creation; he gave them everything that was in excessive abundance, he is not stingy.

Now to get back to the makeup of God; his flesh and blood are made up of love, his bones are made of love, his brain is made up of the substance called love he is love incarnate. It is not just his nature that is love it is his very essence, his DNA, his entirety is love, and from his fingers to his toes is love, from the hairs on his head to his Holy feet he is love. God is like a cloud carrying rain, the clouds density is made up of rain, and when it releases that rain, it falls on the earth as wet water. When God whose density is made up of love releases his love on the earth love falls down and we call it the anointing of God, but the anointing is just pure love generated from a heart that beats love with every beat.

God is Father to us; but let's put that truth aside for a minute or two and let's study what God is, what he generates in his being. He is clothed in love, he lives in love, he Reigns in love, he walks in love and he talks in love he overshadows us in his love, his persona is love, there is nothing about God that is not just pure love in itself.

My skin is flesh, **God's skin is love**, my bones are bone, **God's bones are love**, and my internal organs are flesh and blood; **God's innards are love**, he permeates love he protrudes love he emanates love, **love is the essence of his being**. He is love, as scripture says; we see him as Father or as God, a holy being away above us, beyond our reach, but not a **being of pure energised love**, a **creature made of energising pulsating love**, he can't be anything else but love for that is him.

We don't treat God as pure love, we treat him as something that is limited in what he gives to us, and we don't see the excessive side of God that portion of him that just extrudes love out to us, squeezing every drop of precious love to you and me.

We think small about spiritual things, we don't think as our Loving God thinks; his thoughts are never small, they are thoughts of grandeur, looking at us with love filled eyes, seeing only the best in us and what can be changed in us to make us more completely like him until we also are submerged in love.

I'm feeling sick, why doesn't God heal me? he must not love me is our thinking, he expects too much of me, and in truth I don't think he loves me enough to heal me, I have him restricted in his love, he is not restricted in his love because he is love incarnate, but my disbelief in his love makes me feel like he won't reach out and heal me.

Most people feel it is a lack of faith that makes us unable to receive the healing love of God when we are ill or in pain, but that is because we don't understand the immensity of the love and nature and persona of God; we see him as a God of restrictions, even cold and indifferent at times, but that is human thinking, not how he really is, an extravagant God of pure love!

Three

God is love and love is God

“God is love,” “love is God,” dwell on that for a long time asking God for revelation as you do so. Love wants the best for us at all times, it never sells us short.

We often hear it said, **‘God is love’** but we don't often apply the other side of this scripture that **‘love is God,’** we are in a box situation, we are restricted in our thinking, no matter which way we turn the confinement in that box limits our view of God, now it is time to ask God to remove you from that box mentality and free you to know and understand the immensity of the love he has for us. Love has no boundaries, but when it comes to God healing my body from all its illness I place a box over my head again and I go back into the confinements and limits I had before. I limit God in his healing love by my lack of knowledge of whom and what he is, it is not my lack of faith or belief that Jesus took my sickness and bore all my diseases in his body, I just cannot understand that concept, How did he do it, I wasn't even born when he died, yet scripture says he died for me, love died for me but death could not keep love confined it had to release him from its grip, simply because “love is God.” It is not a lack of faith that keeps me ill but a lack of understanding the extravagant love God has for me, I don't understand how God could love me, with all my secrete faults and failings even though I know from his word that he considers me **“forever perfect in his sight” Hebrews-10-14-** and that I was created billions of years ago **clean and spotless without a single fault** as far as the love of God saw me-**Ephesians-1-4.**

Love is God and God is love, every act of love you perform is God's persona, it is not a random act that you do but it is generated by the essence of God in you, scripture says love comes from God-**1-John -4-** so the love we feel inside of us is the love of God, there is no other kind of love, God is love, love is God. There is not some other feeling of love that is separate from the Love of God.

This is not love no matter what people proclaim

There is only one love in this world, true some pervert the meaning of love and say ‘we are two gay men, or two gay women and we love each other, there is an emotion that makes them believe that they have perfect love in them but that is not true; love is God and in love there is no lust or sin, love is pure in its density there are no imperfections in love, love does not sin and God says homosexuality is sin, so the fact remains that love is God and God does not participate in sin, neither does God condemn the sinner, **he condemns sin** but **not the person sinning,** he **forgives the sinner** and offers redemption to them simply by asking Jesus into their hearts as their lord and saviour.

The New Age movement says there is a little bit of good in God and a little bit of evil, a little light and a little darkness, that's why their symbol shows two tadpole like figures in a circle one being black with a white dot and one being white with a black dot. This is a lie this is deception from the enemy of God, and silly people are fooled into thinking this lie is good.

Love is God and there is no dark areas of God he is light. These people are being deceived and many Christians are turning to these practices believing the lies and deception. This is what Jesus said about God in this following scripture.

1-John-1:5-Contemporary-English-Version

[God Is Light] Jesus told us that God is light and doesn't have any darkness in him. Now we are telling you.

These deceived people don't know God or the Love of God and it is time we Christians stood up and began proclaiming the greatness of God and the extravagant love he is, **love is God and God is love.**

Christian friends, It is time to march out into this world and show forth the extravagant love God has for us, People need to see and experience this extravagant love for themselves, and Christians are not doing this and it is time for all that to change; God's love is extravagant and extravagant Christians will bring forth that extravagant love to others through the power of the Holy Spirit in them. We were never created to sit in church and just praise God and nothing else; we were given supernatural gifts, why? Because we are supposed to go out into the entire world and preach the gospel and heal the sick and deliver those oppressed by the enemy, we are supposed to cast out demons, raise the dead

Four

Here are stories of God's extravagant love.

When God took the Israelites out of Egypt he made the Egyptians give the Israelites all their gold and their wealth and clothes. **Exodus 12-35**

Exodus 11-2Contemporary English Version (CEV)

²Now go and tell my people to ask their Egyptian neighbours for gold and silver jewellery.

If God said to you go and ask your neighbour, or actually your captors and masters for their gold and silver and best clothes would you go and do that expecting them to give their wealth to you because God said it? I doubt it very much, yet in another translation this scriptures says, 'tell the people to prepare to ask their masters for their gold and silver and clothes.' I like that one best and it's in **-The Way Bible**. God was preparing his people to ask and to receive, and now God is doing the same today and we are so limited in our thinking and understanding of God our father we can't see past the tip of our nose.

Remember something here the Israelites were slaves to the Egyptians, they were the slaves and now God was turning things around by his generous love. He was not leading his people out of slavery poor or destitute, no he was **leading them out rich**, and the following scripture said, 'they stripped the Egyptians of everything.' When God blesses his people he really blesses them.

And we the children of Almighty God today, are no different he wants to lead us out of slavery to sin and Satan's bondage into freedom and into prosperity, into a time of great blessing, and we can't see it, we are so configured with the belief that God is hard and not generous which

he is definitely not. We have not experienced the enormous love of God, we hear of it spoken but have never experienced it for ourselves, we hear a limited version of God or read a variable version of God, and not the real version of a God who is over indulgent in his generosity, he is lavish in his giving, but we can't seem to get that into our conscious minds or spirit. We have been so rigid in our concept of God that we can't see past the boundaries of human thinking. We know God's word says God is love, but we don't realise that love is also God, and love knows no boundaries, as scripture says we will never understand the length, breadth, the height of God's love.

Ephesians 3-14-Complete Jewish Bible (CJB)

For this reason, I fall on my knees before the Father, ¹⁵ from whom every family in heaven and on earth receives its character. ¹⁶ I pray that from the treasures of his glory he will empower you with inner strength by his Spirit, ¹⁷ so that the Messiah may live in your hearts through your trusting. Also I pray that you will be rooted and founded in love, ¹⁸ so that you, with all God's people, will be given strength to grasp the breadth, length, height and depth of the Messiah's love, ¹⁹ yes, to know it, even though it is beyond all knowing, so that you will be filled with all the fullness of God.

²⁰ Now to him who by his power working in us is able to do far beyond anything we can ask or imagine ²¹ to him is glory in the Messianic Community and in the Messiah Yeshua from generation to generation forever. *Amen.*

Why does God want us to know the enormity of his love for us, **verse-19**-is the answer; **so that you will be filled with the fullness of God**, that's why he wants us to understand his extravagant love? You can't be filled with something you don't believe in, God wants to reveal his true self to us will you let him do this?

God is extravagant love and wants us to experience his extravagant love for ourselves, so that we can in turn bring others into an experience of that extravagant love so they also can be filled with the fullness of God. The fullness of God knows him as he is, not what we have been taught to believe he is. There is a vast difference between the God we know and the God who is and the God who knows us and wants to reveal his persona to us in these times.

I believe that God is sick and tired of his children going without, and the worldly people having all the riches. I believe he desires to take the wealth off the sinner and give it to his people.

Ecclesiastes-2:26-New-International-Version

To the person who pleases him, God gives wisdom, knowledge and happiness, but to the sinner he gives the task of gathering and storing up wealth to hand it over to the one who pleases God.

I got a prophetic message for the people of Zimbabwe regarding that scripture and I put it on facebook for my Zimbabwe friends and not one clicked like or read the book, explaining this prophecy, because of unbelief I presume. The Israelites did as God told them and they received the Egyptians gold and silver and best clothing. Would Christians do this if God told us today to do it? I doubt if many would, they would be quoting solicitors and laws to him and lawsuits, but do it- I don't think so.

Exodus 12-35-Amplified Bible (AMP)

³⁵ The Israelites did according to the word of Moses; and they [urgently] asked of the Egyptians jewels of silver and of gold, and clothing.

³⁶ The Lord gave the people favour in the sight of the Egyptians, so that they gave them what they asked. And they stripped the Egyptians [of those things].

God is our Father and he said he is more generous to us than an earthly father, the Egyptians stripped themselves of their gold and silver and jewels and clothing, anything to get rid of the Israelites, because God wanted to bless his children and God desires to do the same for us today if we would only let him. This is what he said about himself in this next scripture.

Matthew-7:9-Contemporary-English-Version

would any of you give your hungry child a stone, if the child asked for some bread?

¹⁰ Would you give your child a snake if the child asked for a fish? ¹¹ · As bad as you are, you still know how to give good gifts to your children. But your heavenly Father is even more ready to give good things to people who ask.

God our Father is even more ready to give good things to people who ask. Let's ask for wealth and wondrous gifts of the Holy Spirit, let God show how extravagant he is in his love for us, stop restricting him by human belief, turn this over to the Holy Spirit and ask for revelation, an understanding of the extravagant God we have.

Here is another extravagant example of the love of God.

Luke 5-4-Complete Jewish Bible (CJB)

⁴ When he had finished speaking, he said to Shim'on, {Simon} "Put out into deep water, and let down your nets for a catch."⁵ Shim'on {Simon} answered, "We've worked hard all night long, Rabbi, and haven't caught a thing! But if you say so, I'll let down the nets."⁶ They did this and took in so many fish that their nets began to tear. ⁷ So they motioned to their partners in the other boat to come and help them; and they came and filled both boats to the point of sinking.

Jesus could have filled their nets with enough fish to fill the nets, but he didn't he filled them to over abundance, so stretched that they needed help to land their catch and they caught so

many fish that their nets began to tear. Jesus could have given them enough for their needs but he didn't they received in abundance extravagance. The same with the loaves and fishes, he fed the five thousand and there were twelve baskets left over, there was an extravagant amount left over. I wondered what they did with the remaining bread and fish, food did not stay fresh for long in a hot climate, so they probably gave it away

Mark-8:19-King-James-Version

When I break the five loaves among five thousand, how many baskets full of fragments took you up? They say unto him, Twelve.

Why was Jesus so extravagant, so wasteful? He did the same with the four thousand men, and all the rest were women and children, and there were seven baskets filled with food left over, why was he so overabundant in his generosity, He could have asked, 'Father how many men women and children are there here' and the Father would have told him the exact amount, but he didn't he made sure everyone ate till they were full, he did things in abundance to show his generosity, the lavish love God has for his people.

Matthew 15

New International Version (NIV)

³³ His disciples answered, "Where could we get enough bread in this remote place to feed such a crowd?" ³⁴ **"How many loaves do you have?"** Jesus asked. **"Seven,"** they replied; **"and a few small fish"** ³⁵ He told the crowd to sit down on the ground. ³⁶ Then he took the seven loaves and the fish, and when he had given thanks, he broke them and gave them to the disciples, and they in turn to the people. ³⁷ They all ate and were satisfied. Afterward the disciples picked up seven basketfuls of broken pieces that were left over. ³⁸ The number of those who ate was four thousand men, besides women and children.

God showed his extravagant love by giving the people in both these incidents abundance, there was no chance of there not being enough. God is overabundant not under abundant. It is our wrong teaching that has left us with a god whom we think is stingy.

Did you notice something in the scriptures? God didn't just give his blessings to just one person, he did it to lots of people multitudes in fact so don't think it is just to certain people that receive the extravagant love and blessings God has,

Exodus 11-2Contemporary English Version (CEV)

²Now go and **tell my people to ask their Egyptian neighbours for gold and silver jewellery.**

Mark-8:19-King-James-Version

When I break the five loaves among five thousand, how many baskets full of fragments took you up? They say unto him, Twelve.

In both these scripture all the people received the abundant extravagant love of God. Most Christian's think it is only certain people who get blessed by God but that is again wrong

teaching and contrary to the word of God. God desires to bless all his children as scripture says he has no favourites.

Romans-2:11-Contemporary-English-Version **God doesn't have any favourites!**

No Christian can ever say that God has his own favourite; we are all the same to him, we are his children; so God will not bless one of his children more than he will bless another, this is another deception told us by the enemy, God loves someone better than he loves you for after all look at the kind of you compared to holy Joe, God does not love Jesus more than he loves you; he calls Jesus Son and he calls us Son and Daughter, the same we are the ones who put preconditions on the extravagant love of God, but we don't believe that we are loved the same as Jesus equally with him. I know that when the Holy Spirit of God prompted me to write this book by giving me the title he wanted me to write on, he will open my spirit and yours if you let him and we will see the extravagant love that God has for us. I try with my human thinking to show you the reader this extravagant love and I couldn't. The scriptures I wrote are the very scriptures that the Holy Spirit gave me. I was searching for scripture that showed the extravagant love of God and I could not think of any, then I gave up and asked the Spirit to reveal them and he did immediately, he showed me a list of scriptures that show the extravagant love of Almighty God.

I pray that God will give me the wisdom and the insight into his extravagant love, even as I write this, or even more that he would let me experience this or show me ways he did show his extravagant love for me. Even as I asked the Lord reminded me that he showed me his extravagant love when one night during the war in Ireland, I was stopped by men dressed as policemen. I knew immediately that these men weren't genuine policemen because of the guns they were carrying and by their attitude which was threatening; the guns were not police issue. At that time there was a protestant terrorist group that was reported killing Catholics, and they dressed as policemen. I knew I had been stopped by this group and I was a Catholic from the well known area of Creggan, where only Catholics lived. As I stopped my car one of the bogus policemen demanded my licence of me, and then went around the back of my car, as he went around the back of my car I had a supernatural experience, I felt this man who was at the back of my car place his gun at the nape of my neck and pushed in into my neck hard, I could feel the pressure of the gun and could feel the metal of it against me, and I knew I was going to be killed, so I began silently singing praises to God as I believed I was about to be murdered and I wanted to enter heaven 'entering his gates with thanksgiving in my heart and entering his courts with praise.' I surrendered my wife and children to the lords care to look after, after I was killed. Then suddenly the pressure was removed from my neck and the bogus policeman came around from the back of the car and threw my licence at me and told me to get the f*** out of here, and I sure did. I sang praise to God all the way home. God could have let me get killed by this terrorist group, but he didn't and he showed me his extravagant love in this incidence.

Three times God transported me and my car and van from one place to another in a split second, because I asked his help as I was late on all three occasions. Extravagant love in action, and I can think of other extravagant ways he showed me his amazing extravagant love but I never thought of them in this manner before. God blessed me with a wonderful wife and eight

amazing children a gift from him to me, I never always appreciated them as much as I could have and should have as we grew up together, but that has changed as I changed over the years.

Five

Some other stories of God's extravagant love

2-Chronicles-9:22-Amplified-Bible

King Solomon surpassed all the kings of the earth in riches and wisdom.

These are stories of how he blessed men who believed him and his extravagant love. King Solomon was blessed extravagantly with a fortune no one had ever been blessed with before or after, as this scripture said he **surpassed** all the kings of the earth in riches and he also had a double blessing he surpassed everyone in wisdom also. Do you think that God would want to bless his children with the same extravagant love today? Most of you who read this would say to themselves, 'not me he wouldn't,' but God says **he has no favourites**, you are no different than Solomon to God but you believe like me that he was greater and more important to God that we could ever be, but even Solomon had to die and leave it all behind him. All the treasures of the whole earth belong to God and he can distribute them to whom he desires to. But he wouldn't give me all this wealth, no not me, I wouldn't deserve it, neither did Solomon we don't deserve anything because everything is grace from God.

Do you think poverty gives God any glory? People dying from hunger when he can multiply bread and fish? And have nineteen baskets left over from these incidents, too much, as the word extravagant says it means overgenerous, wasteful, excessive, too much. Do you think sickness and disease glorifies God or do you think it makes people mock God, I hear them mock God and blame him for these awful things when God says in his word through Jesus, "The thief comes to steal kill and destroy, I came to give life." God gave his Christian children the gift of his own Holy Spirit who was the power behind Jesus miracles, Jesus never by himself healed anyone or did any awesome miracles including rising people from the dead, and it was because the power of the Holy Spirit was upon him as scripture tells us.

Now God has shown his extravagant love by giving us his Holy Spirit, 'the power behind God and Jesus.' And if you don't think this is extravagant love then you need to have your head examined. God trust us with the power that created the heavens and the earth and all that is in it and is in the cosmos and universes and galaxies, and we have that extravagant love inside of us. We have the Holy Spirit of God himself living in side of us and scripture also says the Holy Trinity is living in us we have the Godhead, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit living in us joined together as one and you don't think this is extravagant love in action. If you believe what God says about the Holy Trinity living in you then you have the capabilities of believing that God's extravagant love is available to us also; if God gave us himself in the form of the Holy Trinity do you think he will be restricted in sharing his extravagant love with us?

Would the God who gives you himself and his Spirit and then trusts you with it all, not give you his extravagant love?

Look at Job, everybody uses the story of Job as a disaster story, but look at it , really look at it, first of all; what happened to Job, was caused by the enemy who did all the bad things that happened Job. Yes! God allowed the enemy to do with Job and his family what he did, but Job still trusted God and **God** defended him to his so called comforters, and he then gave Job a

dressing down, reminding him of whom he was,- God. And what did God then do, after God told him to pray for his three friends and Job obeyed.

Job 42-10-Contemporary English Version (CEV)

After Job had prayed for his three friends, the LORD made Job twice as rich as he had been before. ¹¹ Then Job gave a feast for his brothers and sisters and for his old friends. They expressed their sorrow for the suffering the LORD had brought on him, and they each gave Job some silver and a gold ring.

¹² The LORD now blessed Job more than ever; he gave him fourteen thousand sheep, six thousand camels, a thousand pair of oxen, and a thousand donkeys.

^{13.} --In addition to seven sons, Job had three daughters, ¹⁴ whose names were Jemimah, Keziah, and Keren Happuch. ¹⁵ They were the most beautiful women in that part of the world, and Job gave them all shares of his property, along with their brothers.

¹⁶ Job lived for another one hundred forty years—long enough to see his great-grandchildren have children of their own— ¹⁷ and when he finally died, he was very old.

Then God now blessed Job more than ever; he gave him fourteen thousand sheep, six thousand camels, a thousand pair of oxen, and a thousand donkeys. ^{13.} --In addition to seven sons, Job had three daughters, He received an extravagant amount of love and blessings from God he gave him an over abundance of wealth and do you think he will do the same for you, will God share his extravagant love and blessings on you? Yes he will if we believe him. We are the ones who have restricted the Holy one from blessing us, by our lack of expectation, our lack of understanding the kind of God we have as a Father to us. I hear in church about God and how wonderful he is yet I see no sign of God in the church, no miracles signs or wonders or awesome presence, except through one or two people and that is mostly outside the church that things are happening, they share in church during the sharing time. I see very little signs and wonders and extravagant blessings here in Ireland.

I have seen moves of God at times through individuals but never through a church body. I have seen God work miracles and signs and wonders through me, I have seen the impossible healed those near dead raised to full health again. I have seen God remove multiple cancer lesions instantly, and have seen hundreds of skin cancers fall of a woman with cancer, and this is just the tip of the iceberg as they say. I want more for God's people to experience; I want to experience that extravagant love of God for myself, so that I can show people how to attain

The Widow's Olive Oil

2 Kings 4

New International Version (NIV)

The Widow's Olive Oil

4 The wife of a man from the company of the prophets cried out to Elisha, “Your servant my husband is dead, and you know that he revered the LORD. But now his creditor is coming to take my two boys as his slaves.”

2 Elisha replied to her, “How can I help you? Tell me, what do you have in your house?”
“Your servant has nothing there at all,” she said, “except a small jar of olive oil.”

3 Elisha said “Go around and ask all your neighbours for empty jars. Don’t ask for just a few. **4** Then go inside and shut the door behind you and your sons. Pour oil into all the jars, and as each is filled, put it to one side.”

5 She left him and shut the door behind her and her sons. They brought the jars to her and she kept pouring. **6** When all the jars were full, she said to her son, “Bring me another one.”

But he replied, “There is not a jar left.” Then the oil stopped flowing.

7 She went and told the man of God, and he said, “Go, sell the oil and pay your debts. You and your sons can live on what is left.”

God could easily have given her enough to get by, to pay off her debts, but he didn’t, he gave her an abundance with enough left over to keep her comfortable; if she had collected a thousand jars or two thousand jars the oil would flow to fill them all, the flow was not going to end until every jar was full. God gave an extravagant amount of love in the oil that never stopped flowing until every container was filled to the brim, and God wants to fill us to the brim with his oil of gladness, his joy, his love, his wealth, his mercy and goodness. He wants us to experience his extravagant love for ourselves but we will never experience that until we first of all see it in written form from the scriptures, and then as we soak up the word of God we will be released from the mindsets that the enemy has put on us through others beliefs by our expectations.

The lord was deeply concerned

Joel 2
Contemporary English Version (CEV)

8The LORD was deeply concerned
about his land
and had pity on his people.

¹⁹ In answer to their prayers
he said,

“I will give you enough grain,
wine, and olive oil
to satisfy your needs.

No longer will I let you
be insulted by the nations.

²⁰ An army attacked from the north,

**but I will chase it
into a scorching desert.
There it will rot and stink
from the Dead Sea
to the Mediterranean.”**

**The LORD works wonders
²¹ and does great things.
So tell the soil to celebrate**

**²² and wild animals
to stop being afraid.
Grasslands are green again;
fruit trees and fig trees
are loaded with fruit.
Grapevines are covered
with grapes.**

**²³ People of Zion
celebrate in honour
of the LORD your God!
He is generous and has sent
the autumn and spring rains
in the proper seasons.^[e]**

**²⁴ Grain will cover
your threshing places;
jars will overflow
with wine and olive oil.**

Is God saying there will be just enough to cover the needs of his people or is he saying the floors will be covered with grain, and they will have enough booze and olive oil. God's extravagant love gives an abundance always he never just meets a need unless restricted by our belief. How many Christians are asking for a little tiny car to get them around places where they are trying to spread the gospel, instead of asking for the best car to do the work, the one that would cost the most but would be most efficient and comfortable also, no we Christians have such a low opinion of God we think we also should be riding around on a donkey, this is not two thousand years ago, a donkey was a good method for getting around in those days and not all could afford one. Read the scriptures that I have given you and see for yourself the extravagant love that God has for us.

We give good things to others and God will never be outdone in generosity, he gives in abundance with plenty left over. Let's change our thinking and our expectations, because as scripture says, **“As you believe so shall it be.”** And we believed in a miserable tight fisted God and not the extravagant God he truly is.

Your flour and oil won't run out either

1-Kings-17:14-Contemporary-English-Version

the LORD God of Israel has promised that your jar of flour won't run out and your bottle of oil won't dry up before he sends rain for the crops."

If God makes a promise he keeps it and he proved it to his children, the Israelites his own children and he calls us his own children also, and we know he has no favourites and so we should expect the same blessings he gave the Israelites years ago. There is no change in God 'he is the same yesterday today and forever.'

His love is from everlasting to everlasting, if his love is from everlasting to everlasting that means it has no beginning and no end it is perpetual it is shed out upon us, that's how much we are loved that is extravagant to say the least.

Psalm-103:17-King-James-Version

But the mercy of the LORD is from everlasting to everlasting upon them that fear him, and his righteousness unto children's children;

He loves us so much that not only does he show mercy to us from everlasting to everlasting but he also shows it to our children and grandchildren, this is how much we are loved by our extravagant God. We as Christians haven't got a clue to how much we are truly loved and that is sad, we have heard far too much of condemnation and other negative things that we find it difficult to believe that God's love is extravagant for us personally. Yes he does things for others that are 'special' to him but he does not do these things for me personally, I don't experience his extravagant love. God has no favourites and he does not lie, he wants you and me to experience his extravagant love for ourselves, he wants us to know how deep his love and how high it is for ourselves.

His love is extravagant, overgenerous, **"Excessive, spendthrift, overgenerous, exaggerated, overstated, profligate, wasteful, squandering, and lavish."**

God does not hate anyone, he hates sin

God corrects us because he loves us and like any loving father he punishes his children when they do wrong, but discipline does not cause us everlasting hurt, it hurts for a while but then it goes away when we see the error of our ways, we see God's correction and punishment as a bad God, but would you let your kids off with stealing from you or smashing things up in your home or the other things kids do as they grow up. God is father to us and he will correct and punish you just as love causes you to punish your children when they do something wrong, because you know it is wrong for them to do the wrongs that they do, so you punish them and still love them, nothing has changed except that their backside may be a little red from their spanking, and hopefully they won't do the bad things again. Love hurts sometimes, but it is love and love heals also, we have a wonderful God who loves us enough to punish us when we do wrong and loves us enough to forgive us and show us mercy when we say sorry.

We don't associate God as an extravagant God who is extravagant with his love and mercy and forgiveness and provision and with **"his wealth"** for man does not own wealth he has a temporary loan of it, but all wealth belongs to God and he wants to share that wealth with you now today, ask for little and you will get little ask for what will give god glory and abundance and you will get an extravagant amount, stop restricting God in his desire to give you a super

abundance of wealth and supernatural gifts and powers, take off the limits when you pray talking with God asking for the extravagant need you have for others. I want to have material wealth for to help others, I am very happy with what I have now but when I see God wants to bless me in abundance extravagant blessings I am ashamed I have thought of him as a tiny God who would bless other special people but not me, today that has changed I have an extravagant God and his Holy Spirit told me so and I personally believe him and his description of Father God, if the Spirit of God said it I believe it and I intend to act on that information from this day forward, I do have an extravagant God who owns everything and desires to give me his best and now it's time I released his hands from the bondage I held them in by saying sorry lord bless me in abundance from today onwards, I claim that lottery you said you were giving me, in Jesus name.

Six

Never give up until you get what you asked for.

Luke 18

Good News Translation (GNT)

Luke 18

The Parable of the Widow and the Judge

¹ Then Jesus told his disciples a parable to teach them that they should always pray and never become discouraged.

² In a certain town there was a judge who neither feared God nor respected people. ³ And there was a widow in that same town that kept coming to him and pleading for her rights, saying, Help me against my opponent! ⁴ for a long time the judge refused to act, but at last he said to himself, Even though I don't fear God or respect people, yet because of all the trouble this widow is giving me, I will see to it that she gets her rights. If I don't, she will keep on coming and finally wear me out ⁶. And the Lord continued, Listen to what that corrupt judge said.

Now, will God not judge in favour of his own people who cry to him day and night for help? Will he be slow to help them? ⁸ I tell you, he will judge in their favour and do it quickly. But will the Son of Man find faith on earth when he comes.

Wear God out

In this scripture Jesus himself who is God in human form told the apostles how to get their prayers answered; he told them to **wear his Father out** by constantly coming to him and asking for their rights, **{what God promised in scripture is your rights}** never giving him a moment's peace, wear him out with your constant asking. This is what we are being told by Jesus himself who knows more about prayer than anyone, don't give his Father a moment's peace wear him down by continually asking and believe because of what Jesus said. If only we could grasp the fact, that **God wants to be worn out by our continual asking**, he is telling us through his Son Jesus wear me out, it means you have faith and faith is doing something, faith keeps going on when everything looks black and bleak, like there is no answer coming,

and still you keep on going doggedly refusing to back down, keep pressing onwards until what you asked for materialises in this world.

When you ask God for something he always answers but there is more to just asking, there is praising, and thanking God for what you asked for. I want to repeat what I just wrote a moment ago; **God wants us to wear him down**, it is not that we are wearing him down or out but the fact we won't give up pleases him. Remember this and hold it in your heart and ponder it just like Mary did when the Angel told her she was to have a child and she was a virgin, ponder means to think about it again and again. Wear God out because he said to wear him out, remember he said it through Jesus, and if we do what God through Jesus told us then we will get what we asked for.

Too many Christians give up if something does not come in a certain timeframe, they are never to give up when they have a need, they are to reluctantly keep digging in their heels and refusing to budge, I won't move from here until I get what I want, that should be their attitude; **No! No! No! I won't give up** until I am blessed with what I asked for. This is the attitude that pleases God immensely. A fighting attitude is what wins even when you are beaten with many blows, you have an enemy who is determined to stop you receiving what you asked for and I will share the scripture which shows you what happens in heaven when the children of God ask for something.

When I was doing ministry in a place called Portstewart in Ireland, I used to go to a house where the husband and wife would hold a healing meeting, inviting people they met who were ill, to their home so that I could come and pray with them. I used to take a train each time I went there and Bernard the husband would run me home in his car after I finished sometimes very late at night or in fact three or four in the morning and I would arrive home when morning was breaking, then Bernard had to drive home again an hour and a half driving, three hours driving in total, and he had to be up next morning at nine to open his bar.

I felt that this was a lot of pressure on Bernard, so Rose and I asked God for a car, and Rose said she specifically wanted a red one, so we told the lord what colour and asked for the car; we asked God, then we reminded him every time we prayed and we thanked him for giving us one even when it didn't look like we were getting one. God's word said to **"hold me in remembrance,"** so we did and thanking him was our way of reminding him, and thanking him every time it came to our mind about the car, we never ceased thanking and praising him and reminding him, because he said to **"hold me in remembrance,"** God does not forget things, but it means it will keep us going after what we desire and keep asking and praising and thanking him for what we asked. A few weeks later I was in Bernard's home and was just about to begin my talk from scripture, to prepare the people to receive first of all salvation if they desired it and secondly the baptism in the Holy Spirit and then I ended up with Praying for healing, and God always healed everyone who came.

As I was preparing my notes, I thought go to the toilet first, so I excused myself and went to the toilet and as I was entering into the toilet I heard the phone ring and Bernard saying to someone, to keep believing and to trust God, and that he would pray for them, closing the door behind me I felt compelled to fall on my knees and begin praying for the person on the phone asking God to meet their need whatever they were.

Then I went back into the room and began my sermon and praise God all those who had come wished to receive Jesus as lord and saviour, then the phone rang again and Bernard left the room to answer and I felt compelled to take a minutes break and go to the toilet again, and again as I entered the toilet I heard Bernard saying to the person on the phone, no matter what

it looks like believe God and to go back again to where they had been, so again as I closed the door to the toilet I fell down on my knees and began praying for this person on the phone, not knowing it was the same person that phoned previously.

I went back into the room and again I talked of the baptism in the Holy Spirit and praise God those who did not have this gift asked for it and I and another lady laid hands on them to receive it and they began speaking in tongues as they received. After we finished I went to begin praying for the sick and felt a check in my spirit to take another break. I made a joke about all the water I usually drank during a service and excused myself again and again as I went to the toilet the phone rang and Bernard was talking with the person who phoned and encouraging them to not give up, and for the third time as I closed the toilet door I fell to my knees and began praying for the person on the phone whoever they were.

Then I went back into the living room and as I sat down one of Bernard's sons asked me if I was praying for a car and if it was a red one; {I had shared with them previously I wanted a red car for free} and everyone burst out laughing as I said yes and the lords giving me one, and for some reason I didn't know at the time everyone was in stitches laughing every time I emphasised yes the lord is giving me a car and it will be a red one.

Then I prayed with those who were sick and the lord healed them all. This was about one o'clock in the morning and I finished about two. After everyone had left Bernard's wife Carol made me a cup of tea and as I sat drinking my tea the phone rang again and Bernard went to answer it again, then he came back in and said that Jacquie a wonderful woman of God rang and asked could I come over to her place there was a woman there who wanted to receive the baptism in the Holy Spirit, at this time I looked at their clock and I saw it was three in the morning, and I mentioned the time to Bernard and he said it would take only a few minutes to go to Jacquie's home, so I agreed and we set off.

It took us twenty minutes to get there and when I went in and met the friend and talked with her about the Baptism in the Spirit she wanted it we prayed and she received in minutes and was speaking in tongues. Afterwards Jacquie made us all tea and we chatted about the lord then I heard a noise outside and looked out the side of the room curtains and was shocked to discover that it was daylight and the noise I heard was the birds singing. I said I better go and stood up and hugged my hosts and the lady and went out the door with Bernard following me, as I walked outside Johnny Jacquie's husband asked me to wait a minute, and went inside the house again and came back out again and handed me a set of car keys and mumbled there it is and pointed to this dirty looking orangey looking car. I was confused because he was a man who talked very quietly and I could not hear what he said properly but to try and keep it short he was saying he and Jacquie had bought me this car and it turned out it was he who was phoning Bernard's home asking what to do because they had been told by the lord to buy me a car they saw sitting up a back lane, but when they went back to get the car it was gone so they phoned Bernard asking what to do and told him, 'the lord said to buy Brendan that car,' and I was on my knees praying for them unknowingly, eventually they got the car and they gave me the keys .

When I got home in the morning I went straight to bed and it was now eight o'clock in the morning and before I fell asleep I told Rose about the car and she got up and looked out the window and said, 'thank you Jesus it is a red one.' I got back up out of bed and looked out the window and sure enough the car was red, henna red as the log book said. Under the street lights at Jacquie's home it looked orange, we rejoiced that God had given us a car and for free because I wasn't working and had no money to buy a car. I got many years out of that car and brought hundreds to the lord using it to take me places.

So be specific when you ask and don't give up, and Jesus told us in that scripture, **wear God out** by constantly asking and reminding him with praise and thanksgiving and you also will get what you asked God for, even if you have finally now asked for wealth so you could be a blessing to others. God is extravagant and I experienced his extravagant love in the answer to our prayer for a red car.

Seven

What happens when you pray?

Daniels answers to prayer

Daniel 10

Good News Translation (GNT)

⁴ On the twenty-fourth day of the first month of the year I was standing on the bank of the mighty Tigris River.⁵ I looked up and saw someone who was wearing linen clothes and a belt of fine gold.⁶ His body shone like a jewel. His face was as bright as a flash of lightning, and his eyes blazed like fire. His arms and legs shone like polished bronze, and his voice sounded like the roar of a great crowd.

⁷ I was the only one who saw the vision. Those who were with me did not see anything, but they were terrified and ran and hid.⁸ I was left there alone, watching this amazing vision. I had no strength left, and my face was so changed that no one could have recognized me.⁹ When I heard his voice, I fell to the ground unconscious and lay there face downward.¹⁰ Then a hand took hold of me and raised me to my hands and knees; I was still trembling.

¹¹ The angel said to me, Daniel, God loves you. Stand up and listen carefully to what I am going to say. I have been sent to you. When he had said this, I stood up, still trembling.

¹² Then he said, Daniel, don't be afraid. God has heard your prayers ever since the first day you decided to humble yourself in order to gain understanding. I have come in answer to your prayer.¹³ the angel prince of the kingdom of Persia opposed me for twenty-one days. Then Michael, one of the chief angels, came to help me, because I had been left there alone in Persia.¹⁴ I have come to make you understand what will happen to your people in the future. This is a vision about the future. ¹⁵ When he said this, I stared at the ground, speechless.¹⁶ Then the angel, who looked like a human being, reached out and touched my lips. I said to him, Sir, this vision makes me so weak that I can't stop trembling.¹⁷ I am like a slave standing before his master. How can I talk to you? I have no strength or breath left in me. ¹⁸ Once more he took hold of me, and I felt stronger.¹⁹ He said, God loves you, so don't let anything worry you or frighten you.

And when he had spoken unto me, I was strengthened, and said; Let my lord speak; for thou hast strengthened me.

20 Then said he, Knows thou wherefore I come unto thee? And now will I return to fight with the prince of Persia: and when I am gone forth, lo, the prince of Greece shall come.

This is what happens when we pray an angel is sent to us with the answer and we have to keep praising and thanking God because our praise strengthens our angel, because the angels of the enemy are there trying to stop them. Then after we get our need brought to us by the angel sent to us, we should spend as much time thanking as we did asking and praising, we need to help our angel get back to heaven again.

In this section of this book I am showing you how to get that extravagant love of God working for you, do as Daniel did, he fasted and prayed for understanding, you can do a little fasting also, perhaps fasting from watching too much TV or something not necessarily fasting from food, perhaps fasting from having a cigarette or some luxury you enjoy.

But you have to keep on believing and asking God reminding him he said he wants to bless you extravagantly and keep the pressure up on God wearing him out just like the example Jesus gave in Luke 11-5.

Luke 11-5 Contemporary English Version (CEV)

5 Then Jesus went on to say:

Suppose one of you goes to a friend in the middle of the night and says, “Let me borrow three loaves of bread. ⁶ a friend of mine has dropped in and I don’t have a thing for him to eat.” ⁷ And suppose your friend answers “Don’t bother me! The door is bolted, and my children and I are in bed. I cannot get up to give you something.”

⁸ He may not get up and give you the bread, just because you are his friend. But he will get up and give you as much as you need, simply because you are not ashamed to keep on asking.

God does not want you to feel ashamed or less than others he wants you to come boldly before his throne asking for the very best; as he says in another scripture talking about the gifts, he says, **‘ask for the very best, those that will be of real help for the church.’**

1 Corinthians 14-12-Complete Jewish Bible (CJB)

¹² Likewise with you: since you eagerly seek the things of the Spirit, seek especially what will help in edifying the congregation.

Another translation reads **“ask him for the very best,”** I like that translation best but it is not on my Bible Gateway bible study, it is from **“The Way Bible.”**

1 Corinthians 12-31-Contemporary English Version (CEV)

I want you to desire the best gifts. So I will show you a much better way.

God wants us to **ask for the best, ask for the best gifts, the greatest ones that will bless the church and the body of Christ,** waiting on God to give you the gifts is not what scripture says, it says it is up to you to ask for the best God can give you and if God says ask for the best then do what God says, don't listen to man obey God and you will get the best and most amazing gifts he has to offer.

As Christians we haven't sought the best God has to offer us we are so busy trying to be humble that we miss the whole concept of who and what God is saying to us; he says **'always ask for the best,'** the greatest amount of money, prosperity, wealth, the greatest amount of spiritual gifts the greatest amount of love, the greatest desire to be obedient to him. He wants to give us the best because he is an **extravagant God** who is overgenerous with everything. Bad teachings in church tells us to be humble and let God give you what he wants to give you and that is unscriptural God says in his word **"ASK FOR THE BEST."**

We are not seeking the great things God has to offer so we can be great in the eyes of the world we are searching for the greatest gifts and powers to help our fellow man. I want more and more miracle working power from God and I never cease asking the Holy Spirit to give me his best. I want to raise the dead; I want to call down fire on God's enemies to change them not to destroy them but to have them experience the fiery love of God; I want to change the people around me; I want to walk like Smith Wigglesworth where people cried out to God for mercy when he walked by. I want my God to be seen in this world that does not see him; I want Christians and non Christians alike to witness mighty miracles of God, the crippled and deformed healed instantly, to be a demonstration of the power of the Holy Spirit, to be a light to the world as scripture says I am; I want my light to shine, not to make me great, but to show forth his greatness in us, to bring souls to the lord; I want the best that God has to offer me and the more I write and read what I write in this book the more I want more and more of God for his glory not mine. I want to be like St Paul, **'it is not I who live but Christ Jesus who lives in me;'** I hunger for more but I always restricted God because I thought I had to be good enough and humble enough to get some tiny miracles and little healings even though he has healed impossible sickness and diseases through me and I seen the almost dead raised to full health again. My theme in this book is, **I want, I want, I want more and more** now I have the confidence to ask for the best that is on God's table so that I can be a blessing to others and win souls for him for his glory.

I see a new light before me in this book and I pray so do you, I see God calling me to become more bolder and bolder, confidently coming before him and **asking for the unbelievable** because this is what he is offering and I used to think I had to be good enough spiritually, but I have come to realise even as I write I will never be good enough to earn anything from God because he is offering everything to me as I am and that excites me more than anything. He created me and knows me, he knows every thought in my mind, every secret thought or wrongful desire and still he offers me greatness in his kingdom and tells me not to think as the world thinks but to think as he does, **"let this mind be in you that was also in Christ Jesus;"** he wants us thinking like Jesus, and not to think as the world thinks; he wants us thinking like the children of God our Father, children of a king of kings, and us as kings of life; we don't deserve this but God is not asking us to deserve it he is offering these mighty and blessed gifts

and blessings to us because we are his children, his beloved and dearly loved children, his creation; and he knows us through and through even before we were born he knew us; he knew us from billions of years ago when he created us. And his extravagant love decided then to make us holy in his eyes and clean and spotless in his eyes Ephesians -1-4- that's extravagant love in action.

Eight

How to receive those amazing miracles God's extravagant love promises!

I will receive my lottery

God said he is giving me a lottery and now I am finally in a position to receive it because, I can finally see that **God wants to bless me financially**, to prosper me and now my priority is to be a blessing to others through his gift, and remember something, a dollar is no different to God than a million dollars, it is all his cash he dispenses out on a temporary loan arrangement, being passed around so others that are helped can help even more and the circle goes on. When you give you receive back, a law of God that is irrevocable and applies to all Christians and non Christians alike. There is no shame in keeping asking that's why he gave us this example in Luke, God wants us asking big; the friend with the bakery will give him all he asks for because he wants rest from all his unceasing asking; that's the nature of God we are reading about in these scriptures, ask for big things; stop limiting God by only asking for little things through false humility, humble is knowing it all comes from God not you.

Ask for anything and your father in heaven will grant you your request **-John -16-24**

John 16-23-Contemporary English Version (CEV)

²³ When that time comes, you won't have to ask me about anything. I tell you for certain that the Father will give you whatever you ask for in my name. ²⁴ You have not asked for anything in this way before, but now you must ask in my name. Then it will be given to you, 'so that you will be completely happy.'

Jesus is telling us plainly that God wants us to ask for anything and he is not limiting what we ask for, in fact it is just the opposite he says **ask for anything** not tiny things, tiny things don't give God much glory but when others see you getting big things from God they also will want what you receive then you can tell them how to receive from their Father in heaven also. There are no restrictions in **"ask for anything and it will be given to you,"** Christians have never believed this word of God because of the false humility attitude, the wrong believing. ²⁴ **You have not asked for anything in this way before, but now you 'must ask' 'in my name.'** And he also gave us his own name to back up what he said to do. So we will be completely happy, he is giving us what we ask for so that we would be completely happy, does this not make think, he wants to give us everything we ask for, so that he can make us happy. God wants us happy by giving us extravagant things that we ask for and he told us to use the name of Jesus as the key to opening his heart.

No we have never asked in this way before, this is a new way of asking, asking for gigantic things beyond the normal things we ask, ask big not small. We have restricted the lord in his capabilities in giving to us, because the word of God says, **“as you believe so shall it be.”** not as he -God believes but as **‘we believe,’** it is us who need to believe. We need to **ask God for the faith to believe,** for the **grace to expect his extravagant love** because all things come from his hands, we have nothing of ourselves we need to ask for what God is offering because with human belief and faith it is insufficient.

Ask and you will receive

Ask **‘first’** for the faith to believe what God is showing in this book; ask **for the belief** to receive from him his extravagant love, for without his giving we will see but never understand with our spirit. I can see everything God is saying in what I have written but without his supernatural gift of understanding and belief and faith to receive it all it is just amazing words of scripture but it will have no substance in the spirit world. God says he holds our very breath in his hands, we have nothing that he hasn't given to us, so **ask now to receive what he is revealing** and we **“will”** receive for his greater glory. **Ask for revelation** in the word he has revealed now, don't wait until you have read all this book **ask now for revelation on his extravagant love; ask for faith to receive** what he has revealed; **ask for the belief** to know without a shadow of doubt what he says in these revelations are his words not mans.

Lord **I ask also that** you give me the **grace to act upon what I asked for,** because your word says, **ask** and you **“will” “receive”** so thank you lord I receive with a grateful heart.

Matthew 7-7-Contemporary English Version (CEV)

Ask, Search, Knock

7 Ask, and you ‘will’ receive. Search and you ‘will’ find. Knock and the door ‘will’ be opened for you. 8 Everyone who asks ‘will’ receive. Everyone who searches ‘will’ find. And the door ‘will’ be opened for everyone who knocks.

Or what man is there of you, whom if his son ask bread, will he give him a stone? 10 Or if he ask a fish, will he give him a serpent?11 If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children, how much more shall your Father which is in heaven give good things to them that ask him?

Do you see in this scripture it says ask and you **“will”** not ‘might’ receive but **“will.”** Search and you **“will”** find. **God is telling us to ask,** he is the one exhorting us to act on what he as Father is saying to us; he is God our heavenly Father and he is urging you to go after bigger

things than this world has ever seen before. It is time for God's glory to be seen on this world, we see enough of darkness and evil, its time the world seen their God through us; we are called to exhibit the light of the world to be a city on a hill, we are called to be soul winners, we are called to walk in the supernatural life of Christ within us. We have the Godhead, Father son and Holy Spirit within us we carry the creator of the world within us but we act like defeated people not victorious ones; true we have some victories but were not displaying the awesome power of God the creator of the universes power within us, and I believe that this time has come now in this present age a time for the children of Almighty God to come into their position that we were created to be in. We are supposed to demonstrate the defeat of the enemy, to show to the world there is an awesome amazing God who loves them and wants them to come before him as children of his.

How much "more" will your Father in heaven give good things to them that ask; God is saying how much "**more**" he will give you if you ask. Ask big and you will **never** be disappointed. The greater in size what you ask for means that it could only be God who grants the answer, so he gets all glory, you don't need it because he shares his glory with you later on. He is exalted and lifted up by the unbelievable, the things that people can't believe and when they see the impossible happen they will know there is a mighty God alive and loving them.

God is a **big God**, not a little God who restricts his children because of his tiny size; he is the creator of the cosmos, multi universes, and Galaxies and he is our Father. This awesome God, too awesome to try to describe in detail is our dad, "**Our Father who art in heaven.**" We say it all the time and we even sing about it, but we don't believe it or realise this is true, it is beyond our intellectual capacity, it is beyond our understanding until now, we need to ask Father God to give us understanding of who and what he is to us; so let's ask now, "**Father God** give me understanding of who and what you are to me, help me **understand with my spirit** that you are indeed my Father just like you are Jesus Father. And he will grant us understanding, because we ask for his glory not ours.

Ask for the ability to think like Jesus to think from his point of view, not to think as the world thinks.

Learning to think like Jesus thinks.

Matthew-16-23- The Way Bible

You are thinking merely from a human point of view and not from God's.

As human beings our thoughts are limited when it comes to the impossible we think from the human perception we don't think like Jesus. Was there anything impossible with Jesus? No I don't believe there was. He was human in his form but he did not let his humanness stop him from trusting God to do what he asked of him.

Let this mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus;

Phillipians-2-5-let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus, who being the form of God did not think it robbery to be equal with God but humbled himself

We have to learn to think like Jesus thought, not to think as the world thinks but to think from God's perspective. Is it possible to grow new arms and legs on people who have lost them? **Yes** because everything is possible to God, nothing is impossible, it just feels impossible to us because we don't think as God thinks, he knows he can do everything, we know he can do everything, but **will** he do everything for me, and our answer is yes he can and will. It is only because of our limitations on God and on his power that we think we couldn't do that, and of course that is correct we can't do that but wait a minute we have God dwelling in us, we have Jesus in us, we have the Holy Spirit all living within us so what is there to stop these amazing miracles from happening, nothing but our lack of knowledge in the awesome extravagant love that God has for us human beings.

If we were being truthful we think he might do these things for someone like Benny Hinn but not for me, sure I am nobody; but that's not true I am somebody I am a Son of God just like Jesus my brother. I share in the mind of Christ I have a portion of the mind of Christ in me, I can learn to change my thinking and my saying because Jesus never said its impossible, he did the impossible and we have that same Holy Spirit inside us who did the impossible through Jesus and he can do the impossible through us also, it is us that have hampered him up until now by our lack of knowledge on the extravagant love that God has for us; as I said previously, we know God is love and that he loves us but we don't know the incredible extent that love goes to it, has no limits, it is limitless it is ongoing from eternity to eternity. Below is a scripture that Christians have never allowed themselves to think about, because it says as Jesus is, so are we. What is Jesus? Who is Jesus? He is God, he is God, is the answer to both questions, and if we are as he is in this world, then what does that make us?

The extravagant love of God made us the same as Jesus in this world where we exist in this present form; spirit, soul, and flesh, and as we are the same as him in spirit, in the Fathers eyes, then we have the same right to the Fathers attention as he had. God calls us his Sons and Daughters, just like Jesus who calls us his brothers; that is one great example of the extravagant love that God has for us in action.

1-John-4-17- in this [union and communion with him] love is brought to completion and attains perfection with us, that we may have confidence for the Day of Judgment, with assurance and boldness to face him. Because as he is, so are we in this world. Amplified Bible;

Nine

As you believe so shall it be.

This is why we receive so much or so little from God when we pray, it is because as you believe so shall it be.

Mark 11-22-King James Version (KJV)

²² And Jesus answering saith unto them, Have faith in God.²³ For verily I say unto you, That whosoever shall “say” unto this mountain, Be thou removed, and be thou cast into the sea; and shall “not doubt” “in his heart,” but shall believe that those things which he saith shall come to pass; he shall have whatsoever he saith.

²⁴ Therefore I say unto you, What things so ever ye desire, when ye pray, believe that ye receive them, and ye shall have them.²⁵ And when ye stand praying, forgive, if ye have anything against anyone: that your Father also which is in heaven may forgive you your trespasses.

Again Jesus is instructing people in how to receive anything from God; he is telling them to **“say”** speak the words out of their mouths, and believe in their hearts that what they say they already have. When you pray for something, believe that you already have it from the moment you began praying, it was sent out to you by God with an angel, and your part is to praise God with a believing heart. You **say and believe** to receive. I have a lottery that God said he was giving me and I say to you the reader and I believe in my heart it is mine now I have understood the extravagant love that God has for me. The things I talked with God about in my ministry I believe that I have them and so shall it be.

Did you note that Jesus never said to ‘only ask for small things;’ he even referred to a mountain, something very big; **“saying to a mountain”** be thou removed.” Look over all these scriptures and see for yourself how many times Jesus and God is trying to get you to believe him, and explaining to us how to receive from him our extravagant requests, saying to a mountain is extravagant it is a very large thing to believe for and Jesus tells you if need be **tell the mountain, {the gigantic things in life}** to be thou removed and it will. Speak to the things you desire in the kingdom of God tell them to be released into your care for the glory of God. Jesus said this about prayer and getting things from God our Father, **“Believe”** that you receive them and that is where we fail to receive we don’t believe we actually receive them, and the fact of the matter is an angel has been sent from heaven with our answers and if we give up and doubt, that poor angel has to go all the way back with the enemy’s angels taunting our angel

²⁴ Therefore I say unto you, what things so ever ye desire, when ye pray, believe that ye receive them, and ye shall have them. I will explain something here about believing; believing believes that you will get something or believes that you won’t get something; it is a choice we make every day of our lives we believe for this or that or we don’t believe for this or that. Belief is a choice, to believe God or not to believe God. If you believe God then you will hold on doggedly to what you are searching for and won’t give up no matter what happens. God is trying to tell you how to receive from him the miraculous, he is wanting with all the extravagant love in his heart to get you to the point of receiving your daily dose of miracles; he has told you in the scriptures in this book that he has an extravagant love for you and his love is so extravagant that he wants you to receive miracles and supernatural signs and wonders that the world has never seen before, things that are so astounding only God could do them.

He made it very plain in his word that he loves you extravagantly and his extravagant love desires you to know how to receive from him his miraculous flow of daily miracles signs and

wonders for the glorification of his Son and himself. He couldn't make it plainer, we just have to ask and believe what we asked for and it is ours. Stop believing man or the enemy or this world when it says you can't do this or you can't do that, with God inside you everything is and will be possible.

His extravagant love desires that you receive big things from him, and then little things will just be supernaturally natural to you, they will be part of the normal to you.

We can chose to believe God's word or we can chose not to believe him but I say, 'he' – 'God,' wants you to experience his extravagant love for yourself by asking for the impossible or what is impossible for those in this world and receiving it, showing forth his extravagant love for you.

Begin now today look for the impossible in every situation and receive it through God's extravagant love for you.

Amen