

# Christian Seeking Identity

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Greetings Family and Friends,

It seems like there have been little to no changes in our climate temperatures since our last June-July newsletter. We trust in the Lord that you are able to stay cool and safe during this extreme heat. Many times, in our lives we find ourselves experiencing a multitude of situations (sometimes all at once) and before we know it, we are asking the question, God, where are you? This is the subject that we would like to share with you in this month's newsletter message. We trust that it will be encouraging and uplifting for your life.

Bless you!

Your friends,

Mickey & Suzan

## God, Where are You ?

God is our refuge and God is our strength. He is our help in time of trouble.

Psalms 91:1-2 He that dwelleth in the secret place of the most High shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty. I will say of the LORD, He is my refuge and my fortress: my God; in him will I trust.

Have you ever had a time in your life where no matter where you look, you find tragedy, dismay, hopelessness, or insurmountable problems and even death facing you. These experiences aren't all necessarily happening to you directly but to family members, close friends-people in your life that you really care about.

The enemy is continually trying to lay a trap for us. He uses our circumstances against us and continually tries to get us to question the goodness of God, the truth of His Word and God's promise to provide for us. He wants to make us feel like

God has abandoned us and those we love!

Psalms 71:10-11 For mine enemies speak against me; and they that lay wait for my soul take counsel together, Saying, God hath forsaken him: persecute and take him; for there is none to deliver him.

Psalms 42:10 As with a sword in my bones, mine enemies reproach me; while they say daily unto me, Where is thy God?

As you look around with natural compassion in your heart for the ones you love going through trying circumstances, medical emergencies, premature deaths, cancer and crushing disappointments, you start to feel a little numb.

For instance, just this summer this is what I have been confronted with: A close friend and a niece both undergoing heart surgery, another friend who fell and broke several bones in her lower leg requiring pins, plates and complete immobilization for 10 weeks, another was diagnosed with

breast cancer, a brother in law who was burned in a fire and had to spend 5 weeks in the hospital of which two weeks were in an ICU unit and a niece is dealing with a troubled pregnancy. In addition to all of this I was called upon to conduct the funeral service for a beautiful thirty year old young lady who was a member of the church I formerly co-pastored.

The enemy moves in and says where is God? You have to help these people. They are your friends and family and they need more than just a simple prayer. They need "Real Help!"

I can't tell you how many times I have taken the bait and ran with it! Need I say more? The enemy wants us to take matters into our own hands, take up our battles and everyone else's at the same time and fight them in our own strength because because he knows that it will ultimately lead to our destruction.

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How do we respond to his taunts? We have to CONTINUALLY resort to the source of our strength.

Psalms 71:2-3 Deliver me in thy righteousness, and cause me to escape: incline thine ear unto me, and save me. Be thou my strong habitation, whereunto I may continually resort: thou hast given commandment to save me; for thou art my rock and my fortress.

We don't have to face the opponent. God fights our fight. His only instruction is STAND STILL! He is our hero. He is our "Rocky." We can't handle it, but He can! We have blind spots in our vision. We get beat up when we try to fight battles that are not ours to fight. The hardest part of living the Christian life is **not** trying to do what we think God requires of us, but to let go of our

tendency to take control of things when they appear to be out of God's control! If we don't fix our eyes on Jesus, we will be overcome in the struggle. Allow God to be God. Judge Him to be faithful to perform His word.

**Num 23:19** God is not a man, that he should lie; neither the son of man, that he should repent: hath he said, and shall he not do *it*? or hath he spoken, and shall he not make it good? I finally had to put my trust and my faith in God and believe Him to be faithful to the same Word, that He has always been faithful to in my life.

My prayer for you is that when you come to that place in your life that you want to ask, "God, Where are You?" you will stop and let His Holy Spirit show you that He is as close to you as your next breath of air that you breathe. Amen & Amen!

## Susan's Books The God Connection & Identity Theft Translated into Lithuanian

We will be in Lithuania in August doing several conferences and seminars with pastors, church leaders and teaching in various churches. During this time we will be launching Susan's two books which have just been translated into the Lithuanian language.



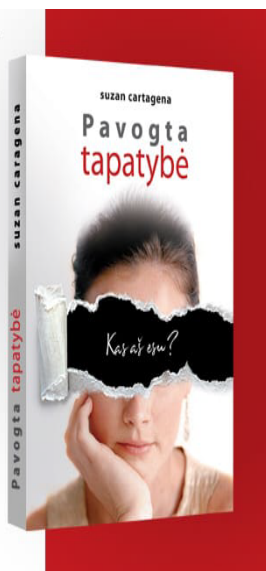
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Jėzus buvo pirm gimis tarp daugelio brolių. Mes esame bendrapaveldėtojai kartu su Juo. Religija teigia, kad žmogus neturi teisės sakyti, kad jis yra viena su Dievu.

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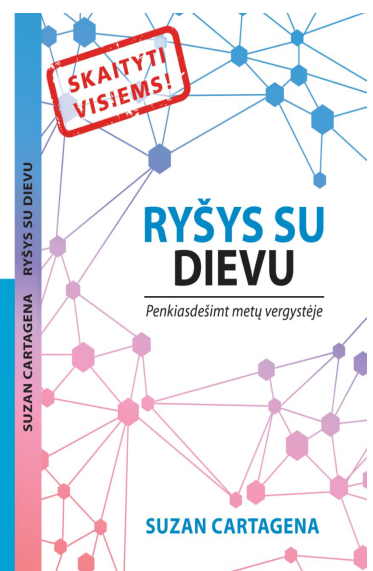
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Susan Cartagena

Malonė yra skirta, kad išlaisvintų mus iš šio pasaulio blogio. Bet mes esame iškreiptos malonės versijos kaliniai! Atrodo, kad nesustodami begame ant bėgimo takelio – vargštame, bet taip ir nepasiekiamo norimo tikslo, todėl esame tokie nusivylę, sudirgę ir išvargę. Supratę, kokia iš tikrųjų yra Dievo malonė, kokia jos paskirtis, nulpsite nuo savo bėgimo takelio. Jus rasite atsakymus į tokius sudėtingus klausimus, kaip: „Ką reiškia atlikti nuo malonės?“, „kas yra piktadžiavimas Šventajai Dvasiai?“, „kaip žmogus atstumia Dievo malonę?“ Malonė – mūsų ryšys su Dievu ir kelias į tikrąjį laisvę!

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