

05-E “Move Your Hand!”

(Appeal song: “My Jesus, I Love Thee” + decision card))

- Topic tonight: **“Move Your Hand!”**



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- On July 3, 2001, 24-year old Czechoslovakian free diver **Martin Stepanek** set **amazing world record.**

- At–surface, with no dive involved,–held–breath
- astonishing **8 minutes–6 seconds.**
- Not quite three months later–September 23,
- in–clear blue waters off–Cayman Islands,
- set–**world free diving depth record**
- by diving to–depth of 295 feet (90 meters)
- he went down and back in **2 min.–45 secs.**

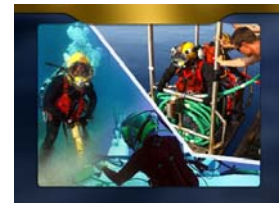


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- Have you ever tried**

- see **how long** you–**hold your breath?**
- Most people–make it to–minute or two at most.

- Deep-sea divers** can stay submerged in–water
- almost indefinitely,**
- as long as–oxygen line to–surface
- continues–pump oxygen to them.



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- Everybody knows that to live,
- we have to have air.**
- No one can live more–few minutes without it.
- And if we–ever **cut off from–source–air**
- if–supply ever runs out–results are disastrous.

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- Thousands—years ago—was—time when
 - wasn’t—one sick person anywhere on—earth.
 - No one had ever **died.**
 - No one—unhappy—**lonely**
—guilt-ridden—hurting.
 - No one ever **worried** or felt **empty inside.**
 - No one—**depressed—afraid.**



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- But look around you today—and what—you see?
 - You and **everybody** you know
 - struggles** every minute of—day
 - with **burdens—problems.**
 - Today, every person who—born
—one out of one...100 percent
–gets sick—dies!
 - And while—living, people feel lonely—fearful—
guilty—empty.
 - They try—find happiness,
–but—seems—slip through—fingers.
 - What happened?**
–What has changed here on this earth?



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- Friends, what happened is—
 - we human beings became **disconnected**
—from—Source—everything we need.
 - Just as—deep-sea diver—in trouble
if—oxygen line—cut,
 - we’ve been—trouble down here
–ever since **our line to**
—Source—all life—joy—peace—happiness
—disconnected.
- To **understand**—where—problem started
 - let’s go back to the **Bible**
- Many **search for peace**...
 - prescriptions—alcohol—drugs—counseling



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- **Bible** provides **answer**—**problems of life**
 - helps us—find solution to these problems.
 - Let’s **go to Genesis**



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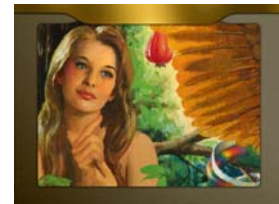
- When **God created** Adam and Eve
 - placed in—**perfect world**
 - air** was fresh and clean—**waters**—unpolluted
 - no **sickness**—no **heartache**—no **fear**—no **death**
- Knocking on the door—was **Lucifer**—fallen angel
 - one whom God **created perfect**
 - rebelled** against God



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- Fallen angel came—to this planet called Earth
- **God gave** Adam and Eve a **choice**
 - They **chose to rebel** against Him.

- They **believed—lie** of the evil one—who said
 - if you eat** of this tree—you will be **happier**
 - feeling of **joy—exhilaration**
 - heights of ecstasy.



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- Adam -Eve - **doubted God - believed lie of -devil.**
 - disobeyed God - obeyed - evil one
 - sinned - rebelled against God.



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- Instead—joy-exhilaration-heights of ecstasy—**they experienced fear, anxiety, insecurity,**
 - guilt, emptiness, and loneliness.**



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- Now ours is—**A planet in rebellion**
 - All of us experience what Adam - Eve did:
 - fear, anxiety, insecurity, guilt, emptiness,
 - loneliness



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- Why does sin make us feel this way?

- Bible-gives - answer—Isaiah 59:2:
“But your iniquities [or sins] have separated you from your God...”



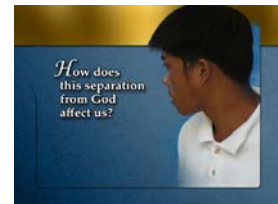
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- It is sin that separates us from God.
 - Sin—separates us—from—source of life
 - source of joy.



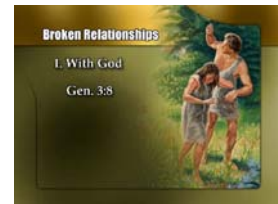
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- How does this separation from God affect us?



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- Separation - root of **Broken Relationships.**
 1. **With God: (Genesis 3:8)**
 - Adam and Eve sinned—tried to hide from God
 - Men and women—hiding from God ever since.



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2. **With each other: (Gen. 3:12)**
 - Adam said—the woman You made - her fault
 - been blaming each other ever since
 - Argument, conflict—barriers—because of sin—
 - because of separation from God.



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3. **With our world:** (Gen. 3:17)

- Our planet–separated from God
 - begins to die
- Fruit trees–flowers–streams–begin to die
- Sin/death–sown by and in the human race.



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●Some **try–eliminate guilt...**

- alcohol–drugs–premarital sex–love of money
- only makes our situation worse
- only breaks relationships more
- only takes us further away from God

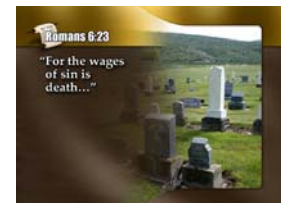


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●Sin–separated us from God.

- Sin–brought discontent–anxiety–fear–worry

●Worse thing sin brings - Bible says–Romans 6:23: **“For the wages of sin is death,...”**



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●With death threatening us–how do we find peace? –Need–**freedom from guilt**–to find peace



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●Most of all–yearn–find **solution** **–problem of death**

- Unless** we can be reconciled to God
 - cannot **find forgiveness** for sin-rebellion
 - cannot solve the **riddle of death.**
 - and we are **doomed to eternal death.**



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- Not only—Adam and Eve sin
 - **we have—rebelled against God’s authority**
 - Our sin—separated **us** from God
 - **we too have sinned**



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- **Since our problem is within us, we need help from above.**

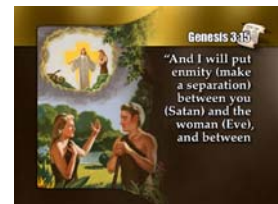
- No New Age thinking—ever solve—problems
 - **New Age**—leads you—**look within** yourself
 - That’s where—**problem is born**—not solution
 - problem must be **solved from without**
- God promised—solution—in His son Jesus Christ



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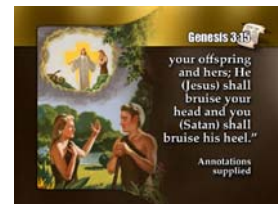
- God said—Genesis 3:15:

“And I will put enmity [make a separation] between you [Satan] and the woman [Eve], and between....”



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“...your offspring and hers; He [Jesus] shall bruise your head and you [Satan] will bruise his heel.”



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- God warned Satan...
 - He would **separate Satan from the Woman**
 - Separate Satan’s offspring and hers: Jesus
 - He warned
 - He, Jesus, shall bruise your head, Satan.
 - And you will bruise His heel.
- God **predicted**—He would send Christ, the **Messiah**.
 - Messiah—**give Satan’s head a deadly blow**
 - Christ would receive a blow—
 - **not a deadly blow**—on His **heel**.
- Messiah—was promised in the Garden of Eden
 - God revealed—glimpse—plan of salvation
 - God revealed—He had a **solution for the sin**



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- First, Adam and Eve—offered **animal sacrifices**.



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- Later—days of Israel—God said, in Exodus 25:8:
*“Let them make me a **sanctuary** that I may dwell among them.”*



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- God had plan—**eliminate condemnation** and guilt
 - a plan—bridge gap—separation, caused by sin
 - So ancient Israel, the Israelites, built a sanctuary.

- (ILL): Suppose—Israelite got **angry with his neighbor**. Israelite **sinned against God and his neighbor** and feels guilt—feels estranged from God—feel loneliness and fear.
That’s what happens when we sin.



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●To help them **understand–plan of salvation**,
God said, bring a **lamb**–to the sanctuary–**confess**
sin–with your hands–head of lamb–**transfer guilt** to
lamb–**plunge knife** into throat–lamb. Watch.

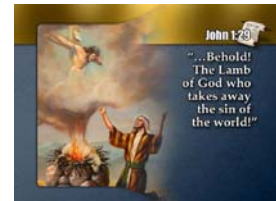
●**Sinner came guilty**–lamb bears guilt–must die–
wages of sin is death

●Every **sacrificial lamb–pointed forward**
–to Christ who would come–the **lamb of God**
–go to the **cross**–die the death we should die
–Jesus–the **bridge between God and man**.



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●John 1:29 says: **“Behold the lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world.”**



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●You either **bear–guilt–own sin**–or–by **faith–**
claim substitute–Lamb of God

●**Terrible–lambs had to die**–blood had to be shed.
–Much **more terrible–Jesus–Lamb of God**
–had to die on our behalf
–Without Jesus–each–bears **guilt of our own sin**



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●The heart–book of Revelation is Jesus Christ.
–Revelation presents two paths.
–**God’s way. And man’s way.**
–Revelation presents **two leaders**:
–The **Lamb, Jesus** Christ–invites us–
–to give Him our allegiance, or
–The **beast** who commands our allegiance.



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- Revelation 1:5 says:

“...Unto him that loved us, and washed us from our sins in his own blood.”

–Jesus is the Lamb of Revelation.



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- In Revelation 5:12, John describes angels –around God’s throne, singing:

“Worthy is the lamb that was slain.”



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- Revelation 12:11 says:

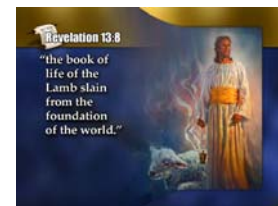
“...they overcame him by the blood of the lamb.”



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- And Revelation 13:8 also describes...

“...the book of life of the lamb slain from the foundation of the world.”



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- When Adam and Eve sinned

–God put–salvation plan into action immediately

- Revelation 14:6 says–center–book of Revelation

“...the everlasting gospel.”



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- The gospel–the good news, is..

–that this world has been redeemed by God.

- Revelation 19:9: We will be invited to the

“...marriage supper of the lamb.”



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- About the second coming of Christ—Revelation 19:13 says:

“...he [Jesus] was clothed with a vesture dipped in blood.”



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- Christ comes as—lamb of God
—shed His blood for us

- Jesus Christ invites...in Revelation 22:17:

“...whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely.”



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- You can come freely to Jesus...
—**confess** your sin—**transfer guilt** from you - Him.



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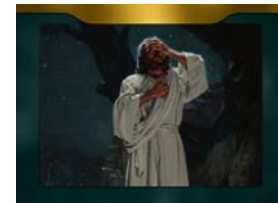
- Bible says—2 Corinthians, chapter 5:21:

“For He [God] made Him [Christ] who knew no sin to be sin for us, that we might become the righteousness of God in him.”



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- Christ never sinned, but...
—He **accepted—guilt** of our sins
—Christ—**willing**—to be **lost for eternity**



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(ILL): A student once asked—teacher, “How long is eternity?” The teacher replied, “Picture a seagull taking one drop out of the ocean every thousand years. The seagull flies away and comes back a thousand years later and takes another drop. Then the seagull flies back a thousand years later and takes another drop out of the ocean and leaves. By the time the ocean gets dry, that’s the first second of eternity.” Yes, eternity is a long, long time.



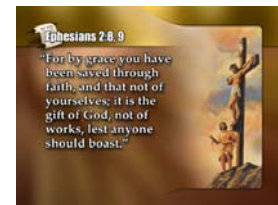
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- When Jesus died—accepted guilt—all sins of mankind
 - He—willing to be condemned—for sin—your sin
 - willing—risk eternity—for you and me



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- God promises, Eph. 2: 8: ***“For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God, not of works, lest anyone should boast.”***



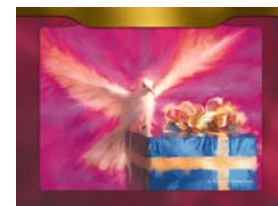
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- Salvation—**not** by **what I do**—but—**Jesus has done**
 - He died the death I should have died.

- Bible says, “For by grace you have been saved through faith.”

—It is a gift! Can’t buy for yourself

—It can only be given by someone else.



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- **Explain salvation**—one more time
 - Here are—**Steps to Find Peace of Mind**



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- **First**—freedom from guilt—eternal life is yours—
Accept the fact—you are a sinner



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—Romans 3:23 says...

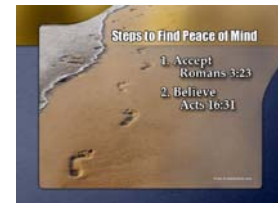
“All have sinned and come short of the glory of God.”



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- Truth is—we are all separated from God
- Coming to Jesus—saying—“Oh, Lord, I am a sinner.”

- **Second**—we **believe**
 - Christ is the Son of God
 - He died on Calvary for us.



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● Acts 15:31 says...

“Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and you will be saved.”

—Believe—Christ—lived and died—is your Savior



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- **Third**—we **confess**
 - Accept—you are a sinner
 - Believe—Jesus died for you
 - Confess your sins to Jesus...



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● John 1:9 says:

“If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins...”



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“...and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness”

- But you say...I've lied, gotten angry, –
–committed adultery, murdered?
–How can God forgive all of this!



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- Are you going to call God a liar?
–Bible says–Christ's blood–**sufficient** for all sins



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- **Accept**–that you're a sinner.
 - Believe–that Christ died–that salvation is a gift
 - **Confess** your sins to Him.



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- **Fourthly–decide** that you want to follow Him.

- Revelation 3:20 John wrote:
“Behold, I stand at the door, and knock: if any man hear my voice, and open the door...”



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“...I will come in to him, and will dine with him, and he with me.”



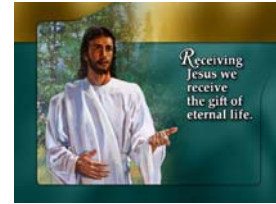
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- Acts 3:19 says... **“Repent therefore and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out...”**



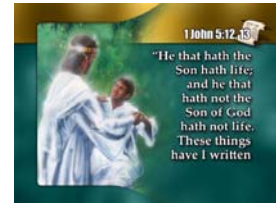
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- Receiving Jesus, we receive the gift of eternal life.
–Eternal life can be yours tonight.



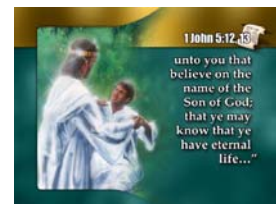
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- John 5:12, 13 says:
“He that hath the son hath life; and he that hath not the Son of God hath not life. These things have I written...”



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“...unto you that believe on the name of the Son of God; that you may know that you have eternal life...”



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- When I accept Jesus Christ
–Condemnation–Anxiety–Guilt are gone
–Jesus is in my heart–I am His and He is mine

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- Martin Luther—a troubled young man
–had **NOT experienced**–joy of knowing Jesus
–In 1505–walking through–a German forest



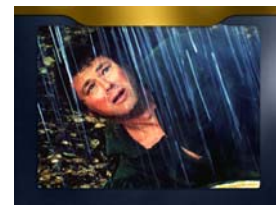
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- Thunderstorm–Lightning–drove Martin to knees



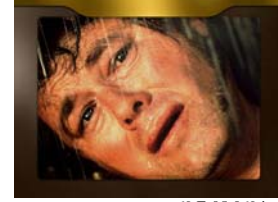
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- He looked up–only knew–patron saint Anne
- Cried out–**Oh, saint Anne, protect me.**
–Lightning flashed–thunder crashed



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–He promised–protect me, **I will become a priest**



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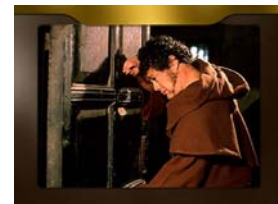
–Soon–rain stopped–sky cleared–sun appeared.



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●Faithful to his promise

- Martin Luther entered a **monastery**
- in monastery–felt **separated from God**
- condemned



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●In monastery

- endured penance** after penance
- still no peace
- He stayed up–one or two o'clock in the morning
- whipped himself**–still–no peace



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●He thought–my **body is sinful**

- If I **beat it** long enough–I'll have peace
- If I **fast long enough**–I'll have peace
- I must do something-satisfy- **offended God.**



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●He began–**study the Bible**

- discovered–epistle to the **Romans**



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●As he read–something amazing occurred...



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- He read—Romans 6:23:

“For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.”



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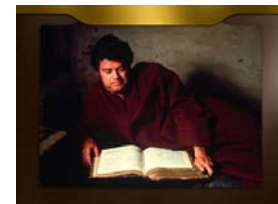
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- Martin—prayed—for that gift



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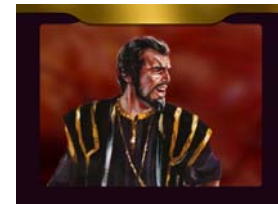
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- Peace flooded his soul
 - sensed freedom from guilt

- Martin was sleeping—had a **dream**



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- **Satan appeared** to him
 - unrolled the **scroll of Martin’s sins**



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- specific sins**—cheating—lies—unclean thoughts
 - Sins—Martin knew were his

- Devil asked—**Are these your sins?**
- Martin said, **Yes**
- Devil asked—**Is death the wages of sin? Yes.**
- Devil asked—Must you die?
- And Martin said, **Move your hand.**



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- Devil’s hand–top of the scroll
 - Martin said again, **move your hand!**
 - Devil said, No.



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- Martin Luther said
 - In the **name of the Christ**
 - wore–crown–thorns
 - had nails through His hands
 - In the name of Christ–**MOVE YOUR HAND!**
 - Satan trembled**–name of Christ–**he fled**

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- Under his hand–it said: **“The blood of Jesus Christ cleanses Martin Luther from all his sins.”**



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- That **blood can cleanse** you tonight
 - it can bring joy, peace, forgiveness into your life
- Maybe you’ve accepted Christ**
 - only on the surface
 - in name only
 - You **have no assurance and peace**
 - if you died tonight,–don’t know if
 - you would be saved

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- Come with me—hill called Calvary
—just before the death of Christ
- Come with me—**Pilate’s judgment hall**
—watch as Christ is **whipped and beaten**
—watch—jam—**crown of thorns** upon His head
- Behold—**agony** in His eyes
—watch—**blood** as it trickles down His face
- Who is He?—Jesus the son of God
—Christ—spoke the world into existence
—The one—at whose name angels sing:
“Holy, Holy”



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- Look at His body
—Broken—bruised—bleeding—battered
—Jesus loves you enough to die in your place.



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- Can you turn from such love?



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- John 3:16 says:
“For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten son...”



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“...that whosoever...”

- I love the “**whosoever**”
 - doesn’t say a black man–white man–Asian
 - It says, whosoever–means you and me



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“...That whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.”

- Peace can be yours.
 - Freedom from guilt
 - condemnation can be yours.
 - Eternal life can be yours
 - Can you turn from such love?

(ILL): Vietnam war–young lieutenant–six special buddies. He said, I will do anything to get you home. My goal–everyone of us–go home alive.



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Last month–tour of duty–they were in a battle–Vietcong soldiers surrounded them. Their little group–pinned down–machine-gun fire. Five of them, the lieutenant–four buddies, got back to the foxhole.



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Their sixth buddy–shot in the legs by a machine gun. He was caught in the middle of an open field. His legs bloody–enemy soldiers approaching. Group–hear screams–buddy–Don’t leave me!

Young lieutenant–crawled into the field–arms around buddy–pulled him to safety. As they reached–foxhole–lieutenant–shot in the back–killed. Gave–life for his buddy.

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Two years after the war—parents of—young lieutenant—learned—the private for whom son had given—life—coming to Seattle area—invited him home for dinner. They wanted to talk—about the gallantry, courage, of their son.

The private—arrived drunk. The mother—gone to great lengths—prepare a magnificent meal. Table—set beautifully. Insensitive private—burped through meal—slobbered—told immoral jokes about army. It was—horrible evening—worst of these parents’ life.

End of the evening—father—escorted young man to the door—walked him to the car—bid him goodbye. Private jumped in car—revved engine—spun tires—gravel flying everywhere.

Father returned to the house—shut the door—saw his wife—on the couch crying. Through tears, she said, “Jack, our precious son gave his life for that thing? What terrible ingratitude! To care so little for one who gave so much!”

● **How is it with you and Jesus?**

- He gave it all for you
- He poured out His blood for you
- He offers—forgiveness—peace
 - freedom from guilt



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● Tonight Jesus wants to put your name in that verse that Martin Luther saw. He wants to say “The Blood of Jesus cleanses John from all his sins.” “The Blood of Jesus cleanses Mary from all her

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sins.” Jesus’ blood was shed for you. Tonight, you can claim that forgiveness on your behalf by faith, by believing the word of God that we have read here tonight and trusting that God has forgiven you. Do you want that experience tonight? So that by faith, when you are discouraged and feeling condemned you can say, “Satan, in the name of Jesus who died for me, who spilled His precious blood on my behalf, move your hand!” Don’t let the devil keep you away from a clear conscience anymore. Jesus has bridged the gap of separation that sin has made. The blood of Jesus cleanses YOU from YOUR sins.

●Tonight, Jesus is calling you. He loves you and wants to do so many wonderful things for you. Will you give Him your heart, your life, your love tonight?

In a moment _____ will sing, “My Jesus, I Love Thee.” Then we’ll pray. And after the prayer, I’m going to pass out a response card.

- Give you a chance—respond to Jesus
- Tell Him—you understand—through Him you can be saved.

●Listen now as _____ sings:

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My Jesus, I love Thee, I know Thou art mine;
For Thee all the follies of sin I resign.
My gracious Redeemer, my Savior art Thou;
If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.

I love Thee because Thou has first loved me,
And purchased my pardon on Calvary's tree.
I love Thee for wearing the thorns on Thy brow;
If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.

I'll love Thee in life, I will love Thee in death,
And praise Thee as long as Thou lendest me breath;
And say when the death dew lies cold on my brow,
If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.

In mansions of glory and endless delight,
I'll ever adore Thee in heaven so bright;
I'll sing with the glittering crown on my brow;
If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.

(Prayer): O, my Father, we come to You because there's no other place to come. We come to You because there's nobody else who can give us the peace and the freedom from condemnation that our hearts long for. We come to You to find mercy and forgiveness. We cannot turn away from the cross. We can't turn away from the blood that Jesus shed for us. We surrender our all to You tonight. And we accept Your gift of eternal life into our hearts right now, in Christ's name. Amen.

●Our ushers have a card for you now. It's a card—give you chance—respond to the cross

1st line: **I believe that salvation comes only by grace through**

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faith in Christ. If you believe that salvation comes only by faith through Jesus Christ our Lord, check that first box.

2nd line: **I once knew Jesus, but I have drifted away. And tonight, I want to recommit my life to Christ.**

Maybe you were a Christian. Maybe you drifted away. But tonight you're saying, I can't turn my back on that love. I can't turn my back on One who cares for me so much. I can't turn my back on One who died for me. I'm not going to turn my back on Him with ingratitude. I'm going to come with my heart open to receive His love. Check the second box.

3rd line: **I repent of my sins and accept Jesus as my personal Savior believing that my sins are forgiven and this gift of eternal life is mine.**

If you want to say, I am accepting Jesus as my personal Savior and tonight, I'm going to walk out of here with peace in my life knowing that I am connected to God, and the gift of eternal life is mine, check the third box.

It's helpful to me to get to know you a little bit. You know we have many lovely Christians attending. Catholic Christians, Baptist Christians, Orthodox Christians, Pentecostal Christians. We have Adventist Christians, people of no church.

Please write—name of the church of which you're a member in the

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blank. Then, please write your name, address, and telephone number.

You may have come here tonight filled with guilt. You can leave in peace. You may have come filled with condemnation. You can leave with joy, knowing you have eternal life. You may have come here tonight uncertain of your salvation. You can leave assured that Jesus saves you to the utmost.

If you have accepted Christ on this card tonight, this is your declaration of faith. God sees what you have written—but He also sees what’s in your heart. You can know that He knows your name. It’s written in heaven.

Now, ushers, please pick up all the cards and bring them forward. This is going to be a special moment in our meetings. We’re going to offer these cards up to our Lord. God knows your name. God knows your heart.

So, just now, Lord, on behalf of each of these who filled out these cards, I lift them up to You. You know each person by name. You know each heart. Each one here tonight is priceless and precious to You—so much that Jesus gave His life for them. Take each one, and write them down in Your book. Thank You for giving them eternal life. Send them from this place happy, in peace, in certainty, and singing. And thank You for doing all this, in Christ’s name. Amen.