



**"THE STEADFAST LOVE OF THE LORD
NEVER CEASES;
HIS MERCIES NEVER COME TO AN END;
THEY ARE NEW EVERY MORNING;
GREAT IS YOUR FAITHFULNESS."**

Lamentations 3:22-23

If you run into a wall, don't turn around
and give up. Figure out how to climb it.

-Michael Jordan



ESPN is airing a 10 part documentary that highlights Michael Jordan and the Chicago Bulls' journey to their sixth title. Every Sunday they show two episodes. And I am here for all of it! I mean, the entire world tuned into Tiger King. So why in the world wouldn't we watch an amazing documentary about a phenomenal athlete that many teammates said was "not human" like he had superpowers!

I've never been into sports if it means sitting on my couch when I could be doing something. ANYTHING!!! However, you take me to a live game. Of any sort. Where there are lots of snacks provided AND music AND cheering. Yes and yes. I easily could be mistaken as the number 1 fan that knows nothing about the game, but I do enjoy cheering!!! LOVE me some cheering.

I will always be a fan of someone doing something that others deem as impossible. The more documentaries I watch (Free Solo, Dawn Wall, The Short Game, I am Bolt) just to name a few (we are getting SOOO smart and...culture-y during quarantine) The more I watch I think, nothing is impossible. God. Given. Talents. That is what all of these people have in common. Along with that talent comes the God-given gift of determination, humility, dedication, and strength, just to name a

few. However, I often think about the “air” Jordan got before each dunk, or the raw fingers hanging on to 2 cms of a flat rock formation that is just slightly raised. Raised just enough to put the top, ONLY the top of TWO fingers on, to hold you. To hold your entire body, from death. Oh, because Free Solo is climbing without any ropes. Did your heart stop? Did you start sweating? It’s cool. Totally normal. I reacted the same way, just watching it. In the comfort of my own bed! I don’t see myself doing what he did, but I CAN hold my breath for the time it took for that scene to be over. That is pretty impressive - I think. I’m caught thinking, “How do they do that?” God. **I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me. - Philippians 4:13**

I may never win 6 championships, I may not win a gold medal at the Olympics, or climb El Capitan but I do know that I still have God-given gifts and talents. Because God made me. He formed me. He is a mighty, powerful, unsurpassing of knowing, big, loving, and encouraging. He only makes good things. He thought to himself, “The world needs this Ashley.” I say this because I believe it. We all have a purpose. There is something He made us to do. Just you. Just me. Nobody else. This mission, should you choose to accept it, IT’S ONLY FOR YOU. There is someone waiting for that moment. There is someone waiting for you, to do that thing!!! Be that person. Say that thing. Do that job. Sing that song. Smile that smile. Laugh that laugh. Love like that. YOU! You. Only. You. Just...you. Go do it. The world is waiting. He’s given you everything you could possibly need to do it. If you think you need something else, just ask Him, He’ll hear you.

What will I do? I will cheer for you and do it loudly!! I will hug you and tell you I love you. I will give. I will make you laugh. I will tell others about a God that loves us more than we can ever fathom! I will listen. I will do. I will go. I will be kind. I will tell the truth. I will smile. I will be filled with joy! I will move my body as long as I can. I will praise. And I will continue to watch documentaries. I’m pretty sure of that.

We are God’s masterpiece.
- Ephesians 2:20 -

Love you * Happy May Day * I love May Day * I love making baskets



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