



## Meditation #8

### *Pentecost 2009*

In Celebration of the Spirit:  
Stretching Out in Expectation of the Overflow!  
Acts 2

## U-Turns Allowed

**“And they worshipped Him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy: and were continually in the temple, praising and blessing God.”**

**Luke 24:52-53**

The young man remembers his first traffic ticket when he was 18 years old. Seeing a White Castle restaurant on the other side of the divided highway, he just had to have three or more of those juicy burgers they sell. He approached the next light and made a 180 degree turn moving backward to where he had come from. The officer pulled him over seconds after he made this maneuver. Apparently, many drivers make this a practice and the traffic cops sit in wait to catch them in the act. The officer said, “Young man, no u-turns allowed.” Unlike the young driver, we are never stuck on any road. We are never prohibited on any flight plan that does not lead to God’s destination for us. The good news of Pentecost today is that you can turn around and go in the right direction that God has set and ordained for you. In our scripture focus the disciples had a brief encounter with Jesus which had life-long effects. His appearance unto them caused a turn around in their lives leaving them transformed, and leaving their pathways changed in a new direction. Many of God’s people struggle with dead-end roads and erroneous flight plans. We struggle with being cooped up in people, places, and things which do not hold God’s greatest blessing for us. The disciples were cooped up on the road to Emmaus. But Jesus stopped by and transformed their coop into a nest from which they soared (made a u-turn) to Jerusalem to receive God’s blessing for them.

Coops hem you in.....**Nests launch you out!**  
Coops debilitate you.....**Nests rehabilitate and facilitate you!**  
Coops devour your spirit.....**Nests empower your spirit!**  
Coops hold you until you die.....**Nests feed you until you fly!**

With God u-turns are allowed. It’s never too late to change and go in God’s direction. Never surrender to the coops which prevent us from the greater blessings of God! As the disciples did, discover the joy of going in God’s direction.

**Pray this:**

**“Heavenly Father, I praise you for the guidance you give me and the courage you give me to walk and soar in the pathways that lead to your destinations of blessing for me.”**

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