**Titus Women’s Discipleship Summit**

**30 Days of Devotions**

***“Abide in Me and I in You ... the Key John 15:4*.”**

Day 12

*“Soon the sky was black with clouds. A heavy wind brought a terrific rainstorm, and Ahab left quickly for Jezreel.”* 1 Kings 18:45 (NLT)

Have you ever smelled the air right after a gentle Spring rain? Sometimes you can smell the rain. The ground is wet, the flowers glisten with rain drops as they graciously soak up God’s gift of water. Everything looks clean.

Soon the small cloud turned into a rainstorm. Elijah’s prayer was answered, and the people experienced the living God, the one who hears and answers prayers. This rain however I believe brought more than just the much-needed water to replenish the earth. I believe it was an offering of newness from God, for the people in that dry place, filled with suffering, famine, and hopelessness. For three-and one-half years, nothing grew from the earth and nothing grew in their hearts, because their hearts were hardened. Baal gave them nothing, just like the idols today give nothing.

The Israelites repeatedly rebelled against God, yet they were His chosen people. God was in the rescue business then and remains so today. In Isaiah God said to the Israelites, it’s time to look ahead, “‘*For I am about to do something new. See, I have already begun! Do you not see it? I will make a pathway through the wilderness. I will create rivers in the dry wasteland.’”* **1**

Do you need God to do something new in your life?

The Samaritan woman at the well, known by no other name, could easily be any one of us today. There have been times in my life that no person could give me what I needed. Through times of loneliness, pain, disappointments, and crushed feelings, I can relate to this woman. (All but having five husbands). I’m guessing many of you can also.

One day her life changed when she was at the well drawing water, she met Jesus. Look what He said to her, *“‘Anyone who drinks this water will soon become thirsty again.****14****But those who drink the water I give will never be thirsty again. It becomes a fresh, bubbling spring within them, giving them eternal life.’”* **2**

Are you going through a dryness, do you need God to do something new in your life? Just like the water was to the hard and dry land, Jesus wants to be that to the hard, dry, hurting places in your life. Sometimes we believe our difficulties stem from someone or from a specific situation, and that is what needs to change. Perhaps it may be the case, but often the newness that God gives, is fresh eyes to see Him.

Prayer

Father, I am completely amazed by Your grace and mercy. I am so undeserving of Your continued patience and love. Lord I do need You to do a new thing in my heart/life. The struggles that I face are beyond what I can manage. I know that You never intended for me to carry them alone. Lord, I need You to rescue me from \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. I’m grateful for all that You have for me, be it much or be it little, as long as it’s by Your design.

Father, I lift to You each woman who is attending the Discipleship Summit and their families. For anyone who has doubts about attending this event, will You remove them now. For all the resources that need to be written and copies made, will You bless those who are doing this work. Will you cover the Titus Team and their families with Your feathers today and in the days to come. I pray in Jesus name that You will protect them from the enemy, who lies and seeks to destroy. Draw each woman to Yourself so that Your presence is undeniable. Father, now will You be glorified by all that we say and do today.

I love You, with all that I am.

In the matchless name of Jesus, Amen.

**1** Isaiah 43:19 Read Isaiah 43

**2** John 4:13-14 Read John 4:1-41