Be Counted with The Professionals
A Successful Person Is
“A Pirate from the House of Prayer”
Jesus: I don’t ask for perfection. You will make mistakes, misunderstandings will come, likes and dislikes will be evident. But what I do require is that you not give in to these vices of the Enemy, but rather seek to rise above them. There will be times when you will not always see eye to eye with one another, but what I require is that you walk arm in arm. What I require is that you take the stand, that you fight for unity at all costs; that you forsake the past and walk in newness of life and spirit; that you put away childish bickering; that you don’t give in to bitter strivings and contentions; that you put out the fires of dissension, contention and familiarity among you.

(‘The Dangers of Division! Conviction versus Compromise, Part 2,” ML #3362:140.)
NOTABLE QUOTE:

Pan and Bacchus have been set back on their heels … but the power of these evil forces in the spirit world and their attack against the children of David is far from over. They will try again and again, and that is why I instructed My children to ask Me so specifically about their influence, so that they could be watchful and wary.

—Jesus (ML #3381:5).

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Mind if I ask you something, Clay?

Nope. What’s up?

Do you really think we’re going to do “fearsome wonders”?

Okay

And?

Realistically!

As I see it, it’s something we take by faith, simply believing.

And then God works through us.

Yes, that’s the theory.

But do I strike you as someone “from whose mouth fire proceeds”?

I just don’t see myself in that role!

I know Mer loves the power and miracles part.

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But do I strike you as someone “from whose mouth fire proceeds”? 
I was serious, though!

I'm sorry, bad joke!

Actually, we're here for a little "brain picking."

Want to join us?

Nah, I don't think the two of you are made for each other.

It was more of a serious question.

How so?
WELL, IT’S ABOUT THE ENDTIME AND WHAT WE’LL BE DOING... MIRACLES AND STUFF.

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TELL THE FUTURE!

CALL DOWN FIRE FROM HEAVEN!

RAISE THE DEAD.

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...in Jesus’ name!

...I see horses, many horses...

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Here’s a question, though: What’s going to change in us so we’ll be able to do these grand miracles?

Oh, man, it’s going to be so great when those miracles start happening!

Yes, it will be!

The Lord says it’s a matter of honing these gifts today.

And as our faith increases so will the magnitude of what He can do through us.

Not exactly an overnight change.

Oh! But we do have the magic now!

MAGIC?
You know, gold magic.

That's right!

I love that quote...

"You can be a magician, a wizard, a miracle worker."

"At last, you have the highest form of power."

So you think it's really going to happen? We're going to do "exploits"?

Yup! I believe it!

Don't forget we also have special angelic escorts for this time...
ONE BEING SPECIFICALLY TO STAND CHARGE OVER THE POWER TO PERFORM MIRACLES.

ANOTHER STANDS CHARGE OVER THE POWER TO ACCURATELY DISCERN AND REVEAL HEAVEN’S SECRETS, INCLUDING EVENTS OF THE LAST DAYS.

THERE’S ONE TO HELP WITH THE ACTIVATED VISION, TOO...

WHO SEES INTO THE HEARTS AND SPIRITS OF MEN.

AND THE FOURTH ONE IS FOR MAMA AND PETER IN THEIR JOB AS QUEEN AND KING.
The Lord did say that He wanted to enlarge our vision in learning to rise above and call on the keys. Maybe that’s what we need to claim.

I don’t use the keys half as much as I should.

But it’d be worth the effort, once we start seeing all the miracles that they’ll work.

It’s worth praying for, no?

I’d love to have more faith in this area.

And also the increase of faith that the keys will bring.

We could ask the Lord to help us make using the keys a habit.

Great idea!

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To be continued!
In a way, the Endtime will be like a high-tech game—a serious, make-no-mistakes, life-or-death game. Portions of the Endtime saga will unfold in bustling cities, where high-tech means of communication, surveillance, and monitoring are the norm. Other parts of the Endtime script will play out in remote, deserted, less-than-up-with-the-times locales.

What remains a mystery is where you will be placed in the great Endtime finale. You may be in a center of activity, or in a relatively quiet spot—or in a bit of both.
can safely say that you’ll have some movement and action in your life at that point, and according to your faith and desire you’ll go places. There will be many doors of opportunity, and depending on what you’re interested in and have the burden for, I’ll lead you one way or another.

At times the Endtime will be very intense; at other times you’ll find yourself having to just remain faithful, to abide in your calling, and you might wonder what the big fuss was all about. But as the days tick by and you get deeper into the last three and a half years, you’ll get the feel of the seriousness of the Endtime. You won’t be playing around, I assure you.

But there’s nothing to fear, because if you’re used to hearing from Me, and your spiritual walkie-talkie is always up and running, the Endtime will rock! Sure there will be problems, difficulties, tough times, sacrifices, even a few scares here and there. That goes with the turf. There will also be a thrill, though, like you’ve never felt, an exhilarating feeling that you’re on the top of the world—the edge of time—peering over the brink of the future, standing on the brim of the end of the world as everyone today knows it. And you will be!

Here’s a practical tip of something to work on in your spiritual life that will help you physically in the Endtime. It’s faith versus fear. Sounds sort of simplistic, huh? You know you’re supposed to have faith and not fear. Yes, that’s the basic idea! But in the Endtime, faith and fear will take on greater dimensions. They will be crucial to winning or losing, to remaining safe and hidden away or being caught, to achieving success on a mission or being thwarted by the Enemy. A lot will hinge on your faith or lack of it.

In the Last Days, spiritual forces everywhere are going to be intensified. That means that the Antichrist forces are going to be more keenly tuned and sensitive, just as you are going to be more aware of spiritual things, more in tune, and have a clearer channel.

Faith covers you with an aura of protection. So if you’re hiding out and in one of those potential life-and-death pinches, faith will camouflage you with My protection and power.

So now’s a good time to bone up on your faith and trust skills. Remember that the good habits you build will come in real handy down the line. Work on your camouflage while you still have time!

Call on the keys and I’ll give you faith.
A successful person in my eyes is someone who humbly and unselfishly takes his orders from Me, who does the tasks that I give him as unto Me, and who is happy that I'm happy with him.

You have to realize that sometimes no one but I will know about the good things that you do for Me and others.

I see your heart. I know the times you pray.

... the times you cry, ... and the times you wish to be a good follower of Me.

And I will answer those prayers!

I will make you a faithful, solid, dependable soldier, an avant-garde fighter in My troops! That's part of My plan for you!
The more time we spend together, the more like Me you will be. You will be more responsible, make mistakes, and get up in My eyes. Humility is a great thing, and keep going, oh Lord, it! I blew it again... We did it, Jesus!

But to become faithful, you have to learn obedience... You have to... and you have to learn more time together. You're not a soldier, you're going to teach me to lead. I'll handle this one... Stand back, Lord. I'll do the Garbage... And the trash... Oh, I love you, dear.

Take Out the Garbage...
(Jesus:) You may not even know how to use the keys, but by simply calling on them, they are put into action by your faith. And as your faith in them grows, as you watch the transformation that takes place as you avail yourself of their power, that is when they are placed completely in your hands and you witness their light and power to the full.

(ML #3402:145.)
(Jesus:) It’s not easy to be corrected for your faults; nobody likes that. But here’s what I’d like you to do: I’d like you just to take it, learn from it, and go on. Don’t spend time in remorse, wondering why you had to get pulled up, why you couldn’t just hang loose and not worry about how you were doing. Just take it!

You’re not a kid any more, you know? You’re a teenager, and now the time has come for you to begin taking responsibility. Part of taking responsibility involves facing up to things when you’ve fallen short. But don’t get so down about it that you can’t get up again! Just take it, learn from it, and go on, okay?

If you can do this, if you can learn from your mistakes, say you’re sorry, and then try again, you’ll be reaching a new level of maturity. And then eventually—maybe even the very next time—you’ll get it right, and others will be proud of you.

But don’t always be looking to see if people are proud of you; instead, know that I’m proud of you right now! I’m looking at the person you are inside, the person I created. I know you, I love you, and I have big plans for you.

As you come to this new level of maturity and responsibility, I know you can be trusted to do your best for Me. As you look to Me, put your will on My side, and ask Me to help and anoint you, you won’t be sorry.
A. I cannot go beyond the commandment of the Lord, to do either good or bad
B. I myself serve the law of God
C. Jesus said unto him, thou shalt love the Lord thy God
D. The Lord knoweth the thoughts of the wise
E. Rise up, and stand forth in the midst
F. Unto the pure, all things are pure
G. His heart was made like the beasts, and his dwelling was with the wild asses
H. The peace of God, which passeth all understanding
I. For My thoughts are not your thoughts
J. In the latter days ye shall consider it perfectly
K. Thy comforts delight my soul
L. Thy law do I love
M. I will gather all nations and tongues
N. Shall not God search this out
O. Both riches and honour come of Thee
P. Let this mind be in you

GN ((Lx10)-(Fx10)-(O/2)) paragraph (O-1)

How to do it
- Find each of the following phrases in your Bible. You can use your memory, a concordance, or a searchable Bible program or document.
- Note down the VERSE NUMBERS of each verse in the same order as they appear.
- Decipher the title to this puzzle by matching each verse number with a character of the alphabet (1 = A, 2 = B, etc. If greater than 26, number equals a space.)

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(Spirit being speaking:)

My name is Anthea. I was born in Heaven about 15 years ago, according to Earth’s time. On Earth my mother didn’t want a child so she had an abortion to end her pregnancy. Jesus received me when I returned back up Here, just as He receives all the little children who are sent back.

Jesus gave me my name, which in Greek means “lady of flowers.” He found me some wonderful foster parents up Here who adopted me. Now that I’ve nearly finished my “basic education” I’m starting to work as an apprentice flower arranger. I’ve always loved flowers and up Here there are so many varieties and combinations to work with.

Sometimes I’m called on to set the flower arrangements for the banquets or parties that are held in Heaven, and sometimes I design flowery headpieces for the women to wear on special occasions.

My favorite thing to do, though, is to design the floating flower arrangements that are in the main Heavenly park. It’s a real challenge to get them floating in just their right places. They change every day at sunset, and often many people will gather in the park to watch the arrangements change. When it happens, each looks like a small fireworks display, with bright new colors bursting out, petals opening and sparks flying about. It’s beautiful!
(Jesus:) I have you in the furnace and will bring you out soon. Like the horseshoe, the hotter you get in the fire the more I know you will yield to the well-placed blows of My hammer. And the hotter the fire, the fewer blows it takes, for you are more ready and yielded and malleable. Then with one deft thrust, I’ll plunge you into the cool and peaceful waters, and you shall feel the heat of the fire no more, as you will be just the right shape for the purpose I made you for. The heat shall be forgotten like a bad dream, as you find yourself being put to good use and you feel the peace of contentment in finding your place.

MONTHS LATER:

Just hold on through the fires and keep your eyes upon My face. There is no malice there in My face, or frustration that you were not the proper shape to begin with. No tool forms of itself. Just keep your eyes on Me and My Word so that you’ll have the strength to stand the heat. It won’t be long now.
The Lord does want us to have fun. He does want us to enjoy ourselves and to have times of relaxation, but that’s not our calling, that’s not what we have committed ourselves to.

**We’re disciples.**

We’re professional Christians who take our work for God **seriously**.

**We’ve devoted our lives to His service.**

- To reaching the world with His message
- To living His Word
- To being a sample of full-time discipleship
- To preaching the meaty Endtime message of the Words of David
- To loving Him with all of our heart, soul, mind, body, and strength.

That’s what being a **disciple** in the Family is about

- movies
- sex
- music
- Internet use
- drinking
- computer games
- food
- free time
- entertainment
- money
- fashion
- hanging out
- etc.

As disciples we get to partake of those things, but that’s **not** supposed to be the most important aspect of Family life.

My profession, like that of thousands and thousands of other Family members, is **discipleship**. That’s what I do, that’s what I am.

**That’s what I live for; that’s what I’ll die for.**

If tomorrow the Lord sends me to a place where there’s no videos, no Internet, no music, no pleasures of this life, then I’ll still serve Him because I **love** Him and because that’s what I’m committed to. —Peter Amsterdam

("The Professionals," ML #3399:273–274.)
The Professional’s Contract

I, ____________, willingly become a Charter member disciple. As such, I affirm that my choice of career is to be a professional disciple. I will strive, to the best of my ability, to follow the appropriate rules of discipleship conduct. I consent to taking orders from You, the Head Coach. I consent to being a team player, and I embrace my fellow disciples as my brothers and sisters. I acknowledge that there will be sacrifices to make, and I’m willing to make these in order to pursue this profession.

I accept the terms of payment. These are as follows:

☐ Reasonable supply of basic necessities (housing, clothing, food).
☐ Love and support of my fellow team members.
☐ Satisfaction of knowing that I’m helping others.
☐ Spiritual blessings (peace, joy, purpose in life, etc.).

I accept that I will not receive monetary payment or physical compensation for my every effort in this life. I am content to wait until the next life, where I will receive my payment and rewards in full for the service I have given. I give up the temptation toward the pleasures and treasures of the world around me, in favor of obtaining eternal riches and blessings that will never fade away.

In short, I commit to being a professional disciple, on whom You can count to play my part with faith, love, determination, and zeal.

Signed: ______________, Charter member disciple
Witness: Jesus, Head Coach and Owner of the team

(“The Professionals,” ML #3399:287-290.)

(Xn: Get your own copy of The Professional’s Contract. — You can download it from the M0 site today.)
(Jesus:) Every time you are out in the world you have an opportunity to be a witness. You have been given the special gift of a Godly life, and this shines through no matter how much of a sinner you think you are. Your Father David helped shape the Family into a wonderful environment of love and unselfishness, which is really quite remarkable—especially when compared to the average household that is usually full of bickering, selfishness, and even hate and backstabbing.

Even when you are not out witnessing with Bible in hand you can share your little bit of Heaven with those who don’t have it. In fact, your sample as a Christian can speak louder than your verbal witness in some cases. For example, if you are about to enter an elevator and you allow someone else to enter first, you are showing that you are thinking of others, and not just yourself. Or if you give an elderly lady your seat in the train, you are showing everyone around you that even in a day and age where it’s considered cool for young people to be selfish and uncaring, a glimmer of hope and love still exists.

Or if you are playing sports with the neighborhood kids, you can try not to be so competitive. You can help someone who gets knocked over, if the others are so competitive that they just pass the fallen one by, laughing and calling that person a loser or screaming at him or her for being a detriment to the team. If you are helpful and aware of others you may change the entire spirit of the game, and show people that consideration for others can help everyone have a more enjoyable experience.

When people see that you are not just a sermon but a sample as well, then they will have much more of an interest in what you say. There are plenty of people preaching long-winded sermons about love and compassion for their fellow man, but so few are actually living it every day. So tell others about Me and show them My love, and you’ll have a little Heaven right here.
A Pirate From the House of Prayer

NAME: Aida Skripnikova
AGE: 19
PLACE: USSR, 1961

Art by Rain
The young woman stood on the corner handing out small cards with poems on them. Some took them because they were interested in what she might be handing out, some because she was incredibly beautiful...

... but most people probably took the cards because of the joy and love shown in her smile as she looked each person in the eye and handed them a card.

Each card contained a poem she had written herself.

Each poem declared the love and joy she had from knowing Jesus as Lord and Savior.

For this she was arrested and brought to trial. Before the court she boldly testified:

For this she was arrested and brought to trial. Before the court she boldly testified:

The society which you, the Communists, are building can never be just because you yourselves are unjust.

She was sentenced to one year of imprisonment.
When she was released, she went straight back to her work for the underground church. Because of her beauty, determination, and boldness, she was labeled "a pirate from the house of prayer" by the Communist newspaper Izvestia. One of the things Aida dared to write was:

"Again she was arrested and this time was sentenced to four years in prison, but she did not waver."

By the age of 27, Aida was facing her fourth prison term, yet the prison seemed to do little but increase her love for God's Word and its importance to her faith.

"In prison," she says, "the most difficult thing was to live without a Bible."

Once, the Gospel of Mark was smuggled in to her.
"When the guards learned that I had a Gospel, they became alarmed and searched the whole camp.

"During the second search, they found it.

"I was punished for this and had to spend ten days and ten nights in solitary confinement in a cold cell.

"But two weeks later I was given a whole New Testament ...

"... which I was able to keep almost until the day of my release.

"The prison was searched many times, but each time the Lord helped me. Many other prisoners helped me hide the book, even though they were not Christians."
When she was released from her fourth term, Aida had changed drastically. Prison life had made its mark on her beauty.

If you had seen her, you would never have recognized her as the same woman ... except for one thing ... her smile.

It still reflected the love and joy of knowing Jesus.

(Message from Jesus:) Aida gave up what is considered a very precious possession in the world today—her own beauty. She could have spared herself and her youthful looks by compromising, but she chose to suffer affliction for My sake rather than to enjoy the pleasures of the world for a season. She lost her life in Me and so saved it. Her passion and her love for Me, and her determination to tell others about Me, made her more beautiful than the most beautiful worldly model, for her beauty sprang from deep within.

Great riches and honor and happiness are hers in Heaven for the sacrifices she has made on Earth. Every moment she has suffered on Earth is repaid a hundred-fold from the Bank of Heaven. Every poem she wrote and word she spoke in honor of Me is recorded in her spot in the Hall of Fame. Likewise, every word that you have spoken in honor of Me is recorded in the Hall of Fame.

Every time you've forsaken your own beauty and tending to your self image to bring others to a knowledge of Me, will be greatly rewarded.

You will never regret your decision to lose your life for Me, for you shall find you have gained so much more in eternity. (End of prophecy.)
(Dad:) Give us fighters, Lord, who aren't afraid to go on the attack!—Who aren't ashamed of what they believe!—Aren't ashamed of what they practice!—Aren't afraid of the Devil and his stupid, silly, idiotic little challenges! (ML #1718:40).

(Dad:) This revolution was not built by cowards, or fought by cowards—it was fought by brave, bold warriors who challenged the Enemy! When the Enemy comes up and challenges you, you don't go on the defensive, you don't start backwatering or sidestepping or coughing or wheezing and spitting and stammering and get scared and back off, you attack him! You go on the attack! You take the initiative and go on the attack and sock it to him! (ML #1718:31.)
As the lone figure, whose name we forgot to mention is EON, stares incredulously at his computer screen, ANOTHER mysterious message appears...

"FOLLOW the WHITE RABBIT?"

'SUDDENLY...

'TONG? WHO COULD THAT BE?"

"Yes, can I he..."

"WHOA!! DID ANYONE EVER TELL YOU THAT YOU LOOK EXACTLY LIKE KEANU REEVES?"

"NO, BUT I'VE BEEN TOLD THAT IF I, LIKE, STAND IN A REALLY DARK ROOM AND SOMEONE COMES IN WEARING LIKE REALLY DARK SHADERS AND THEY SQUINT WHEN THEY LOOK AT ME, THEN I'M THE LIKE SPITTING IMAGE OF BEN AFFLECK."

"IS THAT SO?"

Anyway, I STRONGLY suggest you FOLLOW ME.

"BUT WHY SHOULD I FOLLOW YOU?"

"WELL, IF I FOLLOW YOU, YOU WON'T KNOW WHICH WAY TO GO."

doormatrix
OH YEAH, RIGHT

OKAY RABBIT, LEAD THE WAY.

W...WHOAAA!

WHAT IS IT?

I...I FEEL AN ADVERTISEMENT COMING ON...

Men who are on their feet all day recommend...

YOU OKAY NOW?

YES, THANKS. I FEEL A LOT BETTER.

WERE ALMOST THERE NOW

GLOOMY NIGHTCLUB

ONLY FREAKY-LOOKING PEOPLE ALLOWED

INSIDE THE NIGHTCLUB EON MAKES HIS NEXT MOVE...

I'LL JUST HANG OUT HERE FOR A WHILE AND LOOK COOL

SUDDENLY

HMM...

I MIGHT BE WRONG...

...BUT I SOMEHOW SENSE THAT THAT BABE IS SHOWING AN UNUSUAL AMOUNT OF INTEREST IN ME

DON'T MISS!
MORE "Edge of your Seat Highbrow action... in your NEXT 'Xn!"