

# Jesus Uses My Afflictions

*"I am afflicted very much; revive me, O Lord, according to Your word."*

Psalm 119:107



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In 2001 I taught God's Word in Germany for six weeks. It was my third time there. Each time I go, more and more pastors invite me to their churches. While there, I was invited to go to Albania as soon as possible and to Prague in the Czech Republic. Two weeks after I returned to the United States, I taught for a week at an international convention in Colorado Springs. While there, two Indian pastors (leaders of a large convention for pastors, their wives, and church leaders in India) invited me to go and teach there. Then, two pastors from Africa invited me to teach at a large conference for pastors, wives, and church leaders in Africa. Pastors from my home country of Scotland want me to return. I have been invited to return to several other countries where I have spoken.

I receive many speaking invitations throughout the United States, and I am an international speaker for pro-life. I have done a radio program. I mail out countless ministry CDs internationally. Beloved, all of this is the result of surrendering my life to Jesus Christ in 1976 and of God's faithfulness. Beloved, I did not just pray the sinner's prayer. I surrendered my life to the Lordship of Jesus Christ. Through daily reading and obedience to the Bible, GOD'S AMAZING GRACE, and the power of the Holy Spirit, Jesus has cleansed, healed, delivered, and set me free. He has revived my life! I constantly see Him use all the

afflictions in my life for His glory. It is because of a life of affliction that doors of ministry keep opening. I have a restored life that demonstrates the power of Jesus Christ and the Holy Spirit. I have a life that demonstrates the love, mercy, grace, peace, and transforming power of God.

Romans 8:28 reads, *"And we know that all things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are called according to His purpose."* I have seen Jesus do this with all of my afflictions! Beloved, Jesus can take all of your afflictions and use them to make you more like Him and for His glory. He wants to use you to be able to reach out and help other people who are afflicted. This world does not have the answers. Jesus does. Divorce, suicide, drugs, alcohol, shopping sprees, overeating, etc. are not the answer. They just lead to even greater affliction in your life.

Surrender your life to Jesus Christ and obey His Word; that is the only true answer. Again, do not just pray the sinner's prayer. Surrender your life to Jesus Christ and His Lordship. Obey God's Word daily, and you will be delivered, healed, and set free. Jesus suffered afflictions for you. He loves you. Surrender your life to Him.

— *Janice McBride*

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*All scripture is taken from the New King James Version of the Bible.*

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