And from the days of John the Baptist until now the kingdom of heaven suffereth violence, and the violent take it by force. — Matthew 11:12

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Hello Loves! I hope you are having a week of LOVE, joy, blessings and productivity. I also hope you are sensing the POWER OF THE MOST HIGH GOD in your life in new and creative ways and experiencing it in the form of long overdue breakthroughs and opportunities! I must admit that June started out the gate in a tremendous way with GOD performing many things without an ask. HE'S just MOVING. If you've been OBEDIENT to HIM, you know EXACTLY what I mean and have been blessed in your life as well!

No doubt you've noted my absence. Although #MidnightMotivations are plugged in for daily scheduled auto-tweets, I have not been active so far this month and that is by design. I did remember that I misspoke and said that I would follow up on the Goliath and victimization subject matter by saying, "next week" so here I be lol. Here but not here. (smile) This is part two of us diving into the pool of clarity regarding the key question, "What are your Goliaths?" or "What is your Goliath?"

Last week for #WISDOMwednesday HOLY SPIRIT had me to ask you along with key question:

- Why do we tell victims to relinquish control to victimizers?
- Why do we oppress victims?
- Why are we much more prone to target someone who is being targeted than to stand up to forces coming against them?
- How is it that we can see wrong and prefer to look the other way or watch it like a train wreck?
- Why would our most sincere advice to the oppressed be to accept the oppression?

I hope you really thought about it. I hope you discussed it over coffee, dinner, a glass of wine if you drink. Maybe the key question didn't seem related initially, maybe you got it just fine but either way I think after today you'll see where FATHER GOD is going with this. I was asking too, "How is all of this coming together without becoming a Lifetime miniseries" lol? Yet it all flows from the same vein and is meant to bring WISDOM and encouragement, to inspire LOVE and to make some things plain that may have gotten convoluted through legalistic religious motives over time. It's long. So grab you a latte, and with that, let me start part 2 by telling you a little story—sharing a personal experience of my own.

I, Sheryl Denise, am (admittedly) not very confrontational. I never have been. I'm mild-mannered. People call me, "too nice" unless they cross me and receive rebuke lol. Otherwise, I'm a very peaceful and peaceable person who, if I'm physically around you, will impart into you peace. I bring it. I walk into the room with it. Arguing a point is not and has never been my thing. I will drop my jewels (from Heavenly FATHER) at your feet and if you don't pick them up I'm ok with that because I know later down the road you will wish you had. I'm no 'know-it-all' (though maybe it seems like I am lol I mean no harm, just have so much to share that I've received from prayer and Spiritual impartation) but I do know that I hear from GOD, and I know that three of the things I'm on earth to do is share the PEACE HE Gives me, share the WISDOM HE Gives me and share the LOVE HE Gives me. With everything in me (and sometimes with everything I feel I, physically, don't have in me) I try to share those things. This is often met with converse reactions. You just wouldn't believe the stories I have where all I did was share one or all of those and still got met with drama and trauma. Well, my typical reaction to that is prayer. I do that first because I'm usually not surprised (by way of having seen it before) yet I'm always taken aback and need The FATHER to explain to me how what I did would command anything other than a reciprocation of what I gave and/or sacrificed. HE ALWAYS gives me a PEACE in the matter. HE'LL have me, for HIM and HIS Will, to keep going/keep loving (no matter the outcome and regardless of the response) or HE'LL

Pull me out of there faster than ice cream melts in Texas...and that's fast if you've been sleeping and don't know how hot it gets here in the Lone Star State Iol. I've learned to que in on HOLY SPIRIT and get my confirmation of what I need to do at any moment. It's beautiful to be LED OF THE SPIRIT. I stay out of trouble and I keep my PEACE which, in the past, has MOSTLY entailed my 'keeping my peace.' But from a recent Spiritual attack FATHER GOD Led me to do something different.

HE said to me, "I'm going to allow you to speak on this and deal with this. And since they conceived the lie and presented it publicly as truth, so will you expose the character and present the actual TRUTH. And I AM WITH YOU. I Will Give you the WORDS to speak. I Will Tell you the scriptures and you will speak it, decree it and declare it. Many have misinterpreted MY WORD. Didn't I say, 'No weapon that has been made to be used against you will prosper. And every tongue that rises against you in judgement, YOU shall condemn.' Do you understand that? YOU shall condemn it. In other words, **You will have an answer for anyone who accuses you**." This is your inheritance as MY Servant. Nobody teaches that I will give them an answer for any accusers of the brethren! But it's as SIGNIFICANT as the comfort of knowing that no formed or no formulated attack can overcome you or be successful against you, take you, defeat you. NO NOT ONE! I Will Give you what to say. You will anger an unclean spirit but don't be afraid of it because I have already defeated it. I will use it to promote you in the eyes of the world and seat you in a position of respect even though it will feel that you are not respected. Keep speaking what I tell you and you will watch that spirit rear it's head but most importantly others watching will be able to see the same thing and I will use this to expose what's been hidden so MY People who are facing similar issues/abuses, 'giants' can rise above and know that I see them and I'm with them and will teach them what to do."

Well, you already know I was on board with that! I LOVE to see people inspired by the knowing that GOD is with them on a level they'd not expected. I LOVE THAT!!! I was not, admittedly, eager to confront because, again, that is not my nature/it's not my natural response to conflict. I really have basked over the years in the PEACE that comes with letting The FATHER Fight my battles for me. That in and of itself has brought me a TON of resilience because I didn't have to be bothered. When I knew I had a sign to walk away from a situation or person, I did so freely and without looking back. This inevitably angers certain personality types and conjures a backlash often, but I wouldn't care because I had HIS Permission to exit and never look back. That's pretty much what happened in this personal experience. Walking away spawned attack. Except THIS time, FATHER GOD said that HE Would have me deal with the attack in the way that HE Would instruct. Additionally, HE Was Giving me so much scriptural revelation and breaking down how `religion' has crippled us all (BELIEVERS and non-BELIEVERS alike) causing us to miss the mark so often with situations like this, for instance here's two crippling religious ideologies:

- 1. In teaching the very false narrative that if you confront an issue, you are in "unforgiveness," are "bitter" and are not 'turning the other cheek' but are instead trying to hurt someone who may have hurt you; or
- That in promoting the peacefulness of Our SAVIOR (who took on more torment and iniquity of others than anyone ever has Spiritually, physically, mentally, emotionally, psychologically and physiologically—in EVERY way in other words) we inevitably and inadvertently make him look weak simply because HE took it.

The first point is the genesis of the four question-points that HOLY SPIRIT had me ask you. Here they are:

- Why do we tell victims to relinquish control to victimizers?
- Why do we oppress victims?
- Why are we much more prone to target someone who is being targeted than to stand up to forces coming against them?
- How is it that we can see wrong and prefer to look the other way or watch it like a train wreck?
- Why would our most sincere advice to the oppressed be to accept the oppression?

Because we in the Church have falsely taught that you don't confront issues, you 'turn the other cheek' which (as we have been teaching it) means you become a rug on which people romp and stomp or your feelings become insignificant and discardable and prime to be disrespected and that further if you respond in any other way except to just move on, that you have not 'forgiven' the person or you're bitter and retaliatory we have left spirits not of GOD (spirits we have AUTHORITY over) to exist freely.

You see, we live in a culture that constantly tells the victim to relinguish control to the victimizer. That's one of the things that's very wrong about this culture. We'll do it to a woman afflicted by a sex crime. We tell her to hush and take it because it happened because of what she wore or because she was ok with him getting to first base. We tell it to men afflicted in childhood by molestation. We call them soft or weak if they talk about it, cry about it, say they are depressed because of it or that it affects them somehow today in manhood. It was/is told to Black People, "let it go" or "just get over it" or that racism doesn't really exist anymore, that we just like to play the card. It was told to Native Americans, that they were conquered and that's just how things go. It was told to the immigrant, we say it to the bullied and to targets of revilers, liars and slanderers. We tell it to women escaping abusive relationships, to teachers who often come out of pocket expense-wise with no true expectation of repayment, to first responders and military who don't get appropriate salaries and raises, to secretaries and admins overworked and underpaid and at the mercy of their department heads. Why? Why do we perpetuate a tone in society that's actually broken and lose/lose, when instead we could lock arms, warfare prayer, support, fight for, and stand ground with, encouraging backbone, strength, tenacity, fearlessness and trust in GOD? We look the other way and tell the victim to do the same and accept the lies as their truth. NO. That's not Bible. There would have been no honor in David cowering to Goliath. And with me, personally, it's a NO. Not me. I've been through so much, but I am NO ONE'S victim. People will find out, the hard way if necessary, that if you come for me you will fight GOD HIMSELF. So whether HE tells me, "You will not have to fight in this battle, be still, set yourself and see the salvation of the LORD WHO is with you this day" (2nd Chron 20:17) or to "Pursue, overtake and recover all," (1st Sam 30:8) either way HE is in control. HE is fighting in either occasion. I will do everything HE tells me to do and say everything HE tells me to say. If it hits a nerve, it did what it was supposed to do. Regardless, I am NO ONE'S victim, I am a VICTOR. [sidebar: I don't remember if I said it before, but I LITERALLY have NO idea WHAT exactly is being said or done, I stopped looking over two months ago. I just know that apparently something is being said and done because the LORD keeps having me deal with the spirit of it. So, nothing is touching me and none of it could possibly Page 2 of 4

be truth anyway because I never even had a conversation with the person, no calls, no texts, no emails, no Skype, no Facetime...NOTHING. LITERALLY, nothing is known about me. I simply agitated something when I saw red flags, prayed about it and got my confirmation to walk away. The attacks began shortly thereafter. I wrote a "How to deal with it" move-on piece from GOD'S Direction but instead the strongarming continued however even more covertly. I never cared 'what' was being said since the person doesn't actually know me, I was appalled and in righteous indignation over the spirit behind it and that fact that a few found such delight in it, believed it and jumped on the bandwagon lol. I asked GOD what was going on and HE explained more, that HE would use the situation to bring out a boldness in me that's preparing me for my next place and as a sign of what HE IS doing in the Body of CHRIST in general. I submitted, and here we are. I'm already IN victory!

We as a culture must grow from this place of flesh and carnality where we see things only in the physical or natural realm--the times we have entered beckon our growth. Everything we see has a spiritual root. And some spirits just have to be exposed. Turning the other cheek doesn't mean you become mute and weak, that's not contextual. It means you refrain from RETALIATION, you don't lower yourself to the same level but instead submit the situation to GOD. HOLY SPIRIT can then instruct you on what to do in the situation if you listen and follow. But there is never a time when HE will require we relinquish control to evil. Even in stillness evil doesn't win, it just means GOD is working double-time in the background. It is necessary, and urgent now, that we find better ways to support anyone being abused, reviled, falsely slandered, railed or vilified. We find that in GOD. But for the love of all that's HOLY, we should discontinue perpetuating victimization, there is nothing pious about that.

Which bring us back to the two crippling religious ideologies. HOW is the strongest (in EVERY way) ONE to ever live, weak? How-everis-that-possible? Yet we make HIM to be so. We make HIM a punk, soft, and a chump, by not seeking an understanding of what HE Displayed when dealing with people, when dealing with evils. HE dealt with three types of people mostly: the UNbeliever or the lost/the 'sinners' in accordance with The LAW, the religious-HEARERS only who quoted GOD'S Law but didn't understand it because they did not have HIS SPIRIT (consequently, they missed the SPIRIT of GRACE altogether) or the converted BELIEVERS whom HE Discipled. Of these three and thinking from a religious standpoint, you might think HE would have been hardest on the "sinners," yet nothing was farther from the truth. HE was, in fact, the gentlest with them. HE Extended the most GRACE, to them, not to he religious of the day. To those who claimed to know GOD, especially the religious leaders of the day, HE often exposed them for the bitter seed in their hearts, called them out for spiritual ineptness, rebuked them for their inability to walk in LOVE and directly (and publicly) chastised them for their propensity to hear the word but not do it and their readiness ALWAYS to operate in judgment of others regardless of everything raggedy in their own lives. HE Called them "vipers" and "perverse" and "hypocrites." HE Made no secret of what HE Thought about what they stood for and how they tried to make people look in the sight of others and how they desired to make people feel through condemnation. In any case, (in The Eyes of GOD) anyone claiming to know HIM yet who finds delight in railing someone else or attempting to slander someone's character, (ESPECIALLY another BELIEVER) to HIM, that's a problem and not one HE takes lightly. (1st Cor. 5:11) I won't even go into what HE WORD says when the someone being attacked I one of HIS Servants, that's a whole other thing. GOD doe not allow us to do wrong without consequence and looking like we got away with something because we continue to do it (seemingly without issue) is not a sign that GOD nodded off. HE gives chances for repentance and change but if the spirit of pride or the reprobation is in play then heeding to GOD'S Warnings will appear neither attractive nor practical and GOD eventually deals with it all in a much less desirable way. GRACE, in the meantime, is an amazing and hardly understood-by-we-humans thing. Back to the two points. If you think about them alone (and there are others), but these two points alone, thought through, are oxymoronish.

I will say it again as I did last week, you are a David. David who slew lions and bears. David who was anointed to lead, break through barriers, kick down doors, change the narrative, rebel against evil and, YES, SLAY GIANTS! Don't be tied down by things this culture has embraced as 'norm' or 'practical' greatly in part because those of us in Church leadership have perpetuated discrepancies in scriptural interpretation or because we've been agreeable to foster the 'do as I say not as I do' faux 'I'm the leader here/I'm-in-charge attitude.' We apologize. I apologize, on behalf of myself and anyone else in the 5-Fold Ministry or just a random BELIEVER in general. I plead for forgiveness from The FATHER for any and all of us if we've ever led someone being victimized, railed or emotionally, mentally, spiritually or physically attacked to believe that it was UNgodly or showed a lack of godly character if they confronted the evil attacking them (not necessarily the person being evil) head on. Who were we to judge? Who did we think we were trying to play GOD and determine what was the best route for the situation? Why would we try to make every victimizing situation a cookie-cutter effort that was encompassed in condemning those who refused to be victims?

- The only "norm" should be to teach people to seek the Face of GOD for themselves.
- And the only thing remotely practical about walking the walk of a devoted BELIEVER should be the understanding that GOD is with us and will keep us.

We had no right. In GOD'S Eyes NONE of HIS People are insignificant 'matter', and no matter-at-hand is insignificant if it impacts HIS People. If we are to advance and prosper in this next level in the way HE intends we have to release the carnalities of our past and of previous generations (especially the narrative of previous abusers). Now I understand even more why HE Spoke to me at the end of last year and called this 2019, "#TheYearOfTheRISE." WE HAVE TO RISE. We have to teach the Ways of The Messiah which is the way of freedom—freedoms found in HIM. We MUST do a better job of LEADING PEOPLE TO GOD, not of leading people to 'us' so that we can be demi-god'd in HIS stead. LEADING People to the OASIS that is the ALMIGHTY and petitioning them to drink MUST become our modem operands. HE, THE ALMIGHTY, is perfectly capable of telling people what they must do and empowering them to do it if they will OBEY. And come what may from their obedience, they will find that they are in fact "#BFT" which is what GOD has spoken over me and shown me of late like never before, "#BornForThis!" 1st Corinthians 10:13 reads, "No temptation has overtaken you except what is common to mankind. And GOD is faithful; HE will not let you be tempted beyond what you can bear. But when you are tempted, HE will also provide a way out so that you can endure it." In other words, we have to teach people, "HE'S got you Booh-Booh" lol and that sometimes the "way out" of it...is <u>THROUGH</u> it. But that they can 'walk through the fire because they will NOT be burned' and 'pass through those waters because it won't overcome them because HE 'will be with you' (Isaiah 43:2). That they 'can do all things through CHRIST WHO Strenthens you' (Philippian 4:13) because CLEARLY, OBVIOUSLY, they were #BornForThis! GOD didn't bring anyone from anywhere for them to become anyone's victim! We as BELIEVERS are wired to OVERCOME. #BFT!

I PRAISE THE ALMIGHTY GOD that through my personal experience, which (although it has been neither warranted, welcomed nor easy), I count as quite the undercover BLESSING and I now feel even more empowered to spread the message of The GOSPEL which is one of LOVE and GRACE and FORGIVENESS and POWER from on high and STRENGTH through the JOY of the FATHER and OBEDIENCE to HIM (to a fault) if necessary and WHOLE ARMORED, and SPIRITUAL not spooky, and MEEK but NEVER WEAK.

TO LIVE, to BE FREE, to BE PROSPEROUS requires Spiritual revelation and understanding. It requires that we operate in the POWER OF GOD and we can only access that to the level of which we are willing to seek HIM for it. It won't come from a paycheck. It won't stream into your heart via a title, an award, accolade or recognition. It won't be bequeathed by HIM to us because we perceive ourselves to have some level of influence over others. It will not even come osmotically through some association with any Man or Woman of GOD, no matter how ANOINTED we believe or know them to be. These things may grant you a lot of freedoms in this earth, yet somehow still render you BOUND if you don't put them in proper perspective. This is how it becomes possible for one to be a public success, yet a private failure. No, THIS, that I speak of...**IT'S PERSONAL**. PERSONAL between each of us and HOLY SPIRIT. We cannot walk one another's walk with The MOST HIGH.

As the Overseer of BY FORCE International Ministries I give my personal promise to do all I can to teach this, and not only that...but to LIVE it—and even in front of you publicly (like I have been the past couple months) if it be necessary for the CALL and the edification of any who cross paths with my life. Years ago, I gave GOD my hand and asked HIM to lead me so that the ministry HE Gave me is my life and my life would be the ministry. That's how I could have the boldness to attach my voice over business SherylDenise.com to my ministry. It's because GOD is my "branding." I don't have a brand that excludes HIM. Both (the ministry and the business) BELONG TO HIM anyway. Who I am is who I always am in business, in person, in private. I don't have a pulpit persona. What you see is what you get, 24/7, 365 lol. I'm imperfect, but I'm a Servant-Leader who is LOVED! And I'm LOVED by THE GREATEST TO EVER LOVE, LOVED by THE ONE WHO IS LOVE. By fire, by water or simply by rest in HIM: "And from the days of John the Baptist until now the kingdom of heaven suffereth violence, and the violent take it by force. – Matthew 11:12." What a journey indeed! I'm equipped, I was #BornForThis! So were you My Loves, so were you.

Think about these question-points again that HOLY SPIRIT told me to ask you:

- Why do we tell victims to relinquish control to victimizers?
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Now begin a new mindset of avoiding what I discussed above in the way of perpetuating those old (and ineffective) mindsets. Lead people back to GOD. Tell them you'll pray with and for them, but don't try to be GOD to them. HE has a WAY. It's narrow and straight, but it's HIS and so are they. HE is perfectly able to empower them to do HIS Next Steps...whatever they may be. And if HE leads them to confront the spirit of the person, cease from judging that, does it even make sense to do that? Don't tell them ridiculous things like "let it go" then condemn them with scriptures about "forgiveness" to encourage them to relinquish to something you KNOW is displeasing to GOD because you will give an account for that. Just pray with them and make declarations with them that the spirit trying to oppress them be cast out and sent back to pit of hell where it belongs. If GOD'S Will is for them to walk away...let HIM tell them that. Trying to force a response on someone that you know YOU would be in great challenge to do (if you're honest) will not lead to the healing that the person needs, it just leads them to YOU and not GOD.

Also ponder the question that I asked YOU: "What are your Goliaths?" or "What is your Goliath?" A Goliath is a nag, a problem that The FATHER has empowered you to address by exposing its opposition to GOD'S Will for your life then, in HIS SPIRIT extracting it by the WORD and WISDOM of GOD. To do this REQUIRES that PERSONAL RELATIONSHIP, thee most worthwhile investment of your ENTIRE life. It's time to give GOD HIS Position back. It's time to RISE and be shaped and molded by HIS WORD. It's time to follow HIS Ways and not lean to our own understanding (Prov 3:5-6). It's time to be obedient to HIM and TRUST HIM to Guide our paths (Psalm 119:105). YES, IT'S PERSONAL.

If you don't yet know The SAVIOR personally consider that HE May be Speaking to your heart right now and drawing you to HIM. Ask HIM to forgive your sins (something BELIEVERS continue to do daily), ask HIM to be your SAVIOR and invite HIM into your heart then request HIS Guidance for your life and find out how HE wants you to serve HIM and others. Again, this will be the best investment you'll ever make in life! Try HIM.

I'd love to pray for you or just hear from you on Twitter at @ProphetessSD or feel free to message me here on my website, simply use the contact form on the "Contact Me" page and tell me a little about yourself. I added scriptures throughout this #WISDOMwednesday. Keep studying and watch how much you find out that you were #BFT, #BornForThis!!! The next #WISDOMwednesday will be in July to help get the second half of the year off to more amazing breakthroughs! I think this one is quite plenty to marinate on in the meantime lol, don't you think? Goliath who?! Goliath what?!! Pfftt, AS IF! You were BORN FOR THIS!!! LOVE ya'll, my Babies! Have an incredible June! XOXO