

## Free to Fly

“Some have a style they work hard to refine, so they walk a crooked line.

But she won't understand why anyone would have to try to walk a line when they could fly.”

We were Created to Fly! (made free)

Church: Safety (pic 1) vs Soaring (pic 2) ~ transition (pic 3)

To experience the Thrill of Soaring we must Overcome the Fear of Falling.

You must Believe you can Fly!

(Ep 2:4-10) <sup>4</sup>But God, who is rich in mercy, because of His great love with which He loved us, <sup>5</sup>even when we were dead in trespasses, made us alive together with Christ (by grace you have been saved), <sup>6</sup>and raised us up together, and made us sit together in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, <sup>7</sup>that in the ages to come He might show the exceeding riches of His grace in His kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. <sup>8</sup>For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God, <sup>9</sup>not of works, lest anyone should boast. <sup>10</sup>For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand that we should walk in them.

We are made alive *with* Christ, raised up *with* Him to heavenly places (perspective, access), so He can display the exceeding riches of His grace, through individually prepared good works, by God crafted specialists.

(Ep 1:17-23) <sup>17</sup>that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give to you the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of Him, <sup>18</sup>the eyes of your understanding being enlightened; that you may know what is the hope of His calling, what are the riches of the glory of His inheritance in the saints, <sup>19</sup>and what is the exceeding greatness of His power toward us who believe, according to the working of His mighty power <sup>20</sup>which He worked in Christ when He raised Him from the dead and seated Him at His right hand in the heavenly places, <sup>21</sup>far above all principality and power and might and dominion, and every name that is named, not only in this age but also in that which is to come. <sup>22</sup>And He put all things under His feet, and gave Him to be head over all things to the church, <sup>23</sup>which is His body, the fullness of Him who fills all in all.

1. Calling (the pay is the same, but must see it as a calling)

2. Inheritance (resources)

3. Power (ability)

same heavenly position from which Jesus expresses his authority and fullness (power)

(1Co 12:4-11) <sup>4</sup>There are diversities of gifts, but the same Spirit. <sup>5</sup>There are differences of ministries, but the same Lord. <sup>6</sup>And there are diversities of activities, but it is the same God who works all in all. <sup>7</sup>But the manifestation of the Spirit is given to each one for the profit of all: ... <sup>11</sup>But one and the same Spirit works all these things, distributing to each one individually as He wills.

Every believer is gifted! (You can fly!)

You must learn how *you* fly. (diversities) ~ overcome fear of falling

ex: downtown – teach, pray mandate (1 Cor 9:16)

Bethel School of supernatural Evangelism – healing vs prophecy

Don't Compare (2 Cor 10:2), Appreciate

(1Co 12:18-21) <sup>18</sup>But now God has set the members, each one of them, in the body just as He pleased. <sup>19</sup>And if they were all one member, where would the body be? <sup>20</sup>But now indeed there are many members, yet one body. <sup>21</sup>And the eye cannot say to the hand, "I have no need of you"; nor again the head to the feet, "I have no need of you."

Every Gift is Needed (yours!)

(Ep 4:16) <sup>16</sup>from whom the whole body, joined and knit together by what every joint supplies, according to the effective working by which every part does its share, causes growth of the body for the edifying of itself in love.

Pursue your Gifting

(1Co 12:31) <sup>31</sup>But earnestly desire the best gifts. And yet I show you a more excellent way. <LOVE>

(1Co 14:1) <sup>1</sup>Pursue love, and desire spiritual gifts, but especially that you may prophesy.

Stir Up your Gifting

(2Ti 1:6-7) <sup>6</sup>Therefore I remind you to stir up the gift of God which is in you through the laying on of my hands. <sup>7</sup>For God has not given us a spirit of fear, but of power and of love and of a sound mind.

Stir Up other people's Gifting

(Heb 10:24-25) <sup>24</sup>And let us consider one another in order to stir up love and good works, <sup>25</sup>not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as is the manner of some, but exhorting one another, and so much the more as you see the Day approaching.

(pic 4)