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# The LORD Is His NAME

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BY JIMMY SWAGGART

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**“Then sang Moses and the children of Israel this song unto the LORD, and spake, saying, I will sing unto the LORD, for he hath triumphed gloriously: the horse and his rider hath he thrown into the sea. The LORD is my strength and song, and he is become my salvation: he is my God, and I will prepare him an habitation; my father’s God, and I will exalt him. The LORD is a man of war: the LORD is his name.”**

—EXODUS 15:1-3

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**THE LORD IS** a man of war in every capacity. He had just defeated the mightiest field army on the face of the earth, and He did so without using a single human soldier. But, to be frank, His capacity in the realm of spiritual warfare is of even greater magnitude.

At the cross of Calvary, the Lord Jesus totally and completely defeated Satan. He did it not through mortal combat, as would be obvious, but rather by taking away Satan's authority. Sin gives Satan the authority to do what he does, but with all sin atoned, as it was at the cross, his authority has been removed. If it seems as if he presently has authority, we must remember that it is a pseudo-authority. This refers to an authority that Christians allow Satan to have simply because they do not know their place and position in Christ. The reason they don't know that place and position is simply because they do not understand the cross. While most Christians do understand the cross as it refers to salvation, they have little knowledge at all as it refers to sanctification. This is the tragedy.

The Lord is the man of war, not us. When we try to place ourselves in that position, we get defeated every time. In fact, the only fight that we are called upon to fight is the good fight of faith (I Tim. 6:12).

In Exodus 15:3, the phrase, "*the LORD is his name*," could be translated, "Jehovah, the alone-existing one." Before Him, all other existence fades and falls into nothingness.

In looking through the various notes of this song that Moses and the children of Israel sang, we don't find a single note about self—its doings, its sayings, its feelings, or its fruits. From beginning to end, this song is all about Jehovah, and that's the way it ought to be.

**PHARAOH** "*Pharaoh's chariots and his host hath he cast into the sea: his chosen captains also are drowned in the Red sea*" (Ex. 15:4).

The exact percentage of Pharaoh's army is not included here. Irrespective, the ones who did come after Israel were seemingly the best. For sure, his finest charioteers were lost, as well as his chosen captains. Another thing is for sure—it would be some time before Egypt's army was back up to its full potential.

**THEY SANK** "*The depths have covered them: they sank into the bottom as a stone*" (Ex. 15:5).

The warriors who fought in chariots commonly wore coats of mail, composed of bronze plates sewn onto a linen base and overlapping one another. These coats covered the arms to the elbow and descended nearly to the knee. Consequently, being as heavy as they were, these warriors would have immediately sunk, even without a struggle, like a stone or a lump of lead, as the waters cascaded down upon them.

**THE RIGHT HAND OF THE LORD** "*Thy right hand, O LORD, is become glorious in power: thy right hand, O LORD, hath dashed in pieces the enemy*." (Ex. 15:6).

The right hand, as it refers to the Lord, is used as a figure of speech. It signifies power. Consequently, when it is said that Christ is now seated "on the right hand of the Majesty on high," though that is literally true, it also signifies power.

That right hand of power, as it refers to the Lord, can and will be used on our behalf, as well, providing our faith is placed 100 percent in Christ and what Christ has done for us at the cross. Then the Holy Spirit, who is God, and who can do all things, will saturate the believer with power. What kind of power? This is not power or authority over other people, but rather over the spirits of darkness (Luke 10:19; Eph. 6:11-18).

While all Christians fight the devil, we must understand that it's always indirectly. Christ has already defeated him, and we fight him simply by fighting the good fight of faith, which refers to faith in Christ and His cross.

**THE WRATH OF GOD** "*And in the greatness of thine excellency thou hast overthrown them that rose up against thee: thou sentest forth thy wrath, which consumed them as stubble*" (Ex. 15:7).

The verbs in this verse are future. Consequently, it should read, "You will overthrow them who rise up against You." Then, "You will send forth Your wrath." The last phrase, "*Which consumed them as stubble*," is present tense and concerns the victory over the Egyptians. So, in this verse, we have an account not only of what the Lord has done regarding the Egyptians, but the promise that He will fight for us as well!



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# “THE FIRST SONG IN THE BIBLE WAS SUNG ON A SHORE HEAPED WITH DEAD MEN—AN APPALLING SCENE OF DIVINE WRATH—AND THE LAST SONG IN THE BIBLE WILL BE SUNG IN A SCENE OF GREATER WRATH AND DESTRUCTION.”

The first song in the Bible was sung on a shore heaped with dead men—an appalling scene of divine wrath—and the last song in the Bible will be sung in a scene of greater wrath and destruction (Rev. 19). These inspired records of God’s ways on earth and of His actions toward sin anger the self-righteous heart but thrill the soul of the one dependent on the righteousness of Christ.

**GOD’S USE OF THE ELEMENTS** *“And with the blast of thy nostrils the waters were gathered together, the floods stood upright as an heap, and the depths were congealed in the heart of the sea” (Ex. 15:8).*

Moses described the east wind, which God set in motion, as “the blast” or “breath of His nostrils.” He then represented the waters as “standing in a heap” on either side and the depths as “congealed.” Concerning the word congealed, some have taken this phrase to mean that the waters froze, but considering the climate of Egypt, that is unlikely, although it definitely could have happened.

Still others have asked the question, “Are we justified in taking literally the strong expressions of a highly wrought poetic description?” The answer is yes, we are justified. It is the Holy Spirit who gave Moses these very words, and, as highly poetic as they might be, the description in no way stretches the truth as it regards what God has done or what He can do. In fact, with Him, all things are possible.

**THE ENEMY SAID** *“The enemy said, I will pursue, I will overtake, I will divide the spoil; my lust shall be satisfied upon them; I will draw my sword, my hand shall destroy them” (Ex. 15:9).*

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### 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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This verse is very important because it shows the thoughts of the soldiers who flocked to Pharaoh's standard, in regard to the pursuit of the children of Israel. The words, "I will divide the spoil," proclaim the fact that Israel had gone out of Egypt laden with ornaments of silver and gold and also accompanied by flocks and herds of great value. Pharaoh probably told these soldiers that this plunder would be theirs, and they intended to appropriate it. They then boasted, "my hand shall destroy them."

We must not forget that the Egyptians had also given the children of Israel the finest clothing that was available at that time, meaning that when they crossed the Red Sea, they did so dressed in the finest that the world had to offer of that particular day. In other words, they did not leave Egypt as beggars dressed in rags, as slaves generally wore, but they were dressed in the finest garments and loaded down with silver and gold.

What a mighty God we serve! 🦅



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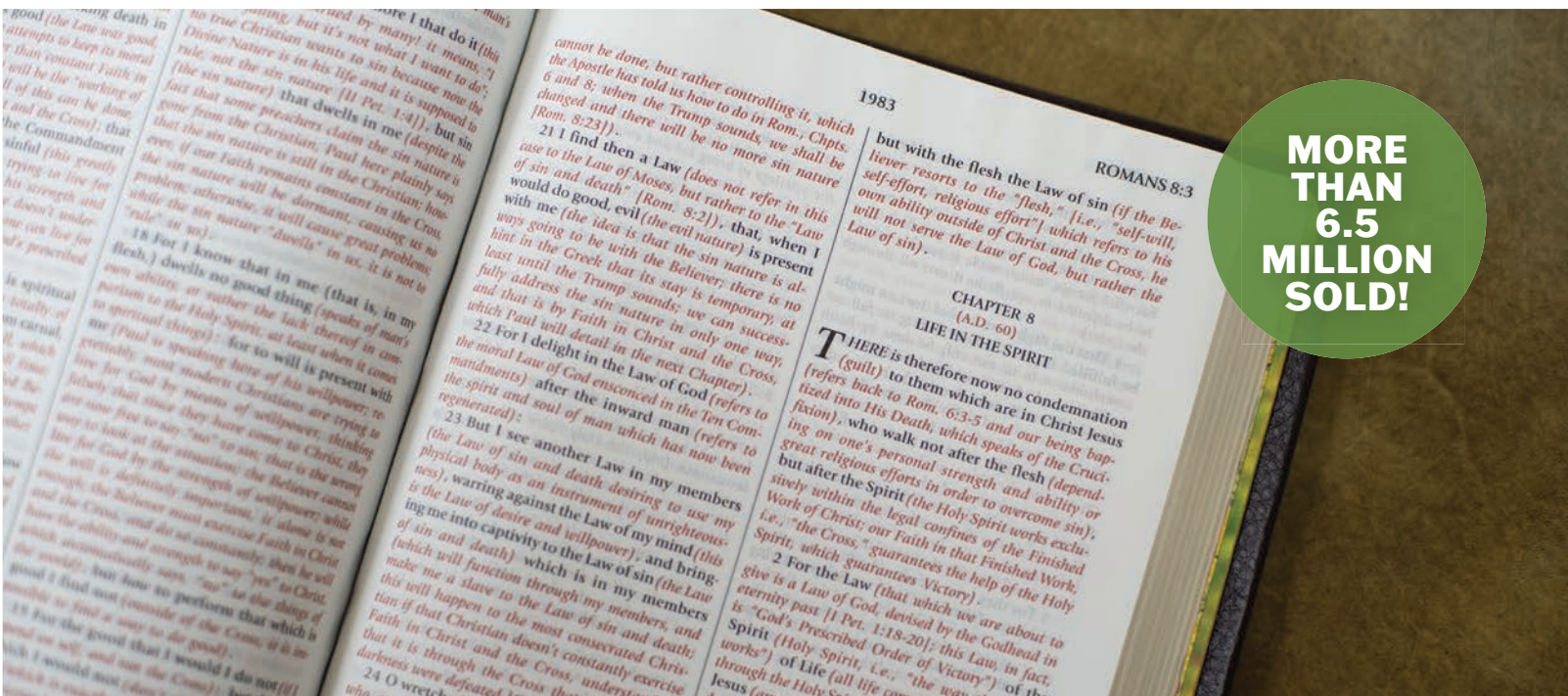
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ARTICLE BY **Frances Swaggart**

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FROM A RECENT EMAIL: “I believe purgatory does exist because I believe God will give somebody a second chance to repent. Am I right or wrong?”

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# PURGATORY— Right or Wrong?

THE BIBLE SAYS absolutely nothing about purgatory. All the teaching on purgatory as a doctrine is a fabrication made up solely by the Catholic Church. It has no validation in Scripture whatsoever. In essence, the teaching of purgatory says that what Christ did at the cross is insufficient; consequently, there must be something added to His work in order for salvation to be procured. This has to be one of the greatest insults to Christ that could ever be perpetrated by any individual or so-called church doctrine.

Purgatory is strictly a teaching of the Catholic Church that it is the state or condition in which those who have died in a state of grace, but with some attachment to sin, suffer for a time before they are admitted to the glory and happiness of heaven.

The Catholic Church also teaches that Christians can indulge in two types of sin—mortal sins (which will damn the soul) and venial sins (which will not

damn the soul but will consign the person to purgatory). All, therefore, who die in venial sins or with the temporal punishment of their sins still unpaid must atone for them in purgatory.

The Catholic Church also believes that the faithful on earth, the saints in heaven, and the souls in purgatory are united together in love and prayer. According to its doctrine, the faithful on earth—still struggling to win the victory of salvation—make up the church militant, while the saints in heaven are the church triumphant, and the souls in purgatory—still suffering in order to be perfectly purified from the effects of sin—constitute the church suffering.

All of these teachings are contradicted by the New Testament. The following verse gives the child of God full access to heaven: “*Having therefore, brethren, boldness to enter into the holiest by the blood of Jesus, By a new and living way, which he hath consecrated for us, through the veil,*

*that is to say, his flesh*” (Heb. 10:19-20). It is a grand conclusion to the doctrinal argument of the worthiness of every child of God to enter the portals of glory. In other words, all, by accepting the blood sacrifice paid for by our Savior, have instant citizenship in heaven (when God calls us home to be with Him).

Prayers for the dead go hand in hand with purgatory. In Catholic doctrine, prayer cannot be completely efficacious without the priests as intermediaries, and no priestly functions can be rendered unless there is special payment for them. Therefore, in every land, we find the priesthood of the Catholic Church devouring widows’ houses and making merchandise of the tender emotions of sorrowing relatives sensitive to the immortal destiny of their beloved dead.

The Roman Catholic doctrine of purgatory is purely pagan and cannot for a moment stand in the light of Scripture. The Bible tells us, “*the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin*” (I John 1:7). On the other hand, for those who die without personal union with Christ and consequently are unwashed, unjustified, and unsaved, there can be no other cleansing. I John 5:12 says, “*He that hath the Son hath life; and he that hath not the Son of God hath not life.*”

So the whole doctrine of purgatory is a system of purely pagan imposture,

# “...the whole doctrine of purgatory is a system of purely pagan imposture, dishonoring God and deluding men...”

## Article Excerpt From Past *Evangelist* Magazine

BY SANDY CARSON

dishonoring God and deluding men who live in sin with the hope of atoning for it after death, thus cheating them out of their property and their salvation. As one of our SBN viewers put it, “People, they sometimes use that purgatory system to say, ‘Well, I’m bad now, but maybe I’ll get the chance to do this right in purgatory.’ So, it kind of gives you a license to misbehave so to speak, in this life.” But there are no second chances.

Nearly forty years ago, we ran an article in *The Evangelist* written by Sandy Carson and printed with his permission. Mr. Carson was a former Catholic priest who served in the Diocese of Alexandria, Louisiana, from 1955 to 1972, and what he wrote on the subject of purgatory is still enlightening and timely. The sidebar, at right, is an excerpt from that article.

Romans 3:21-26 clearly says that righteousness is totally from God as a gift, not as a result of any of our works (including suffering in an imagined purgatory). One would not have right standing (righteousness) before God if he still owed Him some debt of punishment. Again, righteousness is the result of faith in Jesus Christ alone, and never the result of works on our part. There is no place or necessity for any purgatory. ✎

It has no validation in Scripture...

“The doctrine of purgatory is a teaching of the Roman Catholic Church. It may be defined as an intermediate place or state after death where souls who die in God’s grace make atonement, or satisfaction, for past sins and thereby become fit for heaven. This satisfaction is in the form of a temporary punishment which afflicts the soul until the demands of God’s justice are fully met. This is in regard to unforgiven venial sins and the punishment still required by divine justice for forgiven sins, whether mortal (sins requiring eternal punishment) or venial (sins requiring some temporary punishment).

Catholics readily admit the term *purgatory* is not found in the Bible, but they claim that the factuality of this temporary and intermediate state of cleansing, or purgation, is found in both Scripture and tradition; thus, they claim it as a matter of revelation. Because this place is one of spiritual cleansing, it is theologically called “purgatory”; that is, a place of purgation.

In general, faithful Catholics expect to go to purgatory when they die, as it is believed that almost none die holy enough to enter immediately into heaven. There are exceptions, however. A plenary indulgence (full remission of all temporal punishment due to forgiven sin) can be granted by the church to one who has repented of all sin. It is taught that either a plenary indulgence or martyrdom will take away all punishment otherwise due. In such a case, one would enter heaven immediately upon death.

Once a soul is actually in purgatory it has absolute assurance of entering heaven — eventually. When, no one knows. In the meantime, the faithful on earth may shorten the time a loved one spends in purgatory by obtaining indulgences for them, by having Masses said or offered for them, and by praying for them. Catholics have no assurance their loved ones are really in heaven after death, but they trust they are at least in purgatory. Some Catholics are content to “just get to purgatory,” as they believe very few are really good enough to go immediately to heaven.

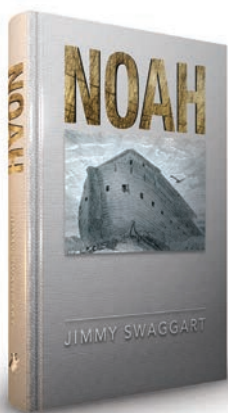
The doctrines of purgatory and prayer for the dead came into the church by way of human teachings and not by the revelation of Christ. Deception is a malady the church has had to contend with even within the first century. Paul was concerned that the church at Colossae might somehow be deceived by fine-sounding arguments (Col. 2:4) and he warned that church: ‘Beware lest any man spoil you through philosophy and vain deceit, after the tradition of men, after the rudiments of the world, and not after Christ’ (Col. 2:8).”



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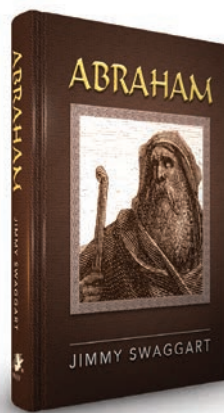
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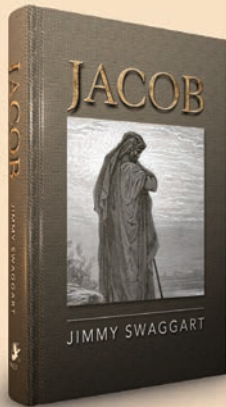
Noah walked with God and he found grace in the eyes of the Lord, which happens to be the very first time that the word *grace* is mentioned in the Word of God. God told Noah, and Noah alone, that the flood was coming. For decades, the people around Noah watched his struggle to build an ark based on pure faith in God. Still standing on dry ground, they mocked the man of God while eating, drinking, and refusing to heed Noah's warning that rain was coming. Then, just as God said, the flood came. **09-118**



## ABRAHAM

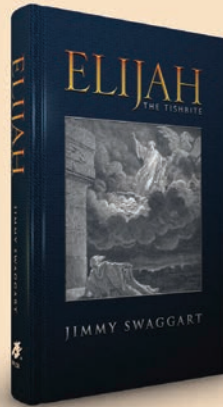
In the plan of God, Abraham occupies a unique position. The call that God placed on his life more than 4,000 years ago still echoes in the hearts of believers today. Who was this man whom the angel of the Lord had to shout, "Abraham, Abraham," to stop him from sacrificing his son to God? How was his faith counted as righteousness, and why was he called the friend of God? Brother Swaggart takes his readers to Genesis and introduces them to Abram, whom God transformed into Abraham through covenant and promise. **09-119**

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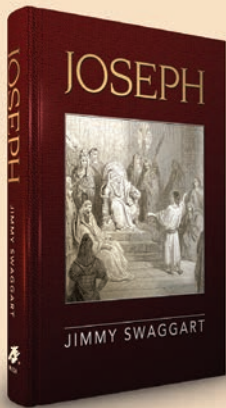
### JACOB

From his beginning, Jacob—one of two nations in Rebekah's womb—is found struggling. From birth we see the supplanter at work: grasping Esau's heel, bargaining with his brother for the birthright, and deceiving his father for the blessing of the firstborn. Cut off from family, running from a murderous brother, and headed somewhere he knows nothing about, Jacob comes to the point of total dependency on God. We see him discover the same place the Holy Spirit draws every believer—where human abilities and resources end and the power of God begins, transforming Jacob from deceiver to the patriarch he becomes. **09-123**



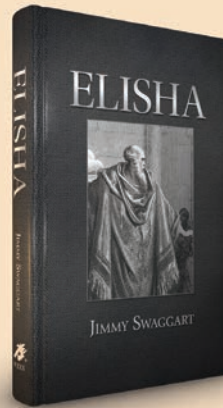
### ELIJAH THE TISHBITE

Little is known about Elijah, one of the greatest prophets who ever lived, and one of only two men who never died, but was translated and carried up to heaven in a fiery chariot. Yet, before his miraculous departure, Elijah left something behind that every believer can learn from: A lifestyle of unshakable faith. So tangible was the Lord's anointing on Elijah's life and ministry that Elisha asked for a double portion of his spirit, which he received when he saw Elijah translated. Yet, the story of Elijah does not end in the Old Testament; the Lord will send him back to earth during the great tribulation to once again preach the gospel. **09-128**



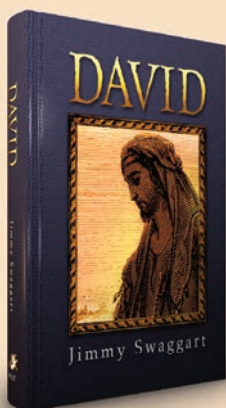
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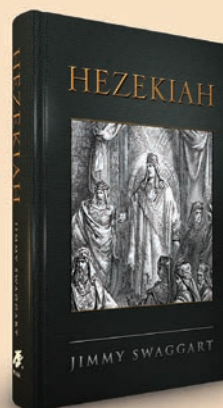
### ELISHA

Elijah first cast his mantle on Elisha as he plowed a field with 12 yoke of oxen—an indicator of God's true calling. Years later, Elisha would pick up the same mantle that fell from the prophet who was suddenly taken to heaven in a whirlwind by a chariot and horses of fire—a sign that Elisha had received a double portion of God's anointing. In this book, Believers are reminded that we serve a miracle-working God and that we should live—as Elisha did—in a state of expectation that cries out, "Where is the LORD God of Elijah?" **09-134**



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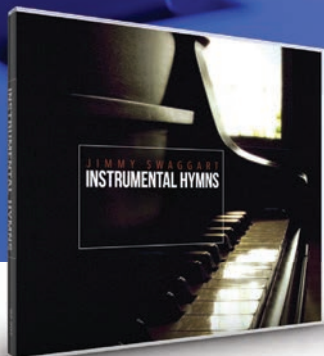
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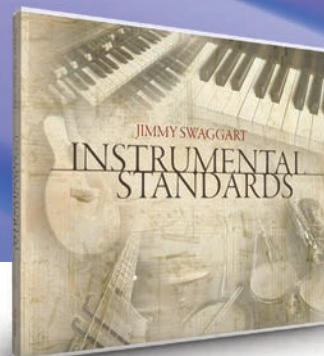
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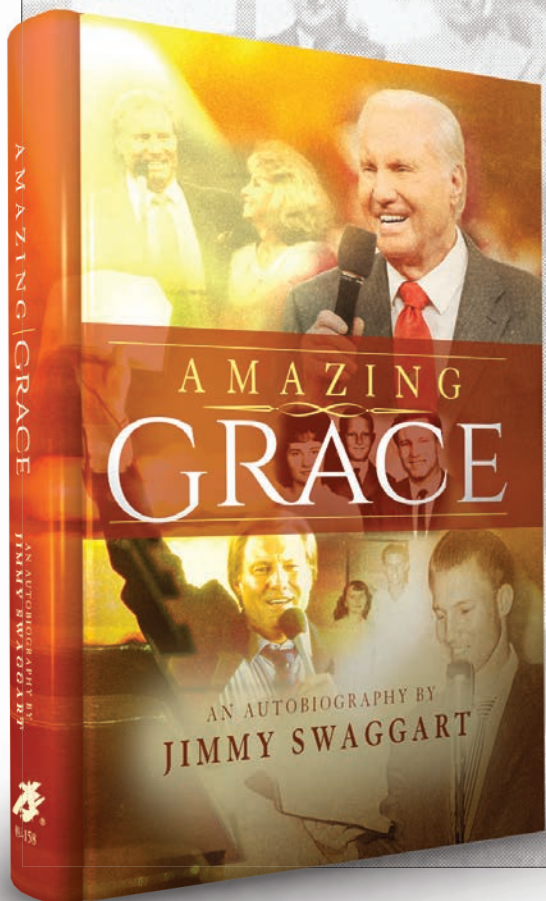
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“Paul, a servant of God, and an apostle of Jesus Christ, according to the faith of God's elect, and the acknowledging of the truth which is after godliness.” —TITUS 1:1

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# Paul, A Servant Of God

TITUS WAS A Gentile convert of Paul's. We know very little of his early life. His name is found in only three Pauline epistles (II Cor. 7:6, 13-14; 8:6, 12:18; Gal. 2:1, 3; II Tim. 4:10). Galatians 2:3 tells us

that Paul took Titus to Jerusalem as an example of the fruit of the gospel among the Gentiles. We also know that he was entrusted with the offerings received by many churches to help the impoverished

saints in Jerusalem. As well, we know from this epistle that Paul sent Titus to Crete to oversee the churches, bring order, and install pastors. The purpose of the epistle was to encourage Titus and to reinforce his authority among the churches in Crete.

## SERVANTHOOD

Paul begins his salutation with an emphatic declaration of servanthood to God: “Paul, a servant of God.” One should be aware that Paul designates himself as a servant before his apostleship. Understanding that every word Paul wrote and the order in which he wrote them was ordained by the Holy Spirit. The idea is that if one cannot be a servant, then he cannot be an apostle.

In the Greek, the word *servant* is *doulos*, and it refers “to one who is in a permanent relation of servitude to another, his will being altogether consumed in the will of the other.” Here, Paul is placing



# “Self is hidden in Christ. It is no longer my will, but Thy will.”

himself in the same position of the lowest slaves found in households throughout the Roman Empire. Paul is saying that his will is now swallowed up in the will of the Master of his heart, Jesus Christ.

At that time, a servant or slave disregarded his own interests to serve his master. So Paul, by identifying himself as a slave, is placing God’s will above his will. Self is hidden in Christ. It is no longer my will, but Thy will.

The only way one can truly have a servant spirit is through the cross. At Calvary, Christ died not only to save man from sin but also from self. Self-righteousness is the opposite of the servant principle, for the cross reveals who man really is. So, without a proper understanding of the cross, self is going to rule one’s life.

In II Corinthians 11 the apostle states: *“In labours more abundant, in stripes above measure, in prisons more frequent, in deaths oft. Of the Jews five times received I forty stripes save one. Thrice was I beaten with rods, once was I stoned, thrice I suffered shipwreck, a night and a day I have been in the deep; In journeyings often, in perils of water, in perils of robbers, in perils by my own countrymen, in perils by the heathen, in perils in the city in perils in the wilderness, in perils in the sea, in perils among false brethren; In weariness and painfulness, in watchings often, in hunger and thirst, in fastings often, in cold and nakedness. Beside those things that are without, that which cometh upon me daily, the care of all the churches.”*

How could one man endure all of this? The answer—he was a servant, and this is what had to be endured to carry out the will of the Master.

## AN APOSTLE OF JESUS CHRIST

The office of the apostle is the highest of the five-fold ministry callings, yet Paul places it second. In this, the Holy Spirit wants us to understand that the apostle can be effective only if the servant is effective. Too often men are puffed up in religious pride as they throw their

titles around, yet I have never heard one address himself as a “slave.”

Paul’s life and ministry exemplified the servant spirit. Though he was the one singularly chosen to be the bearer of the new covenant, we never see Paul acting in any way other than that of a gentleman. He never bossed anyone around, he never tried to exert authority over anyone. Instead, he was kind and humble—he was a slave to Jesus Christ.

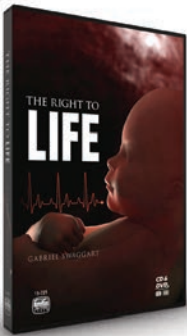
Let us all strive to be servants and not run after titles. ✚







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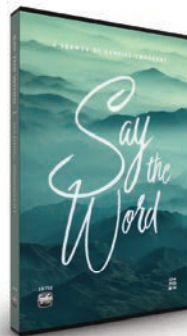
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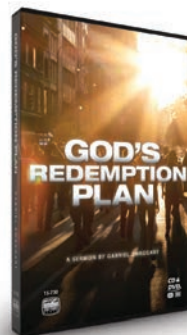
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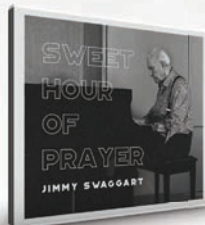
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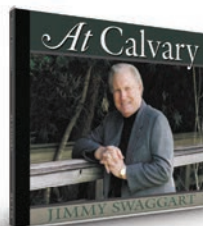
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**“For this cause I bow my knees unto the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Of whom the whole family in heaven and earth is named, That he would grant you, according to the riches of his glory, to be strengthened with might by his Spirit in the inner man; That Christ may dwell in your hearts by faith; that ye, being rooted and grounded in love, May be able to comprehend with all saints what is the breadth, and length, and depth, and height; And to know the love of Christ, which passeth knowledge, that ye might be filled with all the fulness of God.” —EPHESIANS 3:14-19**

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# My Prayer For You PART I

HAVE YOU EVER thought to yourself, “I need something more”? Whether it’s a new job, a better relationship, or simply more joy in life, we’ve all experienced moments when we need a little extra.

In these verses from Ephesians, Paul offers a prayer that can provide us with much fulfillment and plenty of blessings. In fact, this second intercessory prayer given by Paul is my prayer for each of you who support this ministry both prayerfully and financially. I want you to know how important you are to the work of God and how crucial your support is to the kingdom. Never take for granted what you do for the Lord. Even though we will feel the pressures of life every now and again, I pray that these six requests, these prayers, will bring comfort to your soul.

## **FIRST: HOLY SPIRIT STRENGTH AND POWER**

My first request for you is that you will gain an expanded awareness of God’s power and that God will strengthen each one of you through the agency of the Holy Spirit. The only way to experience God’s holiness and righteousness is through the power and person of the Holy Spirit. God possesses extraordinary might, and He is able to impart this to His people through the person of the Holy Spirit to the inward man.

It must be understood that the power and work of the Holy Spirit is not automatic; it depends on two things: faith in the cross of Christ and the baptism with the Holy Spirit. These open the door to both the gifts of the Spirit (relating to our work for Christ) and the fruit of the Spirit (relating to our spiritual growth).

I pray that you will gain an expanded awareness of God’s power and be strengthened through the person of the Holy Spirit, which will produce holiness and righteousness and empower you to live a holy life unto God.

# “I want you to know how important you are to the work of God and how crucial your support is to the kingdom.”

## SECOND: THAT CHRIST DWELL IN YOUR HEARTS BY FAITH

My second prayer for you is for the complete indwelling of Christ in your hearts and lives. I desire that Christ would settle and make a permanent dwelling in your heart, because the more that Christ is present, the more control the Holy Spirit will have in your life. Of course, this is done entirely by faith in Christ and the cross exclusively. Faith in Christ and the cross is a condition that is a must; without your faith anchored in the finished work of Christ, then neither the spiritual life nor the indwelling of Christ can exist.

Understand that this goes beyond the simply acknowledgment that the presence of Christ in us brings us strength, as true as that may be. I am praying for something greater! I pray that those who support this work will have a deeper experience of God's closeness through the indwelling Christ and the ever-growing experience of Christ exercising His lordship and reign over every area of your lives.

## THIRD: BE ROOTED AND ESTABLISHED IN LOVE

My third prayer for you highlights the outcome of the Holy Spirit's strengthening and the permanent presence of Jesus Christ in your heart, which leads to a deeper fellowship with Him. Love is the foundation on which everything is built.

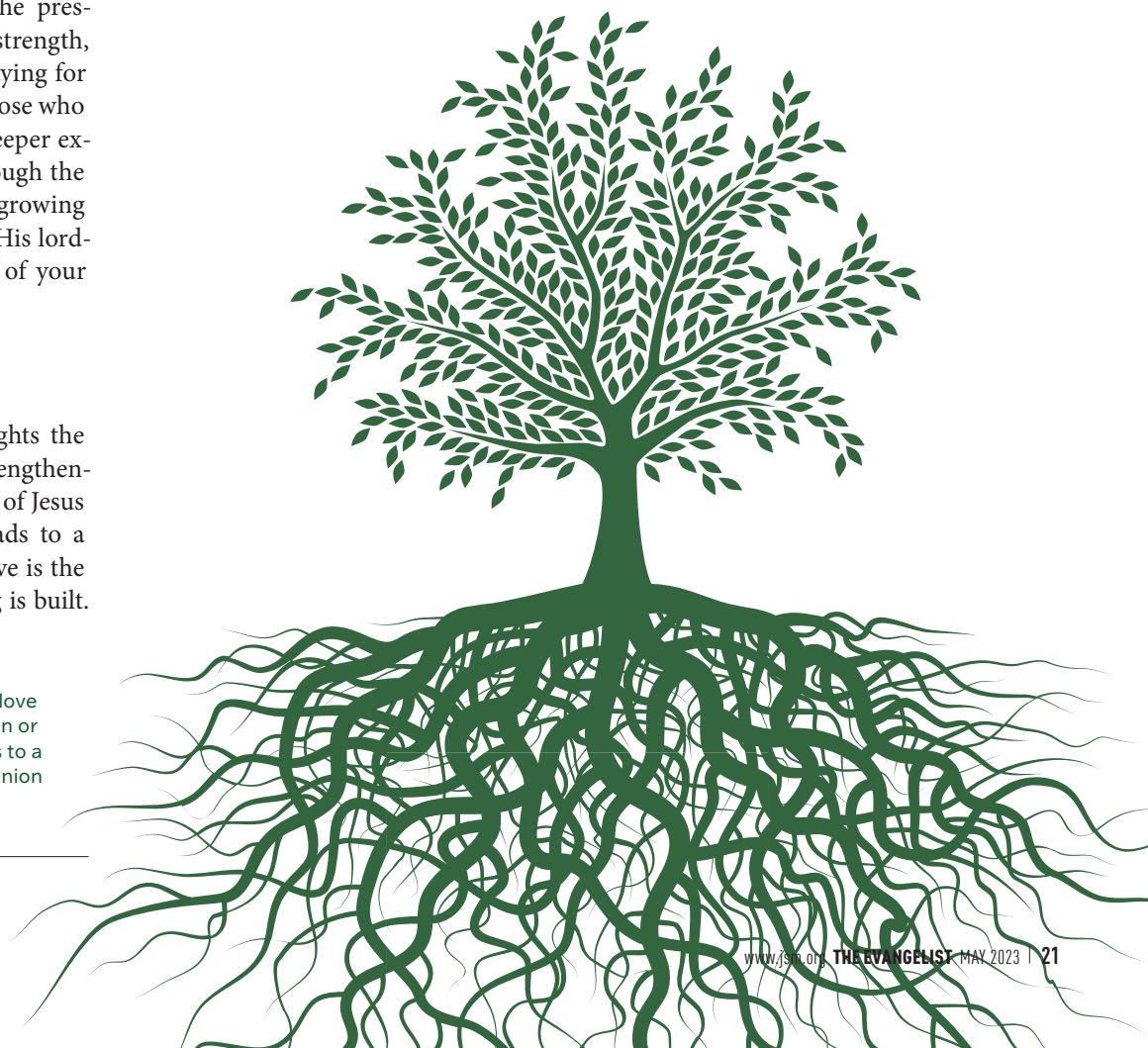
Being rooted and established in this love goes beyond an emotional connection or a sense of closeness to God; it refers to a deeper and deeper growth in communion with God through Christ.

Experiencing God's love transforms us from the inside out and enables us to grow in our faith and become more like Christ. Love is also the foundation of our relationship with God. Through His love, we can experience the fullness of His grace and mercy.

The term *rooted* connotes a secure and deeply rooted settlement. Using this word, Paul is praying for a more profound experience of God's love that will result in a lasting sense of that experience and understanding. Paul wants to ensure that his readers are firmly established, so they will not be swayed by life's

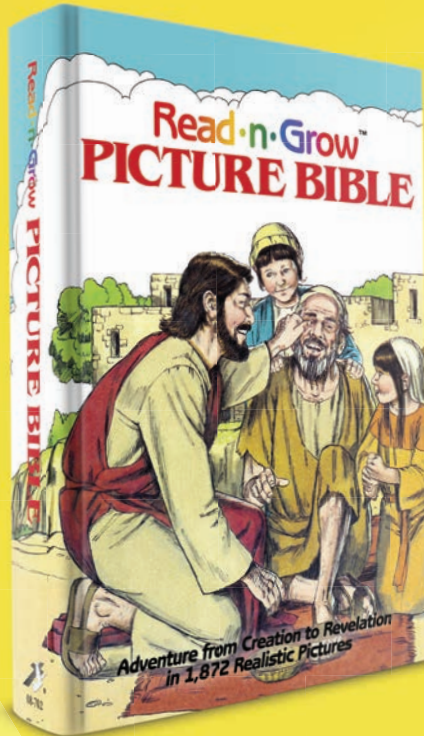
challenges or misled by false teachings. Being rooted and established in this love goes beyond an emotional connection or a sense of closeness to God; it refers to a deeper and deeper growth in communion with God through Christ. This is my prayer for you—that you will be firmly established in Christ and the cross, that life's challenges will not sway you, that false teachings will not mislead you, and that you will experience a closeness to God and a deeper growth in communion with Him through Christ. ✨

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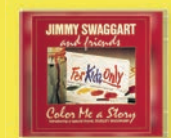


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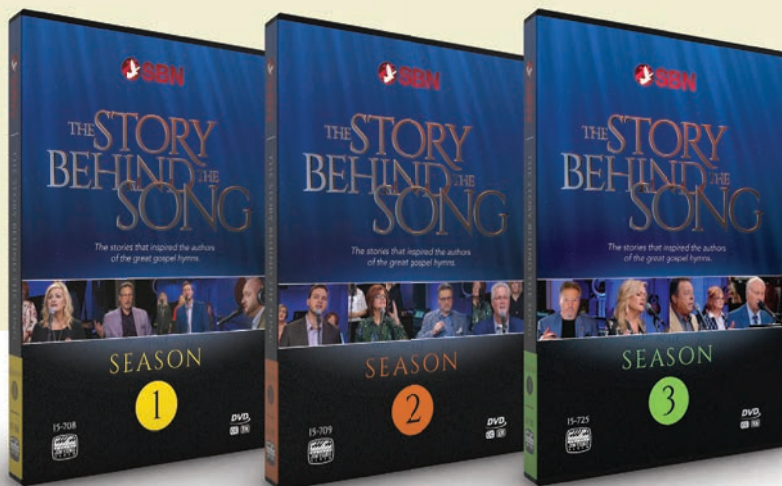


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12:30:00 PM	Generation of The Cross E/I		FWC Music	
1:00:00 PM				
1:30:00 PM				
2:00:00 PM	Family Worship Center Morning Service (Repeat Of AM Service)	FWC Music		The Story Behind The Song
2:30:00 PM				FWC Music
3:00:00 PM		Jimmy Swaggart Broadcast	Gabriel Swaggart Broadcast	Jimmy Swaggart Broadcast
3:30:00 PM				
4:00:00 PM				
4:30:00 PM	FWC Music			
5:00:00 PM	Crossfire Service E/I	Insight (Re-Air)	Insight (Re-Air)	Insight (Re-Air)
5:30:00 PM		A Study In The Word	A Study In The Word	A Study In The Word
6:00:00 PM	Family Worship Center Sunday Evening Live Service	Frances & Friends (Re-Air)	Frances & Friends (Re-Air)	FWC Music
6:30:00 PM				
7:00:00 PM				Family Worship Center Live Service
7:30:00 PM	FWC Music			
8:00:00 PM	The Story Behind The Song	The Message of the Cross (Re-Air)	The Message of the Cross (Re-Air)	
8:30:00 PM	Family Worship Center Morning Service (Repeat Of AM Service)			FWC Music
9:00:00 PM		Donnie Swaggart Broadcast	Jimmy Swaggart Broadcast	The Message of the Cross (Re-Air)
9:30:00 PM				
10:00:00 PM				Frances & Friends (Re-Air)
10:30:00 PM				
11:00:00 PM	FWC Music	FWC Music	FWC Music	
11:30:00 PM				



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THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	Hour (ET)
Donnie Swaggart Broadcast	Jimmy Swaggart Crusade Classics	Jimmy Swaggart Crusade Classics	1:00:00 AM
			1:30:00 AM
			2:00:00 AM
			2:30:00 AM
FWC Music	FWC Music	FWC Music	3:00:00 AM
			3:30:00 AM
Family Worship Center - Associate Pastor Broadcast	Jimmy Swaggart Broadcast	Jimmy Swaggart Broadcast	4:00:00 AM
			4:30:00 AM
FWC Music			5:00:00 AM
			5:30:00 AM
	FWC Music	FWC Music	6:00:00 AM
			6:30:00 AM
A Study In The Word	A Study In The Word	Family Worship Center - Associate Pastor Broadcast	7:00:00 AM
			7:30:00 AM
FWC Music	FWC Music		8:00:00 AM
			8:30:00 AM
The Message of the Cross (Live)	The Message of the Cross (Live)	The Message of the Cross (Re-Air)	9:00:00 AM
			9:30:00 AM
FWC Music	FWC Music	FWC Music	10:00:00 AM
Insight (Live)	Insight (Live)	The Story Behind The Song	10:30:00 AM
			11:00:00 AM
Frances & Friends (Live)	Frances & Friends (Live)	Frances & Friends (Re-Air)	11:30:00 AM
			12:00:00 PM
FWC Music	FWC Music	Generation of The Cross E/I	12:30:00 PM
A Study In The Word	A Study In The Word		1:00:00 PM
			1:30:00 PM
Family Worship Center - Associate Pastor Broadcast	Jimmy Swaggart Crusade Classics	Donnie Swaggart Broadcast	2:00:00 PM
			2:30:00 PM
FWC Music			3:00:00 PM
	Crossfire Service E/I	FWC Music	3:30:00 PM
			4:00:00 PM
Donnie Swaggart Broadcast	Jimmy Swaggart Broadcast	Gabriel Swaggart Broadcast	4:30:00 PM
			5:00:00 PM
			5:30:00 PM
Insight (Re-Air)	Insight (Re-Air)	The Message of the Cross (Re-Air)	6:00:00 PM
			6:30:00 PM
A Study In The Word	A Study In The Word		7:00:00 PM
			7:30:00 PM
Frances & Friends (Re-Air)	Frances & Friends (Re-Air)	Frances & Friends (Re-Air)	8:00:00 PM
			8:30:00 PM
			9:00:00 PM
The Message of the Cross (Re-Air)	The Message of the Cross (Re-Air)	Preachers, Patriots & Providence	9:30:00 PM
			10:00:00 PM
Crossfire Service E/I	Gabriel Swaggart Broadcast	Family Worship Center Wednesday Night Service (repeat)	10:30:00 PM
			11:00:00 PM
FWC Music		FWC Music	11:30:00 PM
			12:00:00 AM
	FWC Music	Crossfire Service E/I	12:30:00 AM

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

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

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

<b>A</b>	Channel
<b>ALABAMA</b>	
<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

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

**C** Channel

<b>CALIFORNIA</b>	
<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
<b>COLORADO</b>	
<i>Denver</i>	
Comcast	91
OTA	5.1 / 16.3
<b>CONNECTICUT</b>	
<i>Hartford, New Haven, Manchester</i>	
Spectrum	129 / 854
Comcast	1096
OTA	43.2

**D** Channel

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

**F** Channel

<b>FLORIDA</b>	
<i>Astor, Astatuloa, 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

<b>GEORGIA</b>	
<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

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

**I** Channel

<b>IDAHO</b>	
<i>Boise</i>	
OTA	41.3
<i>Pocatello, Idaho Falls, Twin Falls</i>	
Cable One	91
<b>ILLINOIS</b>	
<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
<b>INDIANA</b>	
<i>Indianapolis</i>	
Spectrum	257 / 1257 HD
OTA	30.5
Comcast	90
<i>South Bend</i>	
Comcast	111
<i>Terre Haute</i>	
Spectrum	TBA
<b>IOWA</b>	
<i>Des Moines, Ames</i>	
OTA	14 / 19.2 / 36.2
<i>Sioux City</i>	
Cable One	91

**K** Channel

<b>KANSAS</b>	
<i>Dodge City</i>	
United Telecom	162
<i>Emporia</i>	
Cable One	91
<i>Wichita, Hutchinson Plus</i>	
OTA	40.4
<b>KENTUCKY</b>	
<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

<b>L</b>	Channel
<b>LOUISIANA</b>	
<i>Baton Rouge, New Orleans, Lafayette</i>	
Cox Cable .....	117, 273
<i>Baton Rouge</i>	
OTA .....	30.1
<i>Houma</i>	
Comcast .....	1070
<i>Monroe</i>	
OTA .....	39.4
<i>New Orleans</i>	
OTA .....	42.4
<i>Plaquemine</i>	
Clear Choice Cable .....	225
<i>Prairieville, Gonzales</i>	
Cox Cable .....	389
<i>Shreveport</i>	
Comcast .....	1070
OTA .....	14
<b>M</b>	Channel
<b>MAINE</b>	
<i>Augusta, Bangor, Portland, York, Saco</i>	
Spectrum .....	489
<b>MASSACHUSETTS</b>	
<i>Boston</i>	
OTA6 .....	2.2
Comcast .....	1096
Spectrum .....	129 / 854
Beld Broadband .....	20 / 520
<i>Shrewsbury</i>	
Community .....	24 / 1231
<i>Worcester</i>	
Spectrum .....	129 / 854
<b>MICHIGAN</b>	
<i>Detroit</i>	
Comcast .....	389
Spectrum .....	158
WOW (Wide Open West) .....	194
OTA .....	14.5 / 19.2 / 47.3
<i>Flint, Saginaw, Bay City</i>	
OTA .....	49.2
<i>Grand Rapids, Kalamazoo, Battle Creek</i>	
OTA .....	54.2
<i>Oakland County, Livonia</i>	
Spectrum .....	179 / 379
<b>MINNESOTA</b>	
<i>Duluth, Superior</i>	
OTA .....	27.2
<i>Minneapolis</i>	
Comcast .....	191
<i>Minneapolis, St. Paul</i>	
OTA .....	25.2
<i>Rochester</i>	
Spectrum .....	150 / 705
<i>Thief River Falls</i>	
Sjoberg's Inc. ....	182
<b>MISSISSIPPI</b>	
<i>Biloxi, Columbus, Grenada</i>	
Cable One .....	91

<i>Greenville, Greenwood</i>	
OTA .....	15.3
<i>Hattiesburg</i>	
Comcast .....	1070
<i>Jackson</i>	
Comcast .....	1070
OTA .....	23.2
<i>Tupelo</i>	
Comcast .....	1070
<b>MISSOURI</b>	
<i>Cape Girardeau, Harrisburg</i>	
OTA .....	27.2
<i>Higginsville</i>	
Citizen's Cablevision .....	122
<i>Joplin, Pittsburg</i>	
OTA .....	49.3
<i>Kansas City</i>	
Spectrum .....	470
OTA .....	21.3
<i>Kirksville</i>	
Cable One .....	91
<i>St. Louis</i>	
Spectrum .....	109 / 775
OTA .....	7.2
<i>Springfield</i>	
KRFT-LD TV8 .....	8.7
<i>Excelsior Springs</i>	
New Dawn Fiber .....	15
<b>N</b>	Channel
<b>NEBRASKA</b>	
<i>Auburn, Columbus, Fremont, Lincoln</i>	
Spectrum .....	470
<i>Norfolk</i>	
Cable One .....	91
<i>Omaha</i>	
OTA .....	48.4
<b>NEVADA</b>	
<i>Las Vegas</i>	
OTA .....	30.3
<i>Reno</i>	
Spectrum .....	139 / 890
<b>NEW ENGLAND</b>	
<i>Region-wide</i>	
Spectrum .....	470
<b>NEW JERSEY</b>	
<i>Audubon, Burlington, Central Gloucester, Jersey City, Meadowlands, Monmouth, Ocean County, Plainfield, Pleasantville, Princeton, Somerset, Hillborough, Trenton, Union, Vineland</i>	
Comcast .....	190
<i>Long Beach Island</i>	
Comcast .....	22
<i>Northwest</i>	
Comcast .....	280
<i>Toms River</i>	
Comcast .....	19
<b>NEW MEXICO</b>	
<i>Albuquerque</i>	
Comcast .....	91

OTA .....	32.3
<i>Rio Rancho</i>	
Cable One .....	91
<b>NEW YORK</b>	
<i>Albany, Binghamton (Montros, Bath, Jamestown), Buffalo, Syracuse, New York</i>	
Spectrum .....	470
<i>Buffalo</i>	
OTA .....	26.2 / 56.6
Spectrum .....	470
<i>Cobleskill</i>	
OTA .....	41.4
<i>Carmel</i>	
Comcast .....	191
<i>New York</i>	
Cablevision .....	15
Spectrum .....	22 / 470
Comcast .....	19 / 27 / 15
Frontier .....	43
RCN .....	39 / 270
OTA .....	42.1 / 43.1
<i>Rochester</i>	
Spectrum .....	470
<b>NORTH CAROLINA</b>	
<i>Asheboro, Denton, New London</i>	
Randolph Telephone .....	257
<i>Charlotte</i>	
Comporium .....	391
Spectrum .....	81 / 470
<i>Fayetteville</i>	
OTA .....	15.3
<i>Asheboro, Greensboro, Raleigh</i>	
Spectrum .....	470
<i>Raleigh-Durham</i>	
OTA .....	16.3
<i>Wilmington</i>	
OTA .....	43.2
<b>NORTH DAKOTA</b>	
<i>Enderlin</i>	
MLGC Enderlin .....	150
<b>O</b>	Channel
<b>OHIO</b>	
<i>Akron</i>	
OTA .....	27.3 / 41.3
<i>Akron, Canton, Cleveland, Cincinnati, Dayton</i>	
Spectrum .....	388 / 1388 HD
<i>Cincinnati</i>	
OTA .....	25.6
<i>Cleveland</i>	
WOW (Wide Open West) .....	193
OTA .....	27.3 / 41.3
Spectrum .....	388 / 1388 HD
<i>Columbus</i>	
Spectrum .....	388 / 1388 HD
WOW (Wide Open West) .....	193
<i>Toledo</i>	
Buckeye .....	109
<i>Wapakoneta</i>	
Telephone Service Company, Inc. ....	75

<b>OKLAHOMA</b>	
<i>Altus</i>	
Cable One .....	91
<i>Clarksdale, Batesville</i>	
Cable One .....	91
<i>Duncan</i>	
Cable One .....	91
<i>Oklahoma City</i>	
OTA .....	22.2
<i>Ponca City</i>	
Cable One .....	91
<i>Tulsa</i>	
OTA .....	48.2
<b>OREGON</b>	
<i>Medford</i>	
Spectrum .....	173 / 802
<i>Portland</i>	
Comcast .....	99 / 1099
<b>P</b>	Channel
<b>PENNSYLVANIA</b>	
<i>Philadelphia</i>	
Comcast .....	193 / 1095
OTA .....	25.2 / 51.3
Blue Ridge Comm. ....	8 / 24
<b>PUERTO RICO</b>	
<i>Region-wide</i>	
Claro .....	24
Dish .....	7
Liberty Cable .....	41
Choice Cable .....	41
<i>San Juan</i>	
OTA .....	25.2 / 42.1
<b>R</b>	Channel
<b>RHODE ISLAND</b>	
<i>Providence</i>	
Cox Cable .....	70
<b>S</b>	Channel
<b>SOUTH CAROLINA</b>	
<i>Charleston</i>	
Comcast .....	1070
<i>Columbia, Statewide</i>	
Spectrum4 .....	70
<i>Rock Hill, Fort Mill, Lancaster, York, Chester, Clover, Lake Wylie</i>	
Comporium Cable .....	391
<b>SOUTH DAKOTA</b>	
<i>Beresford</i>	
Beresford Cablevision .....	487
<i>Huron, Mitchell</i>	
OTA .....	12.3
<i>Sioux Falls</i>	
OTA .....	7.3
<b>T</b>	Channel
<b>TENNESSEE</b>	
<i>Chattanooga</i>	
Comcast .....	1070



<b>Dyersburg</b>	
Cable One.....	91
<b>Jackson</b>	
OTA.....	27.4
<b>Knoxville</b>	
Comcast.....	1070
<b>Memphis</b>	
Comcast.....	1070
OTA.....	26.5 / 44
<b>Nashville</b>	
Comcast.....	1070
OTA.....	31.3
<b>TEXAS</b>	
<b>Abilene</b>	
Harris Broadband.....	17
<b>Alma-Garret</b>	
Spectrum.....	12
<b>Amarillo</b>	
Cable One.....	91
OTA.....	22.3
<b>Austin, Corpus Christi, Dallas, Fort Worth, San Antonio, Waco, Killeen</b>	
Spectrum.....	470
<b>Austin</b>	
OTA.....	17.3
<b>Balch Springs</b>	
Suddenlink.....	20 / 107HD
<b>Bryan</b>	
OTA.....	34.6
<b>Carrollton</b>	
Spectrum.....	14
<b>Dallas</b>	
OTA.....	47.5
KODF.....	26.5
KHPK.....	28.1
KTXD.....	47.5
Spectrum.....	470
<b>Denton</b>	
Spectrum.....	6 / 749 HD
<b>Duncanville</b>	
Charter.....	13 / 749 HD
<b>Ennis</b>	
Spectrum.....	12 / 750 HD
<b>Greenville</b>	
Geus Cable.....	551
<b>Greenville (Commerce)</b>	
Spectrum.....	22 / 742 HD
<b>Houston</b>	
Comcast.....	76
OTA.....	10.2
<b>Lubbock</b>	
OTA.....	29.4
<b>Odessa</b>	
OTA.....	22.3
<b>Park Cities</b>	
Spectrum.....	3 / 749 HD
<b>Pilot Point</b>	
Suddenlink.....	97 / 197 HD
<b>Port Lavaca, Aransas Pass, Texarkana</b>	
Cable One.....	91
<b>Rockwall</b>	
Spectrum.....	14 / 749 HD

<b>Sherman</b>	
Suddenlink.....	95 / 714
<b>Temple</b>	
OTA.....	34.6
<b>Throckmorton, Lake Graham, Newcastle</b>	
TGN Cable.....	487
<b>Waco</b>	
OTA.....	34.6
<b>Waxahachie</b>	
Spectrum.....	12

**U** Channel

<b>UTAH</b>	
<b>Salt Lake City</b>	
Comcast.....	91
OTA.....	23.2

**W** Channel

<b>WASHINGTON</b>	
<b>Bellingham</b>	
OTA.....	24.2
<b>Goldendale</b>	
J&N Cable.....	487
<b>Seattle</b>	
Comcast.....	81
Frontier.....	24
OTA.....	24.2
<b>Tacoma</b>	
OTA.....	24.2
<b>WASHINGTON DC</b>	
<b>Washington DC</b>	
RCN.....	55
Cox.....	28
Comcast.....	Check local listings
OTA.....	49.5
<b>WEST VIRGINIA</b>	
<b>Riverton</b>	
SKSRT.....	34
<b>Wheeling</b>	
Comcast.....	190
<b>WISCONSIN</b>	
<b>Green Bay</b>	
Spectrum.....	388 / 1388
<b>Madison</b>	
OTA.....	8.3
<b>Milwaukee</b>	
Spectrum.....	388 / 1388 HD
AT&T.....	68 / 1068
OTA.....	68.8

**INTERNATIONAL CABLE, SATELLITE AND FREE-TO-AIR (FTA) LISTINGS**  
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**A** Channel

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Launceston, Hobart.....	64
<b>Victoria</b>	
Albury, Ballarat, Bendigo, Gippsland, Shepparton, Excludes Melbourne.....	55
<b>AUSTRIA</b>	
AustriaSat.....	313

<b>B</b> Channel	
<b>BARBADOS</b>	
Lime TV.....	4
<b>BELGIUM</b>	
TéléSAT.....	532
TV Vlaanderen.....	356
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**C** Channel

<b>CAYMAN ISLANDS</b>	
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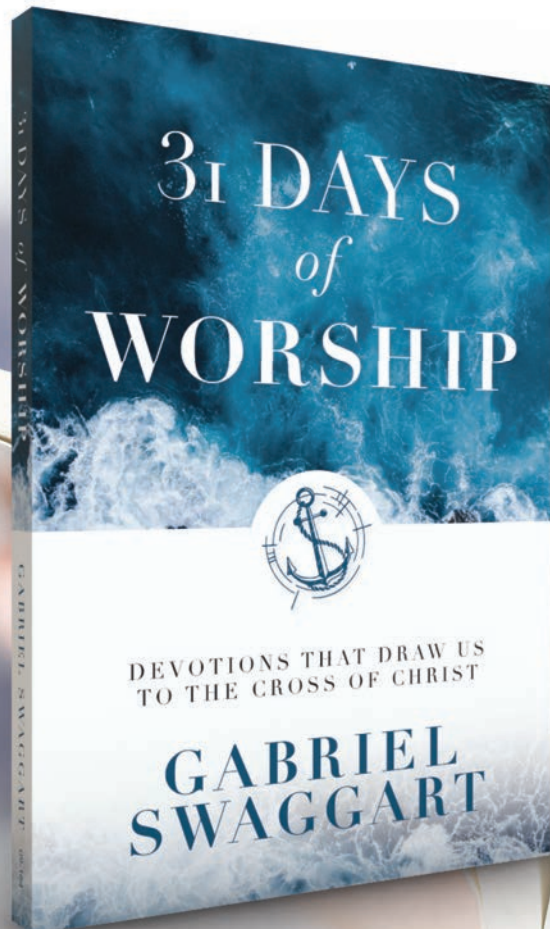
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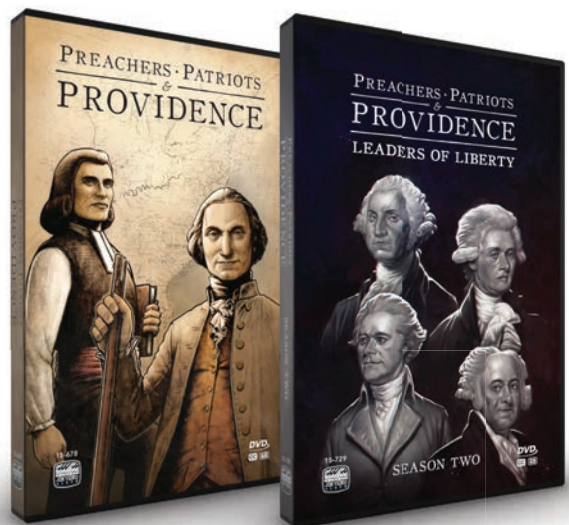
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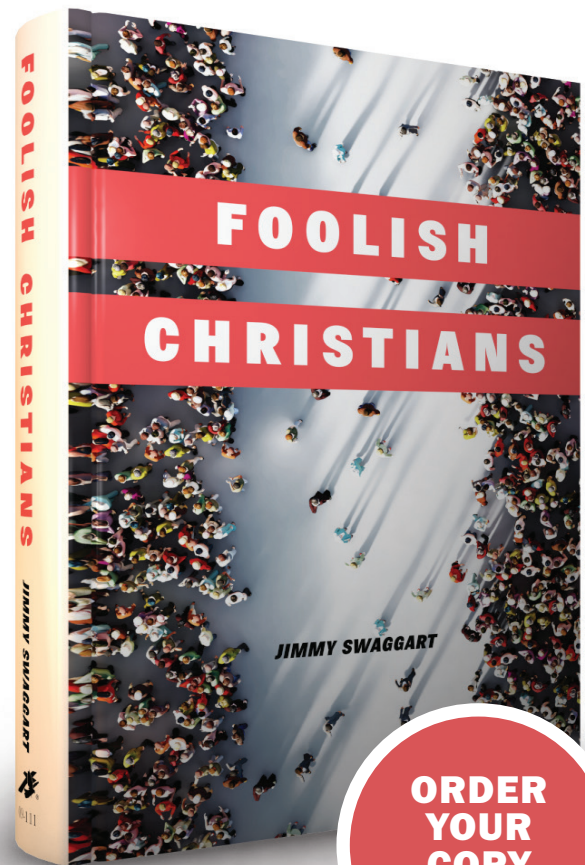
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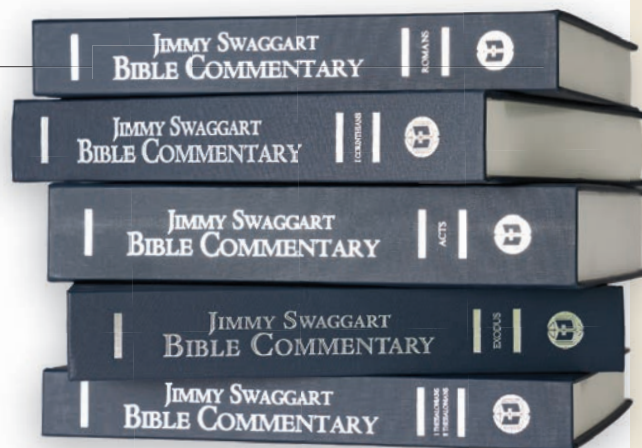
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LETTERS FROM THE AUDIENCE

**DEAR EVANGELIST** I was writing to let Evangelist Jimmy Swaggart know that I absolutely love, love, love his commentaries! I am so excited reading this commentary! I love watching SBN as well, but this message to you is about his commentary. It explains, it breaks things down, and it uses simple English. **There is no commentary like this one!**

I appreciate all the other people who wrote commentaries to help us understand, but what I dislike about theirs is that they use all these huge, big words. Before you could finish a sentence, you are getting hit with a big word that you have to look up. Like I said, I appreciate the idea, but it does not make it good for the reader when they have to stop every two minutes to look up a word, whereas Brother Jimmy Swaggart's commentaries explain in simple, plain English. This is the best commentary that I ever had. I know the Lord is going to truly bless Jimmy Swaggart! God is not only going to bless him for the decades of services and millions of souls, but also for his books and commentaries. I have never understood the book of Revelation, but strongly desired to read it; that is why I rarely study it, go to it, or read it. I love the Holy Bible, and, yes, I love the book of Revelation, but when I cannot understand what it is saying, it saddens my spirit to know that I cannot read it with clarification. But I bought the Jimmy Swaggart Revelation Commentary and oh, the joy that floods my soul! I am so grateful to Brother Swaggart for letting the Lord use him mightily in this way! I love his preaching, his son's preaching, and Gabriel's preaching! These men are definitely blessed men of God! I love how Donnie preaches faith and the cross! And I love Brother Swaggart's preaching about the cross as well, how he brought tears to my eyes when I heard him preach for the first time! Brother Jimmy Swaggart, I just want to say this to you—thank you, thank you, thank you so much for letting the Lord use you to write these commentaries. It has been a tremendous blessing to my soul. God bless you, my brother! I can't wait to get some more commentaries.

—NEW YORK



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**DEAR EVANGELIST** Greetings in Jesus' name. I am watching your program right now from Liberia. I have tried to keep in touch with the program when I can, given my work schedule as a pastor, social worker, community leader, amongst others. I appreciate the openness of the discussions and the efforts to, as much as possible, interpret God's Word for the perfecting of the saints of God. I have also benefitted from a distribution of The Expositor's Study Bible! I attended Rev. Jimmy Swaggart's crusade along with my cousin in 1987 in Paynesville, Liberia. We drove from Bomi Hills about forty-five miles west to the sports stadium in Paynesville outside Monrovia, the capital of Liberia, to participate in the second night of the crusade. My cousin, who was born in a Pentecostal church mission



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# “I have watched Jimmy Swaggart for over forty years and don’t know what I would do without SBN’s programs! I know I am not alone.”

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in the early 1950s, has since transitioned from earth to glory. As we all pray amidst a world in apostasy, we pray that God sends us an end-time revival that will move the world into repentance and prepare us for His second coming. Please keep up the good work and do know that we pray for your ministry often so that the purpose of God will be served. —LIBERIA

**DEAR EVANGELIST** Wanted to say I love the program because it covers the gospel and current events! Please don’t ever change the format! Also don’t know what I would do without SBN! I have watched Jimmy Swaggart for over forty years and don’t know what I would do without SBN’s programs! I know I am not alone. Many people are going through hard times right now, and SBN gives me hope. I am sure you get thousands of emails, however, I wish I could let the entire Swaggart family know how much they have helped me and others! I know they work very hard, and I hope and pray that they understand how they have impacted so many lives! —EMAIL

**DEAR EVANGELIST** I just have to say again how wonderful The Expositor’s Study Bible is. One could study for a lifetime to try to glean the knowledge and insight that is at our fingertips with the Expositor’s Bible. I know that is exactly what you did, and the Lord helped you to write it. I can’t put into words how much it means

to me! I love it, and I am so very grateful for it! Thank the Lord, and thank you, Brother Swaggart! I love you all in our Lord Jesus Christ, and I am praying continuously for this great work of God in reaching the world with the gospel of Jesus Christ. —EMAIL

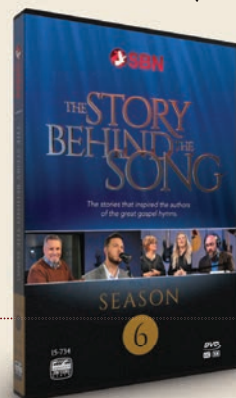
**DEAR EVANGELIST** May the grace and peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you. I live in a small town in the interior of the state of São Paulo in Brazil. I am sending this email to say that the SBN television network has been a blessing to my life and family. Today, I am 37 years old, and since I was 12 years old, I have listened to the praises sung by Pastor Jimmy Swaggart. My dream is to one day be able to meet Pastor Jimmy Swaggart and his church. I would like to say that the SBN television network has been a blessing, they always continue announcing salvation in Christ, because that is God’s will. God bless you. —BRAZIL

**DEAR EVANGELIST** I wanted to write to you to let you know that I had been a Baptist for many years. But I never had a conversion until July 16, 2021. Since then, I have been chasing after God. Night and day I studied, watched numerous preachers. I asked God to show me if the gift of tongues was of Him, and through the SBN

at Family Worship Center one of the services was done by your son, Donnie. Well, I was anointed by the Holy Spirit with the evidence of speaking in tongues! Hallelujah, Praise God. I am now Pentecostal! My prayer life has changed. I am now a happy Christian. I seek to obey. I want to please my God, no matter what the cost. I praise God, constantly; I thank him for everything that I can think of. My whole spiritual walk has changed. I am in love with Jesus! Thank you for your ministry. As a Baptist, my prayers were all about me and my needs, if I even prayed at all. Now I pray several times a day. When I am working, I am praising God, regardless of my circumstances. I am a new creature in Christ. Praise God. All I want to do is to please my heavenly Father and my Lord Jesus Christ. The rapture is near, and I can’t wait! Thank you for your encouragement and your teaching! —EMAIL

**DEAR EVANGELIST** I just want to express my gratefulness for the program *The Story Behind The Song* with Donnie Swaggart. Since a couple of months back, I watch it every Sunday night here in Sweden, and it is such a great blessing, especially after tonight’s edition about “In The Sweet By And By.” —SWEDEN

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ARTICLE BY **Dr. Don Paul Gray**

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**“In the year that king Uzziah died I saw also the LORD sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up, and his train [robe] filled the temple.” —ISAIAH 6:1**

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# The Glory of Heaven Changes Everything

DO YOU DESIRE with all your heart to see the glory of heaven on earth? Friend, America needs a real, genuine revival. During the last three or four years, we have read of so many situations where some demon-possessed person secured a gun and then went to a school, a business, a theater, the mall, or even a church, and, with great hatred, simply killed whoever they saw.

In the summers of 2020 and 2021, how many individuals left their homes and did unbelievable violence in the streets of several major cities in America? Cars were destroyed and set on fire, business windows were smashed, jewelry stores were robbed, and police stations were burned down. Why? This happened in Portland, Seattle, Detroit, Minneapolis, Chicago, St. Louis, and several other beautiful cities in America. The FBI reported a 30 percent increase in violent crime in 2020 and 2021. Why? The answer is sin.

In addition to these unbelievable social problems, the Barna Group statisticians informed pastors that since Covid-19,

church attendance has dropped off by 30 percent. After Covid-19, many Americans decided to stop attending church. Pew Research Center reports that atheism is on the rise among the youth. There is no hope for America without revival. I have a question for you: what can we do to encourage real revival in America? I contend that real revival will not happen until the church experiences a new and real manifestation of the glory of heaven. The glory of heaven is the manifested presence of God. What does the church have to do to see God's glory again? Do you desire to see God's glory again?

The glory of heaven was manifested in Acts 2:1-4, *“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.”*

In Acts 2:16-17, Peter explained *“But this is that which was spoken by the prophet Joel; And it shall come to pass in the last days, saith God, I will pour out of my Spirit upon all flesh.”*

Pentecost was the awesome demonstration of the manifestation of the glory of God with signs following. The reality of God's glory brings real revival.

Church history books tell the story of the first Great Awakening in America that began around 1730 and lasted about forty years. God used Pastor Gilbert Tennent, Rev. Jonathan Edwards, Evangelist George Whitefield, and other notable pastors to help usher in a great revival in Massachusetts, Connecticut, and other colonial states which contributed to thousands being converted and scores of new churches formed and strengthened. A second Great Awakening occurred in America around 1801, beginning with a revival at Yale University and then becoming huge in the Cane Ridge area of Kentucky and many other places. Crowds of twenty thousand would

# “The glory of heaven is the manifested presence of God.”

gather and camp out for a week under the trees where thousands were converted and delivered from the bondages of alcohol and sin. God used Rev. Charles G. Finney to preach great revivals from 1825 to 1835 where entire towns and villages were converted to Christ. In some cases, every tavern would be closed. Many have studied what I call the third Great Awakening—the outpouring of the Holy Spirit at the Apostolic Faith Mission Church on Azusa Street in Los Angeles, beginning in 1906 to about 1911 under the pastoral leadership of Rev. William J. Seymour. Multiplied thousands attended this “evangelistic center” where they were healed, filled with the Holy Spirit, and saw real manifestations of the glory of God, which greatly changed many lives. Some witnessed a “ball of fire” resting over the church building.

## A VISION OF CHRIST TRANSFORMS ISAIAH

Isaiah, a working priest, was at Solomon’s Temple. He was probably there to pray and worship, and possibly reflecting on the death of the king, who was his first cousin. All of a sudden, the doors of the majestic temple open, and he experiences the incredible glory of heaven. In this vision, He sees the Lord “*high and lifted up*,” and he hears angels sing, “*Holy, holy, holy*.” No doubt about it, Isaiah sees the pre-incarnate Christ in great glory and holiness. He is then made to see his own unworthiness, his own sin, and he repents. Soon he is made aware of a lost and dying world and declares, “*Here am I; send me*.” He sees the awesome glory of God, and it changes his life.

## THE GLORY OF HEAVEN CHANGES MOSES

In Exodus 3, Moses sees the burning bush, and he hears a voice. He obeys God, eventually leads the children of Israel out of Egypt’s bondage, and, while in the wilderness, he is invited to the top of Mount Sinai to receive instructions from God concerning the law. After spending forty days in God’s presence (Ex. 24:15-18), Moses experiences the glory of God, and it changes him forever. The glory on Moses greatly influenced all of Israel, and God’s glory came down when the tabernacle was dedicated.

In Acts 9:3-6, we read “*And as he [Saul who became the apostle Paul] journeyed, he came near Damascus: and suddenly there shined round about him a light from heaven: And he fell to the earth, and heard a voice saying unto him, ‘Saul, Saul, why persecutest thou me?’ And he said, Who art thou Lord?’ And the Lord said, ‘I am Jesus,’ and his life changed forever. You see, God allowed the heavens to open, the incredible light, which was the glory of heaven,*

fell on Paul, and he was changed. He was converted, filled with the Holy Spirit, and called to ministry.

II Chronicles 7:14 admonishes us to do three things: humble ourselves, pray and seek the face of God, and turn from all wicked ways. Then God will shew His glory; He will forgive and heal the land and send a mighty Holy Ghost revival again.

When almighty God opens the windows of heaven, His glory will shine forth, and it won’t be long before the church will be experiencing genuine sincere Holy Ghost revival here in America. I love the song “Old Time Power”:

*They were in an upper chamber,  
They were all with one accord,  
When the Holy Ghost descended,  
As was promised by our Lord.  
O Lord, send the pow’r just now,  
O Lord, send the pow’r just now,  
O Lord, send the pow’r just now,  
And baptize ev’ry one.*

And Lord, send Your glory! ✠







ARTICLE BY **Loren Larson**

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**“Harden not your hearts, as in the provocation, in the day of temptation in the wilderness: When your fathers tempted me, proved me, and saw my works forty years. Wherefore I was grieved with that generation, and said, They do alway err in their heart; and they have not known my ways.” —HEBREWS 3:8-10**

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# The Ways of God

THE WAYS OF God involve the processes and means by which God works. Israel was able to see the works that God did, but they didn't understand what He was doing or why He operated the way He did. The ways of God are unique and special. Above all, God desires His people to recognize, acknowledge, and walk in the processes that He has designed and designated. A failure to recognize the ways of God is a definite error of the heart. In most cases it involves the evil of unbelief, even as it did in Israel of old. Let us take a closer look at the ways of God and ask ourselves if we, like Israel, have hardened our hearts to the manner that God has chosen to work. If we see that we have, then repentance is certainly called for, and the way of God must be

acknowledged and embraced. We will look at three “ways of God” that have been defined by Scripture. The way of salvation, the way of sanctification, and the way of service.

## THE WAY OF SALVATION

There is only one way or means of salvation. Jesus declared that He was the way, the truth, and the life; that no man could come to the Father but by Him. Whenever a believing sinner expresses faith in Jesus Christ as the Savior of the world, he immediately experiences the benefits of salvation. On the cross of Calvary, Jesus Christ paid the sin debt for every person who would ever live. His sacrifice is the only means or way acceptable to God regarding salvation.

Ephesians 2:8-9 says, *“For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: Not of works, lest any man should boast.”* It is through the means of faith and grace that God initiates the way of salvation. Our part is faith in Christ and His finished work. God, in response, extends grace toward all whose faith is properly placed in Christ and Him crucified. There is no other means or way by which man may be saved. We cannot work for it. We cannot labor for it. We do not deserve it. The way of salvation establishes how any relationship with God is to be inaugurated. That is the way of grace and faith. Salvation is the initial experience of accepting Christ, which prepares the individual for spiritual growth.

## THE WAY OF SANCTIFICATION

Sanctification takes place in the life of the believer the moment of salvation. This means that the individual who has accepted Christ by faith is immediately cleansed and qualified for an ongoing relationship with God. Sanctification is sometimes referred to as progressive. This is true, but it must be properly understood that the believer is already freed from the power of sin, the powers or principalities

# “The work we are called to should be viewed more as a joy and a privilege as opposed to an obligation.”

of darkness, the draw of the world, and the lust of the flesh. This is accomplished at the time of one's salvation. This truth defines what it means to be sanctified. We do not progressively grow into the benefits named above. Instead, we are progressively grow from the established belief and understanding that our union with Christ has already provided us with the above-named freedoms. It might be best to say that we proceed or progress in sanctification as opposed to attempting to achieve sanctification. The way of sanctification is the same as the way of salvation. We place our faith in who Jesus is and what Jesus has done. Then, the indwelling power and person of the Holy Spirit has the legal right to transform and renew us continuously.

Operating from the basis of faith in Christ, grace is released and progressively metamorphosizes the believer into the image of Christ. The way of sanctification is also the way of grace and faith. The right object of faith remains Christ and Him crucified. Paul would write in Colossians 2:6, “As ye have therefore received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk ye in him.”

## THE WAY OF SERVICE

Service for the Lord is the responsibility of every saved and sanctified individual. The work we are called to should be viewed more as a joy and a privilege as opposed to an obligation. Just like salvation and sanctification, power for service can only be obtained through the person of the

Holy Spirit.

While the way of salvation and sanctification begins at the born-again experience, the Pentecostal view of power for service involves a second subsequent experience in the life of the believer that Pentecostals refer to as “the baptism with the Holy Spirit.” In the book of Acts we find that the early church expected to receive supernatural power to witness for Christ (Acts 1:8). Nothing is ever accomplished for God outside of the moving and operation of the Holy Spirit.

While a person who has not yet been baptized with the Holy Spirit can certainly be used to promote Christ and His kingdom, the baptism with the Holy Spirit stands as a chief catalyst in the new covenant process of spreading the gospel. However, let me caution the Pentecostal world that the way of service does not depend solely upon receiving this second subsequent work. Many have received this experience and yet failed to understand how or why the Holy Spirit works. As with salvation and sanctification, it is properly placed faith that gives the Holy Spirit the “green light” to work through an individual in a supernatural way. If we have been baptized with the Holy Spirit, then we must also comprehend the need to have our faith securely and singularly placed in Christ and Him crucified. In doing so, we bring glory to Christ and fail to bring attention to ourselves.

Let us walk in the way of salvation, the way of sanctification, and the way of service by forever maintaining properly centered faith in Christ and Him crucified ✚







ARTICLE BY **John Rosenstern**

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Every believer has abundant life in Christ Jesus. But every believer may not realize all the benefits and value of the cross or know how to apply these to their lives.

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# The Rest in Reckoning

## PART IV

A NECESSARY PART of discipleship is to teach correct doctrine and explain what Christ Jesus did at the cross and how we need to appropriate the finished work of the cross to every aspect of our lives.

Oftentimes, we are overwhelmed by problems and not yet aware of the cross as the only answer to them. Without full knowledge of the cross, we press on in desperation and seek for the remedy. Our yearning is for freedom and victory from struggle. There is the ebb and flow of striving, but, if we are honest with ourselves, there is seldom a moment of rest.

As we travel through our Romans 7 experience with self and the run-in with law, we learn that they only bring forth death. When properly taught the cross, we acknowledge that it is Christ Jesus and not our futile struggling that provides freedom from our bondage. When we finally cry out, as Paul did, “*Who shall deliver me from this body of death? I thank God through Jesus Christ our Lord*” (Rom. 7:24-25), the failures and attempts to self-liberate ourselves cease.

By means of the identification truths taught in Romans 6-8, we are made ready to receive God’s way to victory—and His only way—through the cross of Christ Jesus. The fallow ground of our hearts is tilled and readied to receive the seed of that singular truth. Once we begin to reckon, to take account of the finished work of the cross, the Holy Spirit is then able to show us and

apply the work of the cross in our lives, and we experience the “rest” of the story.

### REST IN THE MIDST OF GROWTH

Armed with the truth of the message of the cross, we can press on as we press in. Our appetite for more of the cross craves greater understanding, not an emphasis on our performance derived from activities. We seek to “*grow in grace, and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ*” (II Peter 3:18).

Hebrews 4:9-11 says, “*There remaineth therefore a rest to the people of God. For he that is entered into his rest, he also hath ceased from his own works, as God did from his. Let us labour therefore to enter into that rest.*”

We cannot find rest as long as there is a struggle to produce. The principle of rest has to do with us being born in Him, by which we grow in Him.

### LABOR TO REST

This is not an oxymoron. The word *labor* used in Hebrews 4:11 has to do with believing. It is altogether an exercise of faith to reckon that we died to sin and self when we are keenly aware of their presence and manifestation in our lives. Furthermore, it is also a labor to believe that we are new creations in Christ, when we are so assuredly alive to the “old man.”

# “...a total reliance on the specific truth of the Word, in the face of all that is contrary, is his only foundation for rest.”

The believer’s former reckoning to his assurance of salvation is preparation for his reckoning with identification. Now a total reliance on the specific truth of the Word, in the face of all that is contrary, is his only foundation for rest.

In order to rest, our faith must be exclusively in Jesus Christ and Him crucified. As we apply that to every area of our lives, the Holy Spirit conforms us to the image of Christ Jesus. This is what Jesus meant when He said that we are to take up our cross daily. God, in His creation, ceased from His works and rested on the seventh day. Likewise, our Lord Jesus Christ paid the sacrifice for sin and finished His work on the cross. Everything that followed after the cross—His resurrection and ascension—were a result of the cross. The sending of the Holy Spirit to the church was a result of the cross, as explained by Jesus in John 16:7. Regeneration was only possible because of the cross.



Old Testament saints were saved by faith but did not receive the inward habitation of the Holy Spirit. After the cross, new believers are regenerated and become new creations in Christ Jesus. The new creation was formed in Christ to a new position and condition of righteousness. No longer is any work required to earn or maintain righteousness.

## THE HOLY SPIRIT

New Testament saints have a distinct advantage over those who were under the law of Moses and those who believed in God before the law. Before the cross, God could only reveal his existence through His creation and man’s conscience. God would personally reveal Himself to a few men who sought the Lord with a pure heart—Abel, Enoch, Noah, Abraham, etc. Fallen man would worship the creation instead of the Creator who made all things. The conscience can become seared and lose its moral compass, corrupted by sin and steering man deeper into sin rather than closer to God. The inward work of the Holy Spirit will always point to Christ. Jesus said, “He will glorify me.” God will not honor any other way than Jesus Christ and Him crucified.

## CAIN’S OFFERING

An excellent example is that of Cain. Due to man’s sin, God had cursed the ground. Cain brought an offering to God that came from cursed ground. God told Cain that if he did well, then he would be accepted. Without the law or a Bible, how was one to know if he was doing right or wrong? The Hebrew word for doing good is *tov*. We see this word used often in regard to creation—God saw that it was *tov*, etc. The word in the Hebrew means to be in harmony with God. Cain offered something that was cursed by God and not in harmony with God. God would tell Cain that sin lies at the door so he could do well by God. The word *sin* is *chatak* in the Hebrew, and it means “unintentional mistakes or sins.” The very act of Cain to offer fruit or vegetables may not have been sin, but at least an unintentional mistake. However, to be in harmony with God and to be accepted by Him, Cain needed to take the offering that God supplied so he could be in harmony with God. The evidence of Cain’s actions reveal the condition of his heart. Sin (disobedience) was in his heart and murder of his brother was the result of his rejection of God. Sin shows us what happens when we do not desire to go God’s way to be in harmony with Him. The cross is God’s way. Jesus made it clear to us that He is the way, the truth and the life. We must not bring any other offering to God lest we be out of God’s will; out of harmony with Him. However, when we do go His way, we walk in truth and have His life in us.

Now you know the “rest” of the story! 🦋





ARTICLE BY **Mike Muzzerall**

For those in tune with the Spirit of God, there is little doubt that we are in the last days. We see attacks against Christianity increasing from day to day. The temptation to go with the flow is great. Compromise appears as an easy way to get along with those opposing Christianity. And yet, we are commanded in God's Word to earnestly contend for the faith.

# Contend for the Faith



## **EARNESTLY CONTEND**

Jude exhorted the believers to stand for the gospel of Jesus Christ: *“Beloved, when I gave all diligence to write unto you of the common salvation, it was needful for me to write unto you, and exhort you that ye should earnestly contend for the faith which was once delivered unto the saints”* (Jude 1:3). Since we have a common salvation, we also have a common duty to contend for the faith. In this verse, “earnestly contend” has reference to the Grecian games. The idea is that a person put forth an earnest effort in those games to obtain the prize.

## **WHO CONTENTS?**

Is it just the pastors who are to earnestly contend for the faith, or was Jude's exhortation for every believer? There is nothing to indicate that Jude was specifically directing this exhortation to ministers. We are all called to stand up for Jesus. This short letter was sent to *“them that are sanctified by God the Father, and preserved in Jesus Christ”* (Jude 1:1). We are to contend for the faith—corporately.

## **CONTEND TO DEFEND**

We contend for the faith by standing up for the gospel of Jesus Christ. This is called apologetics. Defend the cross at any cost. Defend

# “Earnestly contend for the faith against all who would attack our Lord and Savior.”

salvation by faith in the completed work of Calvary. Defend the deity of Christ. Defend the Word of God. Earnestly contend for the faith against all who would attack our Lord and Savior.

## **CONTEND THROUGH THE WALK**

There are too many who talk the talk but fail to walk the walk. We contend for the faith by having a faith that produced godly works. James made it very clear: “*Even so faith, if it hath not works, is dead, being alone*” (James 2:17). We contend for the faith by holding fast to true Christianity. Maintain a relationship with Christ and do not replace it with dry dead religious works.

## **CONTEND THROUGH PRAYER**

Paul exhorted us to “*pray without ceasing*” (I Thess. 5:17). Paul was not just talking about bringing our personal petitions to the throne of grace. He was also exhorting us to pray one for another. James agrees: “*Confess your faults one to another, and pray one for another, that ye may be healed. The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much*” (James 5:16). We contend for the faith by petitioning God for the church in the midst of spiritual warfare.

## **CONTEND THROUGH EVANGELISM**

We earnestly contend for the faith by going on the offensive. Jesus said, “*I will*

*build my church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it*” (Matt. 16:18). The powers of darkness are powerless against a church that walks in the power of the Holy Spirit. Satan trembles when confronting a true Bible-believing Christian who is actively fulfilling the Great Commission. In a time when Christ and His church are under attack, earnestly contend for the faith by sharing the message of the cross. Do your part, right where you are, and also help SBN earnestly contend for the faith as we share Christ around the world. Earnestly contend for the faith! ✚



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All over the world, there are Christians suffering and hurting from anxiety, depression, and brokenness. Yes, Christians can suffer from these very things. No, it doesn't mean that their faith is broken. However, there is an answer inside the Word of God on this very subject.

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# God's Answer to Anxiety, Depression, and Brokenness

FIRST, THERE ARE some clarifications that need to be made. Depression has many varied meanings and levels of intensity. A general definition of depression could be “an overwhelming feeling of sadness, disappointment, and frustration.” Depression can last anywhere from a few minutes to months or even years. Anxiety, much like depression, also has varying degrees of intensity and, throughout the years, it's had many meanings and definitions attributed to it. For this article, we will define anxiety as “a constant fearful state, accompanied by a feeling of unrest, dread, or worry.”

The remainder of this article will be based on these definitions and three caveats. First, there is absolutely a possibility that depression and anxiety are caused by a physical ailment. On the other hand, there is a possibility that depression and

anxiety are caused by a spiritual ailment. As the saying goes, we should never paint with a broad brush, and we should never lump everyone into the same category. No matter which one you fall under, as you read this article, God has given an answer in His Word for you.

Second, you are not alone. Other godly people have also gone through bouts of depression or anxiety. I Corinthians 10:13 says, “*There hath no temptation taken you but such as is common to man: but God is faithful, who will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able; but will with the temptation also make a way to escape, that ye may be able to bear it.*” There is no trial or temptation that you are going through now, whether it be depression, anxiety, or a broken heart that someone else has not gone through as well. Not only that, but you also have God, who is always

with you. Joshua 1:9 says, “*Have not I commanded thee? Be strong and of a good courage; be not afraid, neither be thou dismayed: for the LORD thy God is with thee whithersoever thou goest.*” No matter where we are or how we feel, God is still right there with us.

Third, be encouraged that there is an answer. It doesn't matter if what you are going through is caused by a physical ailment or a spiritual ailment, there is an answer. Not only that, but it is the same answer. How can it be the same answer? When looking at anxiety biblically, with the definition that we gave it earlier, we see that there are many Scriptures that talk about anxiety. That fearful state full of worry seen in light of Scripture tells us that, “*perfect love casteth out fear*” (I John 4:18). It also tells us to be anxious for nothing (Phil. 4:6), and to take no thought for tomorrow (Matt. 6:34). Now we start

# “When you find yourself in the darkness of depression, speak the name of Jesus.”

viewing our anxiety as having a solution. Did you know that anxiety and depression are linked scripturally?

Proverbs 12:25 says, “*Heaviness in the heart of man maketh it stoop: but a good word maketh it glad.*” The word *heaviness* here should have been translated as “anxiety.” In the Hebrew, the phrase “makes it stoop” means “to bow down or to depress.” With these meanings, it would read, “anxiety in the heart of a man makes it depressed.” Biblically speaking, the source of depression is anxiety. David was anxious about unrepentant sin and is found in a depressed state in Psalm 38. Job was anxious about losing everything and cursed

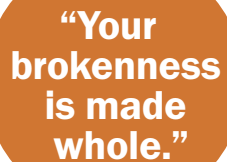
the day that he was born. Elijah was anxious about evil leaders in charge of Israel in I Kings 19. You see, depression and anxiety are linked scripturally. That also means that they have the exact same answer.

Matthew 12:20-21 says, “*A bruised reed shall he not break, and smoking flax shall he not quench, till he send forth judgment unto victory. And in his name shall the Gentiles trust.*” This is a prophecy found in Isaiah 42:3-4 as well speaking of Jesus Christ. First of all, it says that Jesus will not break a bruised reed. A bruised reed is a symbol of an already weak element, a reed, which has been trampled on. This is saying that Jesus will not take a broken, weak reed and

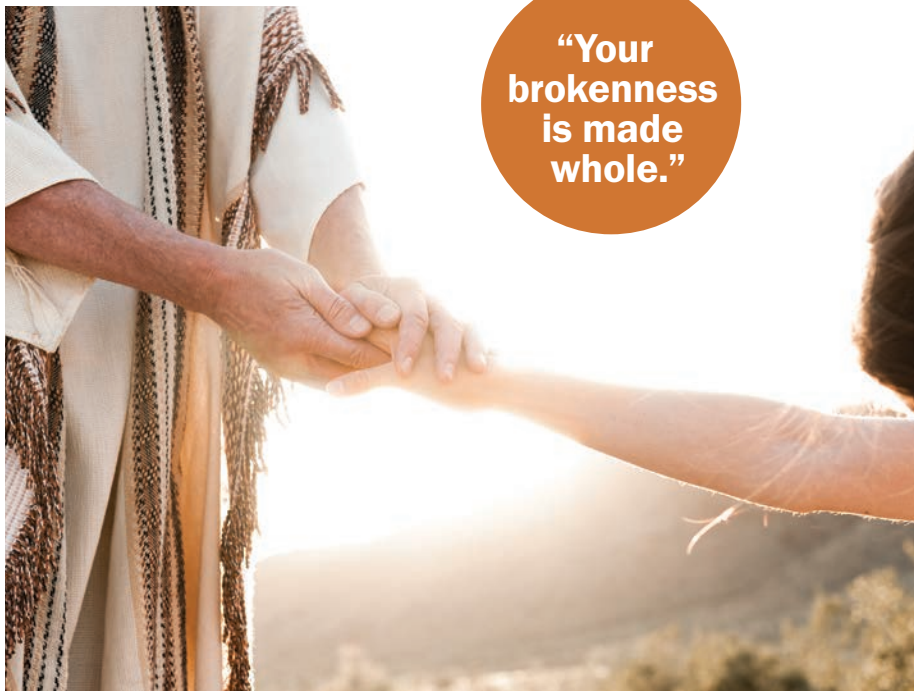
completely rend it to pieces. Think of this as someone with anxiety. Fear has crippled you. Your worry has made it impossible for you to go on. You are hanging on, but you feel beaten and bruised. Every day just seems hard to even get through the small tasks of life. Jesus has not come to finish you off. Jesus has come to make you whole again. Anxiety might feel like it has you beaten and broken, but God can free you from this bondage of anxiety.

The next part of Matthew 12:20 says, “*and smoking flax shall he not quench.*” A flax, here, is speaking of a candle or a lamp. Smoking signifies that the flame has just gone out and all that is left is smoke. This is saying that Jesus is not here to quench, or extinguish the flame that is left on the wick. This is a picture of someone in depression—someone overwhelmed by feelings of sadness, guilt, and disappointment. Your fire is almost out, but Christ has come to set your life on fire again.

The answer to both anxiety and depression is the same: “*In His name shall all the Gentiles trust.*” Your answer is found in the name above all other names. Your answer is found in Jesus Christ. When you find yourself in the darkness of depression, speak the name of Jesus. When you find yourself filled with worry, speak the name of Jesus. The answer for what you seek really is found in the cross of Christ. Depression is broken there. Anxiety is broken there. Your brokenness is made whole. All of this is found at the foot of the cross. Speak out His name and watch what God can do for you. 🦋



“Your brokenness is made whole.”







## FROM ME TO YOU | Jimmy Swaggart

IS THERE ANYTHING in the world more important or more valuable than the soul of man? No, there isn't. Jesus said, *"For what shall it profit a man, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul? Or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul?"* (Mark 8:36-37).

### WHAT IS THE SOUL?

*"And the LORD God formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living soul"* (Gen. 2:7). It's clear from this verse that the primary meaning of the word soul is "possessing life." Sometimes reporters, when speaking of mishaps regarding airplanes or ships, will give the number of how many "souls" were onboard, because that word is used to describe life.

A soul is life, and yet, it is life eternal. That's what makes it so valuable, so important, so significant, so all-encompassing. It speaks of eternity—that which is eternal, that which will last forever and forever. That's what makes it so valuable—it is eternal. The soul can die spiritually but it cannot die physically. The great prophet Ezekiel said, *"The soul that sinneth,*

*it shall die"* (Ezek. 18:4). Ezekiel was telling us that sin would destroy the soul, meaning it will be lost in hell forever and forever. Every soul that has ever lived is now in heaven or in hell. I want you to think about that for a moment. It's a solemn statement.

### I'LL NEVER FORGET IT

Years ago, I worked for the northeast oil conservation district up in northeast Louisiana. I remember a day in July, a month when temperatures there climb up to a hundred degrees. That morning, we had forgotten to bring water on the truck, and there was no water close by. We were told that when the engineers came, they would bring us some water on their truck. But it was several hours of us working in that heat—a hundred degrees in the shade—and we got thirsty real quick. It was torture, literally torture. All this made me think of when my grandmother, just a few months prior, had gone into a restaurant owned by her brother-in-law in Ferriday, Louisiana. And this man (and he was an uncle, to me) had no heart for God whatsoever. At that time, gambling was legal there, and he had a whole line of slot machines in his restaurant. My grandmother started talking to him about his soul, and finally she said to him, "You're going to lose your soul over those slot machines." He said to her, "I'll lose my soul before I give up these slot machines." That was his answer. Just a few months after my grandmother talked with him, he died of a heart attack. His story came to me as those engineers finally pulled up with our water. I'd never been so thirsty in my life. As I waited for my turn at that ice-cold water, I realized that my uncle had now been in hell for three months. I'd been in unbearable heat without water for six hours and could hardly stand it. But there would be no cold water, no relief at all, for him.

The horror of a soul dying without God—that is so awful, so horrible, and so eternal. In Luke 16, Jesus tells of the man in hell who asked if Lazarus could be sent to him, *"that he may dip the tip of his finger in water, and cool my tongue; for I am tormented in this flame"* (Luke 16:24). But there was no water there. Today my uncle is still in torment, and there's no end to it; it's forever. But people don't believe this about hell; if they did, then those who are not saved would give their hearts to God. That's why



# “There is nothing more horrible than to die lost without God, in other words, for one’s soul to be eternally lost.”

“A soul is life, and yet, it is life eternal.”

Jesus Christ came to this earth and gave Himself as a perfect sacrifice that *“who-soever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life”* (John 3:16). And that’s why I’m doing everything I can, and those here at the ministry are doing everything they can, and I’m trusting that you are doing everything that you can to try get people to Christ, because *“broad is the way, that leadeth to destruction, and many there be which go in thereat:”* and *“strait is the gate, and narrow is the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it”* (Matt. 7:13-14).

## THE MAJOR THRUST OF THIS MINISTRY

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There is nothing more horrible than to die lost without God, in other words, for one’s soul to be eternally lost. When we think about this, it’s sobering, to say the least. To think of a person being in hell, in everlasting fire, forever and forever. The soul is eternal, whether in heaven or in hell.

## SOULS SAVED

I believe I can say without fear of contradiction that we are seeing more souls saved today than we’ve ever seen before in the

history of this ministry. That’s the reason I thank you so very, very much, for the support that you give us to take the gospel message to the souls of men around the world. When you consider that one soul is worth more than the entirety of the world, it becomes a sobering thought indeed.

## SALVATION

For a person to be saved, he or she has to accept Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord. The Master Himself said, *“No man comes to the Father but by Me.”* He also said, *“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). As I’ve already stated, there is nothing in the world more important than the salvation of the soul. Every time I hear of someone who has passed away, my first question is, “Did they die saved?”

## I MUST THANK YOU

I’m speaking of your giving, both prayerfully and financially, which helps us to take the story of salvation to a hurting, dying, and broken world. I couldn’t do it without you. That’s the reason the Lord has told me to tell you that you are a missionary, and a missionary to the entirety of the world. Pray for us daily, and you will join in with the souls that are saved all over the world.

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**FRI 8 PM**

**SAT 8 PM**

**SUN 10:30 AM**

### JULY 7-9, 2023

#### *Patrick Springs, VA*

Pastor Samuel Leonard  
Patrick Springs Pentecostal Holiness Church  
260 Spring Road, Patrick Springs, VA 24133  
910.885-5597  
Email: saleonard96@gmail.com

**FRI 7 PM**

**SAT 7 PM**

**SUN 10:30 AM**

### AUGUST 27, 2023

#### *Haughton, LA*

Pastor Jeff Gravis  
Central Assembly of God  
700 Hwy. 80, Haughton, LA 71037  
318.949-0010  
centralhaughton.com

**SUN 10:30 AM**

### SEPTEMBER 26, 2023

#### *Independence, KY*

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Community Family Church  
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Independence, KY 41051  
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**SUN 7 PM**

### NOVEMBER 10-12, 2023

#### *Grand Island, NY*

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CrossRiver Tabernacle  
2920 Grand Island Blvd.,  
Grand Island, NY 14072  
716.229-8000  
Email: info@crossrvr.org

**FRI 7 PM**

**SAT 6 PM**

**SUN 10 AM**



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#### *Ottawa, IL*

Pastors John and Debra Wenger  
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**SUN 10 AM**

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### August 4-6, 2023

#### *Leming, TX*

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Christ The Rock Church  
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### MAY 12-14, 2023

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**FRI 6:30 PM**

**SAT 10:30 AM & 6:30 PM**

**SUN 10 AM**

### JULY 6-8, 2023—KIDS CRUSADE

#### *Orange, TX*

Pastors J.R. and Heather Armstrong  
MAG Church  
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**THUR (Time TBD)**

**FRI (Time TBD)**

**SAT (Time TBD)**



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**SUN 10 AM**

### MAY 26-28, 2023

#### *Thousand Palms, CA*

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The Fullness of the Cross Ministries  
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951.339.0042

**FRI 6 PM**

**SAT 6 PM (Marybeth Ragan)**

**SUN 5 PM**

### JUNE 7, 2023

#### *Dickinson, TX*

Pastor Greg Thurstonson  
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281.337.0037

**WED 7 PM**

### JULY 7-8, 2023

#### *Geneva, AL*

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New Life Pentecostal Ministries  
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334.470.1852

**FRI 7 PM**

**SAT 6 PM**

**SUN 10:30 AM**

### NOVEMBER 4-5, 2023

#### *Caney, OK*

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#### MAY 28, 2023

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#### JUNE 8-11, 2023

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**FRI 7 PM** (Joseph Larson)  
**SAT 6 PM** (Loren Larson)  
**SUN 10 AM** (Loren Larson)

#### JUNE 22-25, 2023

##### Oroville, WA

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Valley Christian Fellowship  
142 Eastside Oroville Road,  
Oroville, WA 98844  
509.476.2028  
**FRI 7 PM** (Joseph Larson)  
**SAT 10 AM** (Loren Larson)  
**SAT 7 PM** (Loren Larson)  
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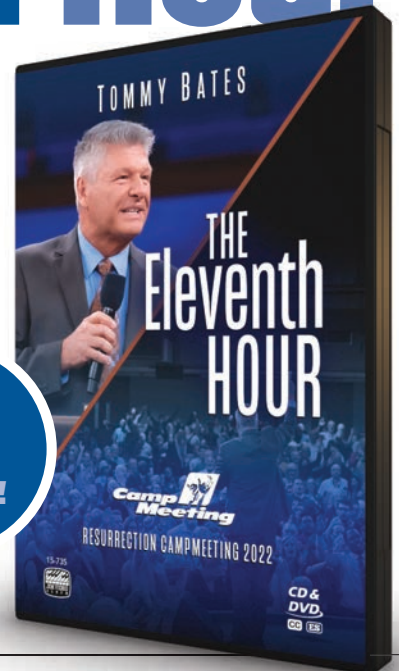
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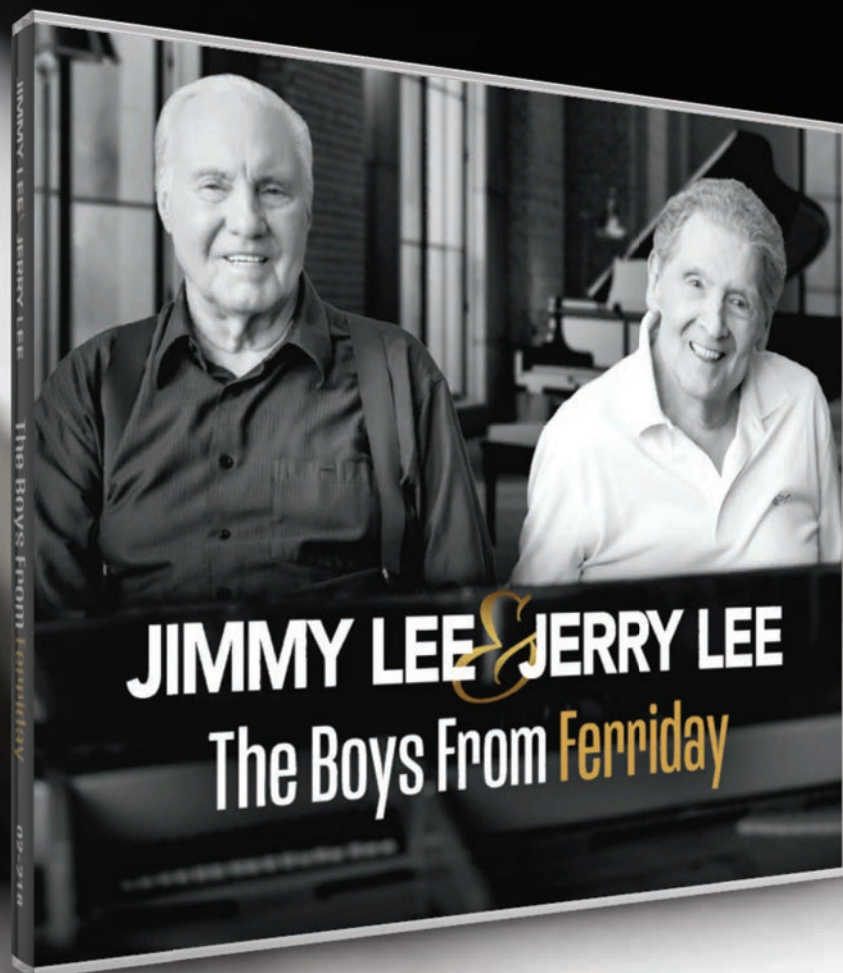


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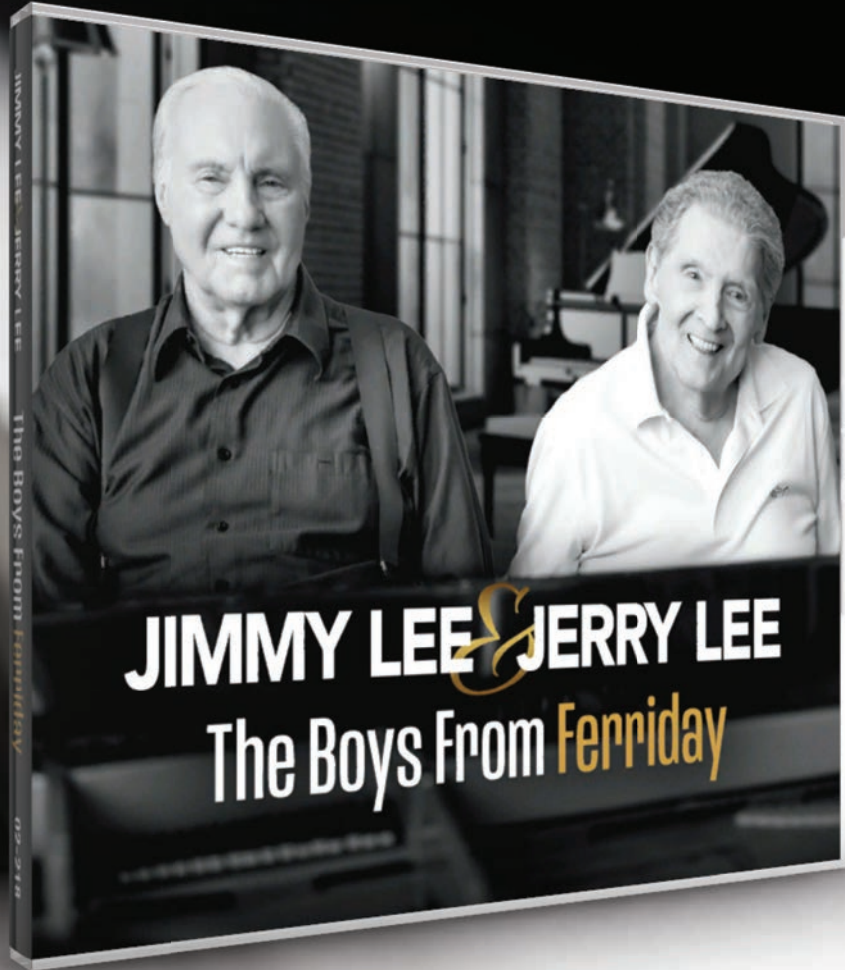
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