# Walking in the Spirit of Truth

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hen walking in the Spirit of truth, how do you know your witness is actually true? How do you know if the way you are going is the right direction? How do you know what you are speaking is correct? How do we know we are right?

# Guide to Divine Guidance.

Psalm 119: <sup>105</sup> Your Word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.

So His responsibility and promise to us is that He *will* give us a way, show us a way. The problem most of us have is that we want to see a lot further down the road than what God wants us to see. Corrie Ten Boom says, *"the Father has tickets to the train but He's not going to give them to you until you are ready to board the train."* Many times concerning the things that God does in our lives we don't know the answers until we need to know them. But too often, we want to know the answers before we even need to know!

Isaiah 40:<sup>31</sup> But those who wait on the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint.

So there is a waiting process, a suffering, if you will, of endurance not necessarily knowing what God wants to do in your life. They shall mount up with wings like the eagles. That's a sign of GREAT strength with freedom as well. They shall run and not be weary. They won't faint. So there is a path that God wants you to go on where you will not stumble or faint. You are not going to be here today and gone tomorrow. This will be life-giving.

So how do we know? What are the things we want to know? When I was first baptized with the Spirit, I could ask what way should I turn, right or left, after I get out of church today. Come on, you are probably hungry so have lunch. You are not necessarily led by the flesh but by the things God has created and circumstances you find yourself in.

However, there are other things that are much more important that you'd like to have guidance in. Like for a young person, "Who should we date or go out with? Who does God want us to be with for the rest of our life, our bride, our spouse?" How about, "What college should I go to? Should I go to college?" These are good questions. How about, "What *church should I go to?* "When people talk about being led by the Spirit I've never heard that one.

If you are going to be led by the Spirit you need to know if what you do and say or where you are going and the path you are on are from God or not? Many times we know after the fact but I would like to know before hand. So you see God is a "light, a lamp to our path." So, it is a good thing that God gives us that promise.

John 8: <sup>12</sup> Then Jesus spoke to them again, saying, "I am the light of the world. He who follows Me shall not walk in darkness, but have the light of life."

So He's the one who is the going to show us the way. Some circumstances are going to be obvious and yes, there will be all kinds of people who will try and give us all kinds of guidance. However, ultimately, Jesus is the light of the world.

"He who follows Me shall not walk in darkness, but have the light of life."

So the path you are on isn't just a path of circumstances and things you are going to do or not do. The path you are on is the path of LIFE. That's the one I want to go on. I don't want to just stumble around in chaos and darkness. I want to go on the path of light.

John 14:<sup>6</sup> Jesus said to him, "I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me.

So Jesus is the central figure in our lives. What He is saying as we see in John 8, "*I am the light of life*." Jesus makes light and life synonymous. The light we find is the life of God.

Isaiah says that those who were in great, utter darkness saw a great light.

Jesus finds Himself in John chapter 8 surrounded by a group of critics. Haven't we been there? Sometimes the worst critics are the people we love, our parents, friends. I can remember my wife's parents questioning our relationship. *"She's not the right one for you."* I needed to know a word from the Lord, not a word from people but a word from the Lord! It is a pretty dangerous place to try and find the will of God outside of the Lord Jesus. We are going to search and see why and how we should do this.

John 8: <sup>13</sup> The Pharisees therefore said to Him, "You bear witness of Yourself; Your witness is not true."

You see if you bear witness of yourself from your own gut, your own feelings, it is not true according to Jewish law. It cannot be true because you need to have more than one witness. When Jesus walked the face of the earth as a man, He sent out His disciples in groups of two. Why do you think He did that? So that there would be two witnesses. And also, two people can encourage each other along the way.

There is a rule in scuba diving. You never go diving alone. Never. Why? Because you need a scuba buddy to be able to tell you what you are doing wrong and what you are doing right. It is too critical a process. It is interesting that those who were fighting the Ebola virus in Africa, learned very quickly they couldn't suit up in these gowns, to decontaminate all by themselves. Someone should be watching. Therefore they did so in pairs. After they started doing that, they never had a contamination problem. It is a tough thing to be in a sterile, working environment. For instance the Lunar receiving laboratory for Apollo 11 cost millions of dollars and lots of time to keep the moon rocks away from everyone. In spite of this, inside of thirty days, the entire lab, everyone working the lab was contaminated because they broke protocol. If they had a buddy system in place maybe they would have done a lot better but they didn't.

So the Pharisees said, "Excuse me but You are bearing witness of Yourself. Your witness is not true."

# 1) How You Know Something is from God

The first thing you have to have is that "knowing in your spirit" that it is true.

<sup>14</sup> Jesus answered and said to them, "Even if I bear witness of Myself, My witness is true, for I know where I came from and where I am going; . . .

He had a clear vision. In the sense of Jewish legality, He answered them, "Do you want the legal process? I do have a clear vision of what God wants for us." When you have that vision your path and where you are going are clear to you.

"... but you do not know where I come from and where I am going.<sup>15</sup> You judge according to the flesh; I judge no one ...

So Jesus is saying that not only is His witness true because He "knows" but their witness cannot be true because they do not know the things that He has seen and knows to be true. And, that "knowing" really starts by knowing the Father. In scripture, the first time God the Father is actually called Father is by the Lord Jesus Himself! None of the prophets called Him that. Interesting. I've been told by traditionalists of the Jewish Torah that many rabbis during Jesus' time did call the Father, Father. However it cannot be found in any of our biblical text.

## 2) You Need to Have a Witness

<sup>16</sup> "... and yet if I do judge, My judgment is true; for I am not alone, but I am with the Father who sent Me."

Isn't that good? He is not alone and not just relying upon His own understanding. I also am not alone. So therefore, are you praying about what you should do and where you should go? What church or who to marry? It is not just your decision; you are not alone in this. You are with the Father just as Jesus was! If you go into prayer and you get the witness in the Spirit, you also are not alone. The Father Himself is a witness with you.

<sup>17</sup> "It is also written in your law that the testimony of two men is true. <sup>18</sup> I am One who bears witness of Myself, and the Father who sent Me bears witness of Me."

So there is the Lord's witness. "*Myself and God the Father*." So legally, there are two witnesses, He and the Father.

<sup>19</sup> Then they said to Him, "Where is Your Father?" Jesus answered, "You know neither Me nor My Father. If you had known Me, you would have known My Father also."

He says this over and over in different text from scripture. It should be very clear to any of His disciples what is going on. Interestingly though, when they wrote these gospels later on, they didn't neglect to include this point. They kept saying it over and over again as it was something Jesus would not give up on. It must have been at the top of His mind in everything He said and did.

<sup>20</sup> These words Jesus spoke in the treasury, as He taught in the temple; and no one laid hands on Him, for His hour had not yet come.

Now, if anybody knows about "being in the treasury," it is not a good place to be. Everybody feels they should have a say as to where the money should or should not go. Even if they don't actually say something out loud, they will be criticizing things in their heart. Economy of where people put their money is very important to them more than it should be. More important should be what is the economy of God. People often ask me what stocks should they buy. I will say well, "Pray about it."

Jesus predicts His departure.

<sup>21</sup> Then Jesus said to them again, "I am going away, and you will seek Me, and will die in your sin. Where I go you cannot come."

There is a place where people will be dying in their sin and be thinking, "*I need to do something. Where is an animal I can kill for my sins?*" There won't be any. There is only one sacrifice for sin, the Lamb of God, the perfect sacrifice.

<sup>22</sup> So the Jews said, "Will He kill Himself, because He says, "Where I go you cannot come"?"
<sup>23</sup> And He said to them, "You are from beneath; I am from above.

That's an insult isn't it!

... You are of this world; I am not of this world.

Jesus is not just thinking of His witness but of how He sees things. His doesn't see things in the natural; He sees things with spiritual eyes. Do not forget, the first thing that happened to Him before His ministry started was He went and was baptized by John. When that happened the Holy Spirit descended upon Him and John said, *"You will know the Messiah because the Spirit will come down upon Him and remain with Him."* My theology is that Spirit never left Him ever, after that. Ever, even when He was on the cross. This could be debated by theologians but not in my mind.

<sup>24</sup> Therefore I said to you that you will die in your sins; for if you do not believe that I am He, you will die in your sins."

Next question:

<sup>25</sup> Then they said to Him, "Who are You?"

How can you say such things?!

# 3) The Word Should Guide You

Yes, the witness and knowing, but it is the written word of God.

John 1:<sup>1</sup> In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

As we read the biblical text, it is more than just reading words. The Living Word of God becomes a part of us. I am so blessed to be a bible teacher! When I teach the bible I'm giving something of life to you. It also blesses me as well as I study and try to understand it, rightly divided, not just what I personally think about it. What is the truth of it? What is the Spirit saying?

John 8: <sup>25</sup>And Jesus said to them, "Just what I have been saying to you from the beginning. <sup>26</sup> I have many things to say and to judge concerning you, but He who sent Me is true; ...

There was no doubt in Jesus' mind that the truth is the truth and it can never be compromised. Somehow light can NEVER be dark! No matter what politics try to tell us. A child is still a child whether it is born yet or not. It doesn't matter if people think that true or not. Truth is truth.

"... and I speak to the world those things which I heard from Him."  $^{27}$  They did not understand that He spoke to them of the Father.

<sup>28</sup> Then Jesus said to them, "When you lift up the Son of Man, then you will know that I am He, . . .

If you start to worship the Lord you are going to know something about what is going on. That is why worship is so important, praising the name of the Lord. When that happens "knowing" becomes a reality not just a theology or doctrine. It becomes real. Ever been there in worship? Today I was singing and times like today I couldn't even sing the words I was so overwhelmed. I can mouth them but my voice is gone. The meaning of the words are permeating my spirit. "You are a good, good, Father." Wow, the profound nature of just those words.

<sup>28</sup> "When you lift up the Son of Man, then you will know that I am He, and that I do nothing of Myself; but as My Father taught Me, I speak these things. <sup>29</sup> And He who sent Me is with Me.

Let me repeat these things, "As My Father taught Me, I speak these things." How did His Father teach Him as a Jewish boy do you think? He spent time in the Torah! Most of the quotes that Jesus repeats are from Deuteronomy! The Father was speaking to Him in the Word! And, He can speak to you in the Word. He wants to speak to you through the word. It isn't just some kind of memory exercise but it is something that you drink in and it becomes a part of you. You say, "Yeah. I remember what Dad said. . . love not the world. What do you have to gain? Nothing. Zero." That's in the world of God. In Luke, what profit has a man if he gains the whole world and loses his soul?

# 4) Companionship

In the context of this scripture, Jesus had companions all around Him, His disciples, His twelve, but He also had the seventy which He had sent out. Also all those people who were following Him. Those were companions. None of them were baptized in the Spirit! So, that is kind of strange. Here's Jesus upon whom the Spirit came down and rested upon Him, never to depart again. It is interesting that He could sit down and talk with Peter, John and His disciples but they often could never really "get it all," during this time until after Pentecost.

As I was thinking about this, when the transfiguration happened, Elijah and Moses came down from heaven and spent some time with Jesus. They were discussing what Jesus was going to have to endure on the cross. However, they were in the Spirit, no flesh at all. What a relief it must have been for Jesus to have that kind of confirmation. What a miracle that God would send them to be with Him. Oftentimes the scriptures say that the angels came and comforted Him especially in the Garden of Gethsemane.

# <sup>29</sup> "... The Father has not left Me alone, ...

He knows the Father but the Father had sent Him the Holy Spirit. That's what He is talking about here. Again in John 14:8 He says to His disciples even before He was crucified, "*I will not leave you orphans; I will come to you.*" I will not leave you alone. I'm not going to be some coach in the sky telling you what to do. I'm not going to be a star wars figure that is going to come shadowing beside you and say, "You can do this, Luke." No, He is going to live INSIDE you. Hollywood cannot get that right. Why? There is no video for that. Think about that. Hollywood has made a video about everything. But, have NEVER and can never make a video of the Holy Spirit living inside of you. It cannot happen. It is a mystery beyond words but it is a truth so powerful. "Wait for the Spirit and you will be endued with power from on high."

<sup>29</sup>... The Father has not left Me alone, for I always do those things that please Him." <sup>30</sup> As He spoke these words, many believed in Him.

Here Jesus speaks things that are really "deep" theologically and while speaking to His critics, "*many believed in Him.*" Isn't that good?! Why did they believe Him? Because even though they weren't baptized and spilling over in the Spirit, there was still a measure of the Spirit present, strong and powerful. Even a small part of the Holy Spirit is a powerful thing. Even those who aren't saved and come into your midst, if you speak a word from God in the Spirit, that word can be exceedingly powerful, a voice of guidance in their life.

I remember asking someone about whether I should go on and get my certification and all kinds of things. Someone completely unsaved, unchurched, said something and I just "knew" it was God speaking to me. I "knew" it.

<sup>32</sup> "And you shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free."

How do you know the truth? By knowing the Father, having a clear vision. You shall know the truth AND it will do something. It is not just showing you the right way to go and guidance. It is going to set you free! It really doesn't matter where you are going then, or what path. You are free! There is no critic saying, "*Oh, you turned left when you should have turned right.*" If you are led by the Spirit the wind blows and you are going with the Lord wherever it might be.

#### 5) You Need to Abide in the Word and Stay There

To abide means to make it your residence, living there. When I first came to the Lord and gave my heart to God, I didn't live there. I lived in my own world and I would visit the Lord, visit the Word. I would think that is good; that's not so good, etc. Back and forth. But I didn't abide there, LIVE there. But the more I read the Word and the more I heard it, the more I longed for it. I realized that was where I should be living. I shouldn't be living in songs that were sung by John Lennon, "Imagine." I could imagine a lot of things but not what he was imagining. He was imagining a world without a religion. Imagine a world with no purpose. That's the words of the song, "You can all live together in happiness." How ridiculously stupid.

That song was a part of who I was back then. I couldn't give up that song. I liked it. Just recently on American Idol, one of the preacher's kids got up and sang that song. I thought to myself now, *"How tragic."* How utterly tragic that that boy would think that is part of his life where he should be living.

There are a lot of other songs not necessarily the Beatles that are equally abhorrent. I used to love them all a lot, but I should not be living there. Now I want to live in the Word of God. When the songs we sing express the Word of God my soul rejoices, not just my spirit. My soul rejoices and it brings life to me in my soul and in my body. I rejoice. I want to stand and lift my hands and sing with all that is within me, the joy of the Lord, because the emotion of joy fills me! Now turning away from the critics:

<sup>31</sup> Then Jesus said to those Jews who believed Him, "If you abide in My word, you are My disciples indeed. <sup>32</sup> And you shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free."

Isn't that good?!

#### More on Companionship

So we've talked about 1) "knowing," 2) the guidance of the Spirit, the witness that you have, 3) the Word of God, 4) companionship and 5) abiding in the Word.

Let's go back to 4) companionship, because what Jesus didn't have when He was walking on the earth was a home-group and/or a church community of Spirit-filled believers that He could talk to on an every day basis. He didn't have that! You do. What a happy day! You have something that Jesus did not have when He was walking upon the earth. He had a lot of things you don't have, but He didn't have the companionship we do. That should ring in you a caution and an understanding of your guidance. We are guided not only by our own witness and our own walk with the Lord but we are surrounded by witnesses who are also filled with the Spirit. When we go to home-group and we share our lives, what are we doing? We are saying, "Could you pray with me because I'm not sure about this?" Or, "I'm sure about this but could vou prav with me? I want to be real sure." Sometimes in home-group and sometimes when we talk to brothers and sisters that we love dearly, who are Spirit-filled, they may even respond with the wrong answers but it is something that we work out together to find the mind of the Lord, together. It becomes a more powerful thing. It becomes something that is exceedingly powerful against the schemes of the enemy.

I'm not talking about group-thinking where we just all think together generating the "vibes." I'm talking about finding the mind of the Lord together. When we do this it is *exceedingly* powerful! The church has one foundation, Jesus Christ our Lord. When we find that foundation of truth, nothing can stop us.

I loved seeing the March for Jesus this weekend. Didn't we all? It was very well attended, not just by our President, but Franklin Graham was there and many others. There was a sense in our hearts of real joy because the truth was no longer being pushed aside like in the past, but it was being embraced. People were happy about being there. They weren't being victimized but they were happy about standing up for those who are yet unborn and un-cared for by so many in our culture.

#### New Testament Examples

Acts 15<sup>28</sup> For it seemed good to the Holy Spirit, and to us, ...

Here they are talking about doing something in the church and their final argument was, "*It seemed good to the Holy Spirit, and to us.*" So what were they looking for? They were looking for the witness of the Holy Spirit within them and the witness of those they were walking with who also had the Holy Spirit. I'm not sure I've ever heard that from someone coming into the elder's meeting and asking for guidance. "*It seemed good to the Holy Spirit, and to us.*" I'm not sure I've ever heard this.

Acts 15  $^{25}$  It seemed good to us, being assembled with one accord, . . .

The oneness of the body of Christ not being critical, nor judgmental but being of one accord. That is the goal of the church, not to be fractured and go in many different directions. But to be of one accord, one mind, one truth!

... to send chosen men to you with our beloved Barnabas and Paul, <sup>26</sup> men who have risked their lives for the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>27</sup> We have therefore sent Judas and Silas, who will also report the same things by word of mouth. <sup>28</sup> For it seemed good to the Holy Spirit, and to us, to lay upon you no greater burden than these necessary things: ...

There are many other examples of how people made decisions in the New Testament. They didn't say, "My witness only or just my Father and me." But rather, "It is the Father and me and everybody around us." Stop a minute. That is really a good thing, not a bad thing. "I'm free. I'm a United States Citizen. I have my own opinion. I can vote any way I want." That's true, however that is not what the scripture teaches about how we should behave towards one another. If somebody speaks to us, we need to think about it.

Galatians 2<sup>9</sup> and when James, Cephas (Peter), and John, who seemed to be pillars, perceived the grace that had been given to me, they gave me and Barnabas the right hand of fellowship, that we should go to the Gentiles and they to the circumcised. <sup>10</sup> They desired only that we should remember the poor, the very thing which I also was eager to do.

There is an understanding here that Paul did not want to just do things as a "lone wolf," a lone ministry, all by himself, discerning with just he himself and perhaps those who were his followers. But, he wanted to have the understanding of the brothers that were in Jerusalem. He wanted to have their wisdom too. So often people will go out and proceed thinking they have the mind of God. They may have, but they don't seek the concurrence of other brothers and sisters. How much more powerful would it have been if they had?!

Prophetic words are like that. "I have a prophecy for you. Come here and I'll give it to you in private." Better to say, "Excuse me I will go get another brother or sister who know how to prophesy and know how to judge the Spirit. They can stand with me and then I'll prophesy." Then what is happening? The spirit of that prophecy is much more powerful to you. The enemy cannot come to you later and say, "Ahh, that was just so and so prophesying and they shouldn't have been doing that." The enemy cannot come and say there is only one witness. He cannot come to you like that. You can say, "Oh no. It was much more than that." That's why when you get water baptized, it is a physical thing. You get down there and you get wet, soaking wet! The enemy cannot come to you later saying, "You didn't get baptized." Oh no, you were wet all over your body! "But you didn't really give your heart to the Lord." "Oh no, there were a whole lot of witnesses around me that heard what I was doing and my profession of faith before God. They saw me come out of the water a different person." So the enemy cannot come to you and say you are not saved after you've been baptized. After you've been baptized, you are saved!

When playing softball, coming into home plate and you run across the plate, you are safe! When the empire says that, everybody hears that and you are safe and it is on the scoreboard: +1. There is nothing the enemy can do about it. The truth is the truth. The truth is going to set you free. In fact, the truth is so true you don't have to defend it!

I might growl and say, "I want so badly to defend it. I want to defend the right theology! If this brother doesn't get it this time, I don't know what I'm going to do." The Lord said to me, "You know what? This is not your theology. If it is scripture it is true. It is Me."

There are a lot of people in the church that are not baptized in the Holy Spirit. But the truth is still the truth. *God wants us to be baptized in the Spirit*, He wants us to have the witness of the Holy Spirit and that level of power. When we get to heaven, won't it be wonderful to meet those guys. We might be tempted to gloat a little bit saying, *"See I told you so!"* It will be better than that since they will know too. They will be smiling saying, *"I should have listened to you. Wow, this is so awe-some, being filled with the Holy Spirit! No one ever told us how wonderful this is, feeling like this, the truth that is so solid, where you can* 

*put your feet down.* "The Word is a lamp unto your feet and a light unto your path. It means that pathway is never ever going to give way. You don't have to be careful where you walk. You are going to put down your foot and look at the next place you are going and say, "That was God and I 'know'it was God."

People might come against you and say, "It isn't God and what you are doing is wrong." Well unless people come and say that to you, you really aren't a leader or a person led by the Spirit. There are going to be times when you do something and others will say, "No, that is incorrect. It's wrong." However, you are amongst believers who can confirm that what you are doing is right! You have the Word of God; it can confirm what you are doing. You have the Holy Spirit who can confirm that what you are doing is right. And, most important, you have a relationship with your heavenly Father in heaven, the most important thing, that relationship with your heavenly Father, not a superficial knowledge but a "knowing" your heavenly Father.

That's why Jesus says, "You don't know where I come from. But I KNOW." Jesus knew the Father. He didn't just think about Him. He didn't just read about Him in Deuteronomy. He knew Him. You cannot do that by studying. I cannot give you directions for this. It could happen while you are worshiping the Lord. It could happen while you are driving in your car and you have to pull off the road, you are so overwhelmed. I've had to pull off the road a couple of times. I pull off the road and tears will be flooding down my face. I look at the drivers going by and wonder if they can see it because I can sure feel it. God can do some pretty strange things in any place you find yourself in.

There was a tunnel between building A and building D at Castle Point where I used to work. This tunnel was always leaking water and they built many drains for it and a lot of tax dollars was spent on repairs over the years. But every time I had to go over from A to D, I would rejoice with the idea that no one else would take that tunnel and it was a good twenty minute walk in utter darkness, dimly lit. No pictures on the walls, you just walked. I could bring all kinds of things to the Lord. More importantly the Lord could bring all kinds of things to me. Right? He'd fill me with the Holy Spirit saying, "You know what? This is the way you should go. You thought you should go left but I'm telling you to go straight ahead. You also need to know that the path that I have for you is the one I have chosen for you, not you. The enemy has said to you that you had chosen the path. But, I say to you, I chose this path. It is exactly where you should go. I know the plans that I have for you. they are for good and not evil," found in Jeremiah. Amen.

#### Summary

The problem is we tend to want everything INSTANTLY, not just within a few days or weeks. If we don't get there we get discouraged, down-hearted and begin to question the truth ourselves. That is why we have home-groups so we can encourage one another. That's why we have church on Sundays, to encourage one another. That's why we have relationships with brothers and sisters so we can encourage one another. That's why it is actually good to be married. Right!

I like the scripture that refers to the Passover. Mom and Dad, every household with children were to eat of the sacrificed lamb in that house. They would put the blood on the lentils; the angel of death would pass over them. The idea was that if they couldn't eat the whole lamb, they were to invite in others. So if you are single person try and find a family to become a part of. The process that God wants to do during this day is to restore the spirit of life, not the spirit of death, but the spirit of life which is in the family.

It is not just about having another pet in your home, but having children, wonderful children. All of the things we have to go through for them is good, not bad. It is a good thing. It is not death; it is life! Life. The world wants to kill them all before they are even born.

The problem is we want to have everything instantly. We want to have the answers to our prayers. We want to have direction. Oftentimes it is, "*Not now. Wait. It is not the right season. You need to wait.*" Those who prophesy know that. This isn't for now; this is for later kind of thing.

Isaiah 40 <sup>31</sup>But those who wait on the Lord Shall renew their strength; They shall mount up with wings like eagles, They shall run and not be weary, They shall walk and not faint.

There is going to be a strength in you that you have not known before you learned how to wait, because, as you wait for all the kinds of things, God can speak to your heart. He will. That's what strengthens you not just the fact you are waiting, Rather during that waiting process He is speaking life into you about the path you are going to be taking. then that path becomes strong. Amen.

#### Where are We Today?

I cannot prove it, but I can imagine that someone like Abraham Lincoln and other Presidents, those who had unbelievable power in the natural, didn't always get it right the first time around. They studied hard and it didn't look like there was going to be any way they would be able to influence the society they were in. Abraham Lincoln was a good example of that. I'm sure there was a lot of waiting involved for him. More than any other President, he prayed. Do you know how he did that? He prayed on the floor, not on his knees but prostrated on the floor in the oval office. So if you ever have the opportunity of walking through that oval office on a tour, think about that. I could just see him praying to his Father in heaven, praying for guidance at a time when it needed guidance when brother was fighting against brother, the absurdity of it all.

Well we are faced with things just like that today. Yeah, we are. We need His guidance. We need His prayers in our mouth and His worship on our lips. More than anything else, that's what I pray for. When I pray for someone I barely know who has brain cancer, they are going to be healed, not because of something I did but because of something God is doing in us. Everyone of us. Amen.

Thank You, Jesus. Lord, we thank You that we can trust You. We do not trust the words of men nor our own heart. But, we do trust You, absolutely. We want to know the truth for that truth will set us completely free. The enemy can no longer come to us with his accusations. *We know that we know that we know God is good. You are a good, good Father. Amen.* 

