

Seeing Jesus - Part 2

by K.P. Yohannan

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Scripture: Exodus 2:11

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Description

In this sermon, K.P. Yohannan emphasizes the importance of loving the Lord supremely and being willing to give up everything, including our lives, to follow Christ. He uses the example of Abraham, who had to leave everything behind and trust God's guidance to a place unknown. Yohannan encourages listeners to seek a deep relationship with God and to ask Him to remove the veil from their eyes so they can see Him as He truly is. He reminds us that we are like clay in the hands of the Potter, and being molded by Him is the best place to be.

Transcript

Loving the Lord supremely that's next on the road to reality In Mark chapter 8 Jesus posed the question What good is it for a man to gain the whole world and yet lose his soul? If there's ever a question people in the 21st century need to take to heart, it's that one So many today are living for themselves and for things that well in the end are going to perish Today on the road to reality KP Yohannan will encourage us to be willing to give up everything Including our lives in order to follow Christ the cost of discipleship is great, but the reward Oh, it's even greater still and that's what this message is all about This is the radio outreach of gospel for Asia We would invite you to join us now in Psalm 73 as we hear what brother KP has on his heart today In Psalm 73 we read about a godly man like many of you the guy Decided he's just gonna live for God. He washed his hands from all the dirt and all this stuff And he kept journeying But then he began to look around and see people Who are stupid ungodly making money and riches and name and fame and nothing wrong with them They're well off and you know, I mean, they're not skinny and dying without any food and they plenty of food and they could disgrace it You know, this is dumb This faith I'm grabbing hold of this pursuit After living God that I cannot see and touch What is it I have nothing to show for Then he says my feet almost slipped. I gave up my faith and he was all alone He chose to be alone to walk alone a lonely walk with his eye on the face of the living God, but then the humanity the reality of Temptation just attacks him and he says he's I'm going to hold on this.

I'm going to go out to make him money and be like anybody else and Then it says Until I came into the presence of God I understood their end Listen close, please do What you do today what you are today how you live for Christ today how Radically can become for Christ's sake be a nobody alone This crazy individual whose eyes fixed on eternity having said no to everything in the world depends on Not the present but the future You see something nobody else can see and say It's okay for them for me. I see something that nobody can see and that Is passion and a pursuit should be so in verse 25. He says Lord, I've just been so dumb Whom have I in heaven, but you and on earth I Desire no one nothing beside you.

I remember 30 years ago When this land I that's my wife You know, she was born in Germany and I was born in India talking about getting married and all that We both were on the mission field Here they came and he talked about following the Lord as a family In one of our conversations this came up If there must be a choice Between Her and Jesus for her Me or Jesus which one she would choose I would choose and we came up with the statement As long as we live on earth We will love Jesus more than loving one another Please don't get confused. We are still together. We are two children They both are serving God on the mission field.

We are happy little people Hallelujah My precious brother I Want to ask you a question just as a friend as a brother Are you following the teachings of Christ? And the Bible or are you following Christ Mahatma Gandhiji the father of India the nation Militant in his obeying the teachings of Christ, but he never followed Christ Consultations Hundreds of books about how to be a better person All this can be a wonderful thing, but if it all is about us About making me a better person For whatever that means to you if it is not about him We have to be very very very very careful We have a crisis in Christendom or Following the teachings the doctrines not following Christ the person Holy Spirit came Not to give goosebumps Holy Spirit came Jesus said when he comes he will not speak of himself, but he will take the things of mine and He will show them to you. Why because it is a continuous learning and Exchange of what I am all about For him, so it's him and him alone and nothing else. That's what Paul talks about Romans My greatest longing is this that somehow you will become more and more like him There's a crisis blessings of God is now seen in Material blessings.

Oh, man Look at his business. Look at how healthy is look at his kids. Hey, listen What about Hebrews 11 half of them lost their life the world wasn't worthy of them Today 14 sisters live on the mission field in India and Nepal whose husbands were murdered Killed for preaching the gospel These young sisters are raising their kids on the mission field saying that they will take the place of their husband and continue to preach the gospel Moses was a man Strong man able man smarter man than all of us Great orator destined to be the king sit on a throne but one day he had encounter with Someone it says seeing him who is invisible He forsook left everything of Egypt and the pleasure so sin I Was in a pastor's conference some time ago 800 pastors and about six or seven of them later came and said can we have a little time with you? Just pray for me each one by the way Every one of them had fallen in adultery sometime and living with horrible horrible guilt and sin and pain The epidemic the crisis, you know we People live in two months of victory over this stupid some sin and then they fall back and you know It's a little yo-yo constantly.

Why is it you ask the question? Unless we recognize something more precious that is Please see Him who is invisible that will give you the impetus the strength the joy and whatever it takes to say no to the sin and no to the stuff that is pulling you down and down and down and Moses was able to walk away from all because he saw not the children of Israel. They were dumb. They were crazy They were after him Pick a stone to kill him But remember he said one time God Moses, what do you want? Can I ask you a question

go ahead I just want to see you That's what I want Moses you can't see my face and remain alive, but you can see the back Another time he said you want me to go and do this thing, please don't Most I give you all the power in the world.

I mean you can do anything you wanna all the power You can do anything. No God unless you go with me. I just don't want to go Even when he failed when God said Moses, huh? I'm sorry.

You can't enter into the promised land. You don't read What's wrong with the God I saw You know what I think happened is my own interpretation When God said Moses, you cannot go into the promised land Then you read God conducted the funeral for his servant Moses. You know what Moses thought in his heart I think it's imagination Good good good Finally I'm not spend any more time with this paper.

I can be with him But I I walked away for all this stuff my pursuit this pressure This one thing I longed for to be lost in him. Don't hear on earth. I just want to be with him finally Could be I didn't know I could do something like this and I could have done it long ago But then later we find Christ he's meeting with Moses and Elijah You know Abraham was a rich dude You know Sir Leonard Woolley of England had to go to Iraq to prove Well to disprove rather that there was no place called or of the Chaldeans you read that in history book and He did find out there was a place called or of the Chaldeans in Iraq by the way and they found out these people lived in the time they were rich and well to do Abraham was not a poor chap But all his family making idols Selling gods and goddesses and making a living.

They are big business people then One day Abraham here the strange voice Abraham who is talking It's me the real thing. I Wanted to leave your house your Parents and riches and the whole thing and go to a place. I will show you now just displayed this out.

Okay, it's a movie Just think about Abraham this man coming home that evening and look and a gloomy and sad and his parents is What's wrong with you? You look depressed? Yeah, I've been noticing that Everyone what I'm here about happen. Well, I just can't talk about it What do you mean? You can't talk about you don't understand it you try Days goes by he's still gloomy and kind of maybe sad is it Abraham? What is wrong? Well, I told you you would not understand it, but I'll tell you God told me to leave you and go to a place He will show me Which God We got 30 million sitting here No, you don't understand that it's a living God You know, we read the Bible thing it's just so simple it is so complex Abraham had to walk away from Everything he knew To go where there's no job no security nothing nothing nothing and God said I will show you where Don't ask me I'll tell you later And he goes off and He lives in tents He became very rich and very affluent yet. He will not build a mansion How do you explain all that well go to book of Hebrews chapter 11, it says that Abraham Saw a city that has foundations and the builder and maker is God Hallelujah, hallelujah And he Longed to be the friend of God not just casual acquaintance.

So he was willing finally Abraham yes, Lord Your son the only son Sacrificing How would we explain all this you can't it goes beyond Logic But then he will do that why He was absolutely persuaded His greatest longing was not for his son and the riches and the earth and earthly things or his dreams for himself rather God and him alone and that is the reason why he could walk through life like that Abraham The friend of God loved the Lord more than anything else and that's precisely where we need to be in our own lives We'll have more encouragement in that direction in just a moment here on the road to reality with KP Oh, Hannah, are you one of the many who long to be faithful a faithful disciple of Christ and yet find yourself? Distracted away from that for one reason or another if you're sidetracked You can get back on course to help you in that regard. We'd like to offer you a book written by brother KP It's called the road to reality. It's

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I will buy it What do you have? Let's write it down. I have \$10,000 in the bank Good \$10,000. I have nothing more.

That's all I have. How we nothing more Well, I have some dollars in my pocket. How much well 30 40 50 80 100 120.

Yeah, how many \$20? That's fine. What else you have? I have nothing else. That's all.

Where do you live? I live in a house. Oh, you have a house the house do Then you mean I must live in the garage Well, how your garage? To that is to what else you have Then you must have a car yeah, I have a car no, I have two cars. Well those cars to Both becomes mine both cars.

What else you have? When you have a house a garage cars and money everything what else you want? I have nothing else Are you alone in the world? No, I have wife and two children Your wife and two children too. They are mine That too Yes, everything you have that's what I told you what else what do you mean what does I have nothing else I am left alone now, oh You too Everything Everything everything becomes mine wife children house garage cars money clothing everything and you too and By the way now we can have it all For you to use it but remember it's not yours and here is the Paul When I gaze upon your loveliness When I look into your holiness when I gaze upon your loveliness when all things that surrounds me become shadows in the light of you I Rather have Jesus than silver and gold I Rather be his than riches and gold. I rather have Jesus than houses or lands I rather be led by his nail-pierced hand Than to be the king of a vast domain Or to be held in sin's clefts way.

I rather have Jesus than anything this world affords today 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 in life. I will love thee in death and praise thee as long as thou Lenders me birth and say when the death do you lies call on my brow if ever I love thee my Jesus tis now When we see him we shall be like him and my brothers I plead with you Hear the call of the bridegroom Come away my love Come away Come away in key greens words this mess this plastic superficial This self-centered Christianity and all the fakie stuff my love come away be mine Because hundred years from now you will not be living in your house Driving your car live with the reputation or pursue or go after any other stuff you are You are destined and called For the throne and for eternity to be with him and if that be the case the measure in which now you are willing to give up the follies of sin and relationships and habits and embrace the pain that comes from embracing the cross and love him supremely and Give up all Whatever it takes You will become more like him and when you see him face to face you will not Jesus I didn't know you look like this. No It's instant because you will become like him no regrets.

And if that be the case One of the significant evidence of our being like him is Humility holiness Gentleness and then deep concern for the lost and dying millions in our generation Because you want to be Christ like in your life that Christ said I Came to seek and save that which was lost and you make exchange of everything you go Everywhere you go where the gospel tracks in your pocket every minute you get you meditate and I would say this to you without going into my personal life Please my brother Unless you come to the place of spending at least an hour or two alone with your Lord on a daily basis it is not a ritual because Meditation and intimacy and being with him in the end. You will have to call the office and say I'm so sorry I can't come to work today. They say what's wrong with you.

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