

The Stronghold of Your Faith Wants to Restore What Has Been Lost

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I had an encouraging dream recently. I was in an international airport with some other people waiting to catch a flight back home. Suddenly I realized I had managed to leave some things I really cared about back at the hotel room—including my favorite black leather jacket. This was an upsetting discovery, but there was nothing I could do. There simply wasn't enough time to go back to the hotel—if I did I would most certainly miss my flight.

So I boarded the flight, which took off as planned, but then something interesting happened. For some reason the plane was prevented from landing at the connecting airport and turned around. I found myself back at the original airport with plenty of time to go back to the hotel to recover these items!

Once back at the hotel, I discovered I'd left behind more stuff than I realized. In the process of gathering it all, I managed to forget my favorite black jacket again! But I hadn't gotten far before I realized it and was able to go back a second time to recover it once more!

I don't know about you, but I have certain things that the enemy (Satan) has stolen from me and my family that I've pretty much given up hope on ever recovering. As I prayed about some of these things in light of what was contained in the dream, the following Scripture leapt to mind:

"And as for you, because of the blood of your covenant, I will

send your prisoners from the empty, waterless pits. Return to your stronghold, prisoners who now have hope. Today I declare that I will return to you a double portion" (Zech. 9:11-12).

Friends, it's time to return to the stronghold of our faith—Jesus Christ. He has the power to turn things around, much like that plane turned around in my dream. I see Him restoring some things—and then restoring more things—even that which is most dear and precious to you—your "favorite black jacket!"

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