## How to receive from God

- 1. Always be as specific as possible-Mark 10:51 Jesus asks what do you want me to do for you. Bartimaeus was very specific. Create a detailed picture of your desire. (Mark 11:24)
- 2. Write down the details on a one page document in big letters so you can see it every day somewhere. Keep that desire before you.
  - With my wife, when believing God for her, I put her picture on my nightstand beside my bed. So the last thing I saw before I slept and the first thing I saw when I woke up was her face. Within 15 months of this we were married in Germany, honeymooning in Paris, France. I didn't let it go.
- 3. Let go of negative and contrary thoughts or any bad feelings associated with you receiving this desire (2<sup>nd</sup> Corinth. 10:3-7). Negative thoughts and feelings about what you want will corrupt the outcome. Forgiveness is important here also. Jeremiah 29:11 says I know the thoughts that I think toward you. Thoughts of good and not evil to bring you to an expected end. Again, forgiveness is important here(Mark 11:24-26)
- 4. Tell yourself over and over again: This is possible. This is possible. People get things they want every day. This is possible, not impossible. Read Matt. 9:21 "...for she said within herself...! shall be whole."
- 5. Be patient with yourself. It will take time but it will not take forever (Hebrews 10:36-39, Hebrews 6:10-15).
- 6. Don't allow negative, contrary circumstances or the passing of time to change your mind. Jesus said to the disciples in Luke 8:22-25 let's go to the other side. A storm arose. Jesus rebuked it instead of letting it change His course of action. Mark 5:1 said they came over "unto the other side" just like they planned.