

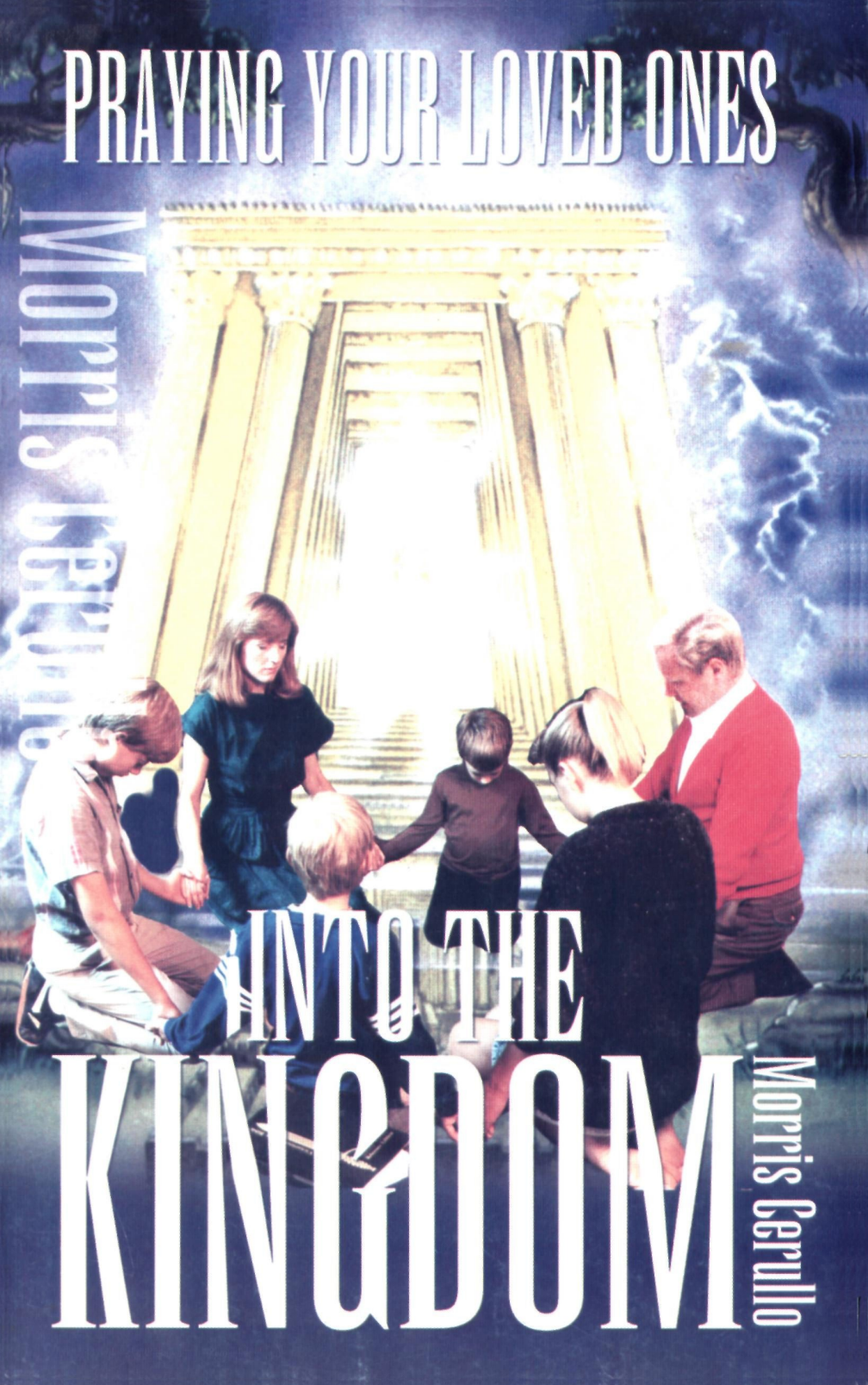
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CHAPTER ONE: GREAT LOVE BRINGS GREAT SALVATION

In all my years of being a Christian—from the time I was a teenager until now—I have NEVER met a Christian who does not long for the salvation of a lost loved one who has either never met Jesus or has turned away from Him having once met Him.

This longing, as far as I know, is UNIVERSAL in the Church. The reason is simple: When you have good news, you want to share it with everyone—and Christians are no different. We have the BEST news ever presented on the planet, and it pains us to see our loved ones living under the bondage that ignorance of God's Good News brings.

The first thing you must understand is you are NOT ALONE. If you've met a Christian, you've met someone who is longing for the salvation of a lost loved one.

Don't fear, friend. God has plans for your lost loved one, and He has plans for you. Everyone has a destiny.

Understand that the first step to effectively bringing your family into the Kingdom of God is one you have already taken! By virtue of reading this book, you are exhibiting the first quality that is necessary in effective intercession for lost loved ones—love.

Since you are reading this book, you must really love the person you want to see saved. That's a good thing.

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You see, the Bible is full of examples of dysfunctional families—families that bicker and fight, war between each other, let pride-filled arguments divide them and who seek supremacy over each other.

But there are also some incredible examples of God's kind of family in action in the Bible.

And, as I said before, the first step is simple: it's love.

Love can overcome any enemy it encounters.

Love can tear down mountains, build up plains, heal the sick, restore sight to the blind and raise the dead...

Love forgets petty arguments, past wrongdoings and other "injustices" that generally tend to tear families and friendships apart for the express purpose of thwarting God's purposes of salvation.

But it doesn't have to be that way, and it certainly hasn't always been that way.

Think about the story of Joseph for a second.

Joseph was the favorite son of Jacob—the man who later was named Israel, from whom the entire nation of Hebrews descended.

Jacob showed his abiding love for his son at every opportunity, shielding him from the worst labor and giving him extravagant gifts, like a long coat that was the envy of all Joseph's brothers.

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After all, Joseph was one of only two sons from Jacob's most favorite wife—all the other sons were from Leah or servant girls.

His brother's jealousies were obvious.

But Joseph was not fazed; he didn't try to conceal his love for his brothers, and when he had a dream about them in the future, he thought nothing about sharing that dream, even though in the dream, Joseph ended up ruling over his brothers as they bowed down to him.

But his great love was tested when his jealous brothers seized him, ripped off his treasured coat and sold him into slavery (after they had been convinced not to kill him).

Now, some of us might get bitter after that kind of thing.

But Joseph was a different kind of person.

We all know the story: Joseph was highly favored in Egypt, but eventually thrown into prison for a crime he didn't commit. Because he accurately told Pharaoh his dream, Joseph was promoted to Prime Minister of Egypt, in charge of everything that went on.

When a famine struck in Canaan, Joseph was right there because of His God-given foresight to feed the nations of the world with grain he had stored up for the famine that came.

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In the midst of that period, Joseph's family came to him, begging him to sell them food so they and their father wouldn't die.

Joseph almost immediately recognized his family, and began to deal with them according to the salvation he had been presented; he gave them enough food to see them through the immediate period of drought, but he also took steps to ensure they would be saved completely from the dearth that doubtlessly was killing many people.

"Hereby ye shall be proved: By the life of Pharaoh ye shall not go forth hence, except your youngest brother come hither. Send one of you, and let him fetch your brother, and ye shall be kept in prison..."

Genesis 42:15-16

Now, on the surface, this might not seem to be love at all. But Joseph knew what he was doing. He was planting in his brothers the idea that they had to return to Egypt—and specifically to him. He was doing that because he knew how long the drought would be, and he knew that his father would spend all of his fortune on food and when the drought was over, he would be ruined.

But if Joseph's father came to Egypt under the protection of Joseph, the Prime Minister of Egypt, he would be saved.

Remember, partner, all truth is parallel. Though we are talking about a physical salvation here, don't forget that

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God often represents His spiritual truths in physical manifestations.

Joseph later released his brothers to go back and fetch their father, knowing that Jacob would come to Egypt and be saved from the drought along with his children.

Though his brothers had treated him unrighteously, Joseph responded with a righteous attitude toward them: he responded with the love that brings salvation. And though he had the power to bring his vengeance on them because of the way they had earlier treated him, instead, he reached out to them and brought salvation to those who had so hated him before that they had desired him dead.

But Joseph is not the only example of this incredible, salvation kind of love.

He had a previous example that came from one of his forefathers.

Abraham had been promised many things by God, one of which was that through his line would come a Redeemer to save mankind from sin.

"And in thy seed shall all the nations of the earth be blessed..."

Genesis 22:18

Now, when God uses the word "nations," He is saying the Hebrew word "goy-eem," which means Gentiles. He is speaking about how the Gentiles will be blessed through

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the Seed of Abraham—the Son of the living God, Jesus Christ!

Abraham received that promise, and the New Testament says he at least had a rudimentary understanding of the deep implications of it:

"Now to Abraham and his seed were the promises made. He saith not, And to seeds, as of many; but as of one, And to thy seed, which is Christ."

Galatians 3:16

So with that promise in hand, it must have come as quite a surprise when God told Abraham that He expected him to offer up his son, Isaac, as a sacrifice to God. After all, it was through Isaac that the Messiah was to come. It was through Isaac that Abraham would receive the promise of the inheritance he had been promised so many years before.

But Hebrews says that, because Abraham had been as good as dead when Isaac was conceived, he understood that God was able to raise the dead.

"By faith Abraham, when he was tried, offered up Isaac: and he that had received the promises offered up his only begotten son, Of whom it was said, That in Isaac shall thy seed be called: Accounting that God was able to raise him up, even from the dead; from whence also he received him in a figure. "

Hebrews 11:17-19

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Abraham, understanding that Isaac was the heir of the same promise Abraham himself was an heir of, and not wanting to shortchange that son by putting the promise ahead of the One who had promised, moved forward for his son's salvation by obeying the Lord, even when it seemed that his obedience to the Lord might destroy the very promise God had given him.

But Abraham was not worried—he understood that God is in control of every matter and if He was able to give Abraham and Sarah a child in their old age, He was able to do anything.

"And Isaac spake unto Abraham his father, and said, My father: and he said, Here am I, my son. And he said, Behold the fire and the wood: but where is the lamb for a burnt offering? And Abraham said, My son, God will provide himself a lamb for a burnt offering: so they went both of them together."

Genesis 22:7-8

So Abraham went to lengths that not many other people would have gone to because he looked forward to the salvation of his son—Jesus—and determined that he had to obey God even when it was difficult to bring his son to salvation.

CHAPTER TWO: SOMETIMES YOU HAVE TO LET THEM GO

Last chapter, we ended up talking about Abraham and his great love for Isaac, even to the point of offering the boy up for the hope of the salvation the boy would receive through the Redeemer who was to come, Jesus.

Abraham deeply loved Isaac, and was by all accounts an exemplary father to him, setting the example for generations to come—even to this day.

But Isaac was not Abraham's only son.

His oldest son, Ishmael, can teach us a tremendous lesson about salvation.

Though Ishmael doesn't play nearly the huge role in Bible history as Isaac does, and though Ishmael's descendants did not produce the chosen nation of God, his life is a study in salvation and a parent doing one of the hardest things a parent will ever have to do for the good of the child.

"Wherefore she said unto Abraham, Cast out this bondwoman and her son: for the son of this bondwoman shall not be heir with my son, even with Isaac. And the thing was very grievous in Abraham's sight because of his son."

Genesis 21:10-11

Sarah didn't love Ishmael as Abraham did. In her eyes,

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the son of the slave was a rival of her own son. Though her son would inherit everything, as God had promised, she could not countenance the rivalry, and she demanded that Ishmael be sent far away to ensure her son would not be rivaled by anyone.

But Abraham didn't see it as Sarah did. His love for Ishmael was deep and abiding, and even though he understood that Ishmael would not inherit as Isaac would, he still loved the boy and didn't want to see him go.

God, knowing the love that was in Abraham's heart, intervened:

"And God said unto Abraham, Let it not be grievous in thy sight because of the lad, and because of thy bondwoman; in all that Sarah hath said unto thee, hearken unto her voice; for in Isaac shall thy seed be called. And also of the son of the bondwoman will I make a nation, because he is thy seed. And Abraham rose up early in the morning, and took bread, and a bottle of water, and gave it unto Hagar, putting it on her shoulder, and the child, and sent her away: and she departed, and wandered in the wilderness of Beersheba."

Genesis 21:12-14

Abraham had to do the hardest thing that any parent will ever have to do.

He had to trust the Lord so much that he could take his hands completely off of the situation and allow his son to

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leave because the Lord had commanded it.

God made specific promises concerning Ishmael; He would make the boy into a nation because of his father, and he would bless the boy, but Ishmael would not inherit as Isaac would.

Abraham, who displayed such tremendous faith throughout his life, again had to trust God and let go of the boy's life, trusting him completely to the care of the living God.

If you're a parent, you must know the difficulty Abraham had in following God in this particular instance.

Many of us can believe God for a tremendous miracle of healing with very little problem...

It's not that difficult to believe God to deliver someone of a demon when the Holy Spirit anoints us to pray for them...

It's not even hard to understand how Jesus told us we would do greater works than He did if we would only believe.

But when it comes to our children, the entire situation changes. It's very difficult to lay down our own control and allow God to do what He has promised He would do.

Think about it, partner. How easy would it have been for you to do what Abraham did, saying, "Yes, Lord." and

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letting your beloved son go and wander the desert, knowing that without the intervention of God, he would die?

But Abraham had to do just that because the same God who had promised all the tremendous promises that were the foundation for Abraham's life had also commanded him to do this.

Had Abraham disobeyed, there's no telling how the story unfolded in the pages of the Bible would have been different. There's no telling how his legacy would have come to pass. But the fact is, he did obey God and in so doing, he gave us a tremendous example to follow—even if following it may be the most difficult thing we ever do.

When you have a child who is caught up in the world, who is completely involved in sin, drugs, alcohol and any number of other problems, it is extremely difficult to just let go; give them completely over to God and trust Him to bring them to salvation.

Sometimes, it's even difficult to do that when the child is not even wrapped up in sin.

Think of the tremendous sacrifice of Moses' mother.

Pharaoh had ordered that all the male children of the Hebrews be thrown into the Nile, with the purpose of killing them.

Moses' mother, obeying the letter of Pharaoh's command, built a little boat and put her boy into the river,

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ensuring his survival and her obedience to the command of the king.

But there's often something we overlook when we recount the story of Moses' birth and salvation from the death decree: Moses' mother had to LET HIM GO.

She had no guarantee—even though she sent her daughter along to help the task—that her son would be found by anyone who could care for him. She had no guarantee that her son would not be found by someone who would immediately turn him in.

She had no guarantee that she would be allowed to nurse her son...

She had no guarantee that she would even ever see her son again.

But in faith, she took her hands off the situation and let God have control. And sometimes, when we're praying for the salvation of our loved ones, that's exactly what we need to do—take our hands off and let go of our loved ones, praying for their salvation and letting God answer those prayers.

CHAPTER THREE:

LOVE THEM AS JESUS LOVES THEM

When our children are young, it is our job to raise them in the light of the Word of the Lord, instructing them in how they should worship Him:

"Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it."

Proverbs 22:6

It is our responsibility to give our children the biggest head start in Christianity that we can. We are to teach them the principles of the Gospel, give them the understanding of why we are Christians and what Jesus has done for us.

Indeed, Jesus Himself said that children were able and desired to understand the Gospel:

"Then were there brought unto him little children, that he should put his hands on them, and pray: and the disciples rebuked them. But Jesus said, Suffer little children, and forbid them not, to come unto me: for of such is the kingdom of heaven."

Matthew 19:13-14

In other words, children are completely capable of understanding God and coming to Jesus. As such, we should do everything we can while children are under our charge to introduce them to Jesus and bring them into the Kingdom of God.

But many times, circumstances intervene to prevent that from happening.

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Most Christian parents understand their responsibility to raise their children in the light of the Lord.

Most Christian parents serve as good examples to their children, and when their children grow older, they end up serving the Lord.

But sometimes, things just don't work out that way.

Many people become Christians after their children have already experienced their formative years...

Their children have already formed their opinions of life, living and God long before their parents find Jesus. The children already have made up their mind, and their parents' conversions don't have the weight of influence to change their minds about the paths they have chosen.

Can I be frank in this book? I know you want me to tell it like it is, so I will continue.

Tragically, some Christian families produce children who do not serve God because the children see parents who appear one way to the Church world and another way completely to the family in the privacy of their home.

Hypocrisy is rampant in the Church, and hypocrisy is never anywhere more evident than in the home.

Your children see what you do and hear what you say, though your pastor, your minister and your Sunday School class may never suspect what's going on.

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That hypocrisy often serves to turn children off to the Gospel and is responsible for what the world calls "PKs"—Preacher's Kids. There is even a popular worldly proverb that the worst children in any group are those who come from preachers' families.

That's often because the preacher's child sees the preacher as the Congregation doesn't see him—the child sees where the preacher is saying one thing and living a different thing.

But sometimes a Christian couple can do ALL THE RIGHT THINGS and still produce a child who simply doesn't want to serve God, who turns his or her back on God and will not come to salvation no matter how much the parents plead and beg.

Partner, there are many reasons why children turn away from Jesus.

Christianity is not something you can inherit—it is something you must choose.

Everyone has to build their own relationship with Jesus, and that means that, no matter what your relationship with Jesus is, your children will one day have to talk to Him for themselves and build a one-on-one relationship with Him based on their own faith and obedience.

One of the most tragic situations in the modern world happens when the child of a Christian family turns

flamboyantly away from God—and the family rejects him or her because of it.

Partner, read that paragraph again; it's extremely important.

Today, one of the most pervasive—and popular—perversions of the nature God has given us is the onslaught of homosexuality that is assaulting us from every angle, every possible media source, every possible region of the world and every possible opportunity it can find to insert itself into our consciousnesses.

Homosexuality is on a rampage, and it is drawing more and more young people into its grasp day by day. Some are drawn in because it is a fad, and some are drawn in because they have deep and abiding spiritual problems, and homosexuality feeds on those problems and brings them to manifestation in the most in-your-face way.

Either way, it's hard to find someone whose life has not been touched by homosexuality. Many Christians have homosexual children, relatives or acquaintances. But, surprisingly, nobody is addressing the issue other than to condemn homosexuality (as the Bible does) without addressing the MOST IMPORTANT ISSUE: HOW DO WE GET THESE PEOPLE SAVED?

It's even more difficult for families whose loved ones are homosexual, because the Christian can see the spiritual damage this abomination is wreaking in their lives.

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But, partner, we have been focusing on the wrong thing. The Church has been focusing on getting homosexuals to stop being homosexual instead of dealing with the root issue at hand.

Remember, God revealed to me decades ago that the key to spiritual warfare was identifying the root causes of problems and then dealing with those root causes.

The root cause of homosexuality—and of every other sin for that matter—is that the person consumed by those sins doesn't know Jesus.

We can cause the homosexual to turn straight by applying enough pressure. We can cause the alcoholic to quit drinking, the thief to quit stealing, the liar to start telling the truth and the pornographer to stop looking at his filth. But if we don't introduce them to Jesus, we have accomplished nothing but making the sinner a more moral sinner.

We are focusing on the actions instead of focusing on the root problem, which is, they don't know Jesus.

When we focus on the actions of the sinner, we commit one of the most heinous atrocities being committed in the name of Christ: we shun the sinner and send them the message that, since they're not good enough for us, we don't love them.

Partner, if you only get one concept, get that one.

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Understand that the way we treat those who do not behave the way we would like them to behave is a clear indication of whether we serve God or not.

"For if ye love them which love you, what reward have ye? do not even the publicans the same? And if ye salute your brethren only, what do ye more than others? do not even the publicans so?"

Matthew 5:46-47

When God calls us to love people unconditionally, He is only asking us to do what He did first.

We see the sin of the sinner and understand what damage it will do in his life. We pour ourselves out to try and win them to Christ, and yet they reject our love and turn away, instead following the lusts of their own flesh...

And when they do, it frustrates us.

We find ourselves picking on them, wanting them to straighten up and behave.

But God was completely different when He was wooing us by the power of the Holy Spirit.

He continually sought to bring us to Him—He wanted us to know Him, to learn of Him, to be washed by the blood of Jesus.

We want our loved ones to clean themselves up and make something out of themselves. But God just wanted

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us.

"For scarcely for a righteous man will one die: yet peradventure for a good man some would even dare to die. But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us."

Romans 5:7-8

Jesus went so far as to lay down His life for us, even though we had never formed a relationship with Him—and He had no guarantee that we ever would.

Read that again.

One of the most important keys to bringing your loved ones into the Kingdom is contained in that spiritual truth.

God wants us to follow His example. But His example is certainly not the way we would do things!

The way we would do things is, to reach out to everyone until they've demonstrated to us that they were going to persecute us or turn their backs on the hope that we were offering them. But God, even when we turned our backs and disparaged Him, continued to reach out and continued to reach out, going so far as to send prophet after prophet, speaker after speaker, book after book and finally His own Son to die, even though we had already rejected him time and again.

When your homosexual loved one doesn't turn to Christ and repent...

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When your alcoholic beloved doesn't give up the bottle...

When your atheist children don't repent and turn to Christ as you would like them to...

When your drug addict child or children steal your jewelry and spend it on another fix...

When they lie to you...

When they cheat you...

When they slander you...

THAT IS THE TIME TO POUR OUT YOUR LOVE ON THEM! JUST AS YOUR HEAVENLY FATHER DID FOR YOU!

Just when you want to give up and turn away from them...

Just when you want to pick apart their lives and chide on them for their sin...

Just when you think there's NO HOPE...

That's the time to open up your heart and love on them, cherish them and give them your very best!

The modern Church has no problem going out of its way to help Christians! If a Christian needs his rent paid, a line will form at the front of the Church to donate money

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for the fund.

But if an unrepentant drug addict needs his rent paid, Christians are nowhere to be found.

Jesus said, if you love those who will love you in return, you have no reward of the Father!

Jesus Himself demonstrated this kind of love in such a tremendous way that we often tend to overlook it for the other lessons this passage of Scripture contains:

When the woman was caught in the very act of adultery, the hypocrites wanted to have her killed, as the Law of Moses demanded.

Jesus, however, Who had no guarantee that this woman would repent, said this:

"...He that is without sin among you, let him first cast a stone at her."

John 8:7

Now, Jesus to our knowledge, did not have any conversation with this woman beforehand, and He had no guarantee at all that she would repent. Indeed, though we assume she obeyed Him when He later told her to *"sin no more,"* the Bible does not tell us at all whether she actually did obey Him.

In other words, He forgave this woman before she ever accepted Him, and He gave her that gift not even knowing

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if she indeed would accept Him as her Lord.

When your loved one is caught up in the sins of the world, whether it be adultery, homosexuality, pathological lying, alcoholism, drugs, murder—the specific sin doesn't matter—your love for them will be shown in how you treat them while they are rejecting your love!

If you love them as Christ loved you first, you have no guarantee that they'll respond—but if they respond, it will be because you have demonstrated Christ-like love to them!

CHAPTER FOUR:

INTERCEDE

Christians love to pray. Christians pray about everything. And that's a good thing. After all, Paul said,

"Pray without ceasing."

I Thessalonians 5:17

But with all this praying going on, the shocking fact is many Christians don't know how to pray.

Many who are won to Christ learn everything about Christianity from watching other Christians and mimicking what they see going on in Church.

In most instances, that's a good thing. God has given us Christians as examples and friends to help us grow closer to Him.

Paul put it this way:

"For the body is not one member, but many. If the foot shall say, Because I am not the hand, I am not of the body; is it therefore not of the body? And if the ear shall say, Because I am not the eye, I am not of the body; is it therefore not of the body? If the whole body were an eye, where were the hearing? If the whole were hearing, where were the smelling? But now hath God set the members every one of them in the body, as it hath pleased him. And if they were all one member, where were the body? But now are they many members, yet but one body. And the eye cannot say unto the hand, I have no need of thee: nor again the head to the feet, I have no need of you. Nay,

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much more those members of the body, which seem to be more feeble, are necessary: And those members of the body, which we think to be less honourable, upon these we bestow more abundant honour; and our uncomely parts have more abundant comeliness. For our comely parts have no need: but God hath tempered the body together, having given more abundant honour to that part which lacked: That there should be no schism in the body; but that the members should have the same care one for another."

I Corinthians 12:14-25

The Body of Christ is designed to train up its respective members to serve Him more effectively, and each part of that Body is necessary.

But many Christians have learned to pray and intercede incorrectly.

The definition of prayer is simple, and one I want you to take with you wherever you go: Prayer is simply talking with God.

When you pray, God is not looking for a specific set of words...

He is not looking for you to say all the religious mumbo-jumbo you've learned throughout the years, saying things with just the right vehemence, with just the right inflection...

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God is not listening for specific keywords, acting only when He hears them...

God only wants one thing from you: He wants a conversation!

Jesus put it this way:

"And when thou prayest, thou shalt not be as the hypocrites are: for they love to pray standing in the synagogues and in the corners of the streets, that they may be seen of men. Verily I say unto you, They have their reward. But thou, when thou prayest, enter into thy closet, and when thou hast shut thy door, pray to thy Father which is in secret; and thy Father which seeth in secret shall reward thee openly. But when ye pray, use not vain repetitions, as the heathen do: for they think that they shall be heard for their much speaking. Be not ye therefore like unto them: for your Father knoweth what things ye have need of, before ye ask him."

Matthew 6:5-8

I just want to talk to you as God's man for a second, partner: Many Christians today do exactly what Jesus told them not to do.

They pray extremely long prayers with much repetition, pomp and circumstance because that's what they've seen other Christians do...

But true intercession, true prayer is nothing like what

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you've seen so many other Christians do...

God doesn't wait to start listening until you meet a minimum requirement of words spoken.

God only wants to have a conversation with you; that means simply speaking to Him out of the depths of your heart, communicating your heart's desire to Him without worrying about all the religious language you've learned over the years.

He simply wants you to go to Him as you would go to your best friend, asking them to go to lunch with you.

Do you have a lost loved one? Don't go to God with religious mumbo-jumbo, repeating the same, old prayers you've heard everyone else pray. Instead, simply open up your heart to God and let Him know exactly what's on your heart.

THAT is intercession.

Interceding is simply going to one party on behalf of another party and asking the first party to help the second party.

Intercession is not a degree of prayer—it's an act of making a request on behalf of someone else.

So, as you intercede for your loved ones, a minute of heartfelt conversation is worth hours of mindless babble, as far as God is concerned.

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Remember, earlier in this book, I asked you if I could speak frankly. I don't want you getting offended by my frank speaking. But God has called me to speak His word, and I would be remiss if I did anything less than giving you the whole truth of His word!

When you intercede for your loved ones, simply open up your heart before God and honestly tell Him your heartfelt desires for them!

Partner, when you open up before God, you will find results! When you simply speak your heart, you will find God listens, not because you've said the right words, but because you've had the right heart!

CHAPTER FIVE:

HOLD FAST TO THE PROMISE

An old platitude goes along the lines of, "if you ask for patience, watch out—you'll get it."

The gist of the statement is that if you ask God for patience, you'll receive increased trials in your life as a "reward."

As is the case with most simplistic statements, it's not always true. In fact, Jesus said this:

"Or what man is there of you, whom if his son ask bread, will he give him a stone? Or if he ask a fish, will he give him a serpent? If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children, how much more shall your Father which is in heaven give good things to them that ask him?"

Matthew 7:9-11

When you ask God for something, He is faithful to give it.

Think of the fathers of the faith. The book of Hebrews lists a long line of them that we commonly refer to as 'the hall of faith.'

The great heroes of the faith had one thing in common above all the other common righteous traits they shared.

Their common virtue was that they had received a tremendous promise from God, and though they had not received the fulfillment of it in their lifetimes, they held

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fast, believing God that the promise was coming to fruition.

Abraham held fast to the promise that his Seed would be a blessing to all the nations of the world...

Job held fast to the promise that a Redeemer was coming who would justify Him...

Jacob held fast to the promise that the God who had called Him would bring about the promise of Abraham on his life...

The prophets lived, prophesied and died believing that the promise for which they were laboring and being persecuted would come to pass...

Yet, all these heroes shared the common fact that the promise did not come in their lifetimes. They lived and died believing in the promise so strongly that they were willing to sacrifice themselves for it.

They gave themselves willingly to die for it, and yet they had never received it in their lifetimes.

Their example is useful to us when we are praying for our lost loved ones.

It's tempting to get frustrated and give up hope, but as we pray for them, we must understand that God's time is not our time, His ways are not our ways—His ways are higher than our ways, beyond our understanding!

Though you have prayed for your loved ones' salvation,

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interceded for them, loved them, called to them, ministered to them and laid yourself out for them, they have not responded, they have not come to Jesus.

BUT DON'T GIVE UP HOPE!

Though you don't see the manifestation of your efforts, do not give up on your efforts! Hold fast to Jesus and continue praying for your loved ones!

Partner, as you seek God for them, keep the promise close in your heart that God hears your prayers and just as the woman who continually sought relief from the worldly judge, God answers the prayers of His children!

Don't give up hope!

In the back of this book, I have included a prayer form where you can fill in the names of your lost loved ones. Fill out that form and send it to me so I and my prayer team can agree together with you for the salvation of your loved ones.

We will personally lay hands on your request and seek the Father together for their salvation.

Remember, what Jesus said is true, and we are believing that as we pray, this Scripture will be proven true again:

"Again I say unto you, That if two of you shall agree on earth as touching any thing that they shall ask, it shall be

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done for them of my Father which is in heaven."

Matthew 18:19

Dr Cerullo, please pray for salvation and deliverance for the following loved ones.

I agree with you that God will bring them into the Kingdom of Heaven! _____

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

TELEPHONE: _____

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