

April Adams Autobiography

My life academic and life goals are intertwined, I would like to achieve a doctrine in Theology and Divinity. There are some much to know about the word of God and when I deliver his word I really want to know, that I know what is true and factual. I started school late in life, I had many challenges, but God help me through them all. 2014 marks the beginning of my academic journey and my spiritual destiny. I feel I was destined to take this route, when I think back as a little girl, I can remember being called into the woods of to myself, and there was a voice that would talk to me I didn't understand at the time what or who it was, but there was a feeling of peace and tranquility, so I would stay and listen, I could honestly say I didn't understand, I couldn't wrap my mind or make sense of what God was telling me but, everything I did in life seems to be different from everyone else my opinion would often stir up a debate about scripture which I barely understood myself, but God would show every time.

My parents went to church but looking back church was not in them, it was more or less a social thing because the community and their friends went they went, I don't remember them ever sitting down reading the bible with us nor praying with us, but they made sure we went to church and Sunday school. In Sunday school I did learn some bible stories, but in regular service I could honestly say I didn't learn or get anything out of the service and that is what prompted me to move a way in search of that call to a higher learning in the scriptures. I would often ask that voice that talked to me in the woods, why do I desire to learn more about the bible, and this man name Jesus, there are strange things happening to me, I am having strange dreams and I was overwhelmed and I couldn't make sense of none of it, I had no one to teach nor mentor me in the faith. I had to keep looking and searching, the early part of my life I was a walking question mark.

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After graduation from high school I moved to Atlanta to find a college to attend, I went to the Art Institute of Atlanta, I love to decorate and design things, my daughter and I actually own our own decorating design company, we specialize in theme parties and events. In 1986 I remembered riding by Beulah Height University and the spirit of the lord stated talking to me and I pulled in and sat in the parking lot, and sitting there in that parking lot was like I had discovered a whole new world and I had not even went inside nor attempted to register for a class, and that day I promised myself that I would come back and attend this school because I felt like that was where I supposed to be. After that experience, I was so excited I went to my pastor and told him about what happened and was going to Beulah to enroll in school, and to my surprise he was totally against it, he said you don't need to go that school to learn what God want you to know, I will teach you and that that I miss the Holy Ghost will teach you. At this point I am stunned because I am saying to myself why haven't already tried to teach me this, and what's wrong with going to school to help me to learn more about the word of God and his Holy Scriptures, now I am really confused.

I wanted to know more about the Holy Scriptures so I could be effective in ministry. I wanted to teach and preach effectively, not just to sound good or make someone feel good at that moment, I wanted them to know and feel sound truth and doctrine. The kind that would change their lives forever, not for the few hour that they are in service, I wanted people to get the whole worship experience truly understanding why they are at church, and what they should be doing while they are in church, they real reason we are gather together in the church. It took from 1986 until 2014 to start on my academic goal at Beulah, but I made it and it has been a Blessing to be at this school, I get so excited every time I pull into the parking lot.

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I am so glad the Holy Spirit help on me about going to Beulah Heights University. The philosophy that I live by is, always, always, go with your first mind, it will never lead you wrong. Always listen to the Holy Spirit speaking to you, no matter what other people think or say, your instruction will come god concern your walk with him, and it is never too late to start something that's been in side of you to do. **JUST DO!** And watch God move.