

07 April 2024 Crossover Part 35: Love, Light and Life
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Father, we thank You for Your Word this morning that comes to us through Pastor John. Thank You, that He says what He hears You say and He does, sorry, He does what He sees You doing. And Your anointing is upon Him and within Him and upon us and within us to receive direction, correction, in Jesus' name. And we all say, Amen. Thank you, Pastor John.

Hallelujah. Praise You, Jesus. Hallelujah. Can you hear me? Is the microphone on? Hallelujah. Glory, glory, glory. Well, I'm glad you're in church this morning. You know, I've been listening to some of the messages that we had over the long weekend, over and over again. And what a time we had. What a time we had. It seems like some people decided now is the time for vacation. So, you should turn around to somebody and say, "I'm glad you're here this morning." And then you may be seated.

A bit of rain didn't hurt anybody, just increased the pothole sizes. Yeah. Praise the Lord. You all doing good? Praise the Lord. Are you blessed? Thank you. I was waiting for that, Pastor Christi. Yes, thank you. You're the only one who picked up in the whole congregation. Morning, Nikki. Welcome. Nikki's here visiting Drew, so she's here just to visit with her son a little bit. So, you're welcome. Thank you for being with us. Amen. Glory to God.

So, before I start, I just want to say that this is not really our time for rain, although rain happens like this whenever it decides to happen like this. You know, I mean, what can I say? But we're supposed to have a crit this afternoon, just stay. If you're part of that, just watch your social media. We'll see what the weather's going to do. And then next Saturday morning, we have a Chariots ride planned and so we'll be leaving here from early in the morning. And we'll be in touch with you on social media about all of that. So again, we're going to watch the weather because this whole week seems to have a bit of rain attached to it. And the least fun thing to do is to do a fun thing riding your motorbike and then make the arrangement, then go ride out in the rain. I know some of you say you're only a hardcore motorcyclist if you go ride in the rain. I'm past that. I ride when it's fun.

Yeah, praise the Lord. Glory to God. Okay, you ready for the word today? Here it comes, ready or not. Glory to God. The fact that Jesus would come and die for us, to me is a miracle. It's a marvelous, marvelous wonder of His love. The fact that before the foundation of the earth was formed, God would have a plan to save you and me. I mean, He had a plan to work with Abraham. Hey, that rhymes. He had a plan to work with Abraham. Not Ham, but Abraham. And if you know your Bible, you'll know why I said not Ham, but Abraham and we'll stop right there.

Anyway, He had a plan to work with Abraham. And, you know, it's an amazing thing to me that God said about Abraham that because of his faith in God, it was accredited to him righteousness. And, you know, Abraham did quite a few things wrong in his life. Yeah, there's quite a lot of men in the Bible that did a lot of wrong things that God still loved them and used them. Abraham's one of them. Jacob did quite a lot of things wrong. Probably the biggest offender that God still used was David.

I mean the guy did a few heavy things. You know, if you plan to commit murder and then commit murder, I mean, that's a heavy thing. And that even, you know, wasn't the biggest thing. It was things that actually went against the whole ways of God that he brought judgment against all of the children of Israel because of David's ways. That's quite a thing. And yet God chose to still use him. That's a wonderment to me, isn't it? I mean, isn't it amazing that such flawed people, He would use them anyway?

I think that gives you and me some hope. If you're planning to commit murder or you've thought about it, and not your husband and your wife, don't even think about that, you know. You know, David didn't just think about it, he went through with it. So, you know, God is really amazing that He would actually speak of David, that David was a man after His own heart. Of course, those things were not after God's own heart. But it was the way that David always followed God. And then when he did wrong, he repented immediately. And that is an amazing thing that God gives us the space that we can repent like that. And that we could have that walk with Him, that He doesn't require perfection. He requires our obedience. He requires our heart to be for Him. And if we love Him that way, then we're always going to be in a good space with God. And then just to make sure of it, He sent Jesus to put a seal on his covenant with us. That we as Gentiles that are non-Abraham born people.

So, we are non-Jews, we are non-Israelites. We were considered Gentiles. Us non-Jew people, He had a plan for us to include us into the covenant ways of His love through Jesus. And that's amazing to me too. That before the foundation of the earth, He had a plan. And like you know, part of my own walk with God is every day I'm grateful. Every day I'm thankful. Every day I marvel and I wonder at His great love for you, for me. Certainly for me in my own life, I marvel at it and I wonder at it all the time how good He is to me. How good He is to me. How good He is to me. Really. Just this weekend I was around the house doing some meditation. Thinking about some things and I marveled at the goodness of God to me. In the last three or four months, I have been amazed at the goodness of God towards me. How great is His love, His favour, His goodness. You know, this is something that I do frequently when I'm in front of you. I speak like this because it's so big in my heart.

You know, we had to renew our driver's licenses this week. I didn't realize that my driver's license had expired. So I got stopped at just the police checking licenses on cars and things like that. This man looked at my license and said, "You know, your license has expired." I said, "I do not." He said, "Yeah, it's a month ago." I said, "Thank you for telling me." He said, "You better fix it." "I will." "Off you go." "Thank you, sir." When I got home, I asked Sharon, "Can I see your license, please?" It was expired a year ago. But it's one of those things, you don't check it because it's, you know, you have it for so many years and you don't check the expiry date. How many times you look at your license, what date is my expiry date on my license? You know, you just don't. Anyway, so we go to this little driver, this license place, you know, and the security guy was there. He was walking around and he's telling, filling this form, sit here, do this, go and stand in that line. And there was a couple of people in there and in front of us. So we had our eyes tested at a proper place before we went in. And so you still have to go into the eye place, you know. And so there's this queue of people waiting to go in. Next minute, he walks up to Pastor Sharon there and he says, "Ma'am, you're next." And Sharon was like, no, "I'm not next. There's all these people that are in front of us." I mean, she was being righteous. Her sense of justice rose up inside of her. You know, you can't just put me in line there.

So he said, "No, ma'am, I saw you're over 60. So people over 60 don't wait in line." I looked at him and said, "How old do you think I am?" He says, "I know you're over 62." He says, "You're next." So we skipped the whole line and off we went into the front. I don't know how often that happens. But it happened to us. I mean, you know, that seems like a little thing, but that's favour everywhere. That's the favour of God everywhere. Little things that make a difference, you know. Praise the Lord. And so, I'm continuously just giving thanks to God.

Here's the thing. We're going to be traveling internationally soon. If I didn't know that my driver's license expired, I could have arrived at a rental car agency. "Here's my driver's license." "Sorry, sir, you can't rent a car." So there's a guy that stopped me that said, "You know, your driver's license expired." I say, "Thank you, Lord." I wouldn't have even looked at

my driver's license until I was in America. And then it's too late. Thank you, Lord. There's a policeman that stopped me and said, "Your driver's license expired." Hallelujah.

So, you know, I mean, everything everywhere, God is just good to us. His love is so good to us, you know. I'd like to read to you. I read to you over the weekend Ephesians chapter three. But I want to read it to you from the Passion Translation this morning. I've entitled this message *Crossover: Love, Light and Life*. Verse 16 from the Passion Translation, Ephesians three, verse 16. **¹⁶ And I pray that he would unveil within you the unlimited riches of his glory and favor until supernatural strength floods your innermost being with his divine might and explosive power. ¹⁷ Then, by constantly using your faith, the life of Christ will be released deep inside you, and the resting place of his love will become the very source and root of your life (Ephesians 3:16,17 TPT).**

Now, come on. The resting place of His love. We could say that the resting place of the Continuous, Perfect State of Being. The Continuous Perfect State of Being is the resting place inside of you. And that Continuous Perfect State of Being becomes the very source and root of your life. Isn't that true? Come on, work with me.

Peoples from the weekends, peoples. It's like this is the first time you've ever heard of Continuous Perfect State of Being. Morning! Just checking on you. This continuous place of being, this resting place will become the very source and root of your life. This is how it needs to be. His love, the Continuous Perfect State of Being, His life needs to be the very source and root of everything in your life. ¹⁸⁻¹⁹ **Then you will be empowered to discover what every holy one experiences - the great magnitude of the astonishing love of Christ in all its dimensions (Ephesians 3: 18-19 TPT).**

So remember what we talked about, what holiness is. Holiness is integrated. What you think. So what God thinks, what He says and what He does is all the same thing. So He has integration of everything. And so He is holy. So we can be holy even as He is holy because we're integrated. So in this sense, again, we are empowered to discover what every thought, word and deed of God and His experience has become out. **"The great magnitude of the astonishing love of Christ in all its dimensions."**

I want to just talk to you about this word for a moment. There was some time ago, so many years ago that I preached on the multidimensional God. And that's some, some years ago. But I just want to touch on it right now that the love of God touches on every dimension of your life. So we live in, in different, in different dimensions. Let me put it to you this way. If you are thinking creatively about your future. Let's just say you're thinking about, "I wonder if I needed to - I need to change my job." Let's just say you have this thought, "I think I need to change my job." What dimension do you think your thought life is happening? Well, your thought life thinking about your job is not happening in the third dimension. It's happening in your thought dimension. It's happening in the dimension of your emotions. You're not actually experiencing the change of your thought as you're thinking about it. Right?

Your thought, although it's part of your thoughts, three dimensional living, your thought is actually on a different dimension because you can project. You can project your thoughts, your emotions. You can project it to a different time, to a different place, to a whole different set of circumstances. We're very good - actually, most people are very good at projecting yourself back, backwards and projecting yourself back into things that have happened. Thoughts that you've had, circumstances that have occurred to you, bringing them out of your memory and out of your emotions and bringing them into the present. And sometimes people can do that so effectively that they can relive the emotion and relive the experience in the current 3D dimension. Yes?

So God's love and His Continuous Perfect Way of Being, His Continuous State of Being for

us covers all the dimensions of our life. It covers the fact that we have a past. And so the Blood of Jesus covers everything in the past. The dimension of our current present, whatever that might be at any given time, and ever, where you're going in the future, it covers that. Not only that, but it also covers a dimension of the spirit realm, which for the sake of our conversation today, let's call it the fourth dimension. That's the realm outside of the natural part of our world. God's love and His Continuous Perfect State of Being covers every dimension that we may touch. This is good news.

This is good news because that's how He could continue to have a covenant with Abraham when Abraham messed up. That's how He could continue to have a covenant with David when David messed up and everybody else that followed and everybody else has done that because His love covers all dimensions.

So, I really like the way that the Passion Translation wrote and translated this because it really speaks to the Continuous Perfect State of Being. So,^{18 19}...**How deeply intimate and far-reaching is his love! How enduring and inclusive it is! Endless love beyond measurement that transcends your understanding—Here's part of the dimension thinking, it transcends your understanding, this extravagant love pours into you until you are filled to overflowing with the fullness of God!**" (Ephesians 3:18-19 TPT).

Now, if you remember and you understand this, this extravagant, Continuous Perfect State of Being pours into you. That's God pouring into you, until you are filled to overflowing with all of the fullness of who He is. Wow! I mean, all of the plans that ever God made, He made with you in mind. You know that? From the beginning of everything, the beginning when Jesus and the Holy Spirit and the Father were all together, and I'm going to read it to you in a few minutes, when They were all together in the beginning, all the plans He ever made, you were already in His mind. And you were in His mind from before He made anything, to this day.

So, I mean, you know, if you go to somebody that lived 100 years ago, 100 years ago, let's think now, 1924, that would have made the earth just come out of the First World War. And there's a huge industrial revolution taking place across the earth. Right? You think they knew about bluetooth? You think they knew about World Wide Web? You think they knew about all the medical advancements that we have made till now? If they could have projected themselves forward 100 years from 1924 to 2024, and they could have seen what was happening here, don't you think they would have been absolutely blown out of their minds that we could be living this way? I mean, those days, I mean, just if you had access to a telephone it was a big thing. Most of the time people worked with telegrams, not even telephones. Not everybody had a telephone.

I mean, I've listened to quite a lot of Brother Jerry's ministry. And when Brother Jerry was born in the first years of his life, they didn't even have a bathroom in their house in America. They had to go to the toilet outside the house. So in South Africa a lot of people, 100 years ago, most people wouldn't have had a bathroom inside their house, never mind the telephone. Now we carry a telephone around in our pockets. And if it's away from us for more than about five minutes, we begin to kind of have hot flushes, you know. "Where's my phone? Where's my phone? Where's my phone? Where's my... someone's going to try and get a hold of me... Where's my phone? Where's my phone? Where's my phone?" I have a different problem: when Sharon is near to her phone in five minutes, then I've got to call her, because otherwise she's away from her phone, most of the time. She's marvelous that way, she doesn't let the phone control her. But when I want to get hold of her, sometimes I've got to phone someone close by her. When she's with Pastor Christi, most of the time, I have to phone her. Or I've got to phone Miranda. I've got to phone someone. "Is my wife near you, please?" So, praise the Lord.

Pastor Sharon:

It's a less important thing to me.

Pastor John:

It's a less important thing to you. Yes, I know this, my darling. I know this.

I'm just saying, all of... if you just take that span of a hundred years, God had all the people that were born a hundred years ago that had just come through the First World War. God had all of those people in His mind, before they were born. That they would be born into that time and they would be on the earth in that time. That's the same God that knew what the earth was going to look like in the time that they were born. It's the same God, that He knew what the earth would look like in the time that we would be born. And He had each of us born into the time of earth that we are born into. When you were born into the earth, it wasn't by accident that you were born into this time. People tried to make it out like a biological process is what made you come into the earth. Well, that was just the way God chose to bring people into the earth. So, it doesn't matter, and people have a lot to say about, you know, the whole act of conception, whether it's righteous or unrighteous, whether it's wanted or unwanted or whatever the case might be. God uses that biological process to breathe spirits into bodies. So, it doesn't matter how someone's born into the earth, it's God's design for them to be here. So, it is your design. It's God's design for you to be here. Hallelujah.

So, ²⁰ **Never doubt God's mighty power to work in you and accomplish all this. He will achieve infinitely more than your greatest request, your most unbelievable dream, and exceed your wildest imagination!** Remember what we talked about during the weekend is that how is that possible? Well, the Continuous Perfect State of Being that's resting in you will allow you to have dreams and have things that you couldn't imagine, but He can birth it through your spirit, because of His mighty work that works inside of you. ²⁰...**He will outdo them all for His miraculous power constantly energizes you (Ephesians 3:20 TPT).** I receive His power that constantly energizes me. Amen.

I want to use this moment right now to make this declaration over you that the healing power of God is working in your body. The healing power of God is working in your body, it's working in your mind, it's working in your soul, it's working all over you in Jesus' name. Everything that we have been believing God for, for all of the correctedness that God's going to bring in you to drive out sicknesses and diseases. Anytime, any place, anywhere in your body is at work in you, right now, by the power of His name. Do you receive it, in Jesus' name?

We laid hands on you for healing last weekend that healing power is at work inside of you. That healing power is energizing you from your inner man. That healing power is continuously working inside of you. Hallelujah! Praise the Lord! I had, I mean, this is just a wonderful testimony for me to you. You know, when the Lord gave me the favour of being able to ride the Epic. I mean, I went into a significant training program. In all of the nine months that I was training for the Epic. I never got a cold. I never got a runny nose. I never got a symptom of flu or sickness or anything. I had some injuries or slight ailments that I had to deal with.

The biggest one was saddle soreness. I had, I had to deal with that. Well, that's just because you're spending hours and hours on the bicycle. You know, and the time was coming. The time was coming closer when, when we were going to do the Epic, and all of that. And I spoke to Dr. Nico about some things and he gave me some medication, but this thing rose up inside of me. "You've got to beat this. You've got to take control of this with your spirit man, John." Because for months I was riding with saddle sores.

So if you, if you don't know what that is. What it is, it's a raw spot on your bum that is sitting on the saddle. And if you get on the bike for any period of time, that thing is on the saddle and you have to deal with it. I dealt with it for months. So the time had to come when I said, "I can't go into the Epic with this thing on my bum."

That's not too much information. This is just real sharing. So I used medication, but the Lord said to me, "You've got to deal with this. Take authority over this with your spirit man, with the word of God. You've got to take authority." When I began to declare it, it left. I can say from the time that I got onto riding the bike, the epic till now, it hasn't returned. Hallelujah!

Yeah, I mean, I had some, some, some, and I've shared this with you, some questions about when I hurt my muscle on my leg, how it is that when Kit and I prayed about it while we were riding, I didn't have an instant healing happen to my muscle. But if I keep questioning that, then I can't move on with God. I've just got to say "It didn't happen. That's the end of it. And I've got to keep moving on."

I still got to trust God. I've still got to believe in that His healing power works. I realize, of course, that I was so focused on so many of the natural things that had to do with the Epic that I didn't prepare my spirit for something like that. I didn't prepare my spirit. I just, I just relied on my spirit man to be able to do what it needed to do. But when that happened, it is what it is. It's amazing that you, my body could have been under that much pressure for so long and no sickness or disease came near me. For months, in fact, Sharon showed me something recently that I declared it.

I think it was in January of 2022. Sharon, what was that date, May of 2022? (*Pastor John asking Pastor Sharon*) where I've, I know it's been about two years now where I've been speaking to you about healing, about healing. That God is on this, on our ministry, that His healing power is going to be working amongst us. It's going to be a constant healing force that God's life is going to keep ministering to us, keep ministering to us, keep ministering to us because we got to, we got to live in the realm of God's blessing when it comes to health. Amen. Hallelujah.

So many times we actually lay hands on people and we think I've got to have an instant healing miracle and if it doesn't happen, I haven't been healed. So I've got to look for something alternative. It's okay to go and say, well, I'm going to go to the doctor, but you've got to keep your faith turned on that God's healing power continues to work in my body. It continues to change things in my body. It continues to work in my body. It continues to do its work in my body and it's restoring and recovering everything in my body to what God needs it to become. Its original state of health and strength. Amen. Hallelujah.

So I'm in agreement with you that whatever sickness or disease you have in your body, that God is continuing to work in it. His power is at work in you, energizing you, strengthening you, bringing life to you, restoring your health to the place that it needs to be. Every day, every moment of every day. Amen. Hallelujah.

There were some things that I said by the Spirit of God on that weekend that I'm telling you, God is working on you and I need to say it now. There are some of you that experience what people would call normal human issues. If you're a woman and you're experiencing normal issues and it's debilitating to you. No, don't receive it in Jesus' name. Doesn't have to be that way. You speak to it and you tell it, "No", it's a normal thing that God has put into you a woman's body, it doesn't have to bring you down and keep you out of action for days. Hallelujah.

I also had a medical doctor come in here and talk to you about eating because if you're eating bad stuff, that could be part of the problem that your body's reacting to. So eat the right stuff. Amen.

Pastor Melusi sent me a video that I watched, and there's this guy in America and he's made his body a biological experiment. And so his goal is, and his life motto is, "Don't die. Don't die." He lives his whole life to, "Don't die." So the person interviewing said to him, well, "So does that mean you want to live forever?" He said, "No, I don't know that we have the formula to live forever." He said, "But I can have this attitude towards my body that I don't die." So what he's done is he's measured every single – he spends two million dollars a month measuring his body and measuring the input into his body to every calorie that comes into his body.

So here's what he said. He said, "I have been able to say, if you live a day, you age a day." If you live a day, you age a day. So he says, "What I've been able to do is based on data and measurement over the last ten years, my organs in my body," so they measure all his major organs every day, his heart, his lungs, his liver, his pancreas, everything. They measure all his major organs in his body every day. So he said, "If you take one day of aging, I've been able to slow down my aging so that instead of when I live a day, instead of aging a day, I'm now aging according to my organs in my body, I'm aging 0.64 of a day. So if that means I'm supposed to die on the normal scale of things, when I'm 70 or 80, I've now potentially extended my life by that 0.36 or whatever it is. So theoretically, I might have another twenty years to live because I don't die." So he takes all of the minerals, all of the vitamins, everything and puts them into his body on purpose so that all his cells and everything in his body is optimized.

So the interviewer asked him a question and said, "So if you're an average American, what is the one food you will not eat, that you should not eat, that is the worst food for you to eat?" Anybody like to guess what he said? No. He said, "Pizza." Pizza, and then he said, "And the next thing is donuts." Sorry, LeRoux. But then he went on and he said, "Actually, practically all fast foods, junk foods in America are in the same category." He said, "You just asked me about the two that I won't," and so he gave them the two that he wouldn't, but he said, just about all junk foods in America are of the same bad order for your body.

So why am I going there? Well, here's the thing. I don't subscribe to him because, to what he said, because he's actually when I listened to the whole interview, I realized that he's and some of the answers that he gave, he answered this. He says, "The thing that gives me the greatest passion in my life is my body." Well, so yes, of course, Romans chapter one will tell you that he's made his body a god. That's not different to anybody else that makes their body a god. He just happens to do it in the name of 'Don't die.' But certainly there are some lessons of data that we can learn from and the data lessons we can learn from is that more junk stuff you put into your body, your body's got to react to it and the more your body's got to react to it, the more your body is going to have to work hard to get rid of the junk stuff, and that will age you. I'm just putting this into a context; it will also create the climate for sickness and dis-ease. So we need to be aware that if we are doing these things, it has an impact on our bodies. Amen.

So, how many of you think that living a radical life like that is what you want to do? I don't. I want to go and like Pastor Sharon and I did this last week, I won't tell them the whole story, but I'll just tell them a small part of the story. We decided that we were going to have a coffee and milk tart. Now, if I was thinking like him, those would be bad calories and bad liquids to put in your body, but the moment that I enjoyed with my wife having a little bit of milk tart and a coffee and the fellowship that we enjoyed doing that was of greater value to me than being perfect. Not to him, but to me. And so we have to all make our own decisions in life how we're going to live with the Lord. How we're going to live with the Lord. Yes? And so culture and the way we are and what happens in our heads has an impact on everything from what we live, our state of our physical condition in our body, and all the relationships we have. It all has an impact.

So, I'm going to read to you from John, chapter one, the Passion Translation again. In the beginning—and I really like the way the Passion Translation puts this, again because the Continuous Perfect State of Being. Are you all still with me this morning? ¹ **In the very beginning the Living Expression was already there.** Other translations say the word was there. **The Living Expression was already there. And the Living Expression was with God,** other translation says, “and the word was with God.” Here it says **the Living Expression was with God, yet fully God.** So the Continuous Perfect State of Being was with God and yet the Continuous Perfect State of Being was fully God. Amen. And ² **they were together face to face, in the very beginning.** ³ **And through his creative inspiration, this Living Expression, Continuous State of Being, made all things, for nothing has existence apart from him.**

Your existence is not here apart from Him. You are here because of Him, and you're here because of Him, because in the beginning He was already there and He was already fully the Continuous Perfect State of Being. Before He came to earth, He was already there and everything existed because He was already there in the beginning, the Continuous Perfect State of Being. ⁴ **Life came into being because of him, for his life is light for all humanity.** ⁵ **And this Living Expression is the Light that bursts through the gloom – the Light that darkness could not diminish! (John 1:1-5 TPT).** So we are in this place where the continuous perfect state of being lives in us. He was present with God. He was fully God and He is fully in us. That is a wonderment to me. Wow. Wow.

You know, Pastor Christi, you said something last weekend that really was, I mean, it really caused me to have thought and I listened to your message again so that I could get it a little bit more, you know. And that was that God expected Abraham to give his only son, as a first fruit. Because before the foundation of the earth, God had already decided that Jesus would be the First Fruit, before the foundation. So the way you put it was God wouldn't have asked Abraham to give a first fruit if He hadn't already given the First Fruit, but he hadn't yet given Jesus as the First Fruit. So then it means that in His Word, He had already prepared Jesus to be the First Fruit. Before it all happened, His Word was already established as the First Fruit. Wow, I mean, that really gave me cause to say, “God, You mean before everything was created, You, Jesus was with You and He was face to face with You. And before anything was made that was made and everything was made because of Him and in Him and with Him. You both already decided that in the course of history, when man's decision would have to, would be wrong, You would have a solution. And that solution would be Jesus as the First Fruit.”

Wow, that will tell you just how big a deal first fruits are. It certainly did that for me. It also... what it has done is how blessed the rest is. Because first fruits is about making sure that the rest is blessed. So if God the Father said, “I'm going to give Jesus as the First Fruit.” His whole reason for doing would be to restore man, that was what the whole weekend was about, to restore us back into the place that we were originally designed to be. Having dominion. To dominate.

I listened to some of my own messages from last weekend. And like I said to you, sometimes I say things under the anointing and I go back and I listen to myself and I said, “Did I say that?” You know? And, you know, I mean, what we're ministering here is a very strong message. It's a message of, you know, when people want to say something that they really want to underscore how important it is, they would say, “Of epic biblical proportions.” Well, what happened last week was of epic biblical proportions.

Because if God can get a people that He can restore back to Himself that have a mindset that we have the Continuous Perfect State of Being living in us, our spirit man is therefore perfect continuously. We must just put the Word of God in so that it can come out and make perfect the things that are in our world. Then we are giving God the opportunity to make

perfect what's in our world the way that He originally designed it to be. Then when we make perfect through His words that are perfectly in us, speaking them out, then it changes our world around us and His perfection begins to show and His glory begins to manifest in our world. And then everybody says, "Look at those Christians, what's happening to them? When there's chaos, these people, they're just thriving. And when there's sickness, they stay healthy. And when there's poverty, they just get more blessed." Why would the world think that we've got something to offer when at this moment in time, the church has got very little to offer to the world that they can't get by themselves? Come on.

In the natural, the world can just about get anything for themselves that Christians can get for themselves. They don't even need our Healing Jesus that much anymore because they've got healing science. And they don't need a God intervention financially because they've got Mr. Visa and Mr. Mastercard. Right? And then if you don't have that, you have Mr. Biden who will forgive all of your college debts. And just pump trillions of dollars into the into the US economy, which flows into the world's economies around the world, and it's artificially keeping everything in this bubble. The world doesn't have an answer to these problems, they just have temporary ways of managing the problem. And eventually, the Word of God is still true, what they are sowing, they must reap. There can never be a, "No cause and effect" in the world. The only way to reduce cause and effect is to have Jesus and through His power and the Blood of Jesus, the pure blood of Jesus that was shed for us to forgive all of the things in our past. So we have the solutions for the nations.

Do you know that God the Father, when He originally had His children come out of Egypt, and He had Moses taking them to a promised land, He gave them a whole set of rules; how to live with each other. He also gave them a whole set of rules of how to live with other nations. Because He wanted to be their God, and He wanted them to be His people. And He wanted His glory and His blessing and all of His goodness to be revealed in His people. So all the other nations could see the difference between the gods that they serve and the God that was the Living God that was His people's God. His people's God. But what they did was they went into the nations and they made the nation's gods their gods. They incorporated the other nation's gods into their way of life and said, "Look at all these people and they serve these gods, and look at how blessed and prosperous they are and how wonderful their lives are. And they've got these new answers and these creativities and all of these gods. And so let's make it all part of us and let's marry their people and bring them-" And God said, "Don't do that."

Every time they did that, judgement came on Israel, things went very wrong. Every time they turned away from that and they turned to the Most High God, things went very well – blessing.

The Bible says in the New Testament that all that Scripture has been given to us for our edification, for our correction, for our reproof. So, we can read that and say, "*What did we learn from that, let's make sure that what we learnt from that, that we can do today.*" So, those laws, I said to you last weekend – we don't necessarily live by the hygiene laws that were put into place, because our lives have changed from that, but the laws of God are still the laws of God. So, the laws of God needs to be our laws that we live by – the order of God as I put it last weekend. The order of God, so that we can occupy according to the Continuous Perfect State of Being. Hallelujah.

So, I understand that what we are talking about is a significant thing. But Jesus was present with the Father, deciding everything before anything happened, and that same Jesus now lives inside of you and me. He's living in there, not just because He wants us to be saved. How many times have I not said this again, and again and again. We're not saved so we can go to heaven – that is a good reason to be saved. It's a good reason to be saved to go to heaven and not hell. But actually, Jesus saves us from ourselves. He saves us from

ourselves because ourselves will take us to hell. So, when we receive Him, He saves us from ourselves. That means ourselves need to be constantly restored.

That's why, the Continuous Perfect State of Being living inside of you will restore you – will restore your thoughts, it will restore your words, and then it will restore your actions so that everything in your life comes into the order of God as you occupy in this earth, as it is in heaven. Come on, this is good news. This is the good news of the Gospel that Jesus came to preach. He came to preach the Kingdom of Heaven has come, the Kingdom of God has come. It has come to the earth, and it has come now and it is evident amongst you. You can see it, you can touch it, you can feel it. He that was from the beginning is now present with you. The Kingdom of Heaven has come. So, when He died and He was raised again by the Father, He didn't say the Kingdom of Heaven is now no longer come because He died. But in fact, what happened, is the Kingdom of Heaven has now come for eternity because He came back from the dead.

So, when He left, Who came? The Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit is on the earth, and He represents the Father and the Son. While the Holy Spirit is on the earth living in you and me, the Kingdom of Heaven is at hand – it is at your hand. Let us live like this. Let us live constantly like this.

The Continuous Perfect State of Being is in you. Let Him out with words. Let Him out into your thoughts. Let your whole world be re-occupied with Him. I'm preaching good this morning. Hallelujah. That's why I have more and more belief, if you like. More and more knowing there's a better word. More and more knowing that as we are doing what the Father's Will is, we have more access into things that revelation will bring us than we would have had yesterday. So we have to be prepared that what we could get yesterday is very, very little compared to what we can get today. We can't judge tomorrow by what happened yesterday or even today. Because as we walk with the Continuous Perfect State of Being in us, in our minds and in our words, we are walking into His Continuous State of Being. And it is creating more for us through revelation and through words than yesterday.

So every tomorrow has got to be different than today. Every tomorrow is going to look more like the Kingdom of God for you than it does today. How does that look like for you, today? And what is it going to look like tomorrow? I'll tell you one thing is that tomorrow I'm not going to think the same way that I was thinking today. When fear tries to grip my heart, when fear tries to dominate my thinking and say, "What about your finances? What about your job? What about this? What about your health? What about this?" I say, "No fear. You have no place in my mind because the Continuous Perfect State of Being, I release Him into my thinking and He is Perfect Love, Perfect Continuous State of Being." So this thinking that is causing me to have fear, "I say get out of my mind in Jesus' name. You can't hold me down anymore."

So do you want to have a whole new world that is open to you for opportunities in business, for income, for productivity? Do you want that? That whole new world is already here. It's at your hands. It's already here. It's at your hands. He lives in your spirit. Let Him into your thinking. Let it come out of your mouth because then His Continuous Perfect State of Being is making that for you. For years, people have used the word faith to live like us. This is faith. What I've described to you is faith. The continuous perfect state of being is faith, hope and love. And of the three greatest is love because the greatest is God, our faith and hope. Because faith and hope is the way God gets things done. But God Himself is love. But the way He gets things done is through hope and faith, through Jesus and the Holy Spirit. Hallelujah. Hallelujah. Glory to Jesus. And so you thought the weekend was over last weekend. *Nee ons het nou-net begin julle.*

You know what's amazing to me? If I keep reading verse 10, the word says ¹⁰ **He entered into the very world he created, yet the world was unaware (John 1:10 TPT).** I ask you

now, do you think the world that we're living in is aware of the Original Creator that is living amongst them? Because the way the world sees it is that the way that Jesus lives amongst us is in people that call themselves Christians. And when the world looks at the Christians and says, "If this is the Original Creator living in them, I don't know. I'm not so sure. Let's maybe think of some other God that we can serve." Hey?

This is not a fault of God. This is a place that the church has got to rise up to so that we can really be, when people look at us and say, "Look at those people. They have some power working there. They have some stuff going on inside of them. They different these people." Because He's living in us. Let's make them aware, shall we? Let's make them all aware of the Continuous, Perfect State of Being that's in us.

That's why I've always said this to you, that when you are out there in the world and people want to talk to you about Christians and how badly Christians behave themselves, you should not defend God with the way the Christians behave. Admit it. "Yes, I know sometimes Christians behave badly. That doesn't mean that God Himself is bad." And if they want to push you on the matter and say, "Is your mother and father's DNA in you?" "Yeah." "Do you absolutely 100% reflect everything that they lived because the DNA is in you?" "Well, no, I'm my own person." "Well, thank you very much." God lives in me, but I'm my own person and to the point where I can become more like Him, that will reflect more like Him. So, don't judge Him because of me. Then you've got no arguments anymore.

So, when they look at you and they try and judge your moral fibre and your moral being in the office and you mess up, they don't look at you and judge God because of your mess. Then you can tell them I might be messy now, but my life is busy becoming marvellous. And you can't maybe see all my marvellous now, but just hold on a minute, I'm messy now, but it's coming marvellous. Hey, Hallelujah, let's tap into the Continuous Perfect State of Being and make the world aware of it.

The Bible says ¹¹ **He came to the very people he created — to those who should have received him, but they did not recognize him.** ¹² **But those who embraced him and took hold of his name he gave authority to become the children of God! (John 1:11-12 TPT).** You have that authority now. Child of God. Child of the Continuous Perfect State of Being. If you are the child of a Continuous Perfect State of Being, then you are born of the Continuous Perfect State of Being, in your spirit. The rest of your world is just going to come into line with what's in your spirit.

¹³ **He was not born by the joining of human parents or from natural means, or by a man's desire, but he was born of God.** ¹⁴ **And so the Living Expression became a man and lived among us! We gazed upon the splendor his glory, the glory of the One and Only who came from the Father overflowing with tender mercy and truth! (John 1:13-14 TPT).** I receive all of His tender mercy and His truth. And I leave you with this today. Let us constantly say out of our mouth, "Lord, I'm constantly dependent on Your love. I'm constantly dependent on Your Word. I'm constantly dependent on the Holy Spirit that lives within me." Why would you want to say that? The more you say that out of your mouth, you're telling your mind and you're telling your self-will that you are constantly dependent on Him. Because the more we depend on ourself, the more we have this intent, this intent all the time that ourself wants to tell our future what it must look like and your future will look like what yourself tells it to be.

You know, if you go to motivational speakers or you read motivational books about how to be successful or things like that. You know, people will often say to you, "Assess where you are now because you are the sum total of your decisions." Your life today is a sum total of your decisions. So, everybody will present their lives as though, "Look how good my life is because look how good my decision-making was." Come on, don't look at me *squiff* like that.

Even if things are not good in your life, you're going to present your life as, "Look how good my life is because look how good my decision-making has been." Because you don't want anybody to saying, "You've made poor decisions." Who goes around saying come and check out my decision, see how poor my decision is. You don't even want to admit that to yourself. And even me talking to you today, you want to say, "No Pastor John, I don't make poor decisions."

Well, because sure, of course, your pride, your ego, yourself, you don't want to say you ever make a poor decision. And I'll grant you this, you never ever make a decision thinking it's a poor one. Almost always the decision you're making is for your own self-interest. And so, whatever you're thinking of as your own self-interest decision, that decision that you're making is for your own self-interest. It may not be good for you.

So, the Bible puts it this way, all things are lawful but not all things are profitable or expedient or good for me, but all things are lawful. So, that means because you are born again, and you're saved and your future is okay, all things are now lawful, but not everything is good for you. But if you're doing everything by your self-will, you're going to say, "Everything I do is good for me." Because you must.

Because your own energy is connected to your decision. So if my energy and all of my talent and all of my thinking process is connected to my decision, then I must believe that the decision is to my own self interest. So you're not going to say, "I made a poor decision." When things in your decision making start to happen that weren't in line with the calculation of what the outcome must be, you start to manage it. Of course you do because you made the decision that this is the outcome. So now I'm not getting the outcome, I must start managing the effect so that I can get the outcome I was looking for. Now your energy is used managing all of the possible things on either side of where you decided you want to be, so you keep managing this, managing this. So your whole life gets to managing the outcome of your intentional original decision.

So if you remember last weekend, we were talking about how people measure success. Well, at the very heart of measuring success, people are going to measure whether I chose to have my life turn out the way I wanted it to turn out, so that my life is filled with the things that I want for my life. And so even if other people may think your life is not quite that way, even if other people don't think that way, you want at least your life to look that way. You want your life to reflect what you want it to reflect. Yes? So your decision making, my decision making, we are very often self-intended in our decision making, and we want to do good for us. I think it's a lot better if we are so filled with a Continuous Perfect State of Being that as He fills us fully, that our thinking and our words, and our decision making flow, overflow. Like Ephesians says, "Overflow with all of His imaginations, overflow with all His dreams, overflow with all of His thinking for us." Then who's going to manage the outcome? Come on. If it's His life in you that is causing you to think and you to talk and you to act, who's going to manage your future? He's going to manage it because you're making it in line with His will for you.

Then if something comes in the way that wants to stop it, He says, "Speak this Word, John, speak it, get it out of your life, speak it, get it out of your life. I didn't mean for it to be here. It's not in line with what I prepared for you. Just speak it out." And when you speak it out, He sends an angel, He removes it and you move on. It could be a person, it could be a government, it could be a group of people, it could be a politician, it could be a financial

situation. He can just move it for you just like that because it's His life that's coming out of you for you. So the very best life that you can live is His life in you, for you, with you, for His glory. This is about as good a faith message as you're ever going to hear in your whole life. And you're still sitting there.

"We're chewing on your food, Pastor John. We're chewing on your food." Spit some food out at me. Thank you. Thank you, Pastor Christi. Come on, spit some food out at me. Praise the Lord. Thank You, Jesus. Thank You, Jesus. Thank You, Jesus. Hallelujah. Hallelujah. Hallelujah. Glory to God. Glory to God. Thank You, Jesus.

I've got to quit because our time is up. Hey? No? Some more food? *[Congregation answers: Yes]* You guys are gluttons. You know, when I started my life as a young man, and I'm going to skip my teenage years, that really in my teenage years I was committed to God. I loved Him. I recognised Him as the God of my life and I wanted my whole life to serve Him, as a teenager. I was not after the things that other teenagers were after. I was after God. I loved sport. I played a lot of sport. But outside of sport, my heart was for God. And then after I came out of the military, I really wanted to be married and I wanted to have a family - that was in my heart. I didn't want to go through the issues that all teenagers that were dating and not dating and then practising divorce, under the name of dating. I didn't want to do that. I really wanted to meet the person that God had for me. And I want to get on with life. I recognise now that it was His very life in me that was driving me for that. And so those words were in my mouth. I didn't know faith like I know it now and words drive your future and control your thoughts and the Word of God can do all of that stuff. I didn't know that then, but the Holy Spirit was still working mightily in me because I was a born again, fully sold out creature. Amen.

So when I met this gorgeous woman and I heard the words that were coming out of her mouth, that her words were about God, first and foremost, she was wanting to serve God, love God. She wanted her life to be committed to God. There was something - besides her gorgeous beauty - there was something about her that drew me and that that love for God was drawing. Here's what I want to say; Pastor Sharon and I, we've been married 44 years now. I can honestly say when I look back at 44 years, I've had 44 years of heaven. And the heaven is getting better and better. I'm using these words on purpose. My heavenly experience is getting better and better. It's not getting worse because we've lived together for 44 years and now we just tolerate each other because we've been together for so long. Our heavenly experience in our marriage is getting better because heaven is more in my heart today than it was then. And then it was pretty big. And because heaven is more in my heart today, heaven is more in my marriage today than it was then. The occupation of my life on this earth that includes my partner is we are occupying in a heavenly relationship. I don't need to go and look for two blondes that are half her age to fulfill my desire. She is all my desire. Not just because I think she's an amazing woman, but because God's desire in me has become so big for her because His desire towards her is so big that when I just taste a little bit of His desire for her, it prompts me to speak words to her.

So we were driving in the car. Can I share this? *[Pastor John asks Pastor Sharon if he can share and she agrees]* We were driving in the car on Friday to go and fetch my car that got serviced. So she was taking me just to go and fetch the car. And when I was driving in the car, out of my spirit, I began to speak words to her. Came out of my spirit. And I just said to her, "Sharon, I just want to tell you that I love you, I adore you, I admire you, I respect you. I think you are an amazing spiritual person," and I don't even remember all the words that came out of my spirit. They just flowed out of my spirit towards her. At one stage, we got interrupted because of the traffic, she hit me on the shoulder, she said, "Come speak, speak, speak some more, speak some more. Finish." She said, "Keep speaking." And so I went straight back because the Spirit of God is in me. And I know this is not ... because the Spirit

of God is saying things to her from me that is creating things in her because my words, we are one, they're coming to her. So they're energising her. They're working in her. They're doing something. I don't know what they're doing. And so, yes, you could say 44 years of marriage, well, there's got to be something that's happening. Well, I don't speak those words to her every day. I mean, I tell her many times every day that I love her. But I don't speak like that to her every day. She recognised in that moment, we both recognised God is speaking through my spirit to her, bringing things into our world, her and my world that we need in our world. *[Pastor Sharon comments]* Thank you, Pastor Sharon, it wasn't romantic words. I wasn't looking for something when we get home. This was coming out of my spirit, I needed to say stuff that God wanted to get out there that would do something between us and get it from her and me into our world - Kingdom on earth in our relationship. But now I couldn't have spoken those words to her like that if I'm not connected to the Holy Spirit, and He's filling me full, full, full, full, full, full, full, full, and I've got to speak them out because the Holy Spirit says "Speak them out now." So it is with every area of our lives.

That's why if you think that we as a people, we are pretty tough when it comes to relationships, that we don't like young people to be dating each other, and we don't like young people to be doing stuff and doing things like the world does it, it's because we're protective. We want them to grow spiritually so that they can speak out of their spirit man what their future has. They don't just do things what their natural eyes tell them to do. They speak stuff out of their spirit, they respond to the spirit, they love in the spirit, and when that happens, then God begins to make things happen.

And they skip all of the nonsense that the world has. Skip it, just skip it, we go straight into blessing, straight into unity, straight into glory, straight into abundance, straight into all the good things that God has planned for us from beginning till now, straight into it, we skip all that rubbish.

I thought I'd quit five minutes ago, obviously the Holy Spirit wanted to say something, and so I had to say what I had to say. Do you feel the strong presence of the Holy Spirit right here, right now? Come on, stand to your feet, everybody. Thank You, Holy Spirit. Thank You, Holy Spirit. Thank You, Holy Spirit. Thank You, Lord. Thank You, Lord. Come on, let's just thank the Lord. Just thank Him for His Truth, for His Word that is setting us free. We are Truth seekers. We are Christian Truth seekers. We want the Truth of God's Word more than anything else in our lives. We want the Truth in our lives. Hallelujah. Hallelujah. Praise You, Jesus. Praise You, Jesus. Praise You, Jesus. Thank You, Lord. Thank You, Lord. Thank You, Lord. Thank You, Lord. Thank You, Lord. Hallelujah. Hallelujah. Glory to Jesus. Glory to Jesus. Thank You, Lord.

So, you know, we're going to take up an offering, so you better be seated now. But here's the purpose for the offering this morning. This is what the Lord just said to me right now. Here's the purpose of the offering this morning. Again, it doesn't matter how much money it is, only that it's a seed, because I didn't plan to talk about relationships at the end here like I did, this was purely by the Holy Spirit. And so if you're looking for a restoration of relationships or you want God to do something in a relationship, maybe something for your future, something that you're believing God for, this is a moment where you're going to say, "Lord, I receive the revelation of this Word fully and I'm sowing a seed towards receiving the revelation fully." Like I said, five rand, if you don't have money, take a button off your shirt. I mean it. I mean it. This is important. Do something today.

I learned this from Kenneth Copeland. He didn't have a seed, so he asked the guy, "Is this pencil mine?" And he wrote his partnership details on an envelope. The guy said, "The pencil is yours." He took the pencil and he put it in the envelope, before he released the envelope out of his hand, someone tapped him on the shoulder and gave him \$10 to put in the envelope and he now became a partner of Oral Roberts, and his whole life changed after

that. So it doesn't matter what you're putting in here. This is towards what God wants to restore relationally. Hallelujah. Hallelujah. Praise Jesus.

Sometimes God just wants us to have an offering, but sometimes He has something that He says, "I want you to say this, John. I want you to, this has got to be part of the offering today." Amen. Are we ready to take an offering? Let's do it. Praise the Lord. Praise the Lord. I don't know, Sharon, have you got 10's on you? 5's or whatever. If there's some of these young people, here go and give some of them. They must all sow a seed. They must all sow a seed. Give them some money. They might not have money on them. Give them some money.

See, I know she's got 10's in her pocket because she gives to the poor. So, today, they don't have money on them, but this is a moment where God wants to do something relationally. Hallelujah. If you don't have money and you want to sow towards this - EFT, but you must please just put there "relationship" or something like that just so that the seed is earmarked for that. I mean, it's just putting your faith to it. Pastor Sharon, across there, there's some young ones there that want to sow seed. Someone's taken care of it. Praise the Lord. Hallelujah. Hallelujah. Thank you, Jesus. Thank you, Lord. Thank you, Lord. Thank you, Jesus. Thank you, Jesus. Thank you, Jesus.

We are living in moments, in moments in eternity. You know, this is so real in me that when I was born, I became a part of eternal history. I didn't become part of eternal history until I was born, even though I was in God's eternal history before I knew I was born, but I only became a part of eternal history when I was born. And so, now that I have been born, I will forever be part of eternal history. And this is a moment that I must live in to maximise what God has got for us in this moment of our eternal history. And what we're doing is, we're busy restoring things that God can look at a people and say, "These are people. Look how they're living. They're living like My Life says they must live."

Come stand here, Cobus. Everybody stand to your feet, will you? Hallelujah. Hallelujah. Put your hand on your heart, please, and let's just all make this declaration together; Father, we come to You in Jesus' name and we ask You to receive our seed and restore our relationship with You and with each other and all relationships in our life, in Jesus' name. Amen. Hallelujah.

I declare that you are blessed. No weapon formed against you will prosper. He gives His angels charge over you, in Jesus' name. You are blessed going out, blessed coming in, blessed in all that you do. Whatever you put your hands to, you're blessed in that, in Jesus' name. Do you all receive that? May the peace of God rest upon you. May His light shine upon you. May you see the glory of God in every part of your world this week. Do you agree with that? Amen. Okay, then you can go goodbye-bye-bye, if you agree with that.