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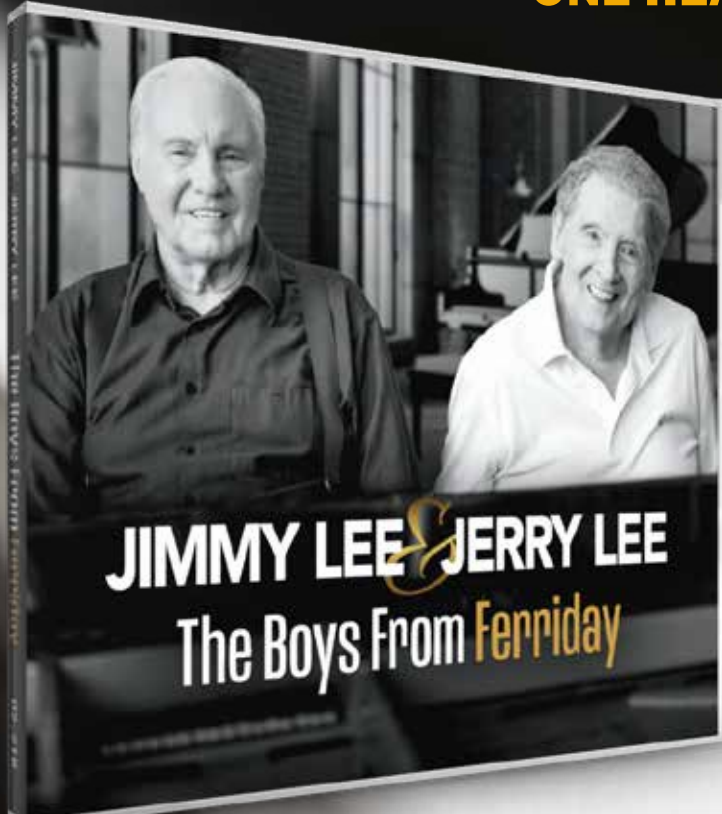
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A couple is seen from behind, holding hands and looking towards a large, glowing cross in a bright, airy space. The woman on the left has long dark hair and is wearing a blue top. The man on the right is wearing a grey long-sleeved shirt. The background is a bright, hazy blue sky with soft clouds, and the floor appears to be made of light-colored wood.

HOW TO LIVE FOR GOD



Whether under the old covenant or under the new covenant, the manner of how to live for God, in essence, has not changed. Under the old covenant there was, of course, no cross. The sacrificial system served as a stopgap measure, so to speak, until the cross became a reality. While the blood of bulls and goats could not take away sins, it did point to one who was to come, the one who could take away sins, namely, the Lord Jesus Christ. If not for the sacrificial system, Israel could not have made it, as that was their only means of addressing sin. Again, the blood of bulls and goats could neither remove nor take away sin, but it did serve as a covering for sin until the cross became a reality. Paul said, “*For it is not possible that the blood of bulls and goats should take away sins. (The word impossible is a strong one. It means there is no way forward through the blood of animals. As well, it applies to all other efforts made by man to address the problem of sin, other than the cross.)*” (Heb. 10:4, The Expositor’s Study Bible).

When the children of Israel came back to Israel after the dispersion, the very first thing that was built, before houses or businesses, was an altar, which typified the cross. The Scripture says, “*Then stood up Jeshua the son of Jozadak, and his brethren the priests, and Zerubbabel, the son of Shealtiel, and his brethren, and builded the altar of the God of Israel, to offer burnt offerings thereon, as it is written in the law of Moses the man of God*” (Ezra 3:2). The altar was the first thing built upon the exiles returning—even before the temple or the wall. This proclaimed the fact that the cross, of which the altar was a type, was the very foundation of all that Israel was. (It is the same today with the church.) By building the altar where burnt offerings and sin offerings could be offered up, they publicly confessed themselves to be guilty sinners and that only by the shedding of atoning blood could they be forgiven and brought back to God (Ezra 3:2). That’s how important the altar was to Israel, which typified the cross.

THE CROSS

Everything that comes to the child of God from the Lord comes exclusively through the cross of Christ. That means the cross is the vehicle by and

through which the grace of God comes to us. We must understand that. We must believe that. We must rest upon that. Paul said, “*For Christ sent me not to baptize, but to preach the gospel: not with wisdom of words, lest the cross of Christ should be made of none effect. For the preaching (the message or word) of the cross is to them that perish foolishness; (who perish foolishly); but unto us which are saved it is the power of God.... But we preach Christ crucified*” (I Cor. 1:17-18, 23). And in the next chapter, “*For I determined not to know any thing among you, save Jesus Christ and him crucified* (I Cor. 2:2).

OUR FAITH

The cross of Christ is to ever be the object of our faith. This is absolutely imperative. Everyone has faith, even the unsaved. But not all faith is faith that God will honor. He only honors faith that is placed in Christ and the cross (Rom. 6:3-14, I Cor. 2:5, Gal. 2:20).

THE HOLY SPIRIT

The Holy Spirit, who alone can help us to obey God, which can only be done by this method, works exclusively within the parameters of the finished work of Christ. What Christ did at the cross gives the Holy Spirit the right to work within our lives. That’s why Paul said, “*For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus hath made me free from the law of sin and death*” (Rom. 8:2). These parameters wherein the Holy Spirit works are so rigid that it’s referred to as law. That means He will not deviate from this set principle. He demands that we understand that everything comes to us by and through the cross, and that our faith must ever be in that finished work. That being done, the Holy Spirit can work mightily in our lives and help us to obey the Lord. It is in this manner alone that we can obey. If we set about to obey rules, regulations, and laws that we fabricate ourselves, then we will fail—that is a given (Rom. 8).

THE STATE OF THE MODERN CHURCH

Israel tried to obey in all the wrong ways. Paul said of them, “*For they being ignorant of God’s righteousness, and going about to establish their own righteousness, have not submitted themselves unto the righteousness of God*” (Rom. 10:3). Sadly, much of the modern church is attempting to do the same thing—it’s trying to give a drowning man a new suit of clothes when he needs a life raft, which is Christ and Him crucified, and it’s the only life raft, so to speak, in existence. There is no other.

And let me say this, if believers do not understand the cross,

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then without fail they will try to establish their own righteousness and try to do so in many and varied ways—all of them wrong. The same goes for entire church denominations. When we say, “understand the cross,” exactly what are we talking about? Most Christians automatically think that they do understand the cross. A brother wrote me to say, “Why do you keep talking about the cross? Christians already understand everything about the cross.” This is the idea held by most believers today. But the truth is, most Christians understand very little about the cross because for several decades there has been almost no teaching on it. And some of the teaching that did come out during that time was false doctrine and beyond. Teachers of the Word of Faith doctrine, for example, openly repudiate the cross, calling it “past miseries,” and the “greatest defeat in human history.” To be sure, the modern church in America is in a worse spiritual condition than at any time since the Reformation.

WORKS OF THE FLESH

While it is true that a few Christians understand the cross as it regards salvation, virtually none understand it as it refers to sanctification. As a result, “works of the flesh” will manifest themselves in some way in the lives of Christians. Paul said, “*Now the works of the flesh are manifest, which are these; Adultery, fornication,*

uncleanness, lasciviousness, Idolatry, witchcraft, hatred, variance, emulations, wrath, strife, seditions, heresies, Envyings, murders, drunkenness, revellings, and such like: of the which I tell you before, as I have also told you in time past, that they which do such things shall not inherit the kingdom of God” (Gal. 5:19-21).

To be crystal clear, let me make this statement: If the believer does not understand the cross—and I’m speaking of understanding the cross as it refers to sanctification—then the believer is going to have works of the flesh manifest in his life in some manner. That’s not a “maybe it will happen,” or a “could possibly happen.” It is guaranteed to happen, and such a lifestyle presents nothing but misery. The sadness is that many of these people are good Christians; they love the Lord, and they are trying their best to serve Him, but they are doing so in the wrong way. I realize that it may sound peculiar, my calling these folk “good Christians” when works of the flesh are manifesting themselves in their lives—works

that could cause them to lose their souls.

THE SEVENTH CHAPTER OF ROMANS

But when you read Romans 7, you are reading the personal experience of the apostle Paul—an experience that pertains to the time *after* he was saved, *after* he was baptized with the Holy Spirit, and *after* he was called to be an apostle. In fact, he was an apostle when all of this was taking place (Acts 9:15). And the account is



THE PRICELESS CORNER

We have set aside this corner of *The Evangelist* to show God's plan of salvation. If you are unsure where you will go when you die, please listen to what God has said in His Word:

1. GOD LOVES YOU!

"For God so loved the world, that he gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life" (John 3:16).

2. MAN IS A SINNER, AND SIN HAS SEPARATED HIM FROM GOD

"For there is not a just man upon earth, that doeth good, and sinneth not" (Eccl. 7:20).

"For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God" (Rom. 3:23).

3. JESUS CHRIST IS THE ONLY REMEDY FOR SIN

"For Christ also hath once suffered for sins, the just for the unjust, that He might bring us to God..." (1 Peter 3:18).

"Neither is there salvation in any other; for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved" (Acts 4:12).

4. YOU MUST RECEIVE JESUS CHRIST AS YOUR PERSONAL LORD AND SAVIOR

Jesus calls this experience the new birth. He told Nicodemus: *"Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God"* (John 3:3).

We invite you now to receive the Lord Jesus Christ as your personal Savior. *"But as many as received Him, to them gave He power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on His Name"* (John 1:12).

WE BELIEVE:

- The Bible is the inspired and only infallible and authoritative written Word of God (Ps. 119; Matt. 4:4; Luke 24:27).
- There is one God, eternally existent in three persons: God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit (1 John 5:7).
- In the deity of our Lord Jesus Christ, in His virgin birth, in His sinless life, in His miracles, in His vicarious and atoning death, in His bodily resurrection, in His ascension to the right hand of the Father, in His personal future return to this earth in power and glory to rule a thousand years (Jn. 1:1-4; Eph. 2:13-18; Rev. 19-20).
- In the blessed hope—the rapture of the church at Christ's coming (1 Thess. 4:13-18).
- The only means of being cleansed from sin is through Repentance and faith in the precious blood of Christ (Rom. 5:1; Eph. 2:8-9, 13-18).
- Regeneration by the Holy Spirit is absolutely essential for personal salvation (John 3:5-8; Titus 3:5).
- The redemptive work of Christ on the cross provides healing of the human body in answer to believing prayer (Ex. 15:25-26; James 5:14-15; 1 Peter 2:24).
- The baptism with the Holy Spirit according to Acts 2:4 is given to believers who ask for it (Acts 2:4; 10:44-46; 19:1-7).
- In the sanctifying power of the Holy Spirit by Whose indwelling the Christian is enabled to live a holy life (Rom. 6:3-14; 8:1-2, 11).
- In the resurrection of both the saved and the lost: the one to everlasting life and the other to everlasting damnation (Rev. 20:5-6, 11-15).

PRAY THIS PRAYER AND MEAN IT WITH ALL OF YOUR HEART:
"Dear God in heaven, I now realize that I am a sinner. I accept the fact that You died for me on the rugged cross of Calvary. I now open my heart's door and receive You as Savior and Lord of my life. Please take full control of me and help me to be the kind of Christian You want me to be. Amen."

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such that it speaks of nothing but defeat. Are we going to say that Paul did not love the Lord? I am positive we understand that Paul loved the Lord very much, even during these most trying times. I read the other day that one man said whatever it was that Paul was doing, it must have been very minor. Well, I don't know how minor it was, I just know two things: First, any sin is awful. The apostle himself said, *"A little leaven leaveneth the whole lump"* (Gal. 5:9). In other words, little sins grow quickly into big sins. And second, whatever it was, it was bad enough for the apostle to say, *"O wretched man that I am! who shall deliver me from the body of this death?"* (Rom. 7:24).

Most Christians completely misunderstand sin. They look at the act instead of what is causing the act. That's why the Holy Spirit, through Paul, referred to these particular sins as "works of the flesh." Trying to stop these problems, whatever they might be, is not the answer. Trying to stop—and that's what most Christians do, they try—only addresses the symptoms and not the real cause of the problem.

WHAT ARE WORKS OF THE FLESH?

Works of the flesh constitute what we as humans attempt to do to live for God. Simply put, it's us placing our faith in anything and everything except Christ and Him crucified. Faith in anything else—our personal abilities, education, and talents—result in works of the flesh, and trying to live for God by these means cannot be done. You can only live for God by placing your faith exclusively in Christ and the cross and maintaining it exclusively in Christ and the cross. That being done, the Holy Spirit, who lives within your heart and life, can begin to work on your behalf, giving you victory over the world, the flesh, and the devil. Otherwise, it's going to be failure, more failure, and only failure.

THE ERROR OF THE CHURCH

Little knowing the cause of such problems, the modern church attempts to address them mostly through punishment. This entire system is wrong. In the first place, there is no Christian qualified to punish another. James addressed this by saying, *"There is one lawgiver, who is able to save and to destroy: who art thou that judgest another?"* (James 4:12). The Holy Spirit, through James, is saying that no believer is given the latitude to punish another believer. That lies strictly in the domain of



God. Furthermore, Jesus suffered all the punishment on the cross, and for us to attempt to add to that is a great insult to Christ.

I was speaking to a fellow preacher the other day, and he mentioned what a particular church did when one of its preachers had a problem. He went on to say that they punished this preacher in several different ways. When he finished, I asked, “Wasn’t it understood that Jesus underwent punishment on the cross—punishment that addresses itself to every situation you could think of?” He stood quiet for a moment and finally said, “I never thought of that.”

When we try to add something to what Jesus has already done, we only compound the problem. So what is the answer? We find it in what Paul said: “*Brethren, if a man be overtaken in a fault* (pertains to moral failure and is brought about because one has ignorantly placed himself under law; such a position guarantees failure), *you who are spiritual* (refers to those who understand God’s prescribed order of victory, which is the cross), *restore such an one* (tell him he failed because of reverting to law and that victory can be his by placing his faith totally in the cross, which then gives the Holy Spirit latitude to work, who alone can give the victory) *in the spirit of meekness* (never with an overbearing, holier-than-thou attitude); *consider yourself, lest you also be tempted* (the implication is that if we do not handle such a case scripturally, we thereby open the door for Satan to attack us in the same manner as he did the failing brother)” (Gal. 6:1, The Expositor’s Study Bible). This is God’s solution for spiritual failure, and it is His only solution. There is no other because no other is needed. Instead, the church tries to address spiritual failure by the psychological approach, demanding that such a person undergo several months (or longer) of psychological counseling, which doesn’t do any good and can even cause harm. Yet that’s what the modern church proposes as the solution for sin. God help us!

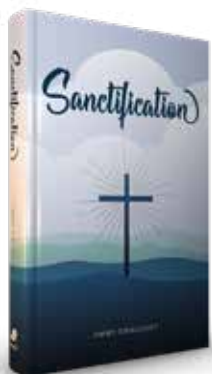
Again, Jesus suffered all the punishment on the cross, and our attempt to add to that punishment is a great insult to Christ. But the church, not knowing what to do, uses the methods of the world, simply because it functions in the realm of law and tries to establish its own righteousness.

THE REASON THE BELIEVER IS FAILING

If the believer is trying to live for God outside of the cross of Christ, then the works of the flesh will manifest themselves in some way. I believe it’s safe to say that most in the modern church today are struggling with a problem in their life. They don’t want it there, and they have tried every way they know to stop it, but to no avail.

GOD’S WAY

The believer must understand that everything he receives from the Lord and everything he needs is found exclusively in Christ and what Christ has done for him at the cross. The believer must understand this. As believers, the cross must ever be the object of our faith. We must not allow our faith to be moved to other things, irrespective as to how good those other things might be in their own right. When we understand that Christ and His cross is the means by which God gives us all things and that the cross must ever be the object of our faith, then the Holy Spirit, who works exclusively within the parameters of the sacrifice of Christ, will work mightily in our lives, developing the fruit of the Spirit. Galatians 5:22-23 says, “*But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, temperance: against such there is no law.*” Notice that this says the fruit “of the Spirit,” not the fruit “of man.” The Holy Spirit will produce His own fruit in the life of the believer as that believer trusts Him and cooperates with the Spirit in His work of sanctification. And the Holy Spirit alone can do this. Then and only then can we have victory over the flesh. Only then can we walk victorious in every capacity. And only then can we enjoy the more abundant life that Christ promised. ✎



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More than fifty years ago, my husband preached a message titled after the old song, “Will the Circle Be Unbroken?” He started out with Elijah telling his servant Gehazi to meet the approaching Shunammite woman and ask her, “*Is it well with thy husband? is it well with the child?*”

Is It Well With the Child?

THIS SHUNAMMITE’S CHILD WAS DEAD, but still she answered, “*It is well.*” At the end of this nine-week revival in Detroit, my husband said to those gathered inside Brightmoor Tabernacle, “This tells me something tonight, mom and dad. Those of you that have done your best to raise your family in the fear of God, even though they may be drifted and strayed tonight from the fold of righteousness, I believe you can still say, no matter where they are today, that you can answer by faith, ‘It is well.’ They’re coming in. God’s going to bring them home.” All these years later, God is still at work, bringing them in.

Making heaven one’s home is, we believe, greatly influenced by the home. The Scripture tells us in Proverbs 22:6 that if parents will “train up” a child when he is young that when he is old, he will not depart from it. A child raised in a Christian home by a mom and dad who love God and serve Him—when that child reaches adulthood, living for God or not, we believe that such a person is better prepared to handle the difficult, even tragic, times of life.

This brings to mind what happened to a certain young man, the son of pastor H.C. Noah—a pastor



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whom everyone loved; he was such a precious man who loved God. Early in ministry, my husband preached for Brother Noah several times at his church in Dallas, which, at that time, was one of the greatest churches in the world. In a certain service there, with every seat taken, my husband was preaching, and it came down to the altar call. Now Brother Noah’s son was sitting up in the balcony, and during the altar call, my husband made an appeal to him—he didn’t call his name, but he made an appeal to him to give his heart to Christ. And you could tell that this young man was under great conviction. But, as far as we knew, he did not respond that night. Sadly, a few weeks later, this same young man was killed in a car accident. Not only was Brother Noah heartbroken by the death of his son, he was also deeply troubled because he knew that his son had not been living for God. We were also concerned because we knew a little bit about the situation—how this son had lived, how many times he had broken his father’s heart, and how his dad had been praying for him, faithfully, for years. To be honest, a lot of us thought this young man had died lost, and we grieved with Brother Noah and his family.

“To be honest, a lot of us thought this young man had died lost,…”

Sometime later, Brother Noah suffered a stroke, a bad one, and no one thought he would survive it. But during this

time, while unconscious, he had a dream, maybe it was a vision, and in it, he was ushered into heaven. He saw the Lord Jesus Christ, who said to him, “I want to show you some things, but you’re not going to stay. You’re going to go back.” And Brother Noah was shown several things in heaven. Then, at the last, the Lord said, “I want you to see somebody.” They turned a corner, and there stood his son. I can only imagine his great relief and joy at seeing his son in heaven. Later we learned what his son, in the dream, said to his dad about his final moments on that road he was traveling. He said, “Dad, when I knew I had lost control of the car, I cried out, ‘Help me, Jesus!’” And the Lord heard his cry.

Some who have heard this testimony have said, “You have to do more than cry for help to be saved.”

No, you don’t. The thief on the cross said, “*Lord, remember me when thou comest into thy kingdom.*” That’s all it took, “*Remember me,*” and Jesus answered, “*Today, shalt thou be with me in paradise.*”

Nobody was going to convince Brother Noah otherwise. He survived his stroke and came out of that dream saying of his son, “He is in the portals of glory!”

We believe that in the briefest of moments, as that young man’s vehicle spun out of control, and he knew he was facing certain death, the Word of God

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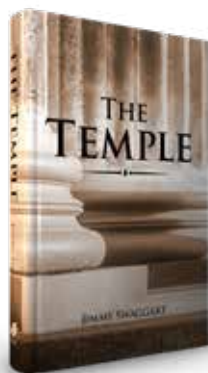
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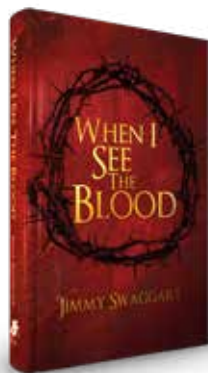
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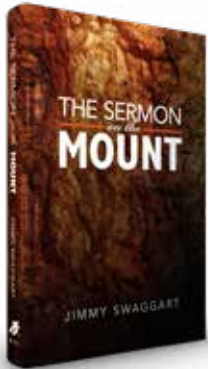
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ARTICLE BY **Donnie Swaggart**

“And when the day of Pentecost was fully come, they were all with one accord in one place. And suddenly there came a sound from heaven as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting. And there appeared unto them cloven tongues like as of fire, and it sat upon each of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance.” —ACTS 2:1-4

WHO IS THE HOLY SPIRIT?

How To Receive The Infilling Of The Holy Spirit



THIS WILL BE my final article in this series of articles concerning the Holy Spirit. In previous articles, I have dealt with who the Holy Spirit is, the purpose of the Holy Spirit, the benefits of speaking in other tongues, the gifts of the Spirit, and the fruit of the Spirit.

For my closing article on this subject, I want to explain how one receives the infilling of the Holy Spirit with the evidence of speaking in other tongues. I am going to lay it out as simply as I can.

1. *You must be born again.* This is actually the only requirement. In John 14:17 it says, “*Even the Spirit of truth; whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him; but ye know him; for he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you.*” You don’t have to be a member of a certain church or denomination, just simply born again.
2. *You must decide that it is scriptural.* You must decide for yourself that it is scriptural. Search the Scriptures for yourself. See Isaiah 28:11-12, Joel 2:28-29, Luke 4:1, 18; John 14:15-18, 26, 16:13-14; Acts 1:4-5, 8, 2:1-18, 8:5-17, 9:17, 10:44-48, 19:2-9; I Cor. 14:5, 18, 39. There must not be any doubt in your heart.
3. *You must have faith.* Everything that we receive from the Lord always comes by faith. We are to believe what the Lord has promised us in His Word. Hebrews 11:6 says, “*Without faith it is impossible*

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to please him: for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek Him.”

4. *You must not fear.* Don't be afraid of opening yourself to the Spirit world. Luke 11:11-13 says, “*If a son shall ask bread of any of you that is a father, will he give him a stone? or if he ask a fish, will he give him a serpent? Or if he shall ask an egg, will he offer him a scorpion? If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children: how much more shall your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit*

to them that ask him?”

5. *What to expect.* You are to expect the Holy Spirit to put supernatural words (tongues) into your spirit, it will be an utterance that you will sense in your spirit.

6. *You must yield.* By yielding, I am meaning that in your heart you should say, “Lord I am asking You to fill me with the Holy Spirit and, by faith, I receive the infilling of the Holy Spirit.” You must start it, but He will finish it.

7. *By faith receive.* You must understand

that God has already given the Holy Spirit, and it is up to you to exercise faith to receive. It is a gift, therefore, just accept the gift.

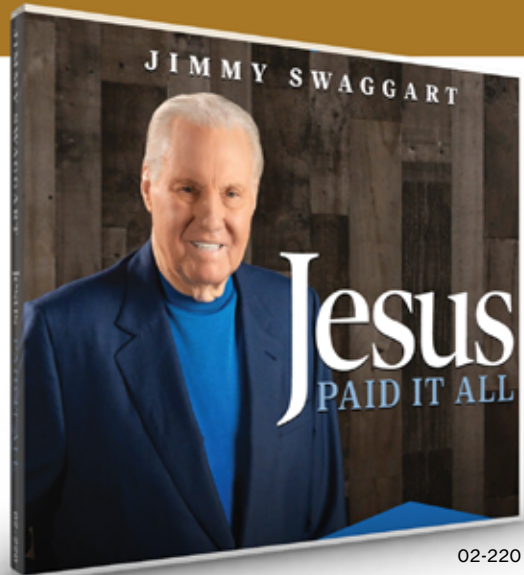
If you want to be filled, then follow these steps, yield your tongue, exercise faith, and be filled.

A final word—don't be discouraged if you don't receive the first time. There is nothing wrong with you; it's just that we are all different and for some it may take a little longer than others. The important thing is that we don't stop believing, and we don't stop asking. 🚀

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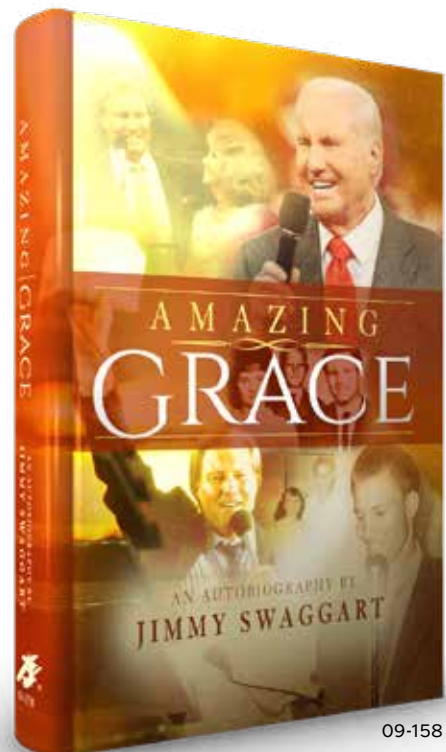
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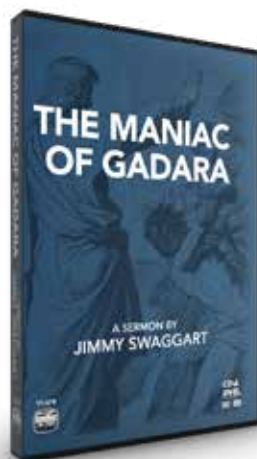
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ARTICLE BY **Gabriel Swaggart**

As Christians, we are called to extend mercy by showing mercy. Refusing to do so contradicts the essence of our faith.

A Study on Christian Character



PART IV

God's grace should cause His children to become merciful because we understand what it means to have been shown mercy. Mercy is more than just a theological idea; it is a part of the fundamental fabric of Christianity, demonstrating the profound truth that whoever exhibits mercy will find it.

BLESSED ARE THE PURE IN HEART

As we turn our attention back to an inward view, Jesus presents the idea of being pure in heart. "Purity of heart," a profoundly significant concept, defies mere surface interpretations. It contains a steadfast dedication to truthfulness, a single-minded focus, an unshakeable desire to know, love, and serve God; and the absence of hypocrisy. It is essentially a condition where nothing is hidden; the person is sincere and has an undivided heart.

The heart is the epicenter of our being as it encompasses the mind, will, and emotions. It is the source from which everything flows and where the Lord emphasizes transformation. As Christ pointed out, the heart is also the source of humanity's problems; it is the source of wicked and evil thoughts, murders, adulteries, fornications, thefts, false witnesses, and blasphemy (Matt 15:19-20). Contrary to popular belief, most problems that humanity faces begin in the heart. Without God, the heart is deceitful and profoundly evil, making sin the core problem that only the gospel of Jesus Christ can eradicate.

The ultimate goal of Christianity is to bring believers into God's vision and to see God. To do this, one must have a pure heart, which is synonymous with holiness and can only come about through our faith being anchored in Christ and His redemptive work on Calvary's cross. To see God has a dual

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meaning—the first entails encountering God in this present moment, manifesting Himself within our present lives; the second is when we see Him face-to-face upon our arrival into glory. Though we view through a glass darkly, the promise remains that one day, we will see Him as He is, in all of His glorious splendor (I Cor 13:12).

BLESSED ARE THE PEACEMAKERS

The characteristics mentioned here begin on the inside and express themselves through our actions. Another quality that Christians should see developed within their lives is becoming a peacemaker. With the world the way it is, one riddled with strife and contention, the role of a peacemaker is truly a beacon of hope. But what exactly does it mean to be a peacemaker?

First and foremost, a peacemaker symbolizes peaceability. One who is

combative cannot hope to encourage peace in any way whatsoever. A peacemaker is actively striving to promote peace and harmony, making every effort to initiate peace and sustain it. Their ultimate purpose is to ensure that everyone achieves peace with God, not just to resolve conflicts between one another.

Dr. Martyn Lloyd-Jones emphasizes that “before one can be a peacemaker one really must be entirely delivered from self...as long as you are thinking about yourself, and shielding yourself, you cannot be doing the work properly. To be a peacemaker you must be absolutely neutral to bring the two sides together. You must not be sensitive, you must not be touchy, you must not be on the defensive. If you are, you will not be a very good peacemaker.”¹

The essence of peacemaking is an active pursuit of peace, building bridges and

removing barriers to unite two sides. It is not rooted in human strength or abilities but is a divine undertaking. God, the author of peace and reconciliation, exemplifies this reality. We have discovered in Ephesians how Christ reconciled all things by His death on the cross, knocking down the walls of partition that separated us (Eph. 2:14-16). This supernatural act of reconciliation highlights peacemaking as a spiritual calling and a work of the Spirit. Peacemakers are the true ambassadors of peace and harmony in a fragmented world. Their path reflects God’s ultimate desire for His children to live in peace with Him and one another. ✨

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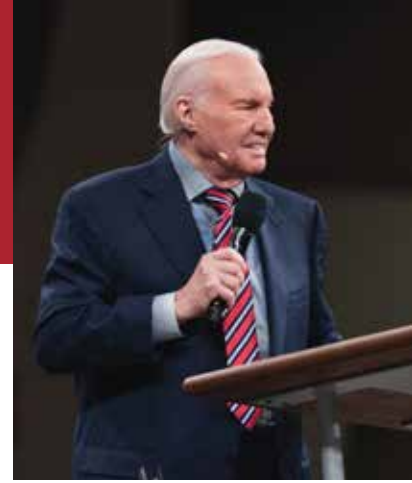
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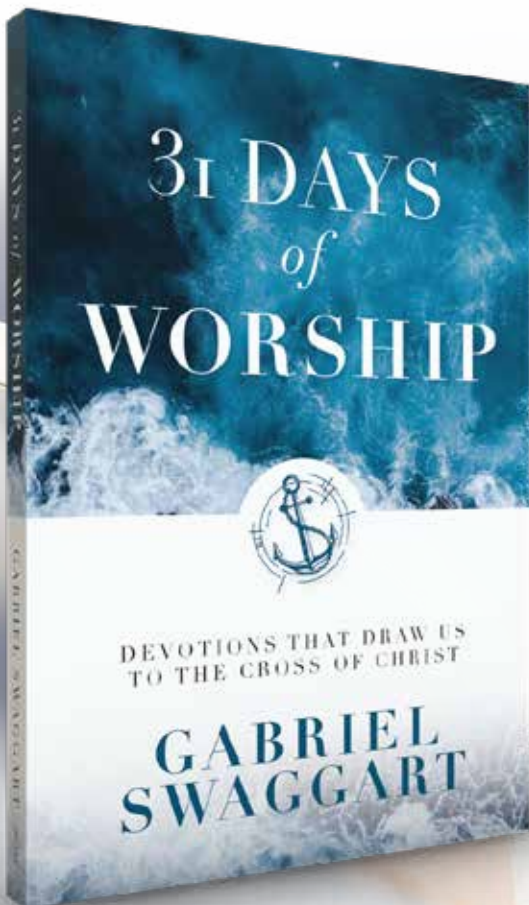
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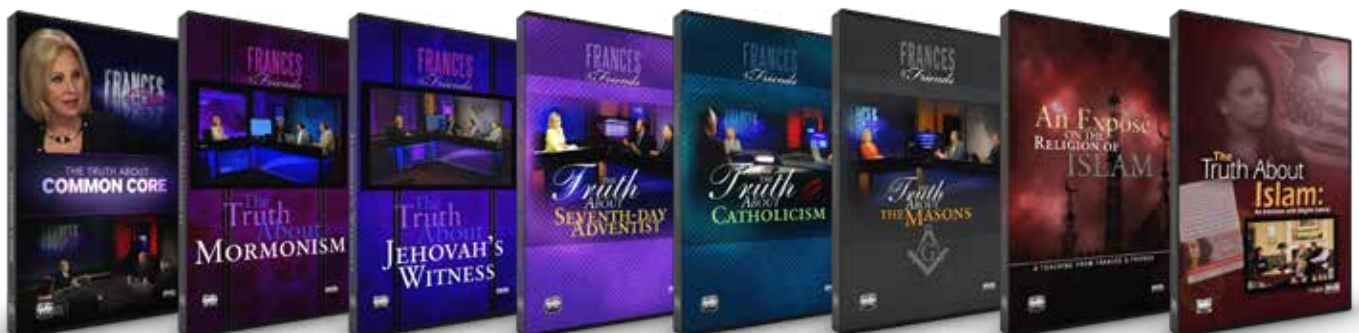
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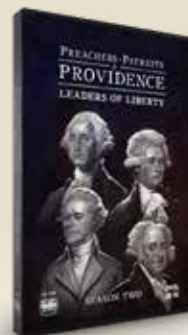


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Good morning, I am from Pretoria in South Africa. I just want to thank God for Brother Swaggart's musical ministry. There's a song I listen to on daily basis, "Got Any Rivers." There's a part where it says, "God specializes in things thought impossible." This line just blesses my soul and encourages me that even as I'm about to pursue my objectives for the year 2024, I must believe that what men see as impossible, it is where God shows His specialties, which is turning impossible things to be possible. Glory to God! I shall achieve what I want to achieve this year. Your ministry blesses me on daily basis, sir, and may God continue to bless you, your ministry, and your family. —SOUTH AFRICA



Dear Family Worship Center/SBN, I just want to express my heartfelt thanks to you all for your great work and commitment in propagating the gospel of our Lord Jesus. I love you all. Pastor Donnie, Pastor Gabriel, Brother and Sister Swaggart—I appreciate you so immensely. God bless you all and other anointed men in the house. I watch you every day from Nigeria and, as I write to you now, I am watching. You make me happy in the Lord all the time. God bless you all. Remain blessed. —NIGERIA

I just want to say I praise God for Jimmy Swaggart Ministries/SonLife. I watch many, many times and listen to your worship music services, but the last several days, I was fighting oppression and depression and could not shake it. I would listen to Scriptures, read, and pray, knowing that this was not God's will for me to be fighting depression and oppression. I said, "God, I don't understand this. I need to feel Your presence, I need to be able to speak in the heavenly tongues that I haven't done in so long." And I felt in my spirit to turn on the SonLife Broadcasting Network. Donnie Swaggart was speaking, as the praise and worship started. Then Pastor Jimmy Swaggart started to minister, and they were singing, "I Know the Lord Will Make a Way," and the power of God came upon him and the congregation, and you could feel God's presence through the TV! I lifted my hands while he was talking about how God can make a way, and he said the sinner's prayer, and I left my hands lifted and just started praising God. I felt God's presence come over me, and I started speaking in the heavenly language—that oppression left! I praise

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God for everything that you're doing. You have been a blessing to me multiple times. I have felt God's presence through your services and through the singing to where it has anointed me in my own home in my living room, and to where, if my neighbors were to walk by, they would think that I had totally lost my mind! But I thank God that there is a pure ministry that teaches the Word of God on the baptism of the Holy Spirit. I pray that God continues to bless this ministry. —PENNSYLVANIA

I just wanted to say that I am so blessed to be a media church member of Family Worship Center. I am fed the Word of God every time I listen to Family Worship Center and SBN. Everyone at SBN ministers, and everyone is a blessing and an inspiration to me! —MISSISSIPPI

Dear Evangelist Jimmy Swaggart, My wife and I have been media members since January 2012. What an amazing ministry. Your music is paramount over any other. The anointing on the music flows right through the television set and your CDs, which we play over and over again. We purchased *The Expositor's Word for Every Day* this past summer. It is the most impacting devotion that we have ever read. Since we became media

church members, we have grown more spiritually in the last twelve years than in all the previous years since our salvation experience. Thank you and your staff for your uncompromising stand for the truth of God's Word. You have the most outstanding ministers and music in the world today. We continually pray for you, your family, and your ministry. May God continue to richly bless you for your labor of love in His service. —EMAIL

This program has been a blessing in my life and family. I love the songs and ministrations. It has really changed my life. Thank you, Jesus. —SIERRA LEONE

First, let me say that I appreciate ya'll's ministry more than I can express. I have followed Brother Swaggart's ministry for over forty-five years, and I thank God for how he has used (and continues to use) Brother and Sister Swaggart, Brother Donnie, and Brother Gabriel in the fulfillment of His Word to reach hearts around the world! Thank you all for your faithfulness. Lastly, I have a music ministry, and I am a Bible teacher. I use every opportunity that I have to spread the gospel of Jesus Christ and Him crucified. I promote the message of the cross, and I back ya'll's every attempt to relay that same message! I'm glad to

report that the message and the Holy Spirit are alive and accepted in all kinds of denominations/churches, and people of all backgrounds are being delivered! Praise the Lord! Again, I wish to thank the Swaggart family and all of those involved with the panel and ministry at SBN!! —TENNESSEE

I quit smoking after fifty-five years, all praise to God! I was up to almost three packs of cigarettes a day since I retired last year, after seven months of excessive smoking in my home. I was also breathing in my own second-hand smoke. My lungs were filled with so much mucous that I had difficulty breathing, and I would actually lose my breath turning over in bed. That made me finally ask God to help me quit smoking cold turkey and, praise God, He answered my prayer every time, and I have not smoked for two months and one week. When I get the urge to smoke, I pray the Lord's Prayer out loud, and the urge to smoke passes immediately! This, to me, is God's blessing and a miracle! I am breathing better and no more coughing up mucous all day and night, and I am walking and exercising too! I can now turn over in bed without losing my breath. I am also a new media church member! —FLORIDA

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ARTICLE BY **Dr. Don Paul Gray**

“For the preaching of the cross is to them that perish foolishness; but unto us which are saved it is the power of God.” —I CORINTHIANS 1:18

“And when he had given thanks, he brake it, and said, Take, eat: this is my body, which is broken for you; this do in remembrance of me.” —I CORINTHIANS 11:24

The Cross Points In Four Directions

SAUL OF TARSUS grew up in a somewhat sophisticated university town located in Cilicia in southern Asia Minor, which is now called Turkey. At about AD 34-35, Saul, as a young man, moved to Jerusalem to complete advanced rabbinical studies under the most famous rabbi and Jewish professor in Jerusalem, Gamaliel. Saul is first identified in Acts 7:58, evidently in full support of the stoning and death of Stephen in Jerusalem.

In Acts 9, we read of Saul getting deeply involved in persecuting the Christians and then, in this same chapter, he is given a supernatural visitation by Christ Himself, and his life is dramatically changed. He becomes a radical disciple of Christ and begins to preach Christ in

Damascus, Jerusalem, and finally in Antioch of Syria, followed by missionary trips to Asia Minor and many cities in Greece and Rome, Italy. Most scholars agree that Saul/Paul was highly trained in Old Testament theology and history, Jewish laws, temple duties, and Jewish rituals. He was trained to be a Jewish rabbi.

DID THE DOCTRINE AND MESSAGE OF THE CROSS BECOME PAUL'S PRIMARY MESSAGE?

The apostle Paul writes to the Galatians that after his conversion, he spent three years in Arabia where he received a fuller understanding of Christ and Him crucified; where he understood the power of the cross as he explained

in I Corinthians 1:17-18, 2:4. In Galatians 5:11, he writes of the “offense of the cross”; in Galatians 6:12, he writes of “persecution for the cross of Christ.” In Galatians 6:14, he declares “*But God forbid that I should glory, save in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ.*”



“Jesus Christ is and was the Lamb of God who took away the sin of the world.”

In Ephesians 2:16, Paul writes that we are reconciled to God “*by the cross*.” In Colossians 1:20, he writes, “*And, having made peace through the blood of his cross*”; then in Colossians 2:14, he testifies that every sin against us has been nailed to His cross. The apostle understood and proclaimed the reality of the doctrine and message of the cross and what it teaches in respect to forgiveness of sin and the ability to live an overcoming life of victory and peace as well as the doctrine of healing and deliverance.

FOUR DIMENSIONS OF THE CROSS

In I Corinthians 11:23-30, Paul explains why it is important to partake of Holy Communion. This sacred church ordinance is all about Christ and the doctrine of the cross. We must never forget that our blessed Lord allowed Himself to be mocked, humiliated, beat with thirty-nine stripes, and then unmercifully nailed to the tree on Golgotha to hang in great derision between heaven and earth to die for the sins of the whole world. As we all know, He was nailed to an old rugged cross between two thieves. And, while on the cross, he led one of them to paradise.

The cross, the physical beam that our Lord died upon pointed in four directions—backward, downward, outward, and upward.

BACKWARD

When we partake of Holy Communion, we should always look back to remember what Christ did for us on Golgotha. Why? John 3:16, reads, “*For God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son*.” When we look backward, we are reminded of what Calvary was all about—His precious blood was shed to deal with our sin. Hebrews 10:4 says that the blood of bulls and goats was not enough. Jesus Christ is and was the Lamb of God who took away the sin of the world.

DOWNWARD

The middle part of the beam points vertically. The cross points downward, inward. While partaking of Holy Communion, the apostle Paul strongly urges us to look carefully in our hearts. First Corinthians 11:28 says, “*But let a man examine himself, and so let him eat of that bread, and drink of that cup*.” When you partake of communion, you should allow the Holy Spirit to reveal to you what is in your heart. Paul said to examine yourself. If there is sin there, then place it under the blood of the Lamb.

OUTWARD

Third, the cross points outward to a lost and hurting world. In the last words of Christ recorded in Matthew, Mark, and Luke, Christ emphasized in the Great Commission that His followers must go out and preach the gospel to a hurting

and broken world. Will you share the gospel to a hurting world?

UPWARD

Yes, the middle beam of the cross also points upward. Paul wrote in I Corinthians 11:26, “*For as often as you eat this bread, and drink this cup, ye do shew the Lord’s death till he come*.” The partaking of Holy Communion should remind us that Christ is coming soon. Jesus declared in John 14:3, “*And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again*.” Mark 13:26 says that Christ will be “*coming in the clouds with great power and glory*.” And the apostle Paul writes in I Thessalonians 4:17, “*Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord*.” We should look upward, knowing that Jesus may come today.

CONCLUSION

This article on the four dimensions of the cross is based on the New Testament revelation of the doctrine and message of the cross. This doctrine and message emphasize that real, radical faith in a loving merciful God and in the power of the blood of Calvary that not only helps one to be healed of all past sins and sicknesses but also to live an overcoming life of victory, peace, love, and joy in the Holy Ghost. ✨



ARTICLE BY **Loren Larson**

“But God forbid that I should glory, save in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom the world is crucified unto me, and I unto the world.” —GALATIANS 6:14

The Value of the Cross

HOW TO DETERMINE THE VALUE OF SOMETHING

How should a person evaluate the true value of a thing? Perhaps the easiest process of evaluation would be to consider the price paid to obtain it. The more something costs, the greater its value. The less something costs, the less its value would be. Value may also be determined by something’s merit, usefulness, or importance. The role that a person, event, or item plays in a person’s life helps determine its true value. An expensive item seldom used quickly becomes of less value to its owner, whereas he values more a less expensive item that he uses every day. Therefore, the value of something is based on the price paid for it as well as the role that item plays in a person’s life.

In establishing the value of the cross, one should put it through these simple evaluations. The cost of our heavenly Father to provide us with redemption was the cost of His own dear Son—priceless! If a believer understands the role that God designed the cross to play in his daily life—also priceless!

WHAT IS MEANT BY THE TERM CROSS?

The term *cross* can bring confusion if not clarified. The cross was the instrument used by the Romans to publicly humiliate and put to death malefactors. To the Christian, the cross is a term that is a symbolic representation of the sacrifice of Christ’s life as payment for man’s redemption. There is absolutely no power in the wood that was fashioned as the instrument of crucifixion. When the believer



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speaks of the cross, he is speaking of the event of Calvary. One must never separate the work of redemption from the Savior. Paul joined both terms when he used the words, “Jesus Christ and Him crucified.”

Whenever Paul said the word *cross* or mentioned the name Jesus Christ, I doubt that he ever meant to separate one idea from the other. The term *cross* is not a mantra or a magic wand that provides life when spoken. The cross was the means by which all men might be saved. However, when understood biblically, the cross is also seen as the means by which God defeated sin and its dominion over mankind. I fear that the cross is not readily seen by most Christians as the means of living free from sin’s dominion. If we did recognize these truths, we would look exclusively to the cross as both the means of initial salvation and as the hope and means of living free from the weight and sin that so easily besets us.

WHAT IS MEANT BY THE OBJECT OF ONE’S FAITH?

The object of faith is that which the believer depends upon to complete the desired result of righteous Christian living. If my faith is in myself, then the object of my faith is what I am able to do or accomplish. If my faith is in my church or religious organization, then the object of my faith is my association with a certain group or my role in an organization. If my faith is

in routines or traditions, then the object of my faith rests upon the performance of these activities. If my faith is in biblical actions such as prayer, Bible study, or fasting, then the object of my faith is not in Christ and the cross, but in what I expect to see accomplished by these actions. If I fail to keep Christ and the cross as the exclusive resting place for my faith, that is evidence that I am failing to see the role that the cross should play in my everyday life. Maintaining the wrong object of faith is evidence that I am not fully grasping the value of the cross.

WHY SHOULD THE OBJECT OF MY FAITH BE THE CROSS?

Salvation involves both a moment in time as well as a constant learning and growing process. The cross supplies believers with both aspects of salvation. If you truly believe that both the power and the penalty for sin was broken by Christ’s sacrifice at Calvary, then that event should become the object of your faith. We must understand that salvation is exclusive. By that I mean there are not three or four ways by which a person might be saved. The Scripture declares that every sinner must realize that he is lost and that Jesus Christ paid the price to redeem him. Christ demands that a person place his faith in Him in order to be saved. There is no other name given under heaven whereby men might be saved. This aspect of salvation is obviously exclusive.

What most Christians have failed to grasp is that growing in grace, living in victory over sin, experiencing abundant life, is just as exclusive a process as the initial salvation experience. Living for God requires that the believer’s faith never change its object from what brought him into relationship with God (Col. 2:6). The believer must recognize that even after salvation he is helpless in regard to conforming himself into the image of Christ. Religious works can’t do it. Willpower can’t accomplish it. No effort of the flesh, no matter how coupled with religious terminology or belief can bring an individual into the required change of the heart. Only Christ can change us from the inside out. Therefore, we must keep our faith in the same object that provided our initial salvation. This signals our dependence to God, our humility and reliance upon him, and releases the power of the indwelling Holy Spirit to do for us what we can never do for ourselves.

All of this was made possible by what Christ did for us at Calvary. Therefore, the constant object of our faith must be Christ and the cross. Dying to self is a process. It occurs when we begin to exchange faith in self for faith in Christ. When we recognize the true value of the cross, we will glory—not in what we do—but in what Christ has done for us. We must be careful that the object of our faith always remains Christ and him crucified. 🚩



ARTICLE BY **John Rosenstern**

In 1892, the Supreme Court of the United States determined, in the case of the Church of the Holy Trinity v. United States, that an English minister was not a foreign laborer under the U.S. Code statute even though he was a foreigner.

AMERICA: A Christian Nation



ALTHOUGH THE CASE dealt with the legality of contracts for other foreign professionals, the Court considered America's Christian identity to be a strong support for its conclusion that Congress could not have intended to prohibit foreign ministers.

Justice David J. Brewer penned the Court's opinion. He stated that the United States was a "Christian nation." This statement is included as part of the dicta—a gratuitous statement that is not essential to the Court's holding.

The Court had already decided before on giving its opinion as to the religious character of the nation. Included was a

list of eighty-seven examples taken from pre-Constitutional documents, historical practice, and colonial charter, all of which revealed America's undisputed Christian roots.

Justice Brewer would clarify his position on a Christian nation as meaning that many of our traditions are rooted in Christianity, not that Christianity should receive legal privileges or is to the exclusion of other religions.

AMERICA'S CHRISTIAN ROOTS

The Christian character and purpose of the United States of America can be found in its Constitution. The seventh article declares it to be framed and

adopted "by the unanimous consent of the states present the seventeenth day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and eighty seven and of the independence of the United States of America the twelfth."

Two important dates in the Constitution: first it is dated from the birth of the Lord Jesus Christ and then from the birth of America's independence. Any argument which might be supposed to prove that the authority of Christianity is not recognized by the people of the United States, in the first manner, would equally prove that the independence of the United States is not recognized in the second manner.

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The 1619 Project is a current example of this manipulation. The fact is that the advent of Jesus Christ and the independence of the country are the two events, of all others, that we are most interested in—the former in common with all mankind and the latter as the birth of the nation.

Another fact in harmony with the purposes for which the Constitution was established with the intentions and results of Christianity as affecting nations and the temporal interests of men. The Preamble states this political and moral harmony in these words: “We the people of the United States, in order to form a more perfect union, establish justice, insure domestic tranquility, provide for the common defense, promote the general welfare, and secure the blessings of liberty to ourselves and our posterity, do ordain and establish this Constitution for the United States of America.”

A third fact indicating the Christian character of the Constitution is that in multiple places it requires an oath: “No person can hold an executive or judicial office under it, or derived from any State, who does not take an oath to support it.”

Some look back from today and say that if our Founding Fathers were so religious, then why didn't they include a religious test for political candidates? To help explain why, let's look at what Chief Justice Theophilus Parsons said:

“It has been objected, that the Constitution provides no religious test by oath, and we may have in power unprincipled men, atheists, and pagans. No man can wish more ardently than I do that all our public offices may be filled by men who fear God and hate wickedness; but it must remain with the electors to give government this security. An oath will not do it...The only evidence we can have of the sincerity and excellency of a man's religion, is a good life; and I trust that such evidence will be required of every candidate by every elector.”¹

CHRISTIAN RESPONSIBILITY

Many of us are told not to mix religion and politics in conversations. In nearly every conversation that you will have with a liberal are worn-out statements used as cliches to either distract the conversation or silence you.

For example, “separation of church and state” is very popular with those who claim that you can't mix politics with religion. Rather than a straightforward refutation, ridicule is oftentimes used instead to keep you from addressing the issues from a biblical perspective. True believers know that God is in control.

Daniel wrote, “*And he changeth the times and the seasons: he removeth kings, and setteth up kings*” (Dan. 2:21). God is sovereign, and His providence prevails in all matters. However, God does allow us all to exercise free will. In this regard, we are

responsible for the decisions we make and the consequences of those decisions, good or bad.

God created government, and good government provides true freedoms and blessings while bad government causes sorrow.

Oftentimes, it is not government alone that determines the direction of a nation. Proverbs 14:34 says, “*Righteousness exalteth a nation: but sin is a reproach to any people.*”

The moral direction of a nation is oftentimes played out in the realm of politics. Abortion, homosexuality, racism—these are moral issues. Their legality and boundaries affect society and are determined by political persuasion of the people, especially in a democratic society. The United States of America is a Republic. It is a representative form of government giving its citizens their rightful place by the will and consent of the people to form and maintain government. We exercise that wonderful privilege through voting. Although it's not a perfect system, it is by far the best known and practiced in the world. Every true born-again believer should vote and vote according to the issues. In other words, vote according to God's revealed will in His Word on all the issues. 🗳️

SOURCE

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demnation to acceptance—we must be in Christ: “*There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit*” (Romans 8:1). As Adam was the federal head for the fallen man, Jesus Christ is the federal head for the redeemed. Being in Christ removes all condemnation: “*For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive*” (I Cor. 15:22).

THE LOVE OF GOD IS IN CHRIST

Paul teaches that God’s love toward His children is manifested through Jesus Christ. Paul, was not a stranger to trials and tribulations. He believed that neither “*height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord*”

Being in Christ removes all condemnation

(Rom. 8:39). He does not say that the love of God was in religious works, good intentions, or even in humanistic acts of kindness. God’s love is in *en Christos*—in Christ. Trials and tribulations will come, but they cannot separate us from God’s love because we are in Christ.

OUR VICTORY IS IN CHRIST

Our victory is exclusively tied to the completed work of Calvary. Remove the cross, and you remove the very victory that Christ died on the cross to give you. The Bible says, “*Now thanks be unto God, which always causeth us to triumph in Christ, and maketh manifest the savour of his knowledge by us in every place*” (II Cor. 2:14). “Always triumph” is only possible to those who are in Christ and

who make the cross of Christ the focus of their faith. Victory is in Christ.

THE CHURCH IS TO BE FOUND IN CHRIST

Paul does not claim a unique position in Christ. He teaches that all saints who are part of the body of Christ are in Christ: “*Paul, an apostle of Jesus Christ by the will of God, to the saints which are at Ephesus, and to the faithful in Christ Jesus*” (Eph. 1:1). They were called saints and the faithful because they were in Christ.

IN CHRIST

We have just scratched the surface, opened the first page of a manuscript, and introduced to Paul’s love of the phrase “in Christ.” Let me encourage you to supplement this brief study and continue the discovery what it means to be *en Christos*—in Christ. ✚

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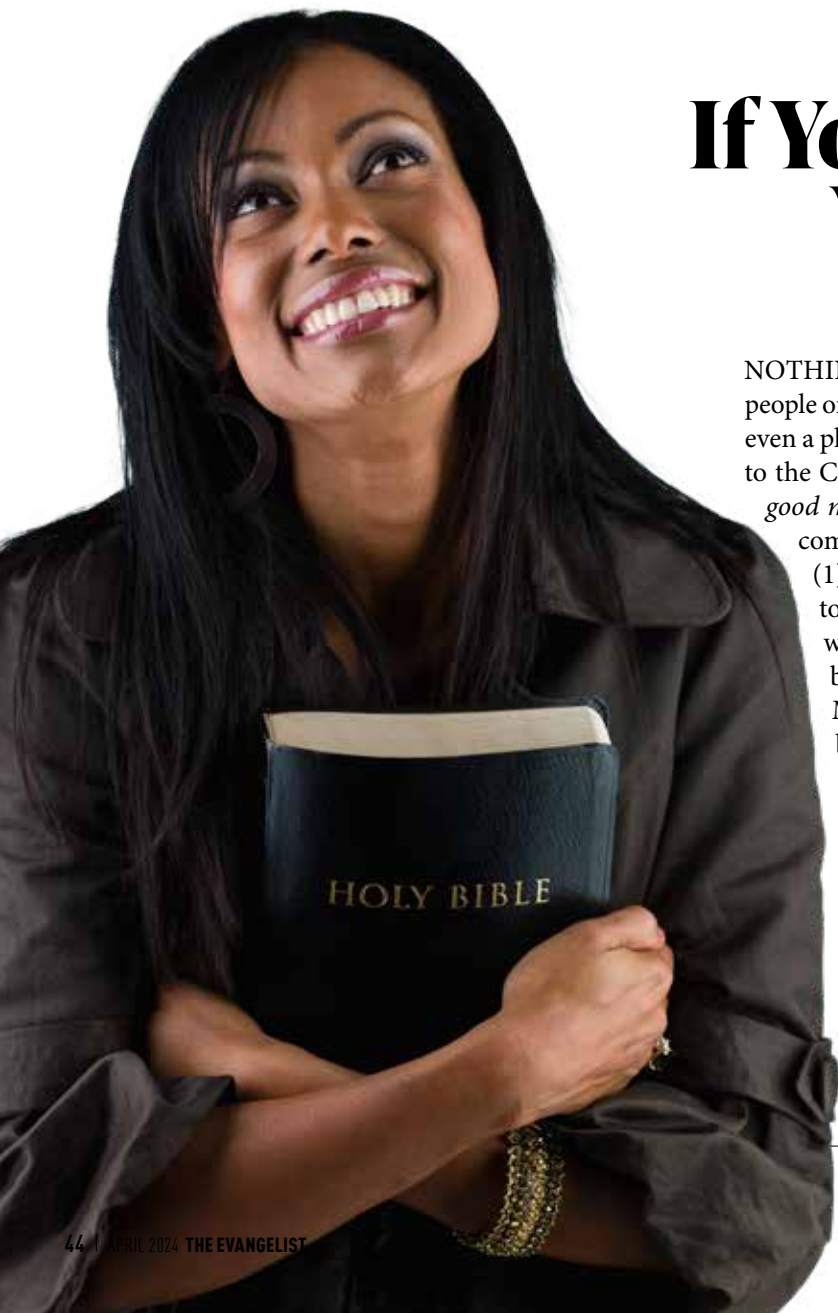
ARTICLE BY **Joseph Larson**

Have you ever heard the statement, “If you believe right, you’ll live right”? Well, do you believe this is true? Does the Bible teach this? I believe it does. Paul seems to hold the same opinion when he writes to the Corinthians.

If You Believe Right, You’ll Live Right

NOTHING COULD BE MORE damaging than allowing the wrong people or things to influence you—friends, teachers, family members, even a philosophy or teaching. That’s what Paul meant when he said to the Corinthians, “*Be not deceived: evil communications corrupt good manners*” (I Cor. 15:33). Another translation reads, “Bad company ruins good morals.” Webster defines the word ruin as: (1) To damage irreparably, (2) to bankrupt or impoverish, (3) to reduce to ruins or to devastate. I will let the reader decide what it means for morals to be “ruined.” But you don’t have to be a scholar to realize, as we say in the South, “It ain’t good.” Men were denying a coming resurrection. This must have been common. The same problem appears as Paul writes to Timothy, “*But shun profane and vain babblings: for they will increase unto more ungodliness. And their word will eat as doth a canker: of whom is Hymenaeus and Philetus; Who concerning the truth have erred, saying that the resurrection is past already; and overthrow the faith of some*” (2 Tim. 2:16-18).

The devil knows how to attack the believer. If he can overthrow your faith, then he can corrupt your morals. In other words, he also knows it’s true: If you believe right, you’ll



“We are saved by expressing faith in what Christ did at Calvary, and that must forever be the only object of our faith.”

live right. When this lie began to spread, and believers at Corinth received it (we don't know how many), Paul began to elaborate on just how important hope in a coming resurrection is to the believer's faith. The modern Christian must have the same concern. Paul writes, “Now if Christ be preached that he rose from the dead, how say some among you that there is no resurrection of the dead? But if there be no resurrection of the dead, then is Christ not risen: And if Christ be not risen, then is our preaching vain, and your faith is also vain” (I Cor. 15:12-14). I couldn't agree more with Albert Barnes' assessment of this text. He also reminds

us that if you believe right, you'll live right when he writes: “The sentiment of the passage is, that the contact of evil-minded men, or that the close friendship and conversation of those who hold erroneous opinions, or who are impure in their lives, tends to corrupt the morals, the heart, the sentiments of others. The particular thing to which Paul here applies it is the subject of the resurrection. Such contact would tend to corrupt the simplicity of their faith, and pervert their views of the truth of the gospel, and thus corrupt their lives. It is always true that such contact has a pernicious effect on the mind and the heart.”

Today, it won't be a waste of your time to examine your influences. Consider what Paul wrote: “*a little leaven leavens the whole lump.*” Satan knows that he can't steal your faith, so he attempts to spoil it. Don't let any man spoil you with philosophy and vain deceit (Col. 2:8). Jude said to the church, “*Contend for the faith.*” The word *contend* implies good management. It also implies being a good watchman. I'll repeat what Barnes has written above. We really don't know to what extent the wrong influence can have on the mind and the heart. Stay clear of bad company that ruins good morals. If you believe right, you'll live right. ✚

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THE CROSS

“For the preaching of the cross is to them that perish foolishness; but unto us which are saved it is the power of God” (I Cor. 1:18).

In a nutshell, so to speak, this verse of Scripture tells us the value of the cross, which is beyond imagination. To those of unbelief, the cross is just simply a figment of someone’s imagination, with no meaning whatsoever. The cross, being the power of God, is not understood by most in the modern church. So how is the cross the power of God?

When Jesus died on the cross of Calvary, He atoned for all sin—past, present, and future—at least for those who will believe. This great truth is critical. If we misunderstand that, then we misunderstand everything about God. So, how is the cross of Christ—that wooden beam on which Jesus died—the power of God?

It is the power of God because it’s where Jesus atoned for all sin—past, present, and future—at least for those who will believe. And whenever the believer places his or her faith exclusively in Christ, as it regards the object of our faith—Jesus Christ and Him crucified—and we maintain it in that capacity twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week, then the Holy Spirit, who is God, and who can do anything, will begin to work on our behalf. The Holy Spirit works exclusively within those parameters and, in fact, will not work outside of those parameters.



Paul also said, *“For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus, has made me free from the law of sin and death” (Rom. 8:2).* This is the only way that the believer can have victory over sin. It is by our faith being placed exclusively in Christ and what He did for us at the cross—and maintaining it exclusively in what Christ did for us at the cross. That’s not hard to do; it’s very simple, very easy, but it seems to be difficult for many Christians.

WHY?

The reason that it is difficult for most is because it lays aside self, and that is difficult for most believers. We like to think that we are able to do what needs to be done, whatever that might be. But we

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cannot do it. It's hard for us to come to the place where we understand that and believe that. In other words, I cannot sanctify myself, and you cannot sanctify yourself. It's impossible. I don't care what you try to do; I don't care what efforts you make; you will fail. And why should you have to do it when Jesus has already done it? So this is where the power of God comes in. When we place our faith exclusively in Christ and the cross, and maintain it exclusively in Christ and the cross, the Holy Spirit, which we've already stated, who is God, and who can do anything, will go to work on our behalf, giving us victory over the world, the flesh, and the devil.

I CORINTHIANS 1:18

Let me quote it again, please: “*For the preaching of the cross is to them that perish foolishness; unto us which are saved it is the power of God.*” If you want the power, which you must have to live this life as you ought to live, in effect, to make heaven your home, then the cross must be paramount in your life, your living, and your believing.

I'll not forget the day that the Lord gave me this great truth. I was on our daily radio program, *A Study In The Word*. We were studying the book of Romans. Loren Larson was with me.

I began to deal with Romans 8:2, “*For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus hath made me free from the law of*

sin and death.” And then the Spirit of God began to speak to my heart. It was unmistakable. And He began to speak words that I had never heard before, had never read in a book, and had never heard preached. He said, “The Holy Spirit works exclusively within the parameters of the finished work of Christ and will not work outside of those parameters.”

In other words, we have to have our faith exclusively in Christ and what He did for us at the cross. He went on to say, “If we attempt to live for God by any other means, by ignoring what Jesus Christ did at the cross, we will find ourselves walking in defeat, with defeat getting worse and worse all the time.”

The Holy Spirit insists that our faith be in Christ and what He did for us at the cross. This must not be ignored, laid aside, or forgotten. Jesus paid a terrible price at Calvary's cross. And that price that was paid was not only for our salvation, but also our victory over the world, the flesh, and the devil. It's not difficult, nor is it hard to understand. We just simply place our faith in Christ and the cross and maintain it accordingly.

When Jesus said, “It is finished,” He meant far more than we understand. The entire plan of God was finished. The great work of redemption was finished. Victory over the world, the flesh, and the devil was finished. Victory in

every capacity was finished.

When I said those words, Loren Larson spoke up and said, “Ca you give me Scripture for that?”

My mind instantly went to how I could give him Scripture, when I had only heard it a few moments before. But then I looked down at my Bible, and it was open to Romans 8 and my eyes went to verse two: “*For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus hath made me free from the law of sin and death.*” I sense the presence of God even as I quote this verse.

There's only one way you can have victory over the world, victory over the flesh, and victory over the devil, and that is by placing your faith exclusively in Christ and the cross and maintaining it exclusively in that capacity.

If you will do that, then you will find a new life to a greater degree than ever before. It is yours for the asking! It is yours for the taking! It is yours because the price has already been paid.

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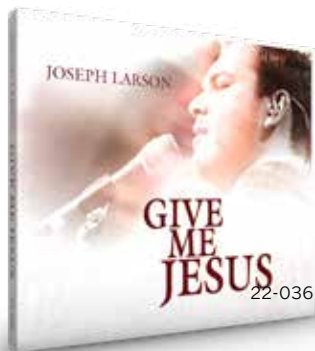
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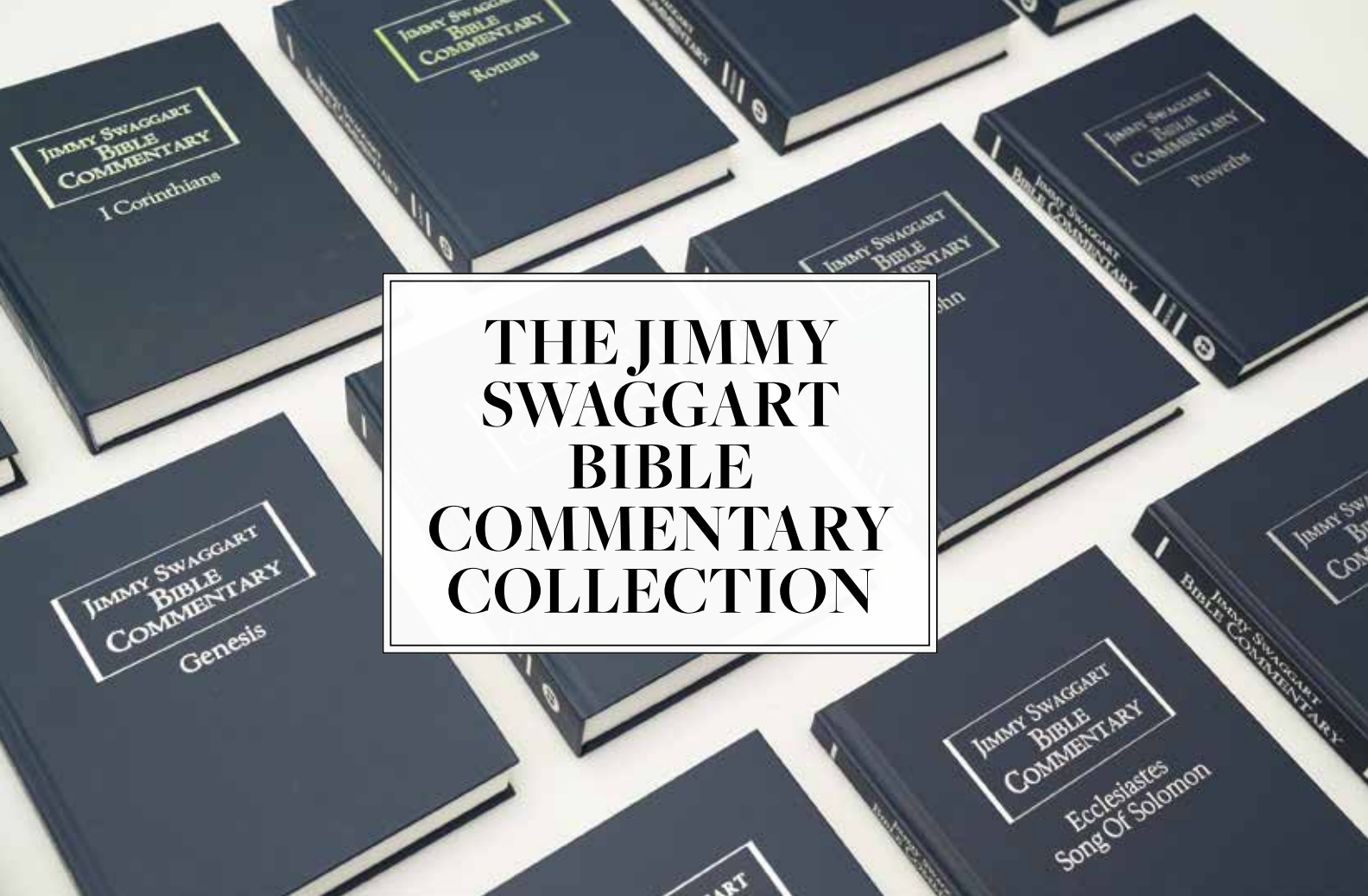
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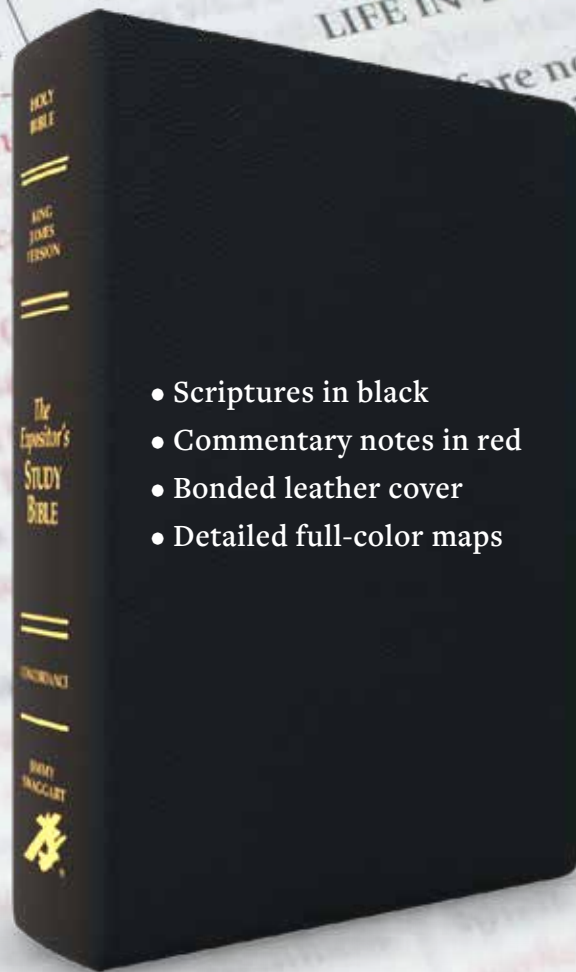
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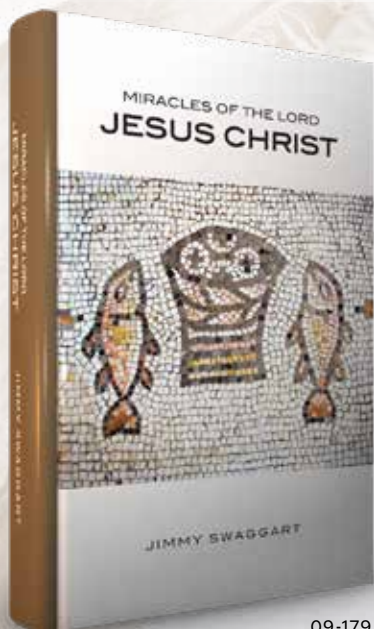
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