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## Encouragement

Why do we forget that He is ready to help us in every time of need? We dishonor Him by talking of our inefficiency. Instead of looking at ourselves, let us constantly behold Jesus, daily becoming more and more like Him, more and more able to talk of Him, better prepared to avail ourselves of His kindness and helpfulness, and to receive the blessings offered us. As we thus live in communion with Him, we grow strong in His strength, a help and a blessing to those around us. God's Amazing Grace, pg.259

When I began my speaking ministry about 20 years ago, I admit I was filled with fear and lacked confidence in what the Lord was calling me to do. Getting out of my comfort zone was something I did not desire to do. But the Lord did not give up on me and I praise Him for that. His desire for my life was not to be like a bird locked in a cage. I gently heard him say to me, "Birds are prettiest when they fly". He gave me the strength and freedom to fly, to be all that He created me to be. Through the power of the Holy Spirit, I was able to soar like an eagle. . . able to reach new heights. God did more than I could ever hope and dream of in my life.

Are you ready to fly? As a daughter of God, are you ready to fulfill your calling? If so, here are just some ways you can learn to fly:

- F-Find your strength in the Lord through prayer and Bible Study. (Read 2 Tim. 1:7)
- L-Learn to lean on Him. "In all your ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct your paths." Prov. 3:6
- Y Yield to God's will for your life. Humble yourself and He will lift you up. (James 4:10)

#### Bible Verses for Reading/Meditation

Isaiah 40:28-31 Exodus 19:4 Psalm 103:5

Jeremiah 29:11 2 Corinthians 4:16

#### **Group Activities**

For the acronym *F.L.Y.*, here are some group activities you can do:

- F Find Bible promises that gives you strength and hope. Share these with each other and how do they help you "fly".
- L Look for ways to help others fly either through sharing your experience, or offering encouragement, resources, time, and prayer to help them see themselves as God sees them. Make a list of these ways and place on your agenda dates to carry them out. Pray and ask God who needs this blessing in the next week, month, year.
- Y You can assist others in discovering their gifts and talents and how best they can serve the Lord by creating and presenting workshops and seminars on this subject.