## The Writer's Heart 2017 Colorado Christian Writers Conference Speaker: Charlie Wolcott

- 1. Introduction
  - a. The current trend with the hot sellers of Christian publishing
  - b. A call to return to Biblical truth.
- 2. Building your Faith
  - a. Individual Prayer Time
  - b. Bible Reading
  - c. Reading good books
- 3. Personal Anecdote
- 4. Journaling
  - a. Journal your Bible studies
    - As you read a passage, write down anything that stands out and then start to expound on that idea.
    - ii. When I read 2 Chronicles 23-24 about King Joash, I noticed that he only followed the Lord as long as Jehoiada, the priest, lived. That got me thinking: here is an example of the dangers of riding your parent's faith.
  - b. Journal your prayers
  - c. The Dangers of Compromise
    - i. Do not write a god of your own making. We have to know who God actually is.
    - ii. God will tell you where he wants you. If you can't figure out how to live it, point that direction.
    - iii. NEVER compromise nor settle for "part way".
- 5. The Wrestling Heart: How do you deal with those internal issues? Write about them.
  - a. Genesis 32: Jacob wrestles with God
  - b. Free Writing: Exposes what is truly in your heart
  - c. The Ministry of the Villain
  - d. Blog
- 6. Accountability: Your Audience
  - a. Building your Faith
    - i. What it does NOT look like
    - i. What it DOES look like
  - b. Accountable to God
  - c. Accountable to Yourself
  - d. Accountable to The Believer
  - e. Accountable to The non-believer
- 7. Conclusion