

# Heart to Heart

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***How can you hold your heart steady during times of chaos, change or conflict?*** Learn to live in the Land of Promises; become "Expert" at giving thanks; and get on board with "The Waiting Game." Enjoy these insights for gaining mastery over your emotional state and take the "Nestea plunge" into the River of Peace...

Steve

## In Praise of Promises

***One way you can always get a victory...***

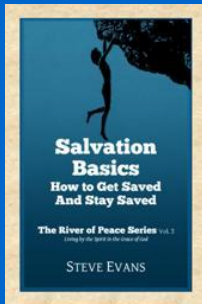
I wish I had learned this as a young Christian: We live in peace and joy **by believing the promises**. I kept working hard to change my realities (inward and outward) so that I could get peace and joy flowing better. But the new life--the true life of the New Creation--is lived in the Land of Promises, **not the land of Perfection**.

Heaven only is perfect, but even where heaven is concerned, while I'm **here**, if I want peace and joy at the thought of my dying, or at the thought of my eternity, I can only experience heaven's peace and joy **by believing the promise**--in this case the promise of John 3:16 that all who believe will not perish but enjoy eternal life forever.

Once I die, of course, I will immediately be living in the land of Perfection and I won't need to believe the promise of eternal life, because I will be living in the peace and joy of Eternity as an experiential reality. Living in the Kingdom of heaven **on earth**, however, means that I will have to learn how to live by believing promises in order to experience an unbroken flow of peace and joy. Why?

Because down here we **always** will have problems, lots of problems. The more successful you are at managing things, the more problems you will eventually have to manage; the more people you love, the more *their* problems will become *your* problems and concerns; the more you want to be close to the Lord, the more you will see even the problem of "little sins" working against you and getting in the way. How do we escape the stress and pressure of a life filled with so many problems? **By**



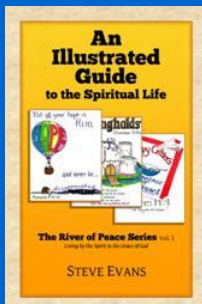


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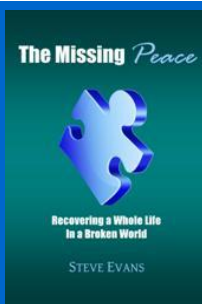


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***believing the promises!***

The "great and precious promises" are given to us so that "through them" we can partake of God's own nature: His peace and joy live in us whenever we choose to live by believing one of His promises, rather than focusing on the problem we face (2 Peter 1:2-4).

**Whenever we see a problem**, we look to Jesus to see what He is promising us that is greater than the problem! Then we can relax during the "in between time" while He is working with us on that care or concern which (through our trust in the promise) we are now casting on Him. Otherwise the problem is working on us--stealing our peace and joy.

The promises are given so that we can find life while we are waiting for ***the Problem Solver's promised help!***

**Three Stages of Giving Thanks**

***Just in the nick of time for Turkey Day...***

**I nearly killed myself** the first time I went skiing through over enthusiasm. I skipped the Beginner's slope and advanced myself too quickly to the toughest of the Intermediate slopes. Soon I was flying out of control on a downhill run to disaster that fortunately was narrowly avoided. But even I (as hare-brained as I was in those days) knew better than to get on the Expert slope--it looked like it was falling off the edge of the world!

This image gives me a framework for viewing ***the three stages of learning how to give thanks to the Lord***: Beginner, Intermediate and Expert. Since I am someone for whom giving thanks has rarely come easily and naturally, I had to work this out the hard way.

From my earliest years in the Lord I have kept Augustine's prayer in a prominent place, first on my walls, then in my heart: "*Lord, You have given us so much. Grant us one thing more: a grateful heart.*" I am grateful that even gratitude is something that we can ask for His help in receiving.

**1) BEGINNER:** This is a piece of cake! It is learning to thank God for present blessings when you are *feeling blessed*. This is appropriate and right, adds to present pleasure, and reminds us that it is God (not Self) who deserves our praise and admiration for our good fortune.

**2) INTERMEDIATE:** This is a bit more difficult. It is learning to thank God for the blessings that are still present even when you are *feeling un-blessed* (usually by the absence of something you want or the presence of something you don't want). This handily shifts our focus back to the reality of the many blessings we are still receiving, enabling us to enjoy them, and restores our focus on the faithfulness of God, enabling us to trust Him better with the problems that remain.

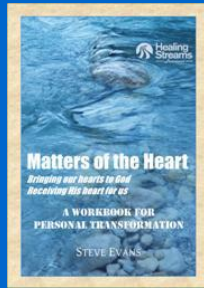


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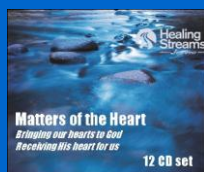
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**3) EXPERT:** This is a true challenge! It is learning to thank God *for the very things you don't like* (the "anti-blessings") even when you are feeling decidedly un-blessed! If you want to be a true lover of God, if you want to live steadily in the flow of His Spirit, you have to learn how to do this. So, thank Him for your many opportunities to practice it! That's a good beginning towards becoming a fully equipped "spiritual warrior."

See the full illustration, a better explanation, scriptures and prayers by following this link to the **Pick Ax of Praise**:



**The Waiting Game**

***This takes some getting used to...***

**Derek Prince once said** that you could ask anything of a man and he would gladly try to do it--climb a mountain, go to war, build a house. **Anything, except wait.** Anything but that! About that time I read in a book that Jesus was "the slowest Person" you could ever hope to meet.

This greatly alarmed me as a young Christian: I was a man in a hurry. I had what I called "the impossible list" that my assistant and I pursued every day with the business; I had Great Expectations of results in every area of endeavor, especially witnessing; I was striving hard to see if I was going to turn out to be the kind of Christian man Jesus would say "well done" to. It was a formula for "burn out," but then, if you leave anything on the grill too long it will end up becoming "well done," though not in the way Jesus had in mind. :)

**Eventually, the Lord introduced me to the Waiting Game.** He loves to play it! If you throw a fit and hold your spiritual breath until He gives in, give up: He can outlast you. If you lose your sense of decorum and start demanding **immediate** results (of a kind that pass with your approval), give up: He can out wait you. But that's just **one** version of the game: the "**Tantrum Version.**"



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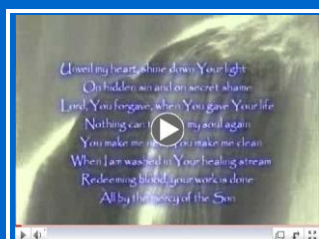
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**The Wait and See Version needs some explaining**--and plenty of salesmanship--for any of us "speed demons" to get on board with the game. Unlike the Victory Version, results don't come racing at us before our very eyes! There is also a lot that is expected of us: For instance, I have to:

- 1) Truly cast the care on the Lord so He can start working with it.
- 2) Fully receive back from Him His peace as a sign that I have let it go.
- 3) Be content to take my eyes off of the problem ("prayer concern" for the more spiritual) that has been stressing me.
- 4) Stop sneaking peeks at the situation to see how it is coming along.
- 5) Keep my eyes open for His directions, but that is easier to do now that I'm watching God, not the problem.
- 6) Go to work on whatever He has for me to be doing in the meantime, even if it is totally unrelated to **my** area of concern (a thing *He* wants me to do, not the thing *I* want Him to fix), and then...
- 7) Be ready to act in concert with His guidance when He shows me my part to play in working out my area of concern.

See how my "doing" comes into play, but it comes along last--  
***after I have played the Waiting Game!***

## From We to Thee *Preparing for the Harvest...*



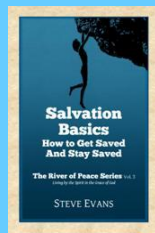
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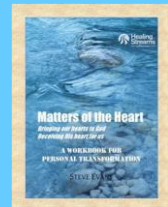




*Steve and Eunice*

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***Let's all jump in!***

Sincerely,

*Steve and Eunice Evans*

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