

Useful for the Master - Part 11

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Jackie Pullinger's sermon emphasizes the role of poverty and suffering in leading people to God and the transformative power of faith through testimonies.

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Scripture: Psalm 102:18-23, Psalm 112:1, Psalm 112:4, Psalm 112:6-7, Psalm 112:9-10

Topics: "God's Sovereignty", "Spiritual Transformation"

Description

This sermon emphasizes God's purpose in allowing difficulties and poverty, highlighting how those in need may call upon Him for salvation and how the world will recognize Jesus through their experiences. It explores the concept of chosenness, where individuals who have suffered greatly come to believe they are chosen by God, leading to a ripple effect of more people turning to Christ through their testimonies. The message also touches on the response of the rich when they witness the transformation in the lives of the poor, causing them to seek Jesus out of jealousy and recognition of God's work.

Transcript

I hope you don't have to go to the public tennis now. You can live there if you want to. Another reason why I believe it's the safest way to reach the world is that the poor are not the only poor.

They don't need training. Now, you, I guess, have probably come to this planet to get some training in Christian or Gospel. Or don't.

They learn naturally. There's an ugly song. We won't look at the whole thing now in some 102 minutes.

It's one which has got an awful lot of yoga questions. When you read the song, you think, how could God allow that? How could God, despite the people in India, how could He allow those slave owners? How could He allow half the people there? That you have in the streets down here. And I've been in New Zealand only three times, but I've seen the people in their streets.

They're poor. I've seen the people that come out of their bars at night. They're poor.

I've seen the people down in Christchurch. I've seen the people in Australia. I've been in France.

I've seen the people that come from the islands here. I've gone away to the homies to know who their people are. And get put in one of the different cities from Russia.

Why is that allowed? Why have some of us here who seem to have had a better view of God? Some of us here have even had to tell us the meaning of their word. To brought us up. And gave us, to us reveal today.

There are millions of people in this country. We don't know that. Some of us in Australia are ashamed of their parents.

And nobody comes back at night and nobody sees them. And nobody wants them. Why is it that some people are like that? And some people are like us? I want to tell you the answer in Psalm 112.

God has allowed the difficulties and the poverty so that those people may call upon Him. So that they may be saved. So that the world will recognize Jesus.

That's how it was. And the so-called rich will come to Jesus when they see the so-called poor being touched and touched. That's what Psalm 112 says.

It says, let this be written for a future generation. That if people not yet created, they praise the Lord. The Lord has come from the sanctuary on high.

From heaven He drew the earth to hear the groans of the prisoners and release those condemned to death. So the name of the Lord will be declared in Zion and His praise in Jerusalem. Let this be written for a future generation.

That if people not yet created, they praise the Lord. This is what's happened in Hong Kong in our own lives. We saw people totally ill-treated.

We saw people who have no poverty ever. And this kind of conference could never take place in Hong Kong without a miracle. Because there will never be this number of people who get this number of days off at the same time.

You are rich in time, dear. You have days off, and you have holidays, and you have grass to lie on. All I ever saw was people crowded, queuing up to speak because they couldn't lie down at the same time.

Mothers who had to do two jobs a day in order to feed their families and to pay their rent. What is wrong with God and our God? Why would He allow heroin dens full of people hurting and crying out? Why is it so unfair one country to another? One race to another? Why? Oh, good answer. Because He chose them.

You know, our guys say, and they mean it with all their heart, they haven't been taught this. We are the best ones. Because we knew our poverty.

The rich ones don't know how poor they are. They don't know how they need the Lord. And we thank God that we could get our heroin for 30 dollars and there was nowhere else to turn but the Lord.

And do you know the first thing they say when they come into our room to meet Jesus? Usually not more than five minutes before they meet Him. They say, I've been chosen. And we haven't taught them that.

I don't know how they get it. And they start to pray and say, thank you God for choosing me. And then they go out and find a friend outside, and they say, you've been chosen too.

Extraordinary glory. Anyone who comes is chosen. That's what they say.

Extraordinary. And through their testimonies, the testimonies of guys who've suffered and had such an unfair and oppressed life, many more have become Christians. That's what this verse says.

Let this be written for a future generation, that if people not yet created may praise the Lord. When they see what God has done for them. And there are people living now who've come to believe in Jesus Christ, who were not alive when our guys were suffering and crying in their mouth, and their mothers were weeping, and their fathers were beating them.

There are people who've become Christians who know Jesus because of the testimony of our brothers. So unfair. I didn't preach to those people.

I just preached to the poor, and the others came in as a result. And the rich, this is the point you've got to make. If you think, I'm biased, I am.

You see, the rich, when they see the poor who've come to know Jesus, they're jealous. We have many, many rich people in our fellowship. Yeah.

We don't have any middle people, by the way. We have the bottom, the breads and the tops. And the rich people, the barristers and the bankers, all of whom didn't get out, they've seen what God has done in our simple guys, and they've said, that's all I want.

So your guys are rich, and I'm poor. You know, you preach to the poor, but the rich will come by themselves because they've got to see their politics. That's why God's life goes down to His will of the poor.

Oh, Debiah, we pray to you. Let our lives be a sacrifice, pleasing unto you. Let our lips be your praises, let us know your mercy.

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