

Understanding What The Will Of The Lord is For Believing Children

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[0:00] You have longed for sweet peace, and for faith to end.

And everlessly, fervently pray. But you cannot have rest, or be perfectly blessed, until all on the altar is laid.

Is your all on the altar of sacrifice laid? Your heart does the Spirit control.

You can only be blessed and have peace and sweet rest, as you yield Him your body and soul.

Oh, we never can know what the Lord will bestow, Of the blessings for which we have prayed.

[2:00] Till our body and soul He doth fully control, And our all on the altar is laid.

Is your all on the altar of sacrifice laid?

Your heart does the Spirit control. You can only be blessed and have peace and sweet rest, as you yield Him your body and soul.

Who can tell all the love He will send from above, And how happy our hearts will be made.

Of the fellowship sweet, we shall share at His feet, When our all on the altar is laid.

[3:42] Is your all on the altar of sacrifice laid?

Your heart does the Spirit control.

You can only be blessed and have peace and sweet rest, As you yield Him your body and soul.

We're turning tonight to the sixth chapter of Ephesians. How many of you have parents that are still alive?

Let me see your hands. Good. Basically, the lesson tonight is to boys and girls.

[5:14] But in essence, it engulfs all believers. We are studying very slowly what the Apostle Paul tells us in Ephesians chapter 5.

Walk circumspectly. In essence, it could be translated, walk accurately.

Having said that, and commanded it by the Holy Spirit to the Ephesian Christians, He tells us what an accurate walk consists of.

First of all, it consists of acting like a wise person and not a foolish person. Secondly, it demands redeeming the time or the opportunity for which you may never have another chance.

Second of all, it is a wise person. Thirdly, the accurate walk of a believer demands that he understands what the will of the Lord is.

[6:28] Now, do not take it out of context. He is not talking about the will of the Lord for your job.

He is not talking about the will of the Lord for position or for service or for calling.

He is talking about what is the will of the Lord for the everyday Christian. And there is only one will demanded of every Christian.

Be not drunk with wine wherein is excess, but be filled with the Spirit. The will of the Lord for every Christian who wants to walk accurately is to be filled with the Holy Spirit.

My personal conviction, you do not need to disagree with me, you agree with me, is that Satan today is trying to get the believer's attention away from the biblical teaching of the results of the filling of the Holy Spirit.

I would remind you that Ephesians 5 is the only place in your New Testament that commands a believer to be filled with the Holy Spirit.

[7:42] Now, having told us what filling of the Holy Spirit is demanded, he tells us what the results are in our lives. Number one, we will be happy Christians.

Number two, we will be helpful Christians. Number three, we will be thankful Christians. And number four, the most important, is in verse 21, we will be submissive Christians.

Submitting ourselves one to another in the fear of the Lord. Now, I've taken five weeks to come from that verse. From that verse on, he breaks down to chapter 6, verse 10, every category of Christian apart from one.

And that happens to be mothers. Mothers are not mentioned in the resultant submission to the filling of the Holy Spirit.

He begins with wives. No believing wife can be filled with the Holy Spirit who's not submissive to her husband. And contrary, a submissive wife to a believing husband will be filled with the Holy Spirit.

[9:00] Now, you can see how you can walk in and out of the filling of the Holy Spirit. You can see why it's not a once-for-all situation, can't you? Because it depends upon you.

No believing husband can be filled with the Holy Spirit who does not love his wife. And no believing husband who loves his wife will not be filled with the Holy Spirit.

But from now on, I'm concerned. It says, walk accurately. Not as the unwise, redeeming the time, understanding what the will of the Lord is, be filled with the Spirit.

I come back to my original lesson for a moment. It does not just say men are to be filled with the Holy Spirit. It does not say just believing wives are to be filled with the Holy Spirit.

The command is to everybody. Now, I challenge you tonight to think, class. When is the last time you heard a lesson given to boys and girls and to children that they are to be filled with the Holy Spirit?

[10:20] I would remind you we segregate things. We segregate submission. For the moment I segregate it by saying I'm talking about believing wives.

And I'd remind you over and over in this paragraph, which is the result of the filling of the Holy Spirit, we are reminded as Christ is the example. That's what you have to keep before you.

Now, you come to chapter 6, verse 1. It's too bad the chapter is there. It should not be the sixth chapter. My personal conviction is chapter 6 should begin with verse 10.

Finally, brethren. I think what we find at the beginning of chapter 6 is a continuation of the Spirit-filled life. Now, I might say to you, I think sometimes we have to stop and rethink our position.

No one is not saying that boys and girls can't be saved. Now, don't ever go away and say, I said that. But I do not believe that little boys and girls should be pressured into being saved.

[11:31] I don't think little boys and girls should be scared into being saved. If they are taught the word of God and they come from a Christian home and you lovingly bring them to the place when the Lord expects them to totally understand without any pressure, they will accept Christ.

How many of you sitting here have said to me, Pastor, the time I thought I was saved, I wasn't saved. I didn't understand. Now, that doesn't mean a little boy or a girl can't be saved.

I didn't say that. But it almost ought to come with him begging us to be saved, not with us begging him to be saved, to please mother or dad or a teacher or because he's been scared by some means, even from the word of God, of coming to Christ.

I think we ought to be very careful with boys and girls. I would remind you, boys and girls tonight, if you claim to be saved, you are to walk the way the word of God says to walk and begin with in chapter six, verse one.

You got your Bible open. It says children obey your parents. No Christian boy or girl, how young he may be, can be filled with the Holy Spirit who does not obey.

[12:54] His parents. And a boy or girl who obeys his parents is filled with the Holy Spirit. Now, how simple can we get?

Do you teach your children this? We get little boys and girls and older boys and girls and even teenagers saved and we may teach them baptism, but we have to be very careful that we don't force that on them, that it comes by their own conviction again.

But do we ever show them that their walk is to be governed by the word of God and the Holy Spirit? I might say something to you honestly tonight.

I have a little trouble trying to teach the filling of the Holy Spirit to a five year old. And yet it's in the word of God, isn't it? I have a little trouble teaching a little five year old that he receives the Holy Spirit.

You'll realize that the traditional vernacular of teaching boys and girls is totally wrong. It makes him a schizophrenic personality. We teach little boys and girls to let Jesus come into his heart.

[14:08] That is a misnomer. Because a little child's heart is here and he thinks that's where the Lord Jesus comes. That is not what the Bible teaches. Now you're saying, Pastor, you're sounding

like a liberal.

No, I'm not sounding like a liberal. I am saying to you that we always put the teaching of the Holy Spirit and the walk of the believer on the shoulders of the adult.

But Paul did not do that in this passage. After he finishes with the believing wife, he doesn't even talk about the believing mother.

Because if she's a believing wife, she'll be a believing mother. And if you get a home where a believing wife will not submit to a husband and for a moment a believing husband, although I don't believe that that statement, you will have no problem with your children.

And that's exactly what Paul is trying to teach us. Submission is taught in the Word of God because God is a God of order. If you've been in my class on Sunday morning, you know that's what I've been teaching over and over and over again.

[15:20] God is not a God of disorder. Let's look at it tonight for a second. It's a very, very touchy subject. Are you aware that the Apostle Paul added to the commandments?

Or aren't you aware of that? I would also make you aware tonight of something, parents. That you must demand obedience from your boys and girls at home.

It is a God-given responsibility. And we as parents, as Christians, should say to our children, you must obey because that's my responsibility before God for you to accomplish.

And boys and girls and young people must say I obey because that's what God commands me to do. And we don't talk that way anymore. I have a little book stuck in my desk where nobody knows where it is.

It's called The Little Red Schoolhouse. It happens to be a book that was written by a Norwegian and passed around in the Scandinavian schools. That is given to junior hires to show them how to disobey authority.

[16:36] And it is sold in schools in the United States of America. You have no reason to be amazed at the lack of authority taken by children because of the fact God has set an order.

When we learn to obey God, then we learn to obey our parents, then we also learn to obey the authorities over us. And the moment you take that away, you destroy God's order.

Read, parents and young people. All you have to do is read. You can read of the young people that get into trouble.

You can go into the stir of the beginning of the 70s or the late 60s and read what those young people said, why they acted the way they did. And you'll find out that the parent gave them everything and didn't do anything when it came to obedience and authority over them.

Every one of them says it from top to bottom without any difference in their language. And you realize, as my kids realize, that the moment I make them obey, they holler like stuck pigs.

[17:44] And parents are softies. Oh, I hate to see that kid unhappy. And so parent gives in. And so when the teacher puts the arm down, the kid cries.

And the teacher doesn't dare to give in because she's got 29 other kids there. And so the teacher finds disobedience right down the line. And the kid becomes obnoxious because of the home.

We live in an age of minority. The minorities are not the black people. The minorities are the Bible-believing Christians who want to live by the word of God.

They are the minority even from the Christians who are saved but don't want to live by the word of God. Let's look at it. I don't know how far we can get tonight.

It's a very serious subject. I think boys and girls ought to be told they have to obey. If they put up any guff, I think they ought to be told, You must obey because God demands that I make you obey.

[18:48] Now that doesn't mean fathers won't be wrong occasionally. But I want to tell you something. A believing father will be right more than he's wrong if he's filled with the Holy Spirit.

Did you notice that in Ephesians 6, 1 and 2, which are the results of spirit-filled boys and girls and young people who are walking accurately because they understand that the will of God for them is two commands, not one.

The first command is very interesting. It is not found in the Old Testament. The first command says children. And for the moment I talk to believing children. I'm not going to talk to unbelieving kids.

It would seem that the word children means those that are in the home. That seems to be what it's saying. Now when the child goes out of the home on his own, he probably reverts to verse 2.

For that is the Old Testament verse. Honor. But kindly notice something, and I have never thought of this. Someone has said, You are not able to honor until you first know how to obey.

[20:06] Not vice versa. There is a diverse teaching that if you can get boys and girls to respect somebody, they will obey something.

Biblically, that is not true. Obedience comes before honoring. Now, honoring is a very interesting word. Whether we get that far tonight or not is not important.

But honor is the word reverence. Honor is the word respect. Honor is a word which means piety. It has a Christian atmosphere to it.

Honor is the word to submit. Now, submission is not necessary. Totally obedience. Because when you become an adult and still have parents, you are responsible to God as an adult, not as a parent or to the parent.

So very simply, we can say tonight, boys and girls who claim the Lord Jesus Christ as their Savior, no matter how young or what age, who live at home, if they are to manifest the result of the filling of the Holy Spirit, must obey their parents.

[21:10] And if you do not obey your parents, you are not filled with the Holy Spirit. Now, go a little further with me.

The word obey is a very interesting word in the original language. It really could be translated in its loose form, three things.

And it works beautifully because the original language always gives the total intent. It could be translated, children, listen to your parents.

Would you kindly notice that by the Holy Spirit, Paul does not use the singular word parent. He has added an S to it.

It is not a child is just to listen to his father. He is to listen to his father and his mother.

[22:10] And the writer of Proverbs does a beautiful example of this in chapter one, chapter two, chapter four, chapter five, chapter six. Because the writer of Proverbs always refers to the law of the mother.

So Paul is saying that boys and girls who live at home. Now that's interesting because he didn't put any age on it.

Some of you are 18 and still living at home. It applies to you. If you are 20 and still living at home, it applies to you. Now that's very interesting.

Spirit filled young people are to live at home. People are to listen to their parents. Now the second part of the translation, which might put in here. You know, lots of kids listen, but they don't hear.

And the Greek language does this for us. Spirit filled children are to listen and hear their parents.

And then, of course, you have the word you have here.

[23:23] So you put them together and this is what you have. A spirit filled child living at home, listen, hears and obeys his parents. Isn't that nice?

And that's exactly the way God meant it to be. God never says to us, you do this without telling us why.

He didn't say to us, be filled with the Holy Spirit and just drop it, right? Always refer back to your own commentary. When Paul said, walk accurately, understand what the will of the Lord is.

I think that's the greatest phrase I've ever run across in a life. When a believing wife comes to me and chats with me and says, Pastor, I don't know what the will of the Lord is. I know what the will of the Lord is for a believing wife.

Submit to your husband. I don't have any problem with that. Now it's interesting. What happens in the Old Testament when young people would not obey their parents?

[24:33] Does anybody know? Allah. They were killed, right? They were killed. Do you realize? That's why in the law it does not say in the fifth commandment, obey your parents.

It says honor your mother and your father. Why? Because obedience was taken care of by the other parts of the law of Moses.

It's hard for us to believe that that really took place. That people, boys and girls of a family, when they would not obey or they would curse, that's the word that usually comes.

And it's very interesting in the Hebrew language. A child that disobeys his parents in the Hebrew language is cursing his parents. That's interesting.

And if you translate that over into this little passage, you come to a very interesting thing. A believing child who will not listen to his parent would be the same as the Old Testament who is disobeying, and he would be cursed.

[25 : 51] No Jewish boy or girl would ever say to his father, shut up. Shut up. Now we know that Christian boys and girls say this because we hear them say it at school. If they say it at school, they have to say it at home.

That's right. And I'd remind you Christian school teachers tonight, if you ever hear just a Christian child say shut up to any other child, you ought to handle that immediately. That should not be allowed in Christian circles.

Because of the fact, every person has a right to be heard and listened to. Now there may come a time that you have to say, I don't have time to listen right now.

And be honest, don't say shut up. Because the Hebrew language says, if a child says, I won't listen, he is saying be quiet and he is cursed.

Now if the child listens and won't hear what you're saying, he is also cursed. And the curse of a Hebrew child was, destroy that child. Now we have come a long way in the age of grace.

[27 : 03] But it is rather interesting. In the age of grace, the Holy Spirit has re-emphasized the position of a child in a home.

So Christ did not do away with the fifth commandment in regards to children. He re-emphasized it. Now let's look at it a little further tonight, while we have time.

If you read your commentaries, read your commentaries, I have a feeling that you're going to look for a loophole. And for the moment I'll have you let you have that loophole. Because every commentary, start with James and Watson around, go to Barnes and Noe, go to Matthew and Henry, go to any of the others.

I'm not too sure Mackintosh has this same opinion. But they will say to the child, now a believing child should obey his parents as long as it's in the Lord.

Therefore, if a believing child has an unbelieving parents, he doesn't have to pay any attention to them. That is not true. Now we are aware that there are extenuating circumstances.

[28 : 10] But I believe you can look at something, because all the way along with husbands and wives, he has turned your attention to Christ. Why does a believing wife submit to a believing husband?

Because she does it as unto the Lord. Because the moment a believing wife doesn't submit, she's not filled with the Holy Spirit. And secondly, she destroys the picture of Christ in the church. Why does a believing husband love his wife?

Because he's commanded to do so as being filled with the Holy Spirit. And because if he doesn't, he destroys totally the outward illustration of Christ for the believer.

Now look, in chapter 6 verse 1, it says children. There is no age on that limit. It's a very interesting word.

Obey. That means to listen, to hear, and to obey. Your parents. This is the proof that you're filled with the Holy Spirit. This is proof that you're walking the way God wants you to walk.

[29 : 21] In your Bible it says, Children, obey your parents in the Lord. Now that sounds immediate like, if they're not in the Lord, I can tell them to drop dead. That's another phrase Christian teachers ought to wash mouths out for.

Maybe you people don't know where some slang phrases came from. You ever know why people brought up the phrase drop dead? It's more acceptable than saying go to hell.

That's right. You say, Pastor, you're nitpicking. No. I'm just telling you the etymology of the term. But change a little word in your translation, and see if it doesn't help you to see something for the most. Isn't that interesting? When you who live in the home, hear, listen, and obey your parents, even though you may do it under stress, But change a little word in your translation, and see if it doesn't help you to see something for the most.

Isn't that interesting? Isn't that interesting? Isn't that interesting? When you who live in the home, hear, listen, and obey your parents, even though you may do it under stress, the Lord sees that you do it as being submissive to him.

Now that's the same category you have with the woman, the believing wife. That's basically the same category you have with the believing husband. He does it as unto the Lord.

[30 : 43] Now I am glad that the Holy Spirit didn't stop with verse one. Because you are aware that boys and girls and people can obey out of fear.

And that's all right, but it's not totally good. They can obey because they might think they're going to get a reward, and so they obey. That wouldn't be right either.

They might obey not only because they fear and because they might get a reward, but because they don't want any punishment. Now with children, occasionally that's a necessity. That is why the writer of wisdom says, if you don't do the rod, you are going to have problems getting the devil out of that child.

And that's exactly what he said. Now why should boys and girls who live at home obey their parents? Number one, because it proves you're a Christian.

Number two, because it proves you know how to walk by being filled with the Holy Spirit.

[32 : 06] Number three, because God said so. And number four is a little phrase at the end of verse one. Children, children obey your parents as to the Lord, for this is what?

Right. Isn't that a beautiful phrase? It's just plain common sense. That the child is not superior to the parent.

Do you realize that parents are superior to children? Do you realize that parents and children are not equal? It's amazing how smart parents are.

After you become a parent. After you become a parent. Let's stop for a second now, because Paul added something to the fifth commandment.

Turn with me for a second and our time is fast running up. Turn to Exodus chapter 20. Maybe we'll have to stop with Exodus 29. I'd hope to make this one lesson, but maybe it's too heavy for one lesson.

[33 : 26] And if so, if the Lord carries to next week, you'll come and get the rest of it. And so it'll be easier that way. Exodus 20 verse 12.

Now you are aware that's exactly what Ephesians 6 2 says. Secondly, it does not say honor your parents first and then obey them. Because you see submission in regards to the filling of the Holy Spirit and the order of God demands obedience first.

Now I keep repeating this because I think it's important. Parents must get obedience from children. That is because they're concerned about their Christian testimony.

Now in writing the commandments as Moses got them from the Lord, you come to the fifth command, which is verse 12. Honor thy father and thy mother.

It doesn't say obedience. Because within the character of the law is the result of disobedience to parents. I will pick that up next week and show you those verses.

[34 : 34] Now the word that you have for honor here, I have taught you a couple times before. In the Hebrew language, it's spelled C-A-B-B-E-D. Kabad.

And believe it or not, in the majority of instances that we find it in the Bible, it is a term which is always attached to God. And of course we can't realize that unless we look all of the phrases up that have the word translated honor.

But take my word for it for a moment. The word really means load with honor. Isn't that interesting? And in the Greek language, when Paul picks up the second result, the boys and girls who are going to walk according to the Holy Spirit who have been given when they were saved, the second result of that submission is not only obedience, but loading that parent with honor.

My wife got a call today from a dear old saint whom you know, and I heard her when she finished the telephone, she said, I really feel badly. I should have gone over there and chatted with her months ago.

[35 : 54] She has a family who never comes to see her. How old is she? Ninety? Almost. Ninety. Lives by herself. A great saint of God, and I'm sure if she had a choice, she'd say, Lord, let me die tonight.

I'm ready to come home. I have no earthly good left. But I'm saying to you, here's a dear soul who's got a family, who because of age, and I suppose because of senility occasionally, but she's fairly sharp.

She probably can preach better than I can, and I know she can pray better than I can. But because she's this way, nobody pays any attention to her, and yet she has a family. Now I think there's a balance here.

And you realize if you're reading the commandments, that you're transiting from God to life, and in the middle is the home. How do you teach boys and girls not to lie?

You never will if they won't honor you. How do you teach them not to steal? You never will. Unless they honor you. And I'd remind you boys and girls, that even though this is in the Old Testament, it's repeated over and over again in the New Testament, as a result of you being saved.

[37:15] Not because you're scared. And not because you're commanded to obey, although you are that. And so this little word that you have in verse 12 says, Kated.

Load with honor. It's often used with reference to God. It's deeper than obedient. And someone says, it touches the heart and the affection.

Now let's be honest. Saints who grow old by age and do not mature spiritually are kind of hard to get along with.

That's why you should learn as much about the word of God when you're young and middle-aged as you can, because someday we're all going to get old and senile and you'll only be sweet Christians that are lovable if you've matured in Christ.

And I know what I'm talking about. There has to be an affection. Now someone says, well, pastor, my parents don't demand affection or they don't deserve affection.

[38:28] Hey, wait a minute. You're a Christian? Then in order to be filled with the Holy Spirit. Look, my wife and I have aged parents. They're both alive yet.

How much longer? We don't know. They really are difficult to get along with. Occasionally you'd like to blow your top. But you don't.

Because you honor them. They are human beings. They are individuals. And the relationship here is based on a fact.

Did you notice that that in Exodus 20 verse 12 is based on a fact? It's not a fact. See what it says? What is the fact? Well, first of all, you owe your existence to your parents.

That's a fact, isn't it? If your parents weren't your parents, you wouldn't be. Unless you can find another parent. I don't know how you knew that. You see, God is very logical.

[39:31] And we must stop. He is going from our attitude and our actions towards God to society. And he's doing that in Ephesians. And he's going to show us that you can be a slave, spirit-filled.

You can be an employer, spirit-filled. You can be a father, spirit-filled. And if you ain't, you're in trouble. Employer, spirit-filled. You can be a father, spirit-filled. And if you ain't, you're in trouble. And I firmly believe that where most men get out of the realm of the Spirit's filling is being a father. Because it's contrary to our nature to be spirit-filled fathers. You see, you owe your existence to your parents.

Therefore, you see, the world is trying to teach us. Bill and Edward just in Russia. We must talk to them some more. But you are aware that that's what governments who have gotten big have said. The children don't need the parents. Get them away from them so we can train them the way we want them to be. Their existence was only necessary for the moment to get them born. After that, it's not important. And that's coming in America if you look at the welfare bills that are going through.

[40:47] The daycare centers that are being established. The American philosophy is the kid doesn't need the parent. But the Christian truth is that parent brought them into existence and on the basis of that, that relationship demands honor.

And I'd remind you that all of us are made in the image of our parents. Now that doesn't mean we don't educate differently.

But there is some loading with honor necessary because we are their image. and of course whether we like to admit it or not for a great part of our life we were dependent upon them for life and for maintenance of that life why do you honor your parents well number one because i want to be a spirit-filled kid because i want the world to see that a christian acts differently isn't it interesting i must be nasty once today that the people who will give off the results of the spirit's filling as being the charismatic speaking in tongues don't pay any attention to kids if being filled with the holy spirit is so great let's teach it to kids and get them started in the right spot ah but the holy spirit through paul is teaching kids the filling of the holy spirit and in the line of the fourth result it's submitting ourselves in the fear of the lord and that submission is to parents under the word honor well i'll cut it in half that's about halfway why should children be leaving children i don't care how young you are kids obey their parents number one because they're christians number two because you want to be spirit-filled and walk an accurate life number three because god told you to and number four because it's right and then he comes to the second phrase of the filling of a child and i think he includes all of us load your parents with honor why because it's the foundation of how you're going to live in the world well if you're interested come next week heavenly father thank you for the word of god we are aware tonight that we've only scratched the surface laid a foundation challenged our

own heart and we trust we'll use it for the glory of christ for these who have come on this evening which was not easy to come they deserve god's best in singing and music and prayer and fellowship and the teaching of the word of god we thank you for your presence that you never fail us and you never forsake us and now tonight as we close the service may the holy spirit just operate as he's supposed to in the will of god for jesus sake amen there's only one song that comes to my mind sing me a stanza or two of 261 when we walk with the lord in the light of his word trust and obey and i would remind you that the filling of the holy spirit is supposed to produce happiness and he said with that comes obedience so there's no other way to be happy in jesus but to trust and obey and that's especially true for boys and girls the happiest christian kids you know are kids who obey their parents because they don't get any hangouts and i'd remind you i don't know many spirit-filled christian kids nowadays and we parents are fault because we don't demand obedience for will you sing with me as we close 261 let's stand together oh when we walk with the lord in the light of his word what a joy while we do his good will he abides with us still and with all who will trust and obey trust and obey for there's no other way to be happy in jesus but to trust and obey we're going to sing but let's have a word of prayer with our heads bowed i like to give a time of decision most of us have parents tonight very few of you didn't raise your hand when i asked that question you realize that the fifth commandment in the filling of the holy spirit is possible someday you won't be able to practice it when your parents die i don't know if you're all saved here tonight or not you know it's very possible that you've come tonight and you've just practiced salvation you really don't have a heart experience you don't have a born again experience that's not be in such a hurry to go home that we don't give opportunity to someone when the holy spirit's working on maybe you're a boy or girl or a young person a teenager who's claimed to profess christ as savior and you say pastor that can't be true the way i act towards my parents that might be a good indication you're not saying it's hard for you to obey your parents you better look at your life maybe some of you have decisions that have been coming for a long time maybe through the weeks and the months in the morning and the afternoon i don't know what we should do tonight to close i just say to you if you have a need a decision i know you say pastor don't have to be public i can do it privately that's right but i would be remiss if i didn't say to you at the close of a service do you have some needs you want to make known some decision you want to settle christ you want to accept that's my invitation while we quietly wait if you're just prompted not even knowing why and say i ought to go and have someone pray with me and look at the word of god with some question that i have and you say well that's strange i shouldn't do that yes you should do that that's how the holy spirit works and that's the opportunity we give you at the close of the service we just quietly wait if you'd like to step from your seat you can do it with no one looking or you can do it when we sing one more stanza in a moment i don't care i'd like to do things the way the holy spirit wants to do it any decisions tonight any decision well you have verse five don't sing it kids if you don't mean it please meet me if you'd like to come i'll come down to the front so it'll be easier for you then in fellowship sweet let's sing that verse to close the day in the lord together it is is is is is is is is Uh oh Amen.