

## Shiloh Messenger

## Deep Calls Unto Deep August 2012

I'm sure you have heard the expression I am so deep into trouble it looks like no way out, or what about these expressions, I am so deep into debt, I see no way out, and I am so deeply distraught and confused. Deep, I am talking about deep! Webster's dictionary defines deep as extending far downward, extremely grave or serious. Have you ever been there? When you are over your head, and it seems like there is no way of escape, then you have an opportunity for deep to call unto DEEP. The One who is deeper than any depth you will ever experience. He alone is able to conquer your deep and bring you out!

Much of the time when those deep times come in our lives, and they indeed will, (Job14:1). We are drawn to natural reasoning and in our minds and our emotions we say there is "No Way". Wrong thinking equals wrong actions. When a person walks in the flesh, he only believes what he sees. When a person walks in the Spirit of God, he sees what he believes from God's Word. When we begin seeing what we believe from God's Word, then He is able to do exceedingly great and wonderful things in our lives. Walking in the flesh, and only believing what you see has no profit. Jeremiah 17:5 says; Thus says the LORD: "Cursed is the man who trusts in man; And makes flesh his strength, Whose heart departs from the LORD". To only believe what you see prohibits you from profiting from Gods

Being in the deep is not a bad place to be. It gives you an incredible opportunity to be a witness to DEEP, (Almighly God) moving in your midst. Many of us would not have become intimate with God had it not been for those deep times in our lives. In June of 1992, I was experiencing a deep crisis in my life, a double deep. My home was completely destroyed by fire, and then 10 days later my husband took his life. This is deep stuff. How do you come out of that kind of deep? For several months, a year to be exact, I stayed there in that deep. On the outside it seemed as if I was A OK. I worked; I made important critical decisions on my job. I consumed myself with busyness. All this time, my deep was pulling me farther down. I developed some un-Godly relationships in my deep. I stuffed and stuffed all my emotions inside. No amount of being busy, no type of escapism, no amount of denial, will get you out of the deep. Finally when I came to the realization, I am in deep distress, there is no way out through me, or by others, or by other things. I am hopeless. I will die here defeated if God does not help me out, and set me in a safe place. I cried out to God. Deep was calling unto DEEP. I said "God there is nothing left of me but dust particles, but if You will, You can blow upon my life for Your Glory. I give You no Glory like I am. Please do, otherwise, please take me. I no longer want to merely exist and bring dishonor to Your Name." God heard my cry of desperation. He did bring me out. He set me in a safe place. He moved me to YWAM Nashville, an International Inter- Denominational Christian Mission.

I was there for several years. He protected me, nurtured me, taught me, healed me, delivered me, and took me on a journey with Him that I cherish with all of my heart. He became my Husband. I gave Him myself completely to do with me as He so desired, and position me as He pleased and wherever He pleased. My life was no longer mine. Five years later, He united me with my husband, Rocky. He called us to be together as one to disciple men who are in deep distress. Men who are hopeless and there seems to be no way out.

When you have been in the deep yourself, and God who is deeper moves you out, you do not forget. Your gratefulness is revealed by telling others about He who can also bring them out. Then and only then do you serve Him out of love for Him and not desperation. George Matheson, the well-known blind preacher of Scotland once said, "My Dear God, I have never thanked You for my thorns. I have thanked You a thousand times for my Roses, but not once for my thorns. I have always looked forward to the place where I will be rewarded for my cross, but I have never thought of my cross as a present Glory itself. Teach me O Lord to glory in my cross. Teach me the value of my thorns. Show me how I have climbed to You through the path of pain. Show me it is through my tears I have seen my rainbows."

I do not know what you are facing today, but there is one who does, and He is DEEPER, and can overcome anything you encounter. I remember the movie "The Hiding Place". It was Betsy Ten Boom, who would say that nothing is too deep that God is not deeper still. The Ten Boom's were in deep, more than we could ever imagine. Here they were in that Nazi concentration camp being tortured for hiding and helping the Jewish people. Betsy died in the camp, but Corrie, her sister made it out. She survived and was victorious after her release. Why? Her Spirit was instilled with the words, No deep is so deep that He is not deeper still. It was those very words that gave her the strength to forgive a German soldier years later who had played a part in her deep distress and torture.

Nothing is too Deep! Not the greatest offense! Not the greatest sorrow! Not the greatest pain! Not the greatest debt! Not the greatest multiplicity of life's problems compounded, not the fiercest disease, not the most horrific family problem, Nothing! Nothing is too deep for Him who is DEEPER. Nothing can overshadow Him. He is the one who overshadows.

Theologians contribute Psalm 42 to the Sons of Korah. The Sons of Korah were the temple musicians. They were writing to the lonely and depressed. We can learn from them. They say in verse 5 and echo again in verse 11 these powerful words..... "Why are you cast down, O my soul? And why are you disquieted within me? Hope in God, for I shall yet praise Him." They got a hold of something that was valuable for us, because God inspired it to be recorded in the Word of God. "God is DEEPER than my deep". He is my hope. I will call out to Him. My deep distress will not keep me from praising Him. They encountered God's Presence. They believed God. They were saying, I am in deep, deep distress, but soul of mine (mind, will, and emotions of mine) Hope in God.

So next time you are in the deep of things take these temple musicians advice, praise Him, He is Deeper! He will bring you out! Say to yourself, "ARISE" Take a stand to hold on to He who is DEEPER still, and watch His strong arm of deliverance bring you out.!!!

Hello my name is Cade Carrier. I graduated from Shiloh Ministries in November 25, 2009. A year of my life that was so inspired and directed by The Lord Jesus Christ. My life has been completely changed in so many ways! I continue to obey and keep that intimate relationship with The Holy Spirit daily. My heart desires to experience the love of Jesus in all my daily activities being able to show the characteristics of Jesus in everything I do. I remain in constant contact with my Savior by starting each day in His presence through studying, intercession, and mostly speaking the Word of God over my family, friends, our nation and nations around the world. God's vast love has engaged supernaturally in areas of my life starting with the complete restoration in my family when I graduated from Shiloh. In March of 2010 I began working for Dr. Robert Torre who I met while on a mission trip in Mexico. This Doctor has been a tremendous blessing in my life. He has helped me

begin a career in the medical field, with employment at En-Trust Immediate Care in Houston, Texas. I have been employed there going on three years now. I also began college the same year at Lee College in Baytown, Texas where I will be continuing in my eighth semester this fall in Register Nursing. I plan on continuing my career as a Nurse Practitioner after completing my RN degree. God has shown He will be faithful to the end in all areas of my life. In June 21,2009 while at a Men's Conference in Sealy, Texas God spoke a Word to me through scripture leading me to Isaiah 42:6-7 saying "I, the LORD, have called You in righteousness, And will hold Your hand; I will keep You and give You as a covenant to the people, As a light to the Gentiles, To open blind eyes, To bring out prisoners from the prison, Those who sit in darkness from the prison house." Once again God supernaturally fulfilled a desire of mine. Two years later on the exact day June 21, 2011 I received a



letter stating that I was cleared to enter behind the walls of the prison to minister Gods Word. God knew exactly what He was doing since my wife Heather's desire was to minister in prisons also. We both are involved in prison ministries together in Texas Department of Corrections joining with Somebody's Coming Ministries out of Conroe, Texas. He has placed a burning desire in me, my wife and also my daughter Kameron to fulfill His plans and purposes for our lives making all the necessary provision to increase the kingdom. I give God all the Glory for the powerful restoration He has done in my life and my family's life. I am very thankful and grateful that God called me to Shiloh Ministries. The anointing of God almighty is there that enables me to find identity, worthiness, and my confidence in Christ. My spirit overflows in love for Pastor Rocky, Sister Debbie and all the Shiloh Staff, and Shiloh supporters that step out in obedience answering the call of God that is changing men's lives daily. The work that God began in my life began at Shiloh and continues to flow in my family. Galatians 2:20 says "I have been crucified with Christ; It is no longer I who live but Christ who lives in me; and this life I now live in this body I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me."

## **Prayer Request**

- 1) Hedge of protection for Students & Staff against the weapons of the enemy (Isaiah 54:17)
- $2) \, Monthly \, financial \, supporters \, \, for \, General \, Funding \, of \, Shiloh \, Ministries$
- 3) Finances to purchase; Doors, frames & hardware, wood trim, 13 Chest of Drawers for student rooms, & fire extinguishers for New Dormitory.

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