

A WORD WITH YOU - By Ron Hutchcraft

9341 – “Coming Back From Crashing”

Isaiah 40:28

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You’ve probably seen pictures of an eagle, probably soaring majestically. You’ve actually seen some eagles? Okay. I’ll bet they were soaring. It’s always special when you see one. But apparently, from something I read recently, there are times that they can’t even fly. and very few people have ever seen them in their bad times. According to this account, eagles do get sick, and sometimes when they’re sick they’re almost immobilized. They’re weak, depleted, and frankly they’re not much to see. When an eagle crashes like that he goes off to a place where he can be alone, often on top of a high cliff. And he lies out in the sun, face up, spread-eagled, totally collapsed. God has actually outfitted the eagle with eyes that can look at the sun without any damage, and that’s what the powerless eagle does. He focuses his eyes on the sun and he lies there until his strength comes back. Yeah, the eagle crashes, but he knows how to come back to soar again!

I’m Ron Hutchcraft and I want to have **A WORD WITH YOU** today about **“Coming Back From Crashing.”**

It’s not just eagles that crash...so do we. We all go through those times when we’ve got nothing left to give. You may be in one of those seasons right now. You’re weak, you’re depleted, you’re exhausted, you’re physically, emotionally, spiritually drained. I know the feeling. You don’t have the personal resources to meet your challenges—the demands that you’ve got in front of you. It’s in those moments that you become a candidate for resources far beyond your own. Let’s call it “eagle power.”

It’s described in our word for today from the Word of God in the familiar words of Isaiah 40, beginning with verse 28. “The Lord is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He will not grow tired or weary, and His understanding no one can fathom.” Now, if the word “weak” or “weary” would describe you right now, then this next promise has your name on it. “He gives strength to the weary and increases the power of the weak. Even youths grow tired and weary, and young men stumble and fall; but those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint.”

Now, if we can grasp how it is that an eagle in crash mode renews his strength, we’ll understand how we can renew ours—and then “soar on wings like eagles.” Just picture that usually strong eagle, sprawled out powerlessly, eyes focused on the sun, his body and spirit soaking up its strength. He totally gives up in order to gain strength. The law of God’s renewing work is pretty simple—you have to surrender to get strong.

God has not allowed you to reach the end of you so you’ll give up, but so you’ll give up control! It’s time to finally take your fingers off that steering wheel that you’ve held onto

so tightly and relinquish all control to Almighty God. "I give up, Lord. I can't fix it. I can't figure it out. I can't contribute anything to a solution. I'm wiped out and I'm totally releasing all of me and all of my issues to You." At that moment, God miraculously begins to replace your weakness with His unlimited strength and your confusion with His infinite wisdom. Your exhaustion for his boundless energy and your despair for his indomitable hope.

That surrender can't just be a one-time thing. Paul said we're, "...renewed day by day." You need to come to Him each new day, confessing your powerlessness, surrendering control, and downloading His strength and power. When you keep your eyes on the son of God...when you totally surrender to Him, you'll become a candidate for His strength and His power. And you know what? You are ready again to "soar on eagles' wings!"

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