

Greater Love...



Our Greater Love series has concluded; we will now go through a series of questions sent to us based on the series and will do our best to answer each of them. Please note, we are posting these questions in the format in which they were written, therefore, no edits were made...

Question & Answer Session:

Question 1:

“I’m a little confused. You brought up the scriptural evidence of how we are to love our neighbor as ourselves and even discussed how we will be known as His disciples by how we love. At the same time there is Matthew 10:37

How are we expected to love people how we love ourselves but yet love them less than Jesus. I hope this is not a dumb question but you see people daily, they answer you. God we don’t see and does not always answer.”

Regarding this question, I’m wondering if the person equates an answered prayer is what constitutes feeling loved...

- A prayer being answered must not even predicate whether you feel loved or not; what makes you feel love in Christianity is the idea of what Christ did once and for all; that He came, died for just you, and He gave the most valuable aspect of the Universe, Jesus.
- Him, His own son—Himself and that was enough of a show of love for you to give yourself to Him.

On Matthew 10:37 as referenced in this question, this verse states the following:

Matthew 10:37

³⁷He who loves father or mother more than Me is not worthy of me. And he who loves son or daughter more than Me is not worthy of Me.

- This is a strong verse and what Jesus is actually saying is that if I love my mom or dad or my son or daughter—if I love my kids more than I love Jesus, I don’t have Jesus. (Right?); can I love them equal; can I love Jesus and my kids equally? According to the Bible, no; it has to be more. Jesus more, nothing else.

What did I show you guys in this whole series?

Quick summary:

The only way you can Love God according to the Bible, is when you actually love other people; I’ll show you the verse where it clearly says, “the way you know that you’re even My disciple, is in how you love others.”

- Because if Christ comes into your life, the first thing you see is a transformation that you go from who you are and you start being who He is; and who is He? “For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son.” So, you start to realize that to love others is the key but how you know how to even love others is by understanding first the love He gave to you as a person.
- Remember how I showed you that He left the 99 just for you; if you were the only person on earth, He would have still died for you. (Alright?), do we personalize this? Do we understand the level that it took a selfless God who should have naturally been angry at us,

because we're the ones that sinned—that means that we didn't want Him, we preferred the other man, **(right?)** we preferred Satan—than God; when Adam and Eve ate the fruit, they literally were saying, "we prefer what Satan said, then what You said."

- Then Jesus was, "for we all know what the wage of sin is," **(is what?)** **Death**. So, we know that death was declared as "if you eat this fruit, you will die." They chose death.
- When we talk about forgiveness, the reason why we try to forgive is because we're trying to emulate the way we were forgiven. God didn't have to forgive us—it was literally a decision that He made; so, we're copying that.
- We learned what selfless act God had toward us and that's all we're doing towards others; in other words, to love God, we have to love others by loving ourselves. So, the person said,

"How am I supposed to love less people and love God more?"


"I can't see Him, but I can see others."

This is the problem. Let's say you substitute God with yourself (alright?), so you follow me, (right?). So, in Christianity, all you're doing is loving God and the only way to love God is to love others first—because you can't just say, "I love God, therefore I will start loving other people," because the only way—because we can't see God, the only way I know is love God is (by what?), obeying what He told me to do; what did He tell you to do? Love other people.


What happens though when you actually love yourself first?

When you actually love yourself first what you're doing is, you only love people to the capacity that they serve your needs.

Self

- But whatever is in the circle  becomes equal to God. "I will only love people as long as they are serving my needs and God Himself, lives to serve my needs." This is how you know if you're so in love with yourself, your relationship towards God and others is always determined on how much they serve you.
- And God and other people are equal—you treat them the same. "If He doesn't answer my prayers" (I'm what?), mad at Him.
- If they don't agree with me, I will cancel them; Don't forget, God is supposed to be above all, **(right?)**. And God started the entire relationship so everybody that is in the circle, always serves the one that is above the circle—but everything that's in the circle is equal to each other.

Others

The most dangerous one is the people pleaser, when we find the "one" we really love—the becomes. No matter what God says what I  where you love others—especially equally yoked, this is what it should do with the relationship, no, I live to serve this person's will. No matter what God says, it's not good enough as long as it doesn't make me feel like I am loved by that other person.

- So, God and "me" are in the same boat and God me need to help me serve that other person.

- And it doesn't matter what God says as long as He's not making me look bad in the eyes of other people, I don't want to hear what He has to say.
- But the correct way is God **God** on top, (I'm loving other people)—that's because I've come to remember that it is God, who **Other = Self** understand who I am, but I want you to started all of this.



Let me give you this example, in Christianity, the love that I have for my kids must be determined by the love I have for God. Are we together?... The reason is this, I would not love my kids so much that if God gives me an assignment, and it doesn't settle in my spirit, **(why?)** because I love my kids more than I do God. So, God becomes my mate in a sense that if I love my kids so much and God says, something like He told Abraham when He said:

"Sacrifice your kid,"

- a person who loves others more than they love God, would never do what God told them to do. When He told Abraham to sacrifice his son, why was he able to do it? Because God determined how he loved his child.
- In other words, the only way I know how to love my wife and others, is because God told me how to love them. This is why I tell people in marriage counseling who has cheated and says they'll never do it again; is that the consequences of your actions dwindle over time when you don't have God as the accountability part in why you love your significant other—you'll go back to what you were doing.
- God has to be the anchor of your love for you to keep doing it right day after day.

So, in other words, like in the bible, the reason I love my kids less than God is because if I really love who God is, I will do everything God said, towards them—I can't love my kids more than God loves them. So, if I'm obeying God, that means that I am loving them beyond my capacity to love them; I'm loving them the way God told me to.

- I can't even love my wife more than God loves her; so, what do I do? I spend my time in the presence of God so I can hear what He has to say on my role as a man on how to lead my wife **(so what?)**, I'm loving her by obeying God.
- So, if I love Him and the only way I can prove that I love Him is by loving others, I will love her with everything I got in obedience to show God that am actually doing this because of you—so I actually love Him more than I love her.
- So that if He tells me to do something hard, I am able to do it, **(why?)** because I trust that He knows what He's doing.
- Think about the young ruler in the bible—he goes to Jesus and says, "I've done everything you needed me to do, everything; Jesus says, **"good, now go and sell everything you got and follow me."**

- The bible says that he literally looked at Jesus and walked away sad...and didn't do it; so, what did Jesus say? He said, **"it's easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich person to enter the Kingdom of heaven."**
- So here you see that Jesus wasn't just talking about rich people that just had money, He was talking about people who were in love with their money. It's the people that God can never get to them as long as God and others don't serve their own will; they'll only serve God as far as it is convenient.
- But the minute you touch something they love; they don't do it. The other one that Jesus tested this theory on **Others** was the man who Jesus, "I will follow you anywhere," and Jesus said to him, "hold up, just let me go and **Self = God** **"aright, let's go!"** Then the guys said to Jesus, bury my dad first, I'm the first boy.
- Normal cultures would have said, what a good boy!

But what did Jesus say to him?

Jesus said something very insensitive; He said, **"let the dead go bury their dead."** That means, you're not coming, you're dead; then go bury your dead father!

What was Jesus really saying?

You love your dad more than you love me—Others (self = God). So, the idea of love in the bible is your ability to obey God without hesitation, no matter what relationship is on the **(?)**

- This is the one test, every Christian will go through; there will always be something that He'll give you, because He wants it back. Before you go to a new level, he will always test what you're willing to give Him back.
- For some people it's a job, for some it's a relationship—He did it to me twice before giving me my wonderful wife; because relationships matter to me a lot—so much that I could literally die for a person. God literally tested me twice before I met my wife—thank God for that!

What else has He taken from me?

Everything. He took everything! God will always test that love, **(why?)** because for you to even love others or for you to even prove that you love Him, it has to come out of obedience.

- You can't just choose how you want to love the person, by the way; you are loving them less than their value if your love is not coming out of obedience.
- That's why marriages are falling apart. Since we attract our opposites, what would make a person like me, be at peace with a person like my wife?
- On our first date, because my wife did not understand how hyper I was, (she comes from a calm family); she's so patient that she could just sit and watch paint dry and get the deepest philosophy out of it!

- Me, if I haven't spoken to four people in 30 minutes, the Lord has forsaken me! Literally, at our first date, my wife was like, "schuss... don't pass out on me please." Because she thought I was so hyper, she thought something was wrong!

What would make two people like that, work in peace?

Until you know God and both of you are willing to obey God, sometimes these hurdles become too hard to overcome. It is your obedience of God that causes you to see the other person the way God sees them, so you value them as God sees them and (**guess what?**), it creates peace in the marriage.

- In other words, the reason why Matthew: 10:37 says to even love someone else it has to come out of obedience. Therefore, I don't treat everyone the same, I treat everyone the way God told me to treat them.
- Cause if I apply the same standard to everybody, since I'm the type of person who has no patience for anybody—but as a pastor, the number one gift you need is patience for everybody.
- So, it's just obeying the voice of God that makes it possible.

Question 2:

Romans 10:17 – So faith comes from hearing, and hearing through the word of God.

Can it still be considered if you never heard the word of God. Ex: if a non-believer said they had faith their project would work. Is that still faith? Or when David had faith He would kill Goliath but you told us in your sermon at FGGM Carson that He had other motives is that still faith or is it just passion.

What's your definition of hearing the word of God?

My first question for the person who wrote this question is what is YOUR definition of hearing the word of God? Last year, I had this whole series on this when I spoke about what faith is; I spoke about what it actually means to hear the word of God. Basically, what this question is saying to me is I never heard God say, "hey, hey, go do this!" Then, we got a problem. Because when it comes to the word of God, hearing and hearing the word of God is not only one way that He talks saying, "hey, hey how are your or, hey, can you do this, believe this." That's one way.

- Another way is in the minute you crack your bible, you just heard God speak to you; the minute you cracked your bible and the Word became life to you and you saw the nature of Christ, and you saw how God operates and you saw a story of what God determines—for you to do, for example, you find yourself in a situation that requires you have to tell the truth and you just happen to open that scripture—that scary scripture if you really wanted to lie—there's a scary scripture in the bible, "no liar inherits the Kingdom of God;" you just heard from God! Guess what you gotta do by faith? Not lie! (**Are we together?**).

- In other words, hearing of the word of God, includes you knowing the nature of God and abiding by that. As you go on, yes, it's true that we start to hear sometimes like He says, "if you stand before Kings and Queens and you need something to say, I will come in at that moment," that's fine.
- But most of the time, I find that how do I even know how to walk by faith? Well, I know the Word of God— "offer yourself as a living sacrifice so that you will know that which is (what?) the good and acceptable and the perfect will of God."
- For some reason, the bible actually tells you that when you have learned to offer yourself totally to the will of God, you actually get to know His will for your life. You just know it; (why?), cause the moment your life customizes to scripture, your life becomes clearly heading in a direction—because you have understood the nature of Who Christ is.
- So, this question is not a matter of "did I hear," it's, are you praying and reading your scripture? Are you fasting? Are you being mentored? Are you being led? Are you in the company of believers who can check you?
- Sometimes you don't know what to do because you have isolated yourself from the body of Christ. If you are hanging out with enough Christians and you decide to open up, they can guide you based on the Word of God.
- We live in an individualistic society where, "I have to make decisions for me;" back in the day, in scripture, "we" made decisions for you! That's how it worked; even Paul himself submitted himself to Peter.
- The guy that said, "you write too deep" Paul was humble enough to submit himself to Peter and the brother of Jesus, James—said, "am I right?" and they said, "yeah, you right;" and that's how he walked.
- In other words, hearing the word of God, like if we were really doing this Christianity right and love really did exist between us, love would cause us to even intercede for one another—so much so that direction would come, literally because we're all in unity praying for that person.
- Community is bigger than a church. So, in other words, all I need to tell you for this question is, "are you reading your bible, are you understanding it, are you praying? If you don't get it, we meet at 8pm on Tuesdays;" we'll help you get it. Amen!
- Next, for example, "if a non-believer said they had faith, that their project would work, is that still faith?" That's pretty good! Now, whether you're Christian or not, faith exists. From a non-Christian definition, faith is literally just choosing to believe with determination that something will be and having the hope behind it.

So, then what separates ours from non-believers?

The fact that our faith is guaranteed to happen. It's not a self-determination that I put to myself—this is why it comes by hearing and hearing the word of God. Taste and see that God is good right, (why?) because if you have faith, because you believe and scripture says that this needs to happen because this is how it works and if you believe that God is on your side and His Spirit is in you and He sometimes just gives you that admonition that edification, that urge to believe, then you can.

- So, for us it's not what you determine to put in your head that will happen, it's what you believe God says will happen, is what will happen. So, there is a big difference even though it's still faith, ours is a guarantee.
- Faith therefore is the substance of things hoped for and the evidence of things, (**what?**), not seen; if it is already evidenced, that just mean we are waiting for its manifestation; (**makes sense?**).
- Alright. "Or when David, He would kill Goliath, but you told us (somebody was not paying attention to Wale's preaching last week, decided to go tune into where I went to go preach, and brought back a question); but you told us in your sermon at FGGM Carson that He had other motives is that sill faith or is it just passion."
- Let me explain what they are talking about; so, a lot of us, when we're reading the story, something very interesting happens; so, Goliath came 80 times to make fun of them! It says forty days but forty days the bible says that he came out morning and night.
- So, a total of eighty times, he came to make fun of them; now, the last time he came out, David happened to be there; David said nothing.... All of the sudden the bible makes this little tangent—it's like, "he's over here with his armor;" remember I explained his armor—just his breast plate was like 125lbs.
- The head of his spear was 15lbs; back in the day the helmet was made out of leather, his was bronze—big head. He was nine feet, nine inches, (okay?). He comes out with an armor barrier in front of him. And then he says, "like who are you?"
- David, (okay), but then all of the sudden the bible makes a tangent when one guy comes out and goes, "oh my goodness, whoever can kill this man gets a woman, money and no taxes!" Like randomly... And all of the sudden you see David do something— (**what does he do?**), he asked the people again, "what did you say he'll get?"
- And then right after that, that's when David says, "where is the uncircumcised Philistine?" So, I was showing them that David also understood that in his mind that there were perks to walking by faith.
- But one thing that I did not say, is that his motives were solely for the sake of the woman, the money, and the treasure or the lack of taxes. What David did was believe that God can give him Goliath, because Goliath was challenging the people of God.
- Now, he did also understand that "if I am able to do this, I know I get, woman, money'—and at 17 years old, it's a great deal, "I get to marry the king's daughter—amazing! No taxes and I'm rich?" (**Right?**).
- So, the problem would be if I had said that it was his motivation or if I said that all he did it for was the money or that it was enough of a motivation—it's not, because remember, there were thousands of men that had the same offer—it never moved them. So, what moved him had to be his understanding of God even though he knew that there were perks coming with it.

Let me give you another example...

Abraham understood that he was going to be a father of many nations; although that was a perk and a benefit, he actually moved in obedience because he believed (**in who?**) God.

- Faith is the substance of things, “hoped for” the things that we are hoping for are actually tangible. But it’s not that we put our trust in it, but it’s actually like this:
- If God says, “**I’m going to give you this...**” I want to believe. Because I know if He gives me this, it is an instrument to be used (**what?**) for His Kingdom.
- So, when I’m having faith, yes, I’m believing in God, but I’m also expecting something, (**what?**) tangible. **Are we together?**
- David understood what was tangibly coming to him although what drove him was his belief in God. If all that drives me is that “I want this,” there’s no faith because I’m actually just doing it because “I want this.”
- I don’t care how it factors into the will of God, I don’t care how if God is blessed with it, I just want God to give me this! The book of James says God doesn’t do that.
- But what He does is if you truly believe in Him (**why?**) because you know what He’s about to give you—aids you in how you live (**what?**) for Him; that’s very different. **Are we together?**

And the person asked this question:

“Also I believe you said they give David a young virgin to see if he was dead where is that scripture in the bible? I always thought it was just to keep him “warm”?”

Let me show you something in 1 King: 1:1-4; so, this is why you should all come to Tuesday bible reading; one of the things that I told you guys is that the bible was not written in America; the bible was written in the Middle East; in the East—not the West. That means that the way it is written, packs allegorical story form and in one verse you could have an entire imagery and if you don’t get it, you interpret it from the West, you miss an entire point, (**okay?**). So, let me show you something...

- So, one thing that I said here is that even the servants of David came to understand that he was dead by this point because they did give him a woman—to keep him “warm.” Let me explain where that comes from.

1 King 1:1-4

¹ Now King David was (**what?**) old, (when you see a comma, you stop and breathe and understand that the way the chapter starts is trying to convey a message to you. This entire chapter is on the back and the assumption that he is (**what?**), old. Now, and advanced in (**what?**), years; and they put covers on him.

- Number one, what does the bible say? When the servants of David—how old was David at this point? Seventy. He kind of died young compared to the those how they lived.

- So, all of the sudden, he was advanced in age and his people did not like that idea; that David looked old, and he was acting old. And they put covers on him (**why?**), but he could not get warm. What is the bible telling you? Not only that he gave up, but he had health problems too.

²Therefore his servants said to him, “let us find a young woman,’ not only did she have to be a young woman, (but she also had to be a virgin too); ‘a virgin be sought for our lord and the king, and let her stand before the king, and let her care for him, and let her (**what?**) lie in your bosom, that our lord the king may be (**what?**) warm.”

³So they sought for (not just any woman because any woman would have body temperature if that was really what it was for—but no, she has to be cute—be a virgin and she has to be able to lie down in his stomach area to keep him “warm”), a lovely young woman throughout all the territory of Israel, and found Abishag the Shunammite, and brought her to the king.

Look at verse four and see what the bible is telling you.

⁴The young woman was very (**what?**) lovely; (why would it tell you that?) because she was lovely and she cared for the king, and served him; (but then, he did not have sexual relations with her); (**alright?**) Now, let me explain something to you from a context of that.

- So, he was seventy years of age but the wear and tear of military life, body fatigue, mental care, had prematurely (if we may say it), exhausted the energy of David’s strong **constitution**.
- In modern Palestine and Egypt, the people owing to the heat of the climate, sleep each in a separate bed; they only depart from this practice for medical reasons. The expedient recommendation by David’s physician is the regime still prescribe in similar cases.
- Particularly among the Arab population, not simply to give heat but to cherish as they are aware that the inhalation of the young breath of the woman will give him life and vigor.
- At the end of the definition of this practice states: the polygamy of the age and country may account for the introduction of this practice, and it is evident that a Abishag was made a concubine or a secondary wife to David, (**alright?**).
- In other words, if you know anything about the culture, it was not to keep David just warm. It was that they believed that the young virgin’s breath, gave the man life; in fact, this is a practice that they had in Africa—unfortunately, that if you had HIV as a man, all you had to do was sleep with a virgin woman, (**alright?**)—that why it spread.
- So, that’s why David’s men did this—but it was also supposed to make David feel like a man too because as a virgin, she was thought to be someone with whom David’s energy and passion to sleep with his wife—that’s why she had to be beautiful.
- So, she was literally given to him to reenergize him, healthily, sexually, but what the bible is saying is, not only was he weak and frail, but he also didn’t even have the sexual urges anymore, (**alright?**).

- That means the guy was dead dead—even if he wasn't dead in the body, the bible says that the people could tell he was done. This is why—look at what happens in the next verse right away,

⁵Then Adonijah the son of Haggith exalted himself saying, I will be king”;

- In other words, they could tell that David was dying, he had no more strength—that even his own son started to declare to themselves that they were the next king
- In other words, what I was telling you there is, that because he didn't even sleep with her, they knew that David was over; cause they knew that when David had his strength, not only would he sleep with you, he'll kill your husband to sleep with you. In other words, that's where that comes from, **(alright?)**. Have I answered that well? Are we together?

Evidence of the Holy Spirit

This came from a Facebook post, so if you watch the first message, someone came on there and said something to the fact of—cause I said, “show me in the bible where speaking in tongues was the evidence—the bible says that it is the first evidence that you have received the Holy Spirit.”

- The person decided to send me about three to four versus of where it said, they (there's only about two to three cases depending on what you think is the reception of the Holy Spirit is), where people actually spoke in tongues, **(right?)**.
- Now, one thing I did not say is that when the Spirit of God comes upon you that it sometimes comes with **(what?)** a gift; that's now what I said.
- But what I showed you from the bible is that John 13:35 says,

³⁵**By this all will know that you are My disciples if you have love for one another.”**

- By this you will know that you have been transformed, **(why?)** if you love one another,

I also showed you this:

1 John 4:12-13

No one has seen God at any time. If we love one another, God abides in us, (so, how do we know God abides in us?), if we love one another, and His love has been made **(what?)** perfected in us. ¹³By this, (by the love that we have for each other, we, know that we abide in Him and He in us, **(why?)**, because He has given us of his Spirit.

- The way that you know that you have the Holy Spirit is not because you can decide you can speak in tongues; it is because you saw transformation and that transformation causes you to understand that you can love other people.
- This is why another chapter in the bible actually says that if you can speak with the tongues of man and of Angel, but you have no love, **(you're what?)** annoyed. In other words, yes, don't get it confused that the proximity of the gift to the reception of the Holy Spirit—that

is not to say that that is the evidence for everybody. Because in fact, if you go back and read that story, it didn't just say they spoke in tongues, it also said that they **(what?)**, prophesied—how come we're not emphasizing that one?

- Some of them—it's not just receiving the Holy Spirit; they went out and started healing people—how come you're not doing that? But you want to tell me that the only evidence is "Reko basa," no, go and heal somebody too!
- If you want to be all about that, go and heal somebody too—go prophesy, right after you receive, come prophesy to me!
- If you want to become so legalistic as to say that because it said it there it's now for everybody, "I don't agree with that."
- In fact, the most theologians that I know reputable do not agree with that—Benny Hinn himself said it. He has said, "no, I know people that don't speak in tongues, but they are filled with the Spirit."
- In other words, although I speak in tongues, and I spoke in tongues literally right after I received the Holy Spirit; I know when I received the Holy Spirit—I was eight!
- I was with my parents, night devotion and I started bawling, just crying and the next thing I know—I know when I was changed; I know exactly the day I got jacked up!
- But I'm not even saying that that is the evidence, because He says to us, "the evidence is transformation" so much so that someone sent me a video that I saw a pastor (and I have a problem with this), trying to educate people on how to start using words in tongues.
- I had a big problem with that; and he used another scripture to say that the Spirit gave utterance and that and his definition of utterance (unless I'm mistaking it), he's almost making it seem like it was the human that does it—he just gives you the gift and it was faith that amplified it.
- I don't think so, I think that if it is a gift, it is a gift. I do understand that faith level affects it; affects if you are able to walk in it. Some of us have the Holy Spirit and the gift; some of us have gift to do stuff, we just don't have faith to work by it.
- I understand that; but I also don't understand that I need to take charge of a gift God gave—what I need to do is increase in faith.
- I don't need to push something. Honestly, that's how I see it. And the person that came onto Facebook even warned me saying, "don't speak against the Holy Spirit."
- I'm like, "do you even understand what I am saying?" I am saying, yes, the Holy Spirit can come with a gift right away, He can. But Paul himself asked, "do all speak in tongues?"
- It's a gift—do you want or desire it? Please, I'm begging you, desire it. **(Why?)** because it helps edify; it helps.
- For example, these Baptist people who asked me to help them with someone who had asked for help saying that there was a demon involved in their lives—this was at Panera Bread; and they sat around the person, and they looked very dignified.
- I showed up and as soon as the demon saw me at Panera Bread it started manifesting in Panera Bread! Me too, when I saw the dignified people **(you know?)**, I wanted to feel dignified too and just pick up the bible, "thou demon, thou shall be removed.)"

- No, as soon as the thing started manifesting in Panera Bread, “Reko ba sate!” I even looked at them and said, “excuse me, y’all have to give me a second, I’ll explain what I’m doing—this needs to start; Reku ba—I went deep;” until that demon started manifesting!
- Then I looked at the dignified people and they looked like, like the demon went into them! Like, no you know, there are times that English does not suffice—some demons don’t know English; they get tongue though!
- I had to come out with it so you want it, trust me; I was in Panera Bread and that happened! Now, so, I’m not saying that that can’t be evidence, but I am saying that the one thing you can hold on to, because people are mimicking these days.
- Based on who their leader is sometimes, listen close. I mean, I’ve heard of people literally like, honestly like, its hard man; its hard. Especially like when you’re doing deliverance and there are pastors there, **(you know)**, and you can tell that somebody be like; I’m like, “brother, please go and sit down.”
- You can honestly tell; you can tell when its coming from the presence of God and when someone is just distracting me in the Spirit!
- There was one time when I was casting out a demon and someone walked up to me and literally said, “the name of that demon is Carlos.” and I’m like, “he’s Hispanic now, what are you doing?”
- People can be distractive; or you hear them say, “Sado, sado, sado, como, como” It’s like, “no, that’s a location my brother.”
- I do not advocate for you forcing this, let Him come when your faith is ready, **(right?)**. In other words, I am not saying that when the Spirit of God comes, the Holy Spirit doesn’t come with the gift of speaking in tongues—remember, every gift is not just for you—every gift comes so that it will be used for helping the body of Christ.
- If God gave you the ability to speak in tongues right away, there’s a purpose for it; there’s a good chance that you ain’t getting because you don’t know what it will be used for when you got it.
- Take your time to understand the basis, it will come—it will come. Some comes automatic, some doesn’t; let your faith grow! But the way you know, “I don’t speak in tongues, how will I know?” It’s if you can see the change that enables you to love other people; now that one is powerful!
- So that when you’re speaking in tongues, the basis of love still guides your tongues. Cause a lot of people that say they’ve received it—you see no love in them.

But do you know what’s scary?

What is scary, like when a bunch of us pastors were talking and messages were coming in—guys listen to me, as your pastor, I have this responsibility. Deception in this “move of the Spirit” is getting worse; people send me videos that me, myself that feel like I am seasoned, that I have spent eight to ten hours—almost sometimes days or within a week to study scripture. There are some videos that are sent to me that I would say that I agree with, but the Spirit of God would make me watch it over and over until I find the problem.

- It's getting bad; this whole anointing movement is getting horrible; you see people that are living callous—laying hands and people manifesting. I will preach a message to you will show you that there is a difference between psychological manifestation and the Spirit of God manifestation.
- Different religions have it too; there's a whole soufe sect of Islam that believes in casting out demons too and people manifest. In other religions, it does too; there's a difference between psychology and the Spirit of God moving!
- It's not every person that you see when they decide to prophesy, raise hand and do this (acting out) and you're like hey! Please vet the Spirit; Please...vet the Spirit!

How do you know they're of God?

They have the capacity to love. If I start a ministry just because of the gift in itself and not cause of love, run away. Amen

Question 3:

We have been talking about love. I know that God is love. I understand that He sent Hison as the ultimate sacrifice for me. Undeserving. I received the gift of life and eternity in heaven with Him. Help me understand why would God who could not stand and watch me be separated from Him due to our sin can stand and see me get raped not once but twice or my parents die or could see the abuse endured. Where is that God who is LOVE.

- I am deeply moved by your question, and I am sorry that you had to endure that and I know that my apology does not suffice to restore what you might feel like you've lost; I am deeply sympathetic to you and, it does hurt me that someone could hurt you this way.
- Now, I do want you to reach out to me though, I do. Because I can only do as much here, cause I do have to give a general answer without knowing where you are, how you're dealing with it; I can't really help you genuinely.
- So, the answer I give here is only simply to give a sort of a direction for this question. There's a bible verse that is the shortest in the bible, but it actually is the longest for me.
- And, in John 11, something happens there that is very unusual; Jesus, decides to wait for Lazarus to die. He knew he was sick, He waited for him to die; after four days He comes and Martha and Mary, Lazarus' sisters come up to Jesus crying, saying, "if you were only here earlier, if you were only here earlier!"
- Jesus looks at them and says, "**I am the resurrection and the life.**" Now, but then something weird happens; if you know you're the resurrection and the life and that means you have the power to resurrect a person—where you overcome death—you're able to raise a person from the dead in heaven, **(right?)**.
- Jesus still comes and before He asks for the tomb to be open, John 11:35, the bible says, ³⁵Jesus wept. How do you know that you're the "help" but you're crying like you're helpless?
- And so, you ask yourself, then why would Jesus cry—it's the shortest verse in the bible-- John 11:35 Jesus wept. Why would Jesus cry? Because the reason why Jesus cried was—in

that moment, Jesus was trying to communicate with us, that He saw the pain that human beings had to go through because of sin. And part of the pain was death in itself. And what He was saying, “even though I know I have the power to raise, to give justice, to overcome death itself, humans must still live through the human process.”

- In a world that is broken, a world with death, a world with pain. But what He was telling Myriam (did you mean Martha or Mary?) is; you see, I came to give salvation because I can't force myself on humanity and take away death and decisions people make, (why?), because if I did that, they don't have free will anymore and if they don't have freewill, they're no longer human beings—I've become a dictator, not a lover.
- “All I can do is supply humanity with the option of leaving their evil ways and coming to Me. And in coming to me I guide them, and I bless them; everyone that comes to Me, I make a promise to them—that after this whole human decision, this free will—when God says enough is enough, I have all that is going to choose Me and those that have not chosen Me;
- ‘I want you to believe that when all is said and done, I am a God of justice! I am the resurrection and the life.’”
- In other words, I can't take away the freedom of people to make bad decisions, (why?), because if I'm going to be just, they have to have done something for me to pour my wrath on.
- Or rather they need to actually live out the evil desires that are in their heart. So, I know that I've supplied literally the grace to be saved, but I am watching people and it breaks my heart; (Billy Graham said that God is also weeping with us) during our sorrows.
- Because He has supplied salvation, it is not that He doesn't love you, it's that His love for redemption is there—but it's hard to even take the explanation I'm giving—but, what the bible is saying is, in a hard way, in your ability to believe that I am the resurrection and the life, I am a rewarder of them that seek Me and the vengeance is Mine;
- What God wants you to believe is yes, although human free will used their force against you, I want you to believe that the wrath that I have in store for them is greater than what you can pour on them.
- And so that's why He says, “vengeance” is (what?), mine. I know you are hurt, but that which I will do to that person who hurt you, is much more than your anger can ever do against them. (Right?).
- And so, it's yes, I know in the meantime that present suffering does not compare to (what?), the glory that shall be revealed.
- I know that it hurts to say, “where were you in the moment,” while God is looking at it as, I know that you are hurt and I know that you lost your parents but, I am the God who will have the last say over death, and I will be the last person to have a say over that which hurt you.
- In other words, what He's saying is that if you can continue to have faith, if you can continue to drive forward, He's literally saying that I will make beauty out of ashes; that which happened to you, will have a story that works for your benefit—Romans 8:28, but at the end of the day, the rapist and death itself, will not go free.

- Because every sin will get its just recompence, the bible says, (**alright?**). So, according to scripture, His love is there to aid you back to good health and at the end of the story, He will have the last laugh. Amen