

Genuine – Sermon Transcript

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So, we entitled it genuine this morning, the word genuine. If you go to Matthew 11:27. There is a Scripture that says, “I was glad when they said to me, ‘Let us go into the house of the Lord’” (Psalm 122:1, NKJV). The Lord's house is full of joy and hope and life, and we're so thankful for Him.

Matthew 11:27 says, “All things have been delivered to Me by My Father, and no one knows the Son except the Father. Nor does anyone know the Father except the Son, and the one to whom the Son wills to reveal Him” (NKJV). Let me read it again. This is Jesus. “All things have been delivered to Me by My Father, and no one knows the Son except the Father. Nor does anyone know the Father except the Son, and the one to whom the Son wills to reveal Him” (Matthew 11:27, NKJV). Now go to Hebrews 1:1-4.

It says, “God, who at various times and in various ways spoke in time past to the fathers by the prophets, has in these last days spoken to us by His Son, whom He has appointed heir of all things, through whom also He made the worlds; who being the brightness of His glory and the express image of His person, and upholding all things by the word of His power, when He had by Himself purged our sins, sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, having become so much better than the angels, as He has by inheritance obtained a more excellent name than they” (NKJV). God, who at various times and in various ways has spoken to all the prophets, all the ones that were sent to bring forth His word.

Yes? And in these last days He has spoken to us by His Son Jesus. Jesus is the manifested, revealed word of God. All the prophets prophesied and spoke of the coming Messiah, of the Son of God, of the ruler of all. They all spoke and prophesied and prepared the peoples for the Son of God that was coming. Hallelujah. And only Jesus knows the Father and only the Father knows Jesus. Yes, They are one. The Holy Spirit is one. We are one. The Father, Jesus Christ, and the Holy Spirit, correct? They know the will. They know the Word. They know the passion of the Godhead. They're in unity. They're in agreement. And in such a time, Jesus came forth to fulfill the perfect will of the Godhead.

Truth. Okay, so He has spoken at various times. Now Jesus is the appointed heir of all things. It declares that He also helped make the worlds. He was the brightness of God's glory. He was the express image of His very person, and I would say every attribute of His person. Yes, spirit, soul, and body, mind, will, and emotion, everything pertaining to God. Jesus was the exact perfect being. As He is, so He is. He upholds all things by the word of His power. when He purged our sins. Jesus purged our sins. Jesus purged our sins once and

for all. We know that the great Gospel is that He went to the cross and He bore the sins of the world, all of the sins of all mankind from the beginning to the end, paid the price for it.

His blood was poured out. And everybody that believes in Him wouldn't perish but have everlasting life. We know this is the Gospel. We know that He was crucified, dead and buried. Yes, God raised Him on the third day. He's alive. He's no longer suffering, remember. He ascended back to heaven. He rules on high even now. And by His Spirit, He lives and breathes in the body of Christ on the earth. The Holy Spirit is here and the Holy Spirit is inside of you if you've been born again from above. This is glorious, magnificent news. And the Father, it was His heart's desire to make it this way, to do it this way, because He wants a family, correct?

He is laboring to seek and save the lost. We were once lost. Then we came into the family of God when we believed on Him with all of our heart. Then once you come into the family of God, we join this unity. We step into the unity of the Godhead. We're given His passion. We're given His desire. We're given His commandments. We're given His word. The Holy Ghost is training us, delivering us, healing us, restoring us, teaching us. He will lead you into all truth, the Scripture says. Holy Spirit is laboring with us. And as we are being transformed, then we are anointed and appointed, called and chosen to go into all the world and preach this glorious gospel and to be that witness to reveal Jesus and to give them hope and a salvation so as many would believe, would be saved.

So we come in, then we go out. We came in and we went up. We come in and we go out. We are living witnesses, carriers of the Word of God Himself. We are not God, but God lives in us, yes? We are sons of God, yes? We are daughters of God. We are the family of the Most High God. And everything Jesus said, He was so obedient to the Father even unto death, because He trusted that the Father would raise Him from the dead. And He trusted that He would give eternal life to everybody that believed on Him. He trusted that every soul would be sanctified. Every soul would be sanctified. We've been speaking on this. He trusted that everyone that came out of the world to sin the flesh and the devil was going to be made holy.

As the Father is holy. We're coming out of depravity and sin and the nature of it, and He calls us His own, gives us His Spirit, and says, "Be holy, for I am holy" (1 Peter 1:16, NKJV). "Therefore you shall be perfect, just as your Father in heaven is perfect" (Matthew 5:48, NKJV). And you cannot attain to this except by the Spirit of God. Jesus Christ, whom He sent, appointed heir of all things. so that the brightness of His glory, and we speak of this often because we are called as the body of Christ to behold Him in all of His glory. We sang of that again this morning, the goodness of God in the land of the living. We see God in His goodness every single day, beloved.

You should see God and know that He is loving you every single day, even when we mess up. Yes, He loves us, and He will have His way. He will correct us. He will discipline us. and He will make the wrong things right. Yes. Say amen. He purged our sins. He purged our sins and sat down of the majesty on high at the right hand. Isn't that amazing? Now genuine, what does that word mean? Genuine. It means possessing the claimed or attributed character, quality, or origin. It's not counterfeit. Possessing the claimed or attributed character, quality, or origin. It's not a counterfeit. Genuine is authentic and real. Free from pretense and hypocrisy.

Sincere. You've heard of a genuine person. That's a genuine person, yes. We can be frank, honest, open, true, pure. You hear it? Jesus died and purged our sins so we would be genuine, authentic, sons of the Most High, not counterfeits. We are not presenting a gospel in hypocrisy. We are only testifying of what Jesus has done for us. We are not hypocrites, talking about something that we don't know nothing about. We have been born again from above. We know in whom we believe. He has given us a genuine faith, and we boldly testify of His goodness. We boast in Him. We share His life so that others can come in. Say no counterfeit. I'm the real deal.

Because of the Spirit of God, yes. Now go to 1 Peter 1:3-9. Jesus Himself purged our sins so we could be free. Purged is a big word. Destroyed, annihilated, removed. crucified. Hallelujah. First Peter 1:3-9. My subtitle says we have a heavenly inheritance. I like that. It says, "Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to His abundant mercy has begotten us again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, to an inheritance incorruptible and undefiled and that does not fade away, reserved in heaven for you, who are kept by the power of God through faith for salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.

In this you greatly rejoice, though now for a little while, if need be, you have been grieved by various trials, that the genuineness of your faith, being much more precious than gold that perishes, though it is tested by fire, may be found to praise, honor, and glory at the revelation of Jesus Christ, whom having not seen you love. Though now you do not see Him, yet believing, you rejoice with joy inexpressible and full of glory, receiving the end of your faith—the salvation of your souls" (NKJV). That's a lot. Jesus made the way for us to have a heavenly inheritance, to live eternally with Him. And we receive it, we start receiving as soon as we are born again.

And He praises, Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the one when Jesus said, My Father knows Me and I know Him and I've been sent to do His will. Perfect unity, yes. Praise. Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. Every time we're doing that, we are honoring Their unity. We're honoring Their will. We're honoring Their work

of sanctification. We're honoring the great salvation. We're honoring the Godhead, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost. Blessed be God. Yes, it's not just how They started the letters. It was a literal act of worship, because now we're seated with Him in heavenly places, the Scripture says.

And so if we're seated with Him in heavenly places, we are declaring, Blessed is the Father, blessed is the Son, blessed is the Great Holy Ghost, blessed is His Word. We have inherited Their kingdom, and one day, face to face. Say, Amen. That's just the introduction, yes? who according to His abundant mercy, abundant mercy, abundant mercy, my goodness, grace and mercy, abundant mercy has begotten us again to a living hope. We have a living hope. God is not dead. Yes, Jesus has been raised from the dead. He's alive now. He's coming again. Hallelujah. We can hardly wait. Jesus, according to His abundant mercy, has begotten us again. We've been born again from above.

Yes, we've been born again. We've been born again. We are receiving this inheritance. We are receiving awesome revelation of His glory now. I don't want to wait until I get there. There's no rule that says you can't know Me until you cross over and go to heaven. No, the laborers are laboring that we would know Him, be known by Him, commune with Him, love Him, have fellowship with Him, and be a part of His great work. Yes. According to His abundant mercy, He has begotten us again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus from the dead. Praise the Lord, He's alive. Number four, to an inheritance incorruptible and undefiled and will not fade away reserved in heaven for you.

Why do the apostles have to teach this? Because the saints of the Most High have to have hope. They have to know in whom they believe. We have to know who we are, who our God is, and where we're going. We get to receive our inheritance now and one day then face to face. Hallelujah. Wow. For eternity of eternities of eternities. Just saying. This is outside our box, beloved. This is heavenly. This is eternal. This is glorious inheritance. And it starts now. We have the blessing to know the Lord now. That's why these words are penned and are still living for us now. This is genuine from the heart of God. An inheritance incorruptible, undefiled.

It will not fade away, reserved. Reserved. See, I have reservations. Okay. Who are kept by the power of God through faith. We are kept by the power of God through faith. I pray this every week. I don't know how many times it comes out of me. I'm kept by the power of God through faith in Christ. You see, these declarations are who you are now. And they break away. They break open. They make a way for us to inherit, inherit life and eternal life now. Wow. I'm kept by the power of God. That's a strong statement. That's not dead religion. That's not just I go to church. I am kept by the power of God, all-powerful, almighty God. Blessed is His name.

Blessed is His inheritance. Blessed is the one who came to save us, yes? I'm kept by the power of God through faith. It's all through faith right now, till face to face, for salvation ready to be real. Did you know that God, I think They're more ready to be revealed completely than we are? You know, because it's His desire, it's His delight that we would know Him and be one. And Jesus tried His best to show that to us. Six, so we're all rejoicing, though for a little while on the planet, we are grieved with various trials. True? Seven, so the genuineness of your faith, the genuineness of your faith, the genuineness of your faith, say, I'm genuine.

Genuine. We are the real deal, beloved. We are not fake. We are born again from above. We've been given inheritance. We belong to God in Christ Jesus. We are the real deal. We are not hypocrites. Do you understand? What God says, we believe. What God says do, we do. Right? We obey the Lord. And when we disobey, He is loving enough to correct us and lead us in truth. Amen. Say I'm a genuine person because I have a genuine faith. And it's much more precious than gold. You can't buy it, right? You can't buy it. You can't buy it. You can't sell it. Our faith is more precious. It's worth more than anything else in the world. That's just the truth.

That's how God sees it. Otherwise, He would have made a way where we all have to pay, you know, 20 bucks to get in. Give Me some gold. I'll let you in. There's nothing on the earth that can measure. Yes? to the grace of God. By grace, through faith, we've been saved. Truth, the genuineness of our faith, even though there's sufferings in this world, the genuineness of your faith. He's encouraging the saints more precious than gold, and it's tested by fire, and it's all going to be found to praise and honor and glory of Jesus. All of this will glorify His name. Sometimes we don't see that what we're going through that's difficult will one day bring honor to Him.

because He empowered us to overcome. And in the end of the book, in Revelation, He gives great rewards to those who overcome, to His church that overcomes. Yes? Hallelujah. Say, Great rewards. We are overcomers because, see, even though we don't see, we know and we love because we receive the love that God had for us. We believe with joy and expressible, full of glory. Our faith is full of glory. Our faith is full of glory. Our faith is full of glory. It's not dead faith. It's not dead works. This is living. There's an inheritance now and in the one to come, full of glory. Receiving the end of your faith, which ultimately will be the salvation of your souls to be with Him forever and ever.

Amen. Go to Galatians 5:22-25, The fruit of the Spirit, what Holy Spirit will produce in us. Thank You, Lord, for that. We all know the works of the flesh. Got that figured out, been doing it since we were born. But we're after the fruit of the Spirit because He's sanctifying us. Galatians 5:22-25 says, "But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering,

kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control. Against such there is no law. And those who are Christ's have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit" (NKJV). There is joy in this declaration. There's more good things that God does that's not in this list.

You understand? He is so awesome and so good. But what He is transforming us with is the revelation of the great Spirit of God in you. That is so genuine and pure and holy. And when we agree with Him, we actually produce this and become this. So we're not just showing gentleness, we're gentle. We're not just hopefully making it with self-control. We have self-control. We are in control, submitted to God, obedient. You understand? I don't just understand love a little, I become love. I don't just get joy every now and then. I am exuberating all over, filled with joy, joy, joy down in my heart. Yes? I have become joy. Peace is radiating throughout me.

I am long-suffering now. You understand? It's not just a one-time hit. You went through a trial and you can look up on the list and say, well, I showed self-control there. There's deeper than that. It's deep. This is what we are becoming because the Holy Ghost is in us. You understand it. I am patient. I'm kind. I'm long-suffering. You see this? Things are shifting because we have been brought out of darkness into His marvelous light. Religion cannot do this. We are only genuine by the Spirit of God because of our faith. That the genuineness of your faith, which is more precious than gold, the genuineness of your faith And when we yield to Him, my God, glory comes.

God's fruit is genuine, authentic. It's real life. The fruit of the Spirit isn't grown in comfort, it's cultivated in surrender. The fruit of the Spirit isn't grown in comfort, it's cultivated in surrender. So we need more surrender, yes? I surrender all. And you did that when you repented of your sins and made Him Lord and Savior. And that was just the beginning. And the journey of surrender is until we cross over. It's the truth. Because even in death, we have surrendered our all to believe in the one who said He would raise us. Truth? Because when a Christian, when we go to be with the Lord, we fall asleep and we wake up in His presence. We are confident of His Word.

Hallelujah. We need more surrender. The fruit of the Spirit isn't grown in comfort, even though for a little while you're grieved by various trials. Okay, you understand the genuineness of your faith. Oh my God, I really do have holiness inside of me. He is the Spirit of holiness. He is Holy Spirit. I really have God's power. I really can heal. I can really deliver. I can cast out demons. I have eternal life. I am kept by the power of God. It shifts the way you're thinking. Say, Amen. And we're bearing the fruit of the Spirit. And when we get into the fruit of the flesh, the Holy Ghost is there to tell us, isn't He? We need more commitment to our all-powerful God.

Absolute surrender and commitment. That's all Jesus testified of. That's what He taught us. He said, Father, not My will, but Your will be done. That's what it looks like. Every morning, Father, not my will, but Your will be done. And He taught us to pray, remember? Father, holy is Your name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. That starts here. That starts here. The Lord our God continues to sanctify His family and church. This is the will of God, His sanctification. Let's go to 1 Thessalonians 4:1-3 again. We are set apart for God. Now that's an amazing statement. We need to know that we are His. No matter what kind of hell is going on on this planet, we need to know who we belong to.

And then that's the witness to someone else that is struggling. Because He said, you're the light of the world. It's going to be dark. You're the light of the world. You're genuine. And now they're going to see Your good works and glorify Your God in heaven. Truth? First Thessalonians 4:1-3, y'all there? It says, "Finally then, brethren, we urge and exhort in the Lord Jesus that you should abound more and more, just as you received from us how you ought to walk and to please God; for you know what commandments we gave you through the Lord Jesus. For this is the will of God, your sanctification" (NKJV). There's nothing but encouragement there and growth and kingdom and life.

Right? We urge you and exhort you in the Lord Jesus. Where? In the Lord Jesus. Amen. We exhort you and urge you in the Lord Jesus. In the Lord Jesus. in the Lord Jesus. Say, He is my Lord. Okay, but now He's in me. Okay, He's living in me. Christ in you, the hope of glory. Amen. That we would abound more and more, abound more and more. That's not stagnant. It's not dead. It's not hypocritical. It's not religious. It is alive. You are fresh and flourishing. We're growing, abounding, yes, more and more. That's the life of the kingdom. We're not stuck. Hallelujah. Okay? Say, fresh fire. He wants us to abound more and more, just as you've received from us, because they taught them everything they can, how you ought to walk and please God.

because they're instructing us on how to walk after God. They're revealing the word of God to us. Yes, we are revealed word. We are revealing the word. We are receiving the word, abounding more and more in it. Jesus is revealing Himself to us through His word. Yes, it will never stop. We are abounding more and more just as you received how you ought to walk and please God, because salvation, the gospel is genuine. And this is the genuineness of your faith. In this you will abound, you will grow, you will flourish, and you're going to bring in those that are unsanctified, lost, dead in their sin into My house because I have purged all their sins by My blood.

That's it. That's the key. You know the commandments we gave you. This is the will of God, your sanctification. This is the will of God. So we want that. We want that. And we know that sanctifying work is that holiness. Yes? Now go to John 17:9-19. This is the will of God,

His sanctification. Holy, consecrated, set apart for Him. Who do you serve? Jesus Christ. When you're put on a spot, who do you serve? Jesus Christ. Right? Who do you serve? Jesus Christ. He's Lord of all. That bold witness comes out of you. can't be ashamed of Him. And if we are ashamed to declare His name before men, He will be ashamed to tell us before Father. If we deny Him before men, He will deny us before the Father.

So there's a bold witness, and you can only say Jesus is Lord by the Spirit. That's why when you're lost, you can't say it. Okay? Say, I'm abounding. there's growth and joy there. And there's a whole bunch of people out there that need this good news. Okay, John 17:9-19, y'all there? You can read the whole thing at home. This is all in red. This is Jesus. Thank God He's praying for us. It says, "I pray for them. I do not pray for the world but for those whom You have given Me, for they are Yours. And all Mine are Yours, and Yours are Mine, and I am glorified in them. Now I am no longer in the world, but these are in the world, and I come to You.

Holy Father, keep through Your name those whom You have given Me, that they may be one as We are. While I was with them in the world, I kept them in Your name. Those whom You gave Me I have kept; and none of them is lost except the son of perdition, that the Scripture might be fulfilled. But now I come to You, and these things I speak in the world, that they may have My joy fulfilled in themselves. I have given them Your word; and the world has hated them because they are not of the world, just as I am not of the world. I do not pray that You should take them out of the world, but that You should keep them from the evil one. They are not of this world, just as I am not of this world.

Sanctify them by Your truth. Your word is truth. As You sent Me into the world, I also have sent them into the world. And for their sakes I sanctify Myself, that they also may be sanctified by the truth" (NKJV). Jesus Christ sanctified the Church with His own blood. He made us right with God through His own perfect blood. He sanctifies us, spirit, soul, and body. He has sanctified the inheritance. He has sanctified His Word. He has sanctified us, spirit, soul, and body. This is the will of God, your sanctification. And that's what Jesus Christ did. He obeyed the Father perfectly. I'm in You and You're in Me and they're in Us and we are one. You see that?

That's the inheritance and it starts today, not just when we get to heaven. Wow, what a glorious truth. Sanctify them by Your truth. Your word is truth. You sent Me into the world. I'm sending them into the world. I'm sending them into the world. He told us to go into all the world and preach the good news, right? The gospel. We are light bearers. So we shared this great gospel with our families, our loved ones, our friends, whomever God would send us. We were once outcasts, strangers, lost, but now we're put in the family of God and we

are His. And we are being sanctified, and then we have that same anointing as we go to someone that's not in yet and bring them in.

Because the blood of Jesus has sanctified anybody and everybody who calls upon the name of the Lord, they shall be saved. We're anointed with sanctifying power. It's not just that you get to share your faith. We are anointed with sanctified power. to bring forth light to darkness, to see a heart come out of sin, even in our family and friends and coworkers, whoever may know, not just on mission trips, just have to go down the street or at the grocery store, right? I almost said at the gas station. Do they still do gas stations? I guess they do. Anyway, wherever we may go, That's the sanctification that's coming out of me. This is the will of God, your sanctification.

He did it with His own blood. The fruit of the Spirit is genuine. We are overcoming with authentic, genuine faith everywhere we are, in our own hearts as well. "As He is, so are we in this world" (1 John 4:17, NKJV). Simple, As He is, so are we in this world. Jesus was sanctified. Yes, as He is, so are we in this world. Genuine relationship with Jesus Christ will produce genuine faith. Go to James 2:17. This is good news. Be holy as I'm holy. Father, sanctify them according to Your truth, Your word. He's making it unreligious and so high that you can't understand it. And realize the work of the Great Spirit. And all we have to do is absolutely surrender.

Amen. I said earlier about that absolute surrender is everything. Amen. James 2:17 says, "Thus also faith by itself, if it does not have works, is dead" (NKJV). Faith by itself, if it doesn't have works, is dead. Faith without works is dead. Faith without works is dead. So God's always going to bring that together. As He is, so are we in this world. Now go to Matthew 10:42. People don't have to understand the sanctifying work you're going through for you to be a witness. Okay? But your testimony is everything. Okay? Matthew 10:42 says, "And whoever gives one of these little ones only a cup of cold water in the name of a disciple, assuredly, I say to you, he shall by no means lose his reward" (NKJV).

How much more when we give to one of our enemies? Yes? How much more if you give to someone that's not yet redeemed and sanctified? How much more will the Father not reward while we're just being who we are as Christians, letting our light so shine and serving and helping others? Truth. Wow, say I'm a light bearer. Genuine faith is revealed and demonstrated through our lives, actions, works, and service in the kingdom of heaven. If you could go to John 13:1-17. I want to read this portion again in our summer series that we had on purpose. Grant spoke this, and I wanted to bring this in. Thank You, Jesus. Sanctification, that word's not going to be scary to anybody anymore, okay?

But we are going to absolute surrender to the sanctifying work of the Holy Ghost who is making us like Christ. Wow. Okay, John 13:1-17, you're good? It says, "Now before the feast of the Passover, when Jesus knew that His hour had come that He should depart from this world to the Father, having loved His own who were in the world, He loved them to the end. And supper being ended, the devil having already put it into the heart of Judas Iscariot, Simon's son, to betray Him, Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into His hands, and that He had come from God and was going to God, rose from supper and laid aside His garments, took a towel and girded Himself.

After that, He poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples' feet, and to wipe them with the towel with which He was girded. Then He came to Simon Peter. And Peter said to Him, 'Lord, are You washing my feet?' Jesus answered and said to him, 'What I am doing you do not understand now, but you will know after this.' Peter said to Him, 'You shall never wash my feet!' Jesus answered him, 'If I do not wash you, you have no part with Me.' Simon Peter said to Him, 'Lord, not my feet only, but also my hands and my head!' Jesus said to him, 'He who is bathed needs only to wash his feet, but is completely clean; and you are clean, but not all of you.

' For He knew who would betray Him; therefore He said, 'You are not all clean.' So when He had washed their feet, taken His garments, and sat down again, He said to them, 'Do you know what I have done to you? You call Me Teacher and Lord, and you say well, for so I am. If I then, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet. For I have given you an example, that you should do as I have done to you. Most assuredly, I say to you, a servant is not greater than his master; nor is he who is sent greater than He who sent him. If you know these things, blessed are you if you do them'" (NKJV). This is the most humbling, magnificent, powerful testimony of our great Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

At the Last Supper before the crucifixion, my God, in His death, He continues to serve His family, His followers, the ones that He's called by name, and He demonstrates to the end. Yes, to the end. And they didn't understand that they were being sanctified, literally being sanctified as He washed them, as He washed their feet, as He served them. Yes, He hadn't even shed the blood yet. They didn't know that sanctification had already begun. Yes, because the Master, the Lord of sanctification says, I will wash you. Only one could not be washed. I will wash you and you will go and do the same. My word is sanctified in you. You will go into all the world and preach my word, which will sanctify them and bring them salvation.

You will preach the gospel. You will teach your families. You will share this life with everyone. You will literally be washing their feet. Yes? You will literally go and serve humbly

as servants with genuine faith, even through trials, even through difficulties. Truth, in this world you have tribulation, but be a good cheer, I've overcome the world. The blood of Jesus makes us pure. We are sanctified by His blood. And that blood speaks a better word. And we are sanctified to tell others the gospel, but we are sanctified to wash, to heal, to deliver, to serve, to bring them into revelation knowledge. And when they see your faith, they're like, something's different about you.

And they're drawn to you because the Spirit of grace is doing that. Hallelujah. I want to close with this, well not a Scripture, but it's a quote that Grant shared from a man of God named Oswald Chambers. He says, drudgery is one of the finest tests to determine the genuineness of our character. Drudgery is one of the finest tests to determine the genuineness of our character. Drudgery is work that is far removed from anything we think of as ideal work. And washing your feet might fit in that category. It is the utterly hard, small, tiresome, and dirty work. And when we experience it, our spirituality is instantly tested, and we will know whether or not we are spiritually genuine.

In this chapter in John 13, we see the incarnate God performing the greatest example of drudgery, washing fishermen's feet. He then says to them, If I then, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you should wash one another's feet. The inspiration of God is required if drudgery is to shine with the light of God upon it. In some cases, the way a person does a task makes the work sanctified and holy forever. In some cases, the way of a person does a task makes that work sanctified and holy forever. It may be a very common everyday task, but after we have seen it done, it becomes different. When the Lord does something through us, He always transforms it.

This is like the Holy Ghost coming on flesh. and He makes it real inhumanity. And the works of the world are somewhat like mundane, dirty sometimes, having to deal with sinners, yes, troubles and trials and the situations. But God has anointed us through His Spirit of sanctification. And no matter what you do for someone else, don't think it as less dirt, drudgery, have to. I have to go feed the poor. It's Tuesday night. You get my point. This is life and life producing. And we're going to be doing this until we see Him face to face. And then I think I'm pretty sure we're all going to bow down low and fall on our face before Him. Yes? Hallelujah.

Let's close with this, well not a Scripture, but it's a quote that Grant shared from a man of God named Oswald Chambers. He says, drudgery is one of the finest tests to determine the genuineness of our character. Drudgery is one of the finest tests to determine the genuineness of our character. Drudgery is work that is far removed from anything we think of as ideal work. And washing your feet might fit in that category. It is the utterly hard, small, tiresome, and dirty work. And when we experience it, our spirituality is instantly tested, and

we will know whether or not we are spiritually genuine. In this chapter in John 13, we see the incarnate God performing the greatest example of drudgery, washing fishermen's feet.

He then says to them, If I then, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you should wash one another's feet. The inspiration of God is required if drudgery is to shine with the light of God upon it. In some cases, the way a person does a task makes the work sanctified and holy forever. In some cases, the way of a person does a task makes that work sanctified and holy forever. It may be a very common everyday task, but after we have seen it done, it becomes different. When the Lord does something through us, He always transforms it. This is like the Holy Ghost coming on flesh. and He makes it real inhumanity. And the works of the world are somewhat like mundane, dirty sometimes, having to deal with sinners, yes, troubles and trials and the situations.

But God has anointed us through His Spirit of sanctification. And no matter what you do for someone else, don't think it as less dirt, drudgery, have to. I have to go feed the poor. It's Tuesday night. You get my point. This is life and life producing. And we're going to be doing this until we see Him face to face. And then I think I'm pretty sure we're all going to bow down low and fall on our face before Him. Yes? Hallelujah. Let's close with this. Hebrews 6:10. This is the Father's will, your sanctification. Genuine faith, genuine faith, genuine faith. Hebrews 6:10 says, "For God is not unjust to forget your work and labor of love which you have shown toward His name, in that you have ministered to the saints, and do minister" (NKJV).

Wow. God is not unjust. Thank God. God is not unjust to forget. He won't forget us, yes? God will not forget. For God is not unjust to forget your work and labor of love, which you have shown towards His name, in that you have ministered to the saints and do minister. We are called to edify and strengthen the body of Christ. We're called to minister to one another. We're called to minister to the saints. Yes, because that's who we are now. And yet He's working out our salvation with fear and trembling, and you are sanctified by the Spirit of grace. Isn't that amazing? And we are anointed with so much sanctification that we can bring someone outside of that grace in there.

We can bring them home. He'll heal them even before they get saved. He'll cast out a demon before they even get saved. He'll change their heart, grant repentance even before they come to church the first time. The Holy Ghost always working in the sanctifying power to touch all who don't know Him yet. Wow, what patience. And we get the privilege to edify and strengthen the whole body of Christ, which is what we do. That's what we do every week. We teach, we preach, we encourage one another. So let's stand and honor His word. Don't let sanctification be such a high theological thing that we cannot lay hold of the sanctifying work of the Spirit of truth.

and the Word of God, okay? Say, I'm being sanctified. So Father, we honor Your Word. Please bring the understanding of the depth and the intent of it. May every eye, see, and ear, hear, and heart understand it. Jesus, thank You that You have modeled perfectly to us, that Lord God, You knew the Father, and the Father knew You, and You know the Spirit, and You have chosen to reveal the Father to us. We are so grateful. We are so grateful for Your teachings, Your examples, and the church from the day You left until You're coming home. We thank You for the sanctifying work of the Holy Ghost. We yield to You and we will go around doing good. And we thank You, Father, for empowering us to prosper in Jesus' mighty name.

Amen. Amen. All right. Well, God bless you all. If you need prayer, come on up.