



# Reflections on 'The Greater Things'

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*"Amen, Amen, I say to you, whoever believes in me will do the works that I do, and will do greater things than these, because I am going to the Father." (John 14:12)*

## PRAYER IS A REAL LOVE GIFT By: Katheryn Wilcox

Love is in the air, especially in February with hearts and flowers decorating the St. Valentine's Day cards that make Hallmark coffers swell with cash!

When you consider all the options you have to remind your loved ones that you love them, why not just send the card and forsake the candy and flowers and pray for them? Or do both? Some we know are easy to pray for, others not so much. And sometimes we are tempted to think I that our prayers are in vain. How can we *know* our prayers are doing any good, especially for those who don't ask or even want our prayers??? Or when we don't see the evidence that they are doing good?

It is estimated that prayer is mentioned in the bible *at least* 650 times, and out of that number over 450 refer to *answered* prayers. Wow! So, if we believe the bible, God *does* answer prayer.. Here are just a few scriptures affirming that:

### **Mark 11:24 (NABRE):**

*"Therefore I tell you, all that you ask for in prayer, believe that you will receive it and it shall be yours."*

Prayers that are never uttered cannot be answered, so we must ask to receive answers. We are Charismatic, so we have the gift of tongues!! Pray, Pray, Pray!!!! If you don't have that gift, it's not a requirement for ANSWERED prayers! Pray, pray, pray.

### **Romans 12:12 (NABRE):**

*"Rejoice in hope, endure in affliction, persevere in prayer."*

Laziness is not productive, especially in our spiritual life. St Monica prayed for at least 20 years for her son, Saint Augustine, and other non- Christian family members. Because of her prayers and good example, her mother- in- law

was converted at the end of her life. And finally... Monica's son St Augustine, the intellectual, was powerfully converted and, after his death, was proclaimed a Saint and one of the few and great doctors of the church.

Scripture even gives an example of someone who was healed personally by Jesus, yet there is no explanation that gives the man's name or his request for prayer. He was a paralytic who was lowered through the roof of a building where Jesus was teaching because his friends could not get him through the door? He was healed because he and his friends had two things... faith and persistence!

### **Mark 2:4-5 (NABRE).**

*"Unable to get near Jesus because of the crowd, they opened up the roof above him. After they had broken through, they let down the mat on which the paralytic was lying. When Jesus saw their faith, he said to the paralytic, 'Child, your sins are forgiven.'"*

This amazing scripture tells us that the man was healed and his sins forgiven because of the faith of him and his friends!!!! He couldn't go himself, but his friends who loved him and wanted to see him healed, took him. Imagine... They got there and the crowd was so dense that they couldn't get their friend to Jesus. Did that stop them? No! They were so intent on seeing their friend healed and so confident that Jesus would heal him that they *cut a hole in the roof of the person's house* and lowered him down through the ceiling above Jesus.

How much faith (and love) for people who need healing to *you* have? I doubt that any of us would cut a hole in someone's roof to get them to a Healing Mass. Thank God we don't need to. But do you pray *persistently* for them and

*would you offer* to pick them up for a Healing Mass? We have had many testimonies of miraculous healing from attending a Healing Mass.

### **Mark 16:18 (BLT)**

*"...they will lay their hands on the sick, and they will be made well."*

So, will God answer our prayers for our loved ones and friends? Yes, if we are asking for the right things- conversion, healing, and God's will above all else, and offering out of a heart of love and concern.

Love and prayer move the heart of God. The people who need our prayers may not even ask for pray, be believers, or be convinced that it will work. It is OUR faith and perseverance (in love) that will bring our Lord and *His love* and healing into the lives of our family and friends.

What happens when we offer the gift of prayer? God hears and God answers. Amen!

### **A FRIEND'S PRAYER ON ST. VALENTINE'S DAY**

I said a Valentine prayer for you  
And asked the Lord above  
To fill your heart and bless your soul  
With the precious gift of love

I asked Him for sincere love  
The kind that's meant to stay  
Just like the generous love  
You give to those you meet each day.

I prayed for love from family  
And from every cherished friend  
Then I asked the Lord to give you  
His love that knows no end.

*Author Unknown*

## 'TRADITIONAL' CATHOLICS - I SAY YES! AND AMEN! By Jaci Phillips-Sabol, PhD

A friend recently told me that, at a particular apparition site of the Blessed Mother, She is calling us to 'get back to the roots of our faith.' I couldn't agree more. What do you picture when you hear these words? When I hear or read something about 'getting back to our traditional Catholic roots,' I do not picture the Latin Mass (valid and beautiful as it is, and it is) or beautiful statues that call to mind role models; part of the 'great cloud of witnesses. While I was in Texas, the reverence of wearing a veil became dear to my heart. I love wearing my veil when I go to meet my Bridegroom. It is a gesture of intimacy with my Beloved, but I don't think that every woman is called to veil. However, being called to *reverence* is a different story. Reverence is born out of *awe*. And that has declined dramatically.

For me, our 'traditional Catholic roots' does not call to mind obligatory fasting, yet at the same time, most of us do not understand the incredible power and value of fasting, primarily because the value is not taught. Things have become watered down, in some respects stripping away a depth and power of practices that are of great spiritual benefit. But these are not the things that come to my mind. If we are to get back to 'our Catholic roots,' I say, "Amen." But which roots? Because only going way WAY back to the earliest roots can purify or heal; only one thing can assist you or me or any ordained person in the Church: a return to the promise of Jesus; what HE *rooted* us in.

Don't speak to me about a Latin Mass that is beautiful and reverent and holy (truly, it is), if you are filled with rigidity and self-righteous judgment, or if you think that holiness is being able to quote the entire Catechism of the Catholic Church, -but the Bible? - not so much. Or if you think that mindless recitation of prayers will get you into heaven. Praying is good, but we must have our life and heart centered on Jesus, *as the Blessed Mother did*. The whole point of the rosary was so that us 'simple' faithful could meditate on the life of Christ. Many people are not aware that meditating on the mysteries is the point of the rosary. If we recite it in "vain repetition, as the pagans do" (Mt 6:7, BLT), then **Jesus** warned against it. A better translation of

this verse is "to babble" or "heap up empty phrases" (Mt 6:7, RSV).

Not all repetition is vain if it is *from the heart* or if it is *persistent*. Let us recall that "*Jesus prayed three times*" (Mt 26:44) and praised the persistence of the Canaanite requesting the scraps that fall from the table (Mt 15:27-28). Israel and all the host of Heaven cry out three times, "*Holy! Holy! Holy!*" There are times when I am so filled with awe of God that all my lips can utter is "Holy, Holy, Holy..." over and over and over. We must strive (imperfectly at times) to be *present* during our prayers, not *mindless*.

If you love the 'personal'-ness of the Novus Ordo (Mass in your language) but have lost almost all reverence for the Son of God who remains constantly present within the tabernacle, then you also need to turn back your Catholic clock. Anyone of us who is a pew warmer at Sunday Mass, without it ever changing our hearts or without seeing the true *mystical nature* of the Mass ("This **IS** My Body") needs a return to the roots of our faith. Anyone who doesn't know Jesus as a *personal* Savior, complete with a *personal relationship*, needs a return to the things that made the early Christians so *capable*. This relationship is recognized in a way that just can't be explained until you have truly experienced that **JESUS IS ALIVE!**

**WE ALL NEED A RETURN TO OUR EARLIEST ROOTS.** These roots create both miracles and Saints. We marvel at Saints throughout history who bilocated to places they were needed yet remained where they were. Many of us cannot comprehend ecstasies of Saints like Catherine of Sienna or Theresa of Avila. We have a holy envy of Saint Faustina's conversations with Jesus. My friend, Pachi Talbot, a visionary from Ecuador, has seen the Blessed Mother for 30 years and I confess a holy envy of her. Saint John had a vision in which he was taken into heaven before the very throne of Jesus and the Living God... we call it the *book of Revelation*. Saint Philip the Apostle was transported from one place to another, 30 miles away as soon as he baptized the eunuch. The early believers had all things in common (shared all things) and they were 'all in one accord,' i.e., they were in agreement on matters of

faith and lived peacefully with each other. And it was (is) all possible because they were (are) all very *traditional* Catholics. These roots give us the ability to "*love the Lord [our] God with all [our] heart, mind, soul, and strength*" and to "*love [our] neighbor as ourselves.*" So please, let us return the traditional roots of the Church; the ones that existed before a word of the New Testament was written.

I am of the opinion, and you are free to disagree, but the last 6 Popes also agree, that the whole of the Catholic Church (and every other Christian church); every priest (pastor), deacon, bishop, nun, Cardinal, and layperson, (did I leave anyone out?) should long for the only roots capable of uniting the Body of Christ and of returning the Church to Her intended full glory as the pure and spotless bride of Christ.

These power-packed traditional roots are able to deliver us from the "*things that defile a man's heart*" (Mt 15:19-20). Let the whole Body of Christ cry out for what has the power to both *convict of sin* ("*I now rejoice... that you were made sorrowful to the point of repentance*" 2 Cor 7:9, NASB) while *making us capable* of fleeing from sin and living a sanctified and holy life; producing both that Godly sorrow that helps us to overcome our sin and "*the peace of the Lord that surpasses understanding*" (Phil 4:7, ESV).

And let's not forget that traditional document that keeps us from following the false teachers and "*doctrines of demons*" (1 Tim 4:1-2) that so concerned both Jesus and Paul. Maybe they were referring to the heretical *fluff gospel*, which molds itself to the world while accepting almost nothing as being *sinful* and never calls anyone to growth, or the *self-centered gospel* that keeps us seeking only after consolations and the fantastic gifts of the Holy Spirit (which are, by the way incredible and NECESSARY) without ever coming to the realization that we have a sinful nature that needs to be dealt with in a forthright manner;... or the *powerless gospel* that sees no miracles and completely fails to preach that we were meant to walk in a *balance* of the *power of the Gifts of the Spirit* while cultivating the *Fruit of the Spirit*.

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## By The Word of Their Testimony

*"But they have conquered him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony, for they did not cling to life even in the face of death."  
(Revelation 12:11)*



## HERE I GO...OUT OF THE BOAT! By Kathy Wilcox

Last month I wrote about the New Years' prophesy: "Walk on Water." This month the Lord called me to "Get out of the Boat." I got a phone call from my friend of 48 years. She had not been feeling well, and after many tests, an MRI showed a large mass on her Pancreas. Her local doctor scheduled a biopsy in Pittsburgh but told her that the MRI reflected that it was likely cancer - pancreatic cancer. I offered to pray with her. She had *many* people praying: her church community, friends, and those I contacted in our charismatic community.

A few days before Christmas she called and said she was home if I wanted to come and pray. I quickly put my blessed oil, a rosary, and a green scapular (for the sick) in my purse and drove to her house. On the way I started to panic. I knew I needed to pray in tongues for her and was not comfortable doing so, she had never experienced it. I prayed, "Lord, I am the most unworthy person I know, and I wish there was someone else to pray over Carol, but since I am the only one, please use me to bring your healing love to my friend."

We talked, we cried and then I anointed her with the oil, and laid hands on her and prayed. I prayed in tongues, and the

anointing of the Holy Spirit came over me. As I headed home, I prayed again and claimed healing for her, and prayed that I would be able to see her again when I come home from Florida in the spring.

I have continued to pray (as have many others) for her every day in tongues (*"the Spirit makes intercession for us in words and groanings that we can't understand"*) and included her name in my daily rosary.

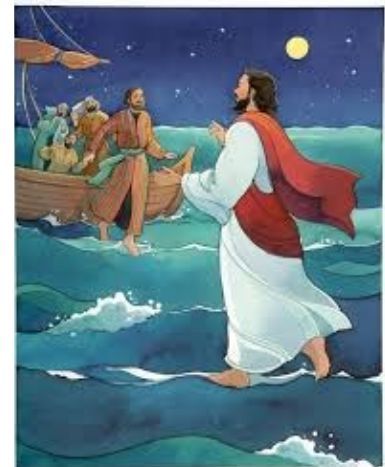
Sunday, January 6<sup>th</sup>, I got a call from her. She received a call about the biopsy. The results were that the growths are NOT cancer. They are benign! NOT PANCREATIC CANCER! even though that is truly what the picture from the MRI looked like and what the doctors strongly suspected. How can this be? In addition, she had all the symptoms of pancreatic cancer.

So, "NOT CANCEROUS" is a miracle and God began healing her body when I and others began to pray after the MRI. She thanked me for laying hands on her and said she needed that. She said she felt peaceful after that prayer. I am praying (and ask you to pray) that our Lord will continue healing her until the benign growths and other symptoms are

completely gone. Brothers and sisters, we serve a good, loving, and all-powerful God. Believe it!

If you are like me, afraid to use your charismatic gifts, remember that the Holy Spirit gives us these gifts for primarily for others. Of course, I am unworthy. I am a sinner. But when I pray, Jesus covers me with His precious Blood and can use me to bring His love and healing to others.

I got out of my boat (my comfort zone) and walked on the water, trusting Jesus because my friend needed Him, and I am overcome with joy; praising His greatness and mercy.



## PROPHECY REPORT

"Fear not, for I am with you."

*Jim Burick, New Year's Eve*

"Eye has not seen, nor ear heard,  
nor the mind of man conceived of  
the things that God has prepared  
for those who love Him and are  
called to his purposes."

*Pat and Jaci, New Year's Eve*

## ONE DAY CLOSER

by Karen Stempkoski

I looked up at the stars tonight  
Thinking of You, Jesus, most High  
I know I'm only a speck  
But, Lord, have I caught Your eye?

You know our secret longings  
And hear even the whisper of the heart  
Every sunset that fades into night  
Is 'one day closer' that we won't be apart

# upcoming events

## Join Us Each First Saturday of the Month

### Mass in honor of Our Lady

9:00 am at St Gregory's, Northeast, PA

*Sacred Music beginning at 8:50*

Music provided by: Soloist, *Jacqueline Phillip*;  
Violinist, *Louis Nicolai*; and Organist *Corey Spacht*  
Celebrant: *Rev. Jerry Priscaro*

## GREATER THINGS ANNUAL CONFERENCE

**St. Joseph Bread of Life Church - 147 West 24th St, Erie**

Saturday, March 9, 2019 9AM - 3:30 PM

Lunch Included - Scholarships Available

## COME TO JESUS

### ADORATION WORSHIP CONCERTS

**St. Joseph Bread of Life Church - 147 West 24th St, Erie**

Free Will Offering to Support Erie Charismatic Renewal/Word of Life Center  
Worship by Jaci Phillips, Brianna Erdman and friends with special guest,

Erie Philhamonic violinist, Louis Nicolai

With Exposition and Benediction

Friday, April 26, 2019 7 PM - 9 PM

Friday, September 7, 2019 7 PM - 9 PM

## HEALING MASSES (SPIRIT-FILLED)

**Sponsored by Son of God Prayer Group**

**Holy Rosary Church, 2701 East Ave, Erie**

Tuesday, May 14, 2019 6:30 PM (Worship 6:15)

Tuesday, August 13, 2019 6:30 PM (Worship 6:15)

Tuesday, October 8, 2019 6:30 PM (Worship 6:15)

## GREATER THINGS LUNCHEON

### HOW TO SHARE JESUS

Fr. Johnathan Schmolt

**St. Joseph Bread of Life Church - 147 West 24th St, Erie**

Saturday, May 18, 2019 9:30 AM - 3:30 PM

## FAN INTO THE FLAME SEMINAR

### STEPPING OUT IN SPIRITUAL GIFTS

Leaders: Jaci Phillips and Pat Montefiori

**St. Joseph Bread of Life Church - 147 West 24th St, Erie**

Friday & Saturday, June 7-8, 2019

Friday 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM Saturday 9:00 am - 3:30 PM

## LIFE IN THE SPIRIT - THE GIFT

**St. Mary's - Meadville, PA**

Friday & Saturday, June 21-22, 2019

Stay tuned for details

## HEALING MASS

**St. Joseph Parish - Warren, PA**

Friday, June 28, 2019 - 6:00PM

## GREATER THINGS LUNCHEON

**St. Joseph Bread of Life Church - 147 West 24th St, Erie**

Saturday, October 19, 2019 9:30 AM - 1:00 PM

(Brief Annual Membership Meeting after lunch)



# PRAYER GROUPS

## † SUNDAY

### Shalom in Jesus Prayer Group

In home, DuBois, PA

6:30 PM

Rick Kenawell

(814) 771-7932

### Acts II Community

St. Julia Church, Erie, PA

West Lake Rd. & Powell Ave.

6:30 PM

Jack Heintzel

(814) 838-1325

## † MONDAY

### Disciples of the Holy Spirit

St. Mary's Church Annex

139 Church St., St. Marys, PA

6:00 PM

Mary Ellen Frank

(814) 781-3904

### St. Andrew Chapel

(formerly Leopold Center group)

Chaplet of Divine Mercy and Rosary

1116 West 7th St., Erie PA

3:15 pm (before Mass)

Mary Lou Peterson

(814) 866-5678

### River of Life PG

St. Bridget Ch., Rm. 4, Meadville, PA

2nd & 4th Monday evenings

7:00 PM

Amy Mosbacher

(814) 724-6104

## † TUESDAY

### Son of God Prayer Group

Holy Rosary Church

2701 East Ave, Erie PA

7:00 PM

Pat Montefiori

(814) 823-3968

### St Stephen's

Social Center

21 State St, Oil City PA

Rosalie Bablak

12:30 - 2:00 PM

(includes Adoration in Church)

also from 6:30 - 7:30pm

(814) 671-7993

## † FRIDAY

### Light of the World Community

In Home Prayer Meeting

Call for location

1:00 PM

T.A. Walkiewicz

(814) 833-9717

## † SATURDAY

### God's Holy Love

11 Russell St., Warren, PA

Virginia Baker

10:30 AM

(781) 217-1683

## † CALL FOR DETAILS

### Promises Of God

St. Mary's Church - Crown, PA

Denise Varo

(814) 744-8199



## WHY DO I STAY IN THE CATHOLIC CHURCH? By Elaine Sinnott

I remember hearing everything on the news on a Tuesday evening about the cover-ups in the Catholic Church; in my very own state of Pennsylvania and in my very own diocese. Priests whom my friends and family knew were on that list of those accused of the gravest of abuses. They were devastated. Priests who were close to friends of mine and priests who married family members were on that list. I couldn't believe it! I knew it was a problem in the Church, but I had *absolutely no idea* the extent of it. And this was JUST in Pennsylvania. And *only the reported/discovered cases*.

I went to Mass the next day since it was a holy day of obligation, even though I was feeling confused, sad, overwhelmed, sickened, and betrayed. I didn't want to be there, but I still felt drawn to be there. What was calling me there? How on earth could this happen?? How could these "leaders" we've trusted, these "Godly" men, do this? My head and my emotions were spinning.

I was asking these questions in my heart as I knelt there, staring at the tabernacle before Mass began. And then suddenly the Holy Spirit descended upon me with peace and spoke these words to me: *"The heart of My Church is still pure. My Body, given for you, is still pure."*

THIS is what was drawing me!  
HE was still there!

At the beginning of the day, I was wanting to hide the fact that I was Catholic. *This interruption* immediately made me want to cling to my Faith and Church more than anything, and to protect it. In this deep meditation, a very vivid image came to my mind of me as a child clutching to a mother figure, wrapping my arms around her legs and holding tight. I was NOT going to let go!

My pastor began Mass and while he is usually extremely upbeat with his homilies, he was completely different. He had such sadness in his eyes and no personality in his voice. You could tell it was truly hurting him to be there. It was truly a *sacrifice* for him to come and celebrate with us in the midst of his own brokenness and betrayal by his brother priests.

This priest is one of many who are truly holy, who are doing what they said he

would do for God when they were ordained. But now, after this report came out, priests like him were getting attacked verbally and even physically across the country (they did the same to Jesus). All it takes is for one bad one to ruin it for everyone else and this time there was a crushing number of 300+ bad ones. I'm sure it made the good priests feeling like they were gasping for air. And I'm sure it made many faithful feel as if they couldn't trust any of them. But this is just a lie that the devil wants us to believe.

The words Jesus spoke in John 6:67 came to mind, *"Do you also want to leave?"* (NABRE).

Even though I felt incredibly hurt and betrayed, I never once felt betrayed by the Church. I never once felt the desire to leave it. This awful attack on our Church from those within our very ranks only made me want to be closer to Her even more. I know that the people who committed these horrendous abuses and the people who looked the other way are *not* living according to the gospel or what this beautiful Church teaches. It is sin, plain and simple. Grave sin. People are so sickened by these events and the corruption in our Church (and rightfully so!) that they are leaving the Church. It was sinful men following evil and selfish desires. May God have mercy on their souls for the damage they inflicted on the victims and the damage done to the Church. But it is not Christ's Church who attacked these poor victims. And I love this dear Church and see all of the beauty that remains in her, her priests, the faithful.

Then the Holy Spirit reminded me of Peter's comforting words in response to Jesus' question, *"Master, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life,"* (John 6:68, NABRE). Lord, I will not leave.

Let us cling to Jesus and not abandon His church when she needs us the most! We need good, holy religious men and women and lay people to protect what Jesus began in that Upper Room 2,000 years ago. Satan is going to do whatever he possibly can to rip us apart and make the church collapse, but with Jesus at the core...*the Eucharist*... we have a strength the devil will **NEVER** match!

*"Your unfailing love, O Lord, is as vast as the heavens; your faithfulness reaches beyond the clouds. Your righteousness is like the mighty mountains, your justice like the ocean depths. Pour out your unfailing love on those who love you; give justice to those with honest hearts. Look! Those who do evil have fallen! They are thrown down, never to rise again."* (Ps 36:5-6,10, 12, NLT)

Holy Father, look upon this humanity of ours that is taking its first steps along the path of the Third Millennium. Its life is still deeply marked by hatred, violence, and oppression, but the thirst for justice, truth, and grace still finds a space in the hearts of many people, who are waiting for someone to bring salvation enacted by You through Your Son Jesus. There is need for courageous heralds of the Gospel, for generous servants of suffering humanity. Send holy priests to Your Church, we pray, who may sanctify Your people with the tools of Your grace. Send numerous consecrated men and women, that they may show Your holiness in the midst of the world.

Send holy laborers into Your vineyard, that they may labor with the fervor of charity and, moved by Your Holy Spirit, may bring the salvation of Christ to the farthest ends of the Earth. Amen.

May the Lord of the harvest provide many holy priestly and religious vocations for His Church!

—John Paul II—



Lord,  
Hear Our  
Prayer

## 'TRADITIONAL' CATHOLICS - CONTINUED FROM PAGE 2

To a detrimental extent, we as Catholics are not aware that the Gifts of the Holy Spirit are for today: "The authentic charisms, therefore, come to be considered as gifts of indispensable importance for the life and mission of the Church." (CDF, *Iuvenescit Ecclesia*, 9)

And the charisms (Gifts) are not for only a few: "*I expect you to share with everyone in the Church the grace of the baptism in the Holy Spirit*" (Pope Francis to the Charismatic renewal). At the same time, we fail to comprehend the vital importance and protection of the Bible; the breathed and inspired Word of GOD almighty. It is "*living and active; sharper than any two-edged sword. It pierces even to dividing soul and spirit*" (Heb 4:12) [i.e., surgically separate; as with a scalpel]

Two of the earliest Christian roots, the Word of God and the Spirit of God, are authentic co-evangelists. They preach together! The Word of God **CREATES** through the SPIRIT of God! It was true in Genesis when the Spirit of God hovered over the waters, awaiting the command of God to create the universe. It was true when John proclaimed that "*the Word of God became flesh and dwelt among us*" AND IT IS STILL TRUE TODAY.

We need to be intimately familiar with this Letter to us from God; otherwise, we risk falling victim to people who pick who have their own agendas and who and choose particular scriptures while ignoring others. No matter how knowledgeable they may sound, they are not speaking through the power of the Holy Spirit. If you hear the Word without the Spirit, beware of "*wolves in sheep's clothing*." Satan tried to use the Word of God without the Spirit of God. He manipulated *scripture* against Jesus in the desert to try to confuse Him and get Him to sin. Jesus *discerned* that it was wrong and fought back with the Sword of the Holy Spirit (the correct scriptures). If the devil thought he might be able to tempt **even Jesus** into sin by *misusing scripture*, how much more so will he try it with us! Surely **humility and complete dependence** on the **Word of God** and the Holy Spirit, these early firm foundations, are in order.

If we are Spirit-filled but are only seeking the mountaintop experiences that happen as we walk in the Spirit, there is danger also – the air is THIN up there! (lol) "*We urge you not to receive the grace of God in vain*" (2 Cor 6:1, NASB). We risk deception. The same great danger of deception exists for those who have *not* the received the Baptism in the Spirit; being unable to *discern* danger: "*for false Christs and false prophets shall arise and will give signs and wonders that would deceive, if it were possible, even the elect. So be on your guard; I have told you everything in advance.*" (Mark 13:22-23, BLT; emphasis added). We must follow the Savior, being vigilant of both the **true signs and wonders** (which abound) that He commissioned to believers, while being on guard for the *false, lying wonders* of the evil one, intended to lead everyone, especially the elect (chosen), astray. There is no room for any of us to get comfortable and coast when **Jesus** warned: "*be on your guard*"!

Surely as I write this message, I feel conviction in my own heart. The intention is *not to offend*. It is to give a little solid food instead of milk for babies, because we must all grow. The hope is that this message touches you in a place your soul requires. Because God intended us to live, not standing still, but "*being transformed from glory to glory, for this comes from the Lord, who is the Spirit*" (2 COR 3:18, CSB; emphasis added). So, **ONWARD!**

My dear friends in Christ, let us all return to that moment when the Church received the power to carry out her commission from God; the moment that the Church (you and I) gained any capacity for success at affecting this world whatsoever. Let us return to the moment that God imbued 120 believers with *so great a power*, that it was the very instant that they could not be stopped, and the gospel began to make its way "*throughout the ends of the earth*" (Acts 1:8)

It is necessary in the *strongest possible way*, for us to be '**traditional Catholics**,' **FULL of the MYSTICAL POWER** that can only be given through Jesus' gift of the **HOLY SPIRIT** and the "**SWORD of the [Holy] SPIRIT, which is the WORD of GOD**"! (Eph 6:17.) Full of awe; full of

*reverence; full of Truth; and full of faith that cannot be stopped.*

The SWORD (Word) and the SPIRIT. Together, not separate. They are part of the battle armor; the clothing from on High given to us by God and capable of renewing, transforming, and protecting. We need it, right? Right. So, let's return to our traditional Catholic roots. I cry out for it. And I say, "Yes and Amen!" *What do you say?*

"For as many as [are] promises of God, in him [are] the **Yes**, and in him the **Amen**, for glory to God through us," (2 Cor 1:20, YLT. Emphasis added).

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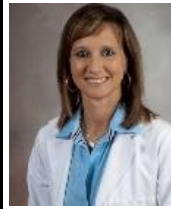
# "Show Us Your Glory, Lord!"

Annual 'Greater Things' Conference



Saturday, March 9, 2019  
9-3:30, \$25 with lunch  
included  
St. Joseph Center  
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147 West 24th St., Erie, PA

Speaker: Jacqueline Phillips-Sabol PhD



Jaci has been a worship leader, prayer group leader, and dynamic speaker in the charismatic renewal for over 20 years. Dr. Phillips is a neuropsychologist, trained to diagnose brain disorders and is the former director of the Neurocognitive Disorders Center at the University of Texas at Houston.



Worship led by Jaci Phillips, Brianna Erdman, & friends with special guest violinist for the Erie Philharmonic, Louis Nicolai

*Moses wanted to 'see' the glory of  
the Lord.*

This was a plea of a man to be able to  
stand in the glory of the presence of the

One he loved. His plea was a yearning that was born out of intimacy (*"I am pleased with you and **know you by name**"* Ex 33:17). Just as God desired relationship with Moses, He desires intimacy with us. Let us seek Him and desire to know Him more deeply. Draw deeper into the arms of the Living God. Come as Moses did, seeking more of the Living God with all of his heart.

*We cry out with Moses:*

*"Show us Your glory, Lord!"*

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