

# The Secrets Of Men

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Everyone pray with me right now, the prayer we've been praying since Father's Day. Everyone pray out loud. Those of you in the chapel, pray with me.

Those of you that hate me, that hate God, you hate this place, I want you to pray too. God-haters, witches, warlocks, whoever you are, God-lover or a God-hater, we want everyone to pray right now, out loud. Dear Jesus, speak to my heart.

Change my life. In your precious name, amen. You may be seated.

Tonight's message will not take long. It is a direct word from the Lord. The messages this week have been tender.

They've been loving. Last night I spoke to you on not yet, why we hesitate on coming to Jesus, all the reasons people won't come to the Lord, why they won't turn their lives over to Jesus, and I listed about 12 of them. If you want to get those, you can get the tape or the video.

But the Lord is dealing with them, folks, tonight. I know He is. He loves you.

He cares about you. That baptismal testimony service was an example of His love. Friend, there's nothing like those baptismals.

I cry all the way through them. I cry all the way through them. Someone asked me tonight, a reporter asked me tonight, when I was weeping, sharing a story with the reporter just in private, and he's asking me about that very thing, about the tears.

Well, friend, I've been delivered from so much. I've been set so free, and nothing else matters to me in life than to see changed lives. Nothing.

See, the only thing we can take with us when we die, when it's all over, is people. That's all you can take with you. Everything else remains.

The only thing you can take with you is people. So whatever you're doing that doesn't have to do with people making it to heaven is basically a waste. I'm talking about even the way you make a living.

As you can be making a living, you can be providing for the family, but why? So you can raise your kids up in the admonition of the Lord. It should all have that one purpose to get your kids to heaven. The purpose shouldn't be so your son doesn't have to suffer like you.

The purpose should be so your son makes it to heaven. That's what matters more than anything else to me. One particular testimony, well, there's about 25 of them tonight that struck me, but one particular one that confirmed tonight's message was a young man who was there with his brother that said he was raised in church.

He went to church, sang the songs, did the thing, the religious thing, but nobody knew what was going on inside his heart. How many remember that? It's full of lust, a foul mouth, and only God knows what kind of thoughts were rampant and free to flow through his mind. When a young man says lust was his problem, that's a cesspool.

It's quiet in here. Because that's a major problem for millions of people around the world. But he said that nobody knew.

Then he said, but God knew. How many believe God knows everything? If you don't believe that, I want you to turn with me to Luke chapter 12. I'm going to read several Scriptures.

Short ones, and then I want to speak to you on the secrets of men. The secrets of men. Some of you are cringing.

It's okay. God loves you. Let me tell you what conviction is, friend.

Conviction is wonderful. It is wonderful. Absolutely wonderful.

Now, if you're not guilty of anything, you won't fall under conviction. If you're fine, you're going to be okay. But if there's something there, thank God he's going to speak to you.

Thank the Lord. I remember back before I got saved, I was a partier and a drug addict, and I hung out with the blacks in the city of Huntsville, Alabama for the last couple of years before I got saved. Most all my friends were black.

And I was in this black bar, and that particular night I went out and I got in a fight with somebody and woke up in jail. Didn't know how I got in jail to this day. I can't remember how I got in jail.

I just woke up in jail with a cut on my face and dried blood on my face, and I asked everybody in the jail what happened to me, how did I get here. They said, no, they just brought you in from some brawl, some fight that broke out. And I got out of jail, and as I was going home, I was picked up by the police.

They took me back up to jail and sat me down in an interrogation room. And they said this, tell me everything you know about the murder. I said, I don't know anything about a murder.

Yes, you do. I don't know anything about a murder. And they mentioned a lady who was very high up in society in Huntsville, Alabama, very well known, real estate.

She owned a lot of real estate, owned a major business. Was killed that night by a black man and a white man. And so they took me and my partner as the number one suspects and brought me in there, and I mean drilled me and drilled me and drilled me.

How did you do it? How did you plan it? I said, I don't know what you're talking about. We're talking about, and they named the lady, they named the murderer. Tell us, how did you plan it? Why did you do it? And I said, I didn't do it.

And I'll never forget, the cop looked down at me. He looked up at the investigating officer, he goes, this man did not do it. You can go.

I mean, he was positive. He was right. I was free, there wasn't a convicting bone in my body because I did not commit a murder.

I know I didn't commit a murder. I know I didn't do all the things that they said I did, and I just sat there saying, that wasn't me, Bubba. That was somebody else that did it, but it wasn't me.

Now, it would have been a whole different story if I had done it. I would have been nervous. And I relate that to these services.

When we speak about sin and things in our lives that are wrong and the Lord speaks to you, your heart begins doing this. It's called conviction. The Bible says that the Holy Spirit was sent to convict us of sin.

It's wonderful, friend. It's total freedom. I use this illustration quite often.

I was on a plane trip with Mike. We had a private plane coming down from Montgomery. We did a rally up there together, and on the way down, we were just talking about ministry around the world, and a brother's name came up.

And I knew the brother well. I knew his work, and I cut him down. It took me about, you know, it doesn't take long to cut somebody down.

It took me a couple of lines to cut him down. And as soon as I cut the man down with my tongue, and I didn't slander him bad, I just, you know, I didn't lift him up. As soon as I said that, conviction hit.

How many know what I'm talking about? I felt horrible, and I turned to Mike, and I said, Mike, forgive me, man. You remember that, don't you, brother? I said, forgive me. That's wonderful, conviction like that.

It's marvelous, friend. It'll keep you clean. It'll keep you pure.

It'll keep you holy. And the Bible says we have an advocate with the Father when we sin. Did you say Jesus? Wash me.

I don't know where that came from, but it ain't coming out no more. Forgive me, Jesus. Luke chapter 12.

You don't need to turn to all these scriptures. There's only going to be about six of them, I believe. Luke 12, verse 2. But there is nothing covered up that will not be revealed and hidden that will not be known.

This is in red, so that means Jesus said this. Accordingly, whatever you have said in the dark shall be heard in the light, and what you have whispered in the inner rooms shall be proclaimed upon the housetops. I need a sound man somewhere.

Please. Matthew 10.26 says the same thing. If you're taking notes, just jot these down.

Remember, for there is nothing covered that shall not be revealed, neither hid that shall not be known. Matthew 10.26 says, for there is nothing covered that shall not be revealed and hid that shall not be made known. Mark 4.22 says, for there is nothing hid which shall not be manifested, neither was anything kept secret, but that it should come abroad.

Luke 8.17 says, for nothing is secret that shall not be made manifest, neither anything hid that shall not be known and come abroad. Numbers 32.23 says, be sure your sin will find you out. These are fun scriptures, aren't they? They're plain.

They're wonderful, friend. Here's the problem that we deal with in America. I'm inside a barrel.

This is a problem we deal with in America, friend. We have been loved to sleep. We've heard all about the love of Jesus.

We've all heard about the grace of Jesus, the mercy of Jesus, and it's all wonderful, but a loving Savior will one day be a severe judge. According to the words of Jesus, we in America who have heard the Word of God over and over again will be held accountable, and he said to people like that, it would be better for Sodom and Gomorrah than it will be for you because of what you've heard, what you've learned, and you still live in disobedience. Let's look at a couple more.

Romans 2. Everybody happy to be here? Hallelujah. I love that, brother. On the day, verse 16, and this is the last scripture, I believe.

On the day when according to my gospel, God will judge the secrets of men through Christ Jesus. The secrets of men. Can I speak to you just for a few minutes? A secret is something that is separated.

That's actually what the word means. A secret is something that is concealed from the notice or knowledge of all persons except the individual or individuals concerned. The young man in the baptismal pool said, I was doing something and nobody else knew anything about it.

Most adulterous affairs start like that and then after a while, maybe the kids find out about it, maybe someone else finds out about it, but it's usually secret for a while. Something that is private is a secret. It is also a word that refers to something not yet discovered.

Can I say that again? It's also a word that refers to something not yet discovered and therefore it's unknown. Job chapter 15 says this, Hast thou heard the secret of God? Leonard Ravenhill used to say to me all the time, I know he said it to you, Mike. He would say, Steve, God's got a secret and he wants to share it with you.

God's looking for a few people that he can share his secrets with. How many would love to know God's secrets? He wants to share them with you, friend, but he's looking for somebody who is faithful. Many of us in this room have areas that we have concealed from others.

You've all heard the terminology secret sin. These are those sins executed behind closed doors, in the darkness, if you will, without the apparent presence of anyone else. Now the Lord gave me this this morning, friend, and if he's going to wake me up early in the morning to give me a message, you're going to listen to it.

All right. We've concealed this thing from others. The problem is this.

There are always, say that with me, always three witnesses, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost. Everything that's done, every act of masturbation is seen by God. Everything that goes on in the backseat of the car up on Lover's Lane is seen by God.

He sees everything. That's why it's so important, young people, to develop a fear of God, that he's always there. My kids are developing that, the fear of God.

They know God sees everything. They know God talks to daddy. They know daddy spansks boy.

It's called the fear of God. It's best not to do wrong because God's watching everything you do. I remember a particular drug trial that I went to.

I was participating in it because I was the one being busted. Thought I'd show up. I walked in there and I had a highfalutin lawyer, the Perry Mason of Madison County, Alabama, as a matter of fact, my mama had put up major money, her house, to get this lawyer to handle my case.

I walked into the courtroom and it was sales of narcotics. It was a major felony. Walked into the courtroom and we had already gone through this with my lawyer and we'd found a way of escape.

We'd found some technicalities and he basically said, Steve, I can get you off with probation, no sweat. So we went in there and I told him my story, the lawyer my story, and so that's what he had to work with, my story. But he came to that courtroom and was shocked beyond belief when the prosecuting attorney came out with a stack of papers, legal size, I can still see them.

They must have been about a half an inch thick and he stood before the judge and he began reading these papers. And it said something like this. On October the 2nd, 1972, at 6 o'clock a.m. Steve left his house in a blue Volkswagen, missing two hubcaps, and drove to the Winn-Dixie Shopping Center parking lot.

He parked his Volkswagen next to a dipsty dumpster and waited for 30 minutes when a black van pulled up with two male, white males. And as they were reading this, my heart began to do this. Why? Every word of it was true.

Everything that they said was right on the money. Every detail was right on. And they talked about the time that we exchanged the money and the drugs and everything else that went on.

When I went back to my house, what I did a week after that, going to someone else's house, a drug haven, dealing more drugs, everywhere I went. When I went out of town, they knew that. They had been watching me, friend.

And after about three or four pages of reading that, my lawyer turns to me and says, we need to talk. And he went up to the judge and went, we need a recess. And he chewed me out, friend, in the back room.

He said, don't you ever expect me to handle your case if you're not going to be honest with me. You did it, didn't you, Steve? You're guilty, aren't you, Steve? I said, yeah, man, I did it. You're making me look like a fool.

Do you understand I know the law? I know how to work with the law. I know how to deal with the attorneys. I know how to deal with the prosecuting attorneys.

But I have to know the facts. I want to know the truth. So I poured it all out to him.

But I learned in that incident, friend, how someone was always watching me. Those of you that are on drugs in this place and you think no one knows about you, ha, ha, ha. You got to sit around the cops' table sometime and listen to them talk.

You think you're so sly and slick. They're going, when do you think you want to bust him? This Friday night or next Saturday night? When do you want to bust him? Nah, let's let him just party out there for a month or so. Let him get a little.

They know what's going on with you, buddy. They see what you're doing. Well, friend, please keep in mind that Jesus sees everything you do.

The Father sees everything you do and the Holy Ghost is a witness to everything that we do. Remember how surprised Nathanael was when Jesus said to him, Behold, an Israelite, indeed, in whom is no guile. Nathanael said unto him, Whence knowest thou me? How did you know me? Jesus said.

Before Philip called you, I saw you under the fig tree. I saw you there, Nathanael. And Nathanael goes, Rabbi, thou art the Son of God.

Thou art the King of Israel. Why? Because Jesus nailed him. He knew where he was.

He knew what he was doing. It was a revelation. That's why a lady came up to me the other night, a reporter that was here, doing an article.

She left out. I can talk about her now. She was here last night.

She came up to me for an interview. She goes, I'm not getting anywhere with this story. I said, Why? She goes, You're talking to me all night long from a secular newspaper.

I said, I'm not talking to you. I'm talking to everybody. She goes, No, everything you're saying is for me.

I'm not even getting my story. I said, Lady, I said, Lady, that's the story. Well, tonight we're going to take these scriptures and move them to a more contemporary setting.

I want you to bear with me, critics, those of you that are here that just love deep things. You have no idea how deep it is in this place, buddy. But the secrets of men, probably the most accurate, usable illustration for a night like tonight would be what's been going on in England over the last month or so.

We received a fax from London today, and someone said this is a major corporation, wrote us this fax. We got friends there. It said, We have been through a dreadful time after the death of Diana, the princess of Wales.

The day of her funeral was something like that of which I suspect we will never see again. I haven't met anyone in all of England who did not spend the day in tears. The whole event was almost physically painful.

However, there were some wonderful moments like the fact that people completely unprompted, yet with one mind, threw flowers in front of the hearse and applauded it as it made its way to her family home. And I'm sure you saw the whole thing on television. Of course, the debate rages on about the press, but every day brings amazing new revelations about the accident and also reactions from the royal family, which, again, we have never experienced before.

These are indeed interesting times. Most of us would agree that that was an incredibly impactful event. It impacted the world.

And I rarely use events that are going on in the world in my messages. I use them lightly, but I rarely use them. I do not ever use them as sermon titles.

But most of this, when it first came out, started everybody talking about the cameraman. What were their names? Paparazzi? Is that it? Everybody was talking about them. As a matter of fact, when this happened, I was in Atlanta.

I'm sorry. I'm ignorant. I'd never heard the name paparazzi.

And I walked. I was over at a residence inn, and I looked up at the man behind the counter, and I saw the newspaper there, Die is Dead. And I looked up at him.

I said, She died? I said, Who killed her? He said, The paparazzi. And I said, Who's that, the mafia? Most of you thought the same thing when you first heard it. Paparazzi, what's that? He goes, The cameraman.

They were chasing her down the highway. Then he told me the whole story. It was all about one of these little things.

I think we might have one with us. No, I want the big one. This camera right here.

See this? Paparazzi. It's all about a camera. All the commotion was about these people taking pictures.

They sneak up on you and take a picture with you when you're lying nude on the beach. That's the kind of pictures they're taking. They wait for hours to get that half a million dollar shot to catch you necking someone you're not married with.

They got you. That's what the whole scandal's about. And all these guys are saying, Hey, we just want to get the truth out.

We want to get these pictures out. This is what the lady's doing. This is what these people are doing.

We want to get the pictures. And you can talk any way you want to about it, friend. They're just taking pictures.

Now, they do go beyond their limits. I would agree. I don't want anyone sticking a camera in my bedroom window.

I got a dog, by the way. But he's one of those dogs, he'll probably lick you, you know. Be sure when you sneak over our property fence to kick my dog a bunch of times and get his attention so he'll be mean.

But let's just talk for a few minutes, friend. Remember the secrets of men. And that's what these guys were after, some secrets.

What's really going on behind the scenes? What's happening? Is there a wedding ahead? What's going on? What are they talking about? Why are they having dinner? What's that ring all about? What's going on? What I want to tell you, friend, let's move that story and it's history now. Let's talk about something a little bit more important, God's camera. God's got a camera and he's been taking pictures.

Pictures of what? Everything. Everything. I'm telling you in the balcony, everything.

Those of you in the chapel, everything you do. God's been taking pictures. I can prove it.

He ain't got no camera. God ain't got no camera. Friend, you should see his telephoto lens.

The Bible says the eyes of the Lord are in every place watching the evil and the good. God will render, Romans 2, 6, God will render to every man according to his deeds. And for God to know what man has been doing, he's got to be taking notes.

So we're going to say tonight that he's got a camera. That means, my friend, the Lord has been taking inventory of every deed. Say that with me.

Every deed, good or bad. Revelation talks about this. 20, 11, and 12 talks about some books that will be opened.

The dead were judged out of those things which were written in the books according to the works. God's photo album. Yes, God's taking pictures, friend.

He's watching everything you do. Every kind act, he sees it. When you go down to the rescue mission, friend, and you work for the Lord, and you're honest, you're not doing it because you're religious, you're working because you love Jesus, and you want to help people, he sees that, friend, and he focuses down at that soup kitchen, and he takes your picture.

He sees what you're doing. He honors that. It's a good deed.

When he sees you giving a cup of cold water to someone in need, God focuses from heaven. He's got his camera out, and he takes your picture. He sees what you're doing.

He sees some of you in the chapel. You worked, and you worked, and you worked, and you brought somebody to this revival, someone you dearly love, and you even spent extra money to get them here. It would take anything.

You would do anything to get to the person here, and now they're here. God sees you, friend, and he takes your picture. He knows every good thing that you do.

He's taking notes. He's watching what you're doing. Every kind thing you do, friend, right now, I'm building a tree fort with my son.

Every day I've been building this tree fort. This is one of those forts that I never had myself, you know, so you can imagine what it looks like. I mean, this thing is a palace, like 22 feet high, lookout tower, walkway around it, indoor-outdoor carpeting inside.

It's a neat thing, man. It's a neat tree fort. But you know what God sees? God sees me and my boy, the busy evangelist, he sees me and my boy down there in Lillian, Alabama, building a tree fort, and he sees me talking to my son, loving on my son, saying, son, you're some kind of man.

Man, the way you can drive a nail. Ryan, would you use the drill? Can I use the drill? I said, man, screw some of those screws in yourself. He's, ooh, ooh.

Boy, he loves that much more than the hammer. God sees that. He sees the evangelist.

I'm not gloating on ourselves, friend. It's just something that's happening right now. He sees it when you do good deeds, when you watch over your children, when you kiss them at night, when you pray over them, God sees the good deeds that you do.

How many are listening? He sees every offering of love. He saw some of you tonight when you gave an offering to the mission work. He saw that you wrote the check and you weren't griping and grumbling, even though he'll take your money anyhow.

But he saw you and he took a picture of you as you were doing that. God takes pictures of all the good, but he also takes pictures of the bad. Every evil act, every hateful act, every wicked deed.

My next point is this, friend, and this won't take long, trust me. His photography equipment far excels the finest cameras known to man. Friend, he sees the heart.

He's got a lens that man would dream of. He can go inside the human heart. He knows the purpose for why you did what you did.

He knows the motives behind it. He knows at night there may be pastors here that want an anointing, but you want it because you want to be special. You want God to use you mightily, but there's an area of pride there.

And as soon as he anoints you, you'll be gloated up, bloated up, prideful, and you'll tear the church up because suddenly you're somebody. Friend, if you're a prideful man or a prideful woman, get on your face tonight. Get on your face tonight.

You know what I hate the most about this revival? And it's rare when people come up to me and tell me how great they are. Every once in a while someone will come up and go, hi, my name's Jim. Hey, Jim, I'm pastor in Phoenix.

Good, Jim. 4,562 members. Good, Jim.

Have a television program that goes in 72 states. That's interesting, Jim, 72 states. That's an awesome program, Jim.

I remember one man that came. He has a church of 7,000 members. Came here just like a puppy.

Elegant, well-dressed. Walked in here like this. Didn't tell anybody who he was.

I knew who he was. He didn't care that anybody knew who he was. He just wanted prayer.

I remember Leon Patila coming one night. We have artists that come, country artists. We have stars.

We've had politicians come from all over the United States. Leon Patila, how many know who he is? Great singer. He comes up, he's standing right here.

I haven't seen Leon in years. I've been on the mission field. And I looked at him and I said, hi, where are you from? He goes, California.

And I said, you want prayer? He goes, man, I want prayer. I said, I'll pray for you. Laid my hands on him.

You know, he didn't look at me and go, hey, Bubba, I'm Leon Patila. Do you realize you're praying for Leon Patila, man? He didn't care that I didn't know who he was. Boy, this is sinking into some people.

He didn't care. Boy, I want to tell you something, Leon. God saw that.

Where's that button? He saw that. He saw that you didn't care, Leon, that you just wanted prayer. He saw the pastor didn't care.

He just wanted prayer. Friends, God's got the works. Since I can't produce God's camera, this is the best we can do right here.

It'll work tonight, though. I want to tell you, I did a little study on God's photography. He doesn't need a tripod to hold the camera steady.

Props it up on a cloud. He doesn't need you to hold still. Freeze! Doesn't need the proper lighting.

His pictures never turn out green or too blurry or unrecognizable. The head's cut off. The feet cut off.

Everybody off to the left. Everybody off to the right or just a tree. And everybody out of the picture totally.

He takes perfect pictures day in and day out. I want the lights out. Everything, friend.

I'm telling you, he sees everything. He sees everywhere you are, everywhere you go. He knows, my friend, those secret sins that go on in the bedroom at night.

He knows what you're doing behind closed doors. He knows all about it. He's got his camera from heaven and he's snapping the picture.

He knows when you go out when you're not supposed to, young person. Your mama doesn't know about it. Your daddy doesn't know about it, but Jesus knows about it.

He turned to you and he saw it and he snapped the picture and he's building an album. He's building an album of everything you've done, every good deed and every evil deed. Is anyone listening tonight? There

are some people here that are bothered by this.

Friend, it's about time. It's about time. Sir, he saw you.

He saw you. He zeroed in on you, friend. He saw what was going on.

He knew where you were. No one else did, but he saw it. He saw the magazine cover that you stared at.

You couldn't get the woman off your mind. You lusted over. He was focusing in and he saw that.

He remembers the words of his son. If you look upon a woman with lust in your heart, you've done it. He saw it.

Ma'am, he was there. Maybe you didn't think so, but he heard the gossip. He heard the slander.

He focused in on you and he snapped the picture. Young person, he saw everything you did and everything you've done. He saw the first drink you ever took.

He saw the time that you said, I'll never go all the way with a guy, but you went into the backseat of that car and you got involved in heavy, heavy petting. And he zeroed in on you and he took the picture. He saw the young man that was in church all his life.

God saw him slip out of church and go on his own way. He saw the lustful acts that this man did. God from heaven with a grievous heart, tears dripping on his camera.

He looked down and he took the picture. He took notice. He saw everything that was done.

He sees everything you do, friend. He sees the hypocrisy. Jesus saw right through it.

He looked at the Pharisees and he said, you whitewashed tomb full of dead men's bones. I've got your number. He sees everything that you do, friend.

Always has and always will. He saw every joint of marijuana that Steve Hill stuck in his face. He knew what Steve Hill was going to do years before he did it.

He had his camera propped up ready when I was about to commit the crime. And he snapped the shot. I want this to sink in tonight in the chapel.

Take notice. He sees everything. Everything that you do.

Everything that you do. Those of you at home. Everything that you do.

Every place you go. There's not a hidden area to God. He sees it all.

See, the problem is, friend, we are master hypocrites. We are master actors. But God sees what goes on behind the stage.

He knows every detail of our lives. He knows we can stand in here worshiping God with our hands lifted up and be looking at some girl dancing. You're supposed to be worshiping God, sir, and you're lusting over a young lady.

You're supposed to be going after God, ma'am, and you're lusting after another man. He looks down with grief in his heart. The new night vision lenses that have been created, God's had night vision lenses from the very beginning.

He sees through the dark. All this commotion about the photographers taking pictures of the lady, God had taken thousands already. There were no secrets.

Never have been, never will be. Everything that's being scooped up about our president, everything everyone's dragging up about anybody else, God knew it all along. He knows everything.

He's already taken the snapshot, and it's already in the archives. He knows. I want the lights up just a little bit.

Bring that box down. See, this should bother people. This should bother you.

That he sees it. What hypocrisy. What hypocrisy to worship God in a chapel service and then go home and chew out your wife like she's a slave.

What hypocrisy to show more affection towards other women than you do your own wife. What hypocrisy, ma'am, to get up to go to church and dress for the other men in the church rather than dress for your husband. He sees it all.

Someone said they liked your perfume. You liked the compliments, so you wear that perfume just to please that other man in the church. God saw it.

He sees it all. Careful, sister, that's the beginning of an affair. He sees everybody here.

See, I found this out, friend. I thought the narcotics agents were bad. Friend, they don't come close to God.

Now, there's coming a day, and I'm going to close in just a minute. Charity's going to sing Mercy Seat. There's coming a day when he'll head to the dark room.

You listening? He'll head to the dark room. How many know what a dark room is? To the photographer, it's time for development. To the sinner, it's judgment day.

Every book will be open. Everything's recorded. That's it.

He takes the film out of the camera. I've got good news for you, friend. I want the lights up.

You got a choice. He's got the role in his hands. Everything that was done that he saw.

He's heading into the dark room preparing the stack of papers for judgment day. Don't ever forget, friend, there's a book. This is Bible.

This is Bible. Oh, talk to me about the love of Jesus. I'm fixing to.

There's some good news to this. God's walking into the dark room to develop the pictures. He's got angels on assignment getting the book ready.

But just as he enters the room, he turns around, and it's Jesus. And Jesus says to the father, hand me the film. This? That film, father.

That Steve Hill's life. Hand it to me, father. He prayed, father.

And he asked me to wash him. And that's exactly what I'm doing. Everything that he's ever done.

Everything he's ever done wrong has just been exposed to the sun. Totally washed. Totally cleansed.

Worthless to a photographer. Garbage. It's over.

I had a bunch of rolls. How about you? Every one of them. Every one of them, Jesus said, hand them over, father.

Every time I abused somebody, every time I pumped a needle in my arm, every time I cursed his name, every time I did something wrong, every time I committed a crime, the Lord saw it all. He photographed it all. He took pictures of everything.

But on October 28, 1975, at 11 o'clock in the morning, I went, Jesus, forgive me, Jesus. Forgive me, Jesus. Forgive me, Jesus.

And he went, I forgive you, son. I forgive you, son. You are washed.

You are washed. You are washed in the blood of the lamb. Oh! Whoo! Whoo! I don't know where you are, Patrick Waters, but about 14 months ago, when you came into this revival and sat up in that balcony, a drug addict, you sat up in that balcony, a drug addict, a bouncer from a local bar, a people hater.

You love to beat people up. You hated people. You came to this revival and sat up in the balcony.

You listened to the message. The altar call was given. Halfway through the message, I turned to you, Patrick Waters, and I said, Jesus knows all about your drug problem.

I didn't even know who you were, that you were even up there. But the Lord nailed you. And at the very end of the altar call, one of the members of your family turned to you and said, how about it, Patrick? Let's go down together.

Give your life to Jesus. You jumped up from your seat, Patrick. You came running down to this altar, and I'll never forget the night, right over here, you wept and you wailed, and the more you cried, friend, the longer the film came out.

It just kept going on and on and on and on and on. You were exposed. The Lord forgave everything, everything, everything you've ever done.

You know what, friend? The beauty, and I'm closing, the beauty of the cross, of the blood of Jesus. There's a lot of great things he'll do with your sin. The Bible says he'll cast them behind his back, Isaiah 38, 17.

The Bible says he nails them to the cross, Colossians 2, 13. The Bible says he blots them out, Isaiah 44, 22. The Bible says he removes them as far as the east is from the west, Psalm 103, 12.

The Bible says he casts them into the depth of the sea. The deepest sea is 6.8 miles. If you're from Latin America, 10.9 kilometers straight down.

That's how far away your sins are. Man can never get down there, but God does something even greater, friend. He does something greater than all of that.

The Bible says in Isaiah 43, 25, I, even I, am he that blotteth out thy transgressions for mine own sake, and will never remember your sins. God, God has the ability to forgive and forget. He exposes a role to the sun, friend, so much for the secrets of man.

God found him out. He knew all about him. You confessed him at the altar, and he took the role, exposed it to the sun, and threw it in the trash heap.

You're forgiven, friend. Everyone stand. Would those of you with the chairs move them to the left and the right if you would? No one else moving around? I tell you, friend, if you're going off into the bathroom right now, God's got a camera back there.

We got speakers in the bathrooms. Some of you are under heavy conviction right now. Heavy conviction.

God's dealing with you about some stuff. Friends, this is love. Everyone look this way.

Those of you moving chairs, please don't look this way. You'll crash. But everyone listen.

In the chapel, I want you all standing. This is so serious. See, sin is anything Jesus wouldn't do.

Sin separates you from God, and you know exactly what I'm talking about. Sin separates. It's a horrible thing to be separated from God.

I'm working on a message right now. You know, we sing about if God be for us, who can be against us? And God was against me. Now he's for me.

And just what that means to have God for you and just what it means to have God against you. You know, if you have God against you, you not only have the supreme ruler of the universe against you, you have all the demons of hell against you. You lose.

It's impossible to win if God's against you. You're free game to the devil and his angels, his fallen angels, the demons of hell. Sin is anything Jesus wouldn't do.

Sin separates. And tonight, friend, the Lord is gonna wash you. He's gonna cleanse you.

He's gonna forgive you, whatever you've done. Whatever it is that you might call a secret, something that's between you and Jesus, something that you've done, something that's gone on. But, you know, the Lord has seen it all and you want to be washed.

You want to be cleansed. Are you telling me, Brother Steve, if I go down to that altar, the Lord will forgive my sins. He'll wash me.

He'll forgive me and he'll wash my sins away. That's what I'm telling you, friend. I've been there.

I've done that. That's what he does every night. One of the most amazing thing, the reason these baptismals are so fanatical is because these people have experienced what I'm talking about.

They come in here carrying this thing. They come down to this altar. You can't do it in the pew.

Trust me, it won't happen in the pew. They come down to this altar and the Lord washes them clean. I want to tell you why it won't work in the pew.

The only reason you would remain in the pew tonight at this altar call is pride. Pride. That's the only reason.

See, God takes a picture of pride. The Bible says he resists the proud and gives grace to the humble. That means he resists you if you're proud.

A proud man will stand in the pew and go, I am convicted. The Lord has spoken to me about secret sins, the things in my life that are separating me from Jesus, but I can't go down there. What will my girlfriend think? What will my boyfriend think? What will my mom, my dad, my pastor, my parishioners, what will they think? I'm a visiting pastor.

What are they going to think if I go down there, friend? First of all, people aren't thinking about you. Trust me on that one. People are not focusing their lives on you, friend.

Most everyone is looking inside right now. They're not looking at you. And so shake that off and you come down in just a minute when charity sings mercy.

See, you come down to this altar and get right with God. Get the sin out. If you think you're going to do it at home, friend, you're going to have a rude awakening when you get home.

You'll get home by yourself. Oh, I see the Lord. I see him with his camera.

Oh, there she is. Here she is back at home in her bedroom. Doors are shut.

It's got Brownsville music on. Wants me to forgive her sin in the seclusion of her little room. Here she is again.

What a prideful woman. Look at her. There she goes.

You go, Jesus, what Steve was talking about at the revival is so true. There's stuff in my life that's so against you, God. I'm such a backslider.

There's so much garbage in me, Jesus. The Lord's looking at you and saying this. My son was crucified 2,000 years ago for you.

He was beaten. He was whipped. He was bloodied.

He was spat upon. They cursed him. They pressed a crown of thorns on his head.

Blood dripped through his eyes. They stung. They plowed his back to where it was ribbons all the way to his buttocks.

Muscles and tendons and blood went everywhere. Then they put a beam on his back and made him carry it up a road. He drug it all the way to where he was supposed to take it to.

With a little help from a friend, he made it. Then they laid him on the back, laid him on his back, and they nailed his hands and his feet. They took his last garment off so he was totally naked.

I saw that too. They pierced his hands, pierced his feet, placed a cross on top of the hill between two common thieves, and hundreds of people cursed him. I saw that too.

I saw the soldiers gambling for his clothes. I saw the priests, the religious leaders say, if you be the Son of God, come off the cross. I took a picture, and I saw my son.

Look at you, my child. In 1997, 2,000 years ago, he saw you, and he said, Father, forgive her, for she knows not what she does. He went all the way to Calvary for you, was beaten, was bloodied, was ridiculed for you, hung naked on the cross for you, and now you want me to forgive you in the secret of your little bedroom? He did all that for you, and you couldn't walk 30 feet to get forgiveness.

Think about it, America. That's rubbish. It stinks.

The Bible says if you're ashamed of him, he's ashamed of you. If you confess him, he'll confess you. That means, friend, if you'll get right with God in front of people, maybe he'll look down from heaven, see you there, and go, wow, looks like he's getting a little serious now.

He doesn't care what people think anymore. Charity, I want you to come join me down here. In the chapel, I want to make sure you're still all standing.

When she sings Mercy Seat, everyone in this room that is backslidden, you're doing things that Jesus would never do, you've slipped away from God and you know it, you're going to come running to this altar quickly. God's going to destroy the film, if you will. He's going to destroy the film.

Those of you that have never known the Lord, you've lived a horrendous life, but you know, if you should die tonight, that you're going to hell. You know you don't know Jesus. Friend, tonight, if you'll come running to Jesus, all those photographs that have been taken by heaven over the last umpteen years in your life, Jesus is going to get a hold of those rolls of film and expose every one of them, if you'll come to him tonight.

Buddha can't do that. And I want to tell you, friend, your psychics can't do that. For those of you that think your psychics care about you, if they cared about you, then it'd be 1-800, not 1-900.

They don't care about you. They don't care about you, friend. Jesus cares about you.

As a matter of fact, there she is, 1-900-PSYCHIC. There she goes again. Sees it all, friend.

Those of you in this room that are religious, I'm closing. Listen, you're religious. You're like some of the folks in this pool.

You look right. You smell right. You take communion right.

Everything seems right, but you know, deep down inside, you don't know Jesus. You know you don't know Jesus. You can go to hell with baptismal waters on your face, my friend.

You can go to hell with a communion cup in your hand and a wafer in your mouth. You can go to hell with a choir robe on. You can go to hell with a clerical collar on or a certificate of ordination from the assemblies

of God hanging on your wall behind your desk or the Methodist church or the Baptist or anybody else.

You can go to hell. You guys are working your way towards this altar. I can feel it, man.

Charity's going to sing in just a minute. Hold your horses. But let me ask you something, religious person.

Are you on fire for Jesus? My older sister came running to this altar one night. She's a Lutheran. She's a good woman, but she wasn't on fire for Jesus.

She was consumed with everything else but Jesus. She came to listen to her little brother preach, and she didn't look at me as an assembly of God person or a Pentecostal person or a Lutheran person. She listened to me as I preached the word just as a person.

And she sat there. My sister is brilliant, both my sisters. Matter of fact, my whole family outside of me have got some good brains.

But she's brilliant, got an incredibly successful business. She sat there, made a beeline straight to the altar. She didn't care what anybody thought.

She didn't care if she was my sister. Then the next Saturday and Friday night, I look up and there's my sister in the baptismal pool, getting baptized. Why? It's a heart thing, friend.

She wants to make sure she's on fire for God. She wants to make sure she's not saying no every time God says do something. So religious person, I'm asking you right now, are you on fire for Jesus? Do you wake up in the morning with Jesus on your heart? Do you go to sleep at night with Jesus on your heart? Do you eat, drink, and breathe Jesus? Are you consumed with him? Is he your passion? Do you really live like that, Steve? You better believe it.

My home is like that. My wife, when she cleans house, dances all over the house with music on. It's full of the worship of the Lord.

We do, we live like this. We love the Lord. Have for 22 years.

And you can too. You can be on fire for him. So if you're back slim tonight, friend, or if you've never known the Lord, or you're religious but you're not on fire for Jesus, charity's gonna sing run to the mercy seat.

If you want your secret sins tonight to be exposed to the sun, if you want the Lord to forgive you, if you want Jesus to change you, I want you to come right now. Hurry, in the balcony, come on. In the balcony, in this main auditorium, hurry.

Hurry, hurry, hurry. In the chapel, let's go. In the chapel, let's go.

Hurry, hurry, hurry. Come on, come on, come on. Come on.

How about it? How about it, my friend? How you doing? Has God got the camera pointed towards you? Is he taking your picture, friend? Does he see everything you do? Yes, sir, he sees it all. He knows what you're doing tonight. He knows what you did yesterday, and he knows what you're gonna do tomorrow.

When are you gonna give your life to Jesus? When are you gonna say, Jesus, wash me, cleanse me, forgive me, Lord, wash my sins away. Cleanse me, Jesus. He'll do it, friend, but you gotta give your life to him right now.

Come on, come on. Give your heart to him right now. Come on, come on.

He's taking pictures. Let's go, friend. Let's go.

Let's go. Come on. Come on.

Come on. He's taking pictures, friend. Let's go.

Come on. Let's go. Come on.

Come on. Come on. Come on.

They never come true. I know a place of mercy for you. Hurry.

Yes. God bless you, sir. Come on.

Come on. Come on. In the chapel, let's go.

Come on in the chapel. Let's go in the chapel. Come on.

Come on. Kiss him. Yes.

Come on. Come on, team, let's go. Everyone at the altar, stay right where you're at.

It's Friday night. I'm not gonna let you go, friend. I'm gonna give you 60 seconds tonight to get your heart right with God.

Everyone at the altar, stay right where you're at. But if you know you're supposed to be down here, friend, you've got 60 seconds. Obey God.

Jesus went to Calvary for you. Why don't you come here for him? Come down here and give your life to Jesus. He loves you.

You've got 50 seconds. Come on. 45.

God bless you, sis. Hold it just a minute, lemon. Children, I want the kids to listen to me right now.

I want all the children. As a matter of fact, those of you at the altar, stay right where you're at. Don't look this way.

But mom, dad, I want all the kids to be able to see me. Make sure your children can see me. In the chapel, make sure they can see the screen.

Unless your child is sound asleep, I want to make sure all the kids can see me. Kids, every time you lie, the Lord saw it. Kids, every time you broke something in the house and you lied to mom and dad, the Lord saw it.

Every time, child, you were disobedient to your mom and dad, the Lord took a picture. He saw it. Every time you do wrong, Jesus sees it.

Young child, the Lord wants to forgive you tonight. He wants to forgive you tonight, but you need to come down here and ask him to forgive you. You come down to this altar and ask him to wash you clean.

Child, this is important. This is important. Lyndall, sing that over again.

You can come too. Mom, dad, grandpa, grandma, uncle, aunt, young lady, young man. Let's go.

God bless you, sis. God bless y'all kids. Alright, I got this.

Yes. 20 seconds. 20 seconds! We had a host of children just come.

Everyone at the altar, keep your heads down. We're going to pray right now, but some of you are saying, you can't use those kind of tactics on kids. Friend, you're wrong.

See, children are very sensitive. They're sensitive. They want to be confronted.

They want someone to love them. They want somebody to draw the line. Some of you parents may be a little on the passive side.

I tell you what, I want my kids to have the fear of God. I want them to know there's an all-seeing eye out there that sees everything they do. I want them to know when daddy's not around, God sees it.

God takes a picture. And only Jesus can expose that film to the sun and forgive them. Everyone at this altar, bow your heads right now.

Everyone in the chapel, at the altar, and those of you that are on your knees at home. And sir, if you don't get on your knees at home, that's an area of pride in your life unless you absolutely are physically unable. I want you to get on your knees, ma'am, you too.

Get your kids on the floor and get on your knees. In front of the TV set, it's okay. Right now, that's a church service for you.

It's like an altar. Everyone at this altar, I want you to pray out loud with me right now. Dear Jesus, thank you for speaking to me.

Thank you, Jesus, for not leaving me alone. Thank you, Jesus, for giving me this chance. I know, Lord, there are no secrets with you.

I confess tonight the secret of my heart. I ask you to forgive me. I have sinned.

I have sinned against you. I have sinned against others. And I have sinned against myself.

Forgive me, Jesus. Wash me. Cleanse me.

Make me new. I ask you tonight to be my Savior, my Lord, and my very best friend. From this moment on, I am yours and you are mine.

I give myself to you. Thank you, Jesus, for exposing the role. And now, Jesus, feel free to take pictures of the deeds that I will do.

Because you have saved me, because you have set me free, I will spend my life pleasing you. In your precious name, in Jesus' name, amen. Glory.

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