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DEAR READER...

Thank you for joining me on this journey. I'm excited to offer you a special experience that beautifully enhances the spirit of this book.

Embark on a holistic journey of faith, creativity, and self-reflection with this beautifully designed book that invites you to connect with God in new and inspiring ways. Whether you are seeking a quiet time of devotion, a moment to express your creativity, or a space to record your thoughts and prayers, this book offers it all.

- **Daily Devotions:** Ground yourself in God's Word with thoughtfully written devotionals that offer spiritual nourishment and encouragement for your day-to-day life.
- **Coloring Pages:** Engage with Scripture through intricate, hand-drawn illustrations that allow you to meditate visually as you color and reflect on the message behind each design.
- **Journal Prompts:** Dive deeper into your personal journey with thoughtful journal prompts that guide you to explore your thoughts, prayers, and reflections, creating a deeper connection with your faith.
- **Audible Prayers:** Listen to guided prayers that I have designed. Whether played during quiet moments of reflection or alongside your journaling and coloring time, these prayers will support and encourage you in your walk with God.

Simply scan the QR code to access a dedicated page where you can unlock a collection of prayers. Alternatively, you can visit <https://www.charlenebigirimana.com> and navigate to the “TheWomanofFaith” section. There, you’ll find a video where I share the inspiring story behind this book, along with 30 daily prayers for you to declare over yourself and your loved ones.



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GOD IS IN CONTROL

I choose today to let God have
His way and surrender control
in every area of my life.



DAY 1

GOD IS IN CONTROL

*“A person may have many ideas concerning
God’s plan for his life, but only the designs
of His purpose will succeed in the end”*
- **Proverbs 19:21 (TPT).**

There have been many times when I found myself in difficult situations, and things were completely out of my control. However, I have learned that I can rest in the fact that God is in control. This means I can face challenges without acting out of control. When you let God take charge, He takes the stage; this is the beauty of surrendering your lack of control.

Today’s devotion reminds you that you cannot influence or control anything in your life, but you have the great Controller living in you. Therefore, you must allow God to do what He wants without struggling against Him. You may have many plans in your heart, but only the purpose of God for your life will prevail.

Colossians 1:17 says that God holds all things together, and all things consist in Him. So, you do not have control over anything except what God permits you to do successfully. It’s for your good that God did not place everything under your control; if you had absolute control over your life, you would likely lead yourself into error.

Currently, researchers and scientists are discovering that the

world is under the control of a Supreme Being. Events such as the outbreak of COVID-19, mysterious astrological occurrences, and natural disasters have taught us one lesson: no one has control over anything but God. However, you can rest assured that God controls all things.

In Genesis 50:20, Joseph reminds us that even our enemies cannot control our lives. God still frustrates the plans of the wicked (Job 5:12). For Joseph, what his brothers meant for harm, God turned for good. Neither you nor your enemy has control over your life, so you don't have to panic about anything; God is in control. Lamentations 3:37 states: "Who can command things to happen without the Lord's permission?" (NLT).

Don't try to force anything that God does not support. Instead, let Him direct your life. It is He who can change situations for your good. Remember that His plans for you are good; only He can give you the rest you need.

Romans 8:28 says that all things work together for the good of those who love God. Things may not always go according to your plan, but God knows how to organize situations in your favor. That is why you must give up the illusion that you are in control of your life. I encourage you to trust God in every season of your life, regardless of the situation.

Let's Pray:

I thank You, Father, because my life is in Your hands. I believe that You have the best plan for me. Lord, help me not to struggle with You but to trust You in every season of my life. Henceforth, Jesus, take absolute control of my life.

Today's Assignment:

- In which area of your life do you need to let go and let God?

I am releasing control of:

I recognize the gift of:

GOD IS IN CONTROL

I believe God is calling me to:

I will demonstrate my obedience by:

The focus for today is:

NOTE

WRITE THE VISION



What you write will out live you and
impact upcoming generations.
Write the vision God is giving you.

DAY 2

WRITE THE VISION

“And then God answered: ‘Write this. Write what you see. Write it out in big block letters so that it can be read on the run. This vision-message is a witness pointing to what’s coming. It aches for the coming—it can hardly wait! And it doesn’t lie. If it seems slow in coming, wait. It’s on its way. It will come right on time’”

– Habakkuk 2:2-3 (MSG).

Today, I want you to learn from me, and here is my story. Like everyone else, I was naïve when I started walking with God. But the more I knew Him, the more I saw the need to write down what He was telling me. Occasionally, some notable things would happen that I was privy to, but I didn’t have any proof because I had no record. To solve this problem, I created an anonymous email and saved whatever God revealed to me, along with the date and time.

Habakkuk tells us the significance of writing the vision God is giving us. You should write down whatever God is unfolding in your heart or whispering to your ear. Why? Because when it gets really hard, you will be able to return to it and draw the strength to move on.

The memory of my first week in Bible school is always fresh in my mind because one of our teachers commanded us to write

down the reasons we were in the school on a piece of paper. The rationale behind this is that we usually refer back to that piece of paper when faced with tough times. This practice is also good for you because when you write your vision, it keeps reminding you of the reason for doing what you are doing.

Now, what is your mission statement? What's the vision God has given you? Why are you in that business? Why did you marry your chosen partner? What prompts you to decide to live righteously or to answer the call of God for your life? Write these down. They will strengthen your conviction and motivate you to keep doing what God has shown you.

Another critical thing to note is that every vision has an appointed time. The fullness of what you're doing right now may not manifest until the next decade. The result may linger, but it will never come late. So, learn to wait for it. The time of waiting is the bridge between your vision and its fulfillment. As you write your vision, make sure you believe it and wait patiently for its manifestation.

Our text shows that God commands us to write our vision, and it's for a purpose. Writing your vision keeps you focused and helps you acknowledge God's faithfulness in later years. For example, we have the Scriptures today because godly people wrote down what God told them many centuries ago. What you write will outlive you and impact upcoming generations.

Finally, writing refreshes your memory about your divine revelations and perceptions. God may not show you the vision twice, but writing it down makes you see it repeatedly. It renews your hope in what God intends to do.

Let's pray:

Lord, I'm grateful for Your whispers of encouragement to my heart. I pray that You give me the grace to write the vision and to run with it. I ask that You give me the perseverance to wait for Your promises.

Today's Assignment:

- Write the vision God is giving you.

I am releasing control of:

I recognize the gift of:

WRITE THE VISION

I believe God is calling me to:

I will demonstrate my obedience by:

The focus for today is:
