

The Presence of God

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The sermon emphasizes the importance of experiencing and responding to the presence of God, which leads to a deeper love for others and a burden for the lost.

Scripture: Matthew 28:19

Topics: "Compassion for the Lost", "God's Presence"

Description

K.P. Yohannan shares a profound experience of encountering the presence of God, which filled him with an overwhelming sense of love and a burden for the lost. As he surrendered to God's will, he was transformed to see the world through God's eyes, feeling a deep compassion for the people around him. This encounter ignited a passion within him to speak for God and reach out to those who were lost, reflecting God's heart for humanity. The sermon emphasizes the transformative power of God's presence and the call to share His love with others.

Transcript

Suddenly, I felt that I was not alone in the room. A great sense of love and of my being loved filled the place. I felt the presence of God and fell on my knees beside the bed.

"Lord God," I gasped in surrender to His presence and will, "I'll give myself to speak for You--but help me to know that You're with me."

In the morning, I awoke to a world and people suddenly different. As I walked outside, the Indian street scenes looked the same as before: Children ran between the legs of people and cows, pigs and chickens wandered about, vendors carried baskets of bright fruit and flowers on their heads. I loved them all with a supernatural, unconditional love I'd never felt before. It was as if God had removed my eyes and replaced them with His so I could see people as the heavenly Father sees them--lost and needy but with potential to glorify and reflect Him. I walked to the bus station. My eyes filled with tears of love. I knew that these people were all going to hell--and I knew God did not want them to go there. Suddenly I had such a burden for these masses that I had to stop and lean against a wall just to keep my balance. This was it: I knew I was feeling the burden of love God feels for the lost multitudes of India. His loving heart was pounding within mine, and I could hardly breathe. The tension was great. I paced back and forth restlessly to keep my knees from knocking in fright.

"Lord!" I cried. "If You want me to do something, say it, and give me courage."

Looking up from my prayer, I saw a huge stone. I knew immediately I had to climb that stone and preach to the crowds in the bus station. Scrambling up, I felt a force like 10,000 volts of electricity shooting through my body.

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