



**20/20 vision
In
winter**

Devo Journal

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Intro into Series,

One of my favorite books is Don't Die in the Winter Your Season is Coming by Millicent Hunter. If you haven't read it I advise you to read, pure encouragement!

Speaking of encouragement this series is meant to encourage you in the dry moments of life when we feel like we are crying on silent mode. God hears and He will answer. While you are listening Use Your **Talent**, Ask for **Wisdom**, Express **Love**, Extend **Friendship**.

Here is Part I of The 20/20 Vision Winter Devo Series -Journal Included. Enjoy!

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Week 1 Feb. 5th

Talents

Talent Unlimited

John 15: 2

Hebrews 12:10-11

Week 2 Feb. 12th

Wisdom

Love Letter to Wisdom

James 1:5

John 15:7

Week 3 Feb. 19th

Love

Who's Loving You?

John 15:12

Romans 12:10

Week 4 Feb. 26th

Friendship

Friendship Begets Partnership

2 Corinthians 9:6

Luke 6:38

Talent Unlimited

He cuts off every branch of mine that doesn't produce fruit, and he prunes the branches that do bear fruit so they will produce even more.

John 15.2 NLT

(Cross Reference) Hebrews 12:10-11

When I was 14 years old I signed up to audition for Talent Unlimited a high school for the arts in NYC. I prepared my monologue over and over taking the role of a paraplegic. Crawling to the grave of my loved one and bursting into a heap of tears at the end showed off my acting chops and physicality. Yes, I picked the most dramatic scene I could find based on the dismal mockery of my family. Unfortunately, I didn't get in. But God still used my gifts to His glory year after year after year. And He's still using them today. Those desires that are not meant to be will be pruned off. Those gifts that give only self glory will fade away. But those that bring the kingdom honor will be multiplied and will become unlimited. So what I didn't get recognition from I got back when God trained me up in His school of *Gifts Unlimited*. It's not a school you can find on google maps so don't go searching for it! It's found in acceptance of who He is in your life. What God may be saying to you this week is allow me to **use you**, to **pour you out** and **fill you back again**. Rely on me not on your accomplishments and acceptances from organizations. It's fine to receive awards and honors but don't let that validate who you are and who you were meant to be. Give God your gifts and talents and **He Will** multiple them. He is the only one who can do that because He is the one who gave it to you in the 1st place.

Prayer for this week

Lord thank you for taking care of me and investing your time and love on me. Thank you for my gifts and talents. I ask you to use me and provide opportunities for me to use my gifts and talents for your glory. And if I'm not sure what they are I ask you to please reveal them to me. Take away any selfish motive that I may have. Allow me to be humble yet confident in you. Thank you for my talent unlimited! In Christ Jesus I pray Amen.

2020 Vision Week 1 Journal Entry

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Devotional

Write 1-2 key lines that stood out to you.

Application

How does the devotional apply to your life?

Prayer

How do you want God to use your talent?

Love Letter to Wisdom

If you need wisdom, ask our generous God, and he will give it to you. He will not rebuke you for asking.

James 1:5

(cross reference) John 15:7

You know the Oxford definition of Wisdom is the quality of having experience, knowledge, and good judgment. The Bible hosts stories of our Creator passed down from generation to generation. We learn about Father God's **infinite power**, Father God's **judgement** and Father God's **sovereignty**. We also learn about Jesus Messiah, our Savior. Jesus the one that reclaimed authority over death. Literally snatched it out of old boy's hands. Jesus is the **superhero** in our story. He is the **master teacher**, **master miracle worker**, **master demonstrator**. He is the one we sign our prayers to God with- in Jesus Name. But so many times we leave out the **Holy Spirit**. Is it because we don't understand Him? He has so much power and He has made everything transform with a "go" from the Father. Yes He is and always was behind the scenes but that's where He likes to be.

But can I tell He is the best at filling the room? He is so much more than what we give Him credit for. God was **the Creator of the world**. Jesus was the **Word that became Life**. The Holy Spirit was **the breath and movement of heaven and earth**. He was the unfolding of the waters that parted the Red Sea, He was the dove that landed on Jesus saying "I am with you now let's do some work". And He was in the fiery tongues that rested above the Church at Pentecost.

He gets the credit for things that were hidden that become revealed. He is the lightbulb moment. He is the **wonder!** He is the invisible force that overcomes you when cry out to God.

Love Letter to Wisdom (Cont.)

He is the one that turns our eyes to God when it is hard to snuff out our pride. When I created The Parable Girl He was there, the gift giver. (1Cor, 12: 1-11)

He gave me a gift to share Him with the world and I didn't even know it then. He says I'm the revealer but ever so quietly. He is beautiful. Can I say I'm in love? And it's an **Agape** love of course; for the **Triune** God. Our God.

He placed this in my heart to say, now go tell others about my power. He doesn't want fame but he wants to be used. He's saying, He is the decipher, let him clarify what you can't understand. If only you ask. This Valentine's Day take a moment to love on the Holy Spirit.

This Week's Prayer

Father, thank you for the power of the Holy Spirit. We ask for more understanding of your word through the Holy Spirit. We need the Holy Spirit to go deeper in this life of faith. We thank you for supernatural wisdom that makes us strong and steady as we venture through this journey called Life. We ask that you walk with us, talk with us and fellowship with us daily. We want You to know, You are adored.
In Jesus Name, Amen.

2020 Vision Week 2 Journal Entry

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Devotional

Write 1-2 key lines that stood out to you.

Application

How does the devotional apply to your life?

Prayer

Tell God what area in your life you need help with and ask for His wisdom.

Who's Loving You?

This is my commandment: Love each other in the same way I have loved you.

John 15:12

(cross reference) Romans 12:10

Whether we celebrate Valentine's Day or not we like to think someone is thinking of us even if the relationship is purely platonic. Some people love to buy gifts and receive gifts on this day so they anticipate the lovestruck holiday's arrival. Some lovers expect something sweeter than what an ordinary day brings. Others on the contrary believe everyday is a day to love and do not expect anything nor give anything in protest of love on a calendar date. To celebrate or not celebrate that is not the question at hand. The question for this week is *Do you know Who's Loving You?*

If you answered Yes- Do you really know or has it become a metaphor spoken on special occasions like Easter Sunday? Christmas? Or when a prayer is answered? Do you know the one who loved you far enough to lay down His life for you? Can you call Him a close friend or the friend you call on when you stub your toe...you know what I mean. Do you know His love is intricate and deliberate? His love is mapped and marked to include predecessors and successors in your bloodline that are intentionally time lined for you.

I think I lost someone. You still there?

Who's Loving You? (Cont.)

He plans time just like He plans a purpose for you before you were born (**Jer.29:11**) That's how much He loves you. So whether you received a card & chocolate **or** teddy bear on a stick or jumbo bear with a gigantic heart stitched on his chest **or** a diamond ring **or** a pizza shaped heart or a dozen roses **or** nothing for Valentine's Day know that Jesus loves you with an **everlasting love**. If you are a husband love your wife like Christ loved the church meaning love with **sacrifice**. If you are a wife **encourage your husband, believe in Him and pray for Him daily**. Christ's love bled for us and He was **so willing** to lay down His life for us. We shouldn't take that lightly when we say we love someone.

Unlike the MJ song we don't have to 'wonder with our head hanging down who's loving' us. We know! The one that taught us to love others before ourselves. In this season let's not look for love with Rose' tinted frames. Instead let's reflect the attitude of love whatever our status may be.

This Week's Prayer

Father God we thank you for your overwhelming love today. We know that we are never alone, and never forgotten or overlooked. Let us reflect your love this week on someone who needs it. In Jesus Precious Name

Amen

2020 Vision Week 3 Journal Entry

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Devotional

Write 1-2 key lines that stood out to you.

Application

How does the devotional apply to your life?

Prayer

Tell God what you are most thankful for and what you need help with

Friendship Begets Partnership

Remember this—a farmer who plants only a few seeds will get a small crop. But the one who plants generously will get a generous crop.

2 Corinthians 9:6 NLT

(Cross Reference) Luke 6:38

Age gap, generational gap or culture gap anyone can be friends. But there has to be mutual respect as well as **cultivation** of that relationship. Those that are friendly make friends. Those that are thoughtful of others feelings keep friends. Are we being good friends? Are we building on our relationships or tearing them down? Are we planting good seeds with our gossip? Are we planting good seeds when we are selfish? Are we planting good seeds when we create a mental scoreboard of what we have done vs what they have done? The answer is no. If we want to make an influence beyond our corner of the playground we have to play beyond fair we have to play like Jesus. Let's go **beyond our comfort zone** and have **compassion** for those we would never have before we met Jesus. Let's go beyond our borders of engagement and there our borders will crumble. By borders I mean every border we put up whether someone can see it or not.

This Week's Prayer

Father God thank you for your examples of friendship in your word. Thank you that we can always pick up where we left off. We ask for your forgiveness for any shade thrown on our friends and we ask for your grace as we exhibit grace to others. Thank you for friends that will build us up in faith and partnership for a lifetime.

2020 Vision Week 4 Journal Entry

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Devotional

Write 1-2 key lines that stood out to you.

Application

How does the devotional apply to your life?

Prayer

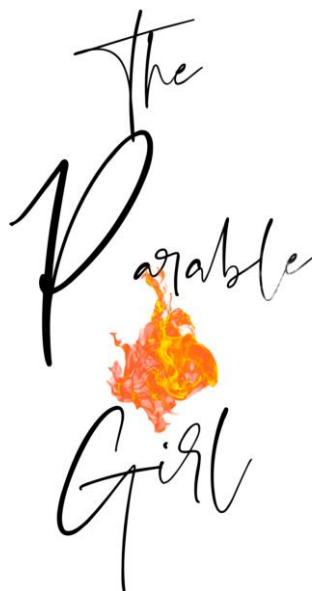
What do you want to share with God in regards to friendship?

I want to thank you for downloading this journal devotional! I hope this blesses you so much that you share it with the people you love. I also hope this becomes an evangelism tool to tell people about Christ's love for us all. My deepest desire is to be obedient to God and witness people's lives change from the unconditional love of Christ.

Thanks again guys. Check back for **Part II** of the 20/20 Winter Series Devos; if you haven't subscribed to my mailing list please do @theparablegirl.com! Get all the **goodies** God is laying on my heart to share! Break free, **See More** & share the good news!

Oh and go snag The Parable Girl Book for yourself or give it to a friend! Available on theparablegirl.com & Amazon

Love,

The logo for 'The Parable Girl' is written in a cursive, handwritten style. The word 'The' is at the top, 'Parable' is in the middle, and 'Girl' is at the bottom. A stylized flame or fire graphic is positioned between the words 'Parable' and 'Girl', partially overlapping the letter 'a' in 'Parable' and the letter 'i' in 'Girl'.