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*Source of living water, rise up in me
Send Your Holy Spirit and set me free
from all that weighs upon my heart and soul
I give You my burdens, come make me whole.*

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Who Is My Source?

Maybe, like so many people, you are searching. Searching for healing, confirmation, a prediction about your future, or simply for love? In this book, I'd like to introduce you to my source. I want to tell you what He wants to mean to you. You too can connect with the source of living water. It will renew and enrich your life. At the moment that you choose to connect with this source, you will immediately discover that this is exactly what you've been looking for for so long. The source of living water will fulfill your life and bring you into your destiny. Your thirst will be quenched with streams of joy and you will receive peace.

The source of living water says:

Whoever is thirsty, come to me and drink! Rivers of living water will flow from the hearts of those who believe in me.

Water quenches your thirst. Everyone gets thirsty; thirsty for happiness, a fulfilling life, healing; thirsty for acceptance, recognition and love. Each of us tries to quench this thirst in his or her own way. Maybe you go to a medium to bring you in contact with the supernatural world. Or maybe you go to someone who has healing powers. If you're lucky, you get healed and your thirst is lessened. But a short time later, you're thirsty again. So, you go back, or you go to someone else who might be able to help you. Again, your thirst is lessened. But again, it is temporary.

Many people keep on searching because they just can't seem to find lasting peace and happiness. When people come to me for spiritual advice or for healing and I see how they open themselves up with trust and faith in the supernatural, I want

to ask: How do you know that your source, the one quenching your thirst now, has good intentions for you? Everyone who engages in spiritual matters knows that there are powers of evil that disguise themselves as “angels of light.” It feels good. Your thirst is lessened. But if the water you’re drinking comes from a poisoned source, eventually you will just become ill.

You don’t notice anything at first. But after a few weeks you start to notice vague symptoms. You start to feel depressed or you begin to experience personal problems. You go back to your source but now it seems like you need more and more from this source in order to quench your thirst. After a few weeks, you become even worse. You become entrapped in a circle of dependence while you are meant to be free.

Life!

I am 100% convinced that my source wants the best for you and for me. How can I be so sure? I’m sure because my source calls Himself the “source of living water.” Living water brings health, strength, joy, delight and happiness, in other words, life in all its fullness. My source promises: if you drink from this well, you’ll never thirst again. Never again will your longings be unfulfilled.

Not only will your thirst be quenched, but you yourself will also become a source of living water for others. When you drink from the source of living water, a fountain will spring up in you: clean, fresh and attractive. You will no longer be dependent upon someone else because you now have your own source, one that will take care of you 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Your life will no longer be defined in shortages or needs but you will have so much that you’ll have more than enough to share with others.

How can it be possible that you will no longer thirst when

you've drunk from the source of living water? That is possible due to the fact that He loves you as you are. He places no conditions on His love for you. He comes into your life and helps you to get everything in order. He touches your heart and renews your life from the inside out. He gives you peace in your search for meaning in your life. Who is this source of living water that can accomplish all this? His name is Jesus Christ.

Who Do You Say He Is?

Many people have heard of Him but few really know Him: Jesus Christ. Maybe you come from a Christian background but said goodbye to religion a long time ago out of disappointment or not being able to relate to it. You've surely heard of Jesus but perhaps when you hear His name you feel a sort of inner resistance. I want to challenge you to open yourself so that Jesus can truly reveal Himself to you. Read on with an open heart. Then you will see Him as He is, without the aura of legalism and rules that has been - unjustly - put upon Him. I predict that you won't be able to resist His love if you truly get to know Him.

His name in itself, "Jesus Christ", says something about His divine nature. "Jesus" means "God is my savior" and "Christ" means "God's anointed one." Jesus Christ has been predestined to save. What should Jesus save us from? Before I go into that more deeply, I'd like to first say a few things about the person of Jesus Christ. Jesus was born approximately 2000 years ago into a poor family. His father was a carpenter and His mother was still a teenage girl when she had Him. Jesus was always a simple person. He wasn't a successful businessman, beloved government leader or famous athlete. He never travelled to far off lands and He never wrote a book.

Still, He remains the most influential person that ever lived. No one else comes anywhere near having the same impact that Jesus had. There is no one that even comes close. The two most important holidays in Western culture are directly related to Him: at Christmas we celebrate His birth and at Easter His death and resurrection. The calculation of our years is divided into before and after Christ. Whether you believe in Him or not, even the expiration date on a jar of jam is based on the timeline of Jesus...

Who is this man? Is He really the only God? Let's let Him answer that Himself. Jesus made seven remarkable statements about Himself. No one else in history has even been able to say such things about him or herself, let alone prove them.

1. "I come from heaven."

There are spiritual leaders who claim that they've received revelation from heaven. Like Mohammed, the founding father of Islam. But that was a singular revelation. People who have had a near death experience sometimes say they've been in heaven. But Jesus said something more unique: that He existed with God before the world was created. He came down out of heaven to this world to be with people to save them with His love. No other spiritual leader has ever been able to say this.

2. "God and I are one."

Jesus called God His father. The spiritual leaders of His time wanted to stone Him for saying this. They accused Him of blasphemy because He made Himself equal to God. No one had ever said that He was the son of God. That's why the leaders didn't know what to do with Him. They had no problem with His performing miracles, but they did have a problem with Him saying God was His father.

3. “The miracles I do prove that I have been sent by God.”

Jesus says to people who doubt Him: “If it’s hard for you to accept that God has sent me, look at what I do and how I live. Look and see that I can walk on water, that I can feed 5000 with five loaves and a couple of fish, that I heal the sick, raise the dead and calm storms.” Jesus demonstrates a spiritual power and authority that is unprecedented.

4. “I am without fault.”

Either Jesus was the most arrogant boaster ever or He is the divine person He claims to be. There isn’t anyone who can claim that he or she can go through life without having any faults. God knows our thoughts, hears what we say and sees what we do. He sees when we don’t do what we should and when we go ahead and do that which we shouldn’t. Every person lives with remorse and regrets regarding certain things they’ve said or done. Jesus said that He didn’t have any remorse or regrets because He was without fault. No human being can say that.

5. “I can forgive your faults and mistakes.”

Everyone has done things that they are ashamed of and don’t like to talk about while at the same time, those things eat at them. Someone who has really “messed up” can think: “I just don’t care what other people think.” But there comes a day when he or she will have to take responsibility before God. If God doesn’t forgive him, embrace him and give him new strength, such a person cannot move on. He is sentenced to death. Only God can forgive and Jesus says: “I do that. I forgive.” It is almost unimaginable that we don’t have to do anything in order to have God’s love in our lives. We all need love and forgiveness. Jesus can take care of those needs because He is the son of God.

6. “I am the way to heaven.”

Jesus explains how we come to terms with God and that is very simple: by believing in Jesus. There is only one mediator between God and men, and that is Jesus Christ. He says, “I’m all you need. I am the way, the truth and the life.” When we search for healing, hope, love or confirmation, we need look no further than this man, Jesus Christ. Some say that more roads lead to heaven. Jesus says: “I am that way. Follow me, walk with me, love me. You will not be disappointed. I will far exceed your expectations.”

7. “I will rise from the dead.”

Jesus knows what is going to happen in the future. He is the ultimate fortune teller, or soothsayer in the most literal sense of the word: What He says is true. Before He was crucified He said: “I will be arrested, then I will be beaten and mocked and eventually put to death. But I will return. I’ll be back! I will rise from the dead and by my resurrection death will be conquered forever. I will be the liberator, the savior, the healer.”

He Is Still Alive

Death is our greatest enemy. Everyone has to die. Some people say: “That’s ok because I’ll become energy or I’ll come back in another life.” But that is only speculation. No one knows what is on the other side of this life. There is only one person who can tell us for sure and that is Jesus. He is the only human being who has been on earth, in heaven and in the kingdom of death. He is the only person who has risen from the dead and continues to live, and He says: “There is only one way to keep living after death and that is through me. I am the Way, the Truth and the Life.”

Jesus rose from the dead. That’s why, some 2000 years later,

there are still thousands of people who gather together to worship Jesus as the living savior who hears prayers, who forgives people, who changes lives and gives eternal life. Because Jesus overcame death, He is the only thing or person that can truly set people free. Many things that seem to set people free - for example, choosing to pursue your own happiness or doing things for yourself - can eventually make you a slave to yourself. You can get addicted to alcohol, drugs, sex, work, clothing, internet, sports, food; too many things to name. Even people who strive to be completely autonomous - literally, their life is law - are not really free deep down. They miss out on one of the greatest human needs: the need to be loved unconditionally, to be seen, recognized and accepted. When you discover the unconditional love of Jesus, everything changes. The pressure to “perform” falls away. You can breathe easily. You can laugh again. In short, your life gets color.

Who Am I According to You?

One of the questions Jesus asked His friends is also the most important question for our lives today. He asks you and me: “Who am I according to you?” I have answered that question with: “Jesus, you are God, my savior and friend.” What do you say to Him? Who is He for you?

How Can I Drink From the Source of Living Water?

You don’t need to go through any initiation rituals to receive the spirit of Jesus. You don’t have to take a course. The only thing you need to do to tap into the source of living water is to believe in Jesus and say “yes” to Him.

You can compare it with a marriage. When you say to Jesus, “Yes, Jesus, I believe that you are the only way to God; I want to share my life with you, for better or for worse,” you become connected to Him. You receive God’s Holy Spirit. Through this, from that moment on, you are able to have supernatural contact with Him. You will understand His voice as an inner knowing, a thought, a mental image or vision.

The Holy Spirit can speak only truth that comes from God. That’s why he’s also called “the spirit of truth.” If you ever need revelation, ask the spirit of truth. You will never be misled.

The healing gifts of Jesus will also flow through you. You will receive nine different supernatural gifts. Later I’ll explain more about those. But first I want to talk about what happens to you when you say “yes” to Jesus. It’s important to know because something happens in you so you will be able to live and work in the power of Jesus.

What Happens to You When You Say “Yes” to Jesus?

After you’ve invited Jesus into your life it may seem like nothing has changed at first. But spiritually, a lot happens immediately. Here I’ll name the most important things.

You experience a spiritual birth. At the moment you invite Jesus into your life, you receive a new spirit: the spirit of Jesus Christ. You come to life in a different dimension than the one you’ve known. Jesus’ spirit will lead you from the inside. God’s love is poured into your heart: unconditional, pure love that makes life meaningful. That love is going to determine your actions. You will begin to look at others and

yourself without judgment because you have an assurance inside yourself that God loves you and that you're good enough for Him.

There's Even More

If you haven't invited Jesus into your life, you probably can't understand what I'm writing here. You only know what it's like to be born again if it really happens to you. Maybe you're very content with a life without Jesus but when you get to know Jesus you discover that there's so much more! I've experienced my spiritual birth as the best thing that has ever happened to me. Jesus has renewed my life completely: I was literally born again. I received security and trust and encountered new possibilities because God had received space in my life. Every day He brings surprises that I could never think of myself. What a relaxed life now that I don't have to worry: I know it always works out well with God.

Child of God

You are a child of God. Isn't it wonderful, miraculous, that you can call God the Creator "Daddy" now? Through Jesus, God meets the greatest need of mankind: to be loved and confirmed. Maybe you are saying: I was already a child of God, all people are God's children? To a certain extent that is true; we have all been created by Him. But you only become a partaker of God when you say "yes" to Jesus. That is because Jesus is the only one who can bring us into a relationship with God. God gave us all a free will and for Him, that free will is holy. He is waiting for the "yes" that wells up out of our hearts and then He takes us lovingly into His arms. He will never force anyone to be His child. His character is love. True love is freedom. The fact that God wants to be a father for us is unique. In every form of religion you are basically on your own and must earn love. Isn't it wonderful to be able to totally surrender to the

unconditional love of the heavenly Father who is always with you, who carries and protects you?

Highest Level of Spirituality

You are immediately raised to the highest level of spiritual power and authority. In the name of Jesus lies the highest form of authority that there is: He is above every spiritual force and power; He is also higher than every power of darkness. He gives this authority to you when you are connected with Him; He delegates authority. From the moment you receive Him, you may use His name. You have received the spirit of Jesus and through His spirit you are just like Him and can do the same things He did. You will also experience signs, wonders and healing when you trust on the power of God's spirit living in you.

Character Forming

God forms your character. As a result of God's love and the guidance of Jesus' spirit in your life, you will start developing lovely qualities, like love, patience, friendliness, goodness, joy, peace, and faithfulness. This is quite remarkable in that you don't have to work on these qualities yourself, but they develop themselves as fruits of your relationship with Jesus and become visible as the spirit of Jesus leads you.

Ultimate Freedom

You begin to live in a freedom like you've never known before. Fear of the future and death disappear because Jesus is your security, your assurance of eternal life. No one has ever proven that people can be reincarnated. Those who believe in that do so on the basis of "revelation." Not all revelation comes from a reliable, positive source, from a spirit that speaks truth. We can be misled when we do not discern the sources of our "revelations." Jesus proved that there's life

after death when He died and rose from the dead. Eyewitnesses wrote what they saw. In addition, many people had even earlier predicted this would happen. Jesus went into the kingdom of the dead, where death reigned, conquered death and rose from the dead. He says: "Whoever believes on Me has eternal life because I am life." Every person who lives his or her earthly life with Jesus will live on with Jesus. God wants all people to be saved and that happens through Jesus.

Destination

You reach your destination. As a coach, I help people to discover their destination and to take the first steps in the appropriate direction. I believe that every person comes fully into their destiny when their relationship with the Creator is restored. You can achieve a lot in your earthly life without Jesus, but with Jesus, all the pieces of the puzzle fall into the right place. Deep in your heart, you will know - this is what I was created to do; now my life truly has meaning. Life with Jesus is a life no one regrets. It is a life of fullness like God intended mankind to experience, since the beginning of time. It is the life everyone longs for.

If you would like, you can invite Jesus into your situation. For example, you can use the words of this poem:

*Source of living water, rise up in me
Send Your Holy Spirit and set me free
From all that weighs upon my heart and soul
I give You my burdens, come make me whole
Jesus, You're the one Who heals and mends
Embrace me, lead me with Your Spirit, make us friends
To You I give all my fears, the problems I face
I want to live close to you, born again in your embrace*

Questions & Answers

Maybe you have a lot of questions. Here I will try to answer the most important ones for you. You can always contact me if some are still unanswered.

1. What Did Jesus Have to Save Us From?

Just imagine that one day your child says to you: From now on I want to live like you don't exist. How would you feel? God experiences this daily when people decide to live as if He doesn't exist. People who don't take God into account have no defense for themselves when they come before God. God once said: Whoever doesn't believe in me shall die. This brought God into a great dilemma. In His love, God really didn't want to punish mankind for not believing. But He couldn't get around His word. How could God prove His love for people and still remain just?

Love and Law

I'd like to tell a story in order to clarify exactly what God has done for us. Once in a faraway land there was a general. It was wartime and there was famine in the army camp. The general guarded what little supplies there were very strictly. He gave the orders: "Whoever steals from these supplies and gets caught will get 40 lashes!" The next day, one of the guards came to him in agitation. "General, something has been stolen!" he cried. The general answered: "You know what to do. The culprit gets 40 lashes. Get everything ready and then we'll execute the punishment." "Yes, ok," said the guard nervously. "But there is a problem. The culprit is your mother!"

The general turned pale. He loved his mother very much and didn't want to have her beaten. But he also knew that he had to do what he had said. Otherwise he would lose his credibility. So, a bit later, his mother stood before him ready to receive her lashes. Everyone held their breath. Then, the general did something unexpected. He took off his shirt. "Give me the lashes instead of my mother," he said. In this way he could keep his word. He took his mother's place. The general kept his word and executed justice. The punishment was carried out and at the same time he could show his love for his mother: he gave her grace.

God did for us what we can't do ourselves. He sent His Son Jesus who became human, just like us. He lived a perfect life but God put all our mistakes, faults and shortcomings onto Him. When the very last human problem was on Jesus - something that must have been incredibly and inhumanly painful - Jesus said, "It is finished." Jesus took our place and got our full punishment instead of us. Because of this, we don't get what we deserve, but something we haven't earned. That's called grace. Grace is different than karma, the central idea of most religions. In his book "Bono on Bono: conversations with Michka Assayas" (Hodder, 2005) Bono explains this difference brilliantly. "It's a mind-blowing concept that the God who created the Universe might be looking for company, a real relationship with people, but the thing that keeps me on my knees is the difference between Grace and Karma... You see, at the centre of all religions is the idea of Karma. You know, what you put out comes back to you; an eye for an eye, a tooth for a tooth, or in physics - in physical laws - every action is met by an equal or opposite one. It's clear to me that Karma is at the very heart of the universe. I'm absolutely sure of it. And yet, along comes this idea called Grace to upend all that "As you reap, so will you sow" stuff. Grace defies reason and

logic. Love interrupts, if you like, the consequences of your actions, which in my case is very good news indeed, because I've done a lot of stupid stuff. That's between me and God. But I'd be in big trouble if Karma was going to finally be my judge. I'd be in deep shit. It doesn't excuse my mistakes, but I'm holding out for Grace. I'm holding out that Jesus took my sins onto the Cross because I know who I am, and I hope I don't have to depend on my own religiosity. The point of the death of Christ is that Christ took on the sins of the world so that what we put out did not come back to us, and that our sinful nature does not reap the obvious death. That's the point."

Every person who believes on Jesus gets redeemed and is found innocent. The moment you say "yes" to Jesus you step into His righteousness. The beautiful life that God intended for us can begin. This is a life of intimate connection with God the Father, made possible through Jesus. A life lived in the spiritual authority of Jesus, a life where we have power over fear, negative influences and disease.

The Greatest Gift

That is the way that God has shown His love for us: He didn't spare His own Son but gave Him for all of us. In this way He could give us the greatest gift that there is: the life of Jesus Christ, with everything that goes with that. Everything that Jesus has we have also when we accept this gift. If God didn't spare His own Son, doesn't He want to give us everything along with Him? There's no one as generous as God. No religion gives free forgiveness and a new life to people who have done nothing to deserve it. But God gave us the best that He had because He loves us. Jesus saved us from eternal death.

Now maybe you too understand that Jesus is the only way

to God. He is the one who solved the problem of our spiritual death. Therefore we can only be reconciled and connected with God the Father through Him. In religion people have to reconcile themselves through, for example, proper behavior, rituals or good works. And when problems arise in your life causing you to feel overwhelmed, like you're drowning, then the gods stand aside and watch how you try to save yourself. Jesus is different. He dove into the water Himself to save you and me.

Life Preserver

Imagine you're floating in your little boat, out at sea. The boat represents your life. You sail on a good wind and you move forward. Then, suddenly a storm pops up. Your boat starts to sink. While you're busy trying to keep your head above water, a ship comes by. The captain throws you a life preserver. What do you do at such a moment? You grab the life preserver, of course. The captain pulls you up, wraps a warm towel around you and says, "Welcome aboard!" The captain is God the Father. The life preserver is Jesus. What do you do with the wreck that you leave behind in the water? You leave your old life behind and begin a new life with God.

2. Can I Have Life After Death Without Jesus?

In order to answer this question I'd like to tell you a story. Long ago there lived a rich man who shared a passion for art with his son. They traveled together throughout the world to find the most beautiful treasures to add to their collection. Then one day, war broke out in their home country and the son left to serve his country. After a few weeks the father received a telegram. His son had died while helping a wounded man. The father was deeply saddened.

One day there came a knock at the door. A soldier with a large package in his hands stood at the door. He introduced himself as a friend of the son. He said, "I was the one he was saving when he died. May I come in for a moment? I've made something for you." When the father unwrapped the package, he saw a portrait of his son. Although art critics would never call this a masterpiece, the painting showed the details of the son's face and character clearly. The father was deeply touched and hung the painting above the fireplace. It became his most precious possession.

Several months later the father became ill and died. The art world held its breath in expectation. According to his will, all the art works were to be auctioned. Collectors from all over the world came to bid on the works.

The auction began with a work that wasn't listed. It was the painting of the old man's son. The auctioneer asked for an opening bid. The hall fell still. "Who will bid 100 pounds?" asked the auctioneer. No one spoke. A voice called out from the back of the hall echoing the thoughts of many, "Who would pay anything for that painting? Forget that one and let's start the bidding on the real artworks." "No," said the auctioneer, "We're auctioning this one first. Now, who would like the son?"

Finally someone bid 10 pounds for the painting. "This is all that I have. I knew the son so I'd really like to have it," he said. "Does anyone bid more?" asked the auctioneer. Again, silence fell. "Going once, going twice, sold!" called out the auctioneer and he let the hammer drop. Now, everyone sat up straighter in their chairs. Someone commented, "Now we can begin bidding on the real artworks." But, the auctioneer announced that the auction was over. "What?" With disbelief everyone stared

at him. “What do you mean, it’s over? What about the rest of the paintings? They’re worth millions!”

“It’s quite simple,” the auctioneer answered. “According to the will, the one who has the son gets everything.”

Whoever has Jesus, gets everything from God. That’s what God decided. God loves the world so much that whoever believes on Jesus, inherits everything from God, including eternal life with God.

3. What Should I Think About the Church?

Many people have become disappointed in the church. They associate Jesus with the church and because they have such a negative view of the church, they dislike Jesus as well. That’s a shame because Jesus is very different than the church. People often go to church filled with high expectations, but the church is also a place, like any other, where people can hurt and disappoint each other.

Jesus has never disappointed anyone, on the contrary. But still the church leaders of His time were very critical of Him. That’s because Jesus didn’t live according to their rules. Not because He was a rebel but because He was more interested in helping people than in following rules. He could get very angry with people who put rules above love: He called those people hypocrites. Jesus never looks at the exterior; He is interested in your heart.

If you’ve been part of a church where you felt rejected, that was not from God. Jesus never rejected anyone, except the religious leaders. If you’ve been hurt by other people, let Jesus heal you. He says to you, “It hurt me when I saw you

being treated wrongly. I haven't forgotten you; My heart still beats for you. I've always been with you because I love you."

Set aside all your negative thoughts about the church and let yourself be open to Jesus. Allow yourself to have this new opportunity. Then you can discover who He really is, apart from whom people have made Him out to be. I guarantee you; He is irresistible!

4. What Does Life Look Like With Jesus?

Life with Jesus is interesting and exciting. Maybe you're someone who thinks: "Christians are boring, how can such a life be exciting?" Christianity can seem boring because many Christians haven't realized the full potential of their lives and therefore they haven't utilized this potential. Living in the power and authority of Jesus is an adventure full of supernatural surprises. There is no limit to what Jesus can do for you. Life in Him goes beyond any human abilities.

When Jesus lived on this earth, He was able to speak with precision about things that would happen in the future. He could "read" people: He knew what went on in their hearts and what they thought. He helped people in need through a supernatural power and He experienced miracles on a daily basis. Walking in the supernatural was a normal way of life for Him. What was His secret? He lived in complete connection with and dependence upon God the Father. He even said that He couldn't do anything without having seen it first from the Father. His strength was the Holy Spirit of God who He trusted 100%. His relationship with God the Father was so intimate that He could say, "My Father and I are one."

That same life is also available for us. Jesus was human just as we are. He makes it possible for us to become a child of God and to live in the same intimacy with God as He did. Children of God have an unfair advantage compared to people who live apart from Jesus: the Holy Spirit tells you the future, He leads you in truth, He teaches you, He comforts you and sets you free. God tells you, through His Spirit how to become healthy, how to become happy and prosperous, how to live without worry, pain or rejection. Like Jesus, you can walk in the supernatural in order to help others. There are nine supernatural gifts. This is the way you can experience each day living with Jesus.

Just having Jesus is wonderful, even apart from all the things He can do for you. There is no one like Him. Close friends and people who love each other don't need words to understand one another. That's the way Jesus knows you. Before you existed, He knew your name. You're always welcome by Him, no matter what you've done or how you feel. He is waiting for you, lovingly and passionately. Even if you don't believe in Him, He believes in you!

5. Which Supernatural Gifts Are For Me?

The Holy Spirit gives us nine gifts which are then available for you to function in at times when you need them to serve other people. At such times the Holy Spirit will give you supernatural insight or strength. These gifts aren't intended to be used to exercise spiritual power for yourself or to make you richer for yourself. People who try to buy these gifts or to use them for their own profit come into personal problems. These gifts are not for sale but are gifts given so we can edify others, bring others encouragement and deeper intimacy with Jesus.

Three of the gifts are revelation gifts that allow you to see what God wants you to see. These are the gifts of knowledge, wisdom and discernment. With the gift of knowledge you suddenly see and know things that you normally wouldn't see or know. These revelations are given to you to help other people. Sometimes this is a way for you to show others that Jesus lives. The gift of wisdom is a supernatural insight that shows you what to do or how to act in certain situations. The gift of discernment gives you supernatural insight regarding people's motives and intentions: is their source God or is their source something else, wrong or even evil? This is also the gift which enables you to see angels.

Cured of Headaches After a Word of Knowledge

There was a woman suffering from chronic headaches at a paranormal fair who asked us if we would treat her. We laid hands on her and spoke healing out over her but nothing happened. A bit later someone from our team received a word of knowledge that showed us that this woman was disappointed because various forms of alternative therapies hadn't healed her. The woman confirmed this and we were able to cast out the negative influence of her disappointment. Immediately then Jesus freed the woman of her headaches.

Speaking in the Spirit

There are also three gifts which enable you to speak under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit. These are the gifts of speaking in the tongues of angels, the gift of understanding (where you understand what you or someone else says even when they are speaking words in a spiritual language you don't know) and the gift of prophecy. The gift of prophecy enables you to speak the words of God. When used correctly, this gift can have a powerful and positive effect on people's lives. For

example, a prophecy can awaken someone to talents that are still hidden within him or her.

Acting in Supernatural Power

Finally, there are three gifts that give you the ability to act in supernatural power. These are the gifts of faith, healing and miracles. With the gift of faith, you get supernatural assurance regarding things you can't yet see, but you know they will happen. You can see things, which no one sees yet in the natural, as if they've already happened. In this way you can, for example, believe for a job that you don't have yet, but that becomes reality through the gift of faith. The gift of healing is clear: with this gift, the power to heal is released through the laying on of hands. Most of the time healing happens immediately through a miracle. I have seen deaf people who could suddenly hear, people whose legs grew even in length, and tumors disappear. With the gift of miracles you can influence or restrain the elements of nature and cast out evil spirits. Jesus walked, via this gift, on water and multiplied bread and fish to feed multitudes.

His Leg Grew After 3

I give lectures entitled "Demonstrations of Supernatural Love and Power" at paranormal fairs. I work from the basis of revelation. Jesus shows me what kinds of physical ailments people who come to the lecture have. In this manner, I could recently see that a man had back problems caused by a difference in the lengths of his legs. I invited the man to come forward to be treated. First we tackled the problem of the difference in the lengths of his legs. I encouraged the people present to watch carefully. We could clearly see that the one leg was longer than the other and I commanded the shorter leg to grow. Nothing happened. I commanded the leg again, "Grow!" Twenty pairs of eyes

looked at the leg expectantly but we still saw no change. At that moment I activated the gift of faith. I knew that this man would be healed because Jesus had revealed this. Therefore, I spoke a third time, in faith, to the shorter leg and at that moment we saw the leg grow. The man stood up and said that it felt very different now that both legs were the same length. Awhile later he also revealed, a little to his surprise, that his back pain was also gone. We no longer needed to treat him because Jesus had healed him!

Everyone who believes on Jesus can operate in all nine gifts from the moment they entrust Him with their lives. These are gifts that you receive from Christ's Holy Spirit which comes to live in you the moment you say "yes" to Jesus. In paranormal spirituality it is generally believed that the rate of your spiritual growth depends on a number of spiritual factors, such as number of years of practice, spiritual level at which you start and the amount of destiny you have to undergo in this life. But in Christ your spiritual authority is only dependent on your faith: How certain are you of Jesus and how much do you trust Him?

6. How Do I Understand the Voice of the Holy Spirit?

The nine gifts of the Holy Spirit work closely together. To function well in these gifts, it is important to be able to understand the voice of the Holy Spirit. He speaks in many ways: through nature, through situations, through other people, or through your thoughts as a quiet voice. But also through dreams, visions and through His written word: the Bible.

You are able to hear God's voice when you're quiet in His

presence. When you've just gotten to know Him, you will have to grow used to His voice. When someone calls me after we've just met, I don't recognize his voice immediately when he calls me. But after we've become friends, I hear immediately that it is him as soon as he starts talking on the phone. He doesn't even have to say his name. That's the way it is with God. The stronger your relationship with Him grows, the more you can differentiate His voice from others—and for example, from your own thoughts.

There is another source that can speak to you: evil spirits. In the first book of the Bible there is the story of the serpent who spoke to Eve and seduced her to eat from the Tree of the Knowledge of Good and Evil. She didn't realize that the serpent was the devil because what he said seemed attractive to her. That is possible due to the fact that the devil can disguise himself as an angel of light. After she had acted on his words and had eaten the fruit, she became plagued with feelings of fear, guilt and shame.

Even today you can recognize the voice of the enemy by these kinds of feelings. The devil is called "liar" and "accuser". His lies lead to feelings of insecurity, fear and judgment, and in addition, to having false or wrong desires. Things that may appear to be appetizing fruit but will eventually cause your demise.

Jesus' voice, on the other hand, leads you to have peace and joy in your heart. Because He tells us, "I am the truth and the life" you can know that He speaks truth. The truth sets you free. What Jesus says builds you up. His voice brings love, comfort and encouragement. Only listen to the voice of Jesus. Then you will be prosperous and achieve your goals in life.

7. How Can I Develop My Relationship With Jesus Further?

Begin—or perhaps begin again—with reading the Bible. Many people read the Bible as a book of etiquette that tells you how you should live. Then when they see it's too difficult to actually do, many throw the Bible aside in frustration. But the Bible is not intended to show you how you should live. You can better think of the Bible as a mirror. Not a mirror that shows you how you should be but one that shows you who you are. When you read the Bible as a book that shows you who God is and who you are then you'll understand it much better.

The Bible is the word of God. The book was written by a great number of different people who were all inspired by God's Holy Spirit, over a period of hundreds of years. When that same spirit comes to live in you, then you will begin to read the Bible with different eyes, under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit. Ask the Holy Spirit before you begin to read to give you a clear explanation of what you're reading. Then, what was maybe first, at most, an interesting book will become a living reality for you. You can meet Jesus in every chapter and, because Jesus is alive, the Bible will come alive for you.

You can start, for example, with the book of John and then the book of Acts (for example online at www.biblegateway.com). You'll discover that these books are still relevant in current times. Everything that you read there can also happen in your own life. Jesus is the same yesterday, today and always.

Of course you can't get to know someone just by reading a book about them. I get to know my friends better and better by spending time with them, by talking with them and by experiencing things with them. You can also experience things

with Jesus by getting in contact with Him and spending time with Him. Your relationship with Jesus will take on new and extra dimensions when you get into contact with Him together with other people. You'll experience a special kind of unity because you're all connected in the same Spirit.

Experience the Source of Living Water

I've met a number of people who have had an experience with the source of living water. They would like to share their experiences. You can read their stories in the following pages.

You can also experience the source of living water. Ask Jesus if He'll show you who He is. I know without a doubt that He'll more than meet your expectations. He loves you and wants to get closer to you; He longs for your friendship.

I bless you with all the best of Jesus in your spiritual quest.

Jolande Bijl

Jesus Healed Me of Whiplash

Dorine: “I wanted prayer for my whiplash. I do Reiki but I can’t treat everything; sometimes you just need some help from other people. They prayed with me in the name of Jesus Christ. I immediately felt my neck and back be healed. At the same time I also felt a deep, warm love like nothing else I’d ever experienced.

I always thought that Jesus was the source of the Reiki energy; the white light I always saw. But now I know that wasn’t Jesus because today I really felt Jesus! Believe me, He is totally different than the sources I’ve been using up ‘til now. What love, what joy! I could dance with joy. Tomorrow I’m going to tell everyone: Jesus healed me!”

Loving and No Rejection: That is Jesus to Me

Romee: “You realize what something’s worth when you don’t have it anymore. That’s why I’ve sometimes thought about the question: What if Jesus weren’t there anymore or what if He’d never existed? Before I got to know Jesus, I was depressed. Without Him, I probably would have committed suicide like my father. Or I would have landed in an institution.

To me, Jesus is someone who is always with me, who gives me advice and who loves me with a perfect love. I share my thoughts with Him, my passions and my dreams, but also things that I’m sad about or things that I can’t solve on my own. My life with Jesus is one big adventure. I often write my experiences down or type them in my cell phone so I can look back sometimes. Then I see that He’s real and not a myth like I thought for a long time. Now that I know Jesus really exists, I want to share my experiences with others. One of the ways I

share is by going to paranormal fairs and helping people there with their questions. I don't answer their questions; Jesus does.

Sometimes people have difficulty making contact with Jesus, so I always ask Jesus their questions, together with them. And the great thing is that Jesus always speaks - I've never had it happen that He didn't. And what's more, people don't just get one question answered, but all the questions they want to ask, and then they get to know Jesus as He truly is: loving and without any form of rejection. That is who Jesus is to me.

I Never Want to Live Without Jesus Again

Anja: "I had a dream. There was a hurricane. My friend was with me and told me that there was nothing left to do to protect ourselves. We could just lie down on the ground. I woke up in fright; I was so scared. I told Jolande about this dream. She said, 'We'll ask Jesus what this dream means.' I asked her, 'Do you believe in Jesus?' I knew Jesus as well, but because of a difficult situation in my church I had closed Jesus out of my life.

My dream was explained: 'Jesus wants to protect you but He can't do anything if you want to do things on your own. Jesus loves you, He is looking for you and He wants you to take shelter in Him. He especially wants to help you through difficult times.'

At that moment, Jesus touched me. I had been having a difficult time and had been keeping Jesus out of my situation because I wanted to solve things myself. Jesus took hold of me when I got this explanation of my dream and I saw that it was true. I was filled with warmth on the inside and began to

cry. Jolande prayed with me. I found my way back to Jesus. I never want to live without Him again!

Am I on the Right Path?

Theo: “I have paranormal gifts and I wanted to know if I was on the right path. In a prayer where we asked Jesus to show me this, I had a vision. I saw a door opening to me and I was allowed to enter. That touched me deep in my heart. There was also a risk that I needed to take: I had to surrender myself to Jesus. I did that. That gave me happiness and peace. Now I know I’m on the right path.”

I Heard His Voice

Maria: “During Jolande’s lecture I asked her if she could treat my arthritis. When she began to speak in the name of Jesus I interrupted her. I told her that I had once heard Jesus’ voice. That had been a beautiful experience for me. I asked Jolande if I could hear the voice of Jesus again. ‘Of course,’ she said and she told me what Jesus wanted to tell me. She said that Jesus wanted to thank me for always working for His children. And for everything I’d done for others, I’d done for Him. It was so beautiful but I could hardly believe that Jesus was really saying that to me. ‘Is that written in His Word?’ I asked Jolande. ‘Yes,’ she said. Then it happened. I heard the voice again. I heard Jesus say to me: ‘I am Jesus of Nazareth.’ There was so much love in that voice that it made me cry. And at the same time it made me so happy inside. I heard His voice again!”

About me



I'm Jolande Bijl, a Dutch woman with a great passion for Jesus and a vision to see His love and power demonstrated in everyday life! I love to speak and prophesy, both at psychic fairs and in churches all over the world.

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