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2019 Year End Newsletter

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Is God Enough?

The child glanced at his mother and back at the store shelf. “I *want* the red one,” he exclaimed. “You have three at home and don’t need a another,” his mother calmly answered. Frustrated, the boy cried, “But I don’t have a *red* one!”

I smiled and thought, when is enough, *enough*? When do I have *enough* black shoes, *enough* Facebook likes, a nice *enough* car, a big *enough* house, *enough* time to finish my list, or quick *enough* replies to my texts?

Five loaves and two fish would not be enough to feed thousands, yet a young boys’ faith in the miraculous touch of Jesus, turned it into *more than enough*. His small lunch became twelve baskets of leftovers.

In a season of overflowing abundance, we still crave more, bigger, or better. What’s up with that? It’s not that our longings are new. Adam and Eve were given beyond what they could imagine or need – and it wasn’t enough for them. They wanted more. They wanted the forbidden fruit.

My default is to run ahead of God to try to get what I want, when I want it, and how I want it. I seek what I think will make me happy. Even amidst my own over-abundance, I struggle to trust the LORD God to be enough.

I have learned to be content in whatever state I am.

Philippians 4:11

For me, it is a journey to learn to be content...and it is a hard road. The realization I am not enough to restore my marriage is **breaking** my heart and **stretching** me to grasp a greater revelation of God’s character. Graciously, the LORD uses shattered lives to reflect His mercy and love. I am **humbled** by the power of the Spirit to endure, and at the same time **long** to be face-to-face with the One Who loves me most...*Jesus Christ*.

May I fully trust the *Man from Galilee*, when all I have to offer is one fish and half a loaf...then let Him show Himself to be *more than enough*.



Praise Report:

- ♥’s open to the **Holy Spirit**
- Encouraging **Friends**
- **Unexpected** strength



Please Pray for:

- **Grace & Wisdom**
- ♥’s to be **restored**
- **God’s glory** in the stand



Ministry Update

Ken Wadley and I teamed up to present a three day retreat this fall, and it was a blast! Meeting new friends and watching women draw closer to Jesus is inspiring. That weekend, we were challenged to *dare* believe **the LORD God is who He says He is and will do what He says He will do.** We are excited at the possibility of partnering in future events.

My ongoing involvement with **FCA** continues to encourage coaches and athletes to experience a personal Jesus. And traveling to the lands of the Bible with **Under The Fig Tree** ministries teaches me something new with every trip. Thank you for praying! I also *love* helping facilitate our weekly **Bible study** and participating on local **worship teams**. So, between teaching, speaking, singing, mentoring, and spending time with those who help grow my faith, the year was rich...*and I am not the same!*

For over 25 years, we have desired to invite others into a transforming relationship with Jesus Christ. As uncomfortable as that may sometimes be, I am grateful it is occurring in my life too. We have remained a crowd-funded ministry relying on financial gifts, which have graciously enabled us to partner with a variety of faith-based organizations.

We remain committed to share how *daring faith* will draw us close to the LORD's heart. Thank you for supporting us by showing up at our events, praying for opportunities to serve, and by emboldening my own faith. ❤️

I pray the LORD makes a difference in me and in you in 2020, as together we *dare* believe the LORD was, is, and will always be – **enough!**



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w/Ken @ Center Lake Bible Camp



RENEW Women's Event



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