



by Pastor Keagan Reagan

I married Angelique, my best friend, seven years ago and together we are enjoying the beautiful gift of parenting our three wonderful children: Sophia-Leah, Lily-Grace and Benjamin-Craig. I am so grateful to God that my family and I are planted in a local church where the unadulterated gospel of grace is preached.

Even though I grew up in the church, my life was characterized by brokenness, emptiness, self-reliance, envy and pride. Even as I attempted to disguise my flaws by portraying self-confidence and pretentious success, as I believed that I could make a way for myself, I still knew deep down that I was failing miserably in life.

My life only started changing when I started hearing the message of the cross. When Jesus is preached and revealed, we cannot help but be

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transformed. When the pure gospel is preached, we hear all about the unconditional love of our heavenly Father and how, through Jesus Christ, all our sins are forgiven and that we are now the righteousness of God in Christ. When the real gospel is preached, a finger is not pointed at us but instead we are pointed to the perfect, finished work of our Saviour at the cross. My transformation and

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freedom began, as I started believing, firstly, that I am God's beloved son in whom He is well pleased. This powerful truth has infiltrated my marriage and parenting. Oh, how I love the gospel!

Being planted in the house of God, the local church, is causing me to flourish. In my spiritual home, the gospel of grace is preached and lives are being transformed. Romans 5:17 says, "Those who receive *abundance of grace and of the gift of righteousness will reign in life through the One, Jesus Christ.*"

My family and I have found great refuge by being planted in the church and connected to its leadership who have loved and accepted us through every season of our lives. We have been blessed with amazing kingdom friendships. Jesus and His church is the foundation and centre of our lives as a family. As my family and I are serving the Lord, we are enjoying the abundance of His grace.

By God's grace, I am loving and cherishing my wife. God gave me the best partner and helper in Angelleque. Our marriage continues to grow in love and honour. Without Jesus, we are nothing and can do nothing.

Our children are God's beloved children and we believe that He loves and cares for them more than we ever could. We are enjoying our children because we believe that they are gifts from the Lord and we continue to rely on the wisdom of God in parenting them. We have determined in our hearts to point our children to Jesus and His perfect, finished work. We teach them that Jesus is with them and therefore they will be successful. We can truly say that we have no fear or concern about what the future holds for our children.

As a family, we know that we have a sure hope and bright future and it is all because of Jesus.

GOD RESTORED My Marriage by Janine Faulmann

I got married in February 2011. My husband, Kurt, and I both came into our marriage with hurt, pain and emptiness. Our marriage was strained from the beginning because of our brokenness. The enemy used our brokenness and all the lies that we believed about ourselves to attack our marriage. He came only to steal, kill and destroy our marriage. We tried everything in our own strength to save our marriage, but the harder we tried, the worse it became - to the point where, in May 2017, Kurt packed his bags and left for the last time.

God led me to TheROCK Church a few days later. I was in a dark, desperate place and feeling completely hopeless. I was introduced to Apostle Craig and in sharing my story with him, he declared hope into my hopelessness and restoration into my broken marriage. Even though at this time, it all seemed impossible, Apostle Craig still spoke life into what seemed dead and over. I remember desperately clinging to every word that he spoke that day as I believe God was speaking through Him. After this, I kept returning to TheROCK Church to hear the gospel of grace and all that Jesus accomplished for me on the cross. Without me realising it, my journey of healing and restoration had started.

After joining and planting myself at TheROCK Church, my relationship with Kurt still continued to deteriorate, leading to our divorce soon after. Our marriage was officially over. I continued to turn to Jesus in that very difficult season and kept hearing

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His Word. Hearing His Word started to give me hope. I started to believe that God loves me and cares about me and that with Him, all things are possible. The revelation of Jesus' perfect, finished work on the cross for me filled me with hope that my marriage could be restored. It was through hearing the good news of Jesus that faith came to me to believe in God's complete restoration.

Even though months had passed and nothing seemed to be happening, God was at work. Eighteen months after our divorce, our relationship suddenly started to get better. Even though we were divorced, we desired to spend time together. Along with our young son, we started spending time together again. As God was healing us, He started healing our marriage. It was not our own efforts, it was all Jesus.



Our heavenly Father started to make all things new and blessed us with a completely new beginning as we remarried on the 10th of March this year. This is God's amazing restoration because our marriage is not like it was before. We never got our old marriage back, but a new and better one. Things are not perfect, but it is beautiful. There is a peace, joy, love, respect and honour between us that was not there before. I now see Kurt as God sees Him - a greatly blessed man. I thank God for my husband.

What the enemy meant for harm, God has turned around for our good in every way. His love continues to restore us and our marriage. Jesus turned our water into wine and He saved the best wine for last. Today Jesus is the centre of our marriage. Thank you Apostle Craig for marrying us, and together with Apostle Jason preaching the gospel of grace that continues to radically transform my life and my marriage.