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“The Book of Life”

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I just thank God for what He has revealed to us. Whether you realize it or not, there are many, many prophets of old that would have loved to look into this day; into what God is revealing to us in this time. We are at a special hour, and day in time; and we have a Lord who just amazes us from time to time. But what He really wants me to minister on here, is “The Book of Life”. So I want to do a teaching on it to bring out some of the deeper truths to help you understand more about the Book of Life.

As you know, many books have been written in the world. There have been many awards (like the Pulitzer Prize) given for some of these books. Many have been made into plays and movies. Scripts have been written from books. As we know, some of these books that have been written are true stories about people’s lives. It’s very interesting if you’ve ever noticed, that even a movie that is based on a true story, has a much greater impact on people’s lives than a fictional story. Every kind of book that you could possibly think of has been written. But the book that we want to get into today - is the Book of Life. **We want to get into the extraordinary understanding of what the Book of Life is - and**

that you are becoming the Book of Life.

God has His own Book. The Book that God has is not the bible. I want to say that again - **the Book that God has written is not the bible.** The bible has been written from the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, which God has given to man through time. But **this book (the bible) is to point you to THE BOOK - which is THE BOOK OF LIFE!** God wrote this Book in the beginning, and in the Book of Life is God’s plan. In the Book of Life there will be certain names written. Not everyone’s name will be written in the Book of Life, but we will get into the end result of this as we go on.

God has written His book and no one can contaminate it. Nobody can put their doctrines into it. Nobody can put their beliefs, ideas, concepts, or anything else into it. Man will never be able to contaminate the Book that God has written.

God wrote His Book in the very beginning, and Moses knew about His Book. He had the understanding that God had written a Book. **He came to this understanding because he was fellowshiping with THE BOOK - which is God Himself!** God is the author of His Book. In His Book He wrote His plan and

many scripts. God’s Book is the Book of Life, which is Christ Himself. *“And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us.”* Man didn’t write this Book - God wrote it Himself. God wrote His plan and nobody can change His plan. However, you can change the script - and I will get into this a little later on.

I want to talk about the first individual that had the understanding that God had written His Book. He also had the understanding that his script had been written, and that God had written every one of his days in His Book. All the days of his life had been written in the Book of Life. When Jesus came into this earth, every one of His days had been written in God’s Book. The script of all the days of Jesus’ life had been written in His Book. **He is The Book. The Book of Life came - the Bread from heaven came - THE WORD WAS MADE FLESH!** He had to walk out the script and the plan of God. He only tried to change it one time. **He learned obedience through the things that He suffered.** I know that He struggled with the script for a while. I know that He was tempted in every area, just like you and I. But **He passed all of the tests and overcame all of the temptations because He said, “It**

***is written ..."* - it is written in my Father's script - it is written in my Father's plan - I cannot do that - I cannot yield to my self-will - I will not change the script - I will not change the plan - I must follow the plan of God, because I came to do the will of my Father.**

The interesting part of this is that He was destined - and no one could change His destiny. Nobody could change His script. The only individual that could have changed it is Jesus Himself. But He yielded to what God wanted Him to do. No one could change His destiny - and no one can change your destiny except you.

So here He is - The Book. Each day of His life was unfolding. Every thing that God had written in the very beginning was unfolding. His days were unfolding. His experiences were unfolding. Each day and each experience took Him from one place to another - all the way to the cross. He followed the script; He looked at it; He understood it; and He began to yield to the Father and to walk out that script. He began to walk out the plan of God.

The only time that Jesus had a hard time with God's script, was in the Garden of Gethsemane when He saw what He had to go through on the cross. And that is when He spent time in prayer crying out to God, *"Saying, Father, if thou be willing, remove this cup from me: nevertheless not my will, but thine, be done."* Again He yielded to God; seeing what He was going to go through.

In Hebrews 12:2, it says, *"... who for the joy that was set*

before him endured the cross." He endured the cross because of the joy that was set before Him - because He had the understanding that as He fulfilled the script and walked out God's plan each day of His life - He wasn't going to be just one Book - He would go on to become many Books! When they killed Him, they thought that they were getting rid of The Book. But they couldn't get rid of the script that God had written. No man can stop it. Jesus could have stopped it in the Garden of Gethsemane, but He yielded to the Father, and said, *"not my will, but thine, be done."* Again, He did not yield to His self-will, but He yielded to the will of God, to bring a fulfillment to the plan of God and the script that had been written for Him. No one could change Jesus' destiny except Jesus. But He didn't change it - He fulfilled it by walking it out.

But even after all this, His life still wasn't over. The Book wasn't finished yet. He wasn't the man Jesus anymore, but if you can understand: here He is - the Book of Life walking in the earth. Everybody was reading the Book of Life. They were looking at the Book of Life everyday, and they saw what was in it. What they saw was God. This upset and angered many people. They hated The Book, because it was against their book. It was against their lives and what they believed in. It was against their governments, their religions, and every thing that they stood for - because they loved death more than they loved life!

Jesus said in John 3:19, *"And this is the condemnation, that light is come into the world, and*

men loved darkness rather than light, because their deeds were evil." In Matthew 4:16 it says that, *"The people which sat in the darkness saw a great light."* They saw The Book coming and it had light and life in it. The very life of God was walking and moving in Christ! And God was enjoying every bit of it. He said, ***"I finally have an individual that is yielding to my will, my plan and my script. He is looking at my script each day. He is waiting upon the Holy Spirit to direct His path, so that He can walk out what I wrote from before the foundation of the earth."***

When Jesus looked within in the Garden of Gethsemane, He saw that God had written before the foundation of the earth that the Lamb would be slain. It had already been written - but until that time Jesus didn't have the full picture or understanding of what was going to happen on the cross. He had known it, He understood it, and He saw it take place - before the foundation of the earth because the Father had showed it to Him. But the man Jesus had lost the full understanding of this event when He came into His body.

In the Garden of Gethsemane He came into the full realization of what was going to happen to Him on the cross. He saw what He would suffer; the hate and rejection that would come against Him - but He did not want to miss the script and what God had written - He had to walk it out and fulfill this part.

God showed Him in the Garden of Gethsemane that He was not going to die, but that He was coming into a higher place

(realm or state of being). He showed Him that He was going to bring the entire creation back into THE BOOK! This is the reason why He knew He had to fulfill the script. He also knew that it wasn't the end of THE BOOK. He knew that His life would continue throughout eternity in the hearts and lives of many people.

They thought that they had gotten rid of Him. But He came back on the day of Pentecost, and the Book of Life began to enter into many men - a many membered corporate body - THE BOOK OF LIFE in men. God gave men scriptures to point people to the Book of Life - and the Book of Life, is Jesus Himself! He is the first man to fully walk out the divine plan of God.

In Revelations chapter 5, if you remember there was an angel that had a Book. The Book had seven seals, and no man could open this book. It says, *"And I saw in the right hand of him that sat on the throne a book written within and on the backside, sealed with seven seals. And I saw a strong angel proclaiming with a loud voice, Who is worthy to open the book and to loose the seven seals thereof? And no man in heaven, nor in earth, neither under the earth, was able to open the book, neither to look thereon."* But I want to tell you, there was one that could open it - and it said that He was the Lamb that was slain! The Book and the seven seals, are the Sons of God that God had written before the foundation of the earth. The seven seals are the perfection and completeness we are to come into, in God. God wrote this

script; and He wrote your script in the very beginning.

Jesus was the only one worthy to open up The Book and the seven seals, **because He had walked out and fulfilled all that God had written.** After He opened the seven seals, why do you think that it talks about those that have been redeemed by the blood of the Lamb; and that He has made them kings and priests to rule in the earth? Because He is talking about the **"Overcomers."** **The "Overcomers" are the Sons of God!** He is talking about the individuals that will overcome, and be perfected in every area of their life. This is why it is called the "Seven Seals" - 'seven' means, completeness and perfection.

So in the Book that Jesus opened up, were the scripts that God had written for God's Sons. **He wrote it in the very beginning.** I hope you can hear what I am saying. **He wrote all the days of your life, in The Book of Life, in the very beginning - before the foundation of the earth.** He wrote everything that you would experience in your life, to bring you to the point where you are **in Christ now!** And all of these experiences that God wrote for you to walk out, were to work The Book of Life into you - **so that you would become The Book of Life.**

This is the reason why Jesus said in John chapter 6:54,56, *"Whoso eateth my flesh, and drinketh my blood, hath eternal life; and I will raise him up at that last day... He that eateth my flesh, and drinketh my blood, dwelleth in me, and I in him."* He knew that **"to eat of His flesh",**

means, to eat of The Book of Life; and that **The Book of Life is within - where man can't contaminate it; he can't touch it - and it is God Himself. He has written it! Every time you go within and seek God for His divine counsel; instruction; and understanding - you are reading and coming into the understanding of what He had already written before the foundation of the earth. He is enlightening it to you so that you can walk it out!**

This is the reason why He keeps telling us to go within. As you go within and tap into the Book of Life (the Word and the Spirit), the Book of Life (the Holy Spirit) will take you into the bible and use it to confirm what you just found in the Book of Life.

So Revelations chapter 5 tells us that Christ was the only one that could open the Book of Life - because He had walked it out. He walked out God's script and God's plan. Even in the natural, when an individual writes a play, he spends a long time thinking it through. I don't know how long God spent thinking about His plan. I have no idea what it entailed, His plan is so awesome!

Not everyone's name is written in the Book of Life - but in the end everyone will come into the Book of Life. It says that **everything came out of God, is going through God, and will go back into God** (Colossians 1:16-20, Romans 11:36). In the natural, there are a lot of people that like to try and change their script. They think that their ideas are better than God's script for them. This is also what some of God's Sons have done. They have changed the script somewhat,

because they still want to hang on to some of their self-will.

I want to share something with you that God spoke to me a long time ago. He said, "Joyce, **I am the author and finisher of your faith. I am the author of your book - I wrote it. I wrote your book, and in the book I wrote all of your days and all of your experiences. I am the author and the finisher of your faith.**" He said, that, "**When you do not want to yield to The Book, and you try to change the script by doing your own thing - you will have no joy. You will have no peace; you will be confused; you will be tormented in your mind - because you chose to walk out of the script and do your own thing.**" But He said, "**I will correct you. And until you choose to yield to The Book again, you may go through some hard things.**"

Do you understand what I am saying? God has a plan for every one of you, and His plan is perfect. **There are no flaws in God's plan. All of your days have been written in His Book. It was planned before the foundation of the earth.** As you walk in His plan and read His script - you will always know when you are in His will, because you will feel that oneness between you and Him. When you have His peace in your mind, you are walking out the script. In His plan are so many experiences for you to have in Christ - both joyful and sad - but all of these experiences are working the Book of Life into you.

He began to show me, that if I fall because of disobedience and not wanting to yield to His plan and script - He would have to deal with me and spank me. If I

am really His Son then He will chasten me. But if I'm not His Son, then I am a bastard - and if I'm a bastard, then He won't do anything. Do you understand this? If the Lord spans (chastens) you - it is a good thing.

When you get back in the script, there is a flow that takes place between you and the Lord. When you are yielded to Him, you don't have to think about what you are going to do today - God's thoughts flow into your mind and you just go with the flow. When you are yielded to Him and go with the flow, you automatically walk out the script that He wrote for you.

When other thoughts come into your mind that are not from the God, there will be a little check and uneasiness (to correct you) in your mind. If you choose to do it anyway and yield to those thoughts - you walk right outside the Book of Life. There is no peace. There is no rest. There is no joy or love. There is no life! And if there is no life in it, then you know you are not walking in God's script. The Book of Life is only life - and His life swallows up the death! You need to let go of all the lifeless garbage that pulls on you, and eat from the Book of Life.

When you start walking in God's script and plan - the life within will swallow up the death. It will swallow up any darkness. It will swallow up everything in you that is not like God. God will swallow you up in Him - in the Book of Life. You need to understand that **you are here to be the fulfillment of God's plan.** You are not here for your own purpose - you are here, and are called for His purpose. God's

purpose is for His plan to be fulfilled in this day, and in this hour!

God knew that we couldn't do it ourselves. This is the reason we have the water baptism and the baptism of fire. God is burying and consuming the beast. It's either fire now or fire later.

The Lord began to show me, that those who are not written in the Book of Life, are those that worship the beast. What is the beast? The beast is their self-will. These are individuals who refuse to yield to the will of the Lord. So God said that He is going to cast them into the Lake of Fire.

The Lake of Fire is for the fearful and the unbelieving. The Lake of Fire is a place of purification, and they will have to be purified before they can come into the Book of Life. You see nothing can come into the Book of Life that will contaminate it.

Do you know that Moses' name was written in the Book of Life? **Moses knew about The Book.** And it upset him to no end, that Israel disobeyed God and built the golden calf. It upset him that they began to worship things, and that all those people were destroyed. He wept before the Lord. And in Exodus 32:30-33, "*...Moses said unto the people, **Ye have sinned a great sin: and now I will go up unto the Lord; peradventure I shall make an atonement for your sin. And Moses returned unto the Lord, and said, Oh, this people have sinned a great sin, and have made them gods of gold. Yet now, if thou wilt forgive their sin--; and if not, blot me, I pray thee, out of thy book which thou hast written. And the Lord said unto Moses, Whosoever hath sinned against me, him will I blot***

out of my book." He thought that if God would blot his name out of the Book of Life, that it would make an atonement for these people. So God told him, the only ones that He would blot their names out of the Book of Life, are those who sin against Him.

Now we know that God gave Moses a book; and that the book that Moses had was the law. We also know that the law (the law of sin and death) could not go into the Book of Life. God changed His plan a little bit, but wrote this change in His plan - in the beginning. He wrote out everything that He planned. It was in God's plan to give the law to Moses, and for the law to be given to the people. He did this to show man that he couldn't keep the law. He did this to bring in something better. He did this **knowing that He would bring in something better.** It was in His plan to change what He had done.

In Colossians 2:14 it says, *"Blotting out the handwriting of ordinances that was against us, which was contrary to us, and took it out of the way, nailing it to the cross."* Wow, think about that for a minute. He blotted out all the handwriting (His handwriting) of the ordinances (the law - the law of sin and death), through Jesus. How did He blot them out? He blotted them out when Christ went to the cross. He fulfilled the law, and blotted them out! **God literally blotted out (erased) some of the things that He wrote.**

He had written in His book that He was going to bring in the law of Moses. This was in His plan. But He did not intend to

bring the law (the law of sin and death) into the Book of Life - so He brought the Book of Life to consume the book of the law!

Some people still don't get it. They don't understand that **the Book of Life came - and blotted out (by fulfilling) the law - on the cross!** People are still trying to raise up Moses' tabernacle in religion today. They are still trying to put people under the law of the letter. They are still trying to keep all those laws, and the do's and don'ts. They don't understand - that **GOD CHANGED HIS SCRIPT through JESUS! Through Jesus, it changed on the cross!**

I don't know about you, but knowing this gets me so excited! I said, "God this makes me want to walk in your plan more than ever. I want to be like Paul. Paul got a hold of this thing and He was caught up into the third heaven." And I want to tell you, when Paul was caught up in the third heaven - he was caught up in the Book of Life that was within him - it happened in his mind. He took a look into the Book of Life and saw things that he couldn't speak of at that time. He couldn't even write them down.

Do you know that Jesus (THE BOOK OF LIFE) did so many things when He walked on the earth - that it says, *"...if they should be written every one, I suppose that the world itself could not contain the books that should be written."* Now that's something to think about. And when you think about it - all the books of the world cannot contain all the things He has done in, and through you.

Colossians 2:14 said, *"Blotting out the handwriting of ordinances that was against us, which was contrary to us, and took it out of the way, nailing it to the cross."* So He nailed the law of Moses to the cross. Then Ephesians chapter 2:15 says, *"Having abolished in his flesh the enmity, even the law of commandments contained in ordinances; for to make in himself of twain one new man..."* God said man can't do it, so I'm going to do it. I'm going to make a new man. Where there has been two men, I'm going to break down the middle wall of partition between us, to where there's not going to be two men anymore. There is only going to be one man in the earth. There have been two men in you, and this is the reason God is dealing with you, because you are going to come forth as one new man. Those two men have been Adam. The first man Adam (which is your self-will) and the second man Adam (a quickening Spirit), which is the Christ (Spirit of God).

In Revelations 13:8 it says, *"All them that dwell upon the earth shall worship him, whose names are not written in the book of life of the Lamb slain before the foundation of the world."* Meaning, all of those who worship the beast (self-will) - their names are not written in the Book of Life, of the Lamb slain before the foundation of the world.

In Revelations 17:8 it says, *"And the beast that thou sawest was, and is not; and shall ascend out of the bottomless pit, and go into perdition: and they that dwell on the earth shall wonder, whose names were not written in the book of life from the*

foundation of the world, when they behold the beast that was, and is not, and yet is." Here they are beholding the beast who was, and is not, and yet is - meaning, God dealt with your self-will on the cross, but you make it alive again when you yield to it. You raise it (the beast) up and give it strength by yielding to it (your self-will/your soul/the woman); your carnal mind rather than the mind of Christ which is in you). It says that their names were not written in the Book of Life.

The Lord began to explain this to me, and He made it very simple. In Matthew 7:13,14 it says, *"Enter ye in at the strait gate: for wide is the gate, and broad is the way, that leadeth to destruction, and many there be which go in thereat: Because strait is the gate, and narrow is the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it."* When Jesus spoke about the narrow path, He was speaking of a people that have got a hold of God's plan for their life. **They have the understanding of God's purpose for their life. He is talking about a people that are starting to walk out God's plan, through yielding to the Holy Spirit. They are walking out God's script, by yielding to the Christ that is in them.**

The broad way, speaks of a people who are trying to bring everything with them, and are still wanting to do their own thing. They don't want to obey the Lord. They don't want to yield to the Christ. They choose the broad way of the soul and yield to their self-will, and in doing so, they worship the beast. This way leads to destruction, and Jesus knew that. He was saying that yielding to the soul

and listening to the woman brings destruction - because she has had many lovers.

The soul has loved many things more than God, i.e., money, individuals, relationships, family, friends, jobs, possessions, religions, churches, lust, etc., etc.! These things are more important to her than GOD. They become gods to her, and when she yields her attention and will to them rather than GOD - she is worshipping the beast. You can always tell if there is something in your life that you love more than God - because it will consume, or take over the thoughts in your mind. Your focus or desire will be on those things that the soul (or self) wants.

When you are walking out, and yielding to the God's will (God's plan, God's script) - your desires are simply to do HIS WILL each and every day. You don't get to this place in your life overnight, and you will go through some hard things along the way. But God has to keep dealing with the different areas of your life to get you to wake up. **This is also the purpose of this word today, it's to awaken you even more to what God has written for you.**

I like what it says in Psalms 139:16, *"Thine eyes did see my substance, yet being unperfect (unformed); and in thy book all my members were written, which in continuance were fashioned, when as yet there was none of them."* So in other words, God let David see himself before the foundation of the earth, before he was even formed. And God let him see something even more than that. It said that, *"...in thy*

book all my members were written". If you look this up in the Amplified Bible as well it says, *"Your eyes saw my unformed substance, and in Your book all the days of my life were written, before ever they took shape, when as yet there was none of them."* He saw that all of his days were written in God's Book. He said that, *"in continuance were fashioned, when as yet there was none of them."* **His members and his days (including all the experiences he would go through), were formed, fashioned, and written in the Book of Life, in God (in Christ, in Spirit, in God's plan), before the foundation of the earth -before anything was created or manifested in the natural, or visible realm.**

In Genesis, God formed Adam - then He put him into the garden of Eden to dress it and keep it. He formed Adam in Spirit - then He put him into the garden, creation, or the visible realm where he was to walk it out. The forming took place in the script that God was writing in the Spirit. God opened David's eyes and allowed him to look into the Book of Life. **He saw himself in Spirit, and God forming the days of his life - before the foundation of the earth.**

I remember years ago, laying in bed with cancer and the doctors telling me I only had two months to live. I will never forget how when I began to cry out to God, He opened up the Book of Life inside me, and flashed my life before me. In a matter of seconds all my life's experiences flashed in front of me - right from the time I was a child, to where I was in that bed. Many people have said that their life flashes

before them just before they die. That is God opening up the Book of Life to them. It is the Book of Life, reading their life (book, script).

Now if you can understand that you have the Book of Life (Christ) within you; and many times God brings other books (individuals) to you. Sometimes the Book of Life (Christ) within you begins to open up and read their books (lives) to you. He points out to you different things that happened to them in their lives. And they will say, "How did you know that?" It was God. It was the Book of Life (Christ) in you that read their life (book).

In Revelations 20:11-15 it says, *"And I saw a great white throne, and him that sat on it"* Now the Lord let me know that the *"him that sat on it"*, is the Overcomers in Christ - the man-child. And we know that Christ is the first Son, and that He is the Captain over many Sons - He has made them corporate, and yet one.

The great white throne is in each one of you. That great white throne is God Himself. It is white because it is pure. It is that Book of Life that has no flaws in it. *"...from whose face the earth and heaven fled away"*. Their carnal mind fled away; and their concept of heaven fled away. *"...and there was no place for them."* Meaning, they were swallowed up in God - they were in the mind of Christ.

"And I saw the dead, small and great, stand before God; and the books were opened:" These are people that have died in the Lord, and that heard the trumpet sounding. The voice of the Lord is being declared throughout the

land, all over the earth today. It is those that are hearing the voice of God. They are those that have an ear to hear what the Spirit is saying. The dead are coming up out of the sea. They are coming up and standing before God. Now God is bringing the nations here, and He says, *"Arise"*.

When you obey the voice of the Lord and arise (in the Spirit), then the carnal mind flees away. You are in the mind of Christ, and when you ascend, you are ascending into the judgement of the Lord. The judgement seat is in you - it is God Himself. They stand before God; and it says that everyone will be judged out of the Book of Life. It doesn't say that they will be judged out of the King James bible - but they are going to be judged out of the BOOK OF LIFE - according to their works!

Many people have been judged, and have judged others, out of, or using the King James bible - **without the Holy Spirit**. This has only brought condemnation and guilt. It keeps them bound, and holds them under the law of sin and death. Without the Holy Spirit, it causes them to only focus on sin and death. They minister sin and death, from the law of the letter, out of the carnal mind - according to their own understanding. But when they are judged out of the Book of Life (which is the Holy Spirit), and THE BOOK covers their book; and judges their book - it can only bring correction and LIFE!

It says, *"And I saw the dead, small and great, stand before God; and the books were opened: and another book was opened, which is the book of life"* In

Isaiah 60:1-5 it says, *"Arise, shine; for thy light is come, and the glory of the Lord is risen upon thee. For, behold, the darkness shall cover the earth, and gross darkness the people: but the Lord shall arise upon thee, and his glory shall be seen upon thee."* Verse 3-5 (Amplified bible), *"And nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your rising. Lift up your eyes round about you and see! They all gather themselves together, they come to you. Your sons shall come from afar, and your daughters shall be carried and nursed in the arms. Then you shall see and be radiant, and your heart shall thrill and tremble with joy [at the glorious deliverance], and be enlarged; because the abundant wealth of the [Dead] Sea shall be turned to you; unto you shall the nations come with their treasures."* Verse 8, *"Who are these who fly like a cloud, and like doves to their windows?"* They are the Sons of God - the Overcomers - the corporate Son of Man - they have learned to fly in the Spirit - they go wherever the Spirit of God sends them.

So what happens is this; God brings all these people here (in the Spirit) to be judged and delivered. **They are coming to the light in you. They are coming to the Christ or Book of Life in you, and God is judging them. He is ministering and working through you, to set the captives free. He is dealing with the generations and reconciling them back into Himself.** I'm glad the Lord doesn't always allow us to see them all, because I know that there are literally thousands, and thousands of them. It would overwhelm you if you really

knew how many souls God is drawing (bringing) to you to be set free.

He said that your heart would be enlarged (or overwhelmed) by the nations that would come to you - because you have ascended in Him.

Here is how God works; **the books** (lives, individuals, souls) **are standing before THE BOOK;** and **THE BOOK is GOD - and GOD is in you!** **The Book of Life in you opens and begins to read or look into every one of their lives. The Book of Life exposes or brings into the light, all of their thoughts and deeds; all of the works that they have done through their life - and judges them.**

It says, *"... and the dead were judged out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works. And the sea (humanity) gave up the dead which were in it; and death and hell delivered up the dead which were in them:"* You see it was hell that brought you to the Book of Life. It is death and hell that brings them to the Book of Life. Hell is the torment you have in your mind when you have walked out of God's script (will) - you have no peace - that's what hell is. In John 6:44, Jesus said, *"No man can come to me, except the Father which hath sent me draw him; and I will raise him up at the last day."* He is the one who is doing the drawing, and He is drawing them before the Book of Life in you.

I heard the Lord say this morning, "Joyce, I've got my own library." And I said, "Oh really?" And He said, "I've got my own library, and I have stored up a lot of books. And I've got my own storehouse. I store them up in the

Lake of Fire - and they are being purified." So they're in hell on the other side until they are ready to come to the Book of Life. He said, "And when they hear my voice - they come." But He said, "Some come, and after I deal with them they still don't want me. So I have to put them back in the Lake of Fire. They go back into death and hell. I put them in my storehouse." He said, "I won't lose anything. Down the road, they will have to come before the Book of Life again." He said, "In the natural, how many times do I deal with people's lives over, and over, and over again. And they still do not want to yield to my control."

So those that were written in the Book of Life are those who are willing to go on to perfection, and to be perfected. They are willing to go through the fire on this side (in the visible realm), and not wait to go through it on the other side. These are the individuals whose names are written in the Lamb's Book of Life! They are the individuals that He has chosen to be Kings and Priests to rule and reign in the earth. Jesus said, in Mathew 22:14, *"For many are called, but few are chosen."*

If you read on in Revelations 20 it says, *"and they were judged every man according to their works. And death and hell were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death."* Then in verse 15 it says, *"And whosoever was not found in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire."* In other words, because their names are not written in the Book of Life - they have to go through the fire on the other side. I don't know about you, but I've always

thought that it is better to go through the fire now, than fire latter. It's much better to let the Lord deal with your life and perfect you on this side, than on that side - because you might have to go into His storehouse (the Lake of Fire) for a very long time, before you can come into the Book of Life.

The Book of Life are those who have part in the first resurrection. It says, *"Blessed and holy is he that hath part in the first resurrection: on such the second death hath no power, but they are the priests of God and of Christ, and shall reign with him a thousand years."* You see it all ties together: the Book of Life is the Tree of Life - the River of Life is the Book of Life - they are all the same - they are ONE! The Book of Life is love, joy and peace - it is the complete nature of God. And the only thing that is going to go into the Book of Life, is God's nature. Nothing can enter into it except the nature of God. This is the reason all those people still have to go through purification - through the fire, in the Lake of Fire - because they haven't been perfected yet - they haven't come into His nature yet.

In Revelations 3:5,6 it says, *"He that overcometh (which means, it is a continuation of overcoming), the same shall be clothed in white raiment; (meaning, their souls have gone through purification - they have been tried, and perfected by fire. They will be clothed and swallowed up in God.) and I will not blot out his name out of the book of life (that is His promise to the Overcomers), but I will confess his name before my Father, and before his angels. He*

that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches."

This is what God is saying today, *"He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit is saying."* **HEAR WHAT THE SPIRIT IS SAYING!** The flesh will fight this - the soul hates it. The soul is full of fear and is afraid to loose any ground. In Matthew 16:25 it says, *"For whosoever will save his life shall lose it; and whosoever will lose his life for my sake shall find it."*

He was talking to the Overcomers (in Revelations). That is why in Hebrews 12:23, it talks about where we have come... *"To the general assembly and church of the firstborn, which are written in heaven* (their names are written in the Book of Life), *and to God the Judge of all, and to the spirits of just men made perfect."* You can read the rest of the chapter for yourself. But in verse 29, it also says, *"For our God is a consuming fire."* The Lake of Fire is God Himself. David understood this and wrote in Psalms 139:8,9 - *"Whither shall I go from thy spirit? Or whither shall I flee from thy presence? If I ascend up into heaven, thou art there: if I make my bed in hell, behold, thou art there."*

Now lets talk about the books for just a minute, then I want to go into Daniel.

I had an experience one time when I was in the Spirit ministering to an individual, and he needed wisdom regarding something in business. We got in the Spirit, and a lot of the problems he was having were from fear. The Lord dealt with that part, and I won't go into that now - but the Lord revealed that he needed wisdom.

Now I had never experienced this before, but as we were in the Spirit, I saw this very old book and it was just laying there. I said, "God what is this?" And when I asked the Lord what it was, the book stood up and became a man. Then I said, "God who is this?" And He said, "Solomon." So then Solomon came and ministered to the brother and gave him wisdom. Since then, I have watched him use this wisdom, and I have seen his business grow remarkably ever since.

Now when I saw that, I said, "This is interesting God. What are you trying to tell me here?" He said, "Joyce, your book will go on forever. Solomon's book will go on forever - throughout eternity. And when I want his book to appear to men, it will appear. And when I want the just men made perfect to appear, then they will appear - because, their names have been written in the Book of Life. They have entered into the resurrection life, and they are part of the Book of Life. And out of the Book of Life the waters issue out and flow continually to creation."

It says in 2 Corinthians 3:2, 3 that, *"You are our epistles written in our hearts, known and read of all men; Foreasmuch as ye are manifestly declared to be the epistle of Christ ministered by us, written not with ink, but with the Spirit of the living God; not in tables of stone, but in fleshy tables of the heart"* You are living epistles for all men to read. They are reading your life on the other side, and people around you are reading your life (book) on this side as well. They are reading everything you do -

that's something to think about. You are living epistles written by the Spirit of God. God wrote your script. He wrote your book. He wrote THE BOOK. He wrote His plan.

Now if you can understand that people are watching us (both in the visible and the invisible; on this side and on that side). They are looking at us, and observing us. They are reading your life! They are reading your book! Then you can begin to read other people's books as well - as the Holy Spirit opens them up to you.

You know, a lot of people die and you don't hear about them any more. But look at THE BOOK - Jesus. People are still talking about Him. Why? They will be reading His Book and talking about Him throughout eternity - because He fulfilled God's plan. So as you continue to obey the Lord, people will continue reading the Sons of God. Creation is waiting for the manifestation of the Sons of God.

The manifestation is for THE BOOK to be opened, and for the river of life to issue out of you to creation and set them free. Do you understand this? They are reading your book. They are reading living epistles. You have got to wake up to who you are and to what is going on. You have got to become aware that this is real. The tangible things of this world are temporary - they don't last. The things that you have put your whole self into are not going to last. You've got to put your whole self into THE BOOK that is going to last forever, by yielding your will to the Lord everyday - by walking out His script (His plan)

everyday. You have got to become one with THE BOOK. I want to tell you, in the end there will be a lot of books that are going to stand for the whole world to read.

In Daniel 12:4 and in verses 9, 10, and 13, God told Daniel these things, "...Daniel, shut up the words, and seal the book, even to the time of the end: many shall run to and fro, and knowledge shall be increased... Go thy way Daniel: for the words are closed up and sealed till the time of the end. Many shall be purified, and made white (made righteous), and tried (by fire); but the wicked shall do wickedly (those that worship the beast, those that will not yield their will to Christ - will do their own thing); and none of the wicked shall understand; but the wise shall understand. (The wise are those who are faithful and true. Jesus said, "Ye are my friends, if ye do whatsoever I command you. Henceforth I call you not servants; for the servant knoweth not what his master doeth; but I have called you friends; for all things that I have heard of my Father I have made known unto you.") Verse 13, "But go thou thy way till the end: for thou shalt rest, and stand in thy lot at the end of the days."

He was saying, Daniel seal this up for right now. He told him that he was going to rest (meaning that he was going to die), but when the end comes stand in your lot. His name is written in the Book of Life, and he is going to stand in his lot with you and I, for the whole world to see the Kingdom of God. What God was saying to him, is that when I put you to rest - that is not the end of your book (life). He

was telling him that his book (he) was going to stand up before all creation, and that all creation would behold the glory of the Lord that has risen upon him.

Paul knew this. He had a hold of this and understood what God was saying. Why do you think he said, "...I have finished my course"? He knew that his course had come to an end in the natural - of his part of walking in the earth. He knew that he had walked out everything that he was supposed to do in his body. But he also knew that this was not the end of the script. He said, "Henceforth there is a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day: and not to me only, but unto all them that love his appearing." He was saying, "God I am ready to receive my crown of life - and my incorruptible, immortal body." Paul wrote in Corinthians 16: 51-55, "Behold, I shew you a mystery; we shall not all sleep (physically die), but we shall be changed, In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound (the trumpet is sounding - "he that hath an ear let him hear what the Spirit is saying"), and the dead shall be raised incorruptible (the dead are being raised, judged and delivered now - in the invisible realm) and we shall be changed. For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality (death must be swallowed up in life - resurrection life - the Book of Life. The books must be swallowed up in THE BOOK). So when this corruptible shall have put on incorruption, and this mortal shall have put on immortality, then shall be

brought to pass the saying that is written, Death is swallowed up in victory (In Christ - in the Book of Life - in God). O death where is thy sting? O grave where is thy victory? The sting of death is sin; and the strength of sin is the law (the law of Moses, the law of the letter, the law of sin and death). But thanks be to God, which giveth us victory (resurrection life - immortality) through our Lord Jesus Christ (THE BOOK OF LIFE)."

Paul knew that at the last trump, at the end of days as God told Daniel - that he would take his place, and stand in his lot with Daniel, and with us. He knew that a crown of righteousness awaited him and that he would put on an incorruptible, immortal body. He knew that all creation would see him, and read his book for all eternity. He knew it! He saw it! He beheld it!

It tears my heart apart when people walk away from this; when people don't want to obey the Lord - they don't understand! They don't understand what they are walking away from. It's just total ignorance.

Daniel wanted to know when the end would come for all the corruption in the world. And in Daniel chapter 12 (twelve is always speaking of the divine government of God). Basically what God was saying, was when I get my government established - that is when the end will come. At that time shall Michael stand up! He is standing up with us now. The just men made perfect - the Overcomers on the other side, in the invisible realm, are standing up with us now! Their script isn't finished yet and they are acting out what God is telling

them to do. They are working with us diligently (in the Spirit) in fulfilling the plan of God.

"And at that time shall Michael stand up, the prince which standeth for the children of thy people: and there shall be a time of trouble, such as never was since there was a nation even to that same time: and at that time thy people shall be delivered, every one that shall be found written in the book." What book is he talking about? THE BOOK OF LIFE – the Book of the Lamb. Every one shall be delivered that is found written in the Book.

There are people that go to their churches, write down their name, and think that membership in the church is what saves them; that that is what is going to get them into heaven. They are doing this out of ignorance and from not knowing any better. They are not hearing what the Spirit of the Lord is saying. We've all done similar things in the past. I'm not putting people down – I know that this has been a foundation to many of them. But I know that our names have been written in the Lamb's Book of Life.

It says, *"And many of them that sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake"*. So there will be a great awakening. I still remember in 1993, a vision we saw on January the first - of darkness hitting the earth for seven years; and each year the darkness increased significantly. And then I saw many people awakening. It is in the process of happening now! It's not something we are looking for in the future. It is taking place now, but most people do not understand what is happening – what God is doing.

"...some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt. And they that be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament; and they that turn many to righteousness as the stars for ever and ever." Then He told Daniel to, "...shut up the words, and seal the book, even to the time of the end". And it goes on from there - we've covered much of this already, but you can read it for yourself. But the main verse that really stood out to me, and you can underline it, is verse 13. He says, *"But go thou thy way till the end be: for thou shall rest* (meaning: walk out your course - each day that I have written before the foundation of the earth), *and stand in thy lot at the end of the days."* So Daniel is standing in his lot right now!

In Revelations 21: 22-27 it talks about where there is no more sun or moon, there are no seasons, there is no temple – all you can see is God. This is when you have gone through all your seasons. God has swallowed up your soul, and you have become one with the Lamb's Book of Life.

You can become one with the Book of Life every time you get in the Spirit; and you can remain one with the Book of Life as long as you walk in the Spirit. It is when you walk out, that you are trying to change your script – and that is why things don't work out. When all of this is finished all you will be able to see is the glory of God.

"And I saw no temple therein: for the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb are the temple of it. And the city had no need of the sun, neither of the moon, to shine in it: for the glory of God did lighten it, and the Lamb is the light thereof. And the

nations of them which are saved shall walk in the light of it: and the kings of the earth do bring their glory and honor into it. And the gates of it shall not shut at all by day: for there shall be no night there." There is no night because there is only the Book of Life – all the ignorance has been consumed. There is no more darkness; no more negative thinking; no more self-will. There is only a oneness with the Father. *"And they shall bring the glory and honor of the nations into it. And there shall in no wise enter into it any thing that defileth, neither whatsoever worketh abomination, or maketh a lie: but they which are written in the Lamb's book of life."*

In Luke 10:19,20 it says, *"Behold, I give unto you power to tread upon serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy: and nothing shall by any means hurt you. Notwithstanding in this rejoice not, that the spirits are subject unto you; but rather rejoice because your names are written in heaven."* The Lord here was talking to His disciples and He was giving them (us) power over the serpents and scorpions. In other words, He was giving us power over the carnally minded people and spirits that would come your way. But, the main point that He was trying to make, was not the fact that He has given us this power – but **we are to rejoice that our names are written in heaven (THE LAMB'S BOOK OF LIFE)!**

So basically what I see is that as the Lord swallows up your soul; and you become one with Christ (He does this in degrees); and as you walk more in a oneness with Him – what

happens is that other people are reading the Book of Life. They don't understand it, but they see the joy in your face and the peace in your life. You have no idea the affect this is having on people. Sometimes just the presence of the Lord in you brings a change in their life. When you are walking in the Spirit, you are the presence of God. Out of the Book of Life flows the River of Life which is to continually flow out to the nations - this is why the gates are not shut at all by day, and there is no night.

That's the gist of it what I have to give you. And if you read down in Luke chapter 10, in verse 24, Jesus said, *"For I tell you, that many prophets and kings have desired to see those things which you see, and have not seen them; and to hear those things which you hear, and have not heard them."* Count yourself blessed and privileged that the Father has written your name in the Lamb's Book of Life, and that He has chosen to reveal His plan to you in this hour.