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AMERICAN PASTOR ANDREW BRUNSON RELEASED FROM TURKISH PRISON

CHURCH, MOSQUE AND SYNAGOGUE IN ABU DHABI TO SHARE SAME SPACE



Andrew Brunson prays with President Trump in October on the day he returned to the United States.

Andrew Brunson, the American pastor who spent 735 days in a Turkish prison before being released last fall, admitted in his new book that he seriously contemplated suicide during his incarceration. Brunson made the admission in his

just-released book, "God's Hostage: A True Story of Persecution, Imprisonment, and Perseverance." He said he struggled with suicidal ideation the day after Christmas in 2016.

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"JESUS SHOE": \$3,000 SNEAKERS FILLED WITH HOLY WATER SELL OUT IN MINUTES



We often come across bizarre fashion and clothing, now something that is catching the

attention of people and also creating a buzz on social media is holy water-filled sneakers. Now, this limited edition holy water-filled shoe is termed "Jesus Shoes" and is priced a whopping USD 1,400 (approximately Rs 99,500). What is more surprising is that the shoes went out of stock within a few minutes. Manufactured by Brooklyn-based creative label MSCHF, the USP of the shoe is that its air chamber is injected with 60 cc holy

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The United Arab Emirates unveiled plans this weekend for an interfaith complex in Abu Dhabi that will unite a church, a synagogue and a mosque. The announcement of the three houses of worship, collectively known as the "Abrahamic Family House," follows Pope Francis' February visit to the UAE, the first papal visit to the Arabian Peninsula. During the visit, Pope Francis and the grand imam of al-Azhar, Dr. Ahmed el-Tayeb, signed a declaration to form an interfaith council called The Higher Committee of Human Fraternity.

The Abrahamic Family House, set to be com-
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JEWISH LEADER WARNS AGAINST ANTI-SEMITIC INCIDENTS



Jewish leaders met this week in New York to address a rise in anti-Semitic incidents over the past few years across the globe - espe-

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Rev. Manuel Joseph Th.M.
Sub-editor, End-Time News

They never claimed God's favor but submitted themselves to Him accepting their incompetence to have His favor in their lives. They requested, not claimed, God's intervention in each of those prayers.



Should We Claim God's Blessings?

In many personal prayers that I heard, in many crusades live and televised, and in many churches sadly, I have heard God's ministers stressing the importance of "claiming the blessings" from God! Is it scriptural? Does the Bible teach this doctrine? This doctrine, sadly, is neither found nor proven in the scripture

The prayers in the Bible does not have any resemblance to today's claiming of blessings. The word "claim" means "formally request or demand; say that one owns or has earned (something). In fact, this word, as it is meant, can never be applied to prayers found in the Bible. Perhaps the only resemblance is to the prayer of the self-righteous Pharisee (Luke 18: 9-14) in Jesus' parable. Of the 222 prayers mentioned in the scripture (176 in the Old Testament and 46 in the New Testament),

none of them, except the prayer mentioned above, was a claim made to God, but rather they were all pleas, requests or entreaties made by men and women, including Christ, out of their helplessness and need. They never claimed God's favor but submitted themselves to Him accepting their incompetence to have His favor in their lives. They requested, not claimed, God's intervention in each of those prayers.

Jesus, while teaching how to pray, taught His disciples to "ask" anything in His name (John 14: 12-14). Jesus said, "Ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you" (Matthew 7:7). In Matthew 18, Jesus said, "Again I say to you, if two of you agree on earth about anything they "ask", it will be done for them by

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Steven Moore



The Hidden Wisdom

If I tell you a truth but I leave a small piece of that truth out, it becomes a lie. If I have evidence of a crime, but I leave one small piece of that evidence out, I am withholding the truth and turning it into a mystery, and a destiny is altered. The scriptures reveal the wisdom of God, but in a mystery. Why is it a mystery? It is because until God opens your eyes, there is something missing. What is it that is missing? It is God's perspective. The Wisdom of God is revealed through the eternal perspective. The natural man is limited to mere religion because his perspective is fashioned by this see and be seen world. Religion tells man what he must do for God, but the Bible teaches man what God has already done for him. The Bible reveals the goodness and grace of God towards man. It is called "the wisdom of God in a mystery." I call it a *the secret*. It isn't a secret because God is hiding anything. On the contrary, God has spoken about His wisdom for centuries, however the Wisdom of God isn't for everyone, even though it is available to all. To many, the wisdom of God is foolishness, but to those

But we speak the wisdom of God in a mystery, even the hidden wisdom, which God ordained before the world unto our glory: 1 Corinthians 2:6

who are wise it is the mystery of God and the power of God.

Because the foolishness of God is wiser than men; and the weakness of God is stronger than men, For ye see your calling, brethren, how that not many wise men after the flesh, not many mighty, not many noble, are called. But God hath chosen the foolish things of the world to confound the wise; and God hath chosen the weak things of the world to confound the things which are mighty. And base things of the world, and things which are despised, hath God chosen, yea, and things which are not, to bring to nought things that are: That no flesh should glory in his presence. 1 Corinthians 1:25-3

The scriptures speak, preach and teach Truth of eternity. These are all different methods of spreading the foolishness of God, which is higher than the wisdom of man. Truth is a *mystery* to the natural man and it is *the wisdom of God* to spiritual man. Yet, God didn't just select a few humans to obtain His

wisdom. Through the scriptures, the Wisdom of God is available for everyone but it comes at a cost. It will cost you some time and some wrong attitudes and unbeliefs, but it will reward you with your soul forever. Notice this mystery is also called the Hidden Wisdom. That is what we talk about in our book, Secret of Eternity. The Hidden Wisdom can only be seen when your heart is right.

But the natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God: for they are foolishness unto him: neither can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned. 1 Corinthians .2:1

The Bible says true wisdom is too high for the fool. It is foolishness to the natural man. He cannot receive the things of God because they are spiritually discerned and being the natural man is spiritually dead he cannot spiritually discern. The real truth is that the things of God are the things we are truly



Feba George

UNMERITED FAVOUR OF GOD

Esther 10:3

“Mordecai the Jew was second in rank only to King Xerxes himself. He was honoured and well liked by his fellow-Jews. He worked for the good of his people and for the security of all their descendants.”

When King Nebuchadnezzar of Babylon took King Jehoiachin of Judah into exile from Jerusalem, along with a group of captives, Mordecai was among them. Mordecai and his cousin Esther were exiles living in the kingdom of King Xerxes and most probably they were people of very less priority in that place. But God showed amazing favour in their life to raise them up to become honoured in a foreign land. The journey of Esther being a queen and Mordecai made next in rank to the King from their former state of being captives is a story of the amazing favour of God in the life of His children.

- Esther: Captive to Queen

Esther was a beautiful young woman probably brought in with her parents or relatives

as a captive to the kingdom of Xerxes. Having lost her parents at a very young age, she was adopted by her uncle Mordecai who brought her up as his own daughter. But God had much greater plans for her life. Despite being from a low esteemed family, Esther was admired by everyone who saw her and she found special favour among the palace officials of King Xerxes.

“Now the king was attracted to Esther more than to any of the other women, and she won his favour and approval more than any of the other virgins. So he set a royal crown on her head and made her queen instead of Vashti.”
– Esther 2: 17

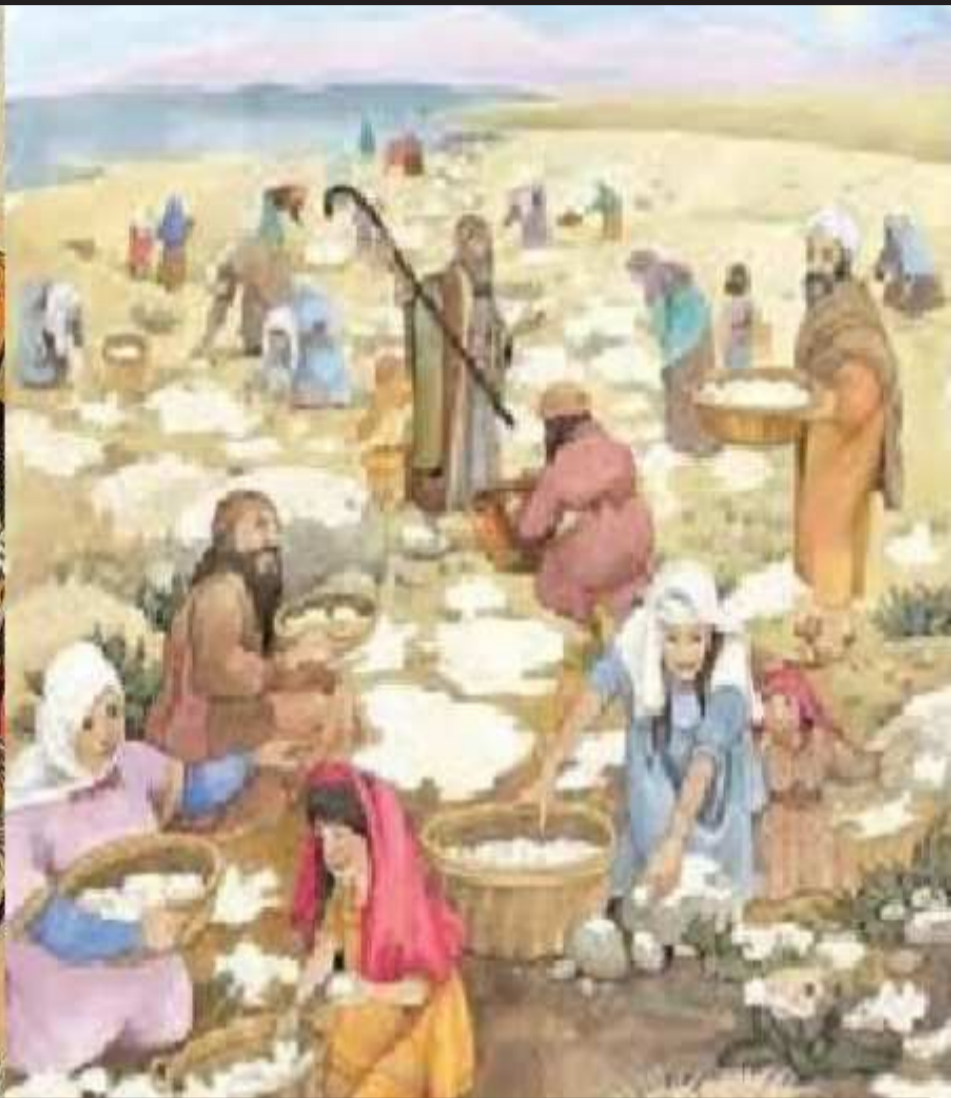
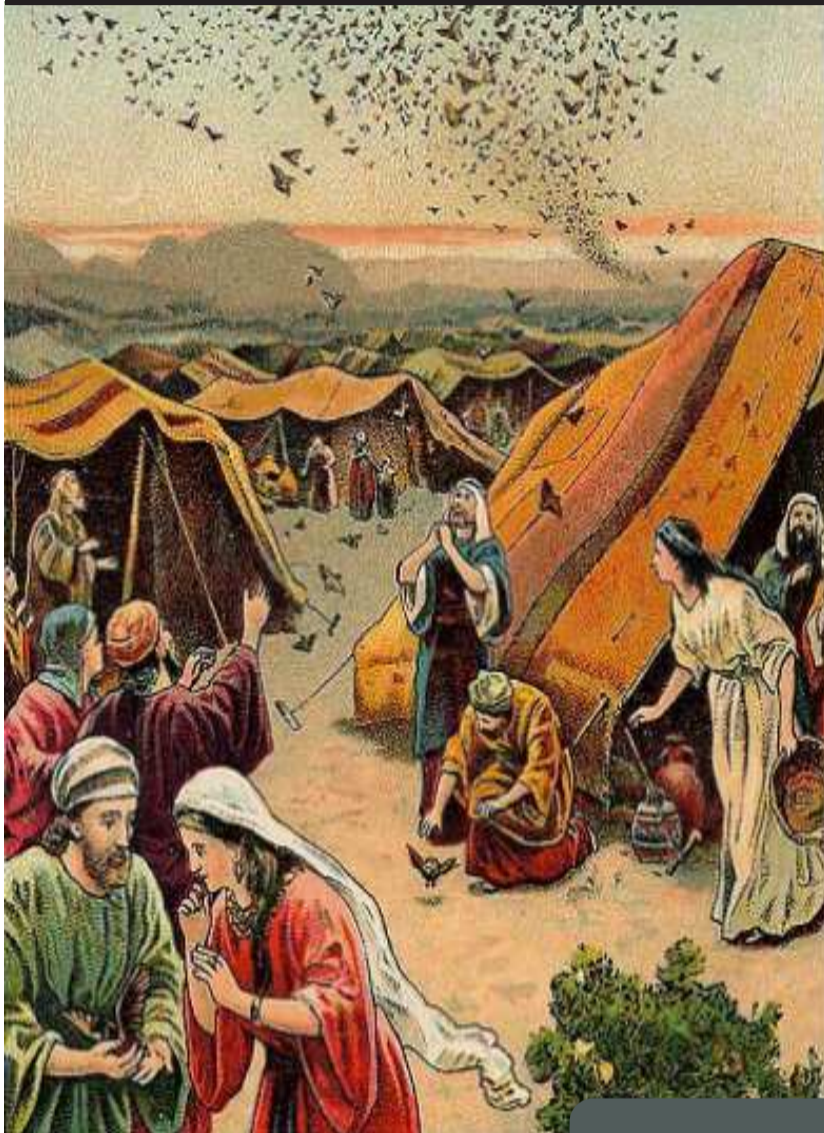
The king liked her more than any of the other women, and more than any of the others she won his favour and affection. He placed the

royal crown on her head and made her queen. From a state of being captive, God showed great favour in Esther’s life as He blessed her to be the Queen of the land. Esther may not even have dreamt to be a queen a few years ago, but as God worked in her life, doors were opened and she found favour in the eyes of people around her.

- Mordecai: Captive to Administrative Official

Meanwhile, Mordecai finds favour to be appointed by the king to an administrative position in the palace although he was a captive from a foreign land. God uses this position of Mordecai to enable him to save the life of King from an assassination plot and God honours him to be mentioned in the official records of the empire book of records

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In those four decades of their wilderness wanderings, the Lord had not only given the people of Israel Ten Commandments and His statutes, but He also had given them what they truly longed for! The people who were under the yoke of slavery in Egypt and were suppressed to drink the wrath of their rulers were blessed by God as He gave them blessings that refreshed both their body and soul. He opened the doors of heaven and show-

HE GAVE THEM WHAT THEY LONGED FOR!!

*So they did eat, and were well filled:
for he gave them their own desire.*

Psalm 78: 29

ered Manna, the food of the mighty, to feed them. When they asked for meat, He brought for them coveys of quails to feed on. He quenched their thirst by making them drink water from the rocks. He went ahead of them and guided them during the day with a pillar of cloud, and he provided light at night with a pillar of fire. This allowed them to travel by day or by night. God is never a stumbling block to any good desires of our heart. God, our maker, wants us to be blessed more than we want ourselves to be! He created the universe and everything in it so that His people can use them and be prospered in their life. He is faithful to fill the barns of anyone who sincerely ask Him for crops according to His will. When we are in a rela-

tionship with God, He will fulfill our heart's desires. If some of your needs are not met, it might be because they are not meant for your good. We do not have to worry whether this is for me or I would get it from God for He has declared in His righteousness, "Take delight in the Lord and he will give you the desires of your heart" (Psalm 37:4). Shout unto Him saying, "All my longings lie open before you, Lord; my sighing is not hidden from you" (Psalm 38:9).
Prayer: Merciful God, grant me every desire of my heart for your glory and honor!!
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searching for. We are never satisfied until we connect with God. There is something on the inside of every human heart that was designed only for God and nothing else can satisfy the part of us except God. That part of our hearts knows that if it can connect with God, it is safe forever and until that connection with God's love is complete, it is never satisfied. We think we can be our own gods and live for self all our life but in the day of death, we lose everything. That is not wisdom. As we grow older we begin to become wise to the fact that we aren't going to live forever and our foolishness all of a sudden doesn't look so good. Then we cry out to God and He answers us and we begin our journey into the Wisdom of God, the Hidden Wisdom that God has ordained for our glory.

That their hearts might be comforted, being knit together in love, and unto all riches of the full assurance of understanding, to the acknowledgement of the mystery of God, and of the Father, and of Christ; In whom are hid all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge. Colossians 2:2-3

In our book, *Secret of Eternity*, we speak, teach and preach about the Secret Language that reveals the Hidden Wisdom. I call it the Law of Revelation. I like to say it like this;

God doesn't just do things! God does everything for His purpose. God never does anything without accomplishing His purpose. In everything God does He teaches something. God never does anything without teaching something. God uses natural things to reveal spiritual things, visible things to reveal invisible things and earthly things to reveal heavenly things.

Then we talk about how the Secret Language of the Law of Revelation works, the Old Testament pointing us forward in faith and the New Testament pointing us backward in faith. God wants to reveal Himself to us. That is the goal of the Bible. The Hidden Wisdom is real and once you know it, you will never be the same. As you read the scriptures with your heart, the knowledge of God will flood your soul and you will be born again. God wants to see you in Heaven and He has made that possible for you through Jesus Christ. Yet God still has to make us ready for Heaven and He does that as we walk with God by faith and allow Him to teach us His wisdom. It is absolutely vital that you let God open your eyes to the Hidden Wisdom.

For after that in the wisdom of God the world by wisdom knew not God, it pleased God by the foolishness of preaching to save them that believe. 1 Corinthians 1:21

Man was created to live forever. Fellowship with God was normal for man in the beginning. Satan's wisdom was the reason man departed from his fellowship with God in the Garden of Eden. In departing from God, man by wisdom knew not God. The fellowship of man with God was lost. Ever since the fall of man, God's wisdom has been hidden from all mankind. Man separated from God in the Garden of Eden and death has reigned over man ever since. Death was never a part of God's original plan. Death is an enemy of God and man. Man's disobedience against God brought the whole human race under the curse of sin and death. The Bible says "*the whole world lieth in the wicked one.*" 1Jn.5:19. That means it is our spiritual nature to live the lie of life without God to be our own gods. That is why we die, because we are separated from God. Death is a problem man cannot solve which requires a supernatural solution only God can provide. Did God fail? Absolutely not! God told man "Don't eat of that tree because it will kill you." Man was supposed to eat of the Tree of Life and put on immortality, but he chose a lifestyle of rebellion against God in order to be his own god. The death nature passed on to all of Adam's offspring. That includes you and me. After the fall of man, God immediately promised to provide a solution to man's death problem. Now if I tell you that Jesus was born, you will agree because this is a historical fact. However, if I leave off the fact that Jesus was born of a virgin, you will miss part of the truth that opens your eyes to God's hidden wisdom. Just like Adam's sin affected you for eternity, even so the virgin birth affects you eternity. Jesus came through the virgin womb and He left us with an empty tomb, to save us all from doom. Without the virgin birth, we could not be *born again* and go to Heaven. Natural birth is only the visible side of Spiritual birth. God wrote the Bible to reveal His hidden wisdom so we could enter back into the fellowship with God again and live forever with Him. The Bible presents the Goodness of God, the Grace of God, the Power of God and the Wisdom of God.

The **B.I.B.L.E.** means **Basic Instructions Before Leaving Earth.** In the day of death, you need to be ready. God wrote the Bible to help you with that. God doesn't want anyone to perish and He has made provision for us through

Jesus Christ to prevent that. Herein lies the Secret of Eternity, don't leave earth without it.

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At one point during that particularly low point, Brunson revealed he even tested out a clothesline in the prison courtyard to see if it could bear his weight, should he have attempted to hang himself. Suicide didn't enter his mind as a possibility, Brunson explained, until concerns about falling away from his faith entered his mind. Ending his life was a better alternative, he said, to losing his trust in God. "It gave me a sense of comfort to know that I could escape this nightmare," he wrote. "And knowing this lifted my despair just enough to help me hold on." Brunson and his wife, Norine, spent 23 years as missionaries in Turkey before they were arrested in October 2019. Norine was released 13 days after their capture. Her husband was not. The decision to write his book, Brunson was born out of his promise to God while he was incarcerated to be transparent and authentic, if he was given the chance to tell his story. "My story is one of brokenness," he said. "Many of the stories of biographies I read, they have very strong characters. I was actually very weak in prison and broken, and then God rebuilt me. ... I said in prison, 'God, if you ever let me out of here, if I have a chance to speak, I will be open and honest about my brokenness.'" His hope is that his story will be helpful to others who feel "weak." Brunson explained the title of the book — "God's Hostage" — by saying he was, of course, a prisoner of Turkish President Recep Tayyip Erdogan, but that his life was ultimately in God's hands. "When God had accomplished what he wanted to through my imprisonment, which I think was raise up millions of people to bless Turkey in prayer, then I was released," he said. "So, I see God as the grandmaster chess player. ... Behind all of the political intrigue, God was really in charge." October 12 was the one-year anniversary of Brunson's release from Turkey. Tony Perkins, chairman of the U.S. Commission on International Religious Freedom, praised the pastor on Saturday, commending his "remarkable resolve and steadfastness in the face of persecution." For his part, Brunson was also honored at the Values Voters Summit, where he prayed for President Donald Trump.

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water from the Jordan River. A closer look of the shoe, an all-white Nike Air Max 97s, and water is visible floating in the see-through sole. The sole of the shoes has some coloring added to enhance visibility, the creator of the "Jesus Shoes" told. Not just the holy water, the kicks also features the Bible verse Matthew 14:25 -- the passage describing Jesus walking on water -- at the side of the shoe along with a single blood drop to represent the blood of Christ. The shoe has more religious insights including the frankincense-scented insoles, a crucifix threaded through the laces, and a red sole, which references the red shoes traditionally worn by past Popes. Just as the shoe is religious, so is its package. The shoebox displays an angel and a seal that resembles the official papal seal. The "Jesus Shoes" comes with instruction on how to destroy the shoes. "We thought of that Arizona Iced Tea and Adidas collab, where they were selling shoes that advertised a beverage company that sells iced tea at bodegas. So we wanted to make a statement about how absurd collab culture has gotten," head of commerce Daniel Greenberg was quoted as saying by the New York Post. However, Greenberg experimented with less than two dozen such pairs, he added that they were made with no plans to create more. Although, Gabriel Whaley, founder of the brand, hinted there may be a "second coming" in the future.

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pleted on 2022, is the first initiative by the new committee. "The formation of the Committee has come at an important time and has required all peace lovers to unite and join the efforts to spread coexistence, brotherhood, and tolerance throughout the world," Judge Mohamed Mahmoud Abdel Salam, committee member and former advisor to el-Tayeb, said in a statement. The Higher Committee of Human Fraternity had its inaugural meeting at the Vatican earlier this month and met again in New York City Saturday.

The complex, whose name alludes to the Abrahamic religions, will bring the first public Jewish house of worship to the UAE. "This is an important opportunity for all who believe in the power of faith and humanity," Rabbi M. Bruce Lustig, senior Rabbi at Washington Hebrew Congregation and a Higher

Committee member, said in a statement. "It will help build bridges between religious leaders and communities as well as foster peace and harmony in an era that is too often defined by difference."

The design of the Abrahamic Family House, by award-winning architect Sir David Adjaye OBE, was unveiled at the New York event and was selected after a rigorous process that included architects from different faith backgrounds around the globe. "I am humbled and honored that our design has been selected," Adjaye said in a statement. "I believe architecture should work to enshrine the kind of world we want to live in, a world of tolerance, openness, and constant advancement... Our hope is that through these buildings people of all faiths and from across society can learn and engage in a mission of peaceful coexistence for generations to come."

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my Father in heaven. For where two or three are gathered in my name, there am I among them (Matthew 18: 19-20). Another great passage is found in the gospel of John where Jesus says, "You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit and that your fruit should abide, so that whatever you "ask" the Father in my name, he may give it to you (John 15: 16). In all the above mentioned passages of the scripture, Jesus taught us to "ASK" God and not to claim anything from Him. If we, literally, had to "claim", then Jesus must have taught us the prayer that way! (John 16: 23-27, John 15: 7, John 14: 12-14; Mark 11: 23-26; Matthew 21: 21-22, Matthew 6: 5-15).

The apostles taught the Church to pray and not to "claim" anything from God. Of the 6 prayers mentioned in Acts, by Peter, Paul and Stephen, there was no prayer that claimed a favor from God, but they were supplications inviting God's intervention (Acts 1: 24-25, 3: 6, 4: 24-30, 7: 59-60, 9: 5-6, 9: 40). The Apostles and the Church "prayed" in all situations, especially, when the church was going through persecution in the first century. In Philippians 4: 6-7 apostle Paul said, "Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus". Here the emphasis is in receiving from God (Colossians 4: 2-4; 1 Thessalonians 39-13; 1 Thessalonians 5: 17).

The Bible does not teach to "claim the blessings from God. It is the teaching of the prosperity theologians and preachers. They propose the notion that a child of God has all the right to claim all the blessings. In fact, we have rights, but we are not supposed to pray like they say! This wrong doctrine has to be refuted. When we can go to His throne of grace and ask Him, like a child asks his or her father, why should we claim anything? Ask and it will be given to you!!

Sparkling Wisdom!

- ❖ "We need never shout across the spaces to an absent God. He is nearer than our own soul, closer than our most secret thoughts"™ **A.W. Tozer**
- ❖ "True faith means holding nothing back. It means putting every hope in God's fidelity to His Promises."™ **Francis Chan**
- ❖ "Worrying is arrogant because God knows what He's doing."™ **Barbara Cameron**
- ❖ "A sum can be put right: but only by going back till you find the error and working it afresh from that point, never by simply going on."™ **C.S. Lewis**
- ❖ "We fail in the work of grace and love when there is too much of us and not enough of God."™ **Suzanne Woods Fisher**
- ❖ "Focus on giants - you stumble. Focus on God - Giants tumble."™ **Max Lucado**
- ❖ "Worry is the darkroom in which negatives can develop."™ **Wanda E. Brunstetter**
- ❖ "God hears your every thought, whether you dress it up with 'Thee' and 'Thou' or not."™ **Catherine Richmond**
- ❖ "We may have done what the devil said we did, but we are NOT who the devil says we are!"™ **April Cofield Essix**
- ❖ "Jesus first, others next, and yourself last spells J-O-Y."™ **Linda Byler**



Abigail Thyvilayil John



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cially in major cities in Europe - and warned that Jews will not be the only ones targeted in the future.

Joel Rubinfeld, president of the Jewish Coalition for Kurdistan, located in Belgium, told that anti-religious incidents will target Christians next. "More problems will come," Rubinfeld told. "No, it's just the beginning. We know this. We know that about anti-Semitic...the anti-Semite. They start with Jews. But they never finish with Jews."

It also linked anti-Semitism to denunciations of Israel as well as the Palestinian-led Boycott Divestment Sanctions (BDS) movement, which calls for a boycott of all Israeli products. The report stressed that the "prevalence of anti-Semitic attitudes and the risk of violence against Jewish individuals and sites" are significant.

Specifically, the report mentioned the 2018 attack at the Tree of Life Synagogue in Pittsburgh, where a gunman opened fire and killed 11 congregants "in the deadliest attack on Jews in U.S. history" and the Chabad of Poway synagogue shooting in April on the last day of Passover when a gunman killed one woman and injured three others, including the rabbi.

Earlier this year, the New York Times, the Women's March, as well as the Democratic Party have all had issues with anti-Semitism. The NY Times announced in June that it will end political cartoons after "anti-Semitic" depictions of Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu with President Trump. Last month, the anti-Trump Women's March severed ties with leaders, Linda Sarsour, Tamika Mallory, and Bob Bland, all accused of anti-Semitism, but then had to quickly drop a new replacement, Zahra Billoo, a lawyer and executive director of the Council on American-Islamic Relations, whom the Anti-Defamation League described as having a "long history of deeply offensive and antisemitic statements."

The Democratic Party has been grappling with an anti-Semitism problem especially this year following a series of comments from prominent freshman Democrats, particularly Minnesota Rep. Ilhan Omar, that members of both parties have called anti-Semitic.

In June, the Senate unanimously passed a resolution explicitly and unequivocally condemning anti-Semitism, something the Democrat-controlled House failed to do earlier this year.

BOKO HARAM EXTREMISTS CUT OFF EARS OF WOMEN IN RAID ON MAINLY CHRISTIAN TOWN IN CAMEROON



Boko Haram terrorists cut off the ears of at least three Christian women after snatching them from their homes during a night-time raid on a mainly Christian town in the far north of Cameroon on 29 July.

The Islamist extremists broke into homes, grabbed the women and dragged them to the outskirts of Gagalari town in the district of Yagoua where they sliced off one ear from each victim, according to local sources and later confirmed by a Barnabas contact.

They then reportedly released the women after threatening to return to the town, near the border with Chad, in the future.

The injured women were taken to a clinic about 160 miles away where they received medical treatment. Boko Haram, which operates in the region surrounding Lake Chad, has been stepping up its attacks on villages in the mainly Christian far north

of Cameroon. Sometimes Christian villages are repeatedly targeted. In the village of Grossi, where there have been at least two attacks this year, a woman and a 16-year-old boy were murdered by raiding Boko Haram militants in June.

Boko Haram is well-known for targeting women and children. Notoriously, the terrorist group snatched 276 mainly Christian schoolgirls from Chibok in north-east Nigeria in April 2014. In 2018, when about 100 girls were still held captive, a Boko Haram commander said they would not be returning home.

THE 2019 NOBEL PRIZE WINNERS IN MEDICINE, PHYSICS, CHEMISTRY, LITERATURE, PEACE, AND ECONOMICS

Monday, Oct. 7: The Nobel Prize in physiology or medicine has been awarded to William Kaelin Jr, Peter Ratcliffe and Gregg Semenza "for their discoveries of how cells sense and adapt to oxygen availability."

Tuesday, Oct. 8: The Nobel Prize in physics has been awarded with one half to James Peebles "for theoretical discoveries in physical cosmology" and the other half jointly to Michel Mayor and Didier Queloz "for the discovery of an exoplanet orbiting a solar-type star."

Wednesday, Oct. 9: The Nobel Prize in chemistry has been awarded to John B. Goodenough, M. Stanley Whittingham and Akira Yoshino "for the development of lithium-ion batteries."

Thursday, Oct. 10: The Nobel Prize in literature for 2018 has been awarded to Polish author Olga Tokarczuk "for a narrative imagination that with encyclopedic passion represents the crossing of boundaries as a form of life." The Nobel Prize in literature for 2019 has been awarded to the Austrian author Peter Handke "for an influential work that with linguistic ingenuity has explored the periphery and the specificity of human experience."

Friday, Oct. 11: The Nobel Peace Prize has been awarded to Ethiopian Prime Minister Abiy Ahmed Ali "for his efforts to achieve peace and international cooperation, and in particular for his decisive initiative to resolve the border conflict with neighbouring Eritrea."

Monday, Oct. 14: The SverigesRiksbank Prize in Economic Sciences in Memory of Alfred Nobel has been awarded to Abhijit Banerjee, Esther Duflo and Michael Kremer "for their experimental approach to alleviating global poverty."

Banerjee, 58, was educated at the University of Calcutta, Jawaharlal Nehru University and Harvard University, where he received his PhD in 1988. Esther Duflo is his wife. He is currently the Ford Foundation International Professor of Economics at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, according to his profile on the MIT website. In 2003, Banerjee founded the Abdul Latif Jameel Poverty Action Lab (J-PAL), along with Duflo and Sendhil Mullainathan, and he remains one of the lab's directors.

He also served on the UN Secretary-General's High-level Panel of Eminent Persons on the Post-2015 Development Agenda.



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of the king. Although this incident was forgotten by the king, God disturbs the sleep of King Xerxes and he ordered the book of the chronicles, the record of his reign, to be brought in and read to him. And Mordecai was robed in royal dress and he was led on horseback through the city streets, proclaiming honour to him.

“That night the king could not sleep; so he ordered the book of the chronicles, the record of his reign, to be brought in and read to him. It was found recorded there that Mordecai had exposed Bigthana and Teresh, two of the king’s officers who guarded the doorway, who had conspired to assassinate King Xerxes.” – Esther 6:1,2

It’s so amazing to note here that God disturbed the sleep of the king just to honour and bring favour to his child, Mordecai!

- Esther: Intercessor for the People of God

Esther gets to know from her uncle that the life of the people of God are at danger and he told her to go into the king’s presence to beg for mercy and plead with him for her people. Now, this was a very tricky situation for Esther as any man or woman who approaches the king in the inner court without being summoned the king has but one law: that they be put to death unless the king extends the gold scepter to them and spares their lives. However, Esther decides not to keep silent at this time and she realizes that God would have raised her up to this position for such a time as this! Now, that’s really a brave decision and it wouldn’t have been easy at all for her to take that step putting her life at stake. But God again shows His amazing favour in her life and the king

was pleased with her and held out to her the gold scepter that was in his hand.

“When he saw Queen Esther standing in the court, he was pleased with her and held out to her the gold scepter that was in his hand. So Esther approached and touched the tip of the scepter.” – Esther 5:2

- Mordecai: Saved from Enemy’s trap to become Next in rank to King!

In the background of all these amazing favours on Mordecai and Esther, the enemy was certainly not pleased! Haman, the evil man was filled with rage and he set up a huge pole to hang Mordecai on it. The funny thing here is that Mordecai was not even aware of this plan when he travelled with Haman the following day under the direction of the king. God’s amazing favour continued to follow Mordecai and God turned the plate of the evil one such that Haman himself was hanged on the pole set up for Mordecai.

Its great to know that God favours his children and works for us even though many times we are not even fully aware of the enemy’s plans. God further blesses Mordecai so much that the king took off his signet ring, which he had reclaimed from Haman, and presented it to Mordecai. And Esther appointed him over Haman’s estate. Mordecai was prominent in the palace; his reputation spread throughout the provinces, and he became more and more powerful.

- You and Me: Normal to Extraordinary
- Esther and Mordecai were normal people who were used amazingly by God through His unmerited favour. Today, as we look at ourselves, we may feel really small and weak and it might be even difficult for us to conceive an idea of God doing great things through us. Sometimes, it so difficult to remember that we have a caring, loving, merciful and super powerful God! Our God is the same yesterday, today and forevermore! The same God of Esther and Mordecai is ready to lavish His favour and love on us, can we grab it in faith?

Of course, Mordecai and Esther didn’t have a life in a bed of roses. They had to put their very lives at risk to stand for the people of God. But as they took their step in faith despite all struggles, God was with them through it all. He showered His amazing love and favour on them to let them shine for Him! Let’s proclaim in faith that His favour is on us as we step out in faith...

“And I, I don’t want to leave a legacy I don’t care if they remember me Only Jesus

And I, I’ve only got one life to live I’ll let every second point to Him Only Jesus”

— Casting Crowns – Only Jesus

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ing what happened last Sunday. “It was one of the most hurtful experiences that I have ever, ever, ever had.” “It’s just been amazing to know what the people of God think of One Church in this season. And I’m just honored,” he said, noting that renovations are underway to build a “brand-new sanctuary.”

“I wanted to ensure that I invited each and every one of you guys to service tomorrow,” he continued. Pastor Hill said that even though the sanctuary is incomplete — he noted “there are no floors,” except for a temporary foam that goes over the incomplete foundation — he was expecting “God to move in an incredible way.” “I’m not going to allow the enemy to move me out of my house. It’s just not gonna work that way,” he said. “I just don’t believe in giving the enemy victory.”

Following Sunday’s service, Pastor Hill made it clear that nothing will stand in the way of worship. “The church is so much bigger than the structure,” he told. “Our church just so happens to be in our heart.”



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IN ISRAEL, 70 YOUNG PASTORS PARTICIPATE IN 'GLOBAL DAY OF PRAYER FOR JERUSALEM'



70 millennial evangelical pastors traveled to Israel this past weekend to take part in the Global Day of Prayer for the Peace of Jerusalem, an evangelical rally held on the first Sunday in October.

U.S. Ambassador to Israel David Freidman and Jerusalem Mayor Moshe Lion were in attendance for the 90-minute event held at the Teyelet Haas Promenade and hosted by the New York-based evangelical nonprofit Eagles' Wings. According to the organization, around 500-600 people attended the annual event in person while 500,000 churches worldwide watched a livestream broadcast. "I am so blessed to celebrate with such incredible people, such inspirational and distinguished religious leaders like all of you, to celebrate the State of Israel, to celebrate this holy city of Jerusalem and of course to celebrate the unbreakable relationship between the United States and Israel," Friedman said during his keynote speech.

Eagles' Wings considers itself a global movement that promotes peace in Jerusalem and the Middle East. It is led by Executive Direc-

tor Bishop Robert Stearns, who has allegedly brought more than 10,000 evangelical Christians to Israel over the course of his career. The organization holds that the Christian Church "owes a debt of gratitude to Israel and the Jewish people" on grounds that Christianity exists because the Jewish people kept themselves faithful to God's covenant. "We are here today declaring that there is a new breed of Christianity alive in today's world — a Christianity which understands that spiritually, we were born in Zion," Stearns, the visionary behind the day of prayer, said. Stearns is also president of the Los Angeles-based organization Israel Christian Nexus. The day of prayer event concluded a three-day worship and prayer gathering called Awake Jerusalem. The event brought together hundreds of Christians from more than 10 different nations. Sunday's day of prayer event comes less than two years after President Donald Trump moved to recognize Jerusalem as the capital of Israel and the U.S. State Department moved its embassy from Tel Aviv to Jerusalem.

PASTOR DAVANTE HILL FORGIVES CHURCH VANDALS WHO CAUSED THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS' WORTH OF DAMAGE.

A Memphis pastor is being praised for his response to vandals wreaking havoc on his church last month.

Pastor Davante Hill opened the doors of One Church in Memphis on the morning of Sept. 29 to find thousands of dollars' worth of damage had been done. Musi-



cal instruments were broken, paint had been thrown at the walls, pews were destroyed, and 90 percent of the chairs had been damaged. The vandals also stole money and several speakers.

"Somebody was really angry," Pastor Hill told. "When I walked in... what broke me, was not the condition of the sanctuary," he explained. "What broke me was the condition of someone's heart to be willing to do such a thing."

Despite the alarming extent of the damage — nearly \$20,000, according to the Memphis Police Department — it's Pastor Hill's response to the deeply upsetting discovery that has gained the most attention.

"I would love for whoever is responsible to consider my heart when I say, I love you and God still loves you. And that this is not the end, there is life after this," he told. "And that whatever it is that has you broken, whatever it is that has you destroyed on the inside, there is help for you."

A smiling Pastor Hill spoke to congregants about what they could expect at the first church service since the burglary. "I have sincerely gone through one of the worst things any pastor has ever gone through, aside from losing family members," he began, describ-

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AMERICAN PASTOR ANDREW BRUNSON RELEASED FROM TURKISH PRISON

Andrew Brunson, the American pastor who spent 735 days in a Turkish prison before being released last fall, admitted in his new book that he seriously contemplated suicide during his incarceration. Brunson made the admission in his just-released book, "God's Hostage: A True Story of Persecution, Imprisonment, and Perseverance." He said he struggled with suicidal ideation the day after Christmas in 2016.

At one point during that particularly low point, Brunson revealed he even tested out a clothesline in the prison courtyard to see if it could bear his weight, should he have attempted to hang himself.

Suicide didn't enter his mind as a possibility, Brunson explained, until concerns about falling away from his faith entered his mind. Ending his life was a better alternative, he said, to losing his trust in God. "It gave me a sense of comfort to know that I could escape this nightmare," he wrote. "And knowing this lifted my despair just enough to help me hold on." Brunson and his wife, Norine, spent 23 years as missionaries in Turkey before they were arrested in October 2019. Norine was released 13 days after their capture. Her husband was not. The decision to write his book, Brunson was born out of his promise to God while he was incarcerated to be transparent and authentic, if he was given the chance to tell his story. "My story is one of brokenness," he said. "Many of the stories of biographies I read,



they have very strong characters. I was actually very weak in prison and broken, and then God rebuilt me. ... I said in prison, 'God, if you ever let me out of here, if I have a chance to speak, I will be open and honest about my brokenness.' His hope is that his story will be helpful to others who feel "weak."

Brunson explained the title of the book — "God's Hostage" — by saying he was, of course, a prisoner of Turkish President RecepTayyip Erdogan, but that his life was ultimately in God's hands. "When God had accomplished what he wanted to through my imprisonment, which I think was raise up mil-

lions of people to bless Turkey in prayer, then I was released," he said. "So, I see God as the grandmaster chess player. ... Behind all of the political intrigue, God was really in charge." October 12 was the one-year anniversary of Brunson's release from Turkey. Tony Perkins, chairman of the U.S. Commission on International Religious Freedom, praised the pastor on Saturday, commending his "remarkable resolve and steadfastness in the face of persecution." For his part, Brunson was also honored at the Values Voters Summit, where he prayed for President Donald Trump.



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