

We Are Ambassadors for Christ

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“Therefore if any man be in Christ, *he is* a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new. And all things *are* of God, who hath reconciled us to Himself by Jesus Christ, and hath given to us the ministry of reconciliation; To wit, 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”
2 Corinthians 5:17-19.

Let us meditate tonight on the wonderful privilege, the high honor, the serious responsibility, of being an ambassador for the King of kings. In these days, when national and international events are continually brought to us, we hear that word ‘ambassador’ fairly frequently. We know that an ambassador is a specially appointed minister who represents his country. In fact, he is the personal representative of the head of state. The ambassador to England from this country is the personal representative of the president of the United States. The ambassador from the Court of St. James is the personal representative of her majesty, the Queen. And that ambassador *speaks* for the head of state from whatever country he comes. And so, when we read here that we are ‘ambassadors for Christ’, we see that it is a high honor, an exalted responsibility, that is offered to us—to be the personal representatives of the God of heaven.

The ambassador, of course, speaks not *of* himself or *for* himself, but for his country and his sovereign. And so we, as ambassadors for Christ, are here in this world, not to speak *of* ourselves or *for* ourselves, but rather *of* Him and *for* Him whom we represent. That, indeed, is a *serious* responsibility. Every now and then the pages of history record the utterance of some ambassador, who, to use the language that is often used, “opened his mouth and got his foot in it.” He says something that *misrepresents* the nation that he is the ambassador of. Nations in this world have to put up with a certain amount of that because men make mistakes. It’s a wonderful thing to me that the God of heaven has chosen, also, to put up with such things. Every now and then, *somebody* who claims to be an ambassador for God says something or does something that’s either the *wrong* thing or it’s the *right* thing at the *wrong* time. In either event, heaven is disappointed. But if you and I are ambassadors for Christ, He has taken that risk in calling us, in inviting us, in sharing with us this wonderful ministry.

I think, though, that when an ambassador has said the wrong thing or has said the right thing at the wrong time, he ought to be willing to listen to his government’s

instruction that would try to keep him from making the same mistake twice. What do you say? And heaven is running a *school* for ambassadors; I hope you've enrolled. I hope you're getting your training from day to day. But remember, even if you make mistakes, God doesn't discharge you. But He's trying to correct you. He's trying to help you to learn the lessons.

The only perfect ambassador that heaven has had in this world came nearly 2,000 years ago. The world has just celebrated His birth. And He came from heaven to be Immanuel, "God with us." He was heaven's choicest and best Ambassador.

But when He left He said to His disciples,

"...as My Father hath sent Me, even so send I you" John 20:21.

And the word has been passed down to our time, and heaven is still choosing men and women and youth and sending them forth as ambassadors. We do well to study the life and example of Jesus, to see how *He* conducted *Himself* as the Ambassador of the Father that we may learn what He expects of *us* as we go forth in His stead to share this wonderful privilege, this high honor, of ambassadors for heaven.

In the seventh chapter of John, and if you'll turn to John we'll look at several texts on the ambassadorship of Jesus and the ambassadorship which He shares with us. John 7:28-29:

"Then cried Jesus in the temple as He taught, saying, Ye both know Me, and ye know whence I am: and I am not come of Myself, but He that sent Me is true, whom ye know not. But I know Him: for I am from Him, and He hath sent Me" John 7:28-29.

Did Jesus send Himself? No ambassador sends *himself*. If he does, he's not an ambassador. The very idea in the word 'ambassador' is that here is a man who has been *sent* by someone else—he represents someone else. And Jesus made it clear over and over again that He was sent of heaven. The Father had sent Him forth.

Now turning to John the 15th chapter and the 16th verse, we see that this is true also of those that are ambassadors for Him today. John 15:16:

"Ye have not chosen Me, but I have chosen you, and ordained you, that ye should go and bring forth fruit..." John 15:16.

Oh friends, it's a wonderful thing to *know* that you've been chosen by God to do a work for Him. Do you know that? Some of you do and you are happy for it. Some of you may not have found it out yet. But I say to *everyone* of you, Jesus has called *you* to be an ambassador.

Of course, an ambassador must *accept* the appointment. There are no *draftees* in the ranks of ambassadors. A man may be *called* but he must *respond* to the invitation. So Jesus says, “Ye hath not chosen Me, but I have chosen you...” Have you accepted that call, that summons? There might be somebody here tonight that is *not* a born-again Christian, and you may say, “Well, I haven’t been called.” Ah, let me tell you a secret, friend. One of the greatest reasons that God wants you to give your heart to God and be converted is so that you, in turn, can become the agent *through whom* He will invite others, *through whom* He will reveal the wonders of His love. He wants you to be saved, not only because He loves you, but He has a work for you to do. He has a job that He’s calling you to. He wants *you* to be *His* ambassador.

Oh friend, if to be saved *yourself* is not reason enough to give your heart to God, surely the prospect of being given *this* assignment—*this* commission—surely that should entice us, allure us, inspire us to respond with all we have. What do you say?

Think of it, friends: *ambassadors* for Christ! And this is no mere play on words. This is no language just intended to create an impression. This is a *fact*, my friends. Jesus wants you to be His personal representative. “As My Father hath sent Me,” He says, “even so send I you” John 20:21.

Now turn over to Luke, please, the 10th chapter and the 16th verse. We’ve mentioned the fact that an ambassador does not represent himself; he represents his country—its head. He’s the personal representative of the president or the king or the prime minister; whomever he gets his orders from. Luke 10:16. Notice how Christ identifies Himself with those He sends forth in His name. He is speaking to his ambassadors if you read the whole chapter:

“He that heareth you heareth Me; and he that despiseth you despiseth Me; and he that despiseth Me despiseth Him that sent me” Luke 10:16.

We know how it is when an ambassador from the United States is treated in a *good way*, a *welcome way*, in another country. That represents an attitude of appreciation and welcome on the part of that nation toward our country. But suppose that our ambassador is snubbed, ignored, perhaps abused. Ah, that’s a very serious thing. That is a slight, not merely to that man, but to this *whole* nation and to the head of state, the president. And so Jesus says (and it should lead us all to be very *careful* how we treat one of heaven’s ambassadors), “He that heareth you heareth Me...”

It should also lead us, my friends, as we go forth in His name, to feel and know that *all* heaven is back of us. We’re not alone. The *world* may look at one of us and see only some poor man, some little woman, some child. But ah, as that servant of Elisha saw when his eyes were opened, round about the servant of God were the horses of fire, the chariots of fire that showed the presence of the armies of heaven.

“The angel of the Lord encampeth round about them that fear Him, and delivereth them” Psalm 34:7.

So we have nothing to fear, my friends, as we go forth in His name as heaven’s ambassador.

An ambassador, as we’ve mentioned, is speaking not his own words. He gets his orders from headquarters. He’d better, hadn’t he? Very important. Notice how Jesus speaks of this in John, the 12th chapter and the 49th verse. John 12:49:

“For I have not spoken of Myself; but the Father which sent Me, He gave Me a commandment, what I should say, and what I should speak” John 12:49.

Listen friends, if Jesus, God’s own Son, did not dare speak of Himself *from* Himself, but rather, day by day sought the Father to get His orders fresh from the heavenly courts, is it not oh so important that you and I, as heaven’s ambassadors, do the same?

Now turn back to Isaiah, the 50th chapter and the 4th verse. This is speaking prophetically of Jesus, but this same privilege is available for *every* one of heaven’s ambassadors today. You and I can be taught of the Father just as Jesus was. In fact, that was one of His great purposes in identifying Himself with humanity—taking on *our* nature. He came to show us *how* to *live* on earth the life of heaven and *do* on earth the work of heaven. And notice how He did it and how *we’re* to do it. Isaiah, the 50th chapter and 4th verse:

“The Lord God hath given me the tongue of the learned, that I should know how to speak...” Isaiah 50:4.

That’s what an ambassador’s job is—it’s to *speak*; to speak a word in *season*, the *right* word at the *right* time, you see. And oh, how important that is for an ambassador—to say the *right* word at the *right* time. Now, how was it that Jesus was able to do that? He says that God gave Him “the tongue of the learned” so that He could do that. Reading on:

“...he wakeneth morning by morning, he wakeneth mine ear to hear as the learned” *Ibid.*

Why friends, an ambassador would not *dare* go meet the representatives of the foreign nation to which he’s assigned *unless* he had a message from home that told him what to say. Am I correct? Why, sure. That’s so important. And God does not ask you and me to venture forth to meet those around us, He does not ask us to do that without giving us words. But we had better get our dispatches before we speak. What do you say? We’d better get our orders. There are times when an ambassador, when he’s asked a question in a foreign land, has to say, “I will have to contact my home

government and get instructions.” And, my dear friends, you and I should never hesitate to do that. The very best answer that you and I can give to many questions is, “I don’t know; I’ll see if I can find out something for you.” That’s not a mark of *ignorance*; it may be a mark of *intelligence*. An ambassador is not supposed to know everything, just like that. [Elder Frazee snaps his fingers] He’s supposed to be wise enough to pass on only that which he is *certain of* because he has received it from the highest authority.

If you and I will limit our answers to that which we have received on the highest authority from heaven itself, then we will be successful ambassadors, friends. And the youngest child who understands what I’m saying can do *that*. You can just limit yourself to what you’ve found out from God, through His Word and by His Spirit, from the book of nature and the experiences of life. You can share with others that which heaven has made plain to you. And when somebody asks you a question that you don’t know the answer to, take them to Jeremiah 33:3. I have to do this frequently. You know I have the high honor, the precious privilege, of being one of heaven’s ambassadors. I wouldn’t trade it for anything this world could offer, friends. And many a time, when somebody comes to counsel with me about some problem, as they sit there telling me about the problem, my mind is working, and I’m thinking and praying, “What’s the answer to this?”

Just the other day, two young people came to counsel with me about a matter. They had come from quite a distance, but as we sat there, I had to take them to this text. This text helped them and it helped me, Jeremiah 33:3:

“Call unto Me, and I will answer thee, and show thee great and mighty things, which thou knowest not” Jeremiah 33:3.

Isn’t that wonderful, friends? Oh yes, there’s a two-way radio, a walkie-talkie, between earth and heaven, and *every one* of heaven’s ambassadors has the privilege of *instant* communication *all* the time. That’s better, friends, than the ambassadors of earth can do. They have to go see the head of state or whomever they’re supposed to talk to, and then go back *somewhere* and get in touch with headquarters.

But do you remember when Nehemiah, the king’s cupbearer in ancient Persia, was serving the king his wine, and the king noticed that he [Nehemiah] didn’t look very happy? The king inquired and Nehemiah told him about the condition of Jerusalem. And the king said, “Now what would you like me to do?” Do you remember what Nehemiah did? He says, “I prayed to the God of heaven.” And there in the royal courts of that great monarch, a greater Monarch gave *His* ambassador the answer to the King of Persia.

That’s *your* privilege, and mine, friends. So morning by morning, let’s be sure that we have our time with *our* King. Let’s be sure that down on our knees we’re searching His Word, and that we’re listening for the impressions of His Spirit, that we’re

pouring out to Him *our* problems and the problems of those that we serve. For there *is* an answer—Jesus has help for us, day by day.

Every ambassador is a *stranger* in a foreign land. The place where he's living is not his home, very definitely friends. Turn now to John, the 8th chapter, and see how Jesus recognized that when He was here on earth. John, the 8th chapter and the 23rd verse:

“And He said unto them, Ye are from beneath; I am from above: ye are of this world; I am not of this world” John 8:23.

He had come as heaven's ambassador. And all the while He recognized, He never forgot, that He was a *stranger* in a foreign land. And He has given us a similar commission. Turn to the 17th chapter of John and the 18th verse. John 17:18:

“As Thou has sent Me into the world, even so have I also sent them into the world” John 17:18.

Now I want to ask you something. When an ambassador leaves the United States and goes over to Japan or India or any one of a hundred other countries, is he sent there to copy, to imitate, to aid the customs and the fashions and the manners and the language of the people of that country? Is he? Oh no. He is sent there to present, as near as an individual can, the proper image of the country from which he comes. Is that right? He flies the flag, not of the country where he's living, but the country from which he comes.

Go to London tonight, go to Paris, go to any one of a hundred capitols around this world. There on a certain place, you'll see the Stars and Stripes flying. Right away, what do you know? There is where the ambassador from this country lives. And *that*, if you please, is a little bit of America. It may be half way around the world. If you go in there, you'd expect to hear language like you hear in America. You'd expect to see on the walls pictures of George Washington and Abraham Lincoln and our current President, wouldn't you? You wouldn't see the pictures of the heroes of that country where the man is residing, would you? If you were invited to be a guest at the table, what kind of menu would you expect? Good old United States, wouldn't you? I'm not so certain, speaking factually, that it's always quite so good, but you know what I'm getting at, don't you? Ah yes! Ah friends, I repeat, that *embassy*, that home and office of that ambassador, is an island surrounded by a great *ocean* of foreign influence. But on that island, the atmosphere of America pervades the home.

And so it is, in an *infinitely* more important way, with the Christian in this world. Your life, your home, is to be a little bit of heaven. It's to be an example of how heaven lives. The food on your table is to be like the diet that heaven has. The conversation is to be the language of heaven. The music is to be the music of heaven. And is that a 'restriction'? A man who has been invited to be the ambassador of America doesn't think so; he thinks it's an *honor*.

Ah, my friends, if in any sense, on any point, the program that heaven sets up for its ambassadors is accounted a 'restriction' to us, we are really not ready to serve effectually as ambassadors. The ambassador from the United States is supposed to be a *salesman* for American life, American products, America's philosophy, America's way of doing things, right? If he doesn't believe in it, if he doesn't practice it, how can he be an *effectual* representative?

And so in the life of heaven, unless we have tasted it and know that it's good, unless we've experienced it and believe it with all of our hearts, how can we be ambassadors, *true* ambassadors, for heaven? But this, remember, means that we are *strangers* in a foreign land. It has always been so, since sin took over this world. It will be so until He comes, whose right it is.

Notice how plain Jesus makes this here in John 17:14-16. He is praying to His Father about His *men* that He has chosen as ambassadors: Peter and James and John and their fellow disciples. And He's praying also for *us* as is made clear in the 20th verse. Now notice 14-16:

"I have given them Thy word; and the world hath hated them, because they are not of the world, even as I am not of the world. I pray not that Thou shouldst take them out of the world, but that Thou shouldst keep them from the evil. They are not of the world, even as I am not of the world"
John 17:14-16.

Twice, you see, He repeats it. "They are not of the world, even as I am not of the world." You and I, friends, cannot call this world our home any more than Jesus could. If we are ambassadors for Him, then we recognize that our citizenship, as Paul says in Philippians 3:20, is in heaven.

Now don't misunderstand me. That doesn't mean that we are to defy the laws of *this* world. A good ambassador obeys the traffic laws of the country where he is residing, am I correct? Certainly. It would bring dishonor upon his nation if he were to abuse his diplomatic immunity by thumbing his nose at the ordinances of the city or the state where he is residing. And you and I as citizens of heaven, as ambassadors of the King of kings, should be *more careful* than the citizens of the world to be law abiding, my friends. But we do it always remembering that it is because we *are* ambassadors for heaven. Our citizenship is not in this world.

As Jesus said to Pilate when he said to Him, "Are you a king? They say you are a king. Are you a king? Are you running in competition with Caesar?" Jesus assured him:

"...My kingdom is not of this world: if my kingdom were of this world, then would my servants fight, that I should not be

delivered to the Jews: but now is my kingdom not from hence” John 18:36.

It’s a wonderful thing, dear friends, to walk this world *ever conscious* of our ambassadorship, *careful* to do nothing unnecessarily that would create prejudice, that would arouse disfavor, not for *our* sakes, but for *His* sake whose name we bear, *ever conscious* of the fact that we are strangers in a foreign land, that there are many things in this world that we cannot partake of. Many things the world is eating mustn’t go into *our* stomachs. Many things the world is looking at mustn’t go into *our* eye. Many things the world is listening to mustn’t come into *our* ears. Many things the world is speaking of must not come from *our* lips. *We* are ambassadors. *We* are here to give this world a *picture* of what heaven is like, heaven’s way of life. No wonder that Paul says, “...Who is sufficient for these things?” 2 Corinthians 2:16. Ah friends, we are not sufficient of ourselves, but our sufficiency is of God, as Paul says, who hath made us able ministers of the New Testament, able ambassadors of heaven’s way of life.

You will remember way back, not too long after the flood as we look at it in the long view, looking back in history, there was a man there in Ur of the Chaldees that was called to be heaven’s ambassador—Abram (Abraham, as he was called later). And he was asked by heaven to leave his city, his country, his associations, and to go forth. And the Bible says he went forth “...not knowing whither he went” Hebrews 11:8. He was an ambassador in a special sense.

And one of the experiences that an ambassador has is not being able to call any particular place in this world his home for very long perhaps. He may be in Paris this year; he may be asked to go to Madrid or to Lisbon or London, next year. He does not know how long he will be at a particular place. That depends upon what his *assignment* will be from higher up. Are you willing to be on that basis or would that give you ulcers or a coronary attack perhaps? Ah friends, it’s a wonderful thing to know that you are safe in the arms of Jesus, what do you say? And to be willing to work on that basis, to do the *best* you can with the opportunities of today and leave with heaven the problem of where you will be tomorrow. And may I say, friends, that *attitude* is going to become *increasingly important* as we go rapidly into the closing events of this world’s history.

Soon, *very soon*, the last call of heaven will be given. Do you know one of the jobs an ambassador has is to communicate to the citizens of his home country when there is danger in the land where they are? Sometimes they are summoned to the embassy to make ready for flight. You remember down there in the Congo, they were having all those battles? It was the business of the representatives of the United States to let every American citizen *know* and to make provisions for getting him out of that country. Did you know we are going into just such an experience? Read about it in Revelation 18:1-4. The last call of heaven to this world is even now being sounded and will swell into what is being described there as ‘a loud cry.’ And what is it?

“...Come out of her, My people, that ye be not partakers of her sins, and that ye receive not of her plagues” Revelation 18:4.

Before the final outpouring of the plagues upon this wicked, rebellious world, God is going to call His people, and He is looking for ambassadors who will sound that call. Will you be one of them?

Ah, there may be somebody here tonight that says, "But Brother Frazee, I've been too wicked. I could never do anything like that; I've been too wicked." Do you remember those two insane, devil-possessed men that Jesus met one morning there on the shores of Galilee, so full of the Devil, literally, that everybody in the country was afraid of them? They came running at Jesus, looking as if they would tear Him limb-from-limb. But Jesus calmed them. He knew that down in their hearts what they wanted was *release* from the rule of Satan. And He gave them that release. There they sat after their deliverance; there they sat in their right minds and clothed. There must have been some Dorcas welfare work that morning. By the way, friends, when people get in their right mind, sometimes they need to do just what those people did—they need to *put on* some clothes.

But my point is *this*: you remember that *immediately* Jesus gave them a commission. He said, "Go home to your friends and to your own house and tell them and show them what *great* things God has done for you." They were appointed that very day as *ambassadors* by Jesus Himself, and yet they were *full* of the Devil when the sun rose that morning. Thank God, they were ambassadors for heaven when the sun set that night.

Oh, no matter what your failures have been, no matter how much you've disappointed yourself and your family, your friends and Jesus, Christ invites you to come to Him and let Him *do* something for you, and then He wants you to send you forth as His ambassador. My soul is thrilled the way it's put here in this wonderful book, *The Ministry of Healing*, page 99. This is the comment on this experience of the two demoniacs. Listen:

"Even those whose course has been most offensive to Him He freely accepts. When they repent, He imparts to them His divine Spirit and sends them forth into the camp of the disloyal to proclaim His mercy. Souls that have been degraded into instruments of Satan are still, through the power of Christ, transformed into messengers of righteousness and are sent forth to tell how great things the Lord hath done for them and hath had compassion on them"
Ministry of Healing, page 99.

Friends, that's quick work, isn't it? That's quick work. God is in the business of taking the very ones that have represented Satan and *changing* them by the power of His grace, by the revelation of His love, so that they can be sent forth effectually and successfully as Heaven's ambassadors.

Is there anybody here tonight that God has done something for and you *know* He has done something for you? I'd like to see your hands. Thank God, friends. Is there somebody here tonight that would *like* to have God do something for you? You know you need it; you'd *like* to have God do something for you. I'd like to see *your* hands. Thank God, friends. There's help for you. There's hope for you. Now some of you put up your hands both times and that's all right. You folks that put up your hands both times, you're telling me the first time, you know God's done something for you. You're telling me the second time that you want Him to do some more. You're like a loaf of bread that's in the oven that's half-baked. It would be a shame to take it out at that stage, wouldn't it?

Thank God, He which hath *begun* a good work in you will finish it. He's not going to take any half-baked bread to heaven. That's why the oven is still on; that's why the experiences of life are still at work, under the providence of God, to get us ready, to get us *weaned fully* from the things of this world and *fully* associated with heaven. Oh, I'm so glad we have such a wonderful Friend, aren't you?

Now back to our opening text:

"Now then we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God did beseech *you* by us: we pray *you* in Christ stead, be ye reconciled to God" 2 Corinthians 5:20.

Oh friends, you and I as ambassadors for heaven, have a most wonderful message to bear; it's a message of reconciliation. God is offering men the olive branch. He doesn't want to lose a single one, even those that have rebelled against Him and have joined in murdering Him, He prays for, "Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do." Isn't it a wonderful thing to bear a message of peace, a message of reconciliation, an offer of harmony? Thank God, we can go to the *worst* man in this world, the *most wicked* man in this world and say, "I'm an ambassador from heaven. I have a message: heaven *loves* you. *Jesus* died for you. *You* can be redeemed. *You* can be one of heaven's best friends. You don't have to remain an enemy."

I wonder—is there somebody here tonight that would like to take that offer? Somebody that says, "I know I've been an enemy of God. Either I never knew Him or I once knew Him and I've lost the way, but oh, I *want*, I *want* what I've been hearing about tonight. I want Jesus to do something for me, and oh, if it's *really* true that I can do something for heaven, that I can be an *ambassador* for heaven, then I want to know more about how that experience can be mine."

If there is somebody like that, I'd like to invite you to just stand with bowed head. We're going to have prayer for you. Things happen when men pray, friends. If there's somebody here tonight that knows that you've been an enemy of God, either you never knew Him, or you once knew Him and have lost the way, but tonight you want the help we've been talking about. You want the peace in harmony with God. If you do, just stand; we'll pray for you. I know God will hear it. Oh, I've seen the Lord do wonderful

things for dozens and scores and hundreds and *thousands* of people. I know He can do it for *you*. He can deliver you from any evil habit. He can deliver you from the selfishness, the rebellion that has kept you from Him. He can deliver you from those things that have caused you to fall again and again and again.

If somebody here tonight says, "Yes, Jesus is calling *me*; I *need* help and I want it tonight," you just stand. We'll pray for you and I know Jesus will hear it. He says,

"Call unto me, and I will answer thee, and shew thee great and mighty things which thou knowest not" Jeremiah 33:3.

He has committed to us the word of reconciliation. He tells me to beseech you, "Be ye reconciled to God." Ah friends, remember, what I'm talking about is not what *you're* going to do for God; it's what God is going to do for *you*. Do you feel your helplessness, your weakness, your needs? He says,

"Look unto me, and be ye saved, all the ends of the earth: for I am God, and there is none else" Isaiah 45:22.

Is there somebody here tonight that says, "This is decision night for me. I need help and by God's grace, I want it. I want it." We stand for Him here; He stands for us up there. We confess Him here; He confesses us up there. He's already chosen you. Oh friends, when your heart turns toward Him, when your face turns toward Him, it brings joy to His face. You see friends, I'm working with unseen forces. I *know* that there are more than a hundred angels in this room tonight. And I know that those unseen angels are talking to hearts; talking about things that only you and God perhaps know about. Oh friends, *my* words can only get to your ears, but *their* words can get clear inside your mind and heart. *All* heaven is interested in your salvation. *All* heaven wants to help you. Why not reach out for the help that heaven has?

There's somebody else here now tonight that says, "Yes, God's calling me; I need to turn toward heaven. I need to turn away from the world and sin and self. I need to let Jesus do for me what He's promised to do." Remember what I read:

"Even those whose course has been most offensive to Him He freely accepts. When they repent, He imparts to them His divine Spirit and sends them forth into the camp of the disloyal to proclaim His mercy" *Ministry of Healing*, page 99.

Somebody else that says, "Tonight is my night. God is talking to my heart. His help I need, His victory I need, there's deliverance I need, there's salvation I need."

"Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you. For everyone that asketh receiveth; and he that seeketh findeth; and to him that knocketh it shall be opened" Matthew 7:7-8.

Every one of you that's standing now is so precious to Jesus, and as you stand there with bowed head, let your heart go out to Jesus. Ask Him to come into your heart. Ask Him to *do* for you what He has promised to do. He will. God bless your life.

"...Him that cometh to me I will in no wise cast out" John 6:37.

That is, "There's no possibility of My casting him out." Ah friends, how wonderful it is that every one of you that's standing, your name is written on Jesus' hands. What a price it cost Him! Those nails, driven through His hands, paid the price of your salvation. And tonight Jesus has covenanted to hear *your* cry.

Now, there's quite a number of you standing, but let me say a word to you, each one. Remember, this is for you as if you were the only one standing here tonight. Think of it that way. Think of Jesus holding out His hand to you, and by faith, reach out your hand to grasp His hand. *Believe* that He hears you; don't doubt it. He says, "I love you." He says, "I died for you." He says, "I will help you. Fear not for I am with thee. I'll hold your hand." Yes, He's here tonight to help.

All right, now before we have this closing prayer, is there still another that says, "Yes, Brother Frazee, this is for me." Ah, my dear friend, *you*, you hesitating one—this is for you too. You can have help tonight along with these others that are standing. Is there one more that says, "Jesus is calling me?" God bless you, Mark, dear young man. Oh, how glad God is for young people to come to Him while they're young.

[Elder Frazee starts singing, *All to Jesus I Surrender*, and audience joins him.]

Thank God for everyone. Now, before we have prayer, this other question. Is there somebody here tonight that says, "Brother Frazee, I know Jesus is calling me. I haven't had the courage or whatever it takes to stand up, but I know I need help and I wish you'd pray for me that Jesus will still keep working for me." If there's somebody like that, would you just raise your hand where you are? I'd like to pray for you along with the others. God bless you. Is there another that says, "Yes"? All right, dear ones. Now will the audience kneel with us? Let's seek God together.

Heavenly Father, we're so glad tonight that Thou didst send Jesus as Thy personal representative to this world to assure us of Thy love, to live for us and then die for us, so that we could know that heaven is interested in us. And then Lord, our hearts have been moved tonight as we see that Thou hast invited us to share with Thee in revealing Thy love to the world. We're sorry that we have been such *poor* representatives, but we pray that Thou wilt forgive us and help us to learn our lessons.

Now tonight, we're bringing Thee in the arms of faith and love, these that have stood and these whose hands have been raised. O my Father, deal in a wonderful way with each waiting heart. Just now as we confess our sins to Thee, forgive them we pray. Just now as we open our hearts to Thee, come in and abide in us. Just now as

we *give* ourselves to Thee, accept us fully. Do for us what You did for those men by the lake—cast the Devil out of our hearts and lives, and do, my Father, for us what You did for them. Send us out to tell others how *wonderful* Thou art. Send us out to share with others the good things Thou hast done for us. Help us as we live in this world to ever remember that *this* is not our home. *Our* home is where *Thou* art, our dear Father. And thank God, we shall someday soon be carried to that blessed home. Help us to take as many as possible with us. We ask it in Jesus' name, Amen.

Let us stand. Now God bless you everyone and give you a wonderful Sabbath blessing. If there are any of you that have stood or that have raised your hand that need some special personal help, come up and meet us after the meeting, or anyone else that has a question to ask or a word to speak. Oh, I hope everyone who goes out the chapel door tonight will go *happy* and free in God, knowing that you are accepted in the Beloved.

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