Weekly Devotional for Week of December 12, 2010

“Fasting from Wrong Thinking” by Pastor Gregory Dickow

Revolution Day 36: "I don't think this pain will ever go away."

Today we’re fasting from the thought that says, “I don't think this pain will ever go away.” We all feel pain, whether physical or emotional, and though it may seem at times it may never go away, IT CAN and WILL, when we...

Change It Today:

1. **There is twice as much healing for whatever pain is in your life.** For every one mention of pain or sickness in the Bible, there are 2 mentions of health and healing.

2. **God created you to get better.** (Proverbs 4:18) YOU WILL GET BETTER.

3. **The cross ends your pain.** Jesus bore YOUR pain on the cross (Isaiah 53:4-5) and 1 Peter 2:24 says He has borne our pain and sins and with His stripes we were healed.

4. **Don’t lower your resistance to pain or sickness.** Resist it; speak to it; and expect it to leave. (1 Peter 5:7-8, Mark 11:23)

5. **Expect the Word of God to destroy pain and suffering’s grip in your life.** (Proverbs 4:20-22, Psalm 107:20) THERE IS NO POWER THAT CAN PREVAIL AGAINST THE WORD!

6. **Stop fighting for the right to be hurt or stay in pain.** CHOOSE to be whole! (John 5:6)

Think It & Say It:

I refuse to tolerate pain in my life. I am healed by the stripes of Jesus—spiritually, emotionally and physically. I AM getting better all the time. I choose to be made whole and I expect God’s Word to destroy pain’s grip in my life, in Jesus’ Name.

In His Great Love,

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Revolution Day 37: “I’m running out...”

Today we’re fasting from the thought that says, “I’m running out...”

This is a mindset that we WILL overcome today. The thought that you’re running out of time; running out of money; running out of patience, STRENGTH, chances, etc. This thinking has to go!

Let’s change it TODAY:

1. **Replace ‘running out’ thinking with ‘running OVER’ thinking.** (Psalm 23:5) Expect your cup to run over TODAY.

2. **Know His Name!** El Shaddai = The God of MORE THAN ENOUGH! You could NEVER exhaust the infinite riches and supply of God. (Genesis 17:1-2, Genesis 28:3)

3. **HE RENEWS** (Isaiah 40:31), **HE RESTORES** (JOEL 2:25), **HE RECOVERS** (1 Samuel 30:8), **HE RUNS you over with blessing** (Deuteronomy 28:2).

4. Remember **Elijah and the widow NEVER ran out**... the jar of flour will never be empty and the jug will always contain oil (1 Kings 17:14). YOU will never run out. (Acts 10:34-35)

5. **You never RUN OUT of what you give away.** It always comes back: good measure, pressed down, shaken together and RUNNING OVER! (Luke 6:38, Matthew 14:20)

6. **PLAN on what you’re going to do with all your extra** time, money, and opportunities. YES—God will give you MORE than you can contain (that keeps you giving it away!) (Malachi 3:10)

**THINK IT & SAY IT:**

I embrace a “running over” mentality. I set my expectation on being run over with God’s blessing. My cup, my money, my time, my chances are POURING over in my life. God did it for the widow, He does it for me. He is MY GOD; the God of more than enough, and I expect it today, in Jesus’ Name.

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Revolution Day 38: "I'm okay with average."

Today we’re fasting from the thought that says, “I’m okay with average.” What? NEVER!

You were meant to soar! The idea that average is acceptable or ‘just getting by’ is enough, needs to be eradicated from our mindset and the core of our being.

Let’s change it today:

1. **SEE average as your ENEMY.** You’ll merely tolerate life and ‘just get by’, until you decide that mediocrity and status quo: GOT TO GO. (2 Timothy 2:20-21)

2. **You are EXTRAORDINARY!** You are not an ‘average’, ‘everyday’ kind of person. You are made in the image of God to create, to build, to prosper. (Gen. 1:26, Jer.1:5, Jer. 29:11)

3. **There’s nothing in between ‘head’ and ‘tail’.** You are the head ONLY. You are above ONLY and not beneath. (Deut. 28:13)

4. **Don’t bury. UN-BURY!!!!!** You have amazing treasures and talents. (Matt. 25:15) Everyone was given talent, but the ‘average’ guy buried his. DON’T bury the treasure in you. **Excavate—by praying in the spirit, prophesying scriptures, and believing in what you have.**

5. **Refuse to settle for the way things are.** You have not reached your ceiling or your potential. You have greatness in you.

6. **Serve others.** Listen---when you know there is greatness in you (2 Cor. 4:6, 1 John 4:4), it makes you secure and confident rather than boastful or arrogant. THEN, it’s easy to serve others to help make them better.

**Think It & Say It:**

I refuse to settle for mediocrity and an average existence. I’m not called to be average in my mind, body, finances or relationships. I am the head ONLY and not the tail. I call forth the treasure and talents in me, to produce and excel. I expect increase and believe I was created for excellence and supernatural achievement, in Jesus’ Name.

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Revolution Day 39: "I just don't have the discipline to..."

This is our 39th day—and if you’ve stuck with me, you have begun to see real change in your life. Remember: Success or failure in life is created by how we think. So stick to this, long after our 40 days ends.

Today we’re fasting from the thought that says, “I just don’t have the discipline to...” ...to succeed…to get in shape...to change...to start over...to BECOME GREAT, etc.

Let’s change it TODAY:

1. It’s already in you! God has given you a SPIRIT OF DISCIPLINE. Many versions of 2 Timothy 1:7 say, “God has given you power, love, and SELF-DISCIPLINE.” (NASB, NIV, NLT, ERV, etc.)

2. You ARE already doing it! If you’ve made it this far in our fast from wrong thinking, you ARE demonstrating discipline.

3. Your life is like an engine and it runs on the fuel of thoughts! It runs successfully on success thoughts; or it runs poorly on poor thoughts. You decide. (Deut. 30:19, Mark 7:21)

4. Recognize Satan’s methods to get you to quit at anything. You faint in your mind when you don’t fill it with the Word. (Hebrews 12:1-3)

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6. Your endurance grows as you hold on to your faith, by rejoicing in trials & tough times. (James 1:3-4)

7. Stop doubting yourself. (Romans 14:22) If God believes in you enough to put His spirit in you, it’s time for you to believe in yourself.

Think it & Say it:

I have the spirit of self-discipline. It’s already in me. I am complete in Christ and I am a finisher, just as Jesus is. I refuse to let go of the Word even in tough times. My endurance is growing; and I finish whatever I set my mind to, in Jesus’ Name.

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Hello Everyone,

This week concludes the “Fasting from Wrong Thinking” series; well done, we finished. I pray that you were blessed and that your mindset has changed; you can always go through it again – as many times as you like. There are other “Fasting from Wrong Thinking” series from Pastor Dickow on his web site: http://fromtheinsideout.us/index.php; check them out.

We are going to end the weekly teachings and devotionals for this year and begin after the new year. In the meantime, I will be seeking God as to what He wants me to bring to you next. Also, give me some topics that you’ll want to discuss or you want to see taught. Remember, this is not a “one person’s show;” this recovery group is for your benefit; to help you in whatever area of your lives that need healing or more understanding of something. Give me some feedback because this is not something I do just to do, I want to make sure you are getting blessed and empowered; if this is not the case, then I need to change what I am teaching.

I don’t use the term empowered loosely; you must understand, every time I teach you what God tell me to teach you, you are gaining skills and knowledge that will motivate you to take the necessary steps to move forward in your life. Empowerment does not happen overnight; it is a process, a journey that we all will be on until Jesus come. As I empower you, God empowers me so I will be able to continually empower others.

Therefore, please go to my Ning web site and leave comments under the “Forum” heading about the Weekly Devotionals and other teachings we have studied this year: www.abusedwoman.ning.com.

I pray that you and your family have a blessed and prosperous Holiday Season. And I am excited about what God has in store for you in the upcoming year.

Shalom,
Dr. Dorothy E. Hooks