

PROPHECY FOR GARY ON HIS BIRTHDAY—Given April 9, 1999.

[Jesus speaking:] Welcome to the start of a new life, to this turning of the pages to a new start, a fresh beginning, the dawning of a new day—one of hope, of joy, and of great fulfillment in My service.

You look back over the last year, over the ups and downs you have gone through—the times of great joy and laughter, as well as the times of anguish of soul for the burdens that pressed upon you—To Me, they have all been steps of progress—even the mistakes and setbacks—because through them you were caused to come to Me. I was able to lead you through them, to teach you through them, and to bring greater victories out of seeming defeat, even though these victories might not have always been so obvious to you.

Believe Me when I say that many great victories have been won this year—those you have seen and noticed and praised Me for, and many others which were perhaps not so obvious to you, but which I nevertheless count as great victories this year.

As you enter a new year, I say unto you, just keep putting your hand in Mine, and let Me be to you more than a light, and better than a known way. There is coming a time of darkness, but My children shall walk in the light, because they shall hear My voice. Though they walk in the midst of darkness, even the night shall be light about them for the faith that they shall place in My Words to them.

I shall bring you forth into a large place, and you shall see how I have led you, when you walked by faith and not by sight, trusting My Word implicitly, and following My directions and leadings even when you could not understand them.

As Gideon and his band of soldiers, so will I be with you, and will make My ways and paths known unto you this year. I will lead you forth into great victories, though you seem to be so few against so many. I am not limited by many or by few, and My hand shall be strong on your behalf. I shall put My Words in your mouth, and My ways in your heart, that you may know that I, even I am He that doeth all these things.

(End of message.)

Other Prophecies, arranged chronologically:

(Jesus speaking:) Thank you Gary for taking the helm of the FCF ministry. I know it has been a great deal of hard work and sacrifice for you and those with you. You have been full of faith and faithful and many victories have been won because of your faith and dependence on Me.

I have asked David to pass on counsel that will help you to more clearly see areas that need some work at FCF. Your Home is an important cog in the Family's ministry. You have asked Me time and time again to show you areas that need attention, so I know that you will be thankful for David's wise and loving counsel.

I know that you both, Gary and Sharon, are very aware of some of these areas that are weak, but have been stifled in some ways because of the press of duties and business. But as the story of the little lad who was trying with all his strength, his father wisely corrected him saying, "You haven't used all your strength, because you haven't call on me to help you." Thank you for the many times you do call for My help and wait on Me for My answers and direction. But as the load gets heavier, the more time you must spend with Me, not only to get the answers and direction, but to get the peace and faith that you can then pass on to your flock.

I would that you both spend more time with Me to find that peace and assurance that you must have to guide the big FCF operation. It is only going to get bigger and more complex and diversified as time goes on.

I wish to lighten your load and the stress and pressure it brings, by giving you the answers and solutions you seek. I would that you counsel less and pray and hear from Me more. — And that you teach those of your Home to do so too. Not only by asking them to hear from Me continually, but through your sample of utter dependence on Me.

I realize that it's much more difficult being so close to the world, but that is all the more reason that I am insisting you do so. If you do not you will be disappointed as the meager result of your labors. The system is full of deceit and greed, but I can lead you through it and give you the wealth of the sinner that I have laid up for you.

If you will spend more time with Me, both alone and together with your flock, I will take away the dryness of spirit and replace it with My richness and beauty that will reinvigorate you all.

I ask you to trust Me for the work and the pressing deadlines by putting Me first both in fellowshiping, prayer and receiving My seeds. I will bring forth the fruit that you long for if you will give Me all the glory and all the praise. I wish to richly bless your Home and your lives. Please do not be discouraged or condemned by the loving counsel of your friend and loving shepherd, David. Faithful are the wounds of a friend. David and Maria and Peter love you both dearly and their burning desire is to help and ease your load and your burdens and those of the rest of your Home. They are not angry or disappointed in you in any way, just as I am not disappointed in you.

Please take more time to embrace My Word and commune with Me so I can strengthen your faith and bring more inspiration into your lives and Home. You must not let the system demands encroach on your spiritual needs lest you become dry and weakened and unable to carry the big load I have asked you to bear.

Please take all the counsel from David and put it into action in your lives and Home and you will begin to see immediate results that will lift your burdens and lighten your load.

Your flock has become a bit lethargic and dull in spirit and it is going to take some work in the spirit on your parts to bring them back fully into the light. You might want to call on help from other shepherds too to come in and share the load of inspiring the Home. I realize that you can't do it all with the many responsibilities you have, but give what you can and I will send you help in many form and ways. I long to give of My spirit and My wisdom to you and your brothers and sisters at FCF.

You have all done a big job, and I want to strengthen, envision and give you faith for even greater works. There is not limit to what I can do if you will all call on Me at every turn and for every need. I am here to serve you. All My love, Your Husband. (End of prophecy)

(Jesus speaking:) I see the wash of decisions, I see your life coming to this point where you feel you have to have changes, where you need to make a decision, where you feel you're treading water. So learn to float. You need to learn to relax, to rest in My arms and rest in My Spirit.

I am the Way, the Truth and the Life. Without Me you can do nothing. So don't worry about having to do something for Me. The best thing you can do for Me is to love Me. Love Me with your whole heart, for this is the whole duty of man. In this lies all the law, and all the prophets, the words of all the prophets are fulfilled in this--that man should love Me with his whole heart. When the alarms go off within you, when the warning lights are flashing, and you say, "I cannot, I cannot," that's correct, you cannot. It is time to stop; you have an overload, you are overloading yourself, it was not meant to be. Oh, come unto Me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Rest, precious one, you must find rest. But it is hard to find rest in the confusion, in the babble, in the entanglement of the ways of the whore. You have to come away sometime, you have to come away and rest sometime. You cannot go on without a refreshing whiff of fresh air from the mountaintop. There comes a time when you just need to stop everything and get a hold of Me.

I don't expect you to be a machine; I did not create you to be a machine. I created you a living soul, a lover, a sensitive, emotional person, with deep feelings. I know it is hard sometimes for you to show them, to show your heart, and to show your weaknesses, but I know them, and I love you. Draw

nigh unto Me, and I will draw nigh unto you. I know you draw nigh unto Me, more now than ever, with the churning and concernings of your heart, with the troubles of your mind and spirit, trying to find rest, trying to find that perfect place of rest. But it is there, My love, because I am there. You must learn to lift up your eyes, and look above.

You must lean to unplug, otherwise you will short circuit, and your wiring will burn up. Take care of your soul, My love. Learn to rest in Me. That's the greatest lesson of life; there is none greater, there is none more wonderful to learn, than the soul who can find peace in the midst of a storm, the soul who can come quickly into the temple and find perfect rest in Me. He will be a blessing, and a light to many, and a sample of great peace. For great peace have they which love Me and My Words; nothing shall offend them. So My answer to you is yes, you have done your best. My love, you have said yes to the path I have chosen for you; you have said yes to the calling I have given you. Now you must say yes to coming and resting in Me; yes to feeling peace and finding peace; yes to coming and resting your head upon My shoulder. Oh beautiful on the mountain are the feet of them that preach the Word, that carry the Word of God to the world. Yes you have labored long and hard. Faint not, for there is a reward to them that diligently seek Me, and in your patience you possess your soul. You have need of patience, but it is hard to have patience in the midst of a storm, in a tempest of testing, in a time of decision. Take it to Me, don't carry it yourself; do not bear the weight of these things yourself, and do not feel that you are failing in this or that. Forget success and failure, for I am the Way, the Truth and the Life.

You can do nothing without Me, but with Me all things are possible to him that believeth. You shall find rest unto your soul, and you shall find great peace. I set before you an open door. Come unto Me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, I will give you rest. Learn of me, for I am meek and lowly of heart.

It is one thing just to stick, but it is a greater thing to learn to rest in Me, to cease your strivings, and to cast your cares upon Me. This is a great accomplishment, probably the greatest accomplishment you could ever do, for to trust in Me totally is a sign of great faith, of great inner peace. And great peace have they which love My words; nothing shall offend them. So set your mind at ease; be at peace. Gently will I lead you, gently. Listen to the whispers; respond to the soft touch. With man it is impossible, but with God all things are possible to him that believeth. I do not require a great sign of faith from you, a great believing, a great work of the flesh. No, I simply require a still heart, a meek heart, a contrite and broken heart, that I will not despise. In all your ways acknowledge Me, and I will direct your paths. Just believe it, claim it, and acknowledge Me, and I will direct your paths. (End of message)

(Jesus speaking:) In this New Day and new age, I am teaching all My children to bear more of the weight themselves, through hearing from Me, which they can only do if they are allowed a little bit more leeway from their shepherds. And shepherds with such good training and who are such good examples as Gary is, tend to cause people to rely on them. So he himself will have to pull back a little bit, to allow them to hear more from Me and depend more on Me.

I do not say that he has been out of line, or that he has made grave mistakes. This is only a slight correction in his path, a slight change from how he has been operating, but it could make him more effective as a leader, and more helpful in leading My children to greater dependence on Me and greater dependence on My personal Words for them that they themselves can receive. For I do desire for all My children to become so dependent on My Words that they will not take a step without hearing from Me, that they will crave, long for, and desire My Words, that they will know they need these Words more than life itself, more than health, more than enjoyment, more than their necessary food. Because through My Words I can give them all that they need, in that I can lead them in the paths where they will find all this sustenance, all this protection, all this provision. So as all My

children learn to crave and desire My Words, even so will I lead them all in paths of plenty for My name sake.

For have I not said through My servant David that I know where the green pastures are? Where the mountain passes are? Where the cool streams of refreshing are? Even so, I can lead each of these in the paths of bounty and provision and supply, as they all hear My voice and heed My whispers to them personally, about those they come in contact with in their ministry, and about the paths they must take, and the decisions they must decide. For I the Lord have authored all this plenty, I have brought it to pass so that I might give it to My children, so that I may pour bountifully upon them. And it is My desire that as they heed My Words, I will open the windows of Heaven and pour out to them a blessing--financially and in supply of goods and services--that they will not be able to contain. They will share with others and they will be a storehouse for My children outside their folds in the dark days that come, because they have heeded My voice.

Instruct Gary to put more faith in his co-workers, to encourage them to hear more from Me themselves as to decisions that need to be taken and leadings that need to be checked upon in prophecy. And as he does this, and as the members of his Home seek Me more, I will open up more sources of plenty, and will continue to pour through their ministry to feed and supply many of My children, both in your folds and out. (End of message)

(Dad speaking:) Boy, truth. There's not much of that around these days. My heart breaks for those of you who have to live there in the U.S. amongst all the garbage of the media, the lies and deceitfulness that is rampant everywhere. That is a place where truly only the strong can survive--the strong in His Spirit. The Family there is in such a precarious position. You have to be constantly on guard in the spirit. Although it seems so peaceful outwardly, it's a dangerous place. I really pray for our family there. It's a dangerous place to be spiritually, and one day, physically. But the people who do know their God will be strong and do exploits. They'll be a mighty witness and reap a mighty harvest. Thank the Lord.

If I was going to give you any advice or message at this time, I would tell you to sharpen your scythe. The harvest is coming and it is going to be big one, but you need to get ready. I have told you that time spent sharpening the scythe is time well spent. You're going to need it one of these days real soon. You're good laborers, favored in the sight of the Lord. I love you dearly, and you're going to be needed. You are needed now, but the day is coming when the Lord is going to need you even more. So take this time that you have now and pack it in--pack in the Word, get filled up to the brim, and get drunk on the Holy Ghost, because the day is coming when you're going to need it. Use all of the new weapons you have been given, and train faithfully. You're a warrior of the faith and the Lord needs you.

I'm here to help you whenever you would like. You have a beautiful wife and gorgeous children, and I'm so happy for you, Son. You're a good shepherd and a good husband. Keep looking to your Husband and He'll be sure to keep you, empower you, and protect you in all that you do. I love you! (End of message from Dad)

(Dad speaking:) Son, I love you. I can't help but admire you and look on in amazement sometimes at all you and your team has been able to accomplish. I know you might be tempted to look at everything that still needs to be done, and maybe feel that you really haven't been able to do that much. You see the huge obstacles and the mountain ranges that still lie ahead, as well as all the struggle and the effort that it's going to take for you to be able to reach the goals you've set; and they must seem like insurmountable odds at times. But from Here, what stands out to me is the ground you've already been able to cover, the steps of faith that the Lord has helped you to take, and the fruit that's been borne as a result.

It's tremendous to see what a man of faith can accomplish when he steps out and puts God on the spot. There's no limit to what can be done, the good that can be accomplished, the mountains

that can be moved, and the lives that can be changed by one tiny mustard seed of faith. There's so much to be done, and like I said, I admire you for stepping out and attempting the impossible, and doing what no one else has done.

In a lot of ways, what you've set out to do is just like what many others are looking for—a chance to burn free and flap their wings, to go according to their own faith and let God accomplish through them the many “greater things” that He has promised His followers would be able to do.

Jesus told his disciples that they would do even greater things than He was able to do while He was here on the Earth. And as hard as it must have been for them to believe that, it certainly came true for them, and that principle is still the same today. When I was there with you, that's what I always taught and what I believed with all my heart—that if you folks didn't turn around and accomplish more and bigger and greater things than I accomplished in my life, then I had really failed to do my job. But I didn't fail, did I?—Because, just look at you and all that you've been able to do. I've been thrilled to see the fruits of my labors and prayers and tears go on to accomplish much greater things through you and so many others, than I ever dreamed was possible. I might not have thought it was possible, but the Lord knew it was. He knew all along what He wanted to accomplish and what He could accomplish if people would just yield to Him and let Him work through them.

Now today, we're still telling our followers, our Family members of the second and third generations, that very same thing—that they are going to be doing even greater things than you of the first generation could ever hope to do, because there's no limit to what God can do through men and women of faith who are yielded to the will of God.

I've been very happy for you, son, seeing the pieces begin to come together and the Lord helping you to finally get things off the ground after you had had such a difficult struggle there in the beginning. You really stuck it out, and as a result, you've been a big blessing to a lot of our precious missionaries. But even more than that, you gave lots of our people—many of whom were getting very weary in well-doing—the faith that anything was possible, and that if they just obeyed Me and followed where I was leading, they didn't have to just keep on doing things the way they had always been doing them. They could stop wading around in puddles when there were whole big oceans of opportunity out there just waiting to be discovered and swam in. And that was something very positive.

But let me ask you a question. You know me, I'm always teaching, always trying to make a point, and that hasn't changed. I haven't stopped learning since I've been up Here—in fact, I wouldn't even be able to begin to explain how much I've learned since I've come Home. But I haven't stopped teaching either, and I have a lot on my heart concerning you and the marvelous work that you are accomplishing there.

You've done a lot of good, and I'm proud of you, but God's not finished with you yet. He's got lots more exciting things up His sleeve—even greater things—if you're willing to keep going and keeping yielding to Him. Jesus promised that His followers would do greater things. But take His early disciples for example. How do you think that they were able to do the “greater things” that He promised that they would do? Was it because they were smarter than Jesus or stronger than He was? Was it because they had picked up greater fishing skills while they were out there fishing on the Sea of Tiberius? Did they have any outstanding marketing or public relations training that Jesus hadn't had? Were they stronger in the Spirit or have greater gifts of healing than Jesus had? What was it that made them so great and helped them to accomplish so much more after Jesus went to be with His Father, when before, they had been nothing more than a bunch of ignorant fishermen and head-strong stumblebumbs?

Of course I don't have to tell you what the answer to that is. You already know what the Bible says. You already know that it wasn't really them at all who were accomplishing anything.—It was still only Jesus. Even though He was no longer doing it through His own physical presence, He was still doing it, only now He was doing it through them. Jesus had promised them that even though He wasn't going to be around in the flesh anymore, He was still going to be helping them from the spirit

world. He told them that if they would just ask anything in His name, He would still answer them, and that He would continue to teach them by sending them the Spirit of Truth, Who would reveal all things unto them, whatever they needed to know, everything that He heard from the Father.

Of course it wasn't until later that the disciples understood the point that Jesus was really trying to make. Like that time out on the lake, when Peter and the others had decided they were going to go fishing. After all, they had to make a living, right? Jesus wasn't around anymore, so it was now up to them to make their own decisions. But what happened? They had cast their nets all night long, and nothing! There they were, tired and discouraged, worn-out and hungry, and coming home empty-handed. But Jesus stopped them and yelled out to them to cast their nets again; He even told them where to cast them. And because they obeyed, because of that one little step of faith and obedience, they didn't even have room enough to hold the huge catch the Lord had given them.

So, tell me, what was it that brought on the blessings of God that day? Were Jesus' disciples merely seeing the fruits of their own labors—their blood, sweat and tears, the natural results of a long night out on the rough sea, using all the experience and skills as fishermen they could muster to make a big catch? Was that what had given them the increase? Or was it just the fruit of obedience to one simple word from the Master? "Cast the net on the right side of the ship, and you will find."

Jesus had many lessons to teach Peter and the others that day. But the first lesson He was making clear was that, while in the flesh they were still just the same old ignorant, stumblebum fishermen, if they would be willing to humble themselves and admit that they were useless on their own, and if they would follow His still small voice and get their instructions from Him and His Spirit, they would not lack anything and there was no limit to what they could accomplish.

That important lesson Jesus was giving His followers that day on the beach is still true today. Nothing's changed. Jesus is still calling out. He's still telling His followers when and where to cast their nets. He's still the Master Fisherman. In order to bring on His blessings and see the truly miraculous fruits of accomplishment and increase, which He has promised to give, He still expects His followers to stop and listen to His voice and to get their instructions from Him.

Jesus promised that if you abide in Him and let His Words abide in you, you can ask whatever you want or need, and it will be done for you. But as you know, that verse is conditional. You've got to make sure you're really living in Him and letting His Spirit live in you. You've got to do your part by letting His Words live and dwell in you. And when you're living the kind of life you folks there are living, under so much pressure and facing such monumental challenges, the kind of Words that you'd better be letting dwell within you are the kind you hear fresh from Him every day.

If Peter and the rest of the disciples had just had to rely on all the things that Jesus had told them before, during the three-and-a-half years they had been living with Him in the flesh, they would have ended up coming home empty-handed that day. But because Jesus was still alive, and He still cared about them, because He was there to stop them and speak to them and give them fresh instructions, and because they recognized His voice and were willing to humble themselves and obey, they were able to reap mighty benefits.

The same is true with you and your precious home members, my dear and faithful administrator. Jesus cares about you, and He's there to lead and guide you every step of the way. But if your folks aren't taking the time to stop and get their instructions from Him, the Master Fisherman, at the end of your long nights of fishing, you're going end up coming home with nothing but empty nets, broken sails, and broken spirits. The Lord has blessed you with many gifts and anointing, as well as with lots of help and insight from the many friends and contacts the Lord has led your way. He's given you lots of faith and determination, a real do-or-die spirit. Like I said before, I don't think I could have ever had the faith to do what the Lord is helping you to accomplish.

I know you're on your own now, and you don't necessarily want us to be telling you what to do anymore, and I understand that. But I'm afraid you don't realize how far your home's sample is going, in fact, how far it has already gone. I know that's a heavy burden to have to carry around, and one you might've thought you had been able to get rid of by now. But it's just not that simple. Unto whom

much has been given, much is required. They're always going to look up to you and think that the way you are operating is the way that other Family leadership operate. Now that's fine if you're following along with all the new moves of the Spirit and everything the Lord is asking the Family to do. But if you've allowed yourself to settle down in any way, if you've neglected to become proficient in the use of the new weapons, if you've gotten so busy and burdened with the affairs of the foundation that you aren't able to be the kind of sample or shepherd that your people need you to be, then no matter how much fruit is born by the foundation, your own nets are going to start coming up empty, and you won't have the wherewithal to even feed yourself, much less anyone else.

Nothing on Earth is worth missing out on the life of the Spirit that the Lord wants to give, you, His beloved bride. Jesus said, "Labor not for the meat which perisheth." So don't do it. And because you're there in the States, surrounded by all that worldliness, all those things that will perish, you've just got to make sure you fill your life with the things of the Spirit that will never perish. The things of Earth will all pass away, but His love and Words to you will never pass away.

I know that you've taken on a big job, son. There's no way that one man can do everything that you need to do and still be the kind of shepherd that your Home and family need you to be. But that's what the Lord has called you to be—a father and a shepherd. He hasn't just called you to be an administrator. Above all else, He expects you to feed His sheep, His little lambs. And whether you like it or not, you are shepherding, you are feeding them, because they are feeding from your example.

I realize that you don't have a lot of time on your hands, and that under the circumstances you can't just stop everything in order to take care of all of those around you. But if you'll do your part to humble yourself and follow the moves of the Spirit that the Lord is asking the Family everywhere to take, if you'll do you're best to fill your own heart with prayer and praise and loving Jesus the way He desires you to, then that's the example and the spirit that will be reflected to everyone else. (End of message from Dad)

(Dad speaking:) FCF is an important Home and they're providing an important service for the Family, so it's good that you try to do what you can to help them and strengthen them. Gary has done a good job in trying to run the Home, shepherd it at the same time as take care of all the business, but it's really too much for just one person. It's been a real pioneer effort just to get the machinery off the ground, and there have been so many new factors, breaking new ground both in the umbrella program and the marketing, that it's taken pretty much his full attention and concentration just to get this far. And that's often the way it is with pioneering.

Now things have been in operation for some time, but there's still a lot of pioneering because so much is still new and they're encountering new situations all the time that require prayer, hearing from the Lord, research, counseling together, getting outside advice, etc. It's pretty time-consuming, and I empathize with poor Gary and the load he has to carry. He does very well with the managing side of the FCF, and they've gotten off the ground despite many obstacles, but he hasn't been able to take care of both that and the personnel in his home adequately—through no fault of his own; in situations like that something has to give.

But it would be good to assess the situation and pray about what can be done to help. Is there anyone that could join FCF to help Gary with shepherding the operation? Perhaps it could even be combined with some other productions or operations that would bring more bellwethers in which would help strengthen the Home? Even if you don't have a lot of shepherding, if you've got good bellwethers in the Home then they help pull the Home in the spirit the way it should go, which is a big help in itself.

It's pretty important because FCF is an important part of WS. It's not actually a WS unit officially, but it's providing an important service to the Family through the umbrella program—which has been very successful, and which could even bear a lot more fruit if FCF had the time to put more

into it, which they should. They've also broken a lot of ground with the marketing—that's taken off very slowly, but they've learned a lot in the process, and now it's possible for others in other parts of the works to launch out into this arena, drawing on the experience that the folks at FCF have had and what they've learned.

So despite the drawbacks, they have made a lot of progress, and there's a lot more that they can continue to do. But they do need help if they're going to fulfill their potential and reach the goals that the Lord wants them to reach, and do even more to help the Family. So serious pray and counsel together about how you can organize things to give them more help, more bellwether personnel, and more support in the spirit. The Lord has the solutions—sometimes it takes a little bit of prayer and counsel and digging to find them, and they're not always handed to you on a silver platter. But as you counsel together and pray together, the Lord will lead you step by step, and His plan will be made clear. (End of prophecy)

(Dad speaking:) God bless Gary! I really love him, he's a great guy! I was happy to have him around and have his help for so many years, and am so thankful for the big help he was to you, Mama and Peter, after I was gone.

He's taken on a great big thing by heading up the FCF, and although it's a smaller operation now with the other GPU team having moved away, and thankfully having taken some of their problems with them, that hasn't solved his Home's problems entirely, that's for sure. Unfortunately, some of them have the same weaknesses--of operating in the arm of the flesh and not leaning on the Lord enough.

They're not like doing horribly or about to backslide or anything, but as folks have noticed, their Home is a bit dry in spirit. They may be running a business there, but the Family is still a Family of love, and we live by the Law of Love, and if people in our Homes--whether they're units, Service Homes or field Homes--don't feel loved and appreciated, and the unity isn't flowing, then something's wrong. It's as simple as that; not too difficult an equation to figure.

They're getting things done, and the Lord has blessed them in many ways because their hearts and motives are right. They want to get the message out, and they want to help the missionaries. They want to raise funds for the Family, and help the tools get out far and wide. Those are good goals, they're ones worth achieving, and you have a good team with the right people that can do it. But any people, no matter how good or talented they are, need the Lord and His Spirit and His guidance, and they need shepherding too.

Gary's taken so much on that he just can't humanly keep up with it all. He'd like to, and he even has the skills and talents and spiritual gifts necessary to be a good shepherd, but he hasn't been exercising them. He's always been more of a businessman, that's his strongest point and his forte.

If they want their independence and autonomy, that's fine, they can have that. They need that, in fact, to be able to get the job done. But there's nothing amiss with a little shepherding, a little "VSing" if you will, to help them shape up in some areas. An "evangelist" visit certainly wouldn't hurt, and a more long-term visit would be even better---to have someone really work with and train those that will be on the Home teamwork, so that they can start really taking on that spiritual burden more.

Of course Gary's still going to have to be involved, because he's kind of like the kingpin that keeps everybody going and moving and knows what's happening with each corner and has a finger in every pie. Somebody does have to be in that position, and naturally that's him. He's got to be somewhat involved in the shepherding and running of the Home, but he can't do all there is to do in that department. It's all he can do to keep the work going and the communications updated and the business progressing.

I know it's hard to shepherd this team, but, you know, you've got to do it. You don't have to come in and say "Okay, here we come, we're going to straighten you guys out!" But you do have to

at least deliver your soul to Gary and tell him how you see things and how the Lord sees things, and counsel with him. Training a teamwork might require someone else coming to visit and helping them, in counsel with Gary, if he can't set aside the time himself to help with the shepherding side of things and train a real teamwork.

He needs a good strong counselor on the spiritual side of things, because while he's got good people there, and some of them are strong spiritually, most people need encouragement to hear from the Lord regularly, or they're so wrapped up themselves in the way things are going that they haven't stopped long enough to think and pray about things and realize where things are going wrong. That's sad, but it's true. But if he could cultivate some real good teamworkers--not just business partners, but prayer partners and people that are more spiritually inclined--the whole Home will do better.

His business people there, like Larry and Don and Gaelle and others, also need help in this area. They work with the System all the time, they interact with Systemites, and they're some of our Family "experts" on the business world and the entertainment world and those kind of things. You need people like that, and you need the services that their unit is providing and going to yet provide--but they still need to be 100%, on board Family members who are following the New Wine. It's not that complicated, really.

They're not hopeless cases, they're not rebellious people, they just haven't seen the seriousness of needing to keep washed in the Word and full of the Lord and dependent on His voice. They need to go on the attack there in their Word Time. They need to be more united around the Word and around spiritual things. They need to get together and pray more, hear from the Lord more together--or at least individually and share the things they receive with each other. They need to make sure that they're at least living up to the minimum Charter requirements in the areas of Word time and united meetings and so forth.--Not only that, they should probably even go a little overboard for awhile, in order to develop good habits, as well as to be the example they need to be to people who visit and think that their Home and what they do and the way they operate is representative of you, Mama and Peter, and WSI

They may not like that, and it may be a trial for them, but the fact is that that's how people see it, and so their sample is important. They don't need to be perfect, but they do need to be obedient, and they do need to be in tune with the latest moves of the Spirit. They do need to be hearing from the Lord about things and making that known.

Maybe Gary's praying and getting the Lord's guidance on things in his room, but if people in the Home don't know that, they may think he's just deciding things on his own, which isn't good because it makes them think they can do the same. Or maybe they just think that since he's so smart they'll pass on their questions to him rather than praying about it themselves. Either way, the fruit would be better if he'd be more open about telling people that he's praying about such and such, or needs to do so, or asking them to do so. If there were more of a spirit of prayerfulness and spirituality in the Home, then even though the folks there are busy and have lots to do, they wouldn't carry that hard, cold, businessy spirit that the folks out in the world do.

I know they're busy, I know they have lots to do, and I agree that it's stuff that needs to be done. That's why I'm saying maybe they need more help, and maybe you can try to help them find it. But more help or not, they can't neglect the laws of God and the laws of the spirit, and you have to help them see that.

They might be tempted to think "Well, if we're so out of it, and if we're not on track, then how come the Lord's letting us get things done, and make money and do projects that help the Family?" Well, for one, they're not "so out of it" that the Lord has to judge them or anything. For two, though, they could sure be getting a whole lot more done if they were letting the Lord empower them more. They pray, and they hear from the Lord, and that's why He's able to bless them somewhat, and He is using them. But, if they would really "tap in" all the way, like you and Peter have done and are teaching the folks in your Home and the CROs to do, then they'd go a lot further.--Besides that, they'd also be happier and more fulfilled personally.

I think if each person there would honestly tell you about their personal lives, they'd all have to admit that they're not quite as happy, challenged or fulfilled as they'd like to be. Maybe they're very challenged in their work, and so that keeps them feeling kind of "afloat." Or maybe they're just so busy they don't have time to think--God forbid--and so they figure they must be doing all right. But you can't just keep going on and on the way they are without it catching up to you.

It's one thing to go without the Word or prayer entirely--you just get really off track quickly or wear out completely that way. It's another thing to be praying, reading the Word and hearing from the Lord, but just not doing it as much as you really need and as much as the Lord wants. You can get along for awhile that way--quite awhile in fact, and that's why it can be kind of deceiving, and thus very dangerous.

People think "Hey, things are going all right. Sure I don't hear from the Lord every day, and sure I'm not getting quite enough Word time, and sure I haven't really been getting shepherding, but, at least I'm doing something, and at least the Lord is helping me get something done for Him. Maybe someday when I have more time I'll do all that 'soaking in the Word' stuff, but for now, thank God, the Lord is keeping me all right." What they don't realize though is that there's a slow--sometimes very slow--process that sets in, of slowly driving them further from the Lord and the Word.

It starts off with them convincing themselves that they don't have to take as much time with the Lord as we've instructed, they can get by on an hour a day. That settles okay for awhile, until they then take that one hour a day and cut it in half, then take that half hour and cut it in half. They take that every day hearing from the Lord and cut it in half, then down the line take that weekly time of hearing from the Lord and skip that once in awhile too. It's just a law of human nature that if you don't make something a priority, especially when it comes to spiritual things, they just eventually fizzle out.

They need to read the Weakness Revolution series and really take it to heart. It's all in there, all that they need to see where they're at, and where they still need to get to. The fact is, people are carnal, and carnal-minded, and it's basically always a struggle for people to get enough spiritual input and refreshing from on high. Look at you guys! I mean, I'd say you're extremely faithful, Mama, to have your time with the Lord and hearing from Him, and Peter too, and you love it, you desire it, you enjoy it, and everything--but isn't it still difficult sometimes? That's partly because of all there is to do, and partly because almost all people are just a little bit lazy.

It's funny, though, how some people who are very hard workers in the physical are kind of lazy in the spirit. It goes to show that it's not just a personality thing, or part of your physical make-up, that determines whether you take enough time with the Lord. It's a spiritual battle. Some people are very well-paced, and well-organized. They're efficient with their work and even take enough time off so that they don't wipe out. But even all that doesn't necessarily guarantee quality feeding Word time. The conditions can be just right, you can have a perfect schedule, and still not absorb all that you need to. I'm not saying that to make the victories these folks need sound more impossible; I'm just trying to show you that being busy or whatever isn't a good excuse.

It's almost like to be in the Family you have to have a whole separate life added into your life--your spiritual life, a life that a majority of people in the world neglect. There's more than enough in life just on the physical plane to fill it up, and some people just let it, and don't see how they can fit more. The thing is that you as the Lord's children and Family members basically have to have two parallel lives. Your fleshly life, and the life of Jesus in you.

The ideal and the goal is for the two to be so merged and intertwined that it flows naturally, to where you're including the Lord in everything, praying as you go, and always listening to the Lord and thinking of His Word, so that you can go about your physical life and not have to constantly remind yourself that you have this other spiritual life to attend to.

Well that's kind of a deep thought, but my basic point here is that no matter what the surrounding circumstances are, if these folks want to continue successful for the Lord and of service to the Family and to the world; if they want to stay part of the on-fire, dropped-out, radical children of

David, and not just become like any old other business or charity, they've got to feed and attend to their spiritual lives.

Lord bless them. You help them, Lord. You can do it. They can do it. I have the faith that they want to, that they--or almost all of them anyway--want to go all the way for the Lord, and the last thing they want to do is get sucked back into the System. They want the freedom, the fire and the love that's only to be found here, and the wonders of the Spirit--they just don't realize they've been losing it little by little. You've got to help them. You've got to step in somewhat and at least talk to them and tell them the truth, deliver your souls. They may resent and balk at it a bit at first, but if they'll receive it, in the long run they'll be thankful, because they'll be happier, more inspired, more productive and more successful. (end of message from Dad)

(Dad speaking:) Well, Honey, the situation at the FCF is the same problem we've faced with other Family business people down through our history. These folks come along and they're very good at their jobs because of the talents the Lord has given them and the way He has gifted them. So they rise through the ranks and become an indispensable part of your operation in some way or another.

But one problem such people always have to fight to overcome is thinking that they're doing it themselves. They have to fight to stay humble, to realize that every good and perfect gift comes down from above, from the Father of Lights, and that of their own selves they can do nothing. When they start getting lifted up in pride a little bit, thinking that their success is due to their own smartness and self-effort somehow or other, then they start getting off the track.

They really have to fight pride. They start looking at the average Family member and comparing themselves, and they get a little lifted up that way as well. Our dear folks are wonderful, and they're God's stars, but because He's chosen the foolish things of the world, they're also often very disorganized, sort of scatter-brained and not very wise in the worldly sense. So you get the more practical Family business people comparing themselves to the average Family member and they start to feel a little superior.

And all these things--the feeling of being a little bit more intelligent, more gifted, more organized or superior--feed the somewhat more independent nature of these folks and they get even more that way. They get a bit stubborn, obstinate, set in their ways, and it's hard to tell them what to do and get them to do it. After all, they figure that they're pros at what they do and they know it much better than you, and there are very logical, reasonable explanations why they're doing what they're doing the way they're doing it.

Well, in many cases there are, and these folks are sincere in their efforts, but they're just as often sincerely wrong. Because if they're not willing to listen to the counsel of others and even become resistant to direct orders because they figure you're mistaken or misguided and they know better, they're on their way down and out, sad to say.

It's a gradual process, almost imperceptible at first. If you told some of these folks they were in danger of missing the Lord's will and eventually leaving the Family, they'd be shocked, and they'd deny it, because they don't see it. They love the Lord and the Family and that's the furthest thing from their mind. They just have little differences here and there, little doctrines they don't agree with or ways of operating where they've improved on Family methods. They've become a little more efficient or proficient in the physical, and this attitude carries over into the spiritual, and they think they've become a little more spiritual in some way or other.

Yes, they are good at their jobs, but as these wrong attitudes and ways of operating start creeping in, they start having a few problems they weren't having before. Things just don't seem to run as smoothly as they used to, and unforeseen difficulties arise that can't be resolved like they used to. The Lord allows these things so they'll get desperate and return to Him fully, with their whole heart, knowing that only He can take care of some of these things and provide the solutions. But if

they barge ahead in their own strength and wisdom, then the problems aren't really resolved--or sometimes the Lord allows them to be resolved simply for the work's sake, but then later He sends along a bigger problem or difficulty to try again to work in that person's life, to see if they'll cry out to Him for help and seek the counsel of others. If they don't or won't, then things just get worse.

Their gifts have become real handicaps then. It's like golf or bowling or other sports--the better you are at it, the bigger handicap you have, so you can compete more equally with others. They actually call it a handicap, something that's added to your score. Well, the Lord assigns such things too. These gifts in business and administration become the handicap of natural ability.

Folks like this also tend to be a bit dry in spirit. It's because they have a low supply of "sap," like I talked about in that analogy of The Tree years ago. These business people start off right and well, and they love the Word, the sap, just like everyone else. But after a while their focus starts changing from the sap to the tree and its branches and growth and fruit, because that's their business, their hundred percent. They become very busy with the tree and how they can help it grow, and they neglect the fact that it's the sap that causes both them and the tree to grow and thrive.

They get busy with good works here and there and start taking less time for the Word, and they start drying out. Again, the process is sort of gradual and imperceptible. If you have Family members on outreach or involved in shepherding who start getting dry in spirit, the problem is noticeable pretty quickly. The witnesser doesn't get out as many tools or win as many souls because people aren't as attracted to him because of his dryness. And the sheep aren't as open or willing to be shepherded by a shepherd who's drying out in spirit. But the business person is dealing with papers or computers or System business people, so any dryness of spirit they have or manifest isn't that obvious right away, and doesn't get corrected. So the dryness breeds more dryness, sort of like the way a desert spreads across a country once a drought has taken hold.

The solution to dryness is the Word, of course--really taking time to soak yourself in it and get rejuvenated, and not just once a week, but on a daily basis. It takes more than one good rain to nourish plants. It takes regular watering if they're going to thrive and grow, and people's spirits are the same way--it takes a daily dip in the refreshing waters of the Word to not only keep you well-watered and free from spiritual drought, but to help you grow and blossom.

Well, that's the solution to dryness in spirit. It's pretty simple--just take time in the Word and let it change you. I don't care how much business you have to do or how much work you have to do, you need the Word, and you just can't afford to skip it or push it out of your life. I've said this for decades, since the beginning of the Family. Why don't people just obey and do it? They must not really believe it, or they would be doing it. They must think they're exceptions to the rule, that they can get away with just a little Word here and there in the midst of their business, and even while reading it, their minds are more full of work than the Word. Sorry, folks, it doesn't work that way! You need the Word, period.

It's a difficult situation in some ways, but in other ways the solution is so simple--those at the FCF just have to yield. They have to yield to spending more time in the Word. They have to yield to receiving and accepting counsel from leadership. They have to yield their pride. They have to yield their way to the Lord's will and ways. Once they've made the decision to yield and are committed to getting the victory over the bad habits that they've developed over the past months and years, then they're on the road to victory. Thank the Lord! I love you! (End of message from Dad)

(Jesus speaking:) Those who are weary and wounded, but do not want to stop fighting, not realizing that they are wounded, bleed and get weak. They need to be strengthened, and the balm that will reinvigorate them with the vision of the real battle they are fighting is to be willing to receive the strong medicine (My Words) sent by My nurse (My queen).

This special squad (FCF) that has been surrounded by the Enemy for so long, mingles with the world as spies to be able to carry the load of the Family. They have to be willing to receive the

strong medicine sent by My nurse queen for the wounds that they have gotten used to, but which are infected. They first need to recognize their wounds, and then My medicine will be able to help them.

Until then, send the supplies they need for their strength through your prayers, and they (your prayers) will do the miracles that are required. (End of message from Jesus.)

(Jesus speaking:) There's too much to do, and there's so little time. At times, one's feelings are mixed and confused, and you just want to scream, "Stop! Stop everything. I want a holiday. I want to get out of this!" Yes, there are realities of life you cannot escape. You have duties, and there is nowhere to run. There's no one else to do it, and you just have to stand in the gap. So where are you going to get the strength, where are you going to get the patience, the renewed vision, and the courage? Where, you wonder, will you find time to discover all the wonderful promises of My Word? You want to see My Words work in your life, and you want to feel them and the breath of the joy of your salvation lifting you, inspiring you, giving your spirit peace and tranquility.

So many things bombard you throughout the day, so many sights, so many sounds, so many things to do, so many things to attend to. Life is like a great tangle at times. And then, there are the times of slump, the times of depression, the times of emotional storms, the times you feel hurt, the times you feel neglected, the times you just want to get your marriage together, the times you feel threatened, the times you feel lonely. I am there with you through all these times. I have never left you for one moment, one hour, not for a second.

Gentle child, I would lift your face up above all the confusion, above the cares and the daily concerns. I would draw you close to your husband, and I would draw you both close to Me. I would free you from burdens that you carry that need not be there. Share them with Me, for they are surely Mine. But you say, "I cannot escape these things! These are the matters of life." Be patient, and bring them to Me. Do not throw them down or smash them to the ground and think of running away from all these cares and concerns of your heart. This is just a test, My child, a test of patience.

Learning to have patience ... oh, I know that battle. That is a great battle. But you need to learn to have patience, that you might have peace in the midst of the storm. Oh, gentle one, oh sweet child of My love, My beautiful bride, I would give you great peace. I would keep you from all offences. I would wrap you in My wings.

You must learn to communicate more. You must learn to share your heart more and more, to pour out more, and to ask for prayer more, and pray more for others, that after you have endured hardness, you might have patience and peace.--A great peace, a great inner peace that shall give you strength in the times of trouble, a strength so great that you will have strength in the midst of a storm.

It's so easy to panic in a storm, just as My disciples in the boat, when they felt it was going to sink. But I had to show faith. I was in the storm, too. I was in the boat. The Devil would like to have drowned Me, too, but I had to have faith. I had to manifest My confidence in God. I had to take a stand of faith for their sakes, and so must you. A stand of faith and confidence in Me that others can look to, even though your heart within might be blown about by the winds and the storms and the testings. Still, learn to stand, and having done all, stand, and you shall find peace. You will learn to flow, and not feel threatened; and you will learn to give, and find the blessing in giving. The voice of fear in your heart will be silenced, and you will find great peace as you look to Me.

Sweet love, precious love, you have so much to give. If you could only see yourself as I see you, such a precious jewel, such a wonderful, wonderful soul that I have created, a soul who shall enjoy Me and My Spirit, and rejoice in truth forever. You are indeed a child of My love, a miracle of My making.

The Devil hits you hard at times; he wants you to deny your anointing. He doesn't want you to see your strength, the strength you have in Me. He doesn't want you to discover the depth of the cables, the securing, and the moorings that I have placed around you. I have anchored you. Do not loose from the rock, My love, stay close to Me. Anchor your heart in Me, and I will lead you through.

Do not look at the waves, do not look down at the black waves and the storm, but look up and live. My love, look up and live. Walk steady, walk steady through it.

Look into My eyes and know that there is nothing too hard for Me. It is impossible for you, but with Me all things are possible, and you can do all things when I strengthen you. I am strengthening you, and I have strengthened you. I have called you, I have created you, and I have given you much. Dig deep, dig down into the well of My Words, into the reserves of the Spirit. Dig deep, for I have given you many gifts and talents that must be matured by My Word. Now go, bring out your talents and use them. Dig deep, for you will need to use all of the many things I have given you. This will call upon all your resources, and your greatest resource is Me, your faith and trust in Me, your confidence, and your ability to look to Me in times of trouble. This is your great strength; and you will need that strength in the days ahead, for many will look to you for encouragement. Many will look to you for help, My pillar. For I would make you a pillar in the house of your God. Fear not, and be at peace, for I will bring you through. (End of message from Jesus.)

(Dad speaking:) Without a vision the people perish. Even so, usually, without a shepherd, the sheep go astray. It's not that they are meaning to go astray, but it's just a gradual thing. Nobody can be expected to keep themselves entirely on the straight and narrow; it just doesn't come with human nature. Plus, given the nature of the work and the people they're having to deal with on a continual basis, it's all the more important that they have a shepherd.

Gary, God bless him, is a good shepherd. But he's much too involved in the business to be able to take on that responsibility. And he's good at the business, and you also need someone who is spiritually minded running the head of the business too, and that's him. So pray that the Lord will raise someone up, and you start looking around too. It would help for them to have some visitation, I think, to get them a little more open and used to the idea of more shepherding. If one or two shepherds could go there for a few weeks to check out the situation and get in there with people's lives and see how the operation runs, that would certainly be helpful. Of course, people might not be very open to the idea necessarily, but that's just the way life is. In the Family, we are shepherded! That could be a new slogan, ha!

Shepherding is important, and a nip and tuck here, and bit of prevention here, though it may be somewhat costly or time consuming, can save the collapse of a whole operation or major time and money expense later down the line, because of problems and situations that got worse over time.

In the meantime, I would say that Gary needs someone to help him, because he just can't handle the shepherding as well, if he's expected to keep on top of the business, and the business is the ministry. But the shepherding can't be neglected either. LHU! (End of message from Dad)

(Jesus speaking:) Sweet Sharon, My lovely bride, you are a precious one in My sight. You've been through a lot in your young years, for I have had much to do to prepare you for the job you have today. Thank you for taking it on, and for letting Me mold your life through it. Thank you for not getting bitter and upset, and thank you for hanging onto Me, even when times looked dark.

Please continue to hang on--through the good and through the bad. Indeed, some bad things will happen, but they will be far outweighed by the good. I do not say that to scare you, for bad things are just a fact of life. They happen to everyone, not only to you. Each of these times of struggle in life is designed to temper the steel, to make you stronger and a better, more useful and durable vessel.

Thank you for taking up the torch of being a shepherdess to My children, to those that I've given you personally, and to those of My greater flock. You are diligent in this task and I highly commend you for it. Thank you for the hours you spend listening to My children and to their heart cries. Thank you for the tears you shed when you hear their heartaches. Thank you for being touched with the feeling of their infirmities.

The ministry of prayer is an important one in your work. The things that others talk to you about and seek your counsel on, you must commit to prayer and then hear back from Me. Prayer, as you know, is a two way street. I have much encouragement that I wish to give you, as well as guidance that I wish to give you directly in answer to the questions. Sometimes, it will be specific guidance, other times it will be more general principles that can be applied to the situation. Much of it you have already heard in My Word, while some of it will be new and unique, but nevertheless, in line and in accordance to My Word. So do good, and communicate with Me, that I may speak to you and lead and guide you. I love you, My dear precious one. (End of message from Jesus.)

(Jesus speaking:) My dearest love (Sharon), it is with great tenderness that I have drawn you unto Me. For you cried out to Me in your time of need, in your hour desperation, and I looked down upon you with great love, and provided for you and for your little ones. You were as a young woman forsaken and grieved in spirit, a wife of youth. When you were forsaken, I called you and gathered you and your little ones unto Me. I gave to you one who is a vessel of My love to be your earthly mate.

In unity there is strength. There is great power in united prayer, a united vision. Without a vision the people perish; they lose sight of what they are fighting for. I call you to help unite those about you, to lift Me up that I may draw those around you closer to Me. I need you, My love, to help Me with this. You are closely united to My heart in a strong bond of love. You are closely united to your companion, Gary, in a strong bond of love, as well as to your children. I ask you to draw those around you to unite in the vision I have for you there. I have called you to be part of a very big push of My Spirit.

You may feel incapable of the task I have set before you and before the others of your Home. But, Sweetheart, the things that are impossible with man are possible with God. If I did not intend to do mighty things with you and all your dear mates there, I would have told you. Yes, it doesn't look like mighty things are happening. That's because when you are in the middle of the forest, amongst the trees, amongst the daily tasks you have before you, it is hard to see the forest. Please believe Me when I say great things are in store for you. But I need you to help Me.

Sweetheart, you are a powerhouse of My love and of My Spirit. I know you don't think so, but you are! Quit hiding behind your husband. Yes, he has a calling that I gave him, and he does that well. But I have called you, too, so don't be afraid to step up and shine for Me. You can do it! Don't listen to the doubts of the damned Devil who tells you otherwise.

I love you, Sharon, My sweet rose of Sharon, sweet in fragrance to Me. Draw nigh unto Me, that I may smell your sweet perfume and delight in you and shower you with My love, My Spirit and My Words. I love you, My precious. Your Husband, Jesus. (End of message from Jesus.)

(Jesus Speaking:) My dear Queen, you ask what kind of instructions you should give for these dear ones, Gary and Sharon, and their Home. Well, My Queen, as you know the most important thing is to encourage her to hear from Me fresh every day and then I will lead and I will guide her. Help her to realize that time spent with Me is not wasted. Although she feels the pressure of her day, tell her that time spent away with Me will be well worth it. I will make her day go much easier and she will notice the difference. So, encourage her in this.

Encourage her to pass this on to the members of her home, for this is a great thing and this is the way I want My Family to go; that each one hears from Me for their individual situation. It is not that they have no need of thee, My Queen, for they do, very much so. But you know the anecdote of the man and the fish, the better thing was to teach the boy "how" to fish. You have done a greater service in teaching them how to fish and how to get their own food, than providing the fish for them.

That is not to say, that you should not supply the food, but I think you know the message I am trying to get across right now and that is to tell her to hear fresh from Me each day.

I have chosen her to be a helpmeet to Gary and she is strong and can be a strong warrior for him. This is another area in her life that Gary needs, for her to be a prayer warrior for him, upholding him in prayer for this one has many things on his plate, many decisions, many complex situations that he is faced with, sometimes daily. He has a great love and respect for her and also for the children. I have given them good unity and good communication. Regarding the home, unity is important, that they are united. In unity there is strength. Encourage Sharon that their Home has done well but to be on guard for the onslaught of the Enemy as he goeth about looking for a break or even a crack in the wall where he may come in. She must seek Me daily as I will pre-warn her of things and I will help her to see the situations as I see them. Remember I said that I will tell My prophets first before something happens. I will give her and Gary checks and deep insight into the situation of their home, if they seek Me and ask Me.

There are cracks that do need to be patched up now but if they come to Me, I will reveal where these cracks are and I will reinforce them and make them stronger than ever before.

Look to the children that they are well taken care of and that their environment is a safe one, that there is nothing that could harm them. I say not this to project fear but that this is something that must always be foremost in their minds. These are My little ones, and they are the weak ones that require the greater care and who to better care for them than the shepherds and the parents. So, do look out for these, My little ones, that they are well grounded in My Word and flourishing in the ways that I would have them flourish.

They are such precious children and I love each one so dearly, they are such a delight to Me. They make Me so happy as does Sharon. She is a very sweet mother, very loving, and caring. Gary, also is a very caring father. I have given Sharon, Gary, as a token of My love for her. She should appreciate this gift although at times he might fall off his white horse, know that he loves her dearly and that I have choose him for her especially. Although at times the road might be a bit rocky for them, this is but to draw them closer together and most of all to draw them closer together to Me. They are not to fear what is ahead but to look to Me and to come before Me together so that we can have a grand ol' time together. (End of prophecy.)

(Jesus speaking:) My love, Sharon is like a red, red rose. She is My love, My darling, My sweetheart. It pleases Me so to talk about her, for she is a joy and rejoicing to My heart. I am so pleased with how she grows in My house, as a pleasure and a blessing to those who look upon her.

I say unto you, that the way to instruct Sharon is to encourage her to continue to be the blessing and encouragement that she is being. Let her continue to offer praise, encouragement, and positiveness to all those around and to her husband, Gary. For many carry heavy loads, and at some times, they are grievous to be borne. They have much contact with the System, yet in an inspiring ministry. But this system contact must be offset with My Spirit. They have need of coming "home" to a fountain of My Spirit, to a well that is running over with My Words and My joy and My happiness.

In this Home, that has so much contact with the City System, there must be even more of My Spirit--inspirations, fun times together around My Word, parties that reflect My Spirit, prayer mornings that are done in a fun and free style, such as your prayer mornings here, where there are songs composed, even skits done representing the needs being prayed about.

In all these things, I wish for this Home to be a well of My Spirit, so that those living there will be able to drink deeply and fully of My Spirit and My Words when they are not attending to their business in the world. For the pull of the world is so strong, and the needs of those kings and supporters are so great, that one can become bowed down with the strain. But if My Home is a haven, a spot of Heaven on Earth, full of My Spirit and My light, then the times in fellowship with the

Home can be a refreshing, a lightening of the burden, as a drink of cool water at the well of My heavenly elixir.

So let these things be, and let Sharon do what she can to offer this rest and this refreshing and this refilling to Gary, and to the others who minister to those outside. For as they, the Home members, are washed and cleansed and filled with the elixir of My Spirit, they will have a shine that those on the outside will recognize. They will rejoice to be around these, My messengers. They will want to partake of their joy and their sunshine. They will want to bask in the warmth of My love as it comes through them. They will want to be a part of whatever it is that is giving them this aura. So the time spend on inspirations, fun prayer mornings, happy activities around My Word, or fellowship together in My Spirit, is not time wasted, but it is needed and it will fill a void in the hearts of these My loved ones, who labor so hard in My fields. I love you! Love, Jesus. (End of message.)

Prophecy for Gary—April, 1999.

[Jesus speaking:] Be of good cheer, in that I have sent My words of love and guidance. Though some of what David has had to say will not be easy to hear or implement, I hope you will be able to take it as a token of My great love and respect for you, for so it is. I am counting on you, as I have for so long, to have the maturity to take the breaking, because you know it will make you stronger and more fruitful in the long run.

This is a purging of sorts, so it is not altogether pleasant, but I do this because you are a fruitful branch that I wish to make even more fruitful. This is what you must keep in mind. This is what you must focus on in order to not go under when the Enemy tries to put his spin on the things that your queen has to share with you—and he will!

You must stand fast in the faith and hold on to Me in the face of the Enemy's onslaughts that are to come. These things are elementary, of course, and you have done well in them in the past—both in living them in your own times of testing and trial, and in helping others to do so in theirs. Yet I remind you now, because this will be a fight. Satan desires to have you, that he may sift you as wheat, but I have prayed for you, and your queen and king and others are praying for you, that your faith fail not. But you must also have your guard up day and night and be prepared to fight back each time the Enemy strikes.

The Enemy seeks to weaken the structure of My work any way he can. He fights everyone, for everyone plays a part and everyone is important. But he concentrates his efforts on My pillars, because he knows if he can remove or weaken enough of them, he will destabilize My work. This is why he will seek to make the most of this opportunity, to try to catch you off guard and strike a mortal blow. Be not ignorant of his devices.

Look to Me, set your face as flint, determine in your heart to fight through to victory, whatever the cost, and I will be there, fighting by your side. I will also send others to fight with you in the spirit, but you must do your part. If you will cry out to Me, take hold of Me, and hang on to Me, I will cause your strength to be renewed as the eagles, and I will take you to new heights. So be not faithless, but believing. Embrace My Words, and you will find yourself embraced and enveloped and upheld by them. Love Me, even in this, and you will experience My love a hundred-fold in return. I love you, and I will never let go of you or let you down. Hold on, and I will take you on to the light of a brighter day. I love you! Please never doubt or lose sight of that. (End of message from Jesus.)

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