

Writing to the Beat of God's Heart

Encouraging and Inspiring Writers and Aspiring Authors

Have patience with all things,
but chiefly have patience with
yourself. Do not lose courage in
considering your own
imperfections but instantly set
about remedying them - every
day begin the task anew.

Saint Francis de Sales

Time Management

Lord, I thank you that you are the God who controls all things including time. Today I will use my time wisely and devote myself to hearing from you concerning my writing. I will jealously guard my time and not foolishly give it away to people, things or activities that do not support my writing. During this season, I will only give my time, talent and treasure to those things that are pleasing to you and enhance my gift of writing.

Matthew 7:6

"Do not give dogs what is sacred; do not throw your pearls to pigs. If you do, they may trample them under their feet, and then turn and tear you to pieces.

Procrastination

Lord, I repent of all laziness and slothfulness. I will seek you and your will concerning all writing and other projects that you have for me to complete during this season. Issues like perfectionism will no longer keep me from completing the writing that you have for me. In faith, I will begin work and complete work on those writing projects that you have ordained for me. Delays, some manmade and others spiritualized, will not hinder me any longer. I will be focused on diligence and persistence.

Proverbs 13:4

The sluggard craves and gets nothing, but the desires of the diligent are fully satisfied.

Feeling Overwhelmed

Father, I thank you for lifting the many burdens from my life. I will learn to cast my cares on you and not allow my feelings to control me. I acknowledge that they exist but they will not control me the point where I get nothing done. I will give these feelings to you and trust in the safety that your word promises.

Psalm 61:2

From the ends of the earth, I cry to you for help when my heart is overwhelmed. Lead me to the towering rock of safety.

Getting Started

"It is only the first step that is difficult."*Marie De Vichy-Chaconne*

I thank you Lord for new beginnings and for sending me fresh, anointed ideas to minister to others. I will be open to your will and your words concerning this project. I pray that my desires decrease and that my ability to hear you and my desire to serve you through writing will increase. As I remain obedient to you, show me how my gift can serve you, honor you and glorify you. As you have been faithful by giving me this gift, I will be faithful and give it back to you. I have a renewed mind and a restored attitude and will not use this time to write anything other than the new.

Matthew 9:17

Neither do men pour new wine into old wineskins. If they do, the skins will burst, the wine will run out and the wineskins will be ruined. No, they pour new wine into new wineskins, and both are preserved."