

# Awakening My Future

*Are you tired? Worn out? Burned out on religion? Come to Me. Get away with Me and you'll recover your life. I'll show you how to take a real rest. Walk with Me and work with Me. Watch how I do it.*

Matthew 11:28 MSG

## Steps to Igniting My Future

### 1. Realize my Value

*So I tell you, don't worry about everyday life—whether you have enough food, drink, and clothes. Doesn't life consist of more than food and clothing? Look at the birds. They don't need to plant or harvest or put food in barns because your heavenly Father feeds them. And you are far more valuable to Him than they are. Can all your worries add a single moment to your life? Of course not.*

Matthew 6:25-27

### 2. Reexamine my Expectations

*Look here, you who say, "Today or tomorrow we are going to a certain town and will stay there a year. We will do business there and make a profit." How do you know what your life will be like tomorrow? Your life is like the morning fog—it's here a little while, then it's gone. What you ought to say is, "If the Lord wants us to, we will live and do this or that." Otherwise you are boasting about your own pretentious plans, and all such boasting is evil.*

James 4:13-16

### 3. Review my Priorities

*But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you.*

Matthew 6:33

*Some children were brought to Jesus so He could lay His hands on them and pray for them. The disciples told them not to bother Him. But Jesus said, 'Let the children come to Me. Don't stop them! For the Kingdom of Heaven belongs to such as these.*

Matthew 19:13-14

*Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect.*

Romans 12:2

#### **4. Refresh my Relationships**

*Then, leaving the crowds outside, Jesus went into the house...*

Matthew 13:36

*Greater love has no one than this, that someone lay down his life for his friends.*

John 15:13

#### **5. Renew my Spirit**

*The next morning Jesus awoke long before daybreak and went out alone into the wilderness to pray. Later Simon and the others went out to find Him. They said, "Everyone is asking for You."*

Mark 1:35-37 NLT

*Learn the unforced rhythms of grace. I won't lay anything heavy or ill-fitting on you. Keep company with Me and you'll learn to live freely and lightly.*

Matthew 11:28-29

*Yet, the strength of those who wait with hope in the LORD will be renewed. They will soar on wings like eagles. They will run and won't become weary. They will walk and won't grow tired.*

Isaiah 40:31

*So I pray that God, who gives you hope, will keep you happy and full of peace as you believe in him. May you overflow with hope through the power of the Holy Spirit.*

Romans 15:13