



FROM  
DAVID'S  
HEART TO  
YOURS

## WOULD IT BE STRANGE.....

If as we enter the last quarter of 2010, I were to wish you Happy New Year? Well, it would be and I will! But before I explain, let me share

what has been consuming me for the best part of this year. I have been gripped afresh by the truth of the **Favour of God!**

It began in February when I decided to read through one of the gospels from beginning to end. I didn't get very far. In fact, I was only just into the first chapter of Luke when I read eight words that I have probably read each year of my comprehending life, yet this time they arrested my heart.... Coming in, he said to her, "**Hail, favored one! The Lord is with you.**" (Luke 1:28)

Instantly these words captivated me in a way they have never before. I have preached almost nothing else ever since and still continue to do so. The truth is that the same Father and the same Spirit that was in Mary now dwells in us. In the knowledge of this truth we can begin each day with the full understanding that the Lord greets us as we wake with the words "Hail Favoured one!" Each of us also has the living Jesus implanted within us to bring forth that life (as did Mary) to impact and change mankind. The concept that the full **Favour of God is directed toward you** and me is overwhelming to say the least.

I believe The Favour of God is not only a word in season but the restoration of a truth. With this came God's promise that, "Behold, **I am making all things new.**" And He said, "Write, for these words are faithful and true." And He said to me, "It is done." (Rev 21:5-6). As Carol and I have begun to embrace, proclaim and appropriate God's promises of favour we have literally seen insurmountable mountains collapse before us. It's now a daily thing.

This affects us all individually and corporately as a church family. As I have reflected on the journey we have traveled in the COTN family over the past 3 plus decades, I realize how **we have known the Favour of God** at so many crucial junctures like: The whole understanding of **Church Restoration**, along with the Five Fold ministry, Eldership Rule and a complete new way of doing church; The moment when we realized the value of being a **Family with one name**; The understanding of **Fathers and sons**; The concept of operating in the Hebrew model of **Family, Clans, Tribe and Nation**, all of which protect us from ourselves and from falling into a denominational mode. Then too, the whole concept of being **Imputers of the Kingdom** in every circumstance and sphere.

All this brings me to my opening comment of the New Years greeting. This month is the 'Head of the Year 5771' on the Hebraic calendar. As we enter this spiritual year prophetically, many of the Major Prophets on the earth including Dutch Sheets, Chuck Pierce and others are proclaiming this as a significant moment: **A time of change and shift in the Spirit** that we as a church family should be stretching in the Spirit to lay hold of.

Here are some of the hallmarks that will characterize this new season:

**We are entering a season of unleashed power.**

There will be a fresh understanding in our midst that when His message is preached with life changing result, amidst a desperate resolve and dependence on the Spirit's leading, it will unleash His power in an unrestrained way and society will once again exclaim ..... "amazement came upon them all, and they began discussing with one another saying, "WHAT IS THIS MESSAGE? For WITH AUTHORITY AND POWER He commands the unclean spirits, and they come out." (Luke 4:36) Along with Paul we will report that, "my message and my preaching were not in persuasive words of wisdom, but in demonstration of the SPIRIT AND OF POWER!"

**It is only as we adopt a new standard of Godly character and principles that we will bring the Kingdom.**

When we properly align with the KING, we will see His power channeled to allow us to overcome and

transform society. We all need to challenge ourselves with this regard: Will I hunt with the hares or allow the discipline of the King to bring me into a new level of strategic power?"

**Realignment from the natural to the supernatural in Worship.**

There is going to be a new understanding of the indwelling presence of God. Think of David as he brought the presence of God back to Jerusalem. He had to realign himself to see the presence come. He had to publically break with the natural soulish opinions of man (Saul's posterity) to see God presence return. He had to realign and bring in God's glory in a new way.

Enjoy walking in His Favour as you determine to be part of this Season of Change.

David



DAVID & CAROL CAPE



FROM TONY'S HEART TO YOURS

**TILL DEATH US DO PART**

As South Africa was in the midst of enjoying and celebrating all the activities of the World Cup I received word that a friend of mine, Daniel (Dan) Mogano, had tragically lost his son. Dan and his wife Pienkie live in Kagiso, outside Johannesburg. Dan leads a Church and is a passionate man to see the Kingdom



of Heaven advance. Their son Lerato, on his way home from study, was shot to death for his cell phone. Talking to Dan on the phone after this tragedy and trying to bring some comfort while reaching out for some understanding, I was left with the lingering thoughts from Paul in 1Co 15:55 "O DEATH, WHERE IS YOUR STING? O HADES, (grave) WHERE IS YOUR VICTORY?" Serving the King, learning more about his Kingdom and believing in the resurrection of those who believe to rule with the King, certainly takes away the victory of the grave, and the sting of death for the believer who has departed but sometimes the sting of death lingers for those who remain. Maybe as eternity grows in our heart, and the Kingdom grows in and through us, our understanding of this will increase and the sting will lessen.

As Dan & I talked that day we reminded ourselves that we are at war and that in any war there are casualties. We are thankful that Lerato was ready for eternity. I am glad Paul prefaced the above with "DEATH IS SWALLOWED UP IN VICTORY." This wonderful Kingdom ultimately wins: Total Victory!

Let us continue to pray, YOUR KINGDOM COME. For expanded thoughts on this subject read Tony's blog at [www.cotn.org](http://www.cotn.org)



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