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Carol and I dedicate this book to our children and grandchildren: Joshua (Jessica) Sheets and their three—Joelle, Samuel, and Grace—and Rachel (Mark) Shafer and their four—Madeline, Lily, Jude, and Jaidin. We pray all of you will always plant the heavens with your word decrees, giving your angels something to work with, and walking out your destinies in God. We could not possibly love any of you any more than we already do, and may you always remember, "God's got this!"

—Tim Sheets

To Madeline, Lily, Jude, and Jaidin, you are the inspiration for this book. I pray you will live your lives believing, trusting, and loving God. No matter what comes your way, know He is more than enough for you.

-Rachel Shafer

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—Tim Sheets and Rachel Shafer, Authors

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#### FOREWORD

s parents of five children, we are contending for revival in our nation, and we recognize the tremendous value this book carries. We love the Sheets family and honor the impact they have made in our nation through their leadership and their apostolic decrees. Now, they have answered the assignment to decree a shift in the lives of our youth. We have seen how biblical decrees can shift hopeless situations into victory stories, and we have no doubt there will be victory stories that will come from this book.

The Bible promises in Job 22:28 that if we decree a thing, it will be established. When we allow the Word of God to renew our minds, a transformation to our thoughts and words takes place. Therefore, authority and power are released in the decrees of those who renew their minds by God's Word. It is imperative that we allow the Bible, not culture, to be the ultimate authority and influence in our lives. Only then will we be empowered to properly decree and lead our generation into righteousness that is solely found in Jesus Christ. It is time to decree and establish a generation for Jesus!

We have witnessed how Carol, Tim, and Rachel continue to contend for their children and for this generation. We have also witnessed the miracles that have been birthed through their unwavering faith. As revivalists, our personal lives have been impacted by the ministry and apostolic decrees of Tim Sheets and his family. Through their ministry, we have been fueled with faith to keep contending for revival in our nation.

Apostle Tim Sheets carries a sharp anointing to discern the times and seasons we are in, and the strategic decrees needed to bring breakthrough. He is able to do this because he is a friend of God. Biblical decrees are like weapons in the hands of a warrior. In the Bible, the Apostle Paul knew the power of decrees, and Paul instructed young Timothy to wage war with the prophetic decrees spoken over him (see 1 Timothy 1:18). In like manner, Apostle Sheets and his family instruct and exemplify the power of decrees to our generation. The Sheets family has had a major role in positively shifting the course of our nation through Holy Spirit-led decrees, and Tim continues to do so regularly throughout the land of America.

Now, you and I have the privilege to join our voices with the Sheets family by making Spirit-led, biblical decrees over our children and the youth of this generation to see breakthroughs in their lives. This book contains strategic decrees that will release victory in the areas that are most challenging for our children and youth. Through this book, you and your family will be equipped to identify areas under attack and the necessary weapons of decree to defeat the enemy in their lives. There are over 180 decrees that will establish victory in your children's lives! We will witness victory in this generation's mental health, identity, freedom, destiny, and purpose in Christ Jesus!

We believe your family will be blessed by these prayers and focused decrees for your children's futures. Whether or not you have children, this book equips you to take part in shaping the next generation through your prayers. There is a battle for our youth and their identity, and the Sheets family is on the front lines fighting for the future of our youth. By actively reading and applying the principles in this book, you too

will join the front lines of victory for the children and youth of this generation.

—Tommy & Miriam Evans
Revivalists
Authors of
Decrees That Unlock Heaven's Power and Glory Miracle

## Letter to Parents

#### Dear Parents,

As a mom, I'll be there for my children as much and as often as possible, but for all the times I cannot, I want my children to be prepared. They need to be emboldened and empowered to know who they are in Christ. They must know their purpose and identity are found in God.

This book will help prepare kids to handle the attacks and the enemy's agenda without them being blindsided. God's Word is filled with guidance, answers and ways to equip them. It is vital they know what God has to say and how to apply and decree it over their lives.

It is important for kids to know they are who God says they are. He has an amazing, beautiful plan written for their lives and wants to help them fulfill their purpose and destiny. Part of our responsibility as parents is to partner with God in guiding and helping them to see His purpose for them.

I pray this book is a valuable tool to inspire and prepare kids to be equipped and ready to live a Spirit-filled life. If your children are younger, I encourage you to read through these devotionals and decrees with them, making sure they fully understand. I know it will lead to beneficial and meaningful conversations. I pray your children are empowered to believe, no matter what the situation, God's got this!

Rachel Shafer

Blessings!

#### Introduction

here is a war going on for control of the hearts and minds of our children. It is a conscious effort to indoctrinate our kids with antichrist values that eat away at the moral platforms upon which "a good life" has been built for centuries. Many of our schools and universities are openly teaching demon doctrines. Even the traditional sexual identity of human beings is being redefined. We are being encouraged to identify with whatever pronoun we want—he, she, they, ze—as gender confusion is declared as normal behavior. Our children's minds are being bombarded daily with nonsense and lies. Alarmed parents are being told to "stay out of it; we will teach your kids what they need to know." Even the definition of a woman or a mother is seemingly beyond the level of some tenured professors. They don't know! How crazy!

If the scenarios that are rampant in today's culture are confusing to those with common sense, can you imagine what they are doing to our children? We must do something to change the mess in our education system. And we must also do what God told Moses during the Exodus: "Teach My Word to your children. Explain My ways to them. Talk about them in your homes. Go over My sayings with them as you're walking along life's pathways. Then they will have good success" (my paraphrase of Deuteronomy 11:18-21 and Joshua 1:8)

The wise King Solomon put it succinctly in Proverbs 22:6 (NCV): "Train children to live the right way, and when they are old, they will not stray from it." The Message Bible is shouting this verse into our times: "Point your kids in the right direction—when they're old they won't be lost." We must point our kids in the right direction; the tried-and-true direction is God's way.

This is the reason we wrote this book. It will help point children to God's way, using stories and examples from the Bible. Each topic is written about in an age-appropriate way, and you will be able to use the devotionals to discuss God's Word in practical ways, in order to help your children apply His Word to their lives. Biblical decrees are statements of what we believe based on God's Word, promises, wills, or ways. Job 22:28 (KJV) says you will "decree a thing," and it will "be established." The word thing is the Hebrew word omer, which means speech, word, or promise. Declare God's promises. Declare His Word. Speak what His words say, and they will be established.

We have listed decrees of faith for each topic in this book. Speak them, think about them, pray about them, and they will renew your children's thinking to align with what God says concerning true identity, purpose, and destiny. The decrees will also instruct your children on how to know God's will and plan for their lives, how to hear God's voice, how to live a morally sound life, how to be who God made them to be, how to be successful, what it means to know God as Father, how angels assist them, and more lessons and truths that will help build a solid foundation upon which your children can mature and grow.

Decrees of faith help reinforce a consistent principle throughout the Bible, and that is the importance of our words! Our children must understand this as it is key to them becoming who God says they can be. Proverbs 18:21 (NKJV) tells us, "Death and life are in the power of the tongue." Job 6:25 (NKJV) says, "How forceful are right words! This truth

was emphasized to me years ago. I was reading Genesis 1, concerning the awesome description of God creating the heavens and the earth. Suddenly, I clearly heard the voice of Holy Spirit saying, "Words are seeds." His voice was heavy with meaning and instruction. I have read Genesis 1, which was penned by Moses thousands of years ago, countless times. But this time, I leaned back from my desk and echoed aloud what was recorded in ancient history all those long years ago: "Words are seeds." I knew Holy Spirit was giving me a truth that is still alive, still powerful, and still needs to be loosed today. It was a moment of enlightenment, and I would never be the same after that revelation.

Words are seeds that germinate and grow. When planted properly, word seeds reproduce themselves. They are the concealed beginnings of something that can grow to fullness when we believe and act upon them.

Decrees are word seeds that we plant into our lives. This book will equip your children with good word seeds (decrees and declarations) that they can speak aloud and grow into God's promises for their lives. These word seeds will become an abundant harvest that your children can live on when they become adults.

Let's start planting good seeds!

—Tim Sheets

# OVERCOME Problems

(Ages 0-6th Grade)



# SADNESS

"You changed my sorrow into dancing."
(Psalm 30:11 NCV)

ometimes you will have days that are sad. Someone may say something mean to you, a family member may be sick, or you may lose a loved one. Sad things happen to everyone, but if you are a Christian, you always have someone you can talk to who cares about you: Jesus!

David had many times of sadness and the Bible says that sometimes he cried all night long. Everything changed for David when he started talking to God. David asked God to help him and God did!

God makes things better, giving you someone to talk to who is there for you. He also reminds you that He can do anything. God promises to change your sadness into joy.

When you are feeling sad, talk to God about it, read your Bible, and worship Him. As you do, you will begin to feel His presence filling you with joy.

#### Think About It

How can God help you with your sadness?



#### My Decrees

- I decree that You are with me at all times, the good and the bad, and no matter how I feel, You invite me to give it over to You.
- I decree that I trust You with everything, knowing if it matters to me, it matters to You.
- I declare that You are stepping into my situation and I trust
   You are taking care of me.
- Thank You for always understanding me and always being with me.

# **AFRAID**

"Don't be afraid, for I am with you."
(Isaiah 41:10 NLT)

ave you ever gone outside and played in the rain? On a warm day, enjoying the rain can be so much fun! Sometimes though, rain can also bring lightning and thunder. You may not feel afraid of storms during the day, but at night when you're alone and trying to sleep, you might feel nervous and fearful.

When I was young, if I became afraid of something, I would go to my parents' room. It helped me not to feel frightened because I could see that my parents weren't afraid.

God isn't afraid of anything and He is always with you. When you became a Christian, you received the gift of the Holy Spirit and the Holy Spirit is God. That means God is with you wherever you are and He will help you not to feel afraid. He will calm your fears.

#### Think About It

How does God help you if you're feeling afraid?



#### My Decrees

- I decree that I will be strong and courageous and I am brave because Jesus lives in me.
- I declare that You are my hiding place and You never leave or forsake me.
- I decree that angels are all around me and fear has to go, in the Name of Jesus!
- I thank You that fear has no hold on me.

# FEEL LIKE I'VE FAILED

"This is what the Lord says: 'When a man falls down, doesn't he get up again? And when a man goes the wrong way, doesn't he come back again?"

(Jeremiah 8:4 ICB)

id you know the first popsicle ever made was actually a mistake? An 11-year-old boy named Frank Epperson wanted to make his own soda. He filled a cup with powdered soda, water, and a stirring stick. He left his mixture outside overnight and it became the very first popsicle! He decided he liked his mistake so much that he continued making the frozen treats. He first called the treats the "Eppsicle" after his name. His children started calling them "Pop's sicle," which led to the famous popsicle name. What started out as a failure turned into great success!

Sometimes things you try may not work and that's okay. If you fall down, do you stay on the ground? Of course not! You get back up. If you're having trouble with something, don't give up! Give it to God. He can help turn any failure into success.

#### Think About It

What should I do if I feel like giving up?



#### My Decrees

- I decree that God never gives up on me so I won't give up on myself either!
- I declare that I can do all things because You live in me and Your love never fails.
- I declare that You can turn my failure into success.
- I thank You for "fresh starts" and for always being there to pick me up if I stumble or fall.

## PEER PRESSURE

"Don't copy the behavior and customs of this world, but let God transform you into a new person by changing the way you think. Then you will learn to know God's will for you, which is good and pleasing and perfect."

(Romans 12:2 NLT)

as anyone ever said to you, "Just because everyone is doing it doesn't make it a good idea?" Peer pressure means doing something just because everyone else is.

There can be positive peer pressure. For example, your friends study and make good grades and that makes you want to improve your study habits too. That's a great thing! But often, peer pressure is negative. A lot of people may be doing something you know is a bad idea, but you don't want to feel left out. An example of this is if a group of kids are calling someone names and they want you to join them. You know it's wrong, but you want to be included. What that group of kids are doing is negative peer pressure.

The Bible says not to copy the behavior of the world, but to make wise decisions. A big part of this is not to do what everyone else is doing but to make your own choice based on what you know to be right. God doesn't want you to do what everyone else is doing; He wants you to live for Him.

#### Think About It

What are some ways you can stand up to negative peer pressure?



#### My Decrees

- I decree that You give me power to do the right thing and make the right choices.
- I believe You help me make good decisions that will please You.
- I declare that You are my strength and my guide in everything I do.
- I decree that I will always choose to do what honors You.
- Thank You for giving me the strength to follow You no matter what others say.

# FEEL WORRIED

"Don't worry about anything; instead, pray about everything. Tell God what you need, and thank him for all he has done." (Philippians 4:6 NLT)

In life you have things you worry about. You worry about being liked by people, who you'll sit with at lunch, whether you'll pass a test, or if you'll be good on a sports team. Some worries seem bigger than others. Some people worry about being sick or being safe. But Jesus tells you not to worry.

Worries can weigh you down and keep you from being the person God wants you to be. Have you ever carried your backpack home from school and it was filled with books because you had homework? I bet the backpack was very heavy! However, as you emptied the bag, it became much lighter.

Although worries aren't heavy books in a backpack, they can still feel like they weigh you down. When you worry, you're not letting God take care of things. Jesus tells us we can trust Him and He always keeps His promises. Pray and give your worries to God.

#### Think About It

What should you do with your worries?



#### My Decrees

- I decree that I will place my worries in Your Hands.
- I decree that I will not try to fix everything myself. I will trust You.
- I will listen for Your voice and refuse to listen to the voice of the enemy who tries to put thoughts in my mind and heart to keep me upset.
- I declare that You are with me and You are my problem solver.
- Thank You for being my peace.

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