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# *we are family*

## ***Welcome.***

Welcome to *The Legacy Letter*. This quarterly publication is an outreach to the partners and friends of Pearsons Ministries International. Our partners are our family, and like any good family, we pray for one another, encourage one another, and support the call of God on each other's lives. If you're reading this and are not yet a member of the PMI family, we encourage you to ask the Lord if you have a part to play in the mission, vision, and outreaches of this ministry. We'd be honored to have you on our team and would love the opportunity to join our hearts with yours. Come get in this thing with us, and **together we'll preach Jesus to every generation.**

Him we preach,

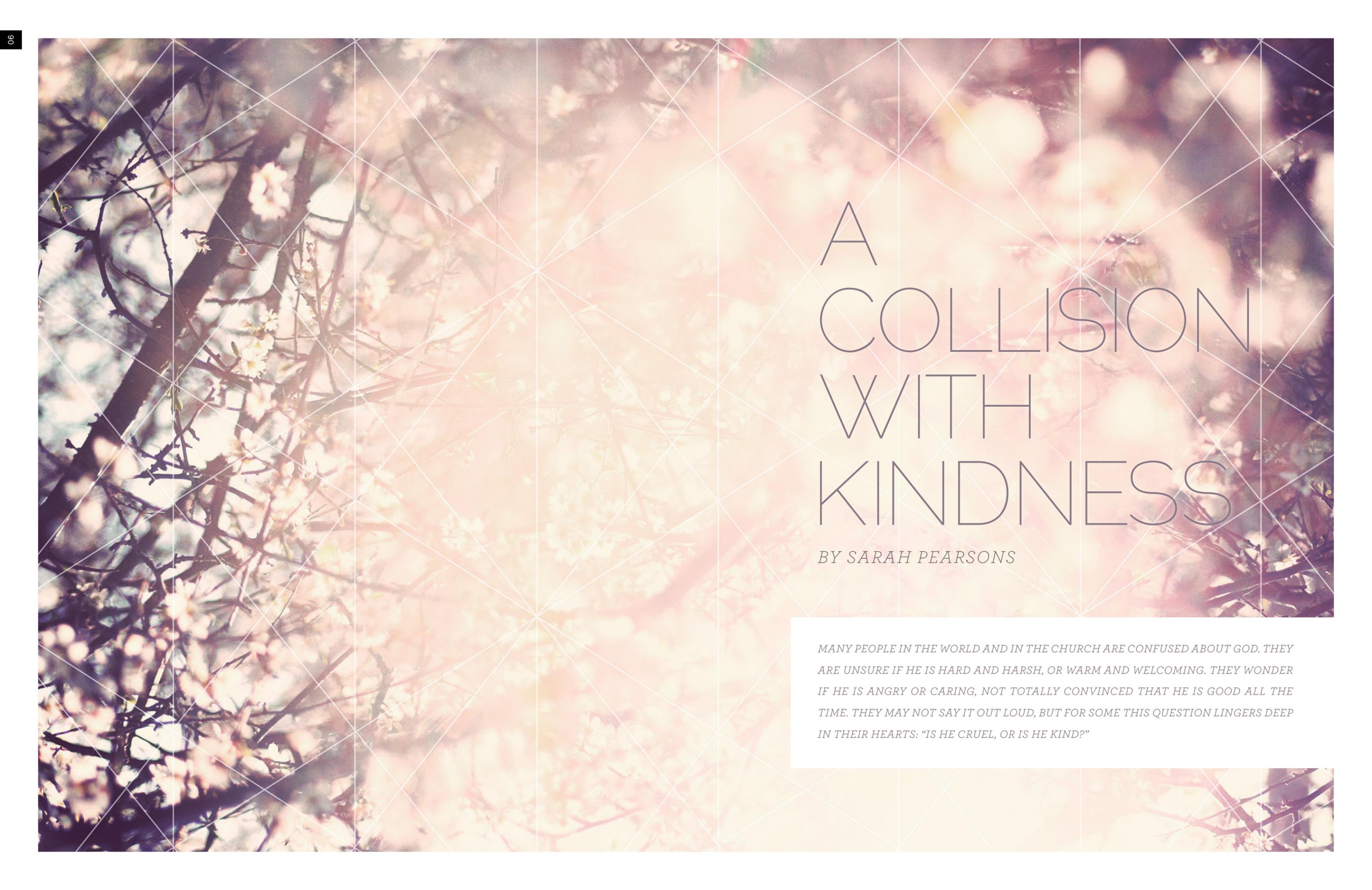
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## ***You are the Letter.***

*Your very lives are a letter that anyone can read by just looking at you. Christ Himself wrote it—not with ink, but with God's living Spirit; not chiseled into stone, but carved into human lives—and we publish it. We couldn't be more sure of ourselves in this—that you, written by Christ Himself for God, are our letter of recommendation. We wouldn't think of writing this kind of letter about ourselves. Only God can write such a letter. His letter authorizes us to help carry out this new plan of action. The plan wasn't written out with ink on paper, with pages and pages of legal footnotes, killing your spirit. It's written with Spirit on spirit, His life on our lives!*

*II Corinthians 3:3-6*

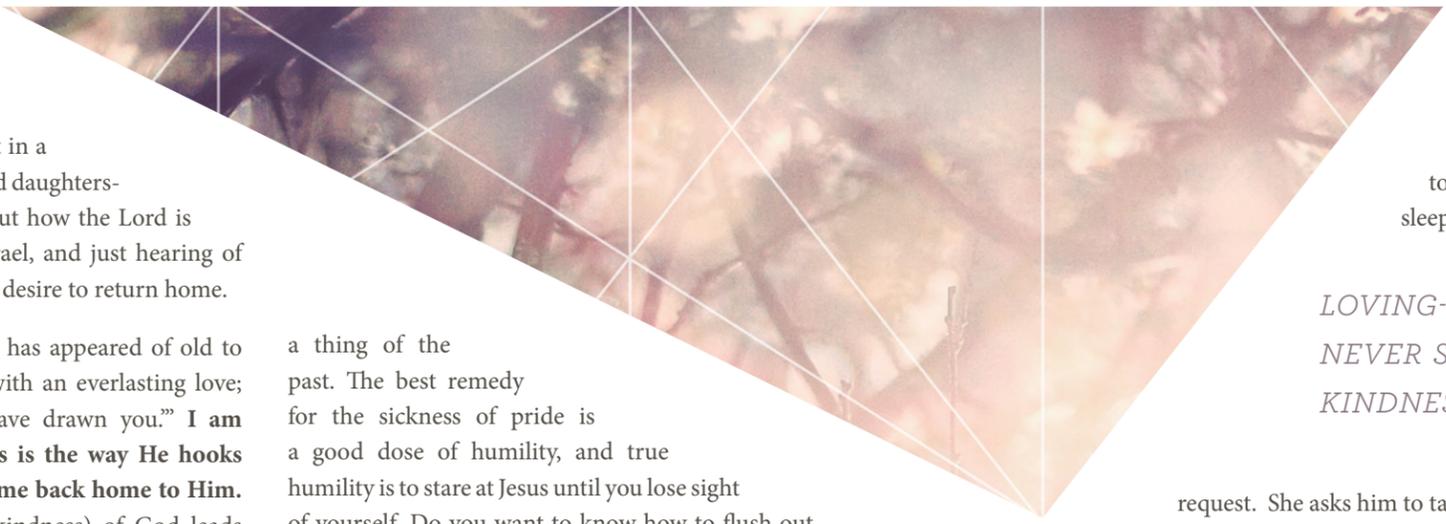
*The Message*



# A COLLISION WITH KINDNESS

BY SARAH PEARSONS

*MANY PEOPLE IN THE WORLD AND IN THE CHURCH ARE CONFUSED ABOUT GOD. THEY ARE UNSURE IF HE IS HARD AND HARSH, OR WARM AND WELCOMING. THEY WONDER IF HE IS ANGRY OR CARING, NOT TOTALLY CONVINCED THAT HE IS GOOD ALL THE TIME. THEY MAY NOT SAY IT OUT LOUD, BUT FOR SOME THIS QUESTION LINGERS DEEP IN THEIR HEARTS: "IS HE CRUEL, OR IS HE KIND?"*



Do you remember Naomi in the Book of Ruth? After losing her husband and two sons, she is left in a foreign country with her two widowed daughters-in-law. She hears people talking about how the Lord is providing food for the people of Israel, and just hearing of His kindness begins to stir in her the desire to return home.

Jeremiah 31:3 NKJV says, “The Lord has appeared of old to me, saying: ‘Yes, I have loved you with an everlasting love; therefore with loving-kindness I have drawn you.’” **I am convinced that the Lord’s kindness is the way He hooks us, changes us, and causes us to come back home to Him.** Romans 2:4 says, “The goodness (kindness) of God leads you to repentance” (parenthesis mine). Fear of judgment may cause people to turn back to God, but it is only **HIS KINDNESS THAT KEEPS US.**

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Even though Naomi believes in the kindness of the Lord to some degree, she isn’t fully persuaded of it. She tells her daughters to return home to their families, and she cries out, “The hand of the Lord has gone out against me!” (Ruth 1:13).

But is God really against her? Or is she just confused about His character?

The truth is after Naomi loses her husband and her sons, she becomes sick in her soul from grief and sorrow. Did you know that if left untreated, people can develop soul sickness just like they develop sickness in their bodies? Medical science is now catching up with the wisdom found in 3 John 1:2—the health of the body is directly connected to the health of the soul.

Symptoms of soul sickness present themselves in many different forms. Some are confusion, envy, jealousy, pride, insecurity, and fear. But if we will successfully recognize and diagnose these symptoms and then medicate them with the Word of God, they will not be able to hinder us from living happy and healthy lives. For instance, I’ve found that the most effective prescription for envy is thanksgiving. If you will begin to continually thank God for all He’s done for you, you will lose the desire to compare yourself to others. Jealousy will become

a thing of the past. The best remedy for the sickness of pride is a good dose of humility, and true humility is to stare at Jesus until you lose sight of yourself. Do you want to know how to flush out fear and cure insecurity? Begin to meditate on Scriptures and sing songs about the love of God. Before you know it, His presence will invade your room, and His peace will put you at ease.

The sorrow in Naomi’s soul led to confusion about God’s true nature. She thought He was kind some of the time and cruel at other times. She let her circumstances and other people tell her who God was.

**How we see God and how we think He sees us will affect every area of our lives.**

When Naomi and her daughter-in-law Ruth return to Bethlehem, Ruth finds favor while gleaning in a field owned by a rich man named Boaz. As she gleans behind the reapers, He takes notice of her and begins to show her overwhelming kindness, even though she is a poor foreigner. He becomes a refuge and protects her by commanding the young men not to touch her. He makes sure she has water to drink while she works. He comforts her with his words and speaks kindly to her. Ah! How romantic! He tells the other workers not to shame her and to let extra grain “fall purposely for her” (Ruth 2:16). Ruth has more than enough food to eat until she is satisfied and plenty to take home for Naomi.

For the first time in her life, Naomi has a collision with kindness that radically changes her perspective of God forever. She rejoices, speaking of Boaz, “Blessed be he of the Lord, who has not forsaken His kindness to the living and the dead!” (Ruth 2:20). Naomi can only see the true kindness of God after she has a face-to-face, head-on collision with the one who would become her kinsman-redeemer.

**It is only in the face of Jesus, our Redeemer, that we are able to clearly see the kindness of our Father.**

Ruth is so swept away with Boaz’s kindness towards her that she finds enough boldness to lie down at his feet while he is sleeping, and then she makes a huge

*LOVING-KINDNESS MEANS YOU CAN NEVER SEPARATE HIS LOVE FROM HIS KINDNESS.*

request. She asks him to take her under his wing and become her kinsman-redeemer. To the Hebrew, to take someone under your wing is a big deal. It is to become an unconditional caretaker. It is an extreme expression of intimacy. Boaz becomes her kinsman-redeemer by marrying her, and he selflessly uses his wealth to buy back Naomi’s inheritance, restore her family, rescue them from danger, and provide for all their needs. In a sense, he crowns them with his “loving-kindness and tender mercies” (Psalm 103:4) and gives them a status beyond what they deserve.

The word *loving-kindness* is two words tied together: loving and kindness. To me, **loving-kindness means you can never separate His love from His kindness.** The Lord declares through Psalm 89:33, “Nevertheless My loving-kindness I will not utterly take from him, nor allow My faithfulness to fail.”

I’m constantly amazed when the Lord expresses His love to us through two actions, **patience and kindness**, without demanding us to respond. One night as I was putting my little boy, Justus, to bed, I said, “I love you, buddy.” My natural desire was to hear him respond with, “I love you, too, Mommy.” When he didn’t say it, I felt the need to solicit a response from him. I thought, *This will be an excellent time to teach and train him how to respond to kindness.* “When Mommy says *I love you*, you say, ‘I love you, too, Mommy.’” But before I could get those words out of my mouth, the Lord checked my heart. I heard the still small voice inside say, “Never force him to say *I love you* back.

**It will mean more to you when he says it of his own free will and from his heart.**” I realized that even if Justus never said *I love you* back to me, I would still spend my whole life proving my love to him. We know from Ephesians 2:7 that **our Father will spend the ages to come showing us “the exceeding riches of His grace in His kindness toward us in Christ Jesus.”**

Kindness is also one of God’s secrets to living a long life. Not long ago, I returned to the church I grew up in to minister at a conference. Before the service, I said hello to a 95-year-old lady on the second row. Throughout the years, I always noticed her quiet demeanor, sweet smile, and kind eyes. The pastor said to me, “Sarah, you remember Alice, right? You know as long as I’ve known her, I’ve never heard her say an unkind word about anyone.”

God’s kindness flowing to us and through us every day will produce life in our souls and in our bodies. **It is only after we have a collision with His kindness that we are able to be genuinely kind to others.** Think about what happens when two objects collide: an impact is made.

When we called on the Lord, we collided with Kindness; and what an impact Jesus made. Even when we were foreigners and strangers, He drew us with His loving-kindness, paid our debt with His own blood, and gave us a life worth living. In His kindness, He will never shame us or withhold anything good from us. Instead, **His kindness is always comforting, protecting, satisfying, and providing for us.**

See, God was good to Naomi all along. He was always kind. He had a beautiful plan prepared for her. She just didn’t know it. She couldn’t see Him clearly. Her confusion is understandable because when she looked at God, there was a veil between them: “But when the kindness and the love of God our Savior toward man appeared” (Titus 3:4), our eyes became wide open. **Jesus shined the light on God’s character, and now we can see Him for who He really is—relentlessly kind.** When we collide with the kindness of Jesus, it will set in motion a chain reaction. We’re now on a collision course to impact a world with the kindness of our Savior. ■

*JESUS SHINED A LIGHT ON GOD’S CHARACTER AND NOW WE SEE HIM FOR WHO HE REALLY IS: RELENTLESSLY KIND.*



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# FAMILY NIGHT

FROM OUR LIVING ROOM TO YOURS

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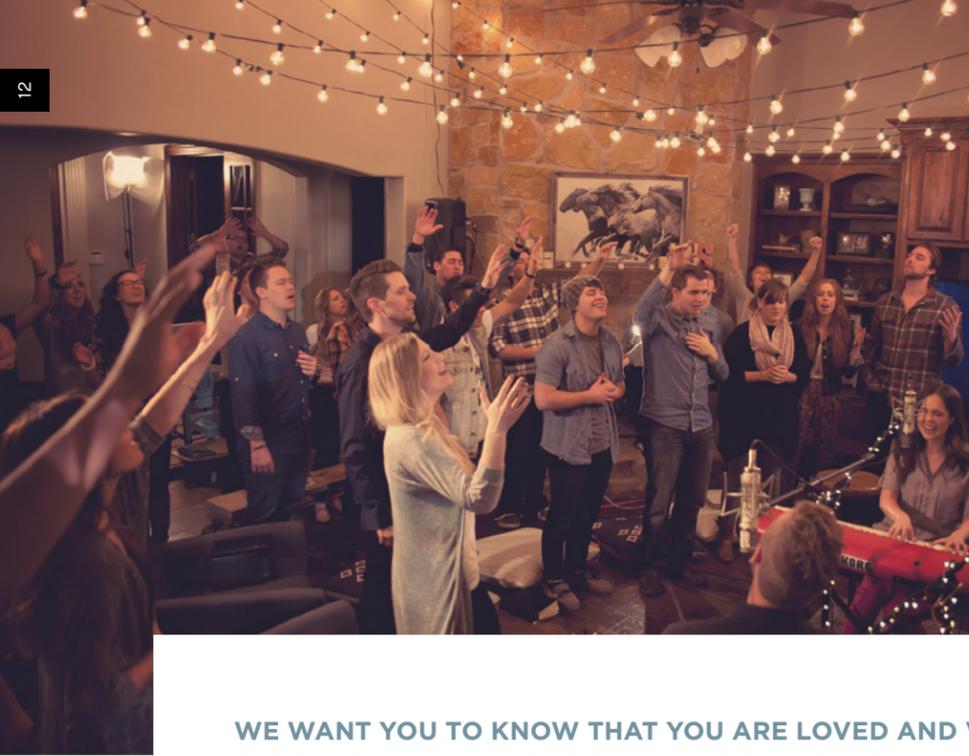
NOTHING SAYS “FAMILY” LIKE GETTING TOGETHER FOR DINNER AND HANGING OUT IN THE LIVING ROOM ON A FRIDAY NIGHT. AND THAT’S EXACTLY WHAT WE DID.



On Friday, March 7th, we invited thirty-five of our closest friends from GO Ministries to come over from Shreveport, Louisiana, and hang out at our house for a few hours. We talked, laughed, and chowed down on some homemade chili and corn bread. Then we all went to the living room to sing songs and spend time in the Word together as a family. Because that’s what we are—a **family**.

It was an amazing night and really the beginning of a dream come true for us. For so long now, we have loved and appreciated our partners and longed for a way to be closer to them. We’ve wanted our partners to know that we think of them as family, but, like so many families, we are spread out across the U.S. and around the world, which can make it hard to spend time with each other.





**WE WANT YOU TO KNOW THAT YOU ARE LOVED AND VALUED AS A MEMBER OF THE PMI FAMILY AND THE FAMILY OF GOD. THAT'S WHY WE'RE INVITING YOU TO SLOW DOWN FOR A COUPLE OF HOURS AND JOIN US FOR FAMILY NIGHT.**

In our society, family members living under the same roof find themselves passing one another like ships in the night. Schedules become so full that often parents will blow the whistle and call a timeout just so they can see their kids' faces for more than a few minutes at a time. They may only get one night out of the month together, but for that night, it is just their family. They take that time to eat together at the table or laugh together at a movie, all in an effort to reconnect and let them know that they are loved and valued as members of the family.

In the same way, we want you to know that you are **loved and valued as a member of the PMI family and the family of God.** That's why we're inviting you to slow down for a couple of hours and join us for Family Night. We will have dinner together, laugh at each other's corny jokes, and we may even find time to play some games. But our purpose for coming together is to spend time as a family worshipping the Lord and being changed by His Word. These are important times, and we don't want you to miss them. Our Family Nights in March and April have already been so special, and

that's why we're inviting you to join us LIVE online for our next two in May and June!

Like we said, we have family all over the world, which is why our Family Night on May 24th will be streamed to you live on our website, from Manchester, England. Pastors Joel and Evie Taller, at Faith Life Centre in Manchester, have opened up their church home to us for the entire weekend. They are such dear friends and have become a big part of the PMI family. We are so thankful for their hearts to help us preach Jesus all across Europe.

We will also be making a very special announcement at Family Night on May 24th that you won't want to miss. But, in case you can't make it, the service will be available on our website for you to watch at a later time. Then, on June 20th, we will be back in our living room, and we would love to have you join us live online at 6:00pm CST.

**Let's start closing the distance between us by making time to gather together around the Word of God.** Let's get into His presence together as we worship and seek Him with each other and for each other. We are family. And that's what families do.

## MAY FAMILY NIGHT LIVE FROM MANCHESTER

**MAY 24TH AT 6PM**

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# GO WITH GOD

BETTER TOGETHER:  
PMI + GO MINISTRIES



## A LETTER FROM GO MINISTRIES TO THE PARTNERS OF PMI

In January 2009, we had the opportunity to do a winter conference with Jeremy and Sarah. That first night we stood in amazement as we watched the manifest presence of Jesus work through their ministry. We felt as though it was more for us than it was for those attending. And still to this day, we are amazed by that same manifestation of Jesus anytime we have the privilege of either ministering with them or being ministered to by them.

Little did we know that our admiration and honor for them would be reciprocated as they would go on to help develop GO Ministries transform into a worldwide ministry. **The journey has been one of not just a heartfelt partnership, but a friendship.**

Beginning in 2001, GO Ministries launched a full-time, college-aged internship, Bible school, and worldwide traveling ministry team. Our mandate is to **reach, disciple, and train a generation of young people by revealing Jesus**—who He was, is, and is to come. Every year we train, develop, and graduate, on average, a class of thirty-five young adults. Their training is received through many different opportunities including our School of Art and Design, School of Theatrics, School of Missions, Prayer School, the 5-Fold Academy (our Bible school), and the Revival Tour team. PMI has been strategic in the foundational development and growth of each of these areas.

The Revival Tour team is the heart of GO Ministries. This is the chance for these young ministers, graduated from the 5-Fold Academy, to be used by the Lord in their gifts and anointing. **Pearsons Ministries believes in these young ministers and has helped us not only develop them but also**

**push them further out.** As a traveling ministry, our mandate is to spread the revival fire of God from coast-to-coast in the U.S. and all over the world, ministering to thousands of teenagers in need of a Savior. **Together we are making Jesus famous.**

Several years ago, through Jeremy, the Lord said to GO: “Your voice is louder than the stage you’re standing on.” At that time, we were ministering every year to thousands of young people all over the world and thinking, *This is impact!* But through the Pearsons’ love and desire to see their partners and other ministries reach their full potential, we were challenged to find that bigger stage and even greater impact. Thankfully, that same insight and wisdom has continued to flow from their ministry to ours. Jeremy and Sarah have personally invested into our staff, strengthened our foundation, and helped expand our vision to reach this generation.

One of the areas in which we have furthered our reach is the Second Chance Ranch. True to its name, the SCR is a recovery center for youth who need and want a second chance. Essentially, it is what our road team does when they travel on the road—**rescue young people from a life of destruction and show them Jesus**—except in the SCR, these teens come to live at our ranch and get to learn life Jesus-style by living with the interns. We have seen **drug addiction broken, parental relationships mended, depression lifted, charges dropped, and self-affliction defeated** through this program.

Gratefulness cannot begin to describe the feeling we have toward PMI, Jeremy and Sarah, and the partners who have joined alongside them. When thinking

of partnership, 2 Corinthians 8:14 AMP comes to mind, **“But to have equality [share and share alike], your surplus over necessity at the present time going to meet their want and to equalize the difference created by it, so that [at some other time] their surplus in turn may be given to supply your want. Thus there may be equality.”**

Since the beginning, this was our desire—to be a supply to the body of Christ while zealously reaching young people and serving in whatever way we could. All the while, our BIG God was forming a relationship that we didn’t know we were in need of. Whether the need has been financial, ministerial, or relational, this partnership continues to supply. In our time of need, your continual love and support has proven to us that the Father’s commitment toward seeing the vision He gave us to reach our generation for Jesus is being accomplished. We are in agreement that **we really are “better together,” and we know that the best is yet to come.**

*PMI IS A TITHING AND SOWING MINISTRY. OVER 10 PERCENT OF YOUR PARTNERSHIP EACH MONTH GOES TO MINISTRIES LIKE THIS AND OTHER OUTREACHES AROUND THE WORLD.*



# OUT ON A LIMB

**THE RISK & REWARD OF THE LIFE OF KINDNESS**

BY JEREMY PEARSONS

**S**ome people are natural-born risk takers. They thrive on the adrenaline rush that comes from facing head-on what is yet unknown. To them, there is just something exciting about going all-in when caution and common sense would tell them otherwise. You can probably think of a few times in your life that you have gone out on a limb, as they say, for someone or something you passionately believed in. The truth is, if you are ever going to do what God has called you to do, then **at some point you will have to leave what you think is comfortable, take what feels like a great risk, and learn to get comfortable with living by faith.**

Even as I write this article, I believe my wife and I are out there at the end of a limb too. There are some changes the Lord has told us to make in our family and ministry that are well beyond our past experiences and know-how. But we're out there, and we're loving it! Perhaps you're on that proverbial limb right now too. If so, I want you to know we're not alone out here. **Our heavenly Father knows all too well what life is like living at the end of this limb.** He's been out here for the last 2,000 years. I'll explain.

On one very memorable day in the life of Jesus as He is ministering in the temple, a gang of scribes and Pharisees suddenly interrupt His sermon. They have with them a woman apprehended in the very act of adultery. Throwing her down in the midst of the crowd, they question Jesus saying, “*Moses, in the law, commanded us that such should be stoned. But what do you say?*” *This they said, testing Him, that they might have something of which to accuse Him*” (John 8:5,6 NKJV). Press pause on this account for a moment, and remember back to what Paul said in 2 Corinthians 3:6, “[*We are*] ministers of the new covenant, not of the letter [of the law] but of the Spirit; for the letter kills, but the Spirit gives life.” In the next few verses, Paul goes on to contrast ministry under the law and ministry under grace. One he calls the “*ministry of death and condemnation*” while the other he refers to as the “*ministry of the Spirit and righteousness.*” Now back to Jesus and the altercation in the temple. There is a fight brewing, but it isn’t between Jesus and the Pharisees. It is a showdown between the ministry of death and the ministry of righteousness. This religious hit squad comes armed with the letter of the law, ready to condemn to death this woman caught in her sin, and attempts to publicly shame Jesus and His ministry. The pressure is on, and you can be assured that Jesus feels it. **But instead of kneeling to the pressure, He kneels to the ground** and writes in the dirt as though He does not hear them. “What is He doing down there?” you ask. He’s waiting. **He’s waiting because He doesn’t say anything until He hears His Father say it.** Then, after what I’m sure feels like an eternity to everyone watching, Jesus calmly rises to the occasion with a word of wisdom: “*He who is without sin among you, let him throw a stone at her first.*” Then He goes right back to writing on the ground. When they hear His words, these ministers of death and condemnation turn and walk away. John 8:10 says:

*When Jesus raised Himself up and saw no one but the woman, He said to her, “Woman, where are those accusers of yours? Has no one condemned you?”*

She says, “No one, Lord.”

It was at this moment that Jesus takes a flying leap out to the end of the limb. He replies to her and says, “*Neither do I condemn you; go and sin no more*” (v. 11). Of course, we love and appreciate this account in Scripture, but I wonder if we’ve really stopped to think about the enormous risk Jesus takes by letting this woman go. She has been caught in her sin and is, according to

the law, deserving of death. But the only sinless person with any right to stone her chooses instead to free her. What is He thinking? He’s just going to let this woman get away with this? If He doesn’t punish her sin, isn’t He just giving her a license to keep sinning? In the words of Paul, “*Certainly not!*” (Romans 6:1,2). You see, Jesus was giving her a glimpse of a new covenant that was well on its way. **He was introducing to her, to them, and to us all the Covenant of Kindness.** But I’ll admit: it seems like kindness could be a very risky business.

Ever since the writing of the letters that would one day be our New Testament Bible, there have been people that would take advantage of God and His kindness towards them by using the liberty He has given them as an opportunity to sin (Galatians 5:13). But this is the risk God was willing to take. **This is the limb He went out on—a limb called Kindness—a limb called Grace.** There are those still asking today, “Since grace abounds, do we get to sin?” And the answer is still a resounding,

“*Certainly not!*”

To anyone who has grown up under the ministry of condemnation, the kindness of God could be a hard concept to process because everything was very clear under the ministry of the law. The rules were simple: you mess up; you pay the price. But then came God in His mercy and kindness changing all the rules. Through Jesus, He says, “Here’s the new rule: you mess up; I paid the price.” Can you see what He is risking by saying this? He’s risking that all of us humans would get our first taste of liberty and run right out to literally live like hell. **But I guess your Father just has more faith in the power of kindness to draw you, than in the power of sin to pull you away.** Perhaps that’s why Romans 2:4 NLT says, “*Don’t you see how wonderfully kind, tolerant, and patient God is with you? Does this mean nothing to you? Can’t you see that his kindness is intended to turn you from your sin?*”

**I GUESS YOUR FATHER JUST HAS MORE FAITH IN THE POWER OF KINDNESS TO DRAW YOU, THAN IN THE POWER OF SIN TO PULL YOU AWAY.**

In the showdown between the ministries of Death and Life, Life won. Jesus not only ministered life to that woman, He also ministered righteousness to her when He said, “Go and sin no more.”

The letter of the law requires you to do things without

empowering you to do them. The ministry of grace will tell you what to do, then **empower you, strengthen you, and even go to work on your behalf to accomplish the job.** I’m convinced that woman came face-to-face with kindness on a level she had never seen before when He said, “Neither do I condemn you.” And I’m convinced there was enough power in those words to rescue her out of her sin, out of her addiction, and out of her shame. With the command to go and sin no more, came the grace and ability to go and sin no more.

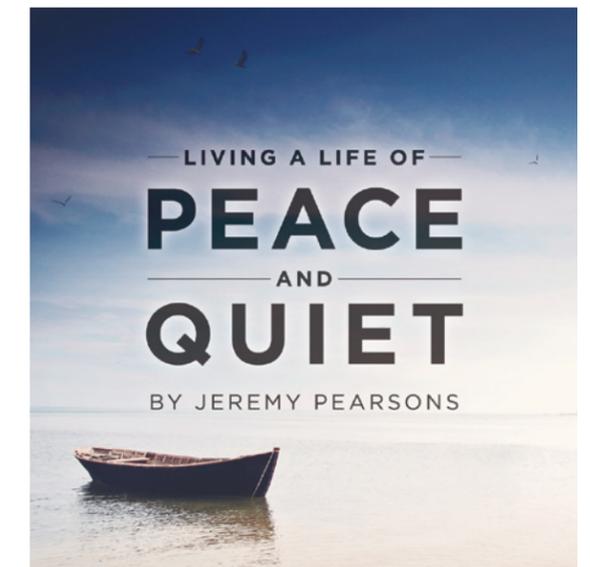
So you see, no matter what “risks” you’re currently taking, you’re not alone out on a limb. Jesus is out there with you. As a matter of fact, **He didn’t just go out on a limb, He hung from the whole tree** (Galatians 3:13). It was the greatest risk ever taken. No one had ever been reborn from death to life. No one had ever been crushed under the weight of humanity’s sin with the aim of rising victorious over it. In a never-before-seen act of kindness, He risked it all. But always remember this: **the greater the risk, the greater the reward.** Because He was willing to risk everything, He has been rewarded with the love and affection of countless numbers of people that were drawn to Him, not by threat of judgment or fear of His wrath, but by His kindness. And for His kindness, we love Him. “*With loving-kindness I have drawn you.*” (Jeremiah 31:3 NKJV).

**HE DIDN’T JUST GO OUT ON A LIMB, HE HUNG FROM THE WHOLE TREE.**

There’s no doubt that kindness is a risk. Many are afraid to take that risk, believing that if they don’t demand respect from their kids, their employees, or their congregations, then they may not get what they want. It’s time to stop being afraid and start living by faith. It’s time to believe there is more power in mercy than there is bitterness, resentment, or anger. This is the difference between people being drawn to you or driven from you. Like Jesus, let us increase in favor with God and man. And, like Jesus, let us write kindness deep within our hearts (Proverbs 3:3,4).

Begin now to grow in a revelation of how kind He has been to you. Soon you will be so full of His kindness that it will begin to overflow into the lives of the people around you. It may feel like a risk, but remember, you’re not hanging from a flimsy twig that’s about to snap. No, you’re out on a limb called Love, and Love cannot fail. ■

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*We commit to pray every day for our partners.*

*We commit to keep our ministry pure.*

*We commit to represent the Lord Jesus Christ in every endeavor and outreach of this ministry.*

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# GOOD GOD!

TESTIMONIES FROM PARTNERS AND FRIENDS OF PEARSONS MINISTRIES INTERNATIONAL

Through your series “The Conversation Between Grace and Faith,” I have experienced a huge shift in my prayer life. Previously, I would talk to the Lord throughout the day, but for some reason, when I went into my prayer closet, my prayer time would deteriorate into a shopping list of all I needed and how I saw things. After hearing your message, and by His grace, I now come into my prayer closet asking God what He wants, what His thoughts are, and how He wants to give me wisdom to deal with things His way.

Bryan

I just wanted to tell you about how you have been such a blessing to our family, and share the testimony of a harvest we just received. For a while now, I’ve desired a new Dodge pickup truck. I had been praying for a long time, yet nothing seemed to be happening. When ya’ll came to minister at EMIC last month, you talked about what it was to have genuine, un-hypocritical faith. I had in my mind that I wanted a certain kind of pickup, so I kept believing I received it; but after your message, I asked God what He was saying and wanting for us. **When we got our words lined up with our hearts and started saying what God is saying, things began to happen quickly.** Yesterday I went to a dealership and paid cash for a brand-new Dodge Ram Crew Cab!

Your Partners, Tim, Tina, Josh, and Katy

God has used both of you in my life in such a big way. I love seeing Jesus in you and your family. Recently during healing school, I took time to gaze on the beauty of my Savior. His love washed over me in such an amazing way. I saw Jesus laying His hands on my head and healing me. **I am more in love with my Savior than ever before.** In Jesus’ name, my life will never be the same! I am so thankful for both of you.

Rebekah

We’d love to hear what our GOOD GOD is doing in your life. Please contact us at [info@pearsonsmministries.com](mailto:info@pearsonsmministries.com) with your testimonies and requests for prayer. Jeremy, Sarah, and the Pearsons Ministries team pray regularly over their partners and friends.

Hi, Jeremy and Sarah,

My name is Elizabeth, and I’m sixteen years old. Ever since I was a baby, I’ve constantly struggled with ear infections. Last summer, my doctor sent me to a specialist who prescribed a nasal spray to help with pressure flow and draining my ears. It worked for a while and somewhat controlled my ear issues, but it didn’t solve the problem. Since I’ve been on it, I’ve had at least seven ear infections in the last year. This week, I came home early from school because I was dizzy from fluid behind my ears, and that usually turns into an ear infection.

That night you guys came to my church to speak. Jeremy’s message was the coolest! Afterwards, Sarah gave a word that someone in the room was struggling with chronic ear infections and they were going to receive healing. I knew that was meant for me (and maybe someone else, too, which is awesome)!

I was so amazed. Words of knowledge are so cool, but I have never had one apply to me before. I was in complete awe of God. **I started crying because I was so happy that my ears were going to be healed. On the car ride home, I felt the pressure that I’d been feeling earlier in the day release—it wasn’t gradual; I actually felt it happen.** Then, the next day after school, I knew for sure I had been healed when I was listening to my iPod. Normally when I listened to it I had to keep the volume pretty low so it wouldn’t make my left ear hurt, but I could now turn the volume up without any ringing or pain!

I had never thought of receiving healing from ear infections because I’d struggled with them my whole life. Obviously, God had other plans. Thank you both so much for following God’s call on your lives. If you hadn’t, I may not have ever realized that I could and would be healed.

Elizabeth



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# inside the song

## “I Will (Because I Love You)”

FROM IN LIGHT OF LOVE & GRACE

I love my kids WAY TOO MUCH. I think we all do, and we could prove it to anyone just by our extensive bedtime routines: after the bathtub, pajama-time, four books, prayer, and one full-length Bible story reenactment, there is usually only one thing left to do before the lights go out...

“Just need you to rub my back and sing me three songs, Mommy.” -Justus

This is how I received the song “I Will (Because I Love You).” One night I began to quietly sing in the Spirit over Justus. I noticed a certain melody stood out to me that I had never heard before. I could sense the Lord’s presence in his room, and as he started to drift off to sleep, this overwhelming love rose up in my heart for him. **I wanted him to know and never forget that I would and I WILL do anything to help him in life, for only one reason—just because I love him.**

I started to sing these words to him, realizing moments after they escaped my mouth that it wasn’t just me singing to him, but the Lord Himself singing through me to him:

I will help you because I love you,  
I will heal you because I love you, my child,  
I will, I will, just because I love you.

I will lead you because I love you,  
I will guide you because I love you, my child,  
I will, I will, just because I love you.

I’ll forgive you because I love you,  
I’ll show you mercy because I love you, my child,  
I will, I will, just because I love you.

I have learned that I can only receive a God-breathed song after He has shown me something rich in His Word; then taking the revelation that He has written on my heart, I translate it into a song.

I realized later that the revelation in Hebrews 8 is the seed that became this song:

*For this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put My laws in their mind and write them on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be My people. For I will be merciful to their unrighteousness, and their sins and their lawless deeds I will remember no more. Hebrews 8:10,12*

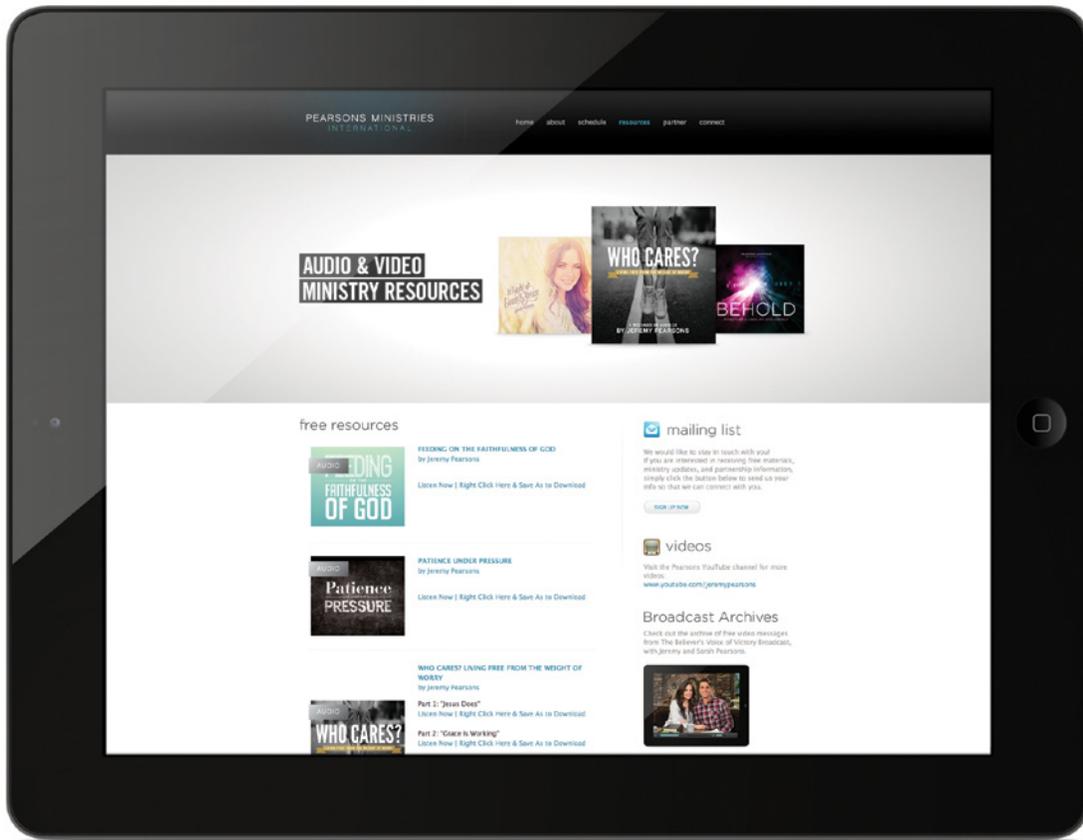
He just couldn’t stop saying “I will” because He loves me. The chorus lyrics followed:

If you only knew how I feel for you,  
You would wipe those tears from your eyes,  
If you only knew how I look at you,  
You’ve found only grace in My sight.

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