PERSONAL NOTES FROM WAR ROOM – The Movie

<u>Miss Clara's reflection</u>: WAR - we fight for riches, power, freedom. There's always something to fight for. Someone has to invent a strategy. My husband was a crucial part of this process until a heart attack claimed him. It was a hard time for me and our son. Is has reminded me that death is a part of life and that life should never be taken for granted. I still hold on to the many lessons learned during that time. I find myself amazed that the many battles you engage in today, very few of us know how to fight the right way to understand who we are fighting against. Victories don't come by accident.

Miss Clara's comments and questions to Elizabeth:

God is looking for people who are seeking Him with their whole heart.

A Wall of remembrance - reminds you that God is in control. It encourages me.

What's your most favorite room in your house? The War Room.

What is your prayer life like? Hot or cold? I've been where you are and you don't have to step on the same land mines I have.

If there was one thing in I your life that you could make better, what would It be?

Just because you argue a lot doesn't mean you fight well. I bet you never feel like you've won after you have an argument with your spouse.

How much do you pray for your spouse?

My favorite room is my war room. Fighting gets you no where. Scripture says that its not our job to do the heavy lifting. That is Gods job. We are to seek, trust and stand on His word. You have time to fight losing battles with your husband.

One hour a week, I can teach you to fight the right way, with the right weapons.

I see in you a warrior that needs to be awakened.

Your comments abought about your husband are almost entirely negative.

You are fighting against the wrong enemy.

I tried for years to fix things, but I couldn't.

It's not your job - your responsibility to fix your husband. It's your job to pray and love your husband. You have to plead with God so he can do only what he can do.

Elizabeth: Where do I start?

Miss Clara: Find some of my favorite scriptures in here.

Sift thru scriptures - and pick scriptures for each person you pray for.

You get all of your spouse when you get married. If your marriage is bleeding, you need to pray. Let the church be seen in you.

Don't Rob me of a blessing....l'll pay for a treat for someone else.

Read a lot and spend time with Jesus.

Miss Clara and Elizabeth are confronted by a thief:

Miss Clara - You, put that knife down right now in the name of Jesus. The thief ran away.

Miss Clara to Elizabeth: Don't leave Jesus out.

Subject of spouse - write down everything I you can think of that your spouse has done.

My question - even though your spouse has done lots of things, Does God still love your spouse? Do you? Your spouse needs grace.

Do you deserve grace? We have all sinned so really none of us deserve grace, but we all want grace. Jesus died for you, even when you didn't deserve it. Jesus shed His blood on the cross, died and rose from the grave.

He gives us grace and he helps us. We all deserve judgment.

When we don't repent, Jesus gives us His grace.

If you want victory, you have to fully surrender.

God is your good defense attorney.

Your real enemy is satan. He wants to distract you, divide you. He comes to steals kill and destroy. Get your heart after God. Do your fighting in prayer!

Kick the real enemy out of your home. It's time for you to fight for your m arraign, your life, your home, your family.

WAR ROOM location:

THERE'S NO MAGIC IN THE LOCATION OF YOUR PRAYER CLOSET. Your Heavenly Father will see what you do. Acknowledge that He is God and be grateful for your blessings. Lift your needs and requests to Him. If you have something to confess, confess it.

Pray for the HEART OF YOUR HUSBAND, DAUGHTER, SONS, AND ANYONE ELSE HE BRINGS TO MIND. TAKE YOUR TIME AND DO THIS.

<u>Elizabeth:</u> GOD, I NEED YOU! I KNOW I HAVEN'T PRAYED LIKE I SHOULD. I HAVEN'T FOLLOWED YOU LIKE I SHOULD, BUT I NEED YOU RIGHT NOW. LORD, I'VE BEEN SO ANGRY AT TONY AND I'M STILL SO ANGRY AT HIM, BUT I DONT' WANT TO LOSE MY HUSBAND. LORD FORGIVE ME. FORGIVE ME, I'M NOT HIS JUDGE, YOU ARE, BUT I'M ASKING YOU PLEAE DON'T LET HIM DO THIS. TAKE OVER! PLEASE TAKE OVER! TAKE MY HEART AND TAKE ALL THIS ANGER. HELP HIM LOVE ME AGAIN. HELP ME LOVE HIM. IF HE'S DOING SOMETHING WRONG, DON'T LET HIM GET AWAY FROM IT. I'M ASKING YOU PLEASE TO HELP ME.

THE THIEF COMES ONLY TO STEAL, KILL AND DESTROY, BUT I TELL YOU THAT YOU MAY HAVE LIFE AND HAVE IT ABUNDANTLY. THE LORD IS FAITHFUL. HE WILL STRENGTHEN YOU AND PROTECT YOU. SUBMIT TO GOD, RESIST THE DEVIL AND HE WILL FLEE. SUBMIT TO GOD, RESIST THE DEVIL AND HE WILL FLEE. SUBMIT TO GOD, RESIST THE DEVIL AND HE WILL FLEE.

I DON'T KNOW WHERE YOU ARE DEVIL, BUT I KNOW YOU CAN HEAR ME. YOU HAVE PLAYED WITH MY MIND AND HAD YOUR WAY LONG ENOUGH. NO MORE! YOU ARE DONE! JESUS IS STHE LORD OF THIS HOUSE! AND THAT MEANS THERE'S NO PLACE FOR YOU HERE ANYMORE, SO TAKE YOUR LIES, YOUR SCHEMES AND GET OUT IN JESUS NAME.

YOU CAN'T HAVE MY MARRIAGE, MY DAUGHTER AND YOU SURE CAN'T HAVE MY MAN. THIS HOUSE IS UNDER NEW MANAGEMENT AND THAT MEANS YOU ARE OUT! AND ANOTHER THING. I AM SO SICK OF YOU STEALING MY JOY. MY JOY DOESN'T COME FROM MY FRIENDS, MY JOB, OR MY HUSBAND. IT COMES FROM JESUS AND JUST IN CASE YOU'VE FORGOTTEN, HE'S ALREADY DEFEATED YOU. SO GO BACK TO HELL ALND LEAVE MY FAMILY ALONE.

<u>Elizabeth to Miss Clara</u> - I'm doing something I should have a long time ago. I'm fighting and praying and cleaning out things. I'm praying for God to fight for me and I'm sick of losing in other areas of my life that I'm fighting. I have to trust god. I'm learning how not to fight God and I'm learning to trust Him.

Miss Clara - You will influence your children when you do this. Just roll with it.

From Elizabeth to God:

Lord, I pray for Tony, that you would turn his heart back to you. Help me to love him and give him a fresh love for me. I surrender my rights to you as Lord; and ask you to bless him as he honors you, and to expose him if he walks in deceit. Build him up as the man you intend him to be. Help me to support and respect him. I ask for your help to love him. In Jesus name, I pray.

If God is fighting for a person, they don't have a chance to deny Him!

Prayer for Tony - to be the man God wants him to be!

<u>Tony's confession</u>: Jesus, I'm not a good man. I'm selfish, I'm prideful, and I'm hurting this family. But this is not who I wanted to be. I don't like the man I've become, but I don't know how to fix it. I don't know what to do. Forgive me, please! Forgive me Jesus!

Tony to Liz - Can we talk?

I just don't understand why you're treating me this way. When I told you what happened to my job, I expected you to hit the ceiling. In my mind, I was ready to defend myself. Except, this time I can't. I hate saying this, but I deserved to get fired. I was deceiving them; and I was deceiving you. I almost cheated on you, Liz. I thought about it. I almost did it. But you know all of this and you're still here. Then I see your closet and the way you are praying for me. Why would you do that? When you see the type of man I've become?

<u>Liz</u> - Cause I'm not done with us. I will fight for our marriage, but I've learned that my contentment can't come from you. Tony, I love you, but I am His before I am yours. And because I love Jesus, I'm staying right here.

<u>Tony</u> - I'm sorry Liz. I ask God to forgive me, but I need you to forgive me. I don't want you to quit on me Liz.

Liz - I forgive you. I forgive you!

Tony - I'm sorry!

Liz - Thank you Lord!

<u>Miss Clara</u> - And this just happened. Sweet Jesus....Lord, Lord! See, I told you Elizabeth! I told you that God would fight for you. Oh Jesus! All right baby, I'll talk to you soon!

Oh devil, you just got your butt kicked!!!!

My God is faithful and My God is powerful and My God is in charge. You can't fire Him and He'll never retire! Thank you Jesus! Glory, Hallelujah! My God is good....My God is good....and He's faithful!

<u>Tony to daughter Danielle</u> - you know I've not been a very good dad to you; and I've not been a very good husband to your mother. I want to ask you if you'll for give me and give me another chance. Think you can do that? I do love you, Daniel.

Danielle - I love you too, daddy.

Tony, what are you doing? I'm struggling.

<u>Liz:</u> With what? What is this? Where did you get these?

<u>Tony</u> - I've been keeping some for myself when I take things to my client.

<u>Liz</u> - You've got to take these back.

<u>Tony</u> - I could be prosecuted for this.

Liz - Then why are you struggling?

Businessman: Mr. Coleman - Tony is here to see you.

<u>Clerk</u> - My Coleman is waiting for you in the conference room.

<u>Tony</u> - I appreciate you guys meeting with me.. I just wanted to bring something Back to the company and apologize for taking it.

<u>Tom</u> - you just weren't padding numbers, you were stealing product? Do you realize we could prosecute you for this?

Coleman - Why would you bring this in now?

Tony - I need to confess to you that I took it and to return it.

<u>Coleman</u> - it doesn't make sense that you'd do this after you're already terminated.

<u>Tony</u> - I realize that, but I've made things right with my family and I needed to get hints right with you. <u>Coleman</u> - Including arrest?

Tony - Whatever the consequence.

<u>Tom</u> - that makes it easy for us. Coleman, its time to all in the police.

Coleman - Not yet. Tony, are you willing to sign a statement?

<u>Tony</u> - I am.

Coleman - Then I want 2 days to think about it.

Tom - 2 days?

<u>Coleman</u> - yes. You'll hear from me by then.

<u>Tony</u> - Thank you.

<u>Liz -</u> well?

<u>Tony</u> - I don't know. Tom just wanted to throw me in jail. Coleman wants 2 days to think about it. Liz - Really? Did he seem angry?

Tony - I couldn't tell. Liz, this was the most awkward thing I've ever done.

<u>Liz</u> - Yeah, but you did it. Listen, you did the right thing! Now we just have to pray and wait. Whatever happens, we trust God. Right?

Tony - right. This is crazy. You know that right? Its gonna take crazy faith!

Door bell rings.

<u>Tony</u> opens door - Coleman?

<u>Coleman</u> - hello Tony. Hi Elizabeth.

Liz - Coleman, how are you?

<u>Coleman</u> - I'm fine, thank you. I know this is unexpected, but I wondered if you might give me a few minutes to talk.

<u>Tony</u> - Yeah, sure. Come in.

<u>Coleman</u> - Thank you. Tony, I've been thinking about your visit. Its probably all I've thought about in the past two days. What you did was wrong and I was disappointed. We've fired salesmen before and well, life goes on. But then you showed back up and Tony, I've never seen anybody do what you did. I've never seen a man take total responsibility for his wrong doing, no matter the

consequence. And I kept asking myself why? Why would you do that? The only answer I can come up with is that you were sincere in your desire to make it right, and that you regret what you have

done. So I've chosen to believe you. I can't give your job back, but I've decided not to prosecute. I do think it would be appropriate to return the 19K back to the company.

Tony - We've already decided to do that.

<u>Coleman</u> - very good. And if you'll sign an agreement to that affect, I think we should all move on. So if you don't mind me seeing myself out, I'll give you your evening back. Thank you, Tony. Elizabeth.

<u>Liz</u> - Tony, that was grace!!!! That was God's grace toward us!

Tony - THANK YOU JESUS!!!!

<u>Miss Clara</u>:

Charles - Someone's been praying in this closet.

Liz - that's right. It was her prayer closet, how did you know that?

<u>Charles</u> - We'll take the house!

Liz told the Ms. Clara that her house sold; and Ms. Clara told her that Danielle told her that the house sold to an older man who was a pastor.

<u>Miss Clara</u> - you need to find a young woman to invest in; and I'll do the same. We all need help every now and then.

Liz - Ms. Clara, I really can't tell you how much your friendship means to me.

Miss Clara - of that goes for the both of us.

<u>Liz</u> - No really, I wasn't willing to admit how much help I needed; and I needed somebody to wake me up from the insanity of doing the same thing over and over. You've been a gift from God to me. <u>Miss Clara</u> - don't you think this has been one sided. This has meant more to me than you know. <u>Liz</u> - well good. I can't imagine how much your passion and your prayers must have meant to your husband. Gosh, I wish I could have met him.

<u>Miss Clara</u> - No, no you don't. See I wasn't the same woman back then. When Leo died we were not on good terms. I always felt pushed to the back burner while the military took first place in his life. And I was bitter, Elizabeth, I was so bitter. But even then, God was showing me what to do. He was prompting me to fight for Leo, to pray for Leo; and I refused. And I kept pushing it back and pushing it back until it was too late. Ad there's no grief as great as denying the truth until its too late. It was my selfish pride Elizabeth. All my selfish pride!

And I confessed it, and I repented and I begged God to forgive me. But I still have a scar. And then I started spending more time with the Lord. And in HIs Word; and I learned how to fight in prayer first. I'm an old woman now; and I realized that I had not passed on what I had learned. And when I last visited Leo's grave, I asked God to send me someone that I could help. Someone that I could teach to fight the right way. And He sent me, Elizabeth Jordan. So you see, you were the answer to my prayer! Well now, you've got to teach other people to seek the Lord. You've got to teach other young wives how to fight.

<u>Liz</u> - Yeah, I will. I will.

Driving to the jump rope competition. <u>Tony</u> - Are you nervous? <u>Danielle</u> - yes <u>Liz</u> - Now I'm Nerous. Isn't that Tom? <u>Tony</u> - Yeah, it looks like a flat. Listen, you guys stay put. Tony changes the flat tire for Tom, and sticks his hand out to shake it. Tom shook his hand.

<u>Danielle</u> - why did you do that? <u>Tony</u> - cause that's how I want to be treated.

Jump rope competition: Second place - The Comets

<u>Tony</u> - I have something I need to tell you. I had an interview today and got offered the job on the spot.

Liz - to do what?

<u>Tony</u> - The new director of the community center. Its only half the pay, but if we are wise, I know we can make it.

Liz - listen to me, I'd rather have a man chasing Jesus than to have money for stuff.

Tony - I'm glad you didn't have desert.

Liz - What is thing?

<u>Tony</u> - I'm washing your feet - just roll with it. <u>Liz</u> - Oh - that feels so good! <u>Tony</u> - This is for the woman I don't deserve! He gave her the ice cream she dreamed of. <u>Liz</u> - Really? Are you really doing this for me? <u>Tony</u> - Yes. I told you I've got this. You need to trust me. What's wrong? <u>Liz</u> - I'm eating my favorite desert while my husband is rubbing my feet. There has got to be a God in heaven!

<u>Miss Clara</u> - You've done it again Lord. You've done it again. You are good and you are mighty and you are merciful. And you keep taking care of me wen I don't deserve it. Praise you Jesus. You are Lord. Give me another one Lord! Guide me to who you want me to help. Raise up more that will call upon your name. Raise up those that will seek you and trust you and love you. Raise em up Lord, Raise em up! Lord we need a generation of believers, who are not ashamed of the gospel! We need an army of believers Lord, that hate to be luke warm! And will stand on your word above all else. Raise em up, Lord. Raise em up! I pray for unity among those that love you. I pray that you open their eyes so they can see your truth Lord! I pray for your hand of protection and guidance. Raise up a generation Lord, that will take light into this world! That will not compromise when under pressure. That will not cower Lord, when others fall away! Raise em up Lord, that they will proclaim that there IS SALVATION in the NAME OF JESUS CHRIST! RAISE UP WARRIORS WHO WILL FIGHT ON THEIR KNEES, WHO WILL WORSHIP YOU WITH THEIR WHOLE HEARTS LORD! LORD, CALL US TO BATTLE THAT WE MAY PROCLAIM KING OF KINGS AND LORD OF LORDS. I PRAY THESE THINGS WITH ALL MY HEART! RAISE EM UP LORD, RAISE EM UP!