Loving Christ, Loving The Lost

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[0:00] What's the name of this church? Maranatha. You know what Maranatha means?! The Lord, another opportunity to serve Him tonight and to worship Him.

! And one day we're going to see Him. Amen! He is, the Lord is, is near, He's coming.
Amen! All what's going on around us. We don't know when, but you know, I'm waiting for Him. And I used to wake up every day and say to my kids, He didn't come today.
And you know, He will come anytime. Are you ready? I didn't hear it. Amen, amen.
I have two questions before I start. No signal. It's my fault. Before I start, I have two questions for you.
[1:09] And the first question is, do you remember when I was here the last time? And if you guess this, I have here a gift for you.

It's $100,000. Good, Pastor. No one will know.
I was here. I was here July 13, 2008.
And praise the Lord. And we thank you for your prayers, for your support. And we know that without prayers, without your prayer and without your support, we cannot continue our ministry.
This is my first question. Here is the side. The second question, and if you guess, how many missionaries are here?
[2:16] I have another gift for you. Raise your hand if you... No, no, no, no. Okay. Who... Yes. How many missionaries?

Everybody. How many? All of us. And then I want to keep this too.
Who said all of us? Good. I have a gift for you, our prayer card. Again, I have another...
Don't count now. I didn't start preaching, right? I have an hour, right? It's the Arabic way. You know, we receive sometimes gifts from you and from your kids.
And, you know, I keep it in the file here. And just, you know why? From time to time, I'd love to go through this and pray for these people and for your church. I want to thank you for these things.
[3:32] Really, it encouraged us. We thank you. I have here another letters, also cards.

Thank you so much. We appreciate it. God bless you. It means a lot to us. Today, Brother Tom, he was at the airport, and we told him that we're coming.
Don't worry about us. We're going to have a car and come here. And he said, no, it's nice to see someone at the airport. Thank you. Really, it encouraged us. We're talking about this.
We thank you. God bless you. Again, I'm going to talk today. Another question before I finish.
Do you remember the reading today was from what? One. I need one. The first one. The first one who raised his hand, he can say it.
[4:43] 16? Okay, then this is your gift. This is a Jesus film in Arabic.

But... No, you can watch this DVD in about maybe 15, 16 languages.
English, Arabic, Turkish, whatever. It's a very good tool for us as we continue to serve the Lord.
You know, after I accepted the Lord in Lebanon, you know where's Lebanon?
By the way, another question. What's the capital of Canada? Good. We serve in Ottawa.
[5:39] I'm going to... I hope I have this here. No, no.

It works. Here's our family. We have four boys. Kareem, Daniel, Gabriel, and Andrew, and my daughter, Rima.
And... We have four boys for now. And praise the Lord. All of them, they accepted the Lord. And they are also...
They're serving in the church. And we hope they will grow up also. And continue our ministry that we started. If the Lord did not come. What is the theme of this conference?

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Loving the lost to? To Christ. My question is... How to love the lost to Christ? Is to love whom first? [6:57] If to love Christ first, then you can love the lost. I was just a question. I was reading John.

You know, the last... In the last chapter of John. And I was just asking. The Lord asked Peter a question that surprised me.
He asked him the question. Do you love the lost? Do you love my sheep? What did he say? Do you love me?
I'm telling you. If it comes to you. People around us. Maybe you can't love them. Maybe even believers. You can't love them. But if you love Christ, you love the lost.
And you love your brother. Right? And today, what we read from Acts 16. We're going to see someone who loves Christ. And he's willing because he loves Christ.
[7:56] He's going to love also the lost. When I accepted the Lord in Lebanon. I went to a Baptist church very close to our place. And that Baptist church.

After the meeting. My friend. It was maybe the third or fourth meeting. My friend stand beside me. Because I was shy. And he was saying to a man.
In the 50s, 55. He was telling him. How are you, dear ambassador? I said, wow. They have ambassadors in the church. I was really excited.
Ambassador in the church. And then he asked him. What are you doing? And he said, oh, I'm working late. And I have a lot of things to do. And when he left, he said, my dear ambassador.
I didn't say anything. And maybe after a week. Almost, I think a week. He said, my friend said to me. Let's go and visit our dear ambassador.
[8:57] And we went to the embassy. And really, the area where he is, it's embassy's area. And we went there.

And we parked the car. And he said, let's go to the embassy. And we stepped down two, three steps.
And here we are in the embassy. And guess what was the embassy? It's shoes repair shop.
I was surprised. And this is, and our brother, I thought he's an ambassador. And here we are.
He's in where? In that shop. And as usual, when you see him, he starts talking to you verse after verse. And he's smiling.
[9:57] And I said to him, Brother Elias, this is your embassy. He said, yes. While we were talking, a man came, a client came to his embassy.

And he asked him to repair his shoes. And he said, yes, but it's cheaper if you wait. Usually it's what?
Right? It's more expensive if it's expressed, right? He said, no, no, no. It's cheaper. Have a seat, by the way. Oh, are you from this area? And he started talking to him.
By the way, you look tired. And he said, you know, I have a hard day. I was working hard. And, you know, it was the time of the war in Lebanon.
And you know what's going on in the city. I said, I have a good news for you. And he started sharing the gospel with him. And this guy, this man, he looked to him.
[10:58] I remember his eyes like this. And he was talking to him. And at the end, he said to him, you made my day. We need many like you. You know, I really came here.

I was tired. But now I feel peace. Please, may you pray for me? And he started praying for him. And that man, he was changed in a second.
If you look to him, and before and after, you will be surprised. After he shared with him the good news, this guy left the embassy differently.
You know, brother and sister, after this man left, I said, wow. Wow. What an ambassador this brother is.
By the way, everyone of us, he's what? He's an ambassador for Christ. Amen? We are ambassadors for Christ.
[12:05] And imagine every one of us sharing the gospel, sharing the good news. And after he left, I said, Lord, what should I do to be like him?

What should I do to be a blessing to the world around me? What should I do to touch life?
This guy left. Touch it. You know, when you share the good news with someone, be sure it's the word of God.
This word is powerful. This word gives life. Just share it. Tonight, I'm going to share with you four or five things we have, we can see, that two men of God, they were doing it.

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Loving the lost for Christ. And they were willing to share the gospel. They were willing to share the good news. And tonight, as I said, we're going to share the four steps, or four things, or four Ps, if you like.
[13:20] That every one of us should do to love the lost to Christ. The first one that we're going to talk about tonight is prayer.

Prayer. If you go to the verse 25, he said, About midnight, Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns. To whom? To God.
Usually, people, midnight, what do they do? They snore, right? They sleep. But here, Paul and Silas, what were they doing?
They are singing, praying, and what? And singing. And singing. Praying. You want to see people coming to Christ?
If you love the lost, you're going to pray for the lost. You cannot win the lost for Christ without praying for them. You know, if you go to verse 13.
[14:23] On the Sabbath, we went outside the city to the gate of the river. We were expected to find a place of prayer. And there, God saved who? You remember? Lydia?

It's a time of prayer. Brother and sister, please remember this. We should talk to God about people before we talk to people about God.
Remember this. We should talk to whom first? To God about people before we talk to people about God. Remember this. Let's pray for them.
Let's pray for each other. Let's trust the Lord. I remember after I accepted the Lord. I started praying to my parents, to my father and to my mother.
Lord, I want to see them with me in heaven. And for years, no one came to know the Lord.
[15:29] My dad, three years before he passed away, he had cancer. And we were at the hospital. I said, Dad, I don't care about cancer.

What I care about, I'm not going to see you again. And he said to me, Dad, after I shared with him, and they gave him just a month to live.
Because he has two tumors in the two lungs. And after I shared with him, and I said, if you want to see me, if I want to see you, if you want to see the Lord, then you have to believe in him.
He became an atheist. And he said to me that day, he said, he started crying. And he said, Dad, I want to accept the Lord. And he prayed with me.
He accepted the Lord. And Sunday, he called me. I want to go to church. And, you know, I was preaching. And I changed the sermon when I saw him.
[16:33] Because I want to be sure he got saved. And after the sermon, I said, please, if you want to receive the Lord today, I want to know. I want to pray for you. Raise your hand.

And I'm going back with him. And he said, Dad, do you know why I did not raise my hand? I said, why? Because I accepted the Lord once, and that's it. You know?
And my sister called me and said, what happened to your dad? He's at the hospital. And because he speaks Arabic, they put him on another patient who speak Arabic.
And he was sharing the gospel the first week. And guess what happened? Instead, living one month, he lived three years. Three years.
It was a miracle. The Lord gave him opportunities to share the gospel. Pray and trust the Lord.
[17:32] Amen? We're going to pray for our brothers, for our sisters, for our city, for our country. I'm going to tell you, imagine tomorrow you're praying tonight. And tomorrow you're inviting your friend, your neighbor.

And you're coming here with them. Imagine how many will be doubled. Right? Let's pray. Do you know that lady that one time entrust the Lord?
That lady came to the prayer meeting. It wasn't raining in that area. And many people came to the pastor.
Because when there's a problem, always they come to the pastor. Right? And they came to him. Pastor, it wasn't raining. And, you know, we need rain. And rain, rain.
And he said, the pastor said, okay, let's pray tomorrow. And the next day, they have a prayer meeting. And usually, people, they, you know, they don't come to the prayer meeting.
[18:27] Just if there's any other activity, they come. But it's a prayer meeting. But that night, because they need rain, all of them, they came. And old women came, but she has an umbrella.

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And people told her, I told her, why you're bringing umbrella? It's not raining. Said, what is the purpose of this meeting? You know, I want to tell you something.
Trust the Lord. Amen? When my cousin came and shared the gospel with me, she gave me the Bible. And I said to her, I'm not going to read it.
I don't want it. I don't believe in God. Where's God? And you know what she said to me? Look, Waleed, we've been praying for you for a long time.
And we're going to keep praying for you. And one day, you're going to use this Bible. Do you trust the Lord? Then the first thing we have to do is what?
[19:29] To pray. Let's start praying, praying. The second thing we should do is not just praying. The second thing we have to do is do what? Is to proclaim, proclaim.

Listen. Verse 25, it said, About midnight, Paul and Sarah were praying and singing hymns to? To whom? To God. Listen to what it said. And the other prisoners were what?
Listening to? To them. Everyone was what? Was listening. They are not shy for whom they are talking to or about.
They are not shy of their God, of their Savior. They take every opportunity and share the gospel. You know, they are in the prison. They are not in Columbus, Ohio. They are in the prison. They're beating them. And what they're doing? They're singing.
[20:32] And the people around them, what? They're not singing in their heart. Everyone is listening to them. My question is tonight. What was the last time that you proclaimed and someone was listening to you?

The Word of God. When was the last time you shared the good news? Look at the verse 17, what they said. These men are servants of the Most High.
God, who are telling you the way to be what? To be saved. To be saved. You know, people around us, they're waiting for us.
You know, there's a lady came and was knocking our door. And Rima opened the door. She was talking to her. And then Rima started sharing the good news with her.
And this lady started crying, crying, crying. And asked Rima, how do you know that I'm going through a difficult time? How did you know? Yes, I need the Lord.
[21:39] People, they're waiting for you. Believe me, they're waiting for you. And they're waiting for me. For every one of us. Are you proclaiming the Word of God?

Listen for this. My cousin came from Australia and shared the gospel with me.
And later I got saved. And there's a church very, very close to my house. I was waiting for them to come and share the gospel with me.
I'll tell you why. During the war, I have my oldest brother. He's one year older than me. He was walking on the street and they start bombing the area.
He didn't come home. And my mom called me and said, and you know, they start bombing. When they start bombing, they bomb thousands of bombs in the residential areas.
[22:43] I went to see my brother. And I found him with maybe another 20, 25 people killed in the street. My brother was burned.

I knew him from one leg that he has only his picture on. It was very hard. But you know, the first question came to my mind.
What's after death? What happened if I die today? What happened if you die today?
You know, I came home. And after the funeral, I was really shocked.
And asking this question, what's after death? Am I going to see my brother? I love my brother. Am I going to see him? It was hard.
[23:43] I was waiting for someone to stop and say, Waleed, Jesus loves you. And tell me what's after death.

It's too bad. Even a church beside our house. I want to ask you the question. If your neighbor died today, and you've been his neighbor for a long time, and you didn't share the gospel, how do you feel?
Don't be shy. Share the gospel. You don't know what time. You know, there's no insurance. When I came to Canada, they said, someone said, come, and we want you to work as an insurance broker. And after I came to the interview, he said, do you believe in it? I said, no. Because there's, what if I die? I'm not going to get anything.

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He said, no, if you don't believe in it, you're not going to work here. How are you going to share with others about the insurance if you don't believe in it?
[24:53] If you believe in it, share about it. You know, it was very hard. No one answered my question. You know, it's really, today, I want to say it.

I don't know if, you know, it's today, the Christians, they become Sundays. The Christians for Sunday, that's it. And during the week, all of us, you just became, you know, it's a mission conference.
It's very important. And I imagine that every Christian has to be there. I imagine that every Christian has to be in the prayer time, in the prayer meeting.
I imagine that every Christian come early on Sunday and pray before an hour or two hours. You know, when I accepted the Lord, I used to go to church Sunday.
Two hours, pastor. They have a room and no place to sit and pray. For hours. I remember, went to that church.
[26:03] It was 20, 25 people. 150 after two, three years. Brother and sister, proclaim the gospel.

Share the gospel. Don't let any other, someone from, like, my cousin came all the way from Australia to Lebanon to share the gospel because she was afraid that I'm going to be killed before I accepted the Lord.
She came all the way and it was a very dangerous time. But she came. It's something very important. It's a question of eternal life.
It's not a joke. I always pray, Lord, take every Christian to hell, to the hell. You will be surprised, right?
I believe the Christian, they have to visit the hell and they have to visit the hospital. Right? You know why? When you see what's in the hell, then you will share the gospel with everyone around you.
[27:08] When you go to the hospital, you will be thankful for the Lord. You know, things we have to do, share the gospel with others. Please, brother and sister, let's share the gospel.

And don't let anyone come from other countries and steal the blessing of sharing the gospel. Amen? Are we going to do it? I know I have a lot of things to say, but I want to show you this.
I was in Lebanon about a month ago. You see this picture is here, here and here. This is Syrian refugees.
And all of them are Muslim refugees. And you know, the church there, it's a small church. And the church, what they're doing, they're preparing meals for them.
And they come to church and there, at that time, it was about 1,500 people. And what they do, they come to the meeting, they sing, they present the gospel, and people go to the meal.
[28:16] And no one can go to the meal without having the spiritual meal. And I was sharing the gospel with those, you see the women with the, you see here with the veil?

Here and here? Thousands! And they're waiting for us. This is our opportunity. It never happened before that you can go and share with thousands of people because of the war, the word of God. It's a privilege. And people, they tell me, why do you eat? It's dangerous. Don't go. it's not a question of it's dangerous or not.
It's a question of sharing the good news. Whatever is the price, sharing the good news. Look at the lady up there. I was talking to, I was preaching that night, and this is from Muslim background.
She was coming and praying, said, Pastor Waleed, I want to accept the Lord. I can't resist Him anymore. And you know through what? She was reading the Bible. Brother and sister, let's proclaim the word of God.
[29:25] Amen? I didn't hear it. Good now. Good. You see, this man, Ahmad at the top, Mahmoud, sorry, from Syria, now he is studying at the Baptist seminary in Lebanon.

You know, because of what? Someone like you and me present the good news for him. Someone like me that someone came and shared the gospel with me.
Praise the Lord. What a privilege we have. By the way, you know, sometimes we win people to the Lord and we think, ah, this is our power, our wisdom, we can.
No, no, no, no, no, no, no. He prepared everything for you and he allows you to enjoy the salvation of people around you. Just share the gospel.
You know, I'm going to show you another. We had a pastor's conference in Taba in Egypt and this lady, Rima, approached her and she started sharing the gospel with her and you know, because

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her husband wasn't there, she asked her, do you want a Bible?
[30:40] She said, I'm reading it on the internet. She can't have it. You know, this is the mayor of Ottawa. We had the meeting, they invited all the pastors and priests and everywhere to the municipality and everyone was telling him, thank you and you know, the way that, how you appreciate people.

I said, I want to appreciate to another way. I want to give you the Bible. the good news and this is the best thing you'll never have it and I'm sure this is the best thing you can have it.
You know, he sent me a letter just to thank me because I gave him the Bible and the priests around me and the imams, Muslim Islam said, wow, you gave him the Bible?
What is our duty? What we're here for? What we're here for? I want to ask you, do you have a track in your pocket?
When you go around in this city, do you have here McDonald's? McDonald's? A gas station? You have a gas station here? Stop.
[31:56] Just attract. Say, Jesus loves you. That's it. That's all what you should do. I was in Lebanon with Rima and stopping to fill up my gas. An Egyptian guy is from Egypt.

He works there. And I gave him the Bible and said, wow, I've been waiting a long time for someone to give me a Bible. You know, you will be surprised when you go in Columbus and share the gospel. You will be surprised how many people they're waiting for you. And you know, when you go to heaven, you're going to pay for it. Don't think, oh, you're going to go, oh, come on in.
We're going to give our account, right? We're not going to the hell, but we're going to stand before the Lord. And we, every one of us, what he's going to do?
Right? This is another family from Iraq. They're all Muslim. They accepted the Lord during this last month.
[33:00] This man, he killed about 100, I want to say, I don't know, with his friends, right? He's from Jersey. He drew, you know, it's like Muslims in our area.

He killed about 150 people with his friends, my neighbor, my relative in this area. But you know how they kill? They kill by knife because this is a way that they can go to heaven.
When I went to Lebanon, I went to him with Jesus' film and the Bible. I said, I forgive you and Jesus loves you. This is the power of the word.
This is the power of the cross. This is the power of Christianity. You know, this is, by the way, in Aleppo, in Syria, this is the hospital.
And you know, people in the church, they created a hospital. You know why? Just to share the gospel with people. You know, we have everything here.
[34:03] And just let's share the gospel. I was in Egypt. This lady up there, on the left, she came to me, said, I accepted the Lord and I'm Muslim. Now what should I do?

My fiance is going to kill me. You know, people, they're waiting for you. But she was happy and she was ready. And she was waiting for someone.
Are you willing to be that one? This is in Lebanon also, not a long time ago. That night, about 40, 50 people came to know the Lord.
You know why? Because of people praying and proclaiming. I want to encourage you tonight, brother and sister. This lady, she came to the church, she walked about an hour, 15 minutes to come to the church.
And if their family knows about her, you know what they're going to do? If you go to this book, I have it on my table. It says in the surah, in surah 536, one of the things that they cut off the hand and feet from opposite sides.
[35:18] Imagine what they do for her. And she's coming to church. And she's sharing. You know, brother, this is, by the way, I'm the fruit of the American missionary they went to the Middle East indirectly.

They plant churches. And America is the blessing country for the whole world because of the church of Jesus Christ. Because of you.
let's continue and proclaim the gospel to our people first. This family is also from Duru's background.
The man accepted the Lord in Ottawa and we went to Lebanon and he and the whole family almost accepted the Lord. This lady from Saudi Arabia, Sarah, she escaped.

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She want to know the Lord. She want to know more about the Lord. and she came to Syria and from Syria to Lebanon, this man, he was with Al-Qaeda fighting and the word of God changed his life through someone shared the gospel with him.
[36:27] Believe me, this word changed lives. Just share it. You don't have to do things. Just share your testimony.

You know, I have here on me, this is a directory for the Arabic people in Ottawa and I always said, who's going to share with us? Just enter the addresses and send letters, send tracts.
Go to their life like show of a witness. They're coming door to door and sharing what they believe in and we are sleeping. Paul and Sila, they were what?
Witnessing. Let's go to the third one. I know it's... The first one we have to do what? And the second? The third one. Pay the price.
33. At the hour of the night, the jailer took them and washed their what? Wands. The crowd joined the attack, verse 22, against Paul and Sila and they start beating them.
[37:38] They throw them into prison. Wow! Persecution. People, they think coming to Christianity is, oh, just, it's a joy.

Come, we have barbecue, we have plants, Sunday school, and... Right, right. But, you know, there's also a price to pay.
There's a price to pay. They beated them. They persecuted them. And Paul considered it a privilege to be persecuted because he was looking for the final glory in heaven.
You know, I have here on my... I have here on my...
with me a pastor, Iranian pastor, that he was killed in Iran because of his belief in the Lord.
[38:44] He was willing to pay the price. He was willing to die for Christ. And they came to him and said, deny Christ.

And that said, nothing will happen to you. He said, how I can deny him? He died for me. He loved me. He gave me eternal life.
I cannot deny him. By the way, we deny him as a Christian or not when we don't proclaim the gospel. We deny Christ. And we don't love Christ if we don't love what?
His what? His commandments. And he's the one who said, go to the word and share the good news. Go to the word and share the good news and share the gospel. And we're sitting and we're not doing anything.
You know, I know you may not invite me again, but I'm going to tell you something. If we are going to stay like we're doing now, if we're going to just come and sit all Sundays and we're not going around and sharing the gospel, it's not going to work.
[39:51] God is not going to bless us. Pray fast. By the way, you know, my son, his friend played with him soccer and he's Muslim.

And during, you know, he plays soccer two, three hours, four hours sometimes. And his Muslim friend, during Ramadan, he don't eat anything and drink.
No drink, no eat. And he's almost cannot run. But you know what he's doing? He's dedicating himself or he's doing what he believes in.
Is his parents, this is what he's, they're teaching him. When was the last time you, not just pray, you fast for this country. We have troops from the state or Canada, whatever, everywhere in the country.
When did you pray for them? When did you just fast for them? For family, for the last year in Columbus? Are we taking one day of prayer and fasting just for our people here in the city?
[41:05] This guy, he was willing to die for Christ. I'm not asking you to die, I'm asking you to pray and fast. Are we willing to do it? Are we willing to pay the price?

You know, this, I was preaching in a church and priest, I was surprised when he was there. And you know what he said to me at the end? He said, after we prayed with him, he said to me, you know what's going to happen now?
I'm going to pay the price. They're going to kick me out. When they know that I accepted the Lord and I'm going to preach the gospel. There's a price always to pay.
Those people get baptized and many of them, their family, they were willing just to throw them out of the house because they believe. We have two couple, we have a brother and sister that their mom and dad, this is, it's about a month ago.

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Mom and dad, they asked them to leave the house because they believed in Christ. and they were willing to do it for Christ. They're willing to pay the price for God.
[42:19] This man from Iraq, they asked him, stop sharing the gospel, we'll kill you. And he kept sharing the gospel and one time they what?

They shoot him and now he cannot walk anymore. But you know, he's still preaching on the wheelchair. No one said amen, hallelujah, thank you Lord.
No one? Amen? Share the gospel, proclaim, there's a price to pay. Are we willing to pay the price? This old man, he left Beirut and he went to the mountain to the people that I told you how they kill by knife.
He left Beirut and he sold his house to go and live there on the mountain to share the gospel with these people. And Sunday, I was surprised that a bus full they're coming to worship God, the Lord, and the church.
It's people that willing to pay the price. From Palestine, from Egypt, from Morocco. Bonnie, she's American.
[43:34] This wonderful sister in the Lord, she's from Virginia. She was sharing the gospel in the Hezbollah area in the south of Lebanon. And they came to her because at the end of the day, she invited, she was a nurse and people, they come to see her during the day, she invite them at night to come to her place and she starts sharing the gospel.

And later, they have an auditorium and people start coming and worshiping the Lord. And the imam came and said, look Bonnie, we are going to kill you if you don't stop.
She said, no. And they came and they killed her. And you know her husband? Her husband, they told him, are you leaving now?
He said, no. I'm willing also to die for Christ in this area. You know, I myself, I'm afraid to live in that area.
And he is there and he's sharing the gospel. Imagine, you're in Columbus. It's a beautiful city. We should go out of our comfort zone and just share the gospel.
[44:54] Share the word. I'm going to finish. I know. I'm late. I'm not going to go about, I'm not going to talk about the passion.

I'm going to go to the last one. I'm not going to go to the last one. I said, we have to what first? Pray. Proclaim.
Pay the price. And after, you have to have a passion, right? I was surprised when I was reading it. I thought Paul, after all what he did, this jailer did for them, after they got, now they're free.
Instead, answering his question, I thought they're going to start beating him. Instead, leaving, and the jail, they stopped, and they start, don't do anything bad to you.
No, no, no, no, no. And they answer his question. They have passion. Even they're willing to stay in the jail, but what? Sharing the gospel. I'm going to go to the last one.
[46:03] The praise. Praise. The jailer called for light, rushed and fell, trembling before Paul and Selah. He then brought them out and asked, Sir, what must I do to be saved?

Wow. Believe in the Lord, Jesus, and you will be saved. Very easy.
it's not easy what he did, but easy for us. It's a grace. It's a gift for you. All what you have to do, just take it.
He's giving it to you. And now, time is what? It's to praise the Lord. I'm going to tell you, if you pray, if you fast, if you proclaim the word, if you pay the price, there's a time to praise the Lord.
You can see people coming to know the Lord. This guy, you see this, this two men. I was in Egypt and I was, I was preaching, by the way, pastor, I was surprised by the American time.
[47:12] I was in that church at the, it was the, the, the day of the revolution last year. And I went there and no one on the street because what's going on and they don't know, you know what, what may happen anytime.

And I went to that church. It's packed. Wow. We start the meeting 7.30, 8.30, 9.30, 10.30, 11.30, they came to me and there's a pastor with me from Ottawa.
He said, they said to us, you have to leave now because the Muslim fundamental, they're all, they're almost at the, in the, in the building there and they're waiting for. And there's someone from the state or from Canada there and you know, you speak Arabic but for him, we, we cannot protect him.

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You have to leave now. And the meeting did not stop. People finished singing. They learned the word of God and then people started praying for the country, for the lost and people got saved. Wow. Hallelujah. I didn't hear it. You're not encouraging me. I know. Anyway, Hallelujah.
[48:30] Look what happened. They brought them into his house and set a meal before them. He was filled with what? With joy because he had come to believe in God, he and his whole family.

Imagine what happened. Not just him. Now what? His family. Wow. Isn't that a good time?
Isn't that good? You want to see this? You want to enjoy seeing people get saved? There's steps. You have to do it in your life. You know, it's, Rima called me and she said someone shut our van because this is by the way in Canada.
You know why? Because when you share the gospel, it's always there's what? there's something to pay.
But at the same time, you know what? There's time to praise because if you see more blessing, wait, you're going to see more attack by the Satan.
[49:44] Right? If you're sitting without anything, that means he's happy. Ah, you know, the believer going Sunday? Okay. Okay. Even I will enjoy coming, seeing them coming and leaving.

Pay the price. This is a deacon conference in 2011 in Lebanon. At that time, I remember when I came, when I went there, people, they said, why you're going?
And why you're putting this? It's dangerous. It's, it's, it's, it's. Imagine 180 deacons from Syria, Lebanon, and all the Arab country. They're coming together to be ready to worship and to study and to lead the church of God.
Here's another pastor's conference for people from Syria, Lebanon, and Jordan. And God is working. It's time to praise and we praise the Lord for this.
It's because of prayer, because of sharing, because of what we're doing. These people coming from Syria, by the way, it was very hard when they came.
[50:53] It was very hard time. I want to finish with this. This picture is well known. This man is holding his son in Syria. I don't want to show you another picture.

I was at the border between Syria and Lebanon about a month ago. You know, I went to the church. I was crying. People without hope, killing every day, no peace.
Kids, seniors, you can see. Go to the street and see what's going on. People living in a tent. They lost everything.
There's one hope. And there's people, missionaries, and nationals. A lady, the pastor told me, a lady came to him.
[52:02] It's a poor church, by the way. She came with her jewelry. It's gold. She sold everything to buy meals for the Syrian refugee.

You know why? Because through helping them, too, she can share the gospel. People, they're dying.
people, they're going to hell every day. I don't want to show you other pictures. I know it's very touchy. But you know, the Middle East today and North Africa are open to the gospel that we never see it before through years.
And it's time to share the gospel. I'm talking about the Middle East and not Africa, right? What about the state? By the way, if you go to the statistic, you see that the United States now need more missionary than any other place in the world.
That's why I'm inviting you tonight to be in mission. To love the lost for Christ. Are you? Are you?
[53:26] I'm challenging you tonight. What you're here for? I want you to read this verse and we'll pray.

Please, when I say, and we're not going to read the one up there, let's go to the second one. Let's read it together, please. When I say, O wicked man, you shall surely die.
If you don't speak to warm the wicked from his way, that wicked man shall die in his, but his blood will I require at your hand.
Wow. What? You are responsible, right? I am? Yes. You are. Are you going to pray?
I'm going, are you going to proclaim? You're going to have a passion for people? You're going to praise the Lord?
[54:39] Paying the price? Let's take five minutes, please. Two minutes, if you like. Two minutes. I want you to close your eyes. Please, I know it's a very important time.

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Just think, wherever you are today, just think about this. Said, Lord, when was, answer this question, when was the last time I prayed for someone?
When was the last time I fasted for my country, for my people, for my neighbor, for my family, for my church, for the leaders? Second question, when was the last time I shared the word of God, the gospel, to people around me, my neighbor, my family, my friends?
What was the last time that I was ready to pay the price, to be persecuted?
There's many ways to pay the price. What did I do for you, Lord? you have passion.
[56:19] The jailer asked a very important question. What did I do to be saved, to get saved?
Tonight, if you are here and you're not saved, please, don't leave tonight without Jesus Christ.

Believe in Him for what He did on the cross for you. I asked this question before. I was waiting for someone to answer me. And now, the Lord is telling you, just believe for what He did on the cross for you.
Believe in Him. Trust Him. And the joy, the same joy that I experienced, this jailer experienced, every one of us experienced, going to come to your heart and life.
But His blood will I require at your hand. Believers, my brothers and sisters, one day, we're going to stand before our Lord.
And He's going to tell me, Waleed, I gave you this gift. I command you to share the gospel with your neighbor.
[57:48] What did you do? I want to give you a minute. Today, if you decided to pray, to proclaim, to pay the price, if you decide to have passion to do this, please, we are going to pray.

But if you decided tonight, you're going to do this, I want you to stand up that we can pray together. If you decide, it's a time, God bless you, brother.
It's a time for dedication. Amen. Amen. If you decide, you're going to do it. Amen. Don't be shy.
He wasn't shy of you. All what you do, you share. If any one of us tonight, he didn't accept the Lord, it's time to accept him.
We are going to pray together. God bless you. It's a time. If you're not going to do it, don't stand up, please. But if you said, Lord, I'm going to do it, yes, stand up.
[59:10] We're going to pray together. Amen. God bless you. Is anyone else before we close in prayer? You know, 12 disciples, amen, brother.

12 disciples, look what they did. And we are more than 12 today that we dedicate ourselves to the Lord. Lord. And tonight, the Lord is going to use you and use us to change Columbus for the Lord.
We are going to pray, but I'm going to ask you, the last time, if you, tonight, you dedicate your life to the Lord, and you're willing to do it, please stand up that we can pray together.
amen, amen. Pastor, may you come, please, and pray.
Let's stand up, please, everyone. amen. Precious Father, God, this evening we are so very blessed to know the Lord Jesus Christ as our Savior.
[60:28] And this morning and this evening as we bring this meeting to a close, our hearts are reminded of the fact that you have sent each of us with the same glorious message, the same testimony of the power of the cross, and you have called us to be your witness as your ambassador.

We're thankful for our brother's reminder tonight of that great and glorious path and for the challenge and the conviction that your Spirit has brought to us that this is something that we need to be focused on, we need to be underlenting in our own walk and pursuit, and we pray Lord that as a result of our rededication and our commitment tonight, that we see the joy of seeing you produce fruit for the glory of Christ.
We pray as we sing this evening as we close, and as we bring this evening to its conclusion, that we meet here with hearts that are refreshed and challenged.
We ask this in your precious name. Amen.

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