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The Law Of The Trespass Offering

PART II

BY JIMMY SWAGGART

“But if the sacrifice of his offering be a vow, or a voluntary offering, it shall be eaten the same day that he offers his sacrifice: and on the morrow also the remainder of it shall be eaten: But the remainder of the flesh of the sacrifice on the third day shall be burnt with fire. And if any of the flesh of the sacrifice of his peace offerings be eaten at all on the third day, it shall not be accepted, neither shall it be imputed unto him who offers it: it shall be an abomination, and the soul that eats of it shall bear his iniquity” —Leviticus 7:16-18

The peace offering for thanksgiving was eaten the same day that it was offered. The peace offering for a vow was eaten the same day or the next day because a vow, or a voluntary offering, necessarily affected the heart more than an ordinary thanksgiving.

Concerning this, Williams said: “This law taught the offerer to closely associate the death and sufferings of the slain lamb with the blessings for which he gave thanks. It teaches men today the same lesson. To disassociate worship and thanksgiving from the anguish and blood-shedding of the Lord Jesus, in other words, to separate all of this from the Cross, is to offer to God an abomination, and to bring death into the soul and into the church.”

Uncleanness

“And the flesh that touches any unclean thing shall not be eaten; it shall be burnt with fire: and as for the flesh, all that be clean shall eat thereof. But the soul that eats of the flesh of the sacrifice of peace offerings, that pertain unto the Lord, having his uncleanness upon him, even that soul shall be cut off from his people. Moreover the soul that shall touch any unclean thing, as the uncleanness of man, or any unclean beast, or any abominable unclean thing, and eat of the flesh of the sacrifice of peace offerings, which pertain unto the Lord, even that soul shall be cut off from his people” (Lev. 7:19-21).

Ceremonial cleanliness was obligatory before eating the peace offering. Disobedience in this matter entailed death. To profess faith in the person and atonement of Christ and claim fellowship with Him but be secretly unclean ensures the wrath of God. This vividly proclaims the following truth: Jesus Christ saves us from sin, not in sin. The idea that the believer is no different from the unbeliever, with the exception of faith in Christ, could not be more wrong. The idea that we can claim faith in Christ, while at the same time continuing in the sin business, as well, could not be more wrong. These Old Testament types completely repudiate such erroneous thinking.

The Way Out Of Sin

The Lord has a way that the believer can overcome the law of sin and death. It is by the “law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus” (Rom. 8:2). By the word law being used, this means that the Holy Spirit works within the confines of that formulated by the Godhead. What are those confines?

The phrase, “In Christ Jesus,” explains
what it is, which refers to what Christ did at the Cross, and exclusively as to what Christ did at the Cross.

The believer is to express faith in Christ and His finished work and is to do so at all times. The Holy Spirit, who works within the boundaries of the finished work of Christ, will then work mightily on behalf of the child of God who expresses such faith, giving such a believer total and complete victory over the law of sin and death. However, let it be understood that the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus is the only law in the world that is more powerful than the law of sin and death. If the law of sin and death is approached in any other manner, there will be nothing but failure and wreckage. The Cross is the answer for sin, and the Cross alone is the answer for sin!

The Fat

"And the LORD spoke unto Moses, saying, Speak unto the children of Israel, saying, You shall eat no manner of fat, of ox, or of sheep, or of goat. And the fat of the beast that dies of itself, and the fat of that which is torn with beasts, may be used in any other use: but you shall in no wise eat of it. For whosoever eats the fat of the beast, of which men offer an offering made by fire unto the Lord, even the soul that eats it shall be cut off from his people" (Lev. 7:22-25).

Fat is first mentioned in the Bible in Genesis 4:4, where it is said that Abel offered the fat of the firstlings of his flock to the Lord. Evidently, in giving instructions to the first family, the Lord had instructed them that the fat of sacrificed animals belonged exclusively to Him.

The fat of sacrificial animals, such as heifers, sheep, or goats, could not be eaten, irrespective of whether the animal was to be offered in sacrifice or not. However, the fat of other tame or wild animals that are clean, such as deer, etc., was lawful to be eaten.

Why this prohibition of fat and, as well, that it had to be burned on the altar as belonging to Jehovah, and must be burned the same day the sacrificial animal was slain?

The best animals were to be offered in sacrifice, as would be obvious, and the fat of the animal signified its health and prosperity. Consequently, it served as a type of God giving His very best as it regards the Lord Jesus Christ, from whom we receive all things from the Lord.

As well, the fat being burned on the altar symbolized the means by which all of these good things come to us, and that is through the Cross.

The Blood

"Moreover you shall eat no manner of blood, whether it be of fowl or of beast, in any of your dwellings. Whosoever soul it be that eats any manner of blood, even that soul shall be cut off from his people" (Lev. 7:26-27).

The prohibition against the eating of blood was brought over into the new covenant (Acts 15:19–20).

Concerning this, Williams said: "The reverence due to the person and to the work of the Messiah was enjoined by the two laws respecting the 'fat' and the 'blood.' They express excellency and efficiency. 'This is My Beloved Son' declared the one; and 'peace through the blood of His Cross,' proclaimed the other" (Col. 1:20).

The Law Of The Sacrifice Of The Peace Offerings

"And the LORD spoke unto Moses, saying, Speak unto the children of Israel, saying, He who offers the sacrifice of his peace offerings unto the LORD shall bring his oblation unto the LORD of the sacrifice of his peace offerings" (Lev. 7:28-29).

The following is the law of the sacrifice
of peace offerings:

The wave breast and the heave shoulder were to be eaten by the priests.

Before it was eaten, the breast was to be lifted up on high by the priest and then waved before the Lord. Before it was eaten, the shoulder was to be heaved, which means to be lifted up before God as expressive of its preciousness and acceptability to Him.

The breast that was waved was to be waved to the four corners of the earth as setting forth the sufficiency of this offering to give life to the world, namely Christ.

Further, Christ’s shoulder upholds, and His breast consoles all those who trust in Him.

The peace offerings, as stated, were actually what their name specified. The peace offering being offered to God signified that peace had been interrupted by sin and now had been restored. The offering of their sacrifice generally followed the sacrifices of the burnt offering, and even the sin offering and trespass offering.

Whole Burnt Offerings

In the burnt offering, sin was not directly involved. This sacrifice represented Christ giving His life and satisfying the demands of a thrice-holy God. Only a perfect sacrifice could serve, and only Christ, God’s only Son, could fit that particular bill. Of course, irrespective as to the reason Christ was on the Cross, the necessity of such was all because of sin. Until the law of Moses was given, all the offerings from the time of Abel were, in fact, whole burnt offerings.

In that peace was restored, the one who offered the sacrifice would be given a portion that he might have a feast with his family and friends, signifying the restoration. It was to be a festive occasion of joy! The priests were to receive a portion, as well, which we will address momentarily. In the realm of the fat, which was to be burned on the altar, as it always was to be burned, God, as well, would receive His portion. This signified that He had accepted the sacrifice.

The wave offering derived its name from the fact that whatever was offered was waved first of all toward the brazen altar, symbolizing the price that Christ would pay, and thanking Him for paying it. Then the priest would turn, continuing to lift the offering high, and wave the breast toward the four corners of the universe, in effect, saying that what Christ would do at the Cross would suffice for all.

The heave offering was a little bit different than the wave offering in that the heave offering was lifted up and down several times — up as a symbol of offering it to God who is above, and down again as a symbol of God coming to this earth and becoming man in the form of the Lord Jesus Christ.

The Four Regulations

The one who offered a peace offering was to give a portion of it to the priest. The priest was a type of Christ, and, as such, the part being given to Him showed that He alone could effect peace. As stated, the fat burned on the altar from the sacrifice signified the manner in which Christ has made it possible for believers to have peace. It is by faith and trust solely in the Cross of Christ.

The right shoulder was to be given to the priest offering the blood of atonement and who burned the fat. The shoulder and the breast signified the strength and the love of the Lord Jesus Christ given unto His people.

A Statute Forever

“He who offers the peace offering shall offer his peace offering with his burnt offering.

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He anointed them, by a statute forever throughout their generations. This is the law of the burnt offering, of the meat offering, and of the sin offering, and of the trespass offering, and of the consecrations, and of the sacrifice of the peace offerings; Which the Lord commanded Moses in Mount Sinai, in the day that He commanded the children of Israel to offer their oblations unto the Lord, in the wilderness of Sinai” (Lev. 7:35-38).

The portion mentioned here speaks of the wave offering and the heave offering, which belonged to the priests, which they could eat on the day of the offering of the sacrifice.

The statute that these two parts of the peace offering were to be given to Aaron and his descendants who may officiate at the sacrifice was binding upon the Israelites as long as the priesthood lasted.

The Greatest Legislation
The World Had Ever Known

All of this was given to Moses on Mount Sinai. It was the greatest legislation by far that the world had ever known. It was in totality instituted by God. Man had no part whatsoever in this which was given, all originating with the Lord.

However, all of this given was totally and completely formulated for man. The Lord, as should be obvious, didn't need such.

This tells us several things: It tells us of the awfulness of sin. I’m afraid that we do not quite realize the deadliness of this horror. We may chafe at the minute instructions given, meaning little to us presently; however, if we understand all of these laws and statutes as referring to the Lord Jesus Christ and what He would do at the Cross, then they take on a brand-new meaning.

In fact, it is impossible for one to properly understand the New Testament unless one properly understands the Old Testament. When we are made to realize that Jesus has paid it all, in other words, satisfied every single rule and regulation, and did so by the sacrificial offering of Himself on the Cross, then we are made to realize the greatness of Christ, at least as much as a poor human being can know.
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This verse from Genesis describes a 56,000 square-mile land mass—equal in size to the states of New York and Vermont combined,¹ and it’s just one of at least 170 other Scriptures² that reference the land that God gave to Abraham and his seed.

And yet, this promise, made some 4,000 years ago, has yet to be fulfilled. At times, during the reigns of David and Solomon, Israel came close to possessing most of this land, but she has never controlled it all. Why?

The answer goes all the way back to the fall of man, to the first time brother rose up against brother.

You know the story, how Cain, the first-born of Adam and Eve, brought his offering—a product of labor by his own hand; fruit of a cursed earth—and the Lord did not respect it. But when Abel brought the firstlings of his flock and the fat thereof—the blood sacrifice of an innocent victim, which God demanded—the Lord received Abel's offering.

So, Cain got angry and killed Abel. “And Cain talked with Abel his brother: and it came to pass, when they were in the field, that Cain rose up against Abel his brother, and slew him” (Gen. 4:8).

Note that before he killed his brother, the Bible says that Cain “talked with Abel.” The Scriptures do not record what Cain said, but the type of talk, the tone of it, may have very well included mimicking or ridicule for it to have escalated into the rage that caused Cain to rise up against Abel. In other words, the mocking turned murderous.

We see a similar situation happen later between Ishmael and Isaac: “And Sarah saw the son of Hagar the Egyptian, which she had born unto Abraham, mocking” (Gen. 21:9).

This is an ongoing problem that has literally never stopped. Ishmael—a work of the flesh—could not continue to coexist with Isaac—a work of the Spirit. Had Sarah not voiced her concern to Abraham, it is quite possible that Ishmael’s mocking would have resulted in the murder of their promised child, Isaac.

Ishmael was Abraham’s firstborn son, but as a work of flesh—as with Cain’s offering—God would not accept him. The Lord would keep His covenant through Isaac, and not only keep it, but expand it. After God changed his name to Abraham, the Lord told him: “And I will give unto thee, and to your seed after thee, the land wherein you are a stranger, all the land of Canaan, for an everlasting possession; and I will be their God” (Gen. 17:8).

So, what happened? Why doesn’t this land—promised by God as an everlasting possession—belong to its rightful heir? Like the promise, the answer is threefold:

1. The seed: Both the Jewish and Arab worlds point toward Abraham as their father, and rightly so. The difference is the seed. The Arabs, who are mostly Muslim, claim Ishmael is the true seed while the Jews claim Isaac to be the true seed, the latter of which corresponds with the Word of God.³

2. The land: The Jews, having forfeited their possession through rebellion against God, caused a rupture in the promise;
however, the covenant still stands, and it will come to fruition in the kingdom age.4

3. The relationship: The rejection of Jesus Christ by the Jews has greatly hindered their covenant relationship with God, which included possession of the land.5

And so, the generational battle for the promised land has continued between the descendants of Ishmael and the descendants of Isaac from then until now. Today, we know these two groups as the Arabs and the Israelis. And, like Cain and Abraham:

“This shall not be thine heir; but he that is born in thy bowels shall be thine heir. And He brought him forth abroad, and said, Look now toward heaven, and tell the stars, if thou be able to number them: and He said unto him, So shall thy seed be. And he believed in the Lord; and He counted it to him for righteousness. And He said unto him, I am the Lord that brought thee out of Ur of the Chaldees, to give thee this land to inherit it” (Gen. 15:3-7).

Years went by, and Abraham and Sarah decided to expedite God’s promise and made Hagar part of their plan. A child

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<td>“You can make peace with an enemy, if the enemy abandons the idea of destroying you. That is the critical test. Democracies fail to understand what I just said.”</td>
<td>“Peace for us means the destruction of Israel. We are preparing for an all-out war, a war which will last for generations. Since January 1965, when Fatah was born, we have become the most dangerous enemy that Israel has[,] ... We shall not rest until the day when we return to our home, and until we destroy Israel.”</td>
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<td>“For thousands of years, we Jews have been nourished and sustained by a yearning for our historic land. I, like many others, was raised with a deep conviction that the day would never come when we would have to relinquish parts of the land of our forefathers. I believed and to this day still believe in our people's eternal and historic right to this entire land.”</td>
<td>“The continuation of the Israeli aggressions against our Muslim and Christian holy sites is playing with fire. All of these Israeli policies, actions, and measures are the reasons for the failure of all international efforts, particularly that of the international Quartet for the past 13 years, just as Israel has sabotaged the efforts of successive American administrations over the decades.”</td>
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<td>“The truth is that if Israel were to put down its arms, there would be no more Israel. If the Arabs were to put down their arms, there would be no more war.”</td>
<td>“The people will throw flowers at the Israelis, not stones or bullets. When the Israeli army pulled out of our cities in 1994 following the Oslo treaty, our children handed the soldiers olive branches.”</td>
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was conceived, and Hagar delivered a son, but not an heir. The angel of the Lord described Ishmael’s future this way:

“And he will be a wild man; his hand will be against every man, and every man’s hand against him; and he shall dwell in the presence of all his brethren” (Gen. 16:12).

This verse, my husband says, describes the Arab people perfectly: “They cannot get along with anyone in the world, and they cannot even get along among themselves. At the present time, they have tried to unite regarding the destruction of Israel. However, despite the fact that they are about 25 times larger than Israel regarding population and land mass, they have failed to make any inroads in regards to this effort. The reason is mostly because they cannot agree among themselves. Ishmael opposed the Cross in his efforts to kill Isaac, and his descendants have continued in the same vain. So, he dwells in the presence of all his brethren (Israel) but does not subdue them and, in fact, never will subdue them.”

As we know, Israel today continues her struggle to survive against enemies on every front. Her greatest ally, the United States, is once again—under the friendship and leadership of President Donald Trump—supportive.

Like other presidents before him, President Trump truly believes that if Israel and the Palestinians can make peace, it will begin a process for peace in the Middle East. During his first foreign trip as president, he said, “Abbas assures me he is ready to work toward that goal in good faith, and Netanyahu has promised the same. I look forward to working with these leaders toward a lasting peace.”

President Trump’s desire to broker peace is admirable, and we applaud his efforts, but no matter how hard he tries, he won’t be able to do it. According to Scripture, the Antichrist will be the one to bring a so-called peace to Israel, but when that temporary peace evaporates, Israel will realize that she’s been deceived and will then turn, finally, to Jesus Christ—her Messiah.

In the meantime, Israel’s fight for her promised land and her battle to believe mirror the struggle of Christians today. Like Israel, when believers rebel and turn away from the Cross where Christ defeated Satan, we, too, forfeit what was promised to us: victory over the world, the flesh, and the Devil; healing, restoration, and so forth and so on.

Consider the notes next to the first part of Genesis 15:18 in The Expositor’s Study Bible:

“In the same day the LORD made a covenant with Abram, saying, Unto thy seed have I given this land (promises based on the precious blood of Christ are so absolutely sure that faith can claim them as already possessed).”

When God gave the land to Abraham, he already saw the Patriarch’s descendants in possession of it—all of it. In the same way, when God gave His only Son, He already saw believers—as innumerable as the stars—possessing the victory that Christ won for them at Calvary.
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The Sevenfold Protection of God

“I will love You, O Lord, my strength. The Lord is my rock, and my fortress, and my deliverer; my God, my strength, in whom I will trust: my buckler, and the horn of my salvation, and my high tower. I will call upon the Lord, who is worthy to be praised: so shall I be saved from my enemies.” —Psalm 18:1-3

Psalm 18 is a psalm of David. It is a psalm of thanksgiving regarding David’s deliverance by God from the hand of Saul. Every believer should live a life of thanksgiving regarding what the Lord has done for all who are believers. Though we all face difficulties, attacks of Satan, sickness, financial problems, and the common difficulties of life, still, the fact remains that we are saved and redeemed from the curse of sin; therefore, our lives should be lives of thanksgiving.

In verse 2, we find seven metaphors of titles, if you will, regarding seven attributes of God as it concerns God’s protection of His people. Seven is God’s number of completion and perfection. It speaks of the protection, deliverance, and victory provided by the Lord for every believer. Let’s now look at these seven metaphors.

Rock

The Lord is our rock, meaning that He is immovable. No matter what Satan tries to do to us, the Lord is our rock. The word rock is used 142 times in the Bible. The term or phrase, “the rock,” is more than just a word referring to a stone, pebble, or a rock found on the ground. It is used to describe Jesus Christ or God in general.

Some examples are as follows: Everlasting rock, God my rock, living stone, rock of Israel, rock of my refuge, rock of my salvation, rock of my strength, rock of offense, rock Who begot you, stone of Israel, and tested stone. As I stated earlier, this title speaks of God as an immovable force.

Fortress

The Lord is our “fortress,” meaning a place Satan cannot penetrate. In every situation of life, in every storm, and in every attack, the Lord is a fortress we can run to for safety.

Deliverer

The Lord is our “deliverer.” He is our deliverer due to what He did for us through the Cross. At Calvary, Jesus Christ overcame
the power of Satan. To one and all who will believe, His death brought us deliverance over the world, the flesh, and the Devil.

**Strength**

The Lord is our “strength.” There is no strength in self, religion, works, or anything that originates with man. Isaiah 41:10 says: “Fear thou not; for I am with thee: be not dismayed; for I am thy God: I will strengthen thee; yea, I will help thee; yea, I will uphold thee with the right hand of My righteousness.” In every trial of faith, never forget that the Lord is your strength. We are weak, but He is strong.

**Buckler**

The Lord is our “buckler.” This word refers to a shield. Every day, Satan shoots his arrows of doubt, fear, and worry, but we must not forget that the Lord is our shield. In Bible days, the shield was worn on the left arm with the top half ending immediately under the right eye; therefore, the one holding the shield could see to fight.

**Horn of my Salvation**

“Horn of my salvation” refers to dominion. Never forget that the Lord has complete dominion over Satan and all of his evil spirits.

**High Tower**

“High tower” refers to a place of refuge for those weary in mind and spirit.

The Holy Spirit used these metaphors or titles for a reason. Demon powers used Saul to try to destroy David; likewise, demon powers come strongly against every believer, especially those whom God has divinely called and anointed for His service. There is no way to defeat these enemies other than through the Lord. He then becomes all of these things we find listed in verse 2, if we will put our faith exclusively in the Lord and the victory He won at Calvary.

**I Will Call Upon the Name of the Lord**

This phrase actually says: “I will call upon the Lord, and do so continually.” He, and only He, will save me from my enemies. He is worthy to be praised, and praised continually.
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I would like to begin our study on discipleship from a very familiar passage of Scripture—Luke 9:23. In this one verse, we have what true discipleship is, the criteria for discipleship, and what it costs.

Jesus said, “And He said to them all, If any man will come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross daily, and follow Me.” This, as you can see, is plain and to the point, with no exceptions. I want to break this down by phrase so we can begin to understand just what the Master is saying.

Denying Yourself

The first thing that I would like to point your attention to is the phrase “deny yourself.” What does this really mean? What was Christ talking about when He said that in order to follow after Him, we must first deny ourselves?

Let’s take a look at the word deny. In the Greek, the word deny means “to disown, or to abstain.” Many Christians believe that this has to do with denying ourselves of certain pleasures or gratifications in life, and by doing such, we are denying ourselves, which then makes us holy. To further explain this, let me give a brief example of what most Christians believe when it comes to denying ourselves.

My associate pastor at Crossfire Youth Ministries is Keith Babin. Keith has been with me since the very beginning, and I am grateful to the Lord for all that Keith provides. In addition to my wife, Keith has been such a huge help with Crossfire, and also with Family Christian Academy.

Keith grew up in a Christian home and was saved at a young age, just as I was. One day, in the course of a conversation regarding this verse, he mentioned something that had taken place earlier in his life. He told me that he had come home from wherever he had been (this was nearly 25 years ago), and to prove to God how holy he was, he taped a piece of paper over the television screen in his home with the words, “Jesus Loves You,” written across that paper. He did this so that he wouldn’t be tempted to watch too much television. We had a good laugh at that, but later I began to look back on my life and recall that some of the things I had done were in a similar vein. I also had the belief that whatever I was doing, I was somehow denying myself and proving to the Lord that I meant business.

What is True Self-Denial?

Denying yourself does not mean asceticism, which is a long word for “living a life of strong self-denial of pleasurable things,” such as watching too much television, going to the movies, or anything of that nature. It doesn’t mean that at all.

What Christ is really saying here is that in order to follow after Him, we must come to the understanding that we cannot live this Christian life by the means of self-effort. Self-effort is a hindrance to the believer, as it makes the Christian believe he has to do something or accomplish certain tasks in order to earn something from God. The church is riddled with self-effort, especially when it comes to trying to overcome sin.

There are scores of different methods that churches and believers use to try and overcome sin in their lives. These methods are filled with self-effort. There is a thought, that in order to overcome sin, one has to fast for 21 days, and then one will be delivered. Another method, which I read in one student Bible, is that if you feel temptation coming along in your life, you must immediately drop down and do 25 push-ups, and that will keep the temptation at bay.

Others say that you need to write down the sins that are plaguing you and then confess them to the church. After that, you burn them, and that will cause your sin to be removed, and it will never bother you again.

All of these things are fueled by self-effort and will not, no matter how sincere one might be, bring about victory over sin. The only means by which a believer can live an overcoming, victorious life is by
The Cross of Christ

By placing your faith in Christ and Him crucified, you are denying yourself. You are beginning to see that you cannot provide victory over sin and that you cannot bring about holiness in your life. All of that is done through the finished work of Christ and the power of the Holy Spirit. It’s understanding that there is nothing in the believer that can bring about what is needed, and whatever is needed in the believer’s life has already been handled through what Christ accomplished at Calvary’s Cross.

The Holy Spirit desires to work in the life of the believer. He desires to bring about that which is needed in our lives, but He can only do so by our faith being anchored in Christ and the Cross. This is true self-denial. Any other way of trying to bring about holiness or victory over sin is self-dependence, which will always bring about trouble in the life of the believer.

The Cross is the key in all of this, and it must ever be the key. We are not speaking of a wooden beam, but rather what Christ accomplished at Calvary. Without the Cross of Christ, all we have to depend on is what we can do ourselves, but that will never bring about what is so desperately needed.

The Cross is the central factor in the Christian life. It is the way that God has chosen to bring the believer into this more abundant life and total victory over sin. By denying ourselves, we are saying that we, as Christians, can do nothing that can earn anything from God and that Christ has already provided what we need. It’s abandoning all hope of self-effort and totally depending upon Christ and what He accomplished at the Cross. To use an old expression that I never tire of hearing, saying, or writing, “It’s all in the Cross, that’s it, and that’s all.”

Taking Up Your Cross

Taking up your cross leads to the very next step in discipleship. Once again, many Christians have a misunderstanding of this phrase, thinking that it refers to suffering for the cause of Christ. Satan has done a very good job at convincing believers that by taking up our cross, it means that our lives will be one of constant sorrow, heartache, and suffering. Now, let’s be clear. The Christian life is not one of ease, and it’s not smooth sailing for the rest of our lives. Please be aware that you are going to have some difficult times in life, and that you are going to go through things that you may not quite understand. There will be some storms that will cause you to panic, to be frantic, and to lose heart. What Christ is talking about here has nothing to do with the Christian’s suffering, for if suffering was a requirement to be saved, then none of us would make it. Christ suffered at Calvary’s Cross so that we would not have to suffer, and we speak of the penalty of sin.

Taking up our cross does not refer to a curse, but rather one of the greatest blessings that we could ever have, for this is the key to all victory, blessing, and more abundant life. It speaks of placing our faith in Christ and the Cross. I know I am being somewhat repetitive, but I do so to make you see what is important.

By Christ shedding His life’s blood on Calvary’s Cross, He satisfied the demands of a thrice-holy God and atoned for all sin—past, present, and future—for all who will simply believe.

Sin was the legal right that Satan had to hold mankind in bondage and captivity, but with Christ atoning for all sin, the grip of sin was broken, and the power of sin was broken. Sin does not have a hold on my life anymore as long as I continue to exhibit faith in Christ, and this is something that we not only do once a week, but rather every single day. We are to renew our faith in Christ on a daily basis, for Satan’s biggest threat is always against our faith. It is Satan’s desire to move our faith away from the finished work of Christ and onto something else, whatever it might be. He will stop at nothing to turn us away from faith in Christ and the Cross, and to something else.

Fight the Good Fight

You may ask the question regarding why Satan fights the Cross so hard. The answer to that is simple: The moment you begin to place your faith in Christ and Him crucified, he knows that you have found the answer to victorious living, and he does not want you to ever experience what true victorious living really is. Therefore, he fights the Cross to keep people away from experiencing more abundant life.

Also, you as a believer need to understand that Satan does not really fight against you, but rather against your faith. That’s why Paul would plead with Timothy to “fight the good fight of (the) faith” (I Tim. 6:12). Satan fights your faith in order to severely weaken it or destroy it all together. This is why we are to fight the good fight of faith to ever keep our faith in Christ daily. The only way for us to get to God is through Christ (Jn. 14:6). The only way to Christ is through the Cross (Lk. 14:27). The only way to the Cross is through a denial of self (Lk. 9:23).
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The scripture is clear: “But God forbid that I should glory, save in the Cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom the world is crucified unto me, and I unto the world” (Gal. 6:14).

In the 21st century, we must, and I repeat, we must return to the Cross of Jesus Christ. That sacrificial work that took place so long ago is still working today.

What carnivals, rock climbing walls, and cotton candy cannot supply, the Cross of Jesus can! We’ve got it backward, folks. Give them Jesus and His Cross first, and then we can rejoice and experience all the fun stuff. We must learn to preach Jesus and Him crucified again because this leads us to our own crucifixion, and that is when we really start to live. You aren’t really alive until you’ve laid down your life as a sacrifice (Rom. 12:1-2).

A Personal Experience

My son lived a double life for a very long time. When he was around us, he was always respectful and attended church on a regular basis, but his heart was in the world. He dabbled in everything the world had to offer him. As a great football fan (the Giants), he would hold football parties on Sundays. Since that was the same time as church, he would often “go missing.” Of course, alcohol was a part of the gatherings as well. When his mother and I would visit his home, he always hid the alcohol, but we knew, so we prayed, “Lord bring him back to the Cross of Jesus.”

What we didn’t know was that our Lord was convicting him every night, as he would go to sleep. He wanted to get right with God but knew there were many things, and people, he would have to give up. He just didn’t have the ability to lay them all at the Cross.

One night, while putting his daughter to bed, he silently said to himself, “God, if you really still want me, please show me.” As his daughter lay sleeping beside him, Matt suddenly felt the Holy Spirit come upon him, drawing him to the Cross of Jesus. He began to feel a tremendous heat move through his body. It started at his feet and moved all the way up to his head. He then began to weep (he had never been one who cried). He really didn’t know what was happening until the still small voice spoke to him, “You are going to cry every tear that has been shed for you, especially that of your grandparents.” That went on for quite some time, and it was then that he decided to come all the way to Calvary.

He gave it all up. He met Jesus at the...
foot of the Cross and gave it all to Him—all his drinking, his partying, and his double life. Friends, that is what it takes and nothing less! Matt is now at every service with his family (every Sunday morning and evening, as well as on Wednesdays), at all of our prayer meetings, and he has begun a prayer meeting at the church on Mondays at 6 a.m. There is nothing that the power of the Cross of Jesus cannot do!

The Healing Power of Christ

One of our dear church members called us. Her husband, George, had a major stroke. The whole right side of his body was paralyzed. They cried out to the Lord on the way to the hospital. They were out of state, so none of our church family could get to them, but these folks were of strong faith. That night as George was praying, the wall of his hospital room began to waver. He thought at first some of the medicines he was taking were the cause of this, but within a few seconds, the wavering stopped, and a very clear vision of Jesus appeared. Jesus was on the Cross. George described in detail what he saw. He was looking at the Lord from behind the Cross. He described the horror of the Lord’s face, the wounds on His body, and how he was attached to the Cross. George tried to blink the vision away, but it remained.

Nothing was said, and George was still in a bit of shock. Then, without any fanfare, Jesus turned and looked at him and spoke these words, “I did this for you, George.” Immediately, the vision was gone, and George could not believe it had lasted two hours. He began to proclaim, “Jesus did the work on the Cross for my healing!”

Five minutes later, he was moving his right hand and then his right leg, so much so that he got out of the hospital bed and looked in the mirror. He watched as his drooping face returned to its normal position. Now it was the medical staff that was shocked. How had this happened? George told them in detail as he checked out of the hospital. Later, his doctor told George that he had had multiple strokes. George is still doing great several years later.

The Cross, the blessed Cross of Jesus! No wonder Paul proclaimed: “For I determined not to know anything among you, save Jesus Christ, and him crucified. And I was with you in weakness, and in fear, and in much trembling. And my speech and my preaching was not with enticing words of man’s wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power: That your faith should not stand in the wisdom of men, but in the power of God” (1 Cor. 2:2-5).

Let us follow the example and admonition of Paul. The Cross of Jesus Christ is still working today!
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“And he said unto me, My grace is sufficient for thee: for My strength is made perfect in weakness. Most gladly therefore will I rather glory in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me.” —II Corinthians 12:9

When I Am Weak, Then I Am Strong

The Purpose of the Thorn

Many of the concepts of true biblical strength are misunderstood by the church. We have perceived strength as something resident within the individual. A person’s personal resources are often touted as the key to victory—their strong mind, their determination, their unbending will.

However, the apostle Paul, who evidenced the above traits, discovered that what he had to have to live this Christian life successfully, and in power, was something that had to be received daily from outside of his person. Paul had to be taught dependence upon God and reject self-dependence, especially after he had been saved, filled with the Holy Spirit, and called as an apostle.

The purpose of Paul’s “thorn in the flesh” was God’s way of keeping the great apostle to the Gentile world humble and dependent upon resources outside of himself. According to Paul’s own words, the thorn was given to keep him from being lifted up in pride and self-trust after the Lord had deemed him fit to be the recipient of the knowledge of the new covenant. No man was initially granted this privilege other than Paul. This was a privilege not afforded to any other man in the history of mankind. Therefore, the danger of revelation was that pride (in regard to that revelation) would have lifted Paul (in his own mind) to a state above others, where he no longer needed the daily resources granted freely by grace to the believer. Grace supplies the daily power source needed by every Christian.

The Thorn Itself

The Bible is silent as to the exact identification of what Paul’s thorn in the flesh was; however, I feel that there is certain biblical evidence that may lend some clues regarding what this “messenger of Satan” might have been.

First of all, this thorn was not a besetting sin. Paul knew the route to victory. He understood that faith in the finished work of Christ was the only route to maintaining victory over the sin nature. He had discovered through failure that trust in self or trust in his own ability to keep the law produced only negative results. So, the thorn was not a besetting sin in his heart or life.

Secondly, I doubt that this was a
physical problem. I don’t believe this had to do with Paul’s health or lack of it. Some have suggested that Paul had problems with his eyesight or other such maladies. While there is some scriptural evidence that might suggest this, I don’t feel that this is what bothered Paul. Personally, it is my opinion that the work of the Judaizers is what Paul refers to here. Everywhere he went to establish a church, these men followed after him and uprooted, in many cases, the faith of new believers. It would have been this element that caused many of the uncomfortable circumstances that Paul describes in II Corinthians 11:23-27.

God Chose The Thorn

While the messenger of Satan came from a satanic source, there is no doubt that God allowed its existence. God had a purpose in allowing this thorn. In I Corinthians 10:13, we learn that God is in charge of every trial and temptation the believer faces. According to this passage, God allows something to come upon us so that we may learn to receive help from Him and travel through those circumstances in His power.

The verse 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.”

God’s Grace Is Sufficient

Paul was to learn, as all of us must learn, that God’s strength only comes to the humble-hearted man or woman of God. As we experience things that are beyond our natural capacity to withstand, God places a supernatural ability within us. This supernatural ability is the freely given aid that comes inwardly through the person of the Holy Spirit when one maintains faith in Christ’s finished work on Calvary. In describing one aspect of the grace of God, God’s grace is the operation of the Spirit strengthening me. As I depend upon Christ and look for the imparting strength granted by the Spirit, I exchange my weakness for His strength. Perhaps the very thing that you’ve asked God to remove is the very thing that God is using so that you might fully experience His strength.

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Believers give because they love God; as He loved us and made the greatest sacrifice for us by sending His Son into the world to give Himself as a sacrifice. God does not tax us but, instead, He desires us to give with a cheerful heart. Simply because we understand the purpose of giving, it does not always mean that we know all the methods of giving that are available to us. True believers understand tithing, and many also give offerings above their tithes.

Fortunately, there are many gifting strategies available in the U.S. that can accomplish several beneficial goals in giving—all made permissible by our income tax legislative rules. As we look at philanthropy, we will see that donors who use these various strategies fund universities, hospitals, and many social and community programs, including churches. Because giving is very personal, we do not suggest that you give to gain income tax benefits; however, if you are led by the Lord to give, incorporating a planned giving approach may result in income tax and/or estate tax savings.

Despite its perceived simplicity, gifting remains one of the most misunderstood financial concepts. Confusion in this area has led to underutilization of gifting strategies and potentially higher taxes owed by taxpayers each year. From misconceptions about potential taxes owed by the donor or recipient, taxpayers continue to get tripped up on how best to leverage this opportunity. Gaining a clear understanding of the mechanics of gifting may help reduce both future estate taxes and current income taxes for the donor while also benefiting the recipient.

When choosing a planned giving strategy, you have to look at contribution limits, duration, complexity, and donor control over the funds. These are just a few of the characteristics that you should consider before making a planned gift. We recommend that you also speak to your attorney and income tax advisor for advice on your specific circumstances.

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The gifting strategies mentioned in this article are very common and very simple to implement and use. Next month, we will explain some of the other permissible gifting strategies. These strategies are more complex and will require the guidance of your income tax advisor and attorney. My goal is to make you aware of them so that you can then explore which strategy, or combination of strategies, is most advantageous to you.
“More in Love with JESUS”

We recently wrapped up our annual International Kids’ Conference (IKC), and praise God for a powerful camp! We had a record number of participants from 13 states and Canada. The theme for this year’s International Kids’ Conference was “More in Love with Jesus.”

A Fun Way To Learn About Jesus

We had two services per day, which, of course, is the main reason we put on IKC, but we also had some fun activities in the afternoons. It has been said that the International Kids’ Conference is the fun way to learn about Jesus, and fun was definitely had by all.

A Lot of Work

There’s a lot of work involved in organizing the International Kids’ Conference. From months of preparation, to registration, to setting up equipment, to serving meals, to overseeing the children at the fun events, to praying with them at the altar$s— we saw our volunteers step up and selflessly give of themselves. If I were to name names, I may end up missing some, but I must highlight two individuals. First, I would like to mention Pastor Mike Hyde, the assistant pastor of Salvation Station, who missed many services during this year’s conference to make sure that things would always be set up and ready. The other person I want
to mention is the hardest working volunteer—my wife, Ana. She summed it all up when she said, “Seeing the kids at the altars makes all the work worthwhile.”

**There’s Nothing Like Seeing Children Worshipping!**

There is nothing like seeing children worship God. Children have a level of belief that is often envied by adults. No wonder Jesus said, “Verily I say unto you, Whosoever shall not receive the kingdom of God as a little child, he shall not enter therein” (Mark 10:15). Statistics prove that those from toddler age to preteen are the easiest to reach with the gospel of Jesus Christ.

**They Came Eager to Receive**

From the beginning of the first note, the children and adults in attendance seemed eager to receive. As the preaching ended, children literally ran to the altars and started worshipping God. This would become the norm for every service, whether it was Pastor Scott Corbin, Pastor Mario Nash, Pastor David Cavazos, Children Evangelist Angela Schneiderman, or me doing the teaching. Just as the pastors were eager to minister, the children came eager to receive.

**Salvation Station Worship Team**

What can I say about the music? The Salvation Station Worship Team, under the leadership of Pastor Jonathan Steele and Pastor Justin Reese, was heavily anointed and freely operated in the Spirit. Their rendition of “I’ve Got the Joy Down in My Heart” got the kids up on their feet, just as their choices of worship songs had them weeping before the Lord during the altar calls.

**Facebook**

This year, we placed our services on Facebook. Overall, 131,436 people had the opportunity to watch. Nearly 8,000 people viewed Friday night’s service, with Pastor Mario Nash. People from Ireland, Brazil, Honduras, Italy, Canada, and other places were our special guests for IKC.

**Filled With the Holy Spirit**

Friday night’s service, like all of the services, was heavily anointed; however, it was the altar call that made that night so special. Partway through the 90-minute altar call, children began to be filled with the Holy Spirit, with the initial evidence of speaking in other tongues as presented in the Bible. In turn, they started praying for other children. They even laid hands on adults who also received. Some parents sat patiently as the Holy Spirit did a work in their children while others joined in at the altar.

**Thank You**

Thank you to all who participated in this year’s International Kids’ Conference. Thank you to the children’s pastors from various churches who brought their kids to attend. Thank you to the employees of Jimmy Swaggart Ministries from the different areas who helped us put on the best IKC ever. Thank you to Brother and Sister Swaggart, Pastor Donnie and Sister Debbie, and Pastor Gabe and Sister Jill for your ongoing support of the children’s ministry here at Family Worship Center. Most of all, thank You, Lord, for helping the kids and adults fall more in love with Jesus.
“And lest I should be exalted above measure through the abundance of the revelations, there was given to me a thorn in the flesh, the messenger of Satan to buffet me, lest I should be exalted above measure. For this thing I besought the Lord thrice, that it might depart from me. And He said unto me, My grace is sufficient for you: for My strength is made perfect in weakness. Most gladly therefore will I rather glory in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me.” —II Corinthians 12:7-9

Why Has God Not Removed My Thorn?

There are three basic reasons God allows believers to have problems: to overcome sin, to grow spiritually, and to be used of God.

Whenever there is sin in a believer’s life, God convicts by the Holy Spirit (Jn. 16:8-11) to bring him to repentance and reconciliation. If that does not work, He allows ever increasing consequences. This is not to punish but to chasten, discipline, and correct. God told Israel if they did not drive out the inhabitants of the Promised Land, or if they worshipped their idols, they would become thorns and scourges in Israel’s side (Num. 33:55; Josh. 23:13; Judg. 2:3; Ezek. 28:24).

If an individual has allowed God to search his heart, and He cannot find any sin (Ps. 139:23-24), the question would then be, “What is God trying to teach him?” That does not mean that God is cruel or mean, but as the perfect parent, teacher, and shepherd, He loves each believer too much to leave him where he is. Every test or trial God allows will be used by Satan to attack the believer’s faith and tempt him to sin, but God provides it as an opportunity to respond in faith to Him so the “works of God should be made manifest” (Jn. 9:3) to him and to others. As this is accomplished, God is glorified (Eph. 1:6, 12, 14).

The reason that God did not remove Paul’s thorn in the flesh was so that he would not exalt himself above others or become proud. Since God had given him the revelations, he could have thought that he was better than others and did not have to continually depend on God. This would have been catastrophic to his ministry. So, even though Satan took these openings as a way to attack Paul’s faith and to tempt him to sin, they were a blessing from God so the power of Christ would rest on him (II Cor. 12:9) as he kept his faith in the Cross.

It was a constant reminder to Paul of who he was without Christ, and how to receive the benefits of the Cross. He had to continually realize that there was no good thing in his flesh (Rom. 7:18), he could do nothing (Jn. 5:19, 30; 6:53; 9:33; 15:5), he knew nothing (I Cor. 2:14; 4:4; 8:2; I Tim. 6:4), he was nothing (II Cor. 12:11; Gal. 6:3), and he had nothing (Mat. 14:16; Mk. 6:37; Lk. 9:13; Jn. 6:7). So, daily he had to keep his faith in the Cross, deny self, and take up his cross and follow Christ (Lk. 9:23).

Writers of the New Testament were inspired to write that as believers keep their faith in the Cross when going through the problems in their lives, they can be conformed to the image of Christ (Rom. 8:29), and the fruit of the Spirit (Gal. 5:22-23) will be produced in their lives.

Paul said: “We glory in tribulations also: knowing that tribulation works patience; And patience, experience; and experience, hope. And hope makes not ashamed; because the love of God is shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Spirit which is given unto us” (Rom. 5:2-5).

James said: “My brethren, count it all joy when you fall into divers temptations; Knowing this, that the trying of your faith works patience. But let patience have her perfect work, that you may be perfect and entire, wanting nothing” (James 1:2-4).

Peter said: “Giving all diligence, add to your faith virtue; and to virtue knowledge; And to knowledge temperance; and to temperance patience; and to patience godliness; And to godliness brotherly kindness; and to brotherly kindness charity” (II Pet. 1:5-7).

So, if a believer has earnestly prayed, and a problem has not been removed, it may be because more can be accomplished through it remaining than if it were removed.
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I could also name a number of other places in the U.S., with hundreds of thousands more homes. At any rate, we now go into approximately 90 million homes in the U.S. and nearly 300 million outside of the U.S. That’s not counting the satellites, inasmuch as we have no way to ascertain how many homes these go into. For instance, almost the entirety of Africa gets its television by the means of satellite.

The Message of the Cross

We believe this message, the Message of the Cross, is what the Holy Spirit is presently saying to the churches. If that is correct, and I believe with all of my heart that it is, then it means that this is the single most important message on the face of the earth. How I thank God on a daily basis that He has given us the privilege and the opportunity to be the bearer of this great word. It is the secret to all blessing, all prosperity, all freedom, and all victory in Christ. As the little song says, “Look What the Lord Has Done.”

You!

While the Lord has most definitely called us to do this, He has also called you to be a great part of this work. What a privilege and what an honor! That’s exactly what I want you to understand. Your calling, in a sense, is the same as mine, and all who are a part of this ministry. Never take it lightly! Never think lightly of it! Understand how important this is, as I believe many, if not most of you, do understand.

An Increase in the Moving and the Operation of the Holy Spirit

I’m noticing this in the services at Family Worship Center. Most of all, I’m noticing it in my programs, The Message of the Cross and A Study in the Word. That’s the key to it all: the moving and the operation of the Holy Spirit.

The Holy Spirit begins to move over our programs, and then goes out all over the world, with the Spirit of God then meeting needs, and doing it instantly.

I’m reminded of a quite prominent preacher who had given up on himself. I don’t know what the problem was, but he had gotten to the place where he had locked himself in a room and would not come out for days as the powers of darkness sought to destroy him. He turned on the telecast one particular day, and the Holy Spirit tailor-made that particular program just for him. Of course, it was for others as well, but it ministered to you!
him to such an extent that he opened that door and walked out a different man. We are getting more emails, more letters, and more phone calls today than ever before, telling us of victories that are being won as a result of the moving and the operation of the Holy Spirit. That’s the secret! That’s the key! That’s the way!

Please notice the following words very carefully: I believe what we’re seeing now is mercy drops falling around us, but as the song says, “Oh, for the showers we plead.” Those showers are on the way. I believe that with all of my heart. I should say that a downpour is on the way! I should say that an avalanche is on the way! It will be a moving of the Holy Spirit such as the world has never seen before.

I want to say that again: I believe that what we’re going to see is the greatest outpouring of the Holy Spirit the world or the church has ever known. To be sure, the Spirit of God is able.

Can I Ask the Following of You, Even as I Have Asked Many Times?

• Pray for us! Pray for us daily! Pray for us constantly! I know and realize that there are some of you who are intercessors, meaning that you are called of God for this very purpose. Understand the magnitude of what God has called us to do and pray accordingly.

• Tell others about the programming, which I am positive that many of you are already doing. Some will laugh at you, some will insult you, but some will hear and respond favorably. Their world will change. So, don’t take the insults (if they do perhaps come your way) as being detrimental. It’s just the powers of darkness, but the Lord is greater.

• How so grateful we are for the financial support that so many of you give to us, even on a monthly basis. To say that we appreciate this and to say that we are grateful presents itself as a gross understatement. And yet, there are untold thousands, even hundreds of thousands of you, who are blessed by this ministry, but you do not respond very often regarding finances.

Let me say the following: I believe that tithing comes under the Abrahamic covenant. That means that it is a part of one of the greatest moves of God ever—the Abrahamic covenant of justification by faith. If that is the case, and I know that it is, then your giving is very important. Even more important is where you give and how you give. Unfortunately, most of the money that purports to be given to the work of God is not to the work of God at all, but something else. You don’t have to guess what we believe. You don’t have to wonder what we’re preaching and teaching. All you have to do is look at the television set, and you know exactly what our doctrine is, meaning that you never have to wonder. I need your help. I cannot touch this world without that help. Please understand that.

One More Thing

Do you realize that we have just surpassed the 1.2 million mark respecting the placing of The Expositor’s Study Bible into the hands of third-world pastors all over this world? Once again, thank you for helping make this possible.

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I can see far down the mountain,
Where I’ve wandered many years,
Often hindered in my journey,
By the ghosts of doubts and fears;
Broken vows and disappointments
Thickly strewn along the way;
But the Spirit has led unerring
To the land I hold today.

In the Master’s service, yours,

Jimmy Swaggart
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Family Life Assembly of God
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10:30AM Sunday Morning Service (Adult)

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Jesus Worship Center
208 Cadillac St., Lafayette, LA 70501
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All Nations Ministries
1560 Hwy 69 South, Columbus, MS 39702-9231
662.244.8772
SAT 7PM | SUN 9AM

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OCTOBER 20-22, 2017 – BEAVER DAMS, NY
Pastor Patrick Neyman
Full Gospel Church
683 Backer Road, Beaver Dams, NY 14812
607.739.9579
FRI 7PM | SAT 7PM
SUN 11AM (Martha Borg ministering in song)

NOVEMBER 3-4, 2017 – SAN AUGUSTINE, TX
Pastor Jeff Headrick
Faith Alive Church
1013 FM 1277, San Augustine, TX 75972
936.465.2808
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205.704.9196
FRI 7PM | SAT 10AM (Sharon Ministering)

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Gospel of Life Family Church
Next to Northfield Urgent Care
2010 Jefferson Road, Suite A, Northfield, MN 55057
507.259.2644 | www.gospeloflifechurch.org
FRI 7PM | SAT 7PM | SUN 10:30AM

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331 Jake St., Eunice, LA
337.305.2118
FRI 7PM | SAT 10AM & 6PM

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Cross of Christ Family Worship Center
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210.683.8853
SUN 10:30AM (Dave Ministering) & 5:30PM (Charla Ministering)

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- This Could Be The Day (Kim Coleman)
- He’ll Make A Way (FWC Trio)
- Before the Throne Of God Above (Robin Hord)
- Don’t Lift The Anchor (Donna Carline)
- Precious Lord, Take My Hand (Bob Henderson)
- Oh Lord, You’re Beautiful (Grace Larson)

Mercy Rewrote My Life (15-629)
- Mercy Rewrote My Life (Jimmy Swaggart)
- Through The Blood Into Your Presence (Grace Larson)
- I Staggered Not (Joseph Larson)
- Is Anything Too Hard For God (Ladies Ensemble)
- I Just Get Off The Devil’s Train (Jimmy Swaggart)
- Hallelujah Meeting (FWC Trio)
- There’s A Lifting (Brian Haney)
- I Call Jesus My Rock (FWC Chor)

Streets Of Galilee (15-641)
- Streets Of Galilee (Run Mary Run) (Brian Haney)
- In Good Hands (FWC Singers)
- Just A Closer Walk (Jimmy Swaggart)
- It Is No Secret (Joseph Larson)
- I Lost It All To Find Everything (Martha Borg)

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