

# Thrive, Not Survive

We've been erroneously taught that those who follow Jesus have a life of misery and pain if they're really serious about it. This comes from a misunderstanding of 'carrying our cross'. This 'flies in the face' of all that we know of the character of the Trinity and from what they have been saying to us prophetically in recent times.

One area that we are receiving training on from the Spirit is that our lives are to thrive in the Kingdom. We aren't to just survive life and the current world situations, we are to prosper in spite of these. This idea of course is at cross-purposes with the teaching we have received about the error of the prosperity gospel. Unfortunately, this pulpit teaching has made us resistant to anything that Father wants to do that is a blessing to us. That is, all except, healing and employment. We accept these because that's what we've been taught to have as our privilege as 'Christians'. However, we aren't Christians, members of the Christian religion, that's also an error. The reality is that we are sons of the Most High God, Creator of all things and the guarantor of the provision of all our needs.

We've been 'short changed' by the church system into being pious about our lack. Either that, or we've taken the road to making our own supply through the world system and leaving God to Sunday religion. Both of these are errors and have nothing to do with the "good news" of the Kingdom of Heaven that's present on the Earth right now.

Recently we've received teaching from Father that he wants us to thrive in all circumstances. This was confirmed in numerous ways so it's now a fact for us and we'll move in that direction, putting behind us all false teaching. Here's how it unfolded.

1. Jose (a member of our Kingdom Living Community) received the teaching first. Read his account here of this, along with the numerous confirmations he received.<sup>1</sup>
2. Prior to that, I had been given a revelation which was dropped into my spirit, just the week before. Read it here.<sup>2</sup>
3. Jose shared the 'Thriving' teaching with me and how he had received it. Thriving was a new Kingdom term to me, but it was confirmed as correct the very next morning with this distributed prophetic word from Marsh Burns:

*"To those who are struggling to survive in spite of danger or hardship, it is good to do what it takes to make it through. However, **I want to cause you to thrive instead of just survive.** Thriving begins with your thoughts, intentions and faith. If you set your will and believe, I will show you the way to thrive spiritually and naturally. You will grow, develop, advance and succeed as you follow My lead."*<sup>3</sup>

Further teaching around this topic came from our King via a number of prophetic voices:

*"I laugh the enemy to scorn right here in the secret place and I speak to you powerful words and your head become lifted up because I know you, and I know you will not quit. I brought you this way that you might be strong and full of courage and not weak, and learn not to allow every circumstance and situation to weaken your heart. I brought you this way because I knew what it would take to make you the mature child of God that I created you to be. I brought you this way that you might be rooted and planted in My house. I know the storms of life come, heat will not cause you to wither, circumstances would not cause you to bend or break. I brought you this way to establish your roots way down deep. I made you and I Am making you even now. I will not stop for I Am forming a great and mighty person. I knew you before you were formed and I have been forming you ever since. For I know the beauty, the beauty that I have placed on the inside of you and I see the gold that is deep within. So I Am mining, I Am mining in the deep recesses of your heart. I Am mining in the deep places, the hidden places that man may not see or draw from. I Am pulling out everything that would choke the fruit that must come forth. See I never quit, not for a moment, fashioning and forming you into the very image of*

1 – [canberraforerunners.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/07/Thrive-Not-Survive-Jose-Henriquez.pdf](https://canberraforerunners.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/07/Thrive-Not-Survive-Jose-Henriquez.pdf)

2 – "No Half-Glasses" [canberraforerunners.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/07/No-Half-Glasses.pdf](https://canberraforerunners.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/07/No-Half-Glasses.pdf)

3 – Marsha Burns (28-6-2020) "Small Straws in the Soft Wind" [ft111.com/smallstraws.htm](http://ft111.com/smallstraws.htm)

*your Father. I see and I know exactly what I have to accomplish. I Am doing the mighty things that I promised I would do to bring you to the place that you stand on a high place, the pinnacles of life that men may know that My hand has been upon you and I anointed you. My hands were upon you and I know you think that everything has been a hard way, but the hard way has brought you to the place that you have endurance and that you are patient. I made you strong, I have made you an enduring war-faring soldier. My favor surrounds you as a shield. My favor will cause you to be exalted as you deal in all of life affairs. Step into all that is yours because you have become inaccessible to all the ways of the enemy, as you stay in the secret place.”*<sup>4</sup>

Father’s favour towards us is the source of our thriving. That is, we thrive because he impacts our lives with his favour. His favour is an outworking of his goodness which he wants to lavish on us.

Notice that he works with us and for us when we live out of “the secret place” with him. This is the Internal Kingdom<sup>5</sup> from where we are to learn to live, every day, all day long.

Now read this:

*“You have given up so much for My sake, but I, the Lord, am with you to keep you and comfort you. I am going to be everything to you that you have given up—and more. You truly have no idea how good I am; all the goodness you have seen thus far is only a glimpse, a one-dimensional snapshot or sneak peek of only a tiny fraction of My goodness!*

*I have goodness to show you that you have never dreamed of. I have parts of My nature to reveal to you that you have never understood before. I have experiences for you that will make you stand in wonder and awe; you will cry, 'Only the Lord has done this!'...*

*Did you think I couldn't bring you into a wide, safe place like this? I tell you, I can. And I will do greater than this! Did you think I could put you into a nest like this: a nest where you feel My love, see My love, walk in My goodness and fulfill your purpose? Yes, I tell you; for I, the Lord, have brought you into a safe place!”*<sup>6</sup>

Of course, we have to do our part by staying in tune with him and aligning with his plans and thinking. As well, his favour and goodness have an overarching purpose of leading us into our destiny:

*“I have wisdom beyond compare—wisdom I will share with you. My outlook on your life is from a perfect vantage point. When you spend time with me, your heart beats in harmony with mine. You feel the breath of my Spirit, gently easing you into alignment with my will. You will fulfill your destiny when you stay in tune with me. I want you to see your story through my lens—each chapter flowing with grace and glory. I want to establish you in my love and give you the courage to dream again. Come and find your strength in me. Come and let me write my name upon your heart.”*<sup>7</sup>

Don’t be misled: Favour and provision is given out, even during chaotic times.

*“My kingdom is still at hand in the midst of chaos. Keep your eyes on Me and move at My leading through doors that I open. You will receive My favor and provision to accomplish My mission.”*<sup>8</sup>

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4 – EXTRACT: Debra Lowe (3-7-2020) [daughtersofz.typepad.com/daughters\\_of\\_z/2020/07/july-3-2020-ears-to-hearhearts-to-obey.html](http://daughtersofz.typepad.com/daughters_of_z/2020/07/july-3-2020-ears-to-hearhearts-to-obey.html)

5 – [canberraforerunners.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/12/Everything-Should-Flow-From-Our-Internal-Kingdom.pdf](http://canberraforerunners.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/12/Everything-Should-Flow-From-Our-Internal-Kingdom.pdf)

6 – EXTRACT: Jamie Rohrbaugh (8-7-2020) “I Am Creating a Nest for You”

[www.charismamag.com/blogs/prophetic-insight/45886-prophecy-the-lord-says-i-am-creating-a-nest-for-you](http://www.charismamag.com/blogs/prophetic-insight/45886-prophecy-the-lord-says-i-am-creating-a-nest-for-you)

7 – EXTRACT: Brian Simmons (9-7-2020) “I Hear His Whisper...” “I will write my name upon your heart.”

8 – EXTRACT: Alane Haynes (21-7-2020) “The Lord Says, ‘Receive My Favor in the Midst of Chaos’”

[www.charismamag.com/blogs/prophetic-insight/45998-prophecy-the-lord-says-receive-my-favor-in-the-midst-of-chaos](http://www.charismamag.com/blogs/prophetic-insight/45998-prophecy-the-lord-says-receive-my-favor-in-the-midst-of-chaos)