

And If Our God Is For Us ...

Then who can ever stop us? That's the question worship leader and songwriter Chris Tomlin, along with Passion Conference founder Louie Giglio and music artist Christy Nockels, posed to crowds in October 2011.

The 2011 fall tour turned out to be a huge success for Tomlin, who will begin a 13-date fall tour in August at the Wisconsin State Fair in West Allis, Wis. For tickets, tour dates and destinations visit christomlin.com.

Response



We call God by so many names, and artist Phil Wickham “shouts” the name *Yahweh* in his single “At Your Name,” featured on his new CD, *Response* (releasing Oct. 4). It is Wickham’s prayer that whoever hears his song is both inspired to worship God and reminded of His greatness. Wickham’s 2009 album *Heaven & Earth* climbed to No. 4 on the *Billboard* U.S. Christian Albums chart.

The Essential Guide To

Healing

Bill Johnson, senior pastor of Bethel Church in Redding, Calif., joins with Global Awakening founder Randy Clark to equip Christians to minister healing in their co-authored book, *The Essential Guide to Healing*. The team turns to Scripture to point readers to a theological and historical foundation for healing today. This book's inspirational stories and step-by-step guidance prove that the ministry of healing is not reserved for a select few.

A Different October Thrill



Joel Rosenberg returns with the second title in his *New York Times* best-selling Twelfth Imam series. Although still fairly new to Christian fiction, Rosenberg has captivated audiences with political thrillers that highlight events in the Middle East. *The Tehran Initiative* (releasing Oct. 18 from Tyndale) takes true-to-life issues and details them with back-room negotiations, secret meetings, political trade-offs, intelligence missteps and terrorist strikes that boost the thrill factor.

No, We Can't



Coexistence is a myth—that's the bottom line of Robert Stearns' new book, *No, We Can't*. Stearns highlights the core problems in the push toward multiculturalism and religious tolerance, and in the loss of strength in Judeo-Christianity. Stearns challenges readers to prayerfully explore what role they will play in the midst of it all.

What In The World Is Going On?



In his latest book from Charisma House, international evangelist Perry Stone digs into both biblical prophecies and Islamic tradition to explain what's going on in the world today. *Unleashing the Beast* touches on world events that Stone believes could very well be precursors to the end times. *Charisma's* exclusive interview with Stone about the end of times can be viewed at stone.charismamag.com.

Know Satan's Tactics and Overcome

They overcame him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony. **–Revelation 12:11**

If we are going to do spiritual warfare, then we need to know Satan's tactics in order to overcome them. Satan is out to deceive. Revelation 12:9 describes him as "that old serpent, called the Devil, and Satan, which deceiveth the whole world" (KJV).

How does he set about his deception? In 2 Corinthians 11:14, Satan is called "an angel of light," which means that he uses apparently respectable means and people to deceive us. He tries to lure us away from the truth and towards the counterfeit. Paul says: "For if he that cometh preacheth another Jesus, whom we have not preached, or if ye receive another spirit, which ye have not received, or another gospel, which ye have not accepted, ye might well bear with him" (2 Cor. 11:4, KJV).

Satan is out to demoralize: "Now is come salvation, and strength, and the kingdom of our God, and the power of his Christ: for the accuser of our brethren is cast down, which accused them before our God day and night" (Rev. 12:10, KJV).

How does Satan accuse? Sometimes he tells us that we are not saved. Or if he can't succeed with that, he tries to convince us that God has finished with us and that we are irreparably out of His will. Nothing is more demoralizing to a Christian than this. But let me give you a rule of thumb here: all oppression is of the devil.

Another method of accusing and demoralizing us is to tell us that we are not fit to worship God as we are. The devil reminds us of some weakness or failing in our life, and he

says, "You must get that right before you can worship God. You're not in a fit state to do anything." He tries to get in during the week, and if he fails there, he tries on Sunday morning. If we lose our temper or give in to some other weakness, he says to us, "You see, you're not fit." But God never says that.

So what are we to do in the face of Satan's strategies? The answer is that we must refuse to give place to him. We must realize that Satan's strategy is aimed to produce one thing—a grieved Holy Spirit. That is all he wants. And if he achieves that, then he has won.

Excerpted from *Worshipping God* (Hodder & Stoughton, 2004).

Spiritual Warfare

For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers ... against spiritual wickedness in high places. **—Ephesians 6:12, KJV**

Speaking Out of Fear

Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. **—Philippians 4:6**

God Comes in a New Way

When Elijah heard it, he pulled his cloak over his face and went out and stood at the mouth of the cave. **-1 Kings 19:13**