

# MORE TO LIFE THROUGH GOD

## A Mind Free of Worry and Fear, by April Coonfare



In Matthew 6:31, we find Jesus cautioning His disciples to, "take no thought saying, What shall we eat? or, What shall we drink? or, Where-withal shall we be clothed?" What He is telling them is not to worry and fret. A mind that trusts in God has faith that He will provide the necessities of life. It is a mind that lives in the moment, taking one day at a time. This can happen when we have entrusted our past, present and future to the Lord.

"Take therefore no thought for the morrow: for the morrow shall take thought for the things of itself. Sufficient unto the day is the evil thereof." (Matthew 6:34)

A mind that has reliance upon God believes that in the rough spots God will not only fill our mouths with the necessary food, but also with the right words.

"But when they deliver you up, take no thought how or what ye shall speak: for it shall be given you in that same hour what ye shall speak." (Matthew 10:19)

Fear is the total opposite of faith, and without faith it is impossible to please God. In fact, whatever is not of faith is sin. (Romans 14:23) That is why the Scriptures instruct us to: "Let not our heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid." (John 14:27) To fear is clearly a choice. We must not allow our mind to be controlled by fear or influenced by the reality of our sometimes stressful and painful circumstances. For God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind. (2 Timothy 1:7)

God has given us power over the enemy and his strategies to cause bitterness, discouragement and depression. God's love toward us, our love toward Him and the love we reveal to one another all work together to form a stronghold like no other; A stronghold that guards against fear.

"There is no fear in love; but perfect love casteth out fear: because fear hath torment. He that feareth is not made perfect in love." (1 John 4:18)

No matter what tactic the enemy uses, we have been given power over it. A mind that rests peacefully in God's love by faith will not be governed by circumstances and emotions. Faith and trust are the greatest defense against fear.

March 2013



**PENTECOSTALS  
OF BILLINGS**

**SERVICE TIMES**

SUNDAY

10 AM

5:30 PM

WEDNESDAY- 7 PM

SATURDAY

PRAYER- 7 PM

**March 31st**

**Easter**

**Sunday**

**10 am**

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## **MY SAFE PLACE**



“God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.” (Psalm 46:1 in the King James Version of the Bible)

God may not rescue us immediately from our trial, but we must understand that He has a greater purpose in mind. We can rest secure in the peace that He gives us right here; right now in the middle of our storm. Let’s determine in our heart to always run to Him in times of distress, in times of difficulty and in times of despair.

Prayer: You are the strength of my life. I bless you, O Lord, for being my refuge.



### **Keep on Believing**

Through major life challenges, Christian singer-songwriter Jeremy Camp has learned to walk by faith and cling to his hope in Christ. While he was growing up, Camp’s family (which includes a brother with Down syndrome) struggled with poverty. When Camp was just 23, his wife of several months died of cancer.

The first song Camp wrote after her death was the chart-topper “I Still Believe.” In the chorus, he sings:

I still believe in Your faithfulness I still believe in Your truth I still believe in Your holy word even when I don’t see, I still believe.

Camp says trusting in God during life’s valleys takes lots of courage. “You can say, ‘All right, Lord, I don’t get it, but I’m going to trust you,’ and go to the only One [who] offers life and hope and peace and joy.”

# ATTENTION SPONSORS NEEDED

Some of our youth are planning on going to Youth Congress in Kentucky this coming August 7-10.

We are needing those kind, people that are willing to donate money and sponsor our young people to go to this great event!

If you are willing to give a certain amount per month until then or just a flat amount of money you can afford right now, anything will be appreciated.

If you have questions please contact April or Alan Coonfare for more information.



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## CHURCH PRAYER REQUESTS

Minnie Hampton  
Tyler Sapp  
Louie & Dale Dauenhauer  
Michael Kruger  
The Ehler family  
Marty McFate  
Carol Penrod  
Galen Walter  
Susan Sifuentes  
The Woeppel family  
The Plainfeather/Black Eagle family  
The Lost Souls in Billings  
Danielle Shoppee

If you have a prayer request that you want posted for others to pray for please submit them to my email: [coonfare03@yahoo.com](mailto:coonfare03@yahoo.com)





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					1 Men's Bible Study	2 Quiz Tournament Prayer @ 7pm
3	4	5	6	7	8 Men's Bible Study	9 Family Outing @ 8 am
10 Daylight Savings Spring Forward	11	12	13	14	15 Men's Bible Study <i>Sifuentes Baby Shower 7 pm</i>	16 Prayer @ 7pm
17 Sunday School Coin Drive AM Service	18	19	20	21	22 Men's Bible Study  Youth @ Coonfares	23 Prayer @ 7pm
24	25	26	27	28	29 Men's Bible Study	30 Prayer @ 7pm
31 Easter Sunday AM 1 Service						

## RECIPE OF THE MONTH

### STUFFED RED BLISS POTATOES



#### Ingredients:

**10 oz (8 small) red bliss potatoes, about 2" diameter**  
**1 tbsp light Mayonnaise**  
**2 tbsp fat free sour cream**  
**4 tbsp olive oil**  
**6 cloves garlic**  
**2 tbsp fresh thyme (or rosemary)**  
**3 tbsp grated parmesan or asiago cheese**  
**salt and pepper to taste**  
**paprika**

#### Directions:

**In a medium pot, cover potatoes in water and add 1 tsp of salt. Bring to a boil and cook until soft (about 12 minutes). Drain and run under cool water. Set aside.**

**While the potatoes cook, in a small pan, add oil and garlic and cook on very low heat, about 12 minutes, till soft. Remove garlic and discard oil. Mash garlic.**

**In a medium bowl combine garlic, thyme, cheese, mayonnaise, sour cream, salt and pepper. Mix well.**

#### Up Coming Events:



**March 2- Quiz Tournament**

**March 9- Family sledding outing- meeting @ church**

**March 15 - 7 pm - Sifuentes Baby Shower**

**March 31- Easter Celebration - one service only**

# SPIRITUAL WARFARE PRAYER

In the next coming months I am going to be adding a prayer tool for those expanded prayer times in your life that can change your life, the church and all you do.

These tools will help you to push back darkness and go push forward in your walk with God.

**Mark 1:35** “*And in the morning, rising up a great while before day, he went out, and departed into a solitary place, and there prayed.*”

## WORDS OF INSIGHT

*John 14:17*

*“Even the Spirit of truth; whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him; but ye know him; for he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you”*



## Warfare Prayer by Binding and Loosing

**Binding:** Forbidding, to prohibit

**Loosing:** Permitting, to permit

### BIND: SPIRIT OF LYING

**Strong Deceptions** 2 Thessalonians 2:9-13

**Flattery:** Psalms 78:36/Prov. 20:19; 26:28

**False Prophecy:** Jeremiah 23:15-17; 27:9,10

**Gossip:** 1 Timothy 6:20/2 Timothy 2:16

**Lies:** 2 Chronicles 18:22/ Proverbs 6:16-19

**False Teachers:** 2 Peter

**Religious Bondages:** Gal. 5:1

**Superstitions:** 1 Timothy 4:7

**Slander:** Proverbs 10:18

**Accusations:** Revelations 12:10



**\$100 per family; class starts after Easter. 1 to 1½ hour classes will be held on Saturdays at 6 pm at the church.**

**More info coming soon! You can hear Dave from 2-4 pm on 93.3 FM every week day.**

*Twice the blessing,  
double the fun  
Sarah Sifuentes  
is having two babies instead of one.*

*Join us for a baby shower  
Friday, March 15, 2013  
7:00 p.m.*

*Pentecostals of Billings*

**Hosted by:**

*Family and Friends*

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*Contributions toward group gifts are  
welcome and appreciated.*

*Please contact April Coonfare for more details.*

# Coping With Failure



One of the hardest things to deal with in life is failure.

In this success-driven world, the idea of not succeeding seems almost impossible to handle. Yet, strangely enough, failure can actually be positive. Failure makes us stronger, and brings us resilience. Failure helps us to be wiser, smarter and even more forgiving. Failure's often a dirty word. But failure's far more positive than we often paint it. This is an important message for us. Our failures often cause us pain, regret and disappointment. Yet, failure is something that is normal, and something that is human. This is something we're reminded of in the first chapter of Isaiah. The Israelites had failed to follow God as was expected of them, and in turn, it would be easy to even think that this disobedience showed the failure of God, himself, to lead his own people with success. Yet, in the midst of the litany of failures listed at the start of Isaiah, we read that God remarkably offers forgiveness to his people.

***“Come now, let us reason together,” says the LORD. “Though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they are red as crimson, they shall be like wool”. (Isaiah 1:18)***

The means by which he can offer this cleansing from their sin, ironically, is through another apparent failure—the death of his chosen servant, our Lord Jesus Christ. The apparent failure of Good Friday leads to the success shown at Easter Sunday.

If you feel like a failure...

If sometimes you feel like a failure, then remember that's totally normal. As a Christian, you are part of a long heritage of failures.

Yet, through 'failure', God has provided forgiveness. And as fellow-failures, we too should offer forgiveness to other fellow-failures.

And, we should welcome failure as a most valuable teaching too, even though it can often be a most expensive lesson!

## Youth Friday Fun!



March 9- (Saturday) Sledding outing  
Families Welcome

March 22- Coonfares' house

Check out **SOLD OUT** Youth Group  
Pentecostals of Billings on Facebook!



## MARCH BIRTHDAYS

5-Matthew Walsh

7-Edward Sermon

10-David Laverdure/ Deanna Timme

### Ponder This...

“Dare we set our hope and hearts in the hands of a small-town Jewish carpenter? The answer rests in the Jerusalem graveyard. If Jesus’ tomb is empty, then his promise is not.”

—Max Lucado, *Fearless*

“Faith walks simply, childlike, between the darkness of human life and the hope of what is to come.”

—Catherine de Hueck Doherty

“The heart has its reasons of which reason knows nothing.”

—Blaise Pascal

**If you would like a Bible study simply give us a call. In your bible we will show you where the Lord commands us, that we are to be born again.**

