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NOVEMBER THEME: A CULTURE OF EVANGELISM

As we seek to engender a Culture of Evangelism, believers must be reminded that lost people matter to God. There is a need for a consistent, compassionate, and concerned search for the lost. The believer's lifestyle and mindset must be one that demonstrates the love of God. Jesus paid the once and for all sacrifice for sin and is seated at the right hand of God pleading for us. This pleading will cease, and He shall return in power and glory, and we shall behold Him. The Good News of the love of God in Christ Jesus must be shared by all believers.



This week's focus:
Every Life Matters to God

God in His love sent Jesus Christ to die and take our judgement. Jesus as our Great High Priest is still in heaven pleading our case. The search for every lost sheep must continue.

Every Life Matters to God

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Please read St. Luke 15:1-7

How does God show compassion for everyone?

John 3: 16 says *"For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life."* The New Living Translation says everyone who believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.

As the representative of the Godhead, Jesus displayed God's love and affection to children when He said, *"suffer the little children to come unto me for of such is the Kingdom of heaven."* (Matthew 19:14) He displayed this same love and compassion towards the sick, the needy, the hungry, those that thirst, and those suffering from sin. He showed compassion to those tormented by evil spirits and those plagued with leprosy and scorned by others. He ministered to thieves such as Zacchaeus and to prostitutes like Mary Magdalene.

He showed compassion to the abused and the abuser, when he declared, *"He who is without sin, cast the first stone."* (John 8:7) He was accused of having fellowship with drunkards in Matthew 11: 19, *"The Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, 'Here is a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners'".* God showed compassion then and he still shows compassion now. God may not matter to everyone, but everyone matters to God.

Why do we matter so much to God? Why does God even care?

In Psalm 139:14 the author declares that *"I am fearfully and wonderfully made."* God made each of us in our own unique and special way, formed and fashioned in the likeness of God. He makes each of us with that special ingredient that makes us so different from another, this is what makes us so precious in God's eyes.

We matter to God because we are created with a purpose.

Which inventor creates a device that serves no purpose? Even an artist creates a masterpiece with a hidden meaning of a deeper expression that can be appreciated by its viewers. God created you with a divine purpose, that can only be revealed when you have a relationship with Him.

We matter to God because we are created in love, for love, and by love because God is love. John 15:13 tells us, *"Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends."* God is love. God's intentions and burning desires are all an epiphany of love.

We matter to God because God desires relationships.

He created an entire world for Adam and gave him dominion over everything, God even made man higher than the angels. God gave us free will and the ability to choose God as a friend. God's desire is to prosper us and give hope, a bright future, and an expected end. How much more can we ask or demand of a caring and compassionate God, who sent His only Son to give us that second chance that Adam gave up, to have a relationship with our creator?

If you were God, would every life matter to you? We all know the story of Noah. In Genesis 5 the Bible tells us that *"The Lord regretted that he had made human beings on the earth, and his heart was deeply troubled. 7 So the Lord said, 'I will wipe from the face of the earth the human race I have created—and with them the animals, the birds and the creatures that move along the ground—for I regret that I have made them.' 8 But Noah found favor in the eyes of the Lord."*

One life mattered. God spared the entire earth for just one man, Noah. God gave humankind many chances to get it right, but nothing could stop us from walking in sin. Romans 23: 3 tells us that *“All have sinned and fallen short of the glory of God”* because of one man sin entered the world but because of Christ Jesus we now have new hope, a new beginning, a restored relationship with God our creator.

2Chronicles 7:14 says, *“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 will forgive their sin, and will heal their land.”*

God still hears your cry; he knows your concerns but because of free will, we still have our part to play. Isaiah 1:18 tells us that God calls us to *“Come let us reason together”*. Open your heart to God today. You are created with a purpose, with love and to be joined in a deeper relationship with your creator. Be reconciled with God by accepting the work of Jesus Christ who died for your sins. Accept Jesus now, because you matter.

“I trust that as you read this book of prayers, you will find it a blessing to you and your families and trust that you will pass from simply reading these prayers to praying.” – *Herbert Crawford*

Available by the end of November early December. Further details to follow. (Hardcover and digital).

**366 PRAYERS
FOR
ALL SEASONS**

HERBERT CRAWFORD

UPCOMING EVENTS

November 07. (Sunday) 24th Sunday of Pentecost

November 14. (Sunday) 25th Sunday of Pentecost

**November 15. (Monday) Remembrance Day
PUBLIC HOLIDAY**



on Radio Cayman 89.9
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For more details (job description and remuneration) please contact jgmcminister@gmail.com

If you are sensing a call to this ministry, we invite you to submit your letter of application, curriculum vitae and a brief statement of your faith journey to jgmcminister@gmail.com

WE NEED YOU!!!



TO SLOW THE SPREAD OF THE NOVEL CORONAVIRUS,
PLEASE FOLLOW THESE PRECAUTIONS

FACE MASKS

Wear non-medical face coverings

SOCIAL DISTANCING

Keep 6 feet away from others wherever possible and respect others' space.

HAND HYGIENE

Wash your hands frequently with soap, scrubbing for at least 20 seconds and rinsing well.