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Dear Partner in the Gospel:

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God has again stirred my heart about intercessory PRAYER for the **salvation of precious souls**. And the desperate NEED for God's agape love for Him, our brothers and sisters in Christ and for the Lost. He said, **"By this shall all men know that ye are My disciples, if ye have LOVE one to another."** (John 13:35) Pentecostals are leading the way of Reconciliation with **First Nations** people by **LOVE** anchored in **TRUTH**, by preaching the Gospel in Word and deed! Recently **Rev. Ken Solbrekken** read the original apology of the **P.A.O.C** at Alberta's Reconciliation Gathering in Edmonton. Together with Simon Clarence, he washed the feet of Pastor Perry Bruno in a gesture of love to all Canadian First Nation's people. **WE ARE ONE IN CHRIST**. Amen.



RECONCILIATION ANCHORED IN TRUTH!

"Therefore, if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new. That God was in Christ, Reconciling the world unto Himself, not imputing their trespasses unto them; and hath committed unto us the Word of Reconciliation. And all things are of God, Who hath Reconciled us to Himself by Jesus Christ and hath given to us the Ministry of Reconciliation. Now then, we are Ambassadors for Christ, as though God did beseech you by us: we pray you in Christ's stead, be ye Reconciled to God; For He hath made Him to be sin (sin offering) for us, Who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in Him." (2 Cor. 5: 17 - 21)

Max Solbrekken

P.S. Write us this week. We need to hear from you.!

By **GRACE alone!** Through **FAITH alone!** In **CHRIST alone!**

By Pastor Max Solbrekken, D.D.

"For by **grace** are ye saved through **faith**; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: Not of works, lest any man should boast." (Eph.2: 8,9)

"But now in **Christ Jesus** ye who sometimes were far off are now nigh by the blood of Christ. For **through Him** we both have access by one Spirit unto the Father." (Eph.2: 13,18)

THE RALLYING CRY of all the great Protestant Reformers who opposed the apostasy in the Roman Catholic System was, **'By Grace alone ~ Through faith alone ~ In Christ alone!'**

BY GRACE ALONE!

The fact that we are **SAVED** by the grace of God *alone* removes our obligation to satisfy His righteous perfection, knowing that we could never by our own merits be good enough.

Striving to please God by good works causes stress and tension because of guilt and condemnation that follows sinful acts that break His laws!

The Bible states: **"The just shall live by his faith."** (Hab.2: 4); "For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto **SALVATION**...for therein is the righteousness of God revealed from faith to faith: as it is written, **The just shall live by faith.**" (Rom.1: 16, 17)

BY FAITH ALONE!

St. Paul declares that we are **JUSTIFIED** in God's sight through our faith in Christ's sacrifice for us on Calvary's cross: **"Therefore being justified by FAITH**, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ: By Whom also we have access by faith into this **GRACE** wherein we stand, and rejoice in hope of the glory of God. (Rom.5: 1,2)

Again, the Bible says: **"But without faith it is impossible to please Him:** For he that cometh to God must believe that He is and that He is a rewarder of them that diligently seek Him." (Heb.11: 6)

The Holy Scriptures state unequivocally that only **FAITH** pleases God, therefore we must repent of all **PRIDE** in our own accomplishments and like the hymnist wrote: **"Nothing in my hands I bring; simply to Thy cross I cling. Take me as I am. My only plea, Christ died for me. O' take me as I am!"**

IN CHRIST ALONE!

St. Paul wrote: "Knowing that a man is **not justified by the works of the law**, but by the faith of Jesus Christ, even we have believed in Jesus Christ, that we might be justified by **the Faith of Christ**, and not by the works of the law: for by the works of the law shall no flesh be justified. (Gal.2: 16).

"But that no man is justified by the law in the sight of God, it is evident: for, the just shall live by faith." (Gal.3: 11)

CONCLUSION: We are saved by God's grace alone through faith in our Lord Jesus Christ Who paid the penalty for our sins! Praise the Lord! Amen.

THE CALL TO PRAYER

By Pastor Max Solbrekken, D.D.

“And He went a little farther and He fell on His face, and prayed...And He cometh to His disciples, and findeth them asleep and sayeth unto Peter: What, could ye not watch with Me one hour? Watch and pray that ye enter not into temptation. The Spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak.” (Matt. 26: 39-41)

The history of the Early Church gives witness to the power of the Gospel to withstand the very worst persecution by the **‘Enemies of the Cross’** through the cleansing power of Jesus Christ’s shed blood and the abiding presence of the blessed Holy Spirit!

Their lives were constantly fraught with danger, threats, persecution and martyrdom. They were driven to **PRAYER** to sustain them through the dark days and to give them victory over the World, Flesh and the Devil.

And to perform great **MIRACLES, SIGNS and WONDERS** in Jesus’ powerful Name to **“make the heathen obedient”** (Rom.15: 18-19) and to **“turn the world upside down”**. (Acts 17:6)

The Book of the Acts is in reality the ‘Acts of the Holy Spirit’ performed through the Name of the **Resurrected Christ!**

We rejoice greatly as we read the Bible accounts of the amazing miracles of salvation, healing and deliverance wrought by God’s humble servants through the **‘blood of the everlasting covenant’** (Heb.13: 20) in the name of Jesus of Nazareth!

Church history is replete with similar events of miracles and revivals as well as much suffering, persecution and martyrdom. **TERTULLION** (160-225 A.D.) one of the Church Fathers made this victorious statement: **“The blood of martyrs is the seed of the Church.”**

MARTYRDOM OF JAN HUSS!

We fast forward to **July 6, 1415** to view a despicable spectacle. The Bohemian Monk, JAN HUSS, has been found guilty of heresy by the corrupt and evil Pope and his Cardinals! In the book, **‘When The Spirit Came’**, the Publisher’s Preface gives us this insight into the martyrdom of that great saint and his followers, *‘The Moravian Brethren’*:

“What I taught with my lips I now seal with my blood.” And singing a hymn **“in a loud and cheerful voice”**, Jan Huss was burned at the stake for the Master he loved.

HUSS PLANTS A SEED FOR JESUS!

JAN HUSS had been greatly influenced by **Wycliffe**, the English reformist. And his preaching against the **evils** in the Roman hierarchy could not long go unnoticed by the **Pope**.

Huss was excommunicated and summoned to appear before the **Council of Constance**. There he was charged with treason and sentenced to die as a heretic.

A paper mitre was prepared for his head with the inscription, **“A ringleader of heretics.”** And Jan Huss said, **“My Lord Jesus Christ for my sake did wear a crown of thorns: why should not I then for His sake wear this light crown, be it ever so ignominious? Truly I will do it and that willingly.”**

When the mitre was placed on his head, the bishop said, **“Now we commit thy soul unto the devil.”**

“But I,” said Jan Huss, lifting up his eyes to Heaven, **“do commend into Thy hands, O Lord Jesus Christ, my spirit which Thou hast redeemed.”**

When the chain was put about him at the stake, he smilingly said, **“My Lord Jesus Christ was bound with a harder chain than this for my sake, and why then should I be ashamed of this rusty one?”** And thus on **July 6, 1415**, he died, courageous and joyful to the end.

But his message was not lost. From the followers of **Huss** there arose a group which called themselves *Unitas Fratrum*, the **Unity of the Brethren**.

Through much persecution, a **hidden seed was preserved**; these held their services in secret and prayed for the revival of their church. Such prayers were heard, when on the **13th day of August, 1727**, God’s Spirit fell upon the congregation of **Moravians at Herrnhut...**

WHEN THE SPIRIT CAME!

The **HOLY SPIRIT** fell on a group of spiritually hungry believers in Jesus Christ on **August 13, 1727** in Herrnhut Germany!

They were a mixed congregation from various denominations who had been given sanctuary by **Count Nicholas von Zinzendorf**, an outstanding young Nobleman whose heart had cried out to God for a Divine Visitation!

In the book, *‘When The Spirit Came’* (1928) **John Greenfield** shares some of the amazing miracles of the ‘Moravian Revival’:

“Exactly what happened that Wednesday forenoon, August 13th. 1727, in the specially called Communion service at Berthelsdorf, none of the participants could fully describe. They left the house of God that noon ‘hardly knowing whether they belonged to earth or had already gone to Heaven.’”

COUNT ZINZENDORF: A MAN GOD COULD USE!

Count Zinzendorf gave the following account of it a number of years afterwards to a British audience: **"We needed to come to Communion with a sense of the loving nearness of the Saviour. This was the great comfort which has made this day a generation ago to be a festival, because of this day twenty-seven years ago the Congregation of Herrnhut, assembled for Communion (at the Berthelsdorf church) were all dissatisfied with themselves.**

"They had quit judging each other because they had become convinced, each one, of his lack of worth in the sight of God and each felt himself at this communion to be in view of the noble countenance of the Saviour.

John Greenfield writes: "Sprung from the labors and martyr-death of the great Bohemian Reformer, JOHN HUSS, **'the Brethren'** had passed through centuries of persecution. **Many had sealed their testimony with their blood.**

"Imprisonment, torture and banishment had caused them to forsake the homes of their fathers and flee for refuge to Germany where a young Christian Nobleman, **Count Zinzendorf**, offered them an asylum on his estates in **Saxony**. They named their new home Herrnhut, the Lord's Watch.

"And from this place after their **Baptism with the Holy Spirit**, they became the **world's evangelists and missionaries.**"

The Moravian Church received a powerful Baptism in the Holy Spirit in Herrnhut, Germany on **August 13, 1727**. The congregation of about 300 persecuted Christians from various denominations, who had been given sanctuary by **Count Zinzendorf**, stopped criticizing one another and began in earnest prayer and were all filled with the blessed Holy Spirit.

THE GREAT MORAVIAN REVIVAL

In his book, Moravian Evangelist Rev. John Greenfield wrote: **"Of the Apostolic Church in Jerusalem a certain writer has said: 'Before thirty years had elapsed from the death of Christ, His followers had spread from Palestine throughout Syria; throughout almost all the districts of Asia Minor; through Greece and the Islands of the Aegean sea, the coast of Africa, and even into Italy and Rome'**

"And at the close of the First Century JUSTIN MARTYR could truly testify: 'There is not a nation either Greek or Barbarian or of any other name, even those who wander in tribes or live in tents, among whom prayers and thanksgivings are not offered to the Father and Creator of the Universe in the name of the Crucified Jesus.'

Similar testimony could be given for the Moravian brethren. During the first 30 years after their spiritual Pentecost, they carried the **Gospel of Salvation through the blood of the Lamb** not only to nearly every country in Europe but also to many pagan nations in America, North and South, Asia and Africa, the West Indies and Greenland.

Greenfield continues: "Fifty years before the beginning of modern Foreign Missions by **WILLIAM CAREY**, the Moravian Church had led the way into pagan countries both by precept and example.

"Their English Missionary magazine, **'Periodical Accounts'** inspired **Dr. Carey** and in a meeting of his Baptist brethren he threw a copy of the paper on the table with these memorable and historic words: **'See what the Moravians have done! Cannot we follow their example and in obedience to our Heavenly Master go out into the world and preach the Gospel to the heathen?'**

Here are the words of the sainted Moravian Bishop, Evelyn Hasse:

"Just as the Infant Church in Jerusalem in apostolic days had its Pentecost, from which its members went forth to be Christ's witnesses 'both in Jerusalem and in all Judea and in Samaria, and unto the ends of the earth,' so had this church also its own experiences of the quickening power of the Holy Ghost, when in 1727 He came upon its members gathered at the table of the Lord, and baptized them all into one body, and filled them with a strong, unquenchable passion to execute the Saviour's great Commission, and to let all mankind know of His Cross and of His salvation."

GREENFIELD states: "Such then was the thirteenth of August seventeen hundred and twenty seven. **Count Zinzendorf**, the one outstanding human leader and spokesman, called it, **"the day of the outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon the congregation,"- "its Pentecost."**

Again he described it as follows: **"The Saviour permitted to come upon us a Spirit of whom we had hitherto not had any experience or knowledge."** Hitherto WE had been the leaders and helpers. Now The Holy Spirit Himself took control of everything and everybody."

Therefore also he prayed to Jesus: **"Lord our High Priest and Saviour, pour fire and Spirit's fervour on all our priestly bands. When we are interceding and for Thy people pleading, give incense, and hold up our hands."**

MORAVIANS ROUND-THE-CLOCK

PRAYER CONTINUED FOR 100 YEARS!

On August 27, 1727 an around-the-clock prayer chain was started that lasted for 100 years! The well-known German historian of **'Protestant Missions'** Dr. Warneck testifies:

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WHERE WILL YOU SPEND ETERNITY?

By Pastor Max Solbrekken, D.D.

You may not die in a tragic accident like 1517 souls did in 1912 aboard the Titanic, but you will die. God offers you Eternal Life through the **violent death** and **glorious resurrection** of His Son Jesus Christ, Who offered Himself as a sinless sacrifice, meeting the demands of Divine Justice, on our behalf. (Rom. 4:25)

Here is the Good News: "For when we were yet without strength (helpless) in due time Christ died for the ungodly. But God commended His love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for the ungodly." (Rom. 5: 6, 8)

The Bible declares: "For all have sinned and come short of the glory of God; being justified freely by His grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus." (Rom. 3:23, 24); "For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is Eternal Life, through Jesus Christ our Lord." (Rom. 6:23); "For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish but have everlasting life." (John 3: 16)



The last boat pulls away from the doomed Titanic. The luxury liner sank at 2:20 AM on April 15, 1912, about 400 miles south of Newfoundland. No-one had expected to die that night, but they did. Rev. John Harper gave his life jacket to an unsaved person and urged everyone to call upon Jesus for salvation. He asked the band to play Nearer My God to Thee. In the cold water just before going under, he begged a young man to receive Christ. With two miles of water under him, he died and later testified that he was 'John Harper's Last Convert'.

How about you, my friend? I urge you to call upon the name of the Lord today and receive his forgiveness and salvation! (Rev. 3: 20) He loves you and gave Himself for you! Receive Him Now and be saved! Please write us and tell us the Good News! (John 1: 11, 12) Amen.

**I AM NOT INTOLERANT, BUT I AM A PURIST
AND A STICKLER FOR THE TRUTH!**

By Pastor Max Solbrekken, D.D.

The Bible teaches that we should practice, 'Love anchored in Truth'. I am not politically correct. I am a preacher of the Gospel. I am NOT a politician and I refuse to lie. I am Biblically correct. I have no truck with falsehood, lies or mere theories of men! I will not compromise the truth! The truth is that Jesus Christ is the Son of the living God and the ONLY Saviour of the world. There is none other! Only Christianity boasts a resurrection and Only JESUS offers eternal life to all who believe the Gospel, repent of their sins and receive Him into their heart as Lord and Saviour! (Is. 45: 5,6; Acts 4:12) All other theories, theosophies, ideologies & religious philosophies are the work of men. Men are fallible. Jesus is infallible. He is God!

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A MORAVIAN HISTORIAN writes: "God says, *'It shall come to pass – I will pour.'* This was His promise through the Prophet Joel. The first fulfillment of this prophecy was on the **Day of Pentecost**. There is nothing in the New Testament to indicate that this was to be the one and only fulfillment of this prophecy.

"On the contrary we read in the **Book of Acts** of many outpourings of the Holy Spirit, as in *Samaria* (8: 14-17) as in *Ephesus* (19: 1-7) and even in the case of the *Gentiles* (10: 44-46).

"Church History also abounds in records of special outpourings of the Holy Ghost, and verily the thirteenth of August 1727 was a day of outpouring of the Holy Spirit. We saw the hand of God and His wonders, and we were all under the cloud of our fathers and baptized with their Spirit.

"The Holy Ghost came upon us and in those days great signs and wonders took place in our midst. From that time scarcely a day passed but what we beheld His almighty working amongst us.

"A great hunger for the Word of God took possession of us so that we had to have three services every day, viz., 5:00 and 7:00 A.M. and 9:00 P.M. Everyone desired above everything else that the Holy Spirit might have full control. Self-love and self-will as well as all disobedience disappeared and an overwhelming flood of grace swept us all out into the great ocean of Divine Love."

PRAYER PRECEDES REVIVAL!

In 1928, Greenfield wrote: "Prayer always precedes Pentecost. The Book of Acts describes many outpourings of the Holy Spirit, but never apart from prayer.

"In our own day the great *Welsh* and *Korean* revivals were preceded by months, if not years, of importunate and united praying.

Hence the supreme importance of the **Prayer Meeting** for it is *"the powerhouse of the Church."* So our Fathers found it two centuries ago. Nearly one century after the *'Outpouring at Herrnhut'*, that prince of Scottish preachers, DR. THOMAS CHALMERS wrote on the Moravians:

"The efficacy of the Bible alone upon simple and unfurnished minds is a fact; and the finest examples of it are found in almost every page of the annals of Moravianism. When the Apostle Paul went about among the Greeks and Barbarians, charged with the message of salvation to all who would listen and believe, he preached nothing but Jesus Christ and Him crucified. Neither do the Moravians."

The first part of the year 1727 did not seem very promising. Differences of opinion and heated controversy on doctrinal questions threatened to disrupt the congregation. The majority were members of the **Ancient Moravian Church of the Brethren**.

"But other believers had also been attracted to Herrnhut. **Lutherans, Reformed, Baptists, etc.**, had joined the community. Questions of predestination, holiness, the meaning and mode of baptism, etc. seemed likely to divide the believers into a number of small and belligerent sects.

"Then the more earnest and spiritual souls among them began to cry mightily unto the Lord for deliverance. His first answer was an outpouring of the **spirit of grace and supplications.**" (Zech. 12: 10)

I HAVE ONE PASSION: IT IS JESUS, JESUS ONLY!

"Matthew Henry's comment on this passage was fulfilled in their case: **'When God intends great mercy for His people, the first thing He does is to set them a praying.'**

He also sent them a human leader and deliverer in the person of the young German nobleman, COUNT ZINZENDORF, who so kindly offered this persecuted Church a place of refuge on his own estates.

"This godly youth and pre-eminent genius had been divinely prepared for his great work of spiritual leadership. Converted in early childhood he composed and signed at four years of age the following covenant: **"Dear Saviour, do Thou be mine and I will be Thine."** He had chosen as his life-motto the now famous confession: **"I have one passion: It is Jesus, Jesus only."**

So effective and fruitful was this leadership that nearly two centuries later PROFESSOR BINNIE of Scotland declared: **"It would not be going too far to affirm that Count Zinzendorf did more than any other man to redeem the Eighteenth Century from the reproach of barrenness, in relation to evangelical teaching and work."**

Count Zinzendorf had learned early the secret of prevailing prayer. So active had he been in establishing circles for prayer, that on leaving the College at Halle, sixteen years of age, he handed the famous *Professor Francke* a list of seven praying societies."

WHAT IF THE MISSIONARIES ARE ALL DEAD?

The book, *'When the Spirit Came'* is filled with such touching stories that one's heart almost breaks. Here is an account of their Mission Work in the West Indies in the 1700s:

"FREDRICH MARTIN, one of the first Moravian Missionaries to the Negroes on the Island of *St. Thomas*, was one of the Lord's chosen vessels and a typical Moravian. He and a fellow worker were put in jail for preaching the Gospel to the Blacks. **More than three months are spent**

in a miserable prison; but the Spirit filled missionaries gave themselves to prayer like Paul and Silas in the Philipian dungeon.

"Their faithful Negro congregation, nearly 700 communicants, gather daily as near the jail as possible to join in singing and hear the sermons of their captive Ministers. A great revival follows and large numbers are converted. Suddenly **Count Zinzendorf** arrives on his first Missionary journey, accompanied by two couples to reinforce the over-worked and imprisoned missionaries.

"As the ship draws near the beautiful island the Count said to his fellow workers: **"What if we find no one here? What if the missionaries are all dead?"** To this one of the young workers quietly replied: **"Then we are here,"** whereupon Count Zinzendorf uttered the oft quoted exclamation, **"Gens aeterna, diese Maehren!"** **"An eternal race, these Moravians!"**

The Count soon secured the freedom from jail of the sick and half-starved missionaries. He was amazed at the greatness of Frederick Martin's work and wrote back to Germany: **"St. Thomas is a much more wonderful miracle than our own Herrnhut."**

IT IS UNSPEAKABLY WELL!

After fourteen years of most sacrificial service **Frederich Martin** has reached the end of his earthly pilgrimage. More than fifty of his fellow workers have already laid down their lives.

To his weeping wife the dying missionary says: **"My dear heart, I shall probably soon go to my Saviour. Do thou always be happy in Him. With me it is unspeakably well, and if my spirit flies away to Him, please ask the Governor to permit my earthly tabernacle to rest on the plantation beside our Chapel."**

JOHN WESLEY, who founded the Methodist Church, was converted to Christ through the powerful testimony and ministry of the Moravians! May we follow their example and begin praying earnestly, fervently and effectually!

THE BLUE PRINT FOR GENUINE REVIVAL!

"If My people which are called by My Name shall humble themselves and pray and seek My Face, and turn from their wicked ways, then will I hear from heaven and forgive their sins and heal their land." (2 Chron.7: 14)

- **WILLIAM BOOTH** said: **"Go for the lost and go for the worst!"**
- **JOHN WESLEY** prayed: **"Give me 100 men who love nothing but God and fear nothing but sin, and I care not a straw whether they be plowmen or clergymen. By these alone I will close the mouth of Hell!"**
- **GEORGE WHITEFIELD** prayed: **"O' Lord, give me souls or take mine!"**

- **JOHN KNOX** prayed: **"O' God, give me Scotland or I die!"**
- **MARTIN LUTHER** stated: **"I live as though Christ died yesterday, arose today, and is coming again tomorrow!"**
- **JONATHAN EDWARDS** cried: **"O' God give me New England or I die."**

During one of his last sermons in Boston, **D.L. MOODY** addressed the subject of **THE HOLY SPIRIT** thusly: **"See how He came on the Day of Pentecost! It is not carnal to pray that He might come again and that the place may be shaken. I BELIEVE PENTECOST WAS ONLY A SPECIMEN DAY!"**

"I think the Church has made this WOEFUL MISTAKE that Pentecost was a miracle never to be repeated. I have thought too that Pentecost was a miracle that is not to be repeated. I BELIEVE NOW, if we looked on Pentecost as a specimen day and began to pray, we should have the old Pentecostal fire here in Boston."

WILL YOU JOIN US IN THE 'ROUND-THE-CLOCK PRAYER WATCH'?

My hope is that multitude of Christians will realize that God invites us to pray because He delights in answering our prayers!

Seven times in John's Gospel Jesus invites us to pray declaring that God will answer us when we approach the **"Throne of Mercy"** in His Name! Here is Christ's Seven Fold Invitation to Prayer:

"And whatsoever ye shall ask in My Name, that will I do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son." (John 14: 13)

"If ye shall ask anything in My Name, I will do it." (John 14: 14)

"If ye abide in Me and My Word abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will and it shall be done unto you." (John 15: 7)

"Ye have not chosen Me, but I have chosen you, and ordained you, that ye should go and bring forth fruit, and that your fruit should remain: that whatsoever ye shall ask of the Father in My Name, He may give it you." (John 15: 16)

"And in that day (when the Holy Spirit has come) ye shall ask Me nothing. Verily, verily, I say unto you, Whatsoever ye shall ask the Father in My Name, He will give to you." (John 16: 23)

"Hitherto ye have asked nothing in My name: ask and ye shall receive, that your joy may be full." (John 16: 24)

"At that day (when the Holy Spirit has come) ye shall ask in My Name: and I say not unto you. that I will pray the Father for you (as He had done while He was with them). For the Father Himself loveth you, because ye have loved Me, and have believed that I have come out from God." (John 16: 26, 27)

WILLIAM SEYMOUR – the son of former slaves – who was used mightily in the Azusa Street Revival in Los Angeles, California (1906-1909) stated:

“Before I met Parham, the hunger to have more of God was in my heart that I prayed for 5 hours a day for 2 ½ years. I got to Los Angeles, and there the hunger was not less but more.

“I prayed to God, ‘What can I do?’ The Spirit said, ‘Pray more, But Lord, I am praying 5 hours a day now.” I increased my hours of prayer to **seven**, and prayed on for a year and a half more. I prayed to God to give me what Parham preached, the real **Holy Ghost** and **Fire** with tongues with love and power of God like the Apostles!”

JONATHON EDWARDS (1703–1758), who is considered America’s greatest theologian is known for his sermon, **‘Sinners in the hands of an angry God’**, was a mighty man of prayer. He usually sought God in agonizing prayer for **18 hours** before delivering His powerful sermons!

Before preaching his renowned sermon on July 8, 1741 in Enfield, Connecticut, **Jonathon Edwards agonized for three days and nights in intensive intercessory prayer.**

The results were staggering! Many who heard his message trembled and cried out for mercy, holding onto their chairs or pillars so that they wouldn’t slide into Hell. Others fell under the Holy Spirit’s power.

Five hundred people were converted that day!

JONATHON EDWARDS cried out to God: **“Give me New England or I die.”** The revival that followed was the outcome of his agonized prayers! Undoubtedly, the godly example of his prayer-filled son-in-law **David Brainerd**, who persevered through much adversity in reaching the American Indians, also impacted Edwards greatly!

EDWARD PAYSON declared: **“Prayer is the first thing, the second thing, the third thing necessary to a Minister. Pray, then my dear Brother; pray, pray, pray.”**

DAVID BRAINERD stated: **“I cared not where or how I lived or the hardships I went through, so that I could but gain souls for Christ. When I was asleep I dreamed about these things. When I was awake the first thing I thought of was this great work. All my desire was for the conversion of the heathen and all my hope was in God.”**

GEORGE WHITEFIELD said: **“Whole days and weeks have I spent on the ground in silent and vocal prayer.”**

Let us all pray and seek the Almighty God in the Name of Jesus Christ our Lord and receive His blessings, both temporal and eternal!

ORAL ROBERTS said: **“Get the fire of God in your belly and preach the Gospel. And tell people that Jesus Christ is Coming Soon to rapture the Church and judge the Quick and the dead!”**

JESUS COMMUNED OFTEN WITH HIS FATHER!

Jesus prayed at His baptism (Luke 3: 21). **He prayed all night** (Luke 6: 12), **before appointing His twelve disciples** (Luke 6: 12) , **and after hearing the victorious report of the seventy.** (John 10: 21) **He prayed for Peter.** (Luke 22: 31) **He arose early in the morning to pray.** (Mark 1: 35)

He prayed on the Mount of Transfiguration (Luke 9: 29) **and before raising Lazarus from the dead** (John 11: 41, 42). **He prayed when the people wanted to make Him king** (John 6: 15). **He prayed the Father to send the Holy Spirit** (John 14: 16).

Jesus prayed for little children (Matt. 19: 13) **and during His intercessory ‘High Priestly Prayer’ prior to being arrested** (John 17:1-26), **at the Last Supper** (Luke 22:19) **and in the Garden of Gethsemane** (Luke 22: 42). **Jesus prayed while hanging on the cross!** (Luke 23: 46)

And today as our High Priest, He is interceding for us to the Father as He pleads our cause as our Advocate (Heb.7: 25). **He taught His disciples to pray** (Matt.6: 9-15) **and He gave us the warning: “Watch and pray, lest ye fall into temptation.”** (Matt.26: 4; Mark 14: 38)

The BIBLE says: “If My people HUMBLE themselves and PRAY and SEEK My face and TURN from their wicked ways, then I will hear from Heaven and forgive their sins and heal their land.” (2 Chron. 7: 14)

Sometime ago **Donna** and I were watching **BILLY GRAHAM** on TBN. He shared a recent experience that occurred while seriously ill. **Thinking he was about to die, he suddenly realized that he would meet Almighty God.** He cried out for mercy and forgiveness for anything he had done to offend the Lord! He lamented that he should have prayed more.

He said: **“I should have studied more! I should have prayed more!”** I can identify with that. The sin of prayerlessness is rampant in the Church today! **“Forgive us O’ Lord. We are all guilty. In Jesus’ Name.” Amen.**

Christ’s Cross and Our Sins!

The world has a way of crucifying those whom it does not like. Jesus told the truth. The world could not stand the truth. The world put Him to death.

What sin really crucified Christ? Was it Peter’s denial? Judas’ betrayal? The disciples’ cowardice? Can we blame Pilate for conforming to the crowd’s demands? Does the fault lie with those who cried, **“Crucify Him”?** Did the priests weigh in on the crime? **It was all these: Denial! Betrayal! Cowardice! Conformity! Pride! Jealousy!**

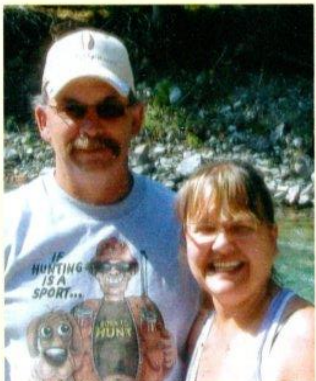
These sins nailed Christ to the tree. And we are troubled when we see that these very sins reside in us all. Therefore it is our pride, our conformity, our betrayal which crucified the Lord Jesus! **The cross of Christ speaks of our sin! But, for those who admit weakness and spiritual poverty, the cross becomes the power of God unto salvation.**

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Brian & Margaret Compo

I HAD BEEN SUFFERING FROM A BAD BACK FOR MORE THAN 20 YEARS!

Says Brian Compo, Vilna, AB

Hello Pastor Max, Here is my written testimony of our night in Vilna. Thank you once again. I had been suffering from a bad back for more than 20 years. It had gotten to the point where my wife had to put on my socks and tie my work boots so I could go to work. I took pain killers and muscle relaxers, went to chiropractors, and nothing seemed to help. I was wondering how much longer I could go on working, as I have a wife and three children. My friend, Terry, told me of the Big Tent Revival that was happening

at Vilna Sept. 15-18, 2013 with Pastor Max Solbrekken. I decided I would go, along with my daughter Brittany.

ALL GLORY & PRAISE TO JESUS CHRIST!

At the end of the service Pastor Max Solbrekken was doing Healing Prayers for those in need. Terry asked me if I was going up for my back. I said: "I don't think I'm worthy." Terry said: "Go, what do you have to lose?" So, I got in line. When I got to Pastor Max, he asked me what my problem was. Then, he told me to sit on a chair. He raised my feet with his hands and said a powerful prayer. When he was done he asked me to stand and said, "Something happened, didn't it?" I said: **YES, I HAVE NO PAIN.** He said: "Jump up and down", and I did. NO PAIN. He told me to run over there and I did. NO PAIN. I don't remember the last time I felt that good. I believe in Miracles. Thank you GOD! Thank you JESUS. Thank you Pastor Max Solbrekken. - Brian Compo



Dr. Peter Eppinga



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As I travel across Canada and into other countries, people often approach me with words, "Do you remember me, Brother Solbrekken? I am the lady (or man) whom you prayed for (two or three) years ago and I'm happy to say I have never been sick since." People who return from India or Norway or other foreign countries in which I have held crusades bring back similar testimonies. If, however, you have never given us your testimony of salvation, healing or other blessing please tell about it in writing. I will read your letter and answer it personally.

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It is my privilege to pray for you. God loves you and so do I. If you have been healed saved, delivered through a Dr. Max Solbrekken Crusade. Please write and we will share your testimony. Thank You for your support and may God bless you!

Because the harvest is great and the labourers are few,
I am your servant for Christ's sake.

Thank You for your support and may God bless you!

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