



*“For because of Him the whole body (the church, in all its various parts), closely joined and firmly knit together...with which it is supplied, when each part [with power adapted to its need] is working properly [in all its functions], grows to full maturity, building itself up in love”.* Ephesians. 4:16, Amp

## THE MESSAGE BIBLE IMPARTS THE FRAMEWORK FOR YOUR SELF-PORTRAIT

*Your Anticipation:* “Use all your skill to put me together; I wait to see your finished product”, Psalm 25:21. “God, my God, I yelled for help and you put me together. God, you pulled me out of the grave, gave me another chance at life when I was down-and-out”, Psalm 30:2-3. *Your Affirmation:* “God made my life complete when I placed all the pieces before him. When I got my act together, he gave me a fresh start. Now I’m alert to God’s ways; I don’t take God for granted. Every day I review the ways he works; I try not to miss a trick. I feel put back together, and I’m watching my step. God rewrote the text of my life when I opened the book of my heart to his eyes”, Psalm 18:20-24. *Your Answer from Jesus:* “This, in a nutshell, is that will: that everything handed over to me by the Father be completed—not a single detail missed—and at the wrap-up of time I have everything and everyone put together, upright and whole. This is what my Father wants: that anyone who sees the Son and trusts who he is and what he does and then aligns with him will enter *real* life, *eternal* life. My part is to put them on their feet alive and whole at the completion of time,” John 6:39-40. I join my faith with yours that all the pieces of your life will resemble the masterpiece God designed before the foundation of the world. “May God himself, the God who makes everything holy and whole, make you holy and whole, put you together—spirit, soul, and body—and keep you fit for the coming of our Master, Jesus Christ. The One who called you is completely dependable. If he said it, he’ll do it!”, I Thessalonians 5:23-24.

## DISMEMBERED: SATAN CANNOT DO WHAT HE THOUGHT HE COULD DO WITH YOU

Prophetically, Hannah announced Jesus’ impact in 1 Samuel 2:10. “The adversaries of the Lord shall be broken to [irreconcilable] pieces; out of heaven shall he thunder upon them: the Lord shall judge the ends of the earth; and he shall give strength unto his king, and exalt the horn of his anointed. Jesus testified in John 16:7-11 that the works of satan had already been annihilated. “Nevertheless I tell you the truth; It is expedient for you that I go away: for if I go not away, the Comforter will not come unto you; but if I depart, I will send him unto you. And when he is come, he will reprove the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment; Of judgment, because the prince of this world is judged. Judged in Greek means to separate or put asunder; literally, to break into pieces”. Hebrews 2:14 is your promise that your life has been redeemed from destruction and delivered from the fear of death. “Forasmuch then as the children are partakers of flesh and blood, [Jesus] took part of the same that through death He might destroy [satan] that had the power of death.” Severed! Forever!

## NO ASSEMBLY REQUIRED: JESUS’ BROKENNESS LEFT YOUR LIFE UNBROKEN

Luke 23:42-43 says “And [the thief on the cross] said unto Jesus, Lord, remember me when thou comest into thy kingdom. And Jesus said unto him, Verily I say unto thee, Today shalt thou be with me in paradise”. Death by crucifixion is quite dismantling. Jesus’ promised to reassemble all his broken pieces. In Greek, “remember” means re-collect: to gather again; to collect what has been scattered. The antonym for re-collect is not forget, but dismember i.e., to separate a part from the main body; to divide; to sever; to rend asunder; to tear to pieces; or disfigure. The resurrected assembly of the dry bones in Ezekiel 37:1-14 gives an image of what God can do in your life to resurrect the dead things, make sure every joint supplies and knit you together in love. The Lord partnered with Ezekiel to put together a massive army. Can the resurrection power of Christ bring about life from the dissembling of death? Yes! Learn to see on earth as God sees in heaven. Next, only decree and declare on earth, what God decrees and declares in heaven. Allow God full expression to make deposits in your heart. With His Word in your mouth, prophesy for God as His mouthpiece on earth. Refuse to rehearse anything that may be factual but not absolute truth. Don’t leave the Lord powerless in your life by assembling contradictions. The Lord works habitually and systematically on earth; restoration always begins and ends with what God breathed. Listen for His voice!

## Thought for Transformation

*Your life story is not the reenactment of Humpty-Dumpty—permanently dismantled. King Jesus, Lord of All, will put you back together again, no matter how many times you have fallen apart.*

## The Word on the Assembly Line

*“Every part of Scripture is God-breathed and useful in one way or another—showing us truth, exposing our rebellion, correcting our mistakes, training us to live God’s way.*

*Through the Word we are put together and shaped up for the tasks God has for us”, 2 Timothy 3:17, The Message. God framed the world with His Word, the model we’re to match. In Greek, framed means: to complete thoroughly; make perfectly joined together; repair; prepare; restore; mend; adjust; fit;—beyond measure until it’s complete and perfect.*

## Held Together in Place

*God’s impenetrable armor covers every part, so you can’t ever break into pieces. “Wherefore take unto you the whole armor of God, that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand”, Ephesians 6:13. God’s reinforcement always leaves you standing strong. Know this: nothing—not any opposing force—shall be able to separate you from His love of God which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.*