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## KEEP YOUR MIND SET ON THE THINGS OF THE SPIRIT

*Those who live in accordance with the Spirit have their minds set on what the Spirit desires. . . . [You are controlled] by the Spirit, if the Spirit of God lives in you. And if anyone does not have the Spirit of Christ, he does not belong to Christ.* ROMANS 8:5, ROMANS 8:9

One way God speaks to us is through other believers. I remember when Kris and I were in living in Idaho. I had just returned from Viet-Nam and it was August of 1973. My pay records were lost and it had been 90 days since we had received any pay from the military. Kris was in our bedroom on her knees asking the Lord for guidance and wisdom before she went grocery shopping at the post-exchange. While she was praying a young lady who lived a few blocks away from us came to our front door and knocked. Kris stopped praying and went to the door. She told Kris that when she was shopping she purchased large quantities of certain bulk items. It was far more than they could use, but she felt led to buy the extra items and bring them to us, could we use them? These items were exactly what Kris was praying about. Only God could have known this and directed His servant in such a way. He answered Kris while she was still in praying!

*“The steps of a good man are ordered by the Lord, and He delights in his way. Though he fall, he shall not be utterly cast down; For the Lord upholds him with His hand. I have been young, and now am old; yet I have not seen the righteous forsaken, nor his descendants begging bread.”* Ps 37:23-25

The Lord both blessed and spoke His loving kindness to us through the arms of another person that we didn't even know. Be open for surprise, His ways are not our ways.

### God Is Not A Respector Of Persons; He Is A Respector Of Faith!

Let faith arise and the enemies of God be scattered both from around you and in you. Trusting God doesn't mean things won't change. We were in Idaho all alone, 21 years old, 500 hundred miles from any family or friends, pregnant with a second child and no money. What a fix we were in.... but we had faith that God could do anything!

*“I will lift up my eyes to the hills – from whence comes my help? My help comes from the Lord, Who made heaven and earth. He will not allow your foot to be moved; He who keeps you will not slumber.”* Ps 121:1-3

**APPLICATION:** Believe and expect God! Ask God to help you build courageous faith? Let Him know what your needs are in detail. Be open to change, your help might come in a way that does not fit your current perception or expectations. Your steps are ordered of the Lord and He never slumbers!