







"He whom the Son sets free is free indeed!" (John 8:36).

"GREETINGS MY BROTHERS!!"

Although I am no longer with you, PHYSICALLY, know that ALL of you are in my prayers and in my heart..... IN JESUS NAME! I DO GENUINELY LOVE YOU, BROTHERS. (REDEMPTION).

FREE AT LAST! WOW!

"FATHER GOD, I ASK YOU TO **GUIDE ME** IN THIS "MAY NEWSLETTER"... BE MY SPIRITUAL "GPS" SYSTEM. LET MY BROTHERS SEE "YOU" AND NOT "ME". LET THEM SEE THE CHANGE IN ME, AND THE PRESS IN ME, THAT KEEPS ME BEING AND BECOMING, A CHANGED MAN. NO LOOKING BACK!"

YOU MAY BE ASKING, "WHO IS THIS BROTHER TERRY?"



WELL, LET'S DO AN 'I.D.' CHECK! FIRST OF ALL, I WAS INCARCERATED AT ELMORE.

MANY OF YOU KNOW ME AS "T.D." OR "JAKES". (smile). ONCE, I WAS LOST, AND NOW I AM

FOUND. I WILL ALWAYS AND FOREVER BE A MEMBER OF REDEMPTION (IN JESUS NAME).

MANY OF YOU BROTHERS REMEMBER WHEN I FIRST CAME, HOW ALL I USE TO DO WAS

"FIGHT", ALL THE TIME, RIGHT? Little did I know it, but I was really FIGHTING MYSELF! DO

YOU ALL REMEMBER MY FOUL MOUTH? FOUR YEARS (4)! THE FIRST ONE (1), I WAS

TOTALLY LOST. THE LAST (3), THANK GOD, I WAS "SAVED".

I can only give my God all of the PRAISE for: The Holy Ghost, the Love of God and Salvation through Pastor Carmen and the Warriors! (Hedges and Hi-Ways).

Also, Chaplain Woodfin, Sgt. and Pastor Lucas, Captain Mc Kee, Officer Jones, Pastor Fred, Pastor Morris, all of my brothers of REDEMPTION and the whole body of the ELMORE church, who kept me encouraged, inspired and pressing on! I miss y'all! Most of you already know that BEFORE prison, I allowed the devil to USE ME, "BIG TIME" in the Music Business. God gave me a gift and a talent of music, writing songs, singing and rapping. I was used to the money, women, cars,

alcoholic beverages, fans, singing, rapping, etc. DURING prison, with Pastor Fred and my brother,

Brandons', encouragement, God "draft-picked" me, to be used in His service. Praise God! Even though I felt unworthy, He used me mightily! Believe me when I say that, "It is the anointing that makes the DIFFERENCE!" I don't care how talented you are. Once God added His anointing to my gifts and talents, I seemed to SKY-ROCKET and SOAR, like I had never done before!

Sometimes, I would feel invincible, especially after I would hear Pastor Carmen come in and preach the WORD of GOD. The Holy Spirit would **strengthen me, greatly.** God would then download songs of **Victory and Joy** to me. I remember the first time that I saw Pastor Carmen. She would always say, "THE DEVIL IS A LIE". That phrase STUCK in my mind. Then, one day she preached **so hard**, until I knew that it was time for me to **repent**. It was then that God downloaded this song to me:

"FORGIVE ME FATHER, for I have sinned. I come to you, Father, it's time that I repent. My mind and heart's with you, Lord... Let the demons pass me by... My Faith is strong! I can HOLD ON, Cause the devil is a Lie!"!

We, REDEMPTION, would sing to the GLORY OF GOD! Was I perfect after I was saved? NO WAY! VERY FAR FROM IT! BUT, I was determined to get BACK UP, every time I fell. I never had any intention of "playing with God". I loved the Lord, then, and I love Him now. Oh, believe me when I tell you that, it felt like every devil in HELL was turned loose on me, after I committed my life to Christ. It seemed like, my hardest struggles and trials came through many, in prison, that called themselves "CHRISTIANS".

Being a baby in the Lord, I did not know how to deal with all of this NEW chaos. See, I thought that when you get saved, all that stuff stopped and every Christian was supposed to show nothing but LOVE. NOT SO! At times, I would just "PULL" away! Sit in the BACK of the church! I would often just stop singing with the choir and at other times, I just would not even come to church, at all. However, it seemed like every time I would get down and out, God would send some one in to preach or to encourage me to "HOLD ON".

Many times, when I would fall, God would send Pastor Carmen in to preach. She did not know what was going on with me, except through the HOLY SPIRIT. But, still, I felt like she was looking "STRAIGHT" through me. At first, I would get under terrible condemnation. (Satan talking to my mind. That old accuser of the brethren). I would sit under the message, close my eyes, and hang my head between my legs, so far, until it almost touched the floor.

Then, Pastor Carmen taught us that it is satan who tries to make us feel condemned. NOT GOD! That devils' whole plan and strategy is to cause us to feel so condemned, until we will want to pull away, have a BAD attitude, allow whispering spirits to lie to us, point fingers at others, become pride filled and haughty and go into ISOLATION. There, we will have no one to strengthen or encourage us. Then, it will be easier for him to steal the "little" WORD and JOY, that we do have, then kill us, (spiritually and naturally), so he can easily DESTROY US. "THE devil IS A LIE!" God puts us under "CONVICTION" of the heart. Conviction comes with Gods' AGAPE' LOVE and HUMILITY. And, I would get under such conviction, until all I could do was "REPENT" and make that CHANGE.

Thank God for Pastor Carmen allowing God to use her, for me. She sugar coated nothing! She reproved and rebuked me, with all authority, of the Holy Ghost! But, most of all, she did it in Love. For

most of my incarceration, I felt like my Christian life was a "SEE-SAW" or a "MERRY-GO-ROUND". But, through His Loving convictions, God held me close, so I would not let go! See, when I am with my DADDY, my innocence is RESTORED!

<u>Listen, my Brothers!</u> I started to feel really good about my "SALVATION". Like I could conquer the



WORLD.

INVINCIBLE! "ROCKY!" UNCONQUERABLE!

ONE DAY, Pastor Carmen came in and she preached about us "fooling ourselves", like we are so READY to re-enter society, just because we sing in the choir, preach, lead the praises and etc. She explained to us how we must have a complete HEART CHANGE and have the INTIMATE PRESENCE of GOD, inside of us. Not just us being in HIS presence. WOW, REALITY hit me, hard!

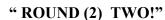
I Suddenly realized that the time for me to EOS was getting closer and closer. I became very fearful, as the days "zoomed" by. I felt happy and sad, at the same time. I only knew that I loved the Lord with all of my heart, and I wanted to SERVE HIM and do my MUSIC for HIM. Not only did I pray harder, but I began requesting prayer from others and I really started reading and studying my BIBLE, for myself. I had no earthly desire to go back into that "sinful" life that I had been living. I had to fortify myself now, more than ever! I cried out for HELP and God sent me some.

Well, as most of you remember, God sent Pastor Carmen and the Warriors in for a "HOLY GHOST REVIVAL". It was the LAST 8 days before I was to EOS. Thank God for JESUS. That 8-day revival really gave me a HOLY GHOST PICK ME UP! I gave my "Testimony" and I SUNG THAT SONG: "THE DEVIL IS A LIE", UNTIL THE POWER OF GOD FELL ALL OVER THE ENTIRE CHAPEL, REMEMBER?

<u>O.K. The revival was AWESOME</u>, but it was over that Friday night! Again, I felt: VICTORIOUS!! INVINCIBLE!! UNTOUCHABLE!! ROCKY-3!!!



I E.O.S.'d the NEXT DAY! Saturday morning, April the 7th, 2012. **The first (1^{st)} day of FREEDOM** for Brother Terry. Can I share it with you? CHECK OUT THE ENEMY! Now, remember that WARNING COMES BEFORE DESTRUCTION, RIGHT? Well, one of the WARRIORS had already written me a letter, before I got out. That letter said, "My Brother, the Patience of Hell will AWE you!" I listened to the words, but I did not take heed to them. NOW, Brothers, this is what happened to me:



DING! DING!

I AM FREE!! My family throws me a COMING HOME PARTY AT MY SISTERS' HOUSE! Man, they threw down! Bar-B-Q and the WORKS! Now, wouldn't you just know it? IT WAS NOT ALL "JUST MY FAMILY", THERE! Now, my Brothers, we all know that the devil likes to throw parties. WELL, he had a "BIG-SIN-CITY PARTY" planned for me. (with all the trimmings!). LIAR! Men, repeat after me, LIAR!

Look, my brothers, I must be TOTALLY <u>1000%</u> "REAL WITH YOU". The devils' TRAP was BIG! It was SO NEGATIVE! Every thing that would RESURRECT my DEAD FLESH, was there. THE devil attacked me through who and what I loved, the most! MY FAMILY AND MY MUSIC! He also HIT ME with money, cars, and ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES! Plus, **OLD FEMALE FRIENDS**, (fans of the devils

music that I used to make). My Brothers, I was up against the ROPES! My flesh was warring against these "invisible", demonic spirits! Oh! And don't forget about those 'Whispering' spirits! The devil was whispering in my ear, "TERRY, YOU AIN'T CHANGED! YOU ARE NOT SAVED! YOU ARE NOT A MAN OF GOD!" It was at that time that I had to do Real SOUL SEARCHING.

• "Were my songs and testimony in vain? Was I truly a hypocrite? Did I just PLAY with God the whole time that I was locked up? Was it just a SHOW to me? Was I just trying to use God as a means of getting out of prison? Did I do it just to PASS time?" God Forbid!!! I thank God for the effectual and fervent prayers, of His righteous people! They WORK!

THE DEVIL IS A LIE! Thank God for the Holy Ghost in me! God sent MY ESCAPE through Brother Bobby and Brother Erick. (My brothers from the Warriors of Praise!). They did not even know what was going on, but, just in the NICK OF TIME, THEY CALLED ME on the phone. I told them where I was, and even though the party was in my HONOR, I got out of there! I left with Brother Bobby and Brother Erick. My young nephew went along with us. We went to a quiet dinner at a restaurant. Then, we went to a nice, clean Movie. Brother Bobby picked it! It put us all to sleep! (smile)



<u>However</u>, we ended up at my mom's house, where we prayed, and the Holy Spirit moved mightily. **My mom and my nephew were touched,** CONVICTED and inspired. My mom even said that she was coming to church! Praise God! Look at what my daddy, my Father, and my God did! What the devil meant for evil, God turned around for mine, my mom and my nephews' GOOD! HALLELUJAH!

<u>Listen, my Brothers,</u> once you are IN CHRIST JESUS, all things become NEW! **SEEK SEPARATION!** You can STILL LOVE, and BE separated from the OLD things! I must say that God was watching me, all the time! But, there comes a time that He just wants to see OUR RESPONSE. How bad do you really want me, Terry? Are you willing to PRESS? To FIGHT against those old demonic TEMPTATIONS? Well, I proved that I was willing, in that ROUND! Now, what you got to remember is, AFTER ROUND 2(two), THERE IS ALWAYS A "ROUND 3(three)! And, every ROUND goes HIGHER and HIGHER, for real! And, more intense!

Ding! Ding! Ding!

ROUND #3(three)!!!

THE FLESH V.S. THE SPIRIT

ROCKY W

Now, brothers, this is what happened to me in Round 3!

A <u>"DOUBLE MINDED"</u> man is unstable in all of his ways (James 1: 8). Flesh verses the Spirit! (Galations chapter 5:17-21, and that's where "my double mindedness" came in at. See, by possessing a gift of music, singing and rapping, that "automatically" made me vulnerable to my passion. MY MUSIC! My first mistake. See, it was God's music, not mine! PRIDE opened the door to temptation. The Temptation? Remember (Matthew 4: 8-9), and the word of God says, "Again, the devil taketh him up into exceeding high mountain, and shewth him all the kingdoms of the

world, and the glory of them. And saith unto him, all these things will I give thee, if thou wilt fall down and worship me".

Just as Jesus was tempted, satan began to tempt me. See, he knew MY WEAKNESSES. He knew that I needed money, and a place to stay. I had a spirit of LUST, and HEY! I had just done four years (4) in prison, WITHOUT A FEMALE. Now, here were females from my past, THROWING themselves at me, and offering me a place to stay! That devil knew my Pain and he was using the PERFECT TOOLS to drag me back into the "LAND OF THE LOST".

He began to tell me, "Terry, I will get you the Money, Fame, Houses, Cars, and Females. Just use your gift to RAP and Sing for me". Was I still fighting? Oh, yes! I was still saying with my MOUTH, satan You are a Liar! I was even saying, "Satan, get thee hence, for it is written, thou shalt worship the Lord thy God and Him only shalt thou serve. (Matthew 4:10). But, at the

SAME TIME, I was doing the MOONWALK dance, in my mind and looking back.

Men of God, I must be totally HONEST with you. I was **COMPROMISING** with the enemy! Pride played a major part in me and we all know that is not good, at all. **So, here I was!** Rebellion, compromising, lusting females, lying, cursing, drinking, etc.

The devil was winning, y'all!

O.K., SO IN "ROUND (3)", I GOT KNOCKED DOWN!!!

See, satan knew ALL of those Kings and SHEEP that I had neglected to KILL!(Just like King Saul).

1Samuel 15th chapter. I knew I had failed to DESTROY them out of my life, while I was still in prison, and I had plenty of time to get rid of them, too. But, it is so easy to IGNORE them when God is still using you. Yes, God was still using me, but He was using me RAGGEDY! Some of you know that God is using you Raggedy, but you don't care, because you love the "hype". THAT IS PRIDE. STUCK ON STUPID. Ask me! The problem with that is, as SOON as you are tested, you FAIL! FALL DOWN!! Come on, Brothers! I was losing! Satan was winning! I GOT KNOCKED DOWN! OH, BUT "PRAISE GOD, I DID NOT GET" KNOCKED OUT"!!! (K.O.'d).

Come on my Brothers! Count with my REFEREE! Jesus is my referee! He is the only one that can COUNT ME OUT! 1,2,3,4,5,6....... Oh, But I THANK MY GOD FOR HOLY GHOST PRAYER WARRIORS IN MY CORNER. Lovingly, they stood by me, refusing to let the devil WIN! They began to CRY OUT FOR ME AND TO ME!! "Come on, Brother Terry, Get Up! Get Up! Fight! You can make it!"

<u>Suddenly</u>, I started to feel unified with their prayers! The prayers of the RIGHTEOUS! Where there is UNITY, there is strength! I FELT my strength coming LIKE "HULK HOGAN!" Y'all remember that God preached that message through Pastor Carmen before I

left ELMORE. That was my Warning, right there! And, yours! I did not take HEED to it. I pray that you did! But, He sent me CONVICTION.

I CALL THAT MERCY!

I thank you, Father God, for your Holy Ghost conviction. Men of God, you know that you are on the *correct track*, WHEN GOD CAN STILL CONVICT YOU TO 'REPENT'. Repent means to make a full fledged CHANGE! I DETERMINED RIGHT THEN, "NO 'K.O'. for me

devil. I am coming up! (And, I did!) And, satan, you are going down!

(And, HALLELUJAH, he did!) That day, I turned my life around. I became a WISE MAN who learned from his OWN FOOLISH MISTAKES!

My brothers, PLEASE DON'T GET COCKY, AND THINK THAT **YOU GOT IT MADE IN THE SHADE**, JUST BECAUSE GOD 'USES' YOU A LITTLE BIT! I URGE YOU NOT TO GET A "BIG" SWOLLEN HEAD, JUST BECAUSE YOU WIN A FEW VICTORIES!! There will be an "AGAIN" TEST in your life! Remember, the patience of HELL will Awe you! *It awed me!*

See, <u>after my Victory in ROUND 2</u>, I just knew that I was ready! But slowly, I began to stray away from Church, from reading my WORD and from communicating with the saints! Oh, there were many opportunities for me to STAY in the presence of God. YES, I had **MORE EXCUSES than VAN CAMPS have "PORK- N – BEANS"!** The saints continued to pull at me, (in agape Love), trying to include me in "every thing" that they did for the Lord. **THEY TRIED TO STOP ME!**

However, I felt that I was *strong enough* to handle it on my own. *After all, I am a MAN.* Listen Brothers, remember when King Saul was first anointed? **He was very humble**. Every thing that he touched was Blessed! *He was walking in God's FRESH ANOINTING*. Every time he went out to battle, he WON. He came in Victorious! Slowly, *with every Victory*, he began to allow that <u>old slew foot</u> <u>devil</u> to 'SWELL' his head. People's praises went to his head! Look, these *satanic spirits* do not take you over ALL AT ONCE. *They creep in step by step.* This is why we must watch and pray!

• First, he became "impatient" with the PROPHET SAMUEL, and proceeded to disobey God. He got out of his place, and took over the Prophet's job. The Prophet told him to WAIT until he got there to offer a SACRIFICE to the Lord. King Saul's IMPATIENCE caused him to say, "I do not have to wait on NO PROPHET! I am the KING! I can DO IT MYSELF", BUT, he was SO wrong! God had declared that ONLY the PRIESTS and the PROPHETS could do certain things. NOT THE KING! Don't FORCE yourself to do FOOLISH THINGS, like me and King Saul did! RESIST THE DEVIL! (ISamuel 13:11-14). LOOK Y'ALL, instead of killing King Saul, right then, God gave him another chance to redeem himself. ANOTHER CHANCE! Somebody say, "AGAIN!" This time, God told him to kill the enemy KING, all the people and all the cattle in the enemys' land. Saul saw a chance to use this enemy King as an alliance, who could possibly connect him with other alliances. What better way to make friends, and get ahead QUICKLY? Shucks! God's way takes too long!

Oh, and did I mention that Saul saw the fattest, whitest and prettiest sheep in the whole

countryside, right there? So, he decided right then and there, (without consulting

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God), to KEEP THE KING AND THE SHEEP ALIVE!!! That was OUTRIGHT rebellion against the known will of God! (SIN). Then, after that first sin, it was easy to add other iniquities to the list. Watch Saul's list GROW right BEFORE YOUR EYES! He TRIED TO HIDE THEM by COVERING THEM UP! But, FROM WHO? Didn't Saul know that you can not HIDE from God? How stupid, huh? Please, brothers! Don't judge Saul too harshly, or too quickly! If we LOOK a little closer, we might see our own FACE in Saul's face.

<u>How many times</u> has God told us, or sent a PROPHET to us, to tell us to **KILL the Kings** in *our* lives? To DESTROY! Something or some one that we put before our God? Everything that is in our life that is not like God? **To wipe out, turn a loose, let go, or get rid of "EVERYTHING**" that is a part of the enemy's camp? But, oh, NO! It has a "demonic sentimental value" to us, or we see it as a potential prospect to help us get ahead! Quickly!

<u>Listen</u>, if God says let it go, let it go! Flesh must die! It will only cause your fall! Not help you to RISE! OUR GOD does not NEED anything or anybody that belong to the devil, to help you to get ahead, prosper, or succeed. God said, "It is I that give you wisdom to get wealth", and "Promotion does not come from the east, west, nor from the south, but God is the judge. He puts down one and sets up another (Psalm 75:6-7). Seek first the kingdom of God, and His Righteousness, then, all of these other things (wives, children, jobs, freedom, money, success, and etc.), shall be added to you. listen, God is not a man that he should LIE, neither is he the son of man that he should REPENT!

<u>Look</u>, men of God, when the Prophet Samuel came to King Saul, he asked him, "Did you kill everything like God told you to do?" Saul said, "Yes Sir, I sure did". What a **BOLD FACE LYING SPIRIT!** And, it was operating in a KING! A CHOSEN MAN OF GOD! (just like you and me). <u>GUILTY!</u> God calls us "KINGS and PRIESTS". Now, get this! As soon as King Saul lied, the sheep started

bleating. Baa! Baaa! BAAA! The prophet Samuel asked him, "Well, if you killed everything, why do I still hear sheep bleating?" Add this to Saul's list! Pointing fingers and Blaming others for his sin and rebellion! He lied, "Well, see, Prophet, I was afraid of the people, so that is why I disobeyed". THE PEOPLE MADE ME DO IT. Yea, right!

My Brothers, take time to read this next part! The Prophet told King Saul, "You know man, God said for me to tell you, "As long as you were LITTLE in your OWN sight, you were also LITTLE in my eyesight, (meaning sweet, kind and Humble), and I COULD USE YOU, then! BUT, NOW, Saul, you have gotten too BIG (meaning haughty, nasty attituded, pride filled, arrogant, and believing your OWN press), in your OWN eyesight, so now you are too BIG in my eyesight, and I CAN NOT USE YOU NO MORE!" (1 Samuel 15th Chapter). Then, God took his Holy Spirit from him, an evil spirit entered into him, and then, God took the "anointing off" of all of his gifts and talents! Plus, God took the WHOLE kingdom and the THRONE away from him and his family, forever! WOW!

You know, Brothers, just like King Saul, **King Terry (T.D.)** almost allowed the enemy to steal EVERYTHING from him, too. *I was determined NOT to let all of my prayers, my cries, or my pressing that I did, while I was at ELMORE, be in vain.* The devil is a lie. I am a <u>WEAPON</u> designed by the Holy Ghost, to **tear down** all of the strong holds that satan tries to **build up** in my mind.

I thank God for a Pastor that hears and obeys God. It was *this whole chapter* that God allowed her to preach, that opened up the eyes of my understanding, gave me my SPANKING, and caused me to "Get Back Up Again"! (2Thessalonians chapter 2). Read it, my brothers, and be BLESSED! Then, you will

be able to say like me, "No 'K.O.' for me!" AMEN? <u>THE DEVIL IS A LIE!</u>" Jesus loves all of you and so do I. Monthly, you hear from Pastor Carmen and the Warriors. You say, "Aw, they don't understand my Pain!" But I'm one of you, and I have been RIGHT WHERE YOU ARE, RIGHT NOW! SO, PLEASE LISTEN TO ME!

!!!WARNING!!!

I know that all of you have heard the NEWS that the State is planning a MASSIVE RELEASE OF PRISONERS, SOON. I am sure that many of you are praying that you will be one of the many brothers that will be released. I am praying that you will be, too, BUT ONLY IF YOU ARE "TRULY READY". DO NOT be like me and "FOOL YOURSELF" THAT YOU ARE READY TO RETURN TO THE FREE WORLD, JUST BECAUSE GOD IS USING YOU, IN PRISON. Who cares if you have been drug free on the inside? Or have Not lusted after a woman during your time locked up?

Remember, the *patience of hell will awe you*. And you know they say out of sight, out of mind. Well brothers, when your *feet hit the free world*, those things will no longer be out of sight nor out of mind. They will be *BOLDLY* IN YOUR FACE. Your first DRUG will be FREE! Satan is WAITING on you! Oh, NO! Don't Fear! Just get prepared! It is not as EASY (out here) as you think. Why else do you think the bible says, "But I keep under my body, and bring it into subjection: lest that by any means, when I have preached to others, I myself should be a CASTAWAY." (1 Corinthians 9:27).

GET IN GODS' FACE NOW! CRY OUT TO HIM NOW! GET DELIVERED NOW! STOP LYING TO YOURSELF, NOW! EVERYTHING IS NOT ALRIGHT IN YOUR LIFE! BE REAL! DON'T JUST "DO"TIME. Don't ABUSE, MISUSE, OR LOSE THIS TIME, USE IT WISELY!

I urge you NOT to forget (1 Corinthians 10: 12-15): "Wherefore let him that THINKETH HE STANDETH, take heed LEST HE FALL. There hath no temptation taken you but such as is common to man: but God is faithful, who will NOT suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able; but will with the temptation also make a way to escape, that ye may be able to bear it. Wherefore, my dearly beloved, flee from idolatry.

I speak as to wise men; judge ye what I say." FOR ME, I KNOW ROUND (4) IS COMING? Keep praying for ME. I PRAY that getting K.O.'d is NOT an option. The "Devil IS A LIE"!

The question is: WHAT ROUND ARE YOU IN, NOW?

LOVING YOU "TOO" MUCH TO SEE YOU FALL, FAIL, RETURN TO PRISON. DIE. OR GO TO HELL!

YOUR BROTHER IN CHRIST.



TERRY (T.D.)

MAY" HAVE A SLICE OF CAKE. (YEAH, I KNOW THAT WAS **CORNEY*!!! I GUESS I HAVE BEEN HANGING AROUND **BRO. BOBBY TOO LONG!).