

## Controversial Remark on Christ: **Complaint Filed Against Ilayaraja**

Christians in Trichy, Tamil Nadu, have filed a complaint against music maestro Ilayaraja for his recent comment questioning the credibility of the resurrection of Jesus Christ.

In his talk in the the United States that took place a few days ago, Ilayaraja had made the controversial comment, expressing doubts about the resurrection of Jesus. He reportedly claimed

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## Mel Gibson's Passion of the Christ sequel is to become 'the biggest film of all time'



"It will shock the audience", Jim Caviezel has claimed while talking about Mel Gibson's sequel to The Passion of the Christ. The sequel, The Passion of the Christ: Resurrection, has been in the works for several years. Gibson first revealed the title of the film in 2016, explaining at the time that it will not be a straightforward "chronological telling" of Christ's resurrection.

Caviezel, who played the lead role of Jesus Christ in the 2004 film, confirmed in an interview with an online news agency that he is preparing himself to reprise the role in Gibson's long-awaited sequel. The 49-year-old actor was tight-lipped about details for the project. "There are things that I cannot say that will shock the audience," he said. "I won't

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## Pakistani Court Acquits Twenty People Who Burned Christian Couple Alive

A Pakistani court has acquitted 20 people who were charged with torturing and burning alive a young Pakistani Christian couple in a brick kiln after being falsely accused of blasphemy. Shahzad Masih, 26, and his 24-year-old, five months-pregnant wife, Shama Bibi, who were from the village of KotRadhakishan in the Punjab province, were accused by local Muslims of tearing pages out of a Quran, following which hundreds of enraged Muslims gathered and burned them alive on Nov. 4, 2014.

In November 2016, an anti-terrorism court had sentenced five men to death and 10 others were given varying jail terms for playing a supportive role in the killings. Later, the court acquitted 93 other suspects in the case the same year.

Christian and other minorities in Pakistan routinely face blasphemy charges followed by "religious" lynching. Pakistan has a notorious blasphemy law, embedded in Sections 295 and 298 of the Pakistan Penal Code, which provide for penalties ranging from a fine to death. The law is often misused to target religious minorities, including Christians, Shi'as, Ahmadiyyas and Hindus, as there is no provision to punish a false accuser or a false witness of blasphemy.





## Trump says US has many options in pondering military strike on Syria

President Donald Trump on Tuesday canceled plans to travel to South America later this week, choosing to stay in the United States to manage the U.S. response to Syria's apparent chemical weapons attack on civilians.

White House spokeswoman Sarah Huckabee Sanders said Tuesday that Trump will not attend the 8th Summit of the Americas in Lima, Peru or travel to Bogota, Colombia as planned, remaining in the United States to

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## The Proof of Prophet Isaiah's Existence



The Biblical figure Isaiah who prophesied the coming of the Messiah may have been an actual real person. Archeologists have found an ancient clay seal from around the time he was reportedly alive, marked with his name. Called a bulla, the seal was retrieved from a 2,700-year-old midden in the Ophel, dating it to around 8th century BCE, and it's inscribed with the Jewish prophet's name. It was found just 3 metres from where the bulla of King Hezekiah of Judah, to which Isaiah was an adviser, was found in 2015. "We appear to have discovered a seal impression, which may have belonged to the prophet Isaiah, in a scientific, archaeological excavation," said lead archeologist Eilat Mazar of the Hebrew University in Jerusalem.

"If it is the case that this bulla is indeed that of the prophet Isaiah, then it should not come as a surprise to discover this bulla next to one bearing King Hezekiah's name given the symbiotic relationship of the prophet Isaiah and King Hezekiah described in the Bible." The bulla or seal, sadly broken, is about a centimetre (0.4 inches) in diameter, stamped with the name Yesha'yah[u] (Isaiah) in Hebrew letters. Following it were the letters Nvy, which are the first three letters of the Hebrew word for prophet, which is spelled nun-beit-yod-aleph.



## Preacher Benny Hinn Admits Endorsing Prosperity Gospel.

Post the death of renowned evangelist Billy Graham, controversial faith-healing televangelist Benny Hinn, said in a stunning confession Wednesday that sometimes he has taken the erroneous gospel too far. He has been criticized for his endorsement of the Prosperity Gospel.

"We get attacked for preaching prosperity, well it's in the Bible, but I think some have gone to the extreme with it sadly, and it's not God's word what is taught and I think I'm as guilty as others. Sometimes you go a little farther than you really need to go and then God brings you back to normality and reality," Hinn, 65, said as he reflected on Graham's death with a ministry colleague in a Facebook Live broadcast (21/02/18).

"We all sadly make the mistake of thinking that this is what God wants and God says

'No, that's not what I want.' It's time to live biblically. You know it all comes down to one thing. Do we love Jesus, yes or no? If we love Jesus then it's all about Jesus. If we don't love Jesus then it's about other things," he said.

During the broadcast Wednesday, one of his colleagues, who has known him for 30 years, said Hinn would give every material thing that he has for the presence of the Lord.

As a pastor, Hinn also said he wants his life to end right with God. "We all want to finish right," he said of pastors. "We all start right. Sometimes we, you know, stumble here and stumble there, but when you come right down to it, we all want to finish right. I'm 65 years old, I surely don't want to blow it at this point in my life and I thank you for praying for me. I really mean that."

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# A GOOD BEGINNING!!

*And when Abram was ninety years old and nine, the LORD appeared to Abram, and said unto him, I am the Almighty God; walk before me, and be thou perfect (Genesis 17:1).*

Abram is his old name! The old name represented Abram's original standing before God and later he was given a new name, Abraham, stressing his new position. He was ninety-nine years old when God called him a second time. Almost quarter of a century had passed since he left his hometown. He still had no children. God, who loves to

reveal Himself, required absolute obedience from a childless old man and even today He demands all of us the same thing. We are to walk before Him like Abraham did, being innocent and blameless.

**God asked Abraham to be perfect. How can a man be perfect before God?**

First of all, as to the past one must repent sincerely. This is something we all can do,

provided we put our faith in the one who loved us and died for us—that is the Lord Jesus Christ. Remember that the punishment for your sins was carried by Him in the cross. "He was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities; the chastisement of our peace was upon him; and with his stripes we are healed. All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned everyone to his own way; and the Lord has laid on Him the iniquity of us all" (Isaiah 53:5-6). "If we confess

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our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness” (1 John 1:9). “A broken and a contrite heart Oh God, you will not despise “(Psalm 51:17). When you repent you should make peace with all whom you have offended; give up your bad habits by faith in the savior; and set right all things before God and man.

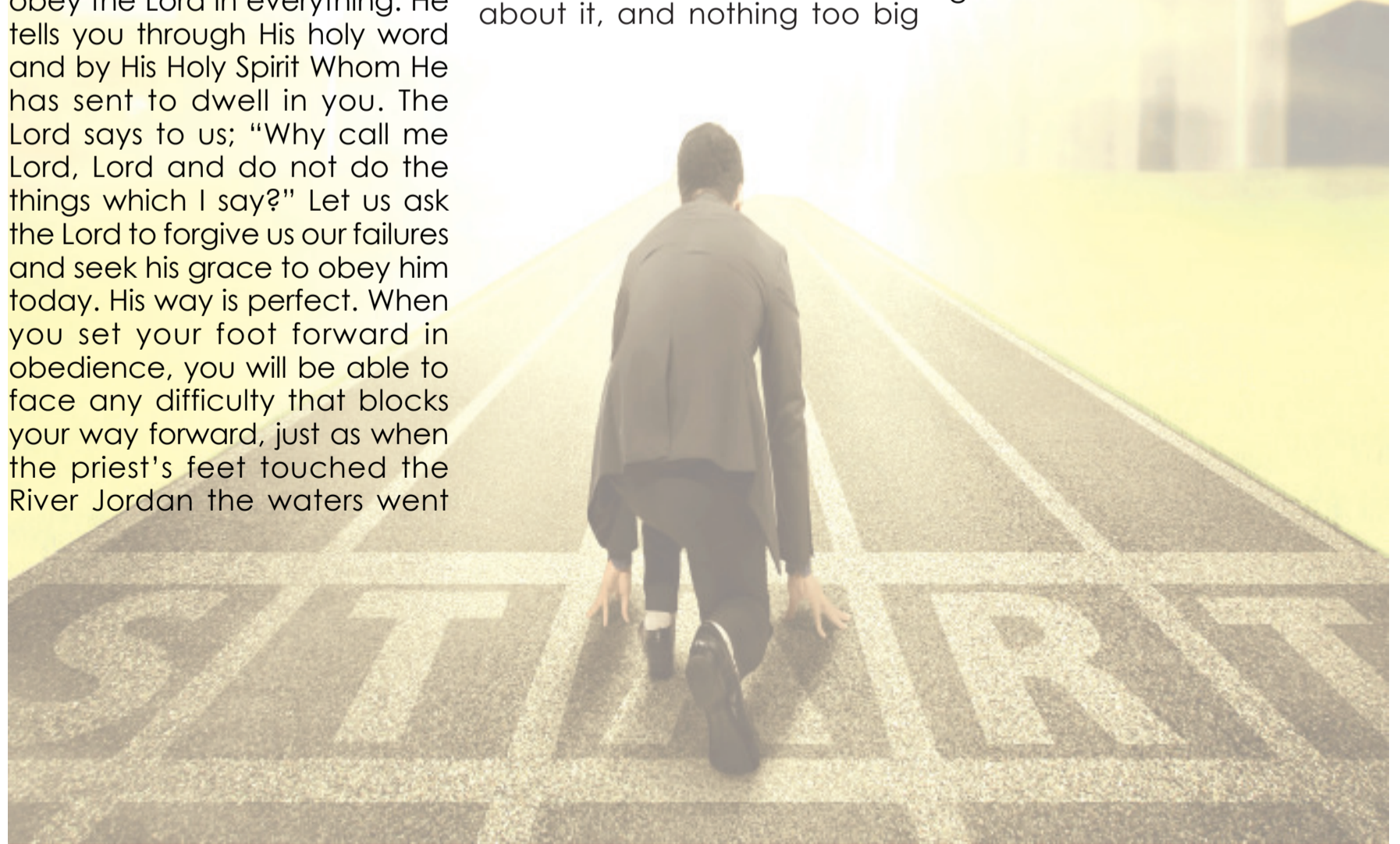
Secondly, as to the present one must offer himself to God in implicit surrender and obedience. Be prepared to obey the Lord in everything. He tells you through His holy word and by His Holy Spirit Whom He has sent to dwell in you. The Lord says to us; “Why call me Lord, Lord and do not do the things which I say?” Let us ask the Lord to forgive us our failures and seek his grace to obey him today. His way is perfect. When you set your foot forward in obedience, you will be able to face any difficulty that blocks your way forward, just as when the priest’s feet touched the River Jordan the waters went

apart and made way for the children of Israel.

Lastly, as to the future, one must look to the Lord for every need with perfect trust in Him. One of the names of God is Jehovah-Jireh, which means “the Lord our provider” or “the Lord will provide.” It’s so wonderful to know that God is our source for everything we need and He cares about everything we care about. There’s no need so small that He doesn’t know about it, and nothing too big

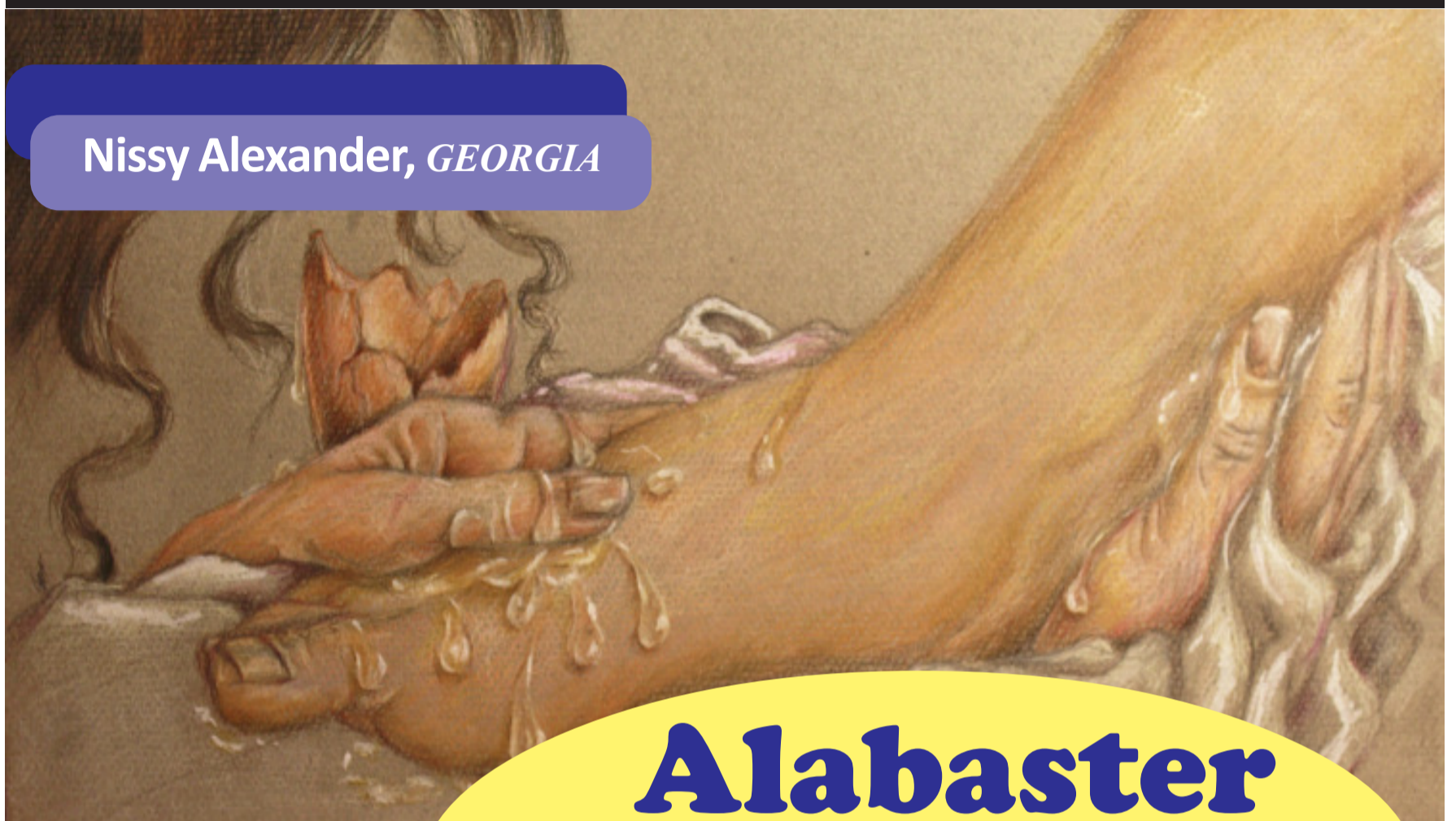
that He can’t provide for us. Philippians 4:19 says, “And my God will liberally supply (fill to the full) your every need according to His riches in glory in Christ Jesus.” Trust God to meet every need in your life today.

Would you like your heart to be perfect before the Lord? Come now with a repentant heart, surrender your life to the Lord Jesus and humbly trust Him Saying, “I live by faith of the Son of God who loved me and gave Himself for me”.





Nissy Alexander, *GEORGIA*



# Alabaster Jar of Tears

*“When a woman, who had lived a sinful life in that town, learned that Jesus was eating at the Pharisee’s house, she brought a alabaster jar of perfume. She broke the jar and poured the perfume on His head.” (Luke 7:37.)*

**It** is said whenever tears are shed, the truth is being told. The woman in the Scripture reading brought her tears to Jesus, who had a way of knowing people’s stories. She brought her alabaster jar of ointment to soothe his tired feet. The woman was labeled a sinner. She was not the sort that would have been welcomed to the Pharisee’s home. She was despised and thought of as unclean, yet she walked in anyway to get to Jesus. I bet the people there felt uncomfortable or uneasy because she was considered less than them...a sinner, a problem, but certainly not an equal. She was bold. She acted on the grace and forgiveness she knew was hers in

Jesus. He said her sins are forgiven and tells her, *“Your faith has saved you; go in peace.”*

The story of Jesus’ feet anointed with tears and perfume by a sinful woman is a love story, pure and simple. It is not some cheap romance or soap opera love. A love much deeper and heartfelt than that, and one not infused with physical desire, but it very much a love story.

Hospitality is a very strong value in the Near East, with much fuss made over guests. For example, a basin would typically be provided so guests could wash the dust of the road off their feet. Scented olive oil was sometimes

offered to anoint a guest’s hair (Psalms 23:5b, 45:7, 92:10, Amos 6:6). Beloved guests would be kissed as they were greeted (2 Samuel 15:5; 19:39; Matthew 26:49). We see that Simon offered none of these marks of a gracious host. Such overflowing hospitality wasn’t required; Simon wasn’t being discourteous. The way he welcomed his guests seemed *pro forma*, but not especially warm or cordial. No matter the warmth, Jesus accepts the dinner invitation. In vs. 34, He is criticized for dining with sinners. However, He is no respecter of persons. He is willing to associate with the religious elite as well.



*Perhaps you have felt like that. Perhaps you feel like that now. You failed miserably, and though time has passed, you are still humiliated and unsure. You feel too weak and fragile to pick up and move on. Look at*



The above mentioned Scripture tells us several things about the woman. Surely, she has not been invited. While she is a resident of the town, she is looked down upon as a sinner. We are not told what her sin is, but she is probably a prostitute, rather than an adulteress. We do not know how she came to become a prostitute. Perhaps, she is filled with lust. More likely, she was sexually

abused as a child, or has grown up in as an illegitimate child with no prospect for marriage. Perhaps, she is a widow struggling to survive. We just cannot say, and should know better than to judge her harshly. There's something else that we can deduce about this woman. She has been battered down. Her self image is tattered and ragged. She is the continual object of cutting criticism and

insults by the wives of her customers. She has been spat upon. She is the example that many mothers in the town would warn their daughters. She is the brunt of nasty jokes. She is the shunned by the best people, and used and abused by the worst people. Inwardly, she is broken and bleeding. Her spirit is wounded. Perhaps you have felt like that. Perhaps you feel like that now. You failed miserably, and though time has passed, you are still humiliated and unsure. You feel too weak and fragile to pick up and move on. Look at the woman. Even at her lowest state, she picked herself up, and walked through the crowd of judging eyes and condescending statements. All she knew was that she needed to get to Jesus. All you need to know is: Just get to Jesus.

When it seems like the whole world is against you, nothing goes right, there is nothing left to do, turn to Jesus. Initially, the woman seems bold. She did not care what people said, or how they felt about her. However, as soon as she got in the presence of the one who had the right to judge her, all her boldness, dauntlessness, and audacity seemed to turn to tears. She could not contain it anymore. She did not have to stay strong. She knew she could be vulnerable in front of Jesus, because that would be the only way she would find forgiveness. Find your way through the grief, hurt, and pain. You will find peace and grace at the feet of Jesus.





**L**uke 9:41 Jesus answered, "O faithless and twisted generation, how long am I to be with you and bear with you?"

When you look at the scripture, one can see that God has always tried to abide with us. But we cannot say we did the same. We had different expectations of God. God expected us to be obedient, fruitful, faithful and loyal servants of His will. We were created to subdue the creation (Gen.1:29). Our fall from His will made it all impossible. From Adam, man began to be afraid of God and His wrath. The God in Old Testament is sometimes understood as a God who is angry, punishing, destroying if His people did wrong. So the wrong doings were punishable and the right doings awarded with blessings of abundance. The God who was ever present in the history of Israel is either a God of war or punishment. The prophets who came to warn the people about the divine punishments did not help either. Jonah is an example. He wanted



Nineveh to be destroyed. Their repentance and God's grace gave Jonah great discomfort and displeasure. However, Sodom Gomorrah was the other punishing episode. But in the New Testament time, when Jesus walked the earth, he taught us to call God "father". (Matthew 6:9-13 and in Luke 11:2-4). He taught us to pray "Our father who art in heaven". Nothing else changed; it is thy kingdom come, thy will be done. This is a relationship full of dependence. He knows what our requirements and provides them even before we ask. The loving God is a

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**Joe Thomas**

New Testament hypothesis. Here the father is very generous. He is accepting us in all our inequities. We are seeking his pardon as we pardon others. If you, then, though you are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father in heaven give good gifts to those who ask him! (Mat: 7:11, Luke 11:13).

However, as the church grew, in the epistles we see a relationship of bride and bridegroom. Jesus is the bridegroom and the bride is Church and He shall soon come to claim his bride. It is a relationship of intense

love. A time of waiting and deep feeling of being missed. This is when waiting becomes possible. While waiting nothing else matter. The wait and the sufferings are worth it. You enjoy waiting. And our relationship with Christ must be like this. It must be obsessive and fervent. To remain in the right relationship with God, we must move from our Christian religiosity to Christ mindedness. Today, we are controlled by our ego, intellect and worldly wisdom. Jesus describes this in his parable of the prodigal son. (Luke 15). In the Parable Jesus touches

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on 4 stages of the transformation of the nature of the human beings in relation to abiding with God.

**The Time of Abiding with God.** This is the time when you seek the will of God. You are also the rightful heir. You have authority. You have a reputation of being the child of God. Then in you, the ego and selfishness awakes. This is also the testing time. The Satan tested Job in his prime. We start thinking, who is He to control me?

**The Rebellious Time.** This is when you are led by your own understanding and wisdom. This is time of immaturity. This a time when you not only disagree but question the authority of the father. This is when you reject the fatherly counsel. This is when you decide to leave the house of

God. This a time when you are being led to unlimited choices and freedom that Satan offers.

**The Time of Repentance.** When you realize that you have been misled, offended and mistreated the inner conscience awakes guilt. A feeling of remorse buries you in shame and awakes the realization of the missing grace of the father. Today, there is reason and room for remorse. Repentance is not subject to justification and reasoning. It is unconditional. But sadly, today we seek what is right in the wrong and what is wrong in the right. We justify ourselves. Repent! Say I have wronged 'You and the heaven'. Look at the face of our Lord Jesus. He has an open door for you. He beckons you to come back. When you

realize it, you will say "I must go back to my father. Hope he will treat me at least like one of his servants".

**The Time of Rejoicing and Feasting.** He is awaiting your come back. The prodigal son went back. He repented. He was born again. Look at Judas. He didn't repent. When Jesus was caught, Judas thought that Jesus would free Himself. He would ask the heavenly legions to rescue him. But He went to Calvary like lamb to slaughter. His conscience told him "Judas, you have wronged". He was all broken. He judged and sentenced himself to death. Judas didn't repent like Peter or the prodigal son. When someone repents, the heaven is in celebration. The fat calf is cooked. The robe and the ring is being

put. Shoes shall be put on your feet. The heaven is rejoicing. "let us eat and celebrate". (Luk 15:24) For this my son was dead, and is alive again; he was lost, and is found.' And they began to celebrate.

Our relationship with God is eternal. We are His beloved children, and that will not change. How are we going to wholeheartedly accept His invitation to draw near to Him and thus enjoy the blessings He longs to give us in this life and in the world to come? It is when we give ourselves to God! And when we give our heart to the Father and the Son, we draw closer to Heavenly Father and feel His tender acceptance of our efforts to be true disciples of Christ. Our discernment, confidence, and faith in Him increase and we abide with Him forever.

## Sparkling Wisdom!

- ❖ If a man cannot be a Christian in the place he is, he cannot be a Christian anywhere. **Henry Ward Beecher**
- ❖ Fiery trials make golden Christians. **Charles Spurgeon**
- ❖ I have found that there are three stages in every great work of God: first, it is impossible, then it is difficult, then it is done. **Hudson Taylor**
- ❖ Our past experiences may have made us the way we are, but we don't have to stay that way. **Joyce Meyer**
- ❖ A gospel that does not confront sin is not the gospel of Jesus Christ. **John McArthur**
- ❖ The beginning of anxiety is the end of faith, and the beginning of true faith is the end of anxiety. **George Mueller**
- ❖ The fact that I am a woman does not make me a different kind of Christian. But the fact that I am a



Abigail T John

Christian does make me a different kind of woman. **Elisabeth Elliot**

- ❖ Having the answers is not essential to living. What is essential is the sense of God's presence during dark seasons of questioning. **Ravi Zacharias**
- ❖ A Bible that's falling apart usually belongs to someone who isn't. **Charles Spurgeon**
- ❖ The dearest friend on earth is a mere shadow compared to Jesus Christ. **Oswald Chambers**



**My** name is Yesu Das and I am 30 years old. My father's name is BabuMasih and we are residing at a village called Kharausa, District Pilibhit, Uttar Pradesh, North India. I was born and brought up in a Hindu family that was following the Hindu traditions and customs. As I grew older, my family and I started experiencing many hardships in our lives. To get rid of this, my parents often went to Hindu religious pilgrimages and practiced Hindu rituals, thinking everything could be changed. We often prayed to the Hindu deities, and visited nearly all Hindu temples. But instead of getting peace and prosperity in our lives, we became more miserable. Nothing was going right with my family. We were in a lot of debt, there was neither peace, nor prosperity. The sickness and troubles kept increasing.

When I started understanding the situation of home, I was in deep distress and spent my days thinking of how to come out of the situation that my family was going through. Sometimes, the situations went so bad that I started thinking of giving up and even ending my life. But often I looked up the sky, and thought the creator of the earth, the sky above, and all living beings is someone who is yet to be revealed to me. So I decided that I won't die until I find the truth. I started thinking that the creator of the universe has something planned for me too.

My parents kept on following the tradition of the Hindus. Once I fell severely ill and the sickness persisted for two months and there was no cure. People suggested my parents to take me to a Hindu clergyman or witchcraft. My parents took me to one such famous person but there was no cure. His treatment was of no use. Later my parents took me to a hospital and the doctor said it was already very late for treatment. The doctors could not do much as my condition had reached the final stage. So I started counting my days. There was very little chance of my survival.

While my family was in such a hopeless condition, and when there was no hope for



# A life Changing God!

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my healing, an evangelist visited my family and shared gospel with my parents. The word of God worked like a miracle in my life. I felt peace and happiness like never before. Soon I realized that the Lord Jesus is the true God. He prayed for my sickness. Kneeling down, I started praying with him as well. I asked Jesus, "if you are the real God, then save me from my death". Soon I realized that a new energy started flowing in my body and I realized that I was being healed by the blood of Jesus Christ. As per the doctor's diagnosis, I was to live for only a few days only, but Lord Jesus who is above all doctors gave me a new life. I was saved so that I could share my testimony today. It was the grace of God. I started praying to the Lord Jesus every day. This incident happened in the year 2001 and after a year, I took water baptism in 2002. I was filled with the Holy Spirit and joined

prayer meetings and dedicated my whole life to Jesus.

## CALL FOR MINISTRY

Once in my dream the Lord asked me whether I would like to serve him or not. I realized that this was the call from the Lord Jesus for what he wanted from my life. From that moments onwards, I have dedicated my life completely as an evangelist to serve God. The Lord blessed me to have a Bible College training (Bachelor of theology) and a short term training for church planting. Presently, I am serving as an evangelist in district Badaun (Uttar Pradesh, India). Badaun has a great potential as the people there have a great hunger and thirst for the word of God. I was directed by Lord Jesus Christ in my



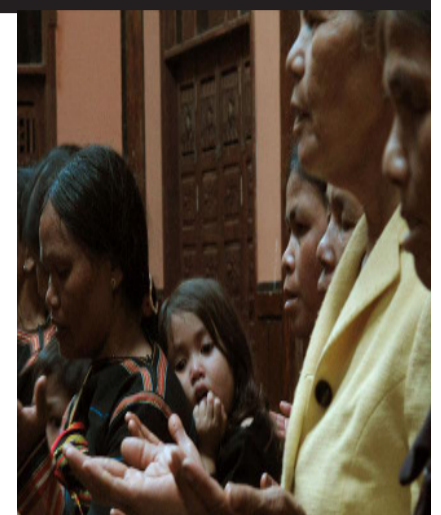
## Oklahoma School Bans local Baptist Pastor From Leading Team Prayer After Atheist Group Complains



Putnam City Schools will no longer be allowed the Rev. Mike Keahbone of Cherokee Hills Baptist Church to lead the Putnam City High football team in prayer. Over the past two years, Keahbone has become one of the most prominent and visual supporters of the Putnam City Pirates football team as he has led an initiative to get his church community more involved to support players whose parents aren't able to go to the games themselves. Not only was the 45-year-old Keahbone designated to serve as the team's chaplain, he has also led the team in prayer before the start of games in the

team's locker room. Although many enjoy the relationships between the church and the team, at least one resident complained to the Wisconsin-based FFRF (Freedom From Religion Foundation). FFRF advocates for a strict separation of church and state and regularly pressures school districts and government entities to halt any type of Christian or Jewish practice that could be construed as a government entanglement of religion. FFRF legal fellow Christopher Line sent a letter to Putnam City Schools Superintendent Fred Rhodes in early February arguing

that Keahbone's act of leading the public school football team in prayer before games violates the Establishment Clause of the First Amendment to the United States Constitution. "Public school football teams cannot appoint or employ a chaplain, seek out a spiritual leader for the team or agree to have a volunteer team chaplain because public schools may not advance or promote religion," Line wrote. "Similarly, it is illegal for a public school or school-appointed volunteer to organize, sponsor or lead prayers at public school athletic events."



## Vietnamese Christians Attacked, Forced to Renounce Christ

Two dozen Christians in Vietnam were recently attacked by a mob for their faith. The incident happened in the north-western highlands of the country when members of an ethnic group known as Hmong decided to accept Jesus Christ. Their conversion provoked the village chief who threatened to expel the believers from the community if they didn't renounce their new-found faith.

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vision to reach the villages and towns of district Badaun and share the gospel to the people who have hunger and thirst for it. I have dedicated my life to teach the people the word of God, to pray for their sickness, and lead them to the right way of salvation so that they could enter the kingdom of God.

As you all read through this short testimony, I would like to ask your prayers and support for my ministry. Together we can extend the kingdom of God as we know the end time is nearing. We need to save as many souls as we can! God Bless you all!!

A Short Description

*Pastor Yeshu Das is an evangelist ministering in Badaun district of Uttar Pradesh, North India.*

The Hmong Christians refused to recant, prompting a mob to attack them. According to the Vietnam Committee on Human Rights (VCHR), four of the Christians were hospitalized with injuries to the head and arms.

The attacks come on the heels of the new Law on Belief and Religion passed earlier this year giving Vietnam's government more powers to control religious practices in the country. "Such attacks and acts of harassment against religious communities have multiplied recently in Vietnam.

Despite Vietnam's political and economic opening in recent years, the communist government is still wary of people of faith. Religions of all persuasions, but in particular Christianity, are often viewed with suspicion.



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tell you how [Gibson is] going to go about it... But I'll tell you this much, the film he's going to do is going to be the biggest film in history. It's that good."

Oscar-nominated screenwriter Randall Wallace will write the script of the movie. "The evangelical community considers The Passion the biggest movie ever out of Hollywood, and they kept telling us that they think a sequel will be even bigger," Wallace had told a news agency in 2016.

Although its scenes of graphic violence proved controversial, The Passion of the Christ was a box-office hit, making more than \$600 million worldwide on a budget of \$30 million. It was the highest-grossing R-rated film ever released in the US until 2016.

The film is expected to be released in 2020!

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"oversee the American response to Syria and to monitor developments around the world." The decision marks the first time an American president has not attended the summit. Vice President Mike Pence will travel in Trump's place.

Trump on Monday promised a decision on Syria within hours, declaring that Russia or any other nation found to share

responsibility for Saturday's apparent chemical weapons attack on civilians will "pay a price."

The White House sharply rejected any suggestion that Trump's own words about pulling U.S. troops out of Syria had opened the door for the attack, which killed more than 40 people, including children.

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that only the Hindu saint Ramana maharshi resurrected.

As his remarks had hurt Christian sentiments, more than 50 members and office-bearers of Christhuva Nallenna layakkam, a Christian organization, appealed Trichy police commissioner on March 29 and lodged the complaint.

"In our country, each one of us has a right to follow any religion of his or her choice. No one should interfere or

comment on that. We have great respect for music director Ilayaraja. But, we cannot bear his comments. He had raised doubts on Jesus Christ's resurrection, which is the ultimate belief of Christians, the organization's district secretary, I. Pushparaj, told TOI.

"He should apologise for his remarks or police should take action against him", he added.

**North Korean Regime Teaches Children Christianity Is Evil, Cross Is 'the Devil'**



Children living in the North Korean regime are taught daily that Christianity is evil and that the cross is a symbol of the devil, a believer who now lives outside the country has said. A Christian by the pseudonym of John Choi spoke about life under the Communist ideals of the hermit kingdom.

Choi explained that children are taught to believe that Christianity is an "evil American religion" and that missionaries are never to be trusted. "When I grew up in North Korea, I also believed that Christianity was evil and that the cross was a symbol of the devil. Even in nursery school, we had to bow to the pictures of the first leaders of North Korea, Kim Il-Sung and his son, Kim Jong-Il," the defector revealed.

"Everything in North Korea revolves around the Kim family. North Korean children are brainwashed so that they will honor the leader of their day. In preschool, the teachers prayed to the leaders at lunchtime. We had to give thanks to the dictators for our 'daily bread,' Now, I realize they stole this from the Lord's Prayer," Choi said.

Citizens are also told stories about Christian pastors and missionaries raping and attacking people, creating an evil image in their minds that they are supposed to stay away from. Still, Choi shared his hopes that with advancing technology, children are finding new ways to learn the truth about the world and are wising up to the regime's lies.

"Today's North Korean children are able to discover other beliefs and ways of life through escapees' disseminated information, smuggled USB drives and foreign radio broadcasts in the Korean language. More parents are coming to faith and, when the children are old enough, they will hear about the Bible and the Gospel," the defector said.

"I'm praying that God would open the eyes, ears and hearts of North Koreans of all ages. I truly believe that if believers throughout the world continue to pray with North Korean believers, one day all North Korean children will learn the truth about God and Christianity. One day, they will turn to the cross," he shared of his hopes.



## Canadian Street Preacher David Lynn Arrested in London

A Canadian Christian street preacher and nondenominational ministry leader was reportedly arrested and detained for over 20 hours in the U.K last week after he was accused of making homophobic comments. Preacher David Lynn was released from the Fresh Wharf Custody Base in East London last Wednesday without charge after he was detained a day earlier because of accusations that he called a lesbian woman "perverse" and "sinful" while preaching at a train station in Barking.

Lynn, who pastors at a church in Toronto, Canada, and has preached in the streets for 22 years, leads an organization

called Christ's Forgiveness Ministries with churches in Canada.

According to the Christian organization (CLC) that provided the legal representation to Lynn, he began preaching at the Barking station around 3:30 p.m. last Tuesday, where he was joined by a group of supporters. After a woman complained to police about Lynn's alleged comments, he was arrested and taken to the station without having a chance to defend himself or explain his side of the story.

Lynn was held for nearly a day and was interviewed about the incident. He has outright denied the allegations.



Christian Legal Centre CEO Andrea Williams said in a statement after Lynn's release that Lynn's case is another example of how police in the U.K. are too quick to act when trying to curtail the free speech rights of street preachers.

"We are delighted that he has not been charged for sharing the good news of Jesus, and we remain committed to providing expert legal support, free of charge, where street preachers face trouble with the police," Williams explained.



# Harvesting souls mission



**Our Vision**

- To establish indigenous healthy growing churches that will make a significant gospel impact within the culture, people groups, communities, multiple generations in India.
- To establish strategic partnership with existing ministries to facilitates more and more better church planting movements in various regions of India.
- To grow our churches through effective evangelism and gospel centered discipleship that produces both born again experiences and subsequent transformation of the whole person, whole families and whole culture.
- To recruit, train, and send native workers who have a definite call from the Lord and intense commitment for the end time Harvesting of Souls.

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