

## Putting Starch Into Your Life

The following are the devotional notes that were sent to me by a very giving visitor to my website. She sent this in quite awhile ago and I'm happy to finally be putting it up to share with you. This is the outline to a devotional that this sweet lady gave to a Mother-Daughter banquet several years ago. It all revolves around the label of a starch can. Please read through it and you'll find lots of little morsels worth thinking on.

I believe that there is so much information here that if you are looking for a devotional to share, you could really probably develop several devotionals from the material by taking one area and concentrating on it. I have decided to post all of the information so that you can take it as is or glean what you would like and make up your own devotion with the idea. Her wish was that I use it in any way that I wanted and I think that just sharing and giving you all of the information is the best way and you can fine tune from it what you will

.---*Julia*

Thanks for sharing Vanetta!

### PUTTING STARCH INTO YOUR LIFE

Starch of humor  
Starch of honesty  
Starch of acceptance  
Starch of faith  
Starch of prayer  
Starch of sweetness and kindness  
Starch of concern and caring.

Since you died with Christ to the basic principles of this world, why---do you submit to it's rules: "Do not handle! Do not taste! Do not touch!" Colossians 2:20-21

It's not resisting the "I cant's" nor struggling for the strength to avoid the "I shan'ts, but finding the freedom to rejoice in the "I wills, the I cans and I choose".

Mark 3:35  
Philippians 4:13  
I Peter 2:4-5

Jude 24 --Now unto him that is able to keep you from falling, and to present you faultless before the presence of his glory with exceeding joy.

### Fresh Natural Look~~~Fresh Crisp Look

1. Restores newness - Romans 6:4--should walk in newness of life.
2. Restores body- Romans 12:1--present our bodies a living sacrifice.
3. Restores brightness- Matthew 5:13-16--why does our light not shine?
4. Adds life--to limp fabric- John 14:6; John 10:10--I am the way, the truth and the life, no man cometh unto the Father but by me.

**Directions For Use:** (same on each can).

1. "Shake"--stir up, take positive action. Do!  
**Just "Spray". Shake Can Well**, before and during use.

2. Set temperature of iron.

Temperature is important.--(atmosphere in home) hot, cold, warm. (Body temperature is important too).

Fabric type determines temperature. (Cooking temperature is important too.)

**DIRECTIONS:**

- Just spray. Shake can well (stir up)
- Spray fabric lightly and evenly (consistency)
- and iron Just do it! Step out by faith! -Set iron at recommended temperature for fabric.
- To prevent flaking (falling away; discouragement) on fabric, allow TIME for finish (starch) to penetrate or soak into fabric (meditation).

**Incorrect iron temperature or overspraying can cause:**

- sticking (getting in ruts, quitting)
- flaking ( falling away--depression, discouragement)
- iron coating (sin build up)

**\*\*Finish--to prevent clogging**

( stay in the Word; follow instructions for use)--pull off spray button and rinse under warm water ( daily use spiritual check up and cleansing).

Just as Christian Armor is a protection (Ephesians 6:10-17) so Starch is a protection.

**Types of Starch--** (Matthew 11:28-30)

**Faultless Heavy Spray Starch--with More Body For a Fresh Crisp Look**

- \*Makes ironing easier and faster
- \*Gives collars, cuffs and linens a crisp fresh look.
- \* Helps keep clothes cleaner longer--washes clean more easily.
- \* Iron at recommended temperature.

**Faultless (Regular) --Look and feel fresh all day.**

- \*Provides body without stiffness ( at ease, comfortable)
- \*Sprays on evenly. (consistent)
- \*Ironing made easier and faster.
- \*Helps keep clothes clean longer--wash clean more easily
- \*Guaranteed not to stick, flake or clog when these steps are followed.  
Directions: shake, spray, iron.

**Faultless Lite Spray** (Matthew 11:30 ; Galatians 6:2,5)

- \*Look neat and fresh all day the lite and easy way.
- \*Light body for the soft look and feel you want.
- \*Even makes your permanent press look nicer, neater.
- \*Sprays on evenly--*Shake*
- Makes ironing easier and faster than steam.
- \*Guaranteed not to stick, flake, or clog when these steps are followed.

**Just Spray And Iron** (Some using heavy starch that need lite---shoulder responsibility I Peter 5:7 (opposite is true as well))

**For Added Crispness, Spray and Iron Again.** (Do again and again: bear one another's burdens!

**Putting Starch (Prayer) into your life.** Hebrews 4:16

Jeremiah 33:3 (GOD'S PHONE NUMBER)

Morning, noon and night.

*A day hemmed with prayer is less likely to unravel.*

Directions same on each can.--Shake, spray, iron (set temp.--mood , attitude, atmosphere).

God is never more real than when He answers prayer. Then He has my attention. Living wrinkled, rough lives----nothing goes right--until we **Pray**.

**Starch Finish (sealer, protection)**

Fresh natural look---fresh crisp look

1. Restores newness
2. Restores body
3. Restores brightness
4. Adds life--to limp fabric.

Directions for use: (same for all types of starch)

Temperature important--hot, cold, warm.

Fabric type determines temp. (New Christian, mature Christian, backslidden Christian etc.)

-Starch (prayer) makes life easier--saves time, life smoother -Starch (prayer) gives protection.

-Starch (prayer) removes marks of sin.

-Starch (prayer) keeps clothes cleaner longer.

-Starch (prayer) wash clean more easily---I John 1:9

**Lite Starch adds soft look** (not burden with cares of this world)

Choose to----Cast all your cares upon Him, for He careth for you.

Restores body--similar to the sizing that was in the fabric when new.(because thou hast left thy first love (Ephesus) Revelation 2:4

Makes ironing easier and faster due to the special ironing aid ingredient---**Prayer**.

Give cotton a fresh smooth professional look that lasts all day.

**Prayer:** Restores newness, body (I Corinthians 6:19-20) and brightness (let's light shine) to all washables (fabric).

Guaranteed not to stick, flake or clog when these steps are followed.

Note--Starch turns to sugar

Starch (prayer) in life results in sweetness (Psalm 51:10,12)

Thank God for His promise that if we draw near to Him, He will draw near to us and hear our prayers. John 12:32.

**There is "Joy in the Camp"**--Bill Gaither

*He gave us life, He gave us joy*

*Puts a smile on our face.*

*This happy face that I'm wearing, Jesus put there to stay.*

*And since the world didn't give it to me, the WORLD can't take it away.*

**What God Begins He Finishes**

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