

How to Keep the Fire of God

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Vlad Savchuk emphasizes the importance of prayer, fasting, and giving as essential disciplines to keep the fire of God alive in our lives.

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Description

Vlad Savchuk emphasizes the importance of maintaining a spiritual fire through prayer, fasting, and giving, which serve as weapons against the three main temptations of lust, pride, and greed. He explains that prayer combats pride, fasting helps control lust, and giving defeats greed, urging believers to overcome excuses and actively engage in these disciplines. Savchuk warns that while building a fire for God may expose hidden struggles, it also empowers believers to shake off the challenges they face. He encourages the congregation to cultivate their own spiritual fire rather than relying on external sources, asserting that true dominion comes from personal devotion. Ultimately, he calls for a commitment to a life of prayer, fasting, and extravagant generosity as a means to deepen one's relationship with God.

Transcript

I want to share with you about building, I want to share with you about fuel for the fire, fuel for fire. As humans we have three main enemies, it's the lust, pride, and greed. These are the three enemies that satan has used to tempt Eve and Adam.

These are the three main tactics that Jesus was tempted with in the wilderness and satan does not invent anything new. He will use exactly the same ones even on you and on me. Jesus Christ has given us a weapons against these three main temptations and the weapons against the three main temptations are prayer, fasting, and giving.

Prayer defeats pride because the real reason why people don't pray is not because they're busy but because they're proud. Every man or a woman that says they're just too busy to pray, you're not because the moment you get an accident, you find time. The moment you end up in ICU, you're no longer busy even though you're busy.

So the issue with prayerlessness is never busyness, it's pride masking under busyness and there's only one way to defeat pride is to develop a prayer life because prayer says to God and to the spiritual world, I

need help. I can't do it alone. I am not God Almighty.

I am not in control. The moment you bend your knee, that is your strongest position because prayer, it hits pride right in the face. Fasting helps us with lust because everything that lust is, lust of the flesh, it's connected to the desires and the cravings of our body, of our physical body.

The flesh which is this evil desires, the devil's birthday on you, the devil's gift on your birthday, this flesh is deeply connected with our sinful body that is stricken with sickness, stricken with disease and a lot of these cravings that flesh desires in themselves within the context of God's Word, they're not evil like food, like even sex if you get married and you know rest and all of these things, they have good things or desire for pleasure, desire for joy or desire for all these things. They're good things but then the devil, he manipulates that and he pushes us to begin to find fulfillment for these desires outside of God's will. What fasting helps with is fasting helps to put your flesh in its place.

When you fast, you will last. When you fast, not only you detox your body but you also detox your soul. You don't need to fast for your spirit, your spirit is already perfect but it's your soul that is being perfected and when you fast, not only you deny your flesh which is the mark of follower of Jesus Christ because Christianity is not self-discovery, it's self-denial.

New age is self-discovery. Christianity is self-denial. He says if you follow me, you must deny yourself, not find yourself.

You must lose yourself. We live in a culture where everybody's trying to find themselves. See that you are the problem in the first place.

You don't need to find yourself, you need to lose yourself and I'm not talking about you take your life, I'm talking about you surrender your life and something happens when you begin to fast. You begin to take your flesh from the place of enthronement and you put it in the place of the crucifixion and as you lose yourself, you find your true self which is the redeemed new you, which is the delivered you, which is the sanctified you, the one that Jesus died for. Fasting helps us to get our hunger back for God.

Fasting is painful but you were created to fast. Yes, you were created to fast. I'll prove it to you.

When you eat breakfast, breakfast is breaking the fast. How many of you had breakfast today? All right, that means you fasted. Those of you who didn't have a breakfast, you're still fasting.

Your body was designed by God to go through a season of fasting. In fact, God created you where every night you're fasting. Now some of you, you don't fast during the night, you still eat during the night.

That's why you struggle with weight. But the rest of us normal people who don't have a mini fridge next to our bed said, we fast during the night and then in the morning we eat breakfast meaning we're breaking our fast. So when you fast, you go in line with the way God made you and God created you.

It sharpens your spiritual senses. Your fasting, what it does to you is that it really takes you to another level with God. There is no secret formula to grow spiritually with God except the basic old-fashioned disciplines that today have been replaced with new things that do not produce spiritual maturity.

Fasting helps to, I am not saying that if you have a demon you can fast and get the demon out. What I'm saying is that not everything is a demon. There are things like the flesh, even if you get the demon out, you

don't lose the flesh.

The flesh is still there and every day the flesh gets reset. Every day the flesh wakes up with new mercies. It has new temptation.

It has new things. Yesterday's crucifixion to the flesh, flesh does not work today and that's why you have to regularly live a life of fasting if you want to conquer your flesh. Jesus told guys who struggle with lust, He didn't tell them to go to deliverance, He told them to go through discipline.

Sometimes young men come and say I struggle with flesh or you know I've been fighting with with lust and my first thing is that are you living a fasted life? Do you fast regularly? I'm not talking about when you're working too hard and you couldn't get to McDonald's to get your happy meal. I'm talking about when you intentionally decide, I'm not talking about starvation, I'm not talking about because your wife or your husband says you're growing a belly and you decided to go for two days starving yourself hoping to lose extra pounds. That is not fasting, that's a diet.

That is not fasting, that's starvation. That is not fasting, that's a hunger strike. What I'm talking about is when you replace the food with the Word of God, when you replace your drink with prayer, when you replace your bench watching with getting on your knees and bending your will to God's will, the headaches will come.

You will get a little bit cranky, you will get a little bit moody and all of that stuff but that's just part of the price. God doesn't just reward you because you get a breakthrough at the end of the fast. God considers every headache, every thing that you had to go through for those three days and God counts not only us finding Him but us seeking Him.

The Bible says in Hebrews 11:6 is that He is a rewarder of those, not of those who find Him, of those who seek Him. Man this liberated me because sometimes I got so disappointed with prayer or with fasting because it felt like it was a torture and God says I don't reward you because you get into that sweet place. I reward you for the struggle.

I reward you for the pursuit. I reward you for the headaches. I reward you for that difficult thing that you went through for three days.

I will reward you with breakthrough for the battle that you went through. If you want to overcome lust, develop a life of fasting and the third one is giving. Giving defeats greed.

Now greed is one of those domesticated demons that we have Americanized and called it balanced budget living for some people. Some people are so scared of generosity that the moment a preacher says something about generosity you go in hot flashes and like your heart begins to feed and you have this alert prosperity, prosperity preacher, prosperity preacher. He wants all my money.

He's probably using all my tithes to get himself and knew this and knew that. It's not how that stuff works but even if that would be the case, let's just imagine that the local church you're going to is corrupted. Okay, they buy things they don't need to buy.

You completely disagree with how the local church spends money. There was a widow who gave everything she had to a corrupt temple system. Jesus saw her giving and you don't see Jesus approaching the widow and saying, do you know how they spend the money? Jesus did not come to the

widow and say you should sow it into Jesus Christ Ministries International LLC.

Jesus doesn't come and say widow, if you have, if you want to sow into a good soil, Messiah soil is the best soil. This temple stuff like I'm about to turn the tables over because these people are making money off of people like you and widow, they should be supporting you. You should not be supporting this corrupt religious, spiritually dead, demonized den of thieves.

I'm going to tell you one thing, all of us think that churches, ministries should spend this and that and we should budget our own finances first okay and never use any excuse to not live a life of generosity okay. When you buy Starbucks coffee, if you still buy Starbucks coffee, there's other coffee shops that are better but just in case you didn't find another one in here. When you go to Olive Garden, when you bought the new iPhone, it's interesting, never once you wondered, I wonder what does Apple do with their excess cash? Not one missionary is supported by Apple.

Gay parades are supported by Apple, that doesn't bother you. When it comes to church, everybody becomes very, very calculated. Why? Because we want to mask our greed.

I'm just going to poke it right where it hurts. We mask, this is what it is, I don't care how you justify it, it's just masking greed, that's all. There's no other way to get rid of mammon except through giving.

I wish there was a prayer line you can go to. I wish they could pour a bucket of oil on me. I wish that you can take greed, I tried to break greed through fasting, you can't break greed through fasting.

Greed only lives for one reason and that is giving and I'm going to tell you one thing, who is most guilty of greed? Americans. Why? Because America is the place where the demon of materialism has taken more people out of the relationship with God than witchcraft, sorcery, pornography, and anything else. Jesus clearly stated, in the last days your hearts will be weighted down, not with alcohol first, but with the cares of this life.

The thing of consuming, the thing of getting more, the thing of building nicer, newer, shinier, I'm not against that, but if there is no foundation for a Christian of generosity and we fight over should we tithe, should we not tithe, that's for kindergarten. We are Christians who follow Jesus, they gave his life. If it bothers you to tithe, do 20% from the beginning, skip that controversial 10%.

Be bothered no more, start with 50% or do what the Bible did, people just gave everything, just start with that. If it really bothers you right here, skip that stage over. Mark my word, you will never be able to get close to God without your heart being connected to God and you cannot get your heart to God if your treasure does not lead your heart there.

You can pray every prayer, you can pray, you can shout until you lose your voice, you can be a missionary, you can be a preacher, but your heart is led not by your fasting, not even by your prayer. There is one thing that pulls your heart, it is your treasure, not your trash, not the leftovers, not tipping God, I'm talking about giving God treasure. You know what treasure is, it's more than tithing, treasure is what hurts, treasure is what makes you nervous, treasure is what give breaks sweat when the preacher talks about that stuff, treasure is what makes you sick in your stomach because your heart begins to move, that's what treasure is and for those of us who are afraid to lose it for Christ, you'll still lose it just for life or the devil or corona or uncle Biden or any, you'll still lose it.

The Bible says that if we don't give a treasure, what does the scripture say, the moth and rust will eat it. That means that you will never take anything with you into that home, you will leave everything behind and I want to provoke you and I want to challenge you to live a life of prayer, I want to provoke you to live a life of fasting but I want you to add one more thing to your spiritual discipline and that is a life of extravagant generosity. I know some people sometimes say but you don't understand Vlad, I can't afford to do that.

You might not be able to do that right now but you have to renew your mind and you must understand, a sacrifice in your life always shifts a new season in your life. Before Israel conquered the promised land, God asked them for a city. In the wilderness, God supplied their needs with manna and with quail but in the promised land, before they got their possession, God asked for their treasure.

He did not ask for 10 percent, he asked for the first city, that was a sacrifice. That means that everything they earned in Jericho and Jericho was not a one-day job, this was a season of a warfare, it was a season of preparation, it was the time when manna stopped, it was the time they needed money, it was the time they needed livestock, this is the time that they needed everything and God says, I want Jericho to belong to me because every new season in your life will always require a new sacrifice. Guys, I'm not talking to you about something I don't practice and I don't live personally in my life and I can tell you one thing, this stuff that I'm telling you works.

I'm not talking about sacrifice for the sake of sacrifice, I'm talking about sacrifice for the sake of obedience. You can't fast greed out, you have to give greed out because three, these three things, they cancel our most important three temptations. If you combine these three disciplines, you make up a three-fold cord and the Bible says a three-fold cord is not easily broken.

In Matthew chapter 6, Jesus addressed these three problems, he says prayer, he's talked about fasting and he talked about giving because these are the three disciplines that strengthen your spiritual cord, they strengthen your spiritual maturity. Do you have to do them to go to heaven? No, you don't but you also don't have to eat to go to heaven. You still do that but these three things, they strengthen your inner cord and so for next few minutes, for the next part of this message, I want to share with you how these will fuel your fire for God and how to practically begin to do them in your life.

If you are having a Bible with you, I want you to go with me to book of Acts chapter 28 which is the last chapter of the book of Acts and then verse 2. And the natives showed us unusual kindness for they kindled a fire and made us all welcome because of the rain that was falling and because of the cold, something that Portland can relate. But when Paul had gathered a bundle of sticks and laid them on the fire, a viper came out because of the heat and fastened on his hand. Verse 5, but he shook off the creature into the fire and suffered no harm.

Three things I want to share with you. Number one, you can only build fire to the extent that you overcome excuses of the flesh. Write this down.

You can only build fire to the extent you overcome excuses of the flesh. Apostle Paul had a lot of excuses. Number one, his ship was wrecked.

Number two, it was cold. Number three, it was raining. He had disappointment.

God didn't deliver him supernaturally out of the storm like he did with Jesus, like he did with other men. God allowed him to lose his ship in the storm. Why would God let me do that? Where was God when I was

in the storm? Good reason to complain, good reason to whine.

Secondly, why he shouldn't build a fire is because it was actually raining. They should have waited until it stopped raining and then build a fire because if you know anything about rain and fire, rain kills fire, not the other way around. So of course I can't build fire.

Why? Because it's currently raining in my life and sometimes people say I can't build prayer, I can't build on fasting and I can't start giving because it's currently raining in my life, meaning I'm battling with certain sicknesses, I'm battling with certain weaknesses, I'm currently addicted to something, I'm struggling in this area, I'm struggling in that area and what they're saying is they're letting the flesh make up the excuses for why they don't build fire. But my bible makes me to understand if you walk in the spirit you will not fulfill the lust of the flesh. The bible does not say if you don't fulfill the lust of the flesh then you can walk in the spirit.

It says the other way around, that you can battle with the things in your flesh but if you choose to build a fire in spite of it, something will happen, the weather will change, something will happen, you will conquer the lust of the flesh, something will happen, you will receive power. It doesn't come from your discipline but it comes from the Holy Ghost and you will conquer the lust of the flesh. Somebody give God some praise right now.

It's all excuses. The reason we don't pray is not because our personality is not tailored for that, it is tailored for that because when somebody cuts you off on the highway you scream. So you can't scream.

The reason why we don't lift our hands, the reason why we don't fast is not, oh I can't. Now there's some people, your nursing moms or maybe you have a terminal illness that you're battling, you have to eat every single day. I understand but the rest of us, excessive weight is not terminal illness.

You can fast period. Oh I get a headache. Who doesn't? Oh it's hard.

So is everything else in life. It's excuses. Oh but I want to get closer to God.

How many times do you need to get slain? That's not how you get closer to God. Please hear me loud and clear, getting another fallout in the spirit is not going to change your lack of discipline period. Getting another deliverance is not going to remove the fact that there is no discipline in life whatsoever and in order to establish a life of discipline you have to be, you don't have to be spiritually super disciplined, you just have to overcome excuses.

They come and you punch them. They come and you punch them. If you beat excuses you will find your fire.

If you beat excuses you will find your flame. If you beat excuses you will find desire for God and passion for God. Every spiritual man or woman of God, they're not any different than you.

They're not special. They're not more gifted. They're simply better at beating excuses.

Come on somebody, rise up above those excuses. Trample those excuses. Throw away those lies.

You won't die if you don't eat for three days. You won't die if you wake up a little bit earlier or stay a little bit later and spend time with God. You won't die if you turn off your Instagram for three hours.

You won't die if you will give 10%. Taxes will eat that anyway. You won't die if you will live like that.

Slap that devil and say no, no, no. I'm gonna be a disciplined Christian. I will pick up my cross and I will follow the lamb wherever the lamb goes.

Hallelujah. The second thing I want to notice is this, is the Bible says that they build that fire but the second thing I want you to notice is somebody will start the fire. It's your logs of wood that will keep the fire.

Have you noticed the Bible says natives kindle the fire? Verse 2, 28. Natives is somebody else in your life will start the fire. It could be a conference.

It could be a retreat. It could be crisis. It could be a situation in your life that kindles it.

It could be a summer camp. It could be a small group. It could be a regular Sunday morning service but God have mercy something zapped you.

Something just touched you. Everybody else came in and like Peter they said everybody's touching you like no. I got touched.

Something changed. My life is not the same but you have to understand one thing, natives kindle it but natives cannot keep it. Those moments cannot keep that fire.

You have to find yourself some logs of wood. Come on somebody. In the Bible it says in Leviticus chapter 6 verse 12 it says the following, and the fire on the altar shall be kept.

Somebody say kept. Come on turn to your neighbor say kept and the fire on the altar shall be kept burning on it. It shall not be put out and the priest and watch this, the priest shall burn wood on it every morning and lay a burnt offering in order on it.

He shall burn on it the fat of peace offerings. So God kindled the fire. If you remember when they offered everything, the tabernacle was finished.

God came in and he zapped the whole thing with like this electricity lightning and the fire started supernaturally without a match, without somebody coming in and pouring any gasoline. Supernaturally God started the fire. God always starts fires but God doesn't keep him.

He doesn't. That's one of the reasons that's why they fade out every three days after the conference, after the retreat, after the encounter, after the impartation. Oh I fell under the power.

That's it. My life is never going to be the same. I am in the glory of God.

I'm going to be a man of God. I'm going to be a woman of God. No nothing's going to change.

In three days nothing is going to change if you don't find yourself some logs. The Bible says the natives kindled the fire but Paul went out looking for the logs, dry logs and start putting it into the fire. That's why the fire kept on going.

Impartation without hunger, impartation without desperation will lead to disappointment and a lot of us have been disappointed because instead of going from faith to faith we go from conference to conference. We go from camp to camp. We go from deliverance to deliverance.

We go from a man of God to man of God. Please understand loud and clear the man of God, the conference, the apostolic, the prophetic, the deliverance, the healings, it's meant to spark. It's not meant to keep it.

Who keeps it? Your logs of wood. Who keeps it? Your prayer, your fasting, your giving and your reading of the word. Come on somebody.

The conference starts the fire but your Bible reading keeps the fire. The conference starts the fire but your fasting keeps the fire. The camp starts the fire but your giving keeps the fire.

Something else could start it but only you can keep it. Amen. In the Bible there was two souls.

One soul had an encounter with God in the Old Testament. He had such a crazy encounter with God that he encountered prophets, he prophesied. Later on he walked away from God and God encountered him again as he went to this particular city to find David to kill him and God zapped him with his power.

I mean his encounter, he didn't get slain, he got burning hot. The guy started taking off his clothes like weird bizarre kind of encounter. Encounter you and I do not want and if that will ever happen I want nobody else to see it.

But apostle, but Saul got up from that encounter and went back to do exactly the same thing that he used to do. He died as an apostate but there was another soul in the New Testament. He went to the city to kill Christians.

Bad motive, wrong direction, wrong place. God zapped him because the more rebellious you are, the harder God hits you. That's why some of you, you get these gentle touches.

Why? Because you're soft, you're good but there's some of you stubborn so God has to zap you. That's why when you manifest, you manifest crazy and some of you, you don't manifest at all. Why? Because you're good and some of us, we're rebels inside and God just hit him hard.

He went blind, the Bible says. I mean he started hearing voices, he heard the voice from God and God just made him blind for three days. But it's interesting when Saul got up from that encounter, he got filled with the Holy Ghost, he got baptized, he would join a local community of believers, he started to preach, there was a threat on his life and you see Saul dies as Paul the apostle.

This Saul dies as an imposter and an apostate. This Saul went to the witch at the end of his life and this Saul at the end of his life, he wrote two thirds of New Testament. Both had encounters, both had impartation, both came, both got that which you and I chase but that only starts it.

Where you end up doesn't depend how hard and how hot the fire touches you. Where your life ends up depends on how not lazy you and I are going to be. Monday, you get some logs.

Tuesday, you get some logs. Thursday, you get some logs and you go back to Wednesday and you get some logs and then on Friday, you get some logs. On Saturday, you get some logs and then you will look at two years down the road and you will realize your fire is not bigger but it's hotter and the other person keeps coming back and saying, come on light me up again.

Why? Because like five foolish virgins, they don't have oil in their life. They were not prepared. They were not building.

So I want to challenge you. When your church has a prayer meeting, you have to be at the prayer meeting. When your church declares a fast, that means you need to prepare your mind right away.

Say, God is leading me to a fast. If you are encouraged to invite your unbelieving friends, this is your moment to gather the logs. This is your moment to upkeep the fire.

Priest of God, put the wood on the altar every day. Put the wood of fasting. Put the wood of the Bible reading.

Put the wood of prayer and giving on your altar every single day. Amen. Amen.

And the last thing that I want to mention. So the first thing that we mentioned is that overcome excuses. Number two, somebody kindles it, you have to keep it.

And number three, when you start to build fire, vipers will come out. So I have to warn you right away. Your life won't get better.

It will get worse. I'm just going to tell you right away. It's written in a small print.

When preachers tell about walking in fire for God, they forget to mention the small print and I'm just going to read it to you in a big print. The fallacy is this. If I only get closer to God, my life will get better.

Nowhere in the Bible does it say that. In fact, your life usually will get worse. You say, so why would I want to get closer to God? Well, definitely not for your life to get better.

Don't use God. God is to be worshiped, not used. And why many of us drop God? Because God is never the one that we wanted.

He was just someone we used as a means to a goal and God hates being used. If we stop using Him, then He'll start using us. The only secret to being used by God is to stop using Him and fall in love with Him.

When you're in the valley to love Him, when you are on the mountain to love Him, when you're healthy to love Him, when you are sick to love Him, when you're tormented to love Him and when you're not tormented to love Him, when you have a lot of money and when you have no money to love Him. And that's why you don't build fire so that you can get healthy and wealthy. You build fire because you were created for God.

The first commandment is to love Him and because He died for you. And typically when you build fire, something begins to happen. The problems that were always suppressed, God will allow those things to surface.

The fire did not create a snake, it only exposed it. So don't blame God for oh ever since I got close to God, hell broke loose. No my friend, you lived in hell.

No my friend, you did not walk in obedience to God and when you got close to God, you finally finally stopped going with the current and you got resistance. It's the same thing as in football, the moment you get the ball, the other team for some weird reason starts hating you. It's like why can't everybody be happy that I caught the ball? Why isn't everybody trying to help me to score a touchdown? For some weird reason they're not happy for you and they start attacking me.

They're looking at me mean and they want to take me down. Man I'm gonna go drop this ball so that everybody starts attacking. No no no no no.

In the football, you don't drop the ball, you carry it to the touchline. You carry it to a touchdown. You have to finish it and you have to overcome the resistance that will come with it.

The moment Paul built a fire and they got warm but not for too long. I can't tell you how many Christians get offended at God at this very truth I'm telling you right now. Some of them did not get warned and some of them did not listen when pastors warned them.

So listen up very very carefully. At first the fire will make you warm and then the warfare starts. Now I'm not going to leave you discouraged.

I'm not going to leave you hanging there because the most beautiful part about having fire because I know some of you wondering so what's the point then? Why do I want to, jeez last thing I want is provoke some snakes. I mean I want to live peaceful and quiet lad. I mean you guys yeah it seems like you guys like this whole wild crazy stuff.

Good for you. I'm praying for you from a distance but I don't want that in my life. I don't want that in my business.

I don't want that with my kids. I don't want, listen very carefully, if you have a snake it's better that it comes out. If the snake and the snakes operate quietly when there is no flame.

The snakes are always there if there is no fire but when the fire comes in the fire doesn't bring snakes. It exposes what's already there and it causes it to come out to the service. So don't blame the church, don't blame your giving and don't blame your praying that it made your life worse.

What it did is it exposed something that need to be dealt with but the most beautiful part about building flame in your life is this, is if the fire expose it, that fire can kill it. This is so beautiful because see the problem is everybody gets attacked but not everybody knows how to walk in dominion. If you don't have a fire in your life you have to depend on somebody's fire to get your snake off of your hand but when you got your own fire, God bless Moses, God bless Joshua, you know how to shake things off into your own fire because a lot of us what we do is we come on Sunday morning into the minister's fire, we drop that in somebody else's bonfire, somebody else's flame and then we go back and the attacks in our life they continue but what God wants to teach you is not to depend on the fire of your pastor but to build a fire in your own home that if something comes against you, that if something attacks you, you have a place to drop that snake into, a place to drop that viper into, a place to drop the depression into, come on am I talking to somebody, a place to drop that nightmare into, a place to drop that attack of the enemy into and so you no longer depend on deliverance, you walk in dominion.

Other people are asking deliver me and you said I know who I am in Jesus Christ, I know my authority in Jesus Christ and all I gotta do is stand my ground, all I gotta do is I can shake things off, I can tell whatever is moving the chairs in my house, stop it. Why? Because when you're building a flame you have authority to deal with snakes, you don't need race to deliver because you are raised to deliver and our goal is not to create a place where you can get delivered, our goal is to create a place in your life where you can walk in dominion. God never created you for deliverance, he created you for dominion.

God blessed them and said be fruitful and multiply and have dominion. When Jesus came on this earth he says behold I give you authority to trample upon snakes and to trample upon scorpions but you can't walk in dominion if you don't have devotion, you can't fight the devil if you don't have fire. The problem with many of us is we can't shake anything because we have nowhere to throw it into and that's why I want to challenge you today, build a flame even if it will expose problems in your life, continue to burn, continue to burn, continue to fight, continue to press in, continue to stand in your faith and you will see the great victory.

You know why the devil is attacking you? Because the very hand the snake bit was the hand God planned to use. The bible says three verses or four verses down it was the hand of Paul that was healing the sick and the snake will attack what God intends to use. The devil attacks your mind because God intends to use your mind, he attacks your finances because God intends to use your business, he attacks your marriage because God intends to use your marriage and that's why don't get intimidated, it's not because something is wrong in your life, do not get discouraged, listen, stand up a warrior, rise up as a mighty man and woman of God, build a flame in your life, be a priest, build an altar in your life and you will see every snake will die, every viper will die, every depression will die, bloodline curses will not succeed in your family, why? Because you are a fire-breathing disciple of Jesus Christ.

Come on somebody, are you with me? Did you receive something this morning? I want you to rise to your feet. Thank you father, thank you lord, thank you holy ghost, thank you for every priest, thank you for every altar that is being built in this place and in this house in Jesus name. I thank you that you're breaking excuses today, I thank you that you're bringing people closer to a life of prayer, life of fasting and life of giving.

I thank you that you're raising up our warriors and this house will be a house of prayer, not the house of entertainment, not even a house of worship and preaching, but a house of prayer. I thank you that our treasures will lie in heaven. I thank you lord God that we will learn to deny ourselves and pick up our cross and follow the lamb wherever the lamb goes, every head bow and every eye closed.

If you're in this room today, maybe you're coming for the first time or you are coming from the conference and you have yet to give your life to Jesus Christ. The most important decision you will make in your life is not which university you will go, who you will marry, where you will live and who will be the next president in the United States. The most important decision is who's going to be your king and who you're going to serve.

There is a man named Jesus, he was fully God and fully man. Two thousand years ago he came because God wanted the family. We were in the claws of Satan, death, hell and headed into eternal separation from God and Jesus stood between the dead and the living and he offered himself as a sacrifice to appease the wrath of God and to make you holy and righteous and acceptable to the Lord.

There's only one way to God and that way is Jesus Christ. There's no many ways, there's many ways to hell, there's only one way to heaven and that way is Jesus. Every head bowed and every eye closed.

If you don't know Jesus Christ as your Lord and Savior, whatever religion that you found yourself into or trapped or belief or ideologies, I want you today to run to Jesus. He wants to forgive you of your sin or maybe you're in this room and you used to have a relationship with God but stuff happened, maybe you were disappointed, maybe you were like Paul, instead of building fire you build a fence and you walked away from God. Abuse happened, maybe you got rejected by people intentionally or unintentionally in the

church, maybe you prayed for something and it didn't happen, you got so disappointed in God because you lost your ships or you lost your faith.

Today I want to invite you to repent of your offense and place your trust because your salvation is more important than temporary healing and temporary breakthrough or even financial prosperity. When I count to three, if you are in one of these two camps where you walked away from God or you need to know Jesus Christ for the first time, I'm going to ask you to raise your hand. If you're watching me on live stream, you can do the same thing by dropping in the chat, I want to get saved.

One, two, three, raise that hand high. Just say, I would like to get saved. Thank you, I see your hand.

Thank you, I see your hand. Anybody else? Anybody else say, today I need to give my life to the Lord. This is a birthing place, the birthing of your salvation.

I'm going to ask you to do something bold. Those of you who raised your hand and I know there are people here you didn't raise your hand but you needed to. It's not about raising the hand, it's about bowing your heart to God in humility.

It's going to require a lot of humility to get saved. That's why the price is repentance. You don't have to pay money, you don't have to pay prayer, you just have to forget about yourself and become in greater need of God than you are to look good or to be dignified.

If you raised your hand or you wanted to raise your hand to give your life to Jesus Christ, I'm going to ask you to quickly come out of your seat, quickly come and I want you to come to the front. We want to minister to you. So for those of you who raised your hand, I want you to come.

Just make your way quickly out of your seat and come right here, come right here, come. If you brought a friend with you, if you brought a friend with you and they don't know Jesus Christ, bring them, bring them right now. I saw a few people you had your hands raised so I'm gonna wait for you.

Come, just come, just come. Don't be afraid and don't be shy. The only thing you should be afraid of is sin and everything else, not did your dad send you? All right, I think he just wants to break the ice for everybody to understand it's okay to get saved, amen.

So if you're not right with the Lord, just come, just come right here, right here, just come. Anybody else? Nobody's too old, nobody's too young. If you don't know the Lord, if you're serving false idols, make your way, make your way out of your seat and come, make your way out of your seat and come.

Thank you Lord. Thank you Father. Thank you Lord.

And parents don't push your kids, let them do it on their own. Amen. I'm gonna wait for just, if you uh, you're standing to a person next to you, I want you to ask them right now, say hey do you need to give your life to Jesus? If they say yes, I'm not right with God, just walk with them.

Friends don't let friends go to hell, just walk with them. Every person who comes to this church must give their life to the Lord, not one person. Your goal is not to encounter us, but to meet Jesus.

So if you're not there where you're supposed to be with God, just come, just come, just come. Thank you Lord. Thank you Holy Spirit.

We praise you Father. Now wait for a few more seconds, now wait for a few more seconds. The Lord wants to save you, He wants to forgive you of your sin, He wants to radically transform your life, your heart, that's what it is in Jesus name.

Thank you Lord. Thank you Holy Spirit. Thank you Father.

Let's pray, let's pray together. The prayer doesn't save us, Jesus saves us. A prayer is a cry of the heart for God.

Church, let's pray with them. I want you to say Lord Jesus, I am a sinner, please forgive me of all my sin and wash me with your precious blood. I repent of my past life and I believe you are the Son of God who died on a cross for all my sin.

I accept you as my Savior. I turn my life over to you and from this day forward, I will follow you in Jesus name.

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