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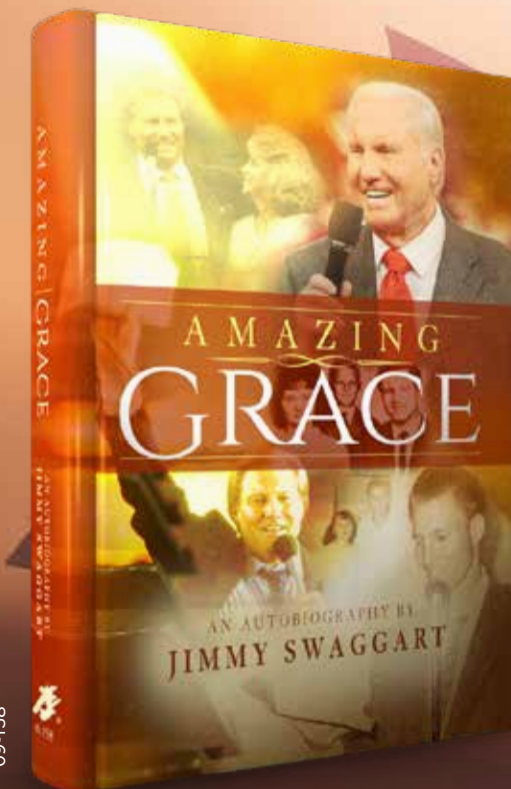
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THE SPIRIT OF FEAR

PART II

BY JIMMY SWAGGART

The cross of Christ is just as much involved in our sanctification, and even more so, as it was in our justification.

Please understand that 90 percent or more of what Paul gave us in his fourteen epistles has to do with the cross of Christ relative to our sanctification and not our justification. While he most definitely deals with justification, the greater thrust is, by far, sanctification—how we live for God.

The simple fact is that most believers simply don't know how to live for God. I realize that's quite a statement, but, regrettably, it happens to be true.

As a believer, you are to place your faith consistently in the cross of Christ as it regards your daily living for God, and maintain your faith exclusively in Christ and His finished work. That's the key—your faith. However, your faith must have the correct object, and that correct object is Jesus Christ and Him crucified (Rom. 6:3-5; 8:1-11; I Cor. 1:17-18, 23; 2:2; Col. 2:10-15).

A woman with dark hair, wearing a vibrant red sweater, is seen from behind with her arms raised high in a gesture of praise or prayer. She is seated in a church, surrounded by other people who are also participating in the service. The background is filled with a large, blurred crowd of people, creating a sense of a large gathering. The lighting is warm and focused on the woman in the foreground.

**“..you just start praising
Him and thanking Him for all
that He’s done for you.”**

“The reason the Holy Spirit refers to it as ‘a garment of praise’ is because you are to wear this thing like you do a garment. That means that it covers your spirit, and it covers your soul.”

Please note the following points very carefully:

- Jesus Christ is the source of all things that we receive from God (John 1:1-3, 14, 29; 14:6).
- The cross of Christ is the means, and the only means, by which all of these wonderful things are given to us (I Cor. 1:17-18, 23; 2:2).
- With Christ as our source and the cross as the means, the object of our faith must be the cross of Christ, and we aren't speaking of the wooden beam on which He died, but rather what He there accomplished (Gal. 6:14; Col. 2:10-15).
- With Christ as our source and the cross of Christ our means, the Holy Spirit, who works exclusively within the boundaries of the cross of Christ, will then work mightily on our behalf.

Above all, Satan does not want the believer to know this which I am giving you right now. He was defeated at Calvary's cross along with all of his principalities, powers, demon spirits, and fallen angels. That's the reason he doesn't want you to know that the cross is the answer, and it is the only answer.

HOW DO I KEEP EVIL THOUGHTS OUT OF MY MIND?

I suppose that through the years I have been asked this question maybe more than any other. There is a way that you can keep evil thoughts out of your mind, and let me give it to you.

Nearly 2,800 years ago, the great prophet Isaiah gave us this particular word. He said:

“To appoint unto them who mourn in Zion, to give unto them beauty for ashes, the oil of joy for mourning, the garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness; that they might be called trees of righteousness, the planting of the LORD, that He might be glorified” (Isa. 61:3).

Sin begins in the heart but quickly goes to the mind, and then the sin, fear, etc., is carried out. I'm going to show you how to stop that.

In this tremendous word that the great prophet gave us, there is a phrase in the Scripture that I want you to notice. It says:

“To give unto them ... The garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness.”

Two things are said, and we will deal with the latter one first.

The spirit of heaviness is demonic oppression, and fear, even abject fear, always accompanies demonic oppression. It's as if two hundred pounds are on the person's shoulder. It's as if the sun has been hidden from view, and there is nothing but darkness. It's as if there is no way out, and it seems that there is no solution to the problem. That's the reason the Holy Spirit called it “the spirit of heaviness.”

Every believer who has ever lived has experienced this spirit of heaviness more than once, to be sure. Let me get back to the cross for a moment.

THE VICTORY OF THE CROSS

A short time ago, on a Sunday morning, I was preaching to our people at Family Worship Center. I was dealing with this spirit of oppression — this spirit of heaviness. While I was preaching, all of a sudden something came to me. In 1997, the Lord gave me the great word of the cross and how it works in the hearts and lives of believers. To be sure, it has revolutionized my life and my ministry.

As I was preaching that morning, it suddenly dawned on me that since that great word of the cross was given to me some twenty-five years ago, I have not experienced one moment of demonic oppression—not one moment of this spirit of heaviness.

Now I want to tell you how to keep evil thoughts out of your mind, which can lead to all types of problems. Satan plants his thoughts in your mind at the beginning. They then go to your soul and your spirit, which are then carried out through your

physical body. So, let's see how that we can close up the mind to that which is ungodly and keep it open to that which is godly.

The great prophet told us of the garment of praise. What did he mean by that?

A garment is something we wear, and the Holy Spirit through Isaiah is telling us that we should wear a garment of praise. What do I mean by that?

THE GARMENT OF PRAISE

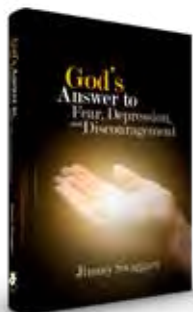
In your daily duties, as it comes to your mind, just start to praise the Lord. You don't have to do it out loud. Actually, you can do it under your breath to where no one can hear you, but you just start praising Him and thanking Him for all that He's done for you. Tell Him how much you love Him and keep doing it until your mind goes to something else, which it will very shortly. Then, the next moment when your mind snaps back to the Lord, begin to praise Him again. Just keep doing it. You will find that you will subconsciously start to praise the Lord without even thinking about it.

Please understand that as you do this, it will never get old. You will sense a euphoric spirit of joy that will fill your heart and fill your soul. But here's the main thing: There will be no place for evil thoughts, no place for doubt and unbelief, no place for fear, no place for depression, and no place for discouragement. You are praising the one who can do all things.

The reason the Holy Spirit refers to it as "a garment of praise" is because you are to wear this thing like you do a garment. That means that it covers your spirit, and it covers your soul. Every time you think about it and begin to praise the Lord, no room is left for fear and depression.

What I have just given to you is that which the Lord has given to me, and it has revolutionized my life and my thinking. It has given me a peace that passes all understanding, and it is so wonderful that I want you to have it, as well, and you most definitely can have it. ✨

*Amazing grace, how sweet the sound,
That saved a wretch like me,
I once was lost, but now I'm found,
Was blind but now I see.*



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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 Lord Jesus, 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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“And in that day [from the Day of Pentecost forward] ye shall ask me nothing. Verily, verily, I say unto you, Whatsoever ye shall ask the Father in my name, he will give it you.” —JOHN 16:23

Is it okay for Christians to pray to Jesus through Mary?

ABSOLUTELY NOT. The believer is not really supposed to even pray to Jesus, but rather to the heavenly Father, and do so in the name of Jesus. By using the name of Jesus in this respect, our petition will be granted by our Father in heaven. John 16:23, says, “*And in that day [from the Day of Pentecost forward] ye shall ask me nothing. Verily, verily, I say unto you, Whatsoever ye shall ask the Father in my name, he will give it you.*” In this verse, Christ placed all believers in direct relationship with the Father as enjoying the same access that He Himself enjoyed. Christ gives us His own name as the authority through which all needs could be met. All blessing from the Father comes in Jesus’ name.

Any prayer to Mary is unscriptural. When you pray to Mary, you are praying to someone who has died, and the Scripture tells us very clearly that we are not supposed to communicate with somebody who has died, and that includes the saints (Deut. 18:11).

Of course, many Catholics are taught to believe that Mary did not die but was assumed into heaven. In his official definition of Mary’s assumption, Pope Pius XII wrote: “Hence the revered Mother of God, from all eternity joined in a hidden way with Jesus Christ in one and the same decree of predestination, immaculate in her conception, a most perfect virgin in her divine motherhood, the noble associate of the divine Redeemer who has won a complete triumph over sin and its consequences, finally obtained, as the supreme culmination of her privileges, that she should be preserved free from the corruption of the tomb and that, like her own Son, having overcome death, she might be taken up body

and soul to the glory of heaven where, as Queen, she sits in splendor at the right hand of her Son, the immortal King of the Ages.”

Some people will read this and think, “You’re just knocking the Catholic Church again. Why do you do that? Catholic Christians love God just like you do.” To those we would say that we are, in no way, questioning your love for God. What we are saying, as clearly as we know how, is that you cannot pray to Mary or pray through Mary and reach God. We’re strong on that.

We’ve also been accused of not honoring Mary, which is also untrue. We do give Mary honor. We do respect her. What she did was phenomenal. The faith that she had when she said to the angel Gabriel, “*Behold the handmaid of the Lord; be it unto me according to thy word*” was amazing. But we don’t see in the Scripture any admonition to pray to her. You don’t honor somebody by praying to them. Praying to them gives them a quality that is beyond every other human being. Yes, the Scripture does say that Mary is blessed among women, but not blessed over all women (or all people).

After we make statements like this, the emails still come, mostly from our Catholic friends, saying, “I just honor Mary, but I don’t pray to her.”

Yet they know the Hail Mary, which is definitely a prayer because it’s asking for Mary’s help. The Hail Mary is considered the center of the Catholic rosary. And the rosary, according to Catholic sources, has recently made a comeback.

Catholic.com admits that the most problematic line in the Hail

“For there is one God, and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus.” —1 TIMOTHY 2:5

Mary for non-Catholics is usually the last line: “pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death.”

Yes, this is problematic, especially for the born-again Christian who believes what 1 Timothy 2:5 says, “For there is one God, and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus.” Your faith must be in Jesus Christ and Him alone. If Jesus is continually making intercession for us, and He can save to the uttermost—and, according to Hebrews 7:25, He can—then we don’t need any other mediator. Why would I need to go to somebody else who died and is buried in the grave?

The doctrine of the Catholics—the doctrine that the saints or the Virgin Mary may act as mediators to procure blessings for us—is patently false. There is but one mediator, and only one is necessary—Christ. This means that prayer offered to “the saints” or to Mary is idolatry pure and simple; and, at the same time, removes the one great mediator from the office which He alone holds—making intercession with God. In fact, the Catholic doctrine of mediation by others is blasphemy. It strikes at the very heart of the atonement, does great insult to Christ, and does so because it elevates poor mortals to the level of the Son of God, and even beyond.

The Bible says, “Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace.” Let us—that means believers can come. Why boldly? Because we have confidence that the blood of Christ has made a way for us to come directly to the Father. You don’t need Mary or any another mediator other than the blood of Christ and Jesus Christ Himself.

I don’t want anyone else going to God for me. I want to go to God myself. I can enter boldly into the very throne room of God, not arrogantly but I can walk into His presence confidently, at any given time, and let Him know what I have need of, and He will be there working for me on my behalf.

Here’s something to keep in mind—in Luke 16, the rich man died and went to hell. He said to Abraham, “I pray thee therefore, father, that thou wouldest send him [Lazarus] to my father’s house: For I have five brethren; that he may testify unto them, lest they also come into this place of torment.” No. You cannot use somebody who is dead as an intercessor or to spread the gospel.

Mary is not a mediator. John 2:3 says, “And when they wanted wine, the mother of Jesus saith unto him, They have no wine.” This is Mary’s attempt at mediation between the servants of the wedding

and Christ. And what happens? “Jesus saith unto her, Woman, what have I to do with thee? mine hour is not yet come.” Mary’s only attempt at mediation failed.

Nowhere in Scripture does Jesus point others to Mary. He doesn’t do that. Instead, we see the opposite. We see Mary pointing to Jesus. It’s telling that the last words of Mary recorded in the Bible point others to Christ. She said, “Whatsoever he saith unto you, do it” (John 2:5). When she made this statement, Mary promptly stepped aside, in effect, telling the servants to turn from her to Him.

Bible scholar George Williams points out, “Whether these people that day at the marriage feast of Cana learned the lesson permanently, that the Lord Jesus is to be appealed to directly and not through an intermediary, is more than doubtful, for to this day, man has not learned it. And so, millions pray to Mary, although she is dead.”

Even when Mary was alive, the thief on the cross, coming down to his last dying moments, ignored her, even though she was only a few yards away, and turned rather to Jesus directly (Luke 23:39-43).

The thief was rewarded with paradise, but he would have received nothing had he appealed to Mary, which is exactly what all receive who appeal to her. 🦋

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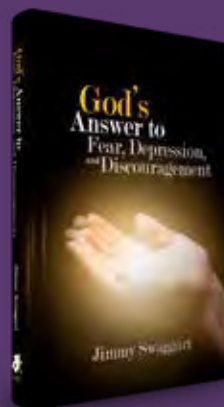
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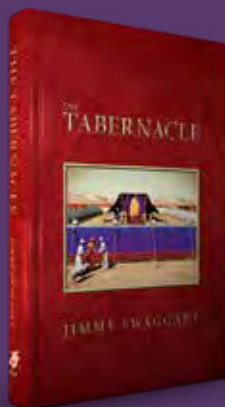
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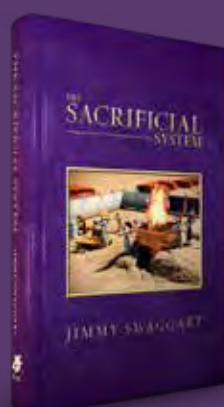
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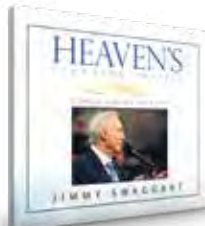
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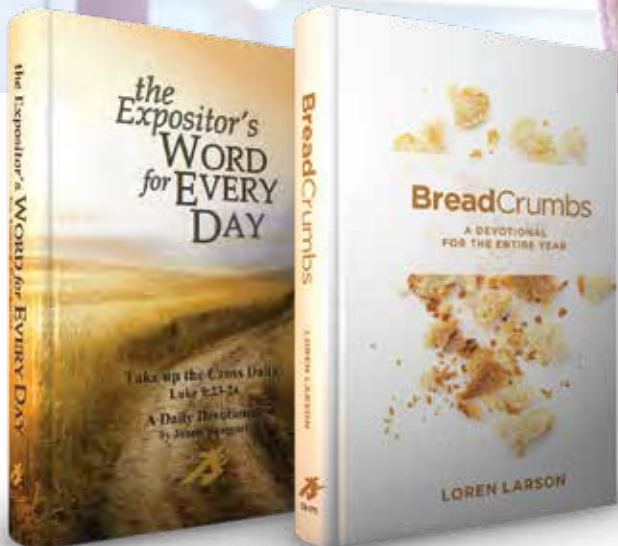
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“Let no man despise thy youth; but be thou an example of the believers, in word, in conversation, in charity, in spirit, in faith, in purity.” — I TIMOTHY 4:12

Be An Example

PAUL’S EPISTLE TO Timothy is a personal letter and not written to a specific church.

Timothy was born in the province of Lycaonia in the city of Lystra, which was located in Asia Minor. His father was a pagan, but his mother, Eunice, and his grandmother were Jewesses devoted to their faith. It appears that during Paul’s first trip to Asia Minor, they heard the gospel preached by Paul and accepted Christ. Sometime later, Timothy accepted Christ either through Paul or his mother and grandmother.

Timothy became a valued servant of the Lord and a son of the faith to Paul. Timothy served as Paul’s representative to different churches and as a pastor in Ephesus.

The purpose of I Timothy was to give this young minister of the gospel practical instructions regarding his personal life and the rule of order for the church at Ephesus. In I Timothy 4:12, Paul gives to Timothy that which all should bear in

mind as disciples of Christ. So let’s look at the godly advice the apostle gives to Timothy and to all of us.

BE THOU AN EXAMPLE OF THE BELIEVERS

In the Greek, the word *be* is *ginomai*, and it means “to become,” which says to us today, “keep on becoming” an example, ever growing in grace and the knowledge of the Lord.

The word *example* in the Greek is *tupos*, and it means “the mark of a stroke or blow; a print; a figure formed by a blow or impression.” The idea is that, as a Christian, I am to be formed into the image of Christ, I am to be an impression of Him to the world. I am to be His voice and His hand extended.

Romans 8:29 says, “*For whom He did foreknow, he also did predestinate to be conformed to the image of his Son that He might be the firstborn among many brethren.*”

Colossians 3:10 says, “*And have put on*

the new man, which is renewed in knowledge after the image of him that created him.”

The whole idea is that the world sees Christ in us and through us. As well, our lifestyle should be an encouragement to the body of Christ.

IN WORD

This refers to the Word of God. In Timothy’s case, Paul’s admonition referred to him teaching and preaching sound doctrine. The Bible is to be our guide for the conduct of our life in action and speech. Is it scriptural? Everything must be. Also, our casual conversation should reflect words that are wholesome and edifying.

IN CONVERSATION

This phrase has reference to our behavior or manner of life. The idea is that the way we conduct ourselves should be an example of righteousness and holiness. If we are an example “in word,” then it should be no problem to conduct ourselves in a

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manner that brings glory to God. In his epistle of I John 1:4, John the Beloved wrote, “I have no greater joy than to hear that my children walk in truth.” The truth was the Word of God and its doctrine. These believers were allowing the gospel to transform their lives—that allowed them to walk right, talk right, live right, and let agape love shine forth as rays of the sun.

IN CHARITY

This means to walk and to live in love, for that’s what charity means. It’s the love of God, which is agape love. This is the love that God is (I John 4:8, 16) and which the Holy Spirit produces in our hearts. Paul

tells us in I Corinthians 13 that love is to be the earmark of the born-again life. John also expresses the same thought in I John.

IN SPIRIT

We see in this phrase implication of the Holy Spirit’s work in our lives. The Holy Spirit is to rule our lives to the extent that He has leeway to guide us, instruct us, conform us, speak to us and through us, convict us, and even rebuke us. However, we must never forget that none of the work of the Holy Spirit in us is automatic; it’s only potential. We must constantly seek the Holy Spirit for His help and guidance, and our faith must

be correct, which is faith in Christ and Him crucified. If the object of one’s faith is wrong, then the Holy Spirit is limited in what He can do in us and for us.

IN FAITH

Faith, as it is used in I Timothy 4:12, refers to faithfulness and being faithful, which means to continue in the faith and that our faith is faith in the sacrifice of Christ. Once again, we go back to one’s object of faith which must be the cross of Christ.

IN PURITY

This pertains to morality, purity of the flesh, and purity of motive and action. In the Greek, the idea of this word means “chastity, which shuts out any impurity of spirit or manner that might defile.” Also, it’s the idea of remaining clean and not letting the defilement and impurity of the world contaminate us.

What Paul gave to Timothy—and to us—can only be obtained one way and that way is God’s prescribed order of life and living, which is as follows:

- Everything we need to live this life comes through what Jesus did at Calvary and the resurrection.
- We must place our faith exclusively in the finished work of Christ. Our faith must never be moved from Calvary and the victory won there.
- Then the Holy Spirit can work as He desires in our life.

Following God’s prescribed order will result in our words being correct, our behavior glorifying Christ, our guiding principle being love, and our spirits being ruled by the Holy Spirit. ✎





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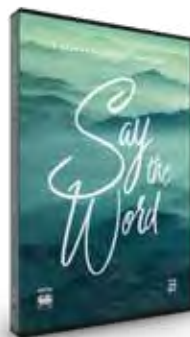
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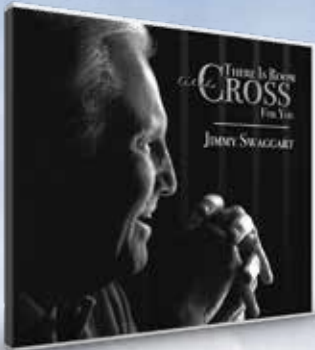
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ARTICLE BY **Gabriel Swaggart**

“Whereby, when ye read, ye may understand my knowledge in the mystery of Christ) Which in other ages was not made known unto the sons of men, as it is now revealed unto his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit; That the Gentiles should be fellowheirs, and of the same body, and partakers of his promise in Christ by the gospel.” —EPHESIANS 3:4-6

The Revelation of the Mystery **PART II**

PAUL’S DESIRE FOR the church, including the Gentile population within the body of Christ, was to completely understand God’s plan through Christ. Of course, this refers to the new covenant in Christ, which is the message of the cross. God had specifically called him to bring this message to the masses, including the Gentiles.

The message of the cross is not a message that is exclusive to one group of people, but rather inclusive and intended for all. Going back to the idea of the mystery that Paul presents, we need to understand that he is bringing to light the adoption of the Gentiles into the body of Christ.

GOD’S PLAN FOR THE HUMAN RACE

It is critical to reiterate the idea of the cross being inclusive. The death of Jesus Christ on Calvary’s cross was a completed work meant for all, giving Gentiles equal access to God and His saving grace as He

had given the Jews. There is no longer a difference between Jew and Gentile, and both groups stand on equal ground at the foot of the world’s Redeemer. These two groups are now one body in Christ, with the Gentiles receiving the same benefits as the Jews when Christ is accepted. This was always the plan of God for the human race.

God’s ultimate plan is broken down into four aspects: eternal, historical, spiritual, and prophetic. As Paul uses the word *mystery*, it refers to God’s plan of redemption.

First, this plan is eternal in its scope. This plan contained God’s everlasting counsel, decreed before the foundations of the world, declared as God’s supreme knowledge, veiled to humanity but ultimately revealed through Christ.

Second, the term *mystery* is historical in its announcement. Historically, the announcement was made by God and is known as the “mystery of Christ.” Paul was tasked to proclaim this historical

message that Christ is the hope of humanity and that anyone at any time can experience this great salvation. Historically, this new life was declared by God throughout time, and through Christ, all, both Jew and Gentile, can have this new life.

Third, it is spiritual in its perception. Paul retains the idea, as focused on the Gentiles as part of the family, that this mystery was revealed to the apostles and prophets.

And fourth, it is prophetic in its outcome. The divine consummation is still awaiting, as it refers to what God has done and is doing. As both Jew and Gentile have been brought together through Christ and His cross, neither has received the total benefits of the atonement, which will be realized at the coming resurrection.

SHOULD THERE BE DIVISION WITHIN THE BODY OF CHRIST?

In short, Paul is expressing that since we are now one in Christ, there is no room for separation. There is no room for those who claim to understand the mystery but do not practice it daily.

This belief states that the church should remain separate until the eternal state overcomes the social state. It is the idea that because people might be different,

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they should remain on the outside looking in. This type of philosophy should not be tolerated within the church, seeing that we all do not deserve to be in the family to begin with. Yet here we are. If God did not do that with us, why should we do that to someone else? The gospel is not exclusive, as proved by Paul; it includes anyone who believes in Jesus Christ. The cross eliminated the division between races, creeds, and socioeconomic classes, and it was in the mind of God from the very beginning.

Instead of looking down on those who may not be in the family, we should encourage them to join the family. We do this by practicing what we preach or living what we believe. No one should consider Christianity exclusive, nor should Christians look down on others for not being saved.

The church today should mimic Paul's teachings so that we understand the nature of God's new covenant plan, that Christ is the mystery of God, and that His church should be one body with one Lord and God.

It must be noted that Paul was sure to state that this revelation did not come

from his personal conclusions but was revealed by the Holy Spirit that the church was united in Christ through His finished work. Through His blood, there is no Jew or Gentile, bond or free, but only sons and daughters of God through Jesus Christ. As a result, I will state again that there should be no division within the body. Unity must be our calling card. From all that was given through the apostles and prophets, it is clear that it was always in the mind of God for Gentiles to be brought into the family, and that our unity and togetherness now identify God's people in a multiethnic group with love for one another that is furnished by the Holy Spirit.

THE PURPOSE OF THE CROSS

The purpose of Paul explaining this mystery is to express the fact that all are born outside of the family and hopelessly lost. We were on our way to a devil's hell when Jesus Christ found us, saved us, and adopted us into the family. We are fellow heirs, fellow members of the body, and we share in the promises of God. The cross made this possible. The cross is God's

walking plank from death to life so that whosoever crosses that plank can experience everlasting life (John 3:16).

The cross is the heartbeat of the gospel, and it is the most crucial aspect of the plan of God. Everything before the cross pointed forward to what Jesus Christ would do. Everything since the cross points back to what was accomplished. The cross is the foundation of God's redemption plan, for it was there that all sin was dealt with, and every stain was cleansed. The cross is where our victory was won, and the grip of sin was broken.

To conclude this thought, allow me to reiterate that those who have accepted Christ are now one body. Those who have wholeheartedly received the gospel of Jesus Christ are members of the same family, and we are all equal in Christ.

The mystery revealed to Paul was that all who say yes to Jesus, no matter their racial identification, are now a part of a new race, a new community, and have new identities in Christ. Because of this change of heart, there should not be any division within the body, for we are all one in Christ. ✨





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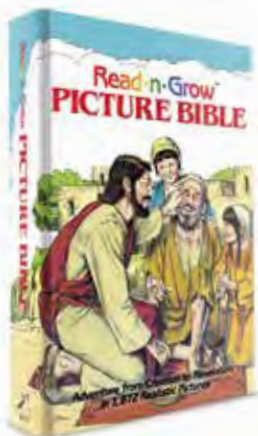
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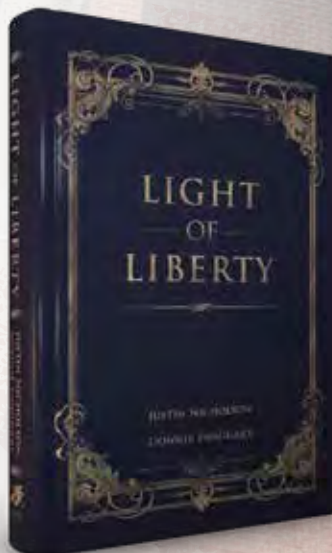
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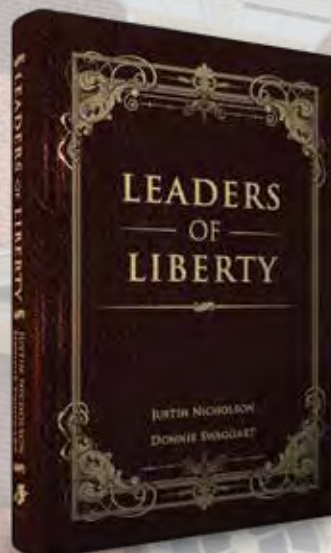
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FWC Music	FWC Music		7:00:00 AM
Family Worship Center - Associate Pastor Broadcast	Jimmy Swaggart Broadcast	Jimmy Swaggart Broadcast	7:30:00 AM
FWC Music			Crossfire Service E/I
Donnie Swaggart Broadcast	Jimmy Swaggart Crusade Classics	Donnie Swaggart Broadcast	8:30:00 AM
			Insight (Re-Air)
A Study In The Word	A Study In The Word	The Message of the Cross (Re-Air)	9:30:00 AM
Frances & Friends (Re-Air)	Frances & Friends (Re-Air)	Frances & Friends (Re-Air)	10:00:00 AM
			The Message of the Cross (Re-Air)
Crossfire Service E/I	Donnie Swaggart Broadcast	Preachers, Patriots & Providence	11:00:00 AM
FWC Music		Family Worship Center Wednesday Night Service (repeat)	11:30:00 AM
FWC Music	FWC Music	Crossfire Service E/I	12:00:00 AM
			FWC Music

SonLife Broadcasting Network and SonLife Radio follow the same programming schedule.



**UNITED STATES
CABLE, SATELLITE,
& DIGITAL
LISTINGS
NATIONWIDE**

MEDIACOM	
24/7	215
DIRECTV® NETWORK	
24/7	344
DISH NETWORK	
24/7	257
VERIZON FiOS	
24/7	797
GLORystAR Covers:	
<i>US/Canada/Mexico/ Central America</i>	
24/7	125
GALAXY 19 Covers:	
<i>US/Canada/Mexico/ Central America</i>	
24/7	125
ROKU AND APPLE TV	
24/7	
AT&T U-VERSE	
24/7	580
SPECTRUM	
24/7	Check Local Listings

**UNITED STATES
CABLE AND
OVER-THE-AIR
(DTV) LISTINGS**

A	Channel
ALABAMA	
<i>Anniston</i>	
Cable One	91
<i>Berry</i>	487
<i>Birmingham</i>	
Spectrum	257 / 1257 HD
OTA	24
<i>Fayette</i>	
OTA	15.4
<i>Florence</i>	
*Comcast	1070
<i>Huntsville</i>	
*Comcast	1070
<i>Mobile</i>	
*Comcast	1070
OTA	48.2
<i>Montgomery, Selma</i>	
OTA	5 / 29.2
<i>Statewide</i>	
Spectrum	157 / 776

ALASKA	
<i>Anchorage</i>	
OTA	31
ARIZONA	
<i>Phoenix</i>	
OTA	22.3 / 50.3
<i>Safford, Show Low</i>	
Cable One	91
ARKANSAS	
<i>Ft. Smith, Fayetteville Springdale, Rogers</i>	
OTA	16.2
<i>Little Rock</i>	
*Comcast	1070
OTA	14.2 / 49.3

C Channel

CALIFORNIA	
<i>Bakersfield</i>	
Spectrum	499 / 1499 HD
OTA	34.6
<i>Beaumont</i>	
Spectrum	470
<i>Burlington</i>	
VolPTV	115
<i>Fresno</i>	
OTA	7.2 / 35.3
<i>Los Angeles</i>	
Cox	483
Spectrum	470
OTA	20.1
Verizon	297
<i>Palm Desert, San Diego</i>	
Spectrum	470
<i>Redding/Chico</i>	
OTA	41.2
<i>Sacramento</i>	
OTA	9.1 / 49.6
<i>Salinas</i>	
OTA	27.4
<i>San Rafael</i>	
Lucas Valley Cable	487
<i>San Francisco/San Jose</i>	
Comcast	103 / 1099
Wave Division	15
San Bruno Cable	23
Google Fiber	42
Charter Communications	23
OTA	38.3
DirecTV/DISH/AT&T Inc.	42
<i>Santa Maria, San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara</i>	
OTA	40.2
COLORADO	
<i>Denver</i>	
Comcast	91
OTA	5.1 / 16.3
CONNECTICUT	
<i>Hartford, New Haven, Manchester</i>	
Spectrum	129 / 854
Comcast	1096
OTA	43.2

D Channel

DELAWARE	
<i>Wilmington</i>	
Comcast	487
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	
<i>Washington DC</i>	
RCN	55
Cox	28
Comcast	Check local listings
OTA	49.5

F Channel

FLORIDA	
<i>Astor, Astatulua, Lakes of Mt. Dora, Magnolia Point</i>	
Florida Cable Inc.	168
<i>Fort Myers-Naples</i>	
OTA	22.3
<i>Pensacola, Fort Walton Beach</i>	
OTA	48.2
<i>Gainesville</i>	
OTA	2
<i>Jacksonville</i>	
OTA	24
<i>Miami</i>	
OTA	16.2
<i>Orlando</i>	
Spectrum	231 / 1116 HD
OTA	55.4
<i>Tallahassee</i>	
OTA	4
<i>Tampa (Hillsborough, Manatee, St. Petersburg)</i>	
Spectrum	199 / 1116 HD
OTA	43.1
<i>West Palm Beach</i>	
OTA	57.3

G Channel

GEORGIA	
<i>Atlanta</i>	
Comcast	28
OTA	16.2
<i>Augusta</i>	
*Comcast	1070
<i>Milledgeville</i>	
Bulldog	112
<i>Rome</i>	
*Comcast	1070
<i>Savannah</i>	
*Comcast	1070
OTA	34.5
<i>Statewide</i>	
Spectrum	157 / 782

H Channel

HAWAII	
<i>Statewide</i>	
Spectrum	406 / 1406 HD

I Channel

IDAHO	
<i>Boise</i>	
OTA	41.3
<i>Pocatello, Idaho Falls, Twin Falls</i>	
Cable One	91
ILLINOIS	
<i>Champaign</i>	
OTA	46
<i>Chicago</i>	
RCN	270
WOW (Wide Open West)	194
Comcast	115 / 365
OTA	35.2
<i>Hamilton County, Dahlgren</i>	
Hamilton County Communications Inc.	16
<i>Highland</i>	
Hamilton Communications Services	161
<i>Metamora</i>	
MTCO	201
<i>Peoria</i>	
Comcast	74
<i>Rockford</i>	
Comcast	103
INDIANA	
<i>Indianapolis</i>	
Spectrum	257 / 1257 HD
OTA	30.5
Comcast	90
<i>South Bend</i>	
Comcast	111
<i>Terre Haute</i>	
Spectrum	TBA
IOWA	
<i>Des Moines, Ames</i>	
OTA	14 / 19.2 / 36.2
<i>Sioux City</i>	
Cable One	91

K Channel

KANSAS	
<i>Dodge City</i>	
United Telecom	162
<i>Emporia</i>	
Cable One	91
<i>Wichita, Hutchinson Plus</i>	
OTA	40.4
KENTUCKY	
<i>Bowling Green</i>	
OTA	39.4
<i>Independence</i>	
Cincinnati Bell	265
<i>London, Owensboro</i>	
Spectrum	TBA
<i>Louisville</i>	
OTA	21 / 25.6 / 50.1
<i>Paducah</i>	
OTA	27.2

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LOUISIANA
Baton Rouge, New Orleans, Lafayette

Cox Cable 117, 273
Baton Rouge
OTA 30.1
Houma
*Comcast 1070
Monroe
OTA 39.4
New Orleans
OTA 42.4
Plaquemine
Clear Choice Cable 225
Prairieville, Gonzales
Cox Cable 389
Shreveport
*Comcast 1070
OTA 14

M Channel

MAINE
Augusta, Bangor, Portland, York, Saco
Spectrum 489

MASSACHUSETTS
Boston
OTA6 2.2
Comcast 1096
Spectrum 129 / 854
Beld Broadband 20 / 520
Shrewsbury
Community 24 / 1231
Worcester
Spectrum 129 / 854

MICHIGAN
Detroit
Comcast 389
Spectrum 158
WOW (Wide Open West) 194
OTA 14.5 / 19.2 / 47.3
Flint, Saginaw, Bay City
OTA 49.2
Grand Rapids, Kalamazoo, Battle Creek
OTA 54.2
Oakland County, Livonia
Spectrum 179 / 379

MINNESOTA
Duluth, Superior
OTA 27.2
Minneapolis
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Minneapolis, St. Paul
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*Comcast 1070
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Tupelo
*Comcast 1070

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OTA 27.2
Higginsville
Citizen's Cablevision 122
Joplin, Pittsburg
OTA 49.3
Kansas City
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OTA 21.3
Kirksville
Cable One 91
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Springfield
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N Channel

NEBRASKA
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Norfolk
Cable One 91
Omaha
OTA 48.4

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Las Vegas
OTA 30.3
Reno
Spectrum 139 / 890

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Region-wide
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NEW JERSEY
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Long Beach Island
Comcast 22
Northwest
Comcast 280
Toms River
Comcast 19

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Comcast 91

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Rio Rancho
Cable One 91

NEW YORK
Albany, Binghamton (Montros, Bath, Jamestown), Buffalo, Syracuse, New York
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Buffalo
OTA 26.2 / 56.6
Spectrum 470
Cobleskill
OTA 41.4
Carmel
Comcast 191
New York
Cablevision 15
Spectrum 22 / 470
Comcast 19 / 27 / 15
Frontier 43
RCN 39 / 270
OTA 42.1 / 43.1

Rochester
Spectrum 470

NORTH CAROLINA
Asheboro, Denton, New London
Randolph Telephone 257
Charlotte
Comporium 391
Spectrum 81 / 470
Fayetteville
OTA 15.3
Asheboro, Greensboro, Raleigh
Spectrum 470
Raleigh-Durham
OTA 16.3
Wilmington
OTA 43.2

NORTH DAKOTA
Enderlin
MLGC Enderlin 150

O Channel

OHIO
Akron
OTA 27.3 / 41.3
Akron, Canton, Cleveland, Cincinnati, Dayton
Spectrum 388 / 1388 HD
Cincinnati
OTA 25.6
Cleveland
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OTA 27.3 / 41.3
Spectrum 388 / 1388 HD
Columbus
Spectrum 388 / 1388 HD
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Clarksdale, Batesville
Cable One 91
Duncan
Cable One 91
Oklahoma City
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Ponca City
Cable One 91
Tulsa
OTA 48.2

OREGON
Medford
Spectrum 173 / 802
Portland
Comcast 99 / 1099

P Channel

PENNSYLVANIA
Philadelphia
Comcast 193 / 1095
OTA 25.2 / 51.3
Blue Ridge Comm. 8 / 24

PUERTO RICO
Region-wide
Claro 24
Dish 7
Liberty Cable 41
Choice Cable 41
San Juan
OTA 25.2 / 42.1

R Channel

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Rock Hill, Fort Mill, Lancaster, York, Chester, Clover, Lake Wylie
Comporium Cable 391

SOUTH DAKOTA
Beresford
Beresford Cablevision 487
Huron, Mitchell
OTA 12.3
Sioux Falls
OTA 7.3

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TENNESSEE
Chattanooga
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*Comcast.....	1070
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Cable One.....	91
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Austin, Corpus Christi, Dallas, Fort Worth, San Antonio, Waco, Killeen	
Spectrum.....	470
Austin	
OTA.....	17.3
Balch Springs	
Suddenlink.....	20 / 107HD
Bryan	
OTA.....	34.6
Carrollton	
Spectrum.....	14
Dallas	
OTA.....	47.5
KODF.....	26.5
KHPK.....	28.1
KTXD.....	47.5
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Spectrum.....	6 / 749 HD
Duncanville	
Charter.....	13 / 749 HD
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Spectrum.....	12 / 750 HD
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OTA.....	29.4
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OTA.....	22.3
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Cable One.....	91
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Spectrum.....	14 / 749 HD

Sherman	
Suddenlink.....	95 / 714
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OTA.....	34.6
Waxahachie	
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Salt Lake City	
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Washington DC	
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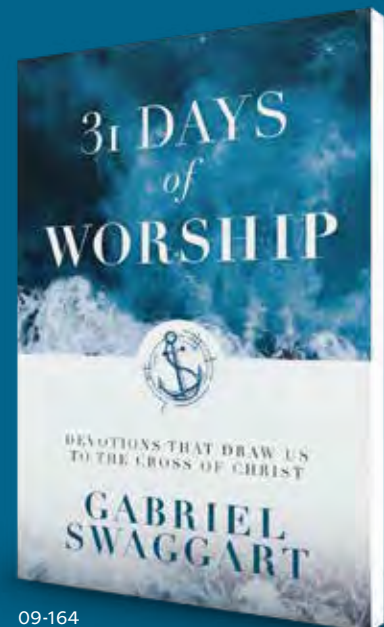
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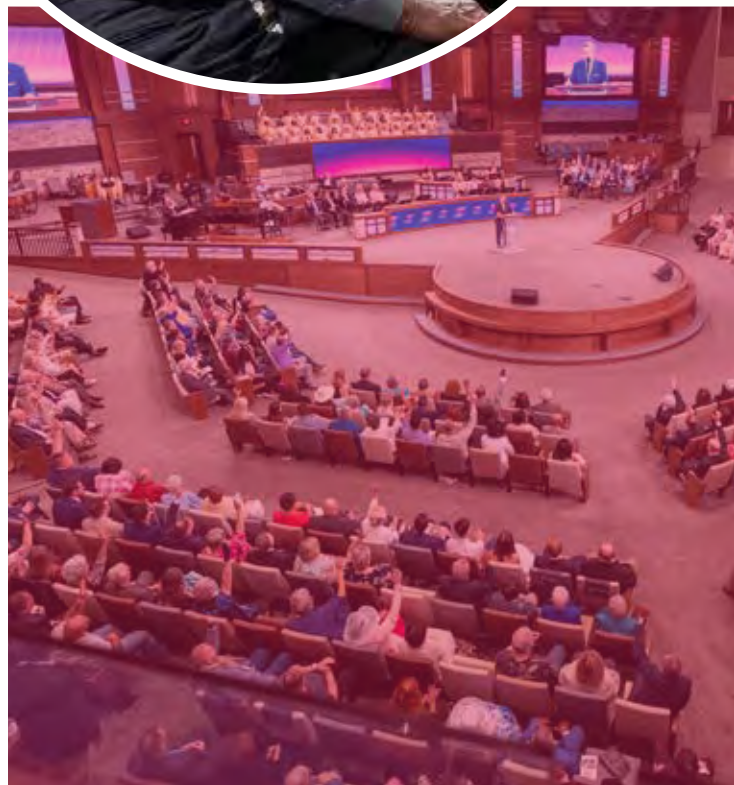
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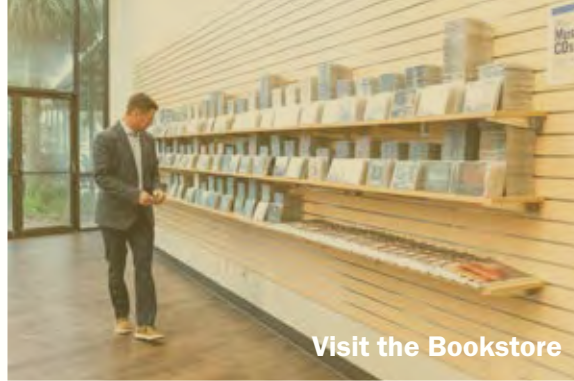
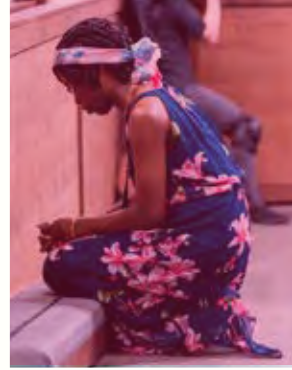
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- *Saturday 10 AM*
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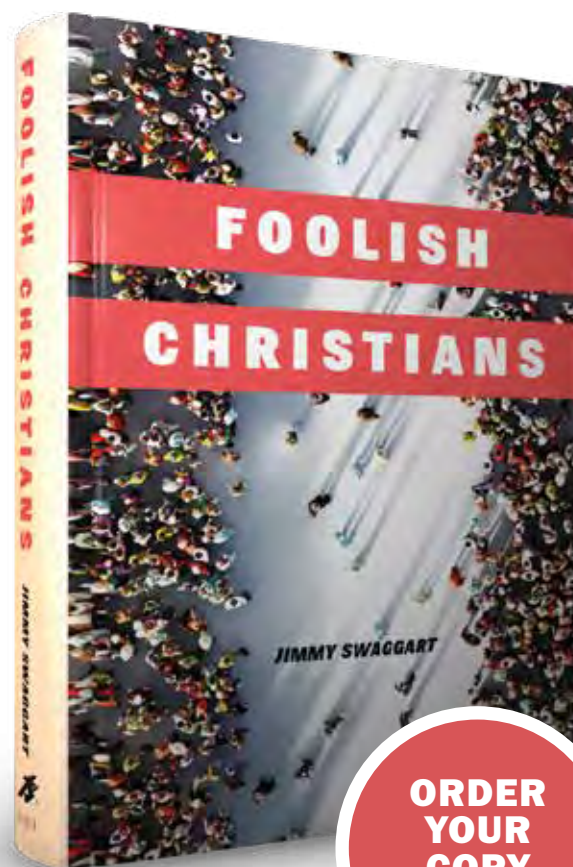
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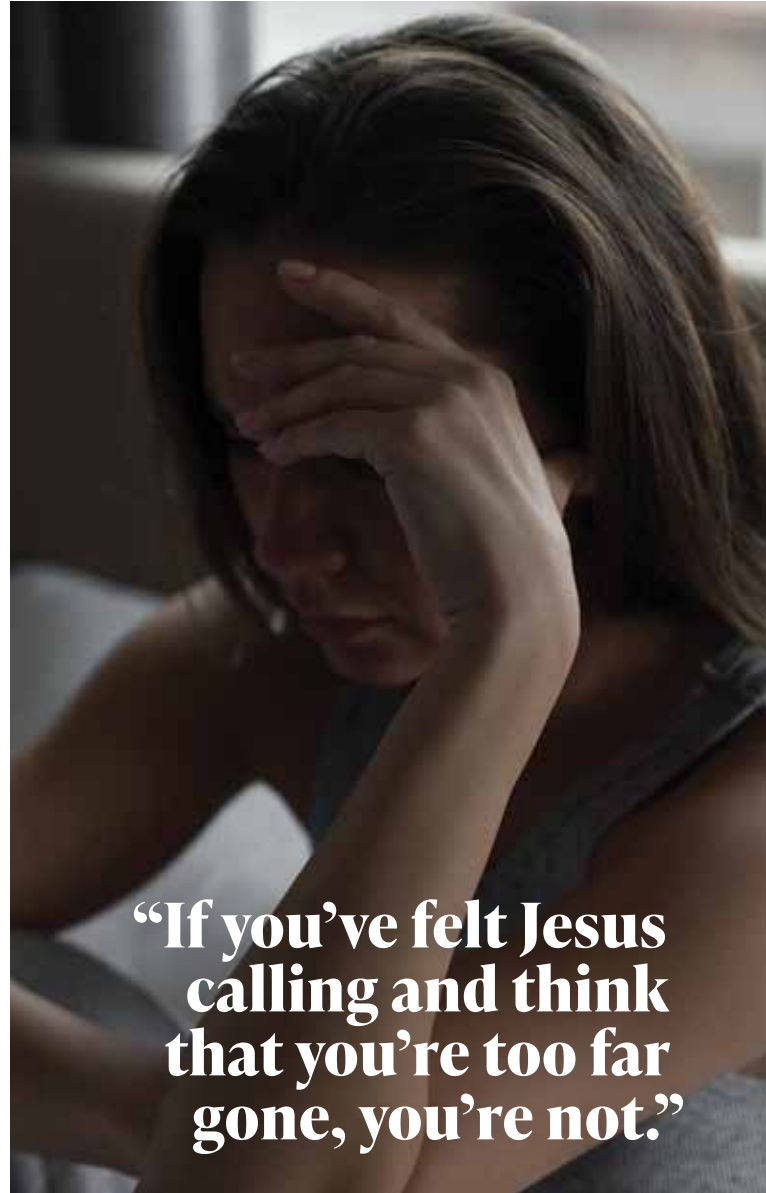
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Dear Evangelist,

I was saved October 16 of last year, and I just want to give glory to God. I was into witchcraft—tarot cards, astrology, and living in a house of witches. I fell under conviction and wasn't sleeping well for almost months. I got saved at 2:30 in the morning at my dad's house. My parents are very close to God and now I live with him and just got a job at a Christian-owned retirement home. Jesus changed my heart, and my entire life turned 180. I'm so grateful, and I just want to tell everyone that you're never too far gone. If you've felt Jesus calling and think that you're too far gone, you're not. He's so gracious. —EMAIL



“If you’ve felt Jesus calling and think that you’re too far gone, you’re not.”



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“Brother Swaggart has revolutionized my faith in a way I didn’t think an earthbound ministry could.” —WEST VIRGINIA

All letters are current and may have been edited for space.

Dear Evangelist All praises to our Lord Jesus Christ. I am a Kenyan and a local pastor in an Anglican Church. Some years back, I came across your TV channel. I became fond of listening to your teachings. The Lord is my witness, I had a longing desire to have The Expositors Study Bible, which you were using. As I am writing, it is in my hand! A visitor gave it to me two days ago as a gift. My hand was on my mouth in surprise. God knows the desires of our heart, and He fulfills it at His appointed time. Thank you so much for the many years of your hard labor to spread the Word of God. I thank God for you. —Kenya

Dear Evangelist Evangelist Jimmy Swaggart has blessed my life so much right from my youth. I want to meet him face-to-face. I am into ministry today because of his impact on my life! —Nigeria

Dear Evangelist I’m writing to share my testimony of having been delivered by applying the message of the cross to my life. I have been an Assembly of God Christian all of my life. I’m a media church member as well. Fourteen years ago, I fell into deep, vile involvements. I never stopped going to church. I fought it terribly but couldn’t get the victory until several months ago; I began to try to apply the message of the cross in overcoming this horrible sin. It seemed

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to work for a short while. I never gave up on God, but I did give up on myself. All I could do was hope that “one day” I would be delivered. That was the first step toward deliverance: realizing I was too weak to fight it. I read *The Expositor’s Word For Every Day* devotional along with The Expositor’s Study Bible. After several months, I began to understand the true meaning of Calvary! I learned to make the cross my only object of faith. I am now completely free from all former vileness. I now see how vile and gross I was living. I praise His holy name every day for my deliverance. I also thank God for JSM for standing firm on teaching the message of the cross. There is no other way. Lord bless you. —Email

Dear Evangelist I have to tell you that your Expositor’s Study Bible is amazing! I am blind, and I found it on Google Play Books. Brother Swaggart gives amazing notes on each Scripture! Please tell him I love the Bible now because of it. I used to read a King James with no notes, but this is my new Bible forever! Thank you! —Email

Dear Evangelist Just wanted to drop y’all a line saying how much your ministry has meant to me over the past twelve years. I started watching the Jimmy Swaggart telecast in mid-2010, and then moved to SBN when it became full-time on

the air. Brother Swaggart has revolutionized my faith in a way I didn’t think an earthbound ministry could. I’ve learned so much over the last twelve years that I’d never be able to put it into words. So, thank you! My wife and I pray for y’all daily and will continue to do so. Please keep preaching the message of the cross; it’s a message that the world (and the church) needs, and thank you for being faithful to the call that the Lord has given you. I’m a minister with the Church of God (Cleveland, Tennessee), and your message has changed not only the way I preach, but also the urgency that I preach with. Thank you again! —West Virginia

Dear Evangelist Dear Brother Jimmy Swaggart, The Expositor’s Study Bible and the commentaries are wonderful in helping me understand the Word of God. I thank you for obeying the Lord in writing them, and I surely thank the Lord for them. May you richly feel and know how much your ministry means as you have obeyed the Lord over your lifetime. —Ohio

Dear Evangelist I just want to say a big thank you to everyone there. My Christian journey dried up a few years ago. Thanks to you, my Christian life has been rekindled. I listen to your broadcasts every evening—the music, singing, preaching—fantastic. Jill’s songs are out of this world. Thank you for what you have done for me. —United Kingdom



ARTICLE BY **Dr. Don Paul Gray**

“I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service. And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.” —ROMANS 12:1-2

Striving to do the Perfect Will of God

THE APOSTLE PAUL WAS CONFUSED AT TROAS

In Acts 15:40, in about AD 50 or 51, the apostle Paul and Silas leave their home church at Antioch of Syria to revisit the churches in Asia Minor. While on this tour of missionary work, Paul desires to travel north to preach in Asia, but Luke writes in Acts 16:6, “they were forbidden of the Holy Ghost to preach the word in Asia.” Then Paul makes plans to go to Bithynia, and Luke writes, “but the Spirit suffered them not” (Acts 16:7). They arrive at Troas with a certain amount of confusion. Here they are, Paul, Silas, Timothy, and Luke in Troas—a city located hundreds of miles from their home church, in northwest Asia Minor (Turkey), right on the Aegean

Sea—and the apostle Paul does not know where to go.

That night, a vision appears to Paul, and he sees a Macedonian man saying, “Come over into Macedonia and help us.”

Luke writes, “assuredly gathering that the Lord had called us for to preach the gospel unto them. Therefore loosing from Troas, we came with a straight course to Samothracia” (Acts 16:10-11).

Immediately, they traveled to Philippi where they preached the gospel and built the church. On this same tour, they preached and established churches in Thessalonica, Berea, Athens, and Corinth. From these cities in Greece, the great gospel of Jesus Christ spread throughout Europe.

KNOWING AND DOING THE WILL OF GOD IS SO IMPORTANT

The apostle Paul wrote out or dictated the phrase “will of God” three times in his inspired epistles. In Romans 12:2, he admonishes believers to do that “good, and acceptable, and perfect will of God.”

And in Romans 8:27, he teaches that the Holy Spirit can pray the will of God through us Spirit-filled believers in respect to a specific prayer request or problem.

In Colossians 4:12, Paul writes, “that ye may stand perfect and complete in all the will of God.”

When a true believer in Christ strives to live in the will of God, that believer will come under divine favor and even specific blessings from our heavenly Father. To support this truth, take a moment to read Deuteronomy 28:1-15. God’s favor and blessing is set in motion by our obedience to His will. I want to share four very important biblical principles to follow in knowing and doing God’s will.

FOUR BIBLICAL PRINCIPLES CONCERNING THE WILL OF GOD

1. The Word of God, rightly divided and rightly interpreted, is always the will

“One must not neglect godly counsel in discerning the perfect will of God.”

of God for our lives. Psalm 119:105 reads, “Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path.” John 17:17 reads, “Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth.” James 1:22 says, “But be ye doers of the word.” II Timothy 2:15 says, “Study to shew

wise in thy latter end.” Psalm 1:1-2 tells us to be careful where we get our counsel: “Blessed is the man that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor standeth in the way of sinners, nor sitteth in the seat of the scornful. But his delight is in the law of the LORD; and in his law doth he meditate day and night.” In Acts 5:38-39, Jewish theologian Gamaliel gave godly counsel to the Jewish Sanhedrin, and it saved the lives of Peter and John. When possible, ask for godly counsel from more than one elder or pastor. Consult I Peter 5:5.

3. Be very careful about using some “sign” or physical manifestation to cause you to make a decision in respect to the perfect will of God. In Judges 6, we read the story of Gideon “fleecing” the Lord to determine the reality of God’s call upon his life to deliver the children of Israel from the Midianites. Gideon questions the will of God in respect to him leading a battle to fight the Midianites. God did reveal His will to Gideon by the dew and the fleece. However, sometimes, we can finagle or manipulate circumstances to get the result our flesh desires. The true witness of The Holy Spirit will help us to discern the will of God (Heb. 5:14, I Cor. 12:10). In seeking God about a new job or new ministry, the “open door” is not always the will of God for your life.

4. Let me underscore the importance of patience in respect to knowing and doing the perfect will of God. Hebrews 10:36 admonishes us: “For you have need

of patience, that, after you have done the will of God, ye might receive the promise.” Also, in Hebrews 12:1-2 we read, “and let us run with patience the race that is set before us, Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith.”

Friend, there is no substitute for taking time to hear the voice of the Spirit and to know the perfect will of God. Times of prayer are very important.

Years ago, when he was trying to make a decision about something, I would hear my dad say, “I need to sleep on it.” I finally learned what he was saying: “I need to give God some time to speak to me.” You must not try to hurry God. He will show you what to do.

In Romans 12:1-2, Paul teaches that we must do four things to live in the will of God:

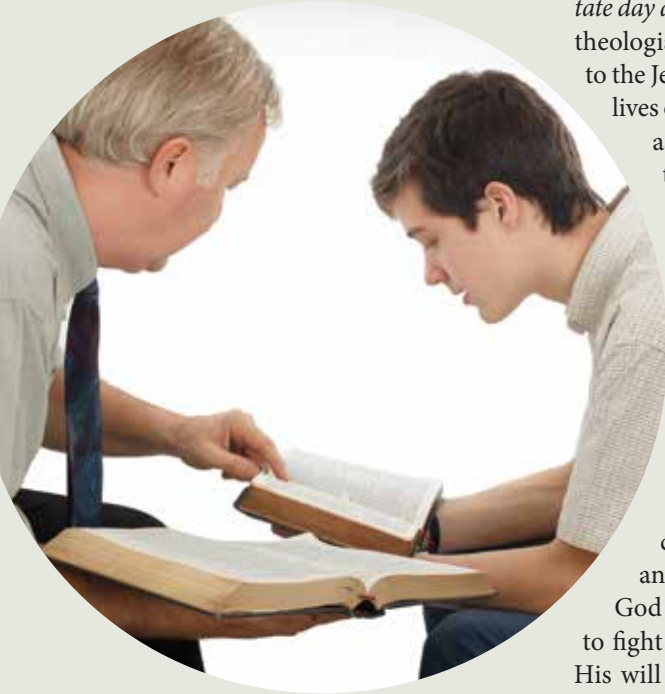
1. Submit our lives to God constantly—body, soul, and Spirit. Our lives must be sanctified daily.

2. Keep ourselves separated from worldly pleasures, activities, and influences

3. Keep our mind constantly “renewed” on Christ; Paul emphasized the importance of doing this.

4. Stay full of the Spirit so that we can prove accurately and discern what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God.

Jesus said, “Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father” (Matt. 7:21). John the Beloved wrote years ago, “And the world passeth away, and the lust thereof: but he that doeth the will of God abideth forever” (I John 2:17). 🦋



thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.”

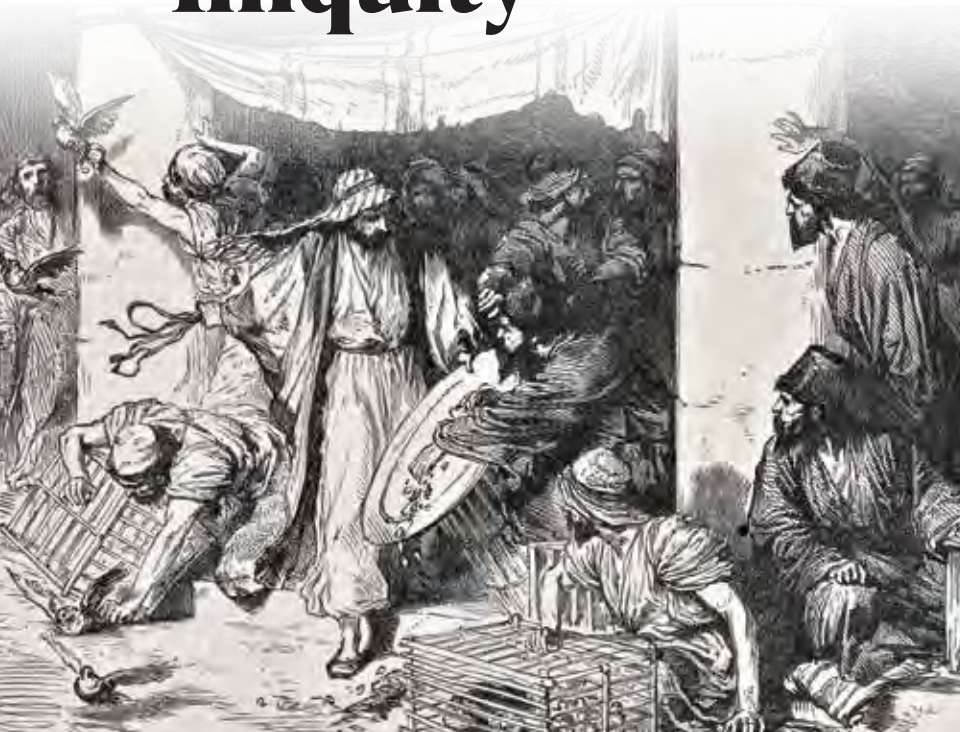
2. One must not neglect godly counsel in discerning the perfect will of God. The concept of counseling is mentioned 137 times in the Bible. Proverbs 11:14 says, “Where no counsel is, the people fall: but in the multitude of counsellors there is safety.” Proverbs 19:20 says, “Hear counsel, and receive instruction, that thou mayest be



ARTICLE BY **Loren Larson**

**“Nevertheless the foundation of God standeth sure, having this seal,
The Lord knoweth them that are His. And, Let every one that nameth the
name of Christ depart from iniquity.” —II TIMOTHY 2:19**

It's Time to Depart from Iniquity



EVERY BELIEVER'S RIGHT AND RESPONSIBILITY

The apostle Paul gives two great truths in the above Scripture. The first truth establishes that God knows every believer intimately and personally. This indicates that He is always aware of our needs and is concerned for our well-being. He knows all our faults as well as our assets. Our God is a personal God.

But this article chooses to focus on the second great truth that Paul says is applicable to every believer. That is, every believer who names the name of Christ has both the right and the responsibility to depart from iniquity.

To depart means “to turn away from.” Iniquity indicates any form of wickedness. So every believer who has called upon Jesus Christ is to turn away from every form of wickedness that might exist in his life.

To accomplish this command, we must comprehend the truth that we have been equipped to do so and that there is a need for a constant equipping by the Spirit that will enable us to complete the task. It's time to depart from iniquity.

JESUS CLEANSSES THE TEMPLE.

“As we trust exclusively in Christ, we will find ourselves freed from sinful tendencies.”

LAY ASIDE THE FORMER LIFESTYLES

The life that each person led prior to being saved was dominated by the world, the flesh, and the devil. These influences, both internal and external, joined together to produce thought processes and actions that stand foreign to the nature and character of God. As a result of the fall, all men operate in rebellion against God. Sin automatically pits itself against that which is holy and right. Sin works to disguise the fleshly influences of selfishness and will provide us with excuses for actions that hurt others or actions offensive to God. This is the way of the world, and it preaches to us through its social media, movies, books, and society in general. The world continually attempts to establish a life that is not responsible to the God of the Bible.

Satan also wants to rule and reign in the heart and life of every human being. He corrupts the individual through any means possible. Finally, inside of every human being is the source of sin—the sin nature. The sin nature works into the mind and heart all manner of evil design and desire. It was once common for us to respond favorably to the world, the flesh, or the devil. But now that we are born again, we are called upon to lay aside our former lifestyle. It's time to depart from iniquity!

UNDERSTAND HOW THE DOMINION OF SIN WAS DEFEATED

To depart from iniquity, we must first understand what Christ's death on

Calvary has accomplished for us. Christ's death on the cross not only paid the penalty for my sin, but it also broke the power of sin's dominion. When I came to Christ, I was baptized into Him, and the full benefits of the cross were afforded to me. To be sanctified means to be set apart. To be sanctified means to be holy. God totally defeated the lordship of sin over me at Calvary. He gave me victory over sin in my union with Christ. I am sanctified! Therefore, sin shall not have dominion over me. This would include the influences of indwelling sin—the draw of the world, as well as the powers of darkness that assimilate against me. Christ's death on Calvary defeated them all. I must understand and believe this. The power of sin over me has been defeated. Now it is my responsibility to apply the truth of Christ's victory to my present need. It's time to depart from iniquity.

APPLY THE TRUTH TO THOSE THINGS NEEDING TO BE CHANGED

If I understand the work of Calvary properly, and I fully grasp the value of the cross—what Christ accomplished for me there—then I can begin to apply these truths to every aspect of my life. All believers will have to deal with the continual presence of sin. While we have been set free from the penalty of sin and have been freed from the power of sin, we still exist with the very presence of sin.

There are sinful influences that still impact our hearts and minds. These influences vary from believer to believer.

Some sinful influences are eliminated at the initial salvation experience. Others are dealt with over time as we continually grow in grace and the knowledge of the Lord. The tendencies that we have toward iniquity, wrongdoing, wrong thinking, and wrong actions must be laid aside. We are to depart from all manner of iniquity!

Even after being born-again, Spirit-filled, and knowledgeable of the Scriptures, we must comprehend that in ourselves we are incapable of yielding spiritual obedience. We may be zealous as well as strong-willed. But these attributes are not stronger than the strength of our sinful tendencies. We, by faith, are to accept what Christ did for us at Calvary as solely sufficient to defeat whatever tendency or sin we may experience.

By placing our faith securely in Christ and Him crucified, we enable the power of the Holy Spirit to work on our behalf. The Holy Spirit can do for us what we can never do for ourselves. As each new issue is made obvious to us, we are to commit the elimination of that sinful tendency to the truth of what Christ did for us on Calvary. We must depend upon the Holy Spirit to totally eliminate any impact or hold that a particular sin (or sins) may have on us.

As we trust exclusively in Christ, we will find ourselves freed from sinful tendencies. We progressively learn how to walk in the sanctification and freedom that is ours the moment we are saved. Based on these truths, it's time to depart from iniquity! ✚



ARTICLE BY **John Rosenstern**

New believers ask the question, “Now that I’m saved, what must I do? In other words, what are my responsibilities and duties as a believer? We’ve all heard the expression, “God gave His all for us, and now we have to give Him our all.”

Time to Reckon PART I

THE IDEA OF consecration is to get busy for God. Our newfound zeal and excitement after being saved is a result of experiencing the guilt of sins removed. Salvation is usually accompanied by many wonderful new experiences. After a season of multiple victories and powerful touches of God’s presence, we feel that nothing can ever go wrong again. Surprise! We begin to realize that the presence of sin is still there. We find ourselves in a new confrontation. To sustain our feeling of joy, we set out to overcome the evidence of ‘creeping up’ sins manifesting in our lives by means other than faith.

Oftentimes, the appeal of Christian activities such as praying, reading the Bible, fasting, and church attendance make logical sense to us as they are suggested by pastors and fellow believers in their honest effort to help us on our journey to holiness. This is where Christian activities become disciplines. But we soon make them into laws to deliver us from sinful actions. Although this is done with the best of intentions, many believers find themselves struggling while experiencing

more and more failures. What happened? The joy and peace that was so natural when the believer got saved has all been lost and replaced by a sense of obligation to a set of activities with a renewed realm of guilt and condemnation. We desperately try to psyche up our willpower to overcome this new unseen power that is causing us all kinds of difficulty. The once joyful believer is now trying to fight the law of sin and death with the very means that strengthens sin—law! (I Cor. 15:56).

Our object of faith is now in our regimen of works. Because this is mostly done out of ignorance, the believer compounds the problem by instituting either more activities or incorporating different ones. The realization that he is not living up to his profession is most troubling. Eventually, God will allow the believer to become exhausted and realize that he is wretched and miserable, and his bountiful efforts are ending in failure. This is when the good news can come in. The believer is now ripe for deeper truths to take root.

The church world has been inundated with programs and fads, psychology, new

age mystical teaching, and any other sort of community activity as a means to live out the Christian life. The consequences reveal heartache at every level: pastors failing and leaving the ministry, laity wounded and broken, and fewer people than ever attending church. We could blame the Covid outbreak and shutdown, but if we’re honest, most people haven’t returned to church because there really wasn’t much to go back to. Covid may have been the convenient excuse many people needed to break away from the hamster wheel of religious failures. The church may now be ripe for the complete message of the cross!

RECKON ON FACTS

People clump promises and facts into the same category. The Bible has many wonderful promises, but these must never be mistaken for facts. A promise is a declaration or assurance that one will do a particular thing or that a particular thing will happen. One may look forward to a time when a promise is fulfilled but currently may not have the benefits of that

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promise while waiting for its fulfillment. Abraham was given promises by God. Although he did not obtain their fulfillment in his earthly life, Hebrews 11:13 says, *“These all died in faith, not having received the promises, but having seen them afar off, and were persuaded of them, and embraced them.”*

Throughout the entire Old Testament, God gave many promises of the coming Messiah—His ministry, death, and resurrection. By faith, the Old Testament saints looked forward to the coming promise of Messiah made by God. The prophets of old reminded disgruntled believers to keep the faith and their trust in God who gave them the promises in anticipation of their fulfillment.

A fact, on the other hand, is a thing known or proven to be true. Reckoning for believers is now based on facts. The fulfillment of the promise of the coming Messiah—His ministry, death, and resurrection—is no longer a promise but a fact. Jesus made it very clear to us when he said, *“And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free”* (John 8:32).

There are several simple principles that believers must learn:

- The principle of knowledge—know the spiritual truths.
- The principle of faith—reckon on the truths known.
- The principle of time—yield to God’s lifetime process of growth in the truths known and reckoned on.

SIMPLE TRUTHS

When the lost sinner gets saved, he is told that Jesus died for him. Through His death on the cross, Jesus paid the price for sin on our behalf, and we are freed from the penalty and guilt of sin. Nothing is more amazing and wonderful than knowing and receiving salvation. Alongside receiving His saving grace is the fact that the power and domination of the principle of sin was broken at the cross. A principle is the method or manner by which a thing operates. Prior to our salvation, the sin nature ruled and dominated us in every facet of life and living.

In Ephesians 2:1-3 Paul wrote, *“And you hath he quickened, who were dead in trespasses and sins; Wherein in time past ye walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air [Satan], the spirit that now worketh in the children of disobedience: Among whom also we all had our conversation [way of life] in times past in the lusts of our flesh, fulfilling the desires of the flesh and of the mind; and were by nature the children of wrath, even as others.”*

The former position of the lost sinner mentioned above is changed at salvation: *“Even when we were dead in sins, hath quickened us together with Christ, (by grace ye are saved;) And hath raised us up together, and made us sit together in heavenly places in Christ Jesus”* (Ephesians 2:5-6).

Our new position is in Christ, and we have a new nature: *“Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things become new”* (II Cor. 5:17). 🦋





ARTICLE BY **Mike Muzzerall**

In reading the book of Acts, we come across a Jewish believer by the name of Apollos. There are a few things we can glean from this brother. The Bible says that Apollos was an eloquent man, instructed in the way of the Lord, and fervent in the Spirit. He taught diligently the things of the Lord and was mighty in the Scriptures.

Mighty in the Scriptures

A LEARNED MAN

Apollos was *aner logios* (Greek), “a man of words/ideas.” As a learned man, he was adept in communicating his ideas to others. God used his knowledge of God’s Word as an instrument to spread of the gospel of Jesus Christ. Having a knowledge of God’s Word today helps us to share Christ with others. We are more confident when we have a knowledge of God’s Word. We are more capable of sharing the gospel with the lost if those ideas come from God’s Word.

FERVENT IN THE SPIRIT

He was fervent in spirit (*zeōn tōi pneumatic*). *Zeon* literally means “to boil.” He certainly was not lukewarm about the things of the Spirit but was on fire for the things of God. Today, God is looking for men and women who are fervent in the Spirit; those who are on fire for the things of God and fervent in letting their light shine.

DILIGENTLY TAUGHT THE THINGS OF GOD

Apollos diligently spoke and taught the things of God. The knowledge of God’s Word and his fervency in the Holy Spirit was put into action. We experience trials

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to produce a testimony and learn to teach. We must not keep our knowledge and experiences to ourselves. We must diligently speak the things of God to the lost. Thayer’s Greek Dictionary tells us that the Greek word used for *diligently* (akribōs) also means “exactly and accurately.” We are to diligently and accurately present the gospel of Jesus Christ to the lost.

BOLDLY

“And he began to speak boldly in the synagogue: whom when Aquila and Priscilla had heard, they took him unto them, and expounded unto him the way of God more perfectly” (Acts 18:26). He spoke with confidence, boldness, and an assurance. Although learned in the Scriptures, he

was humble enough to allow Aquila and Priscilla to expound unto him the way of God more clearly. We must live in a state of learning, growing, and fine-tuning our understanding of God’s Word if we want to be used mightily for the kingdom of God.

MIGHTILY CONVINCED THE JEWS

“For he mightily convinced the Jews, and that publicly, shewing by the scriptures that Jesus was Christ” (Acts 18:28). Apollos was effective in his ministry because he used Scripture to reveal Christ. Seeing that this was around twenty years after the death, burial, and resurrection of Christ, we know that the vast majority of the New Testament was not available to Apollos. It is therefore clear that God

used his boldness and knowledge of the Old Testament to convince many Jews that Jesus was the Messiah.

WE HAVE THE BIBLE

We have a greater source of the revelation than Apollos had. We have the Old and New Testaments. We see Christ in the Gospels, the message of the cross in the epistles, and fulfillment of the Messianic prophesies throughout the New Testament. We need to study God’s Word to become mighty in the Scriptures. In boldness, we need to share God’s Word to a lost and dying world. Will you be a modern-day Apollos? Will you study God’s Word and allow the Holy Spirit to make you mighty in the Scriptures?



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ARTICLE BY **Joseph Larson**

Just as in the days of Sodom and Gomorrah, prior to its destruction, two witnesses have also invaded our world. In both cases, the two witnesses came on a mission from the throne of God. For Sodom and Gomorrah, it was two angels. For us, the two messengers are the Word of God and the Holy Spirit.

The Two Witnesses

GOD SENT HIS messengers to Sodom to carry out His will in two ways: through mercy, yes, but also through judgment. This statement is true: “Mercy without truth condones, but truth without mercy condemns.” Most of us have probably been too self-righteous to see part of the truth as to why those angels were sent. They were on a journey to rescue Lot.

Peter tells us that Lot’s “righteous soul” was vexed by the conversation—the lifestyle—of the wicked. Lot was in the wrong place. Sodom was a type and shadow of today’s world of unbelievers—a place bound for judgment.

Lot was well acquainted with the wicked men of Sodom. The fact that he was found sitting near the city gates implies that Lot might have been a ruler there.

Even if we don’t quite understand it, according to Scripture, Lot was still a

believer. The Holy Spirit through Peter calls Lot “righteous.” And if Peter’s second epistle is not enough to convince, then how about the words of the angels themselves? When they arrived in Sodom, they told Lot, in essence, “We are not allowed to destroy the city until you are gone.”

Lot was out of God’s will, but He was never out of God’s sight. No one in the family is! Lot’s faith survived Sodom. Lot didn’t have to leave, but he believed the warning. The actions of his friends and acquaintances, however, remind us of the horrible effects of living in the baneful atmosphere of the world—unbelief! It wreaks havoc on those living in sin. Lot’s friends considered the idea of God’s judgment to be one great big joke, and they mocked Lot! The sinful pleasures of the world seek to destroy our faith.

Has God sent you two witnesses? To

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what degree has He sent you His Word and His Spirit? And what have you done with these witnesses? Do you believe the pages of the Bible and respond to what it says, or is the Bible just a book you ignore?

I remember when the trajectory of my life was heading toward the world. Had there been no change, I might have found myself standing in the way of sinners and sitting in the seat of the scornful (Ps.1:1).

I had the choice to stay in my sin. But I also remember how strongly the Holy Spirit called out to this child of God. I remember listening so intently to the programs offered over SonLife Broadcasting. Thank God that the call of the two witnesses was stronger than the call of the world! I experienced what Romans 5:20 declares, “*Where sin abounded, grace did much more abound.*” I would sit at home listening to the Word go forth, and the

Spirit of God would convict my heart. All I could do was sit and weep under the power of God. I can’t honestly say that I understood everything I was hearing, but somehow the anointing within, the Spirit of Truth, taught my heart to fear. He told me that what I was hearing was correct. That’s why the Spirit was given, to convict the world of sin, of righteousness, and of judgment (John 16:8). The Eternal Word, Christ Jesus, came first, but the Spirit was given to testify that the Word was true.

You see, the Holy Spirit can go where most cannot go. He can track us down and talk to us after the sermon is over. He can speak to us as we rest our heads on our pillows at night. He’s been called “the High Sheriff of heaven,” and when He issues a warrant for a soul, it’s because He knows that there is a need for that person to leave this sinful world behind. And, just as Lot, I was unhappy with the world and what it offered.

Remember what the angels said to Lot, “We can’t destroy the city until you are gone.” Think about that exhibition of mercy. Ponder the power of the presence of God deposited in you.

I believe the Holy Spirit and the Word—the two witnesses—are presently going on a journey to find all modern-day “Lots.” They’re out there, and they’re not where they belong. Somewhere in this world, the souls of both the lost and the found are crying for deliverance. Maybe that’s you. If so, heed the warning of the two witnesses, let faith arise in your heart, and return to the Lord whose mercy endures forever! 🦋

“We are not allowed to destroy the city until you are gone.”





FROM ME TO YOU | **Jimmy Swaggart**

The Prayer Meetings

As most of you know, on Saturday mornings at Family Worship Center, we have a worldwide prayer meeting that incorporates the entirety of the world. How thrilled I am at the people who tell me, “Brother Swaggart, we are praying with you every Saturday morning.” That means a lot—far more than any of us know or realize.

FOR THOSE WHO may not know, we encourage all those who watch the television programming to join with us every Saturday morning for an hour of prayer, or whatever amount of time that you would like to pray. Unfortunately, prayer is seldom done nowadays, and that’s a tragedy, because God still answers prayer. I know that there are many things you and I have to pray about. I know I do, and I’m persuaded that you do as well. And this I can guarantee—God can change things.

As you go to prayer every Saturday morning, I’m sure there are many things in your life and living that need to be changed. That’s the business the Lord is in—changing things for the better. Then we have the matter of believing God for a moving of the Holy Spirit around the world, which will usher scores into the



kingdom of God—that’s the thing that is so important. And, as we pray for others, God blesses us personally.

There’s something about a worldwide prayer meeting that must scare Satan. This I do know, God still answers prayer.

Most of you have heard me say it many times, my grandmother, a great woman of faith, taught me to pray. Her favorite statement was, “Jimmy, God is a big God, so ask big.” From that day as a child until now, I have specialized in asking God big.

Prayer is hard work, consequently, not many engage themselves in this most worthy practice.

The beautiful thing about it is that God still answers prayer. The tragedy is that most Christians simply don’t pray, so they miss out on so much of what God can do.

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“I AM able.”

GOD IS ABLE

Let me give you an example. Some seventy or more years ago, I was trying to get started in evangelistic work, but I didn’t have any meetings to where I could go and preach. I was an evangelist; I knew that God had called me for that particular office, of that I had no doubt. (The future would proclaim exactly what I’ve said; the Lord helped us to see a harvest of souls that has never been seen before, for which we give Him all the praise and all the glory.)

At any rate, on this particular morning, Frances had taken Donnie, who was only about three years old, and they had gone somewhere. I used the time alone for prayer. I was discouraged, to say the least, and a little bit forlorn. I didn’t have any meetings,

and I didn’t see any on the horizon. I tried to pray but was seemingly unable to reach the Lord. All of a sudden, the Holy Spirit brought a little chorus to my mind that we had learned a few days earlier:

My Lord is able, He is able, I know that He is able, I know my Lord is able to carry me through.

My Lord is able, He is able, I know that He is able, I know my Lord is able to carry me through.

For He has healed the broken-hearted, made the blind to see, healed the sick, raised the dead, and walked upon the sea.

My Lord is able, He is able, I know that He is able, I know my Lord is able to carry me through.

The truth in these verses didn’t stop that day; it went ahead many years to where we are now—I’m seeking the Lord about world evangelism. Yes, I said world evangelism. And I’m speaking of the entirety of the world.

As the Spirit of God moved upon me, the Lord said, “Remember what I told you back those many, many years ago? I told you I was able. Back then you were asking for a meeting in the smallest church, wherever it might have been. Now you are asking Me for the whole world. And My answer to you now is the same as it was then: I am able.”

I will not forget that moment—the Spirit of God filled my heart because I knew the Lord had spoken to me. And He is going to do exactly what He said He would do, and that is to touch this world for Christ.

I want you to pray with us that God would give us souls, and I mean a harvest such as the world has never known before.

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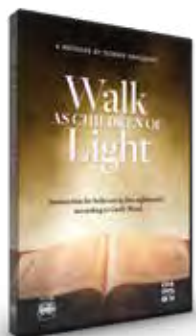
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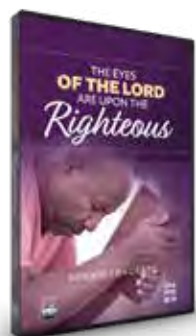
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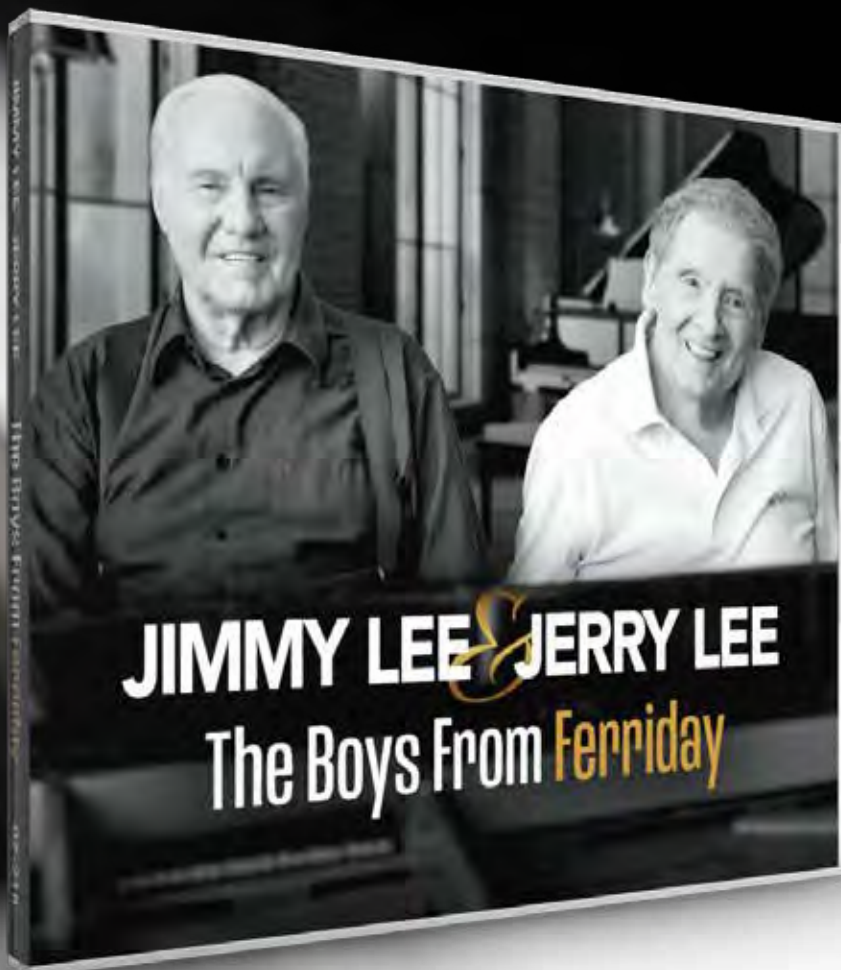
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