

### Stronghold Ministry's Monthly Newsletter

## The Exchanger

February 2012

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# My Journey - Today Perhaps we need to just ask for success on our journey today.

#### Whatever!

When Jesus says, "Whatever," He has a totally different twist on the word.

#### From the Front Lines

We share some reviews of Joe and Terri Fornear's new book, *In His Grip*.

#### **Praver Wall**

Please join us in prayer for our patients.

#### Fornear's on The 700 Club

The 700 Club aired a six minute interview with Joe and Terri Fornear about Joe's miracle healing of advanced melanoma.

youtube.com/watch?v=OAFxixbj7wo Or search "Joe Fornear" on www.youtube.com.



#### **Healing Prayer Meeting**

3rd Tuesdays 7:00-8:00 p.m. Dallas Bible Church 15765 Hillcrest Road Dallas, TX 75248

We meet on Tuesday the 21st this month. *Call 214-221-7007*.

#### My Journey - Today

-by Terri Fornear

So I came today to the spring, and said, "O LORD, the God of my master Abraham, if now You will make my journey on which I go successful." -Genesis 24:42

Do you ever look at your future and feel like the journey is too far and too difficult? I sometimes wake up in the middle of the night surrounded by the future—a future I make up. I want to have more control—over our family, our health, our finances, our success. I plan until I am in a real tizzy and can't go back to sleep. Then I end up doing what I needed to do at the start. I cry out to God, I run to His spring in me—His Holy Spirit, Who lives in me TODAY.

So I come today to the spring, and ask like Abraham's servant did when he was asked to find Isaac's wife - "O Lord, the God of my master Abraham, if now you will make my journey on which I go successful."



Rebekah at the well - Rembrandt

This was God's time to find Isaac's wife. Before this day it was just not time. Maybe Isaac was not ready, maybe Sarah was not ready to let go of Isaac. Maybe Rebekah (Isaac's future bride) was not ready. Maybe the day the need arises is not necessarily the day God opens the doors to success. Maybe He is better at controlling my life than I! Taking the journey a day at a time.

#### Whatever!

Sometimes we say, "Whatever," because we're tired of wanting anything or asking the Lord for it. So we give up. Jesus has a different take on the word. Note the difference:

John 11:22 - Even now I know that <u>whatever</u> You ask of God, God will give You.

John 14:13 - Whatever you ask in My name, that will I do, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son.

John 15:7 - If you abide in Me, and My words abide in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you.



Does He make you want to not give up in prayer? Come pray with us for *whatever* you want! We'll trust God with His timing and the answers. Your requests do not have to be cancer-related.

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#### **Testimony Time**

This month we share some reviews of Joe and Terri Fornear's recently released book—In His Grip, Meditations with the Great Physician. The book is in a devotional format with short encouraging lessons on their cancer battle: www.mystronghold.org/In\_His\_Grip.html

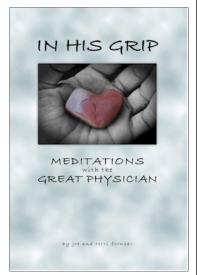
If you're a cancer patient or caretaker, we'll send you this book at no cost.

Simply write and tell us your story.

#### **REVIEWS**

By Peggy Hadricky:

In January 2011, I began chemo for uterine cancer. The devotional, *Streams in the Desert*, by Cowman, was a big part of my treatment plan—it brought strength and comfort to me. Since the new prescription of *In His Grip, Meditations with The Great Physician*, I have been experiencing more peace, more joy, and hope. I take it everyday preferably in the morning on an empty stomach. Only good side effects to report.



#### By Shal Holden:

Thanks for being part of my Great Physician's care team. I finished radiation treatments almost a year ago, and have gotten clean checkups this year, thank the Lord! Even though I'm healthy right now, reading your book is still so encouraging to me. I feel like I'm storing up wisdom for some later trial, or to be able to encourage someone else. It's helping me to get my mind focused on the Lord each day, no matter the trial. Thank you for sharing so honestly your struggles and victories.

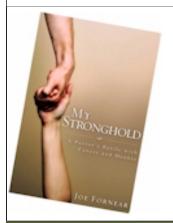
#### By Jennifer Squires

I am battling stage three colon cancer at age 43. I just wanted to express my gratitude for sharing your story and encouragement! *In His Grip* has given me so many reminders that God IS a loving God and that no matter what trials a person is going through that He really can be our stronghold. Thank you for your ministry!

#### By Becky Horn

I LOVE how *In His Grip* is written; so open and honest. It flows so well, and is clever in painting a beautiful picture of our Lord and His lovingkindness. It has reminded me of how much I leaned on Him during Bob's illness and passing, and that I still need Him just as much now as then, no matter what is going on in my life.

We would love to add your review of In His Grip to our website here: <a href="https://www.mystronghold.org/In\_His\_Grip.html">www.mystronghold.org/In\_His\_Grip.html</a>—send us an email with your thoughts—jfor@mystronghold.org.



#### My Stronghold

Visit our website for more on Joe Fornear's story and book about his cancer battle, *My Stronghold*,

A Pastor's Battle with Cancer and Doubts.

www.mystronghold.org/My-Stronghold.html

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We want to be in your corner!



## **Stronghold Prayer Wall**



#### Please join us in prayer for these warriors

Stronghold is reaching out to these individuals who are fighting cancer, or are survivors, and a few have other serious illness. We believe in the centrality of prayer for healing. Will you take a moment to intercede with us for these whom Jesus loves?

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