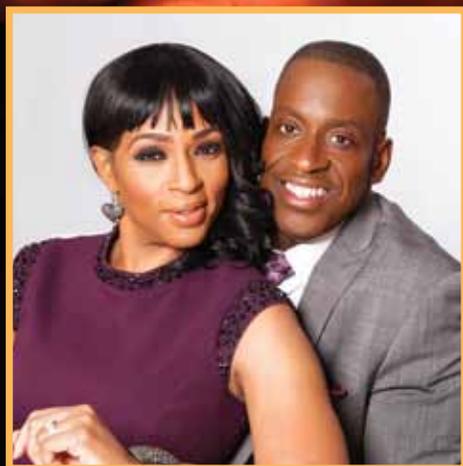


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Dear City of Praise Family,

When Jesus began His ministry, he told Peter and Andrew, who were professional fishermen, to follow Him and He would make them fishers of men. *"And he saith unto them, Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men" (Matthew 4:19).*

They understood that they were being called to help Jesus bring others to God. The interesting thing is that Jesus didn't say be "hunters of men." You see, God has given us all free will, and He wants us to seek Him willingly, not by force. As we evangelize, He doesn't want us to chase people, badger them or argue the Word, or they will run from us and thereby run from Him. A hunter's prey runs from him, because they fear the hunter and his gun. They don't want to be caught. But a fisherman lures the fish with something attractive that the fish may desire. And he patiently waits. God wants people to see Him through us. He wants them to see His love, His forgiveness, His mercy and His grace. He wants them to see His power in our lives, and to see through our faith in Him that He is the only answer. God wants us to fish, and He will bring men unto Him.

God bless you,

*Bishop Joel and
Pastor Ylawnda Peebles*

LION'S ROAR STAFF

Bishop Joel Peebles & Pastor Ylawnda Peebles,
Diane George, Evan George, Paulette Shelton,
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A Season of Giving

By: Bishop Joel Peebles

Everyone was born with a God-given purpose, and the ultimate reason for that purpose is to serve. In your lifetime there is a problem that needs to be solved, a brokenness that needs to be fixed, an emptiness that needs to be filled, or a heart that needs mending, and God wants to use you and the gifts that He has given you to make it right. We are here to serve others and to point the way to Him. We are here to be a blessing in someone's life.

This giving of ourselves, our goods, our time or our talents begins with the commandment from God to love one another. In God's love for us He blessed us with a powerful and unmatched gift, the life of His Son, Jesus. God loved us so He gave. *"Dear friends, let us love one another, for love comes from God. Everyone who loves has been born of God and knows God. Whoever does not love does not know God, because God is love. This is how God showed his love among us: He sent his one and only Son into the world that we might live through him. This is love: not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins. Dear friends, since God so loved us, we also ought to love one another. No one has ever seen God; but if we love one another, God lives in us and his love is made complete in us."* (1 John 4:7-12)

In obedience to Him we must follow His example and love as He loves. It is easy to say we love

God when it doesn't cost us anything. But the real test of love is how we treat others, especially in times of need. Saints, there are no coincidences. Everything that God does or allows is with divine reason and purpose. God will place people in our lives, even if for only a moment, because He wants to use us to bless them, and because He has already given us the tools to do so. Let's each one of us bless one person today. God will tell you whom to bless and how, for you don't always know who has a need, but God does. He knows their hurts, their pain, their confusion or their need. Sometimes a kind word or a smile is enough. And if God put them in your path, the smile that He gave you is just right. And not only will they be blessed by you, but God will in turn bless you for your love, generosity and obedience. He cares for the weak, the poor and the needy, and has promised to bless those who do the same. *"Blessed are those who have regard for the weak; the LORD delivers them in times of trouble. The Lord protects and preserves them" (Psalm 41:1,2). "The generous themselves will be blessed." "Those who give to the poor will lack nothing" (Proverbs 22:9, 28:7).* Let God use you today to bless someone. Give, and it shall be given unto you. Bless, and you shall be blessed, so each one, bless one.





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A man in a dark suit and glasses stands at a podium on the right side of the stage, speaking into a microphone. He is gesturing with his left hand while holding the microphone in his right.

In the center of the foreground, a man in a purple shirt is embracing a woman with curly hair. The woman has her eyes closed and a prayerful expression. Another woman is visible behind them, also with her eyes closed.

A band of musicians is performing on stage. A woman in a black jacket and glasses is singing into a microphone. Next to her, a man in a black t-shirt is playing a keyboard. Other band members are visible in the background, some holding microphones.



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LITTLE CORNER OF INSPIRATION.

INNER STRENGTH

by Amber Brown

The last time I wrote, one of the things that I ended on was the following:

“Don't lose sight of your dreams by becoming overrun by your fear to lose it all. It may be hard at first, but relinquish what you can, even if it's just a little at a time. You'll be proud of yourself and what you've accomplished and what you can and will accomplish simply through the power of love.”



There's a phobia that's named atelophobia, which is the fear of imperfection or of not being good enough. Phobias, of course, are more extreme situations in which the fear toward the subject starts to have adverse effects on an individual's life. Although atelophobia may be the more extreme case, that doesn't mean that it's not common for someone to feel as though something that they do just isn't good enough. That's when a very important scripture is to be kept in mind:

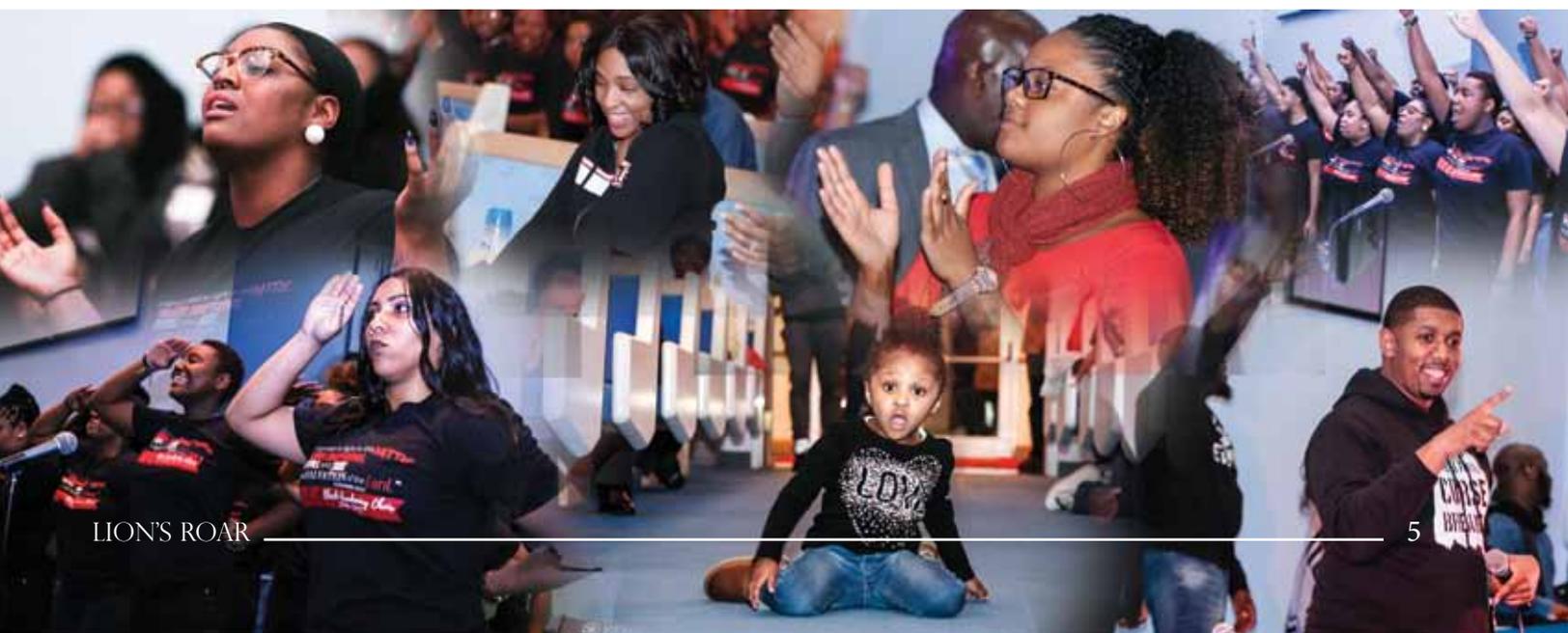
“You made all the delicate, inner parts of my body and knit me together in my mother's womb. Thank you for making me so wonderfully complex! Your workmanship is marvelous—how well I know it. You watched me as I was being formed in utter seclusion, as I was woven together in the dark of the womb. You saw me before I was born..”
(Psalms 139:14-16)”

You must always remember that you are wonderfully made by hand by the Lord God. Do not forget your worth and that, even if things may not seem like they're in your favor or if it simply feels like you may not be able to do it. That includes things from you wanting to try a new hairstyle, a new hair color, a subject you'd like to study, an art form that you'd like to try, etc. The list could go on forever.

You should also remember that you are you. You are unique and, whether or not you can do something as well as the next person, you can do it your own way and make it yours. I will leave you with a quote that is becoming one of my personal favorites:

“Even if you're not perfect you're limited edition, anyways someone wants you. So just do you.”

- Kim Namjoon





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Marcus Williams The love that shared throughout that spiritual classroom/place is amazing.

Susie Wooten reviewed City of Praise Family Ministries — January 3

I am so blessed to of come in to fellowship with this ministry; in 2002 I moved 300 miles away and miss my church all the time but when ever I come home to the City of Praise the word is always relevant and just what is needed. The leadership lives holy and has taught me how to love those who despite-fully use you; bishop Peebles and pastor Peebles are all about love...the greatest gift. Mom Peebles, may she rest in the arms of God will be sorely missed but she left us a great legacy in Bishop Joel ; Jesus is ... the Lord!

I love this ministry. I visited with the Peebles' as they ministered at Roosevelt High School and I LOVED the experience. I got the Holy Ghost then and I would LOVE to continue my journey in the Name of Jesus with this Ministry Family. City of Praise is Awesome! In the Name of Jesus I pray for all who are members, families & the entire Landover community where I was born and raised early in my life. I would love to Praise with this family style ministry! Always a family feeling! In The Name Of Jesus I Pray For The Ministers & Your Family and continue to be blessed! Thank You!

I absolutely love this church, the Bishop and Pastor does a phenomenal job every week, I invite my friends and they fall in love as well. I do my best not to miss a Sunday because I know they have something beneficial for me. IN LOVE WITH MY CHURCH!!!

I love my Church, Bishop and Pastor. Bishop is amazing. City of Praise is the best place to praise and worship!



Bishop Joel &
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Pick up your card during any weekend service from the Welcome Desk or Ushers



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My Operation Andrew Souls List
I commit to invite and bring the following people with me to COPFM

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Use this card as a daily reminder!
 YES! Count on my participation in the offering.
OPERATION ANDREW!

Name _____
 Address _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip _____
 Phone _____
 Email _____

40-42 Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, was one of the men who found Jesus's remains and buried him. The first thing he did after finding Jesus' body was find his brother Peter and tell him to go to Jesus. Jesus told him to go and said, "Simon, from now on you will have a new name: Peter. I will build my church on this rock, and I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven. Whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven." (Matthew 16:17-19)

41-44 The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He told his disciples to go ahead of him to the other side of the Sea of Galilee. When they were on the other side, Jesus appeared to them and said, "Come, follow me, and I will give you fish to catch." (John 6:1-13)

45-46 Philip and Andrew were from Bethsaida in Galilee. Philip went and found Andrew and said to him, "We have found the Messiah (the Christ)." (John 1:45-46)

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