

# The Burden (Compilation)

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*The sermon emphasizes the importance of having a broken heart and a hunger for God in order to know the secret of intercessory prayer and walk with God.*

**Duration:** 4:50

**Scripture:** Psalm 42:1

**Topics:** "Compilation"

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## Description

In this sermon, the preacher emphasizes the importance of having a close relationship with God through prayer. He highlights the need for believers to have a hunger and thirst for Christ, as this will inspire others to seek Him as well. The preacher also discusses the burden of God and how it can break our hearts, leading us to die to ourselves and fully surrender to God. He quotes Dietrich Bonhoeffer, who said that Jesus Christ calls us to come to Him and die. The sermon concludes by emphasizing the significance of living a crucified life, where we abandon ourselves and lay every aspect of our lives on the altar for God.

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## Transcript

There is nothing so wonderful that you and I can bring to the God that we are serving as when we bring to him a heart that has been absolutely and totally broken. And if you sit here tonight and you say, well, what will it cost me to serve God with a broken heart? I need to tell you it will cost you absolutely everything. But it costs us more to miss the will of God for our lives than it will cost us to find the will of God for our lives.

What is the crucified life? What is the life in the fullest spirit of God? It's a life where God has come to my life and he has put the sentence of death upon the self-life. It's the place where God has brought me, where I have abandoned every aspect of myself to God. It's the place where God has brought me, where I lay my life and its relationships on the altar for God, where I lay my hearts and its affections on the altar for God, where I lay my family on the altar for God, where every aspect of my life becomes at God's disposal.

I came across that great statement the other day by a man with the name of Dietrich Bonhoeffer. He was that great German theologian that suffered so greatly under Hitler in Nazi Germany and he made this statement and he said, Jesus Christ bids you to come to him and die. You see my friends, the Bible is saying to us, unless the corn of wheat falls into the ground and die and the only way that you and I will know the secret of a life of intercessory prayer is when God brings us to this place where we come to grips with God the Holy Ghost.

We want to speak about prayer, but if your life is not sold out to God, you will not know a spirit of prayer. You see, you don't realize this Thursday night the tremendous potential that is in store for your life. In fact, your life is so precious to God that you dare not mess around to sin.

How can you walk with God and not be a man of prayer? How can you be a man of prayer and not walk with God? Brother and sister, we can't take people further than we are ourselves. Listen, we will produce people who are just like us. If you and I don't have a hunger for God, they're not going to have a hunger for God.

If we are not thirsty for Christ, they are not going to be thirsty for Christ. Do you and I know something about the burden of God? Can I ask you this evening, have you got a burden? What does the burden of God do? Listen, brother and sister, the burden of God brings brokenness. Brother and sister, how dare we listen to the truth of the Word of God and don't allow the truth of the Word of God to break my heart.

When God brings the burden of His heart to your life and when God begins to break your heart, you know what's going to happen? You're going to die to every aspect of yourself. You say, why? So that others should be able to learn. They say, oh, what will it cost me?

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