



EVANGELISM

PART 1: DESIRING MERCY

MATTHEW 9:9-13





DEUTERONOMY 8: 11-20

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14 then your heart be lifted up, and you forget the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, 15 who led you through the great and terrifying wilderness, with its fiery serpents and scorpions and thirsty ground where there was no water, who brought you water out of the flinty rock, 16 who fed you in the wilderness with manna that your fathers did not know, that he might humble you and test you, to do you good in the end.





17 Beware lest you say in your heart, 'My power and the might of my hand have gotten me this wealth.' 18 You shall remember the Lord your God, for it is he who gives you power to get wealth, that he may confirm his covenant that he swore to your fathers, as it is this day. 19 And if you forget the Lord your God and go after other gods and serve them and worship them, I solemnly warn you today that you shall surely perish. 20 Like the nations that the Lord makes to perish before you, so shall you perish, because you would not obey the voice of the Lord your God."





DEUTERONOMY 31:20

“For when I have brought them into the land flowing with milk and honey, which I swore to give to their fathers, and they have eaten and are full and grown fat, they will turn to other gods and serve them, and despise me and break my covenant.”





65% OF CHRISTIANS STRONGLY AGREE THAT
PART OF THEIR FAITH MEANS
BEING A WITNESS ABOUT JESUS.
(2018 BARNAS RESEARCH)





47% OF MILLENNIAL CHRISTIANS SAY IT IS
WRONG TO SHARE ONE'S PERSONAL BELIEFS
WITH SOMEONE OF A DIFFERENT FAITH IN
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"9 As Jesus passed on from there, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax booth, and he said to him, "Follow me." And he rose and followed him. 10 And as Jesus reclined at table in the house, behold, many tax collectors and sinners came and were reclining with Jesus and his disciples.





11 And when the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, "Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?" 12 But when he heard it, he said, "Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. 13 Go and learn what this means: 'I desire mercy, and not sacrifice.' For I came not to call the righteous, but sinners."





HOSEA 6:6

“For I desire steadfast love and not sacrifice,
the knowledge of God rather than burnt offerings.”



RECENT HISTORY OF WESTERN/ AMERICAN CHRISTIANITY

1947

- First Billy Graham Crusade



1970s

- Jesus Movement flourishes aided by modern praise and worship music
- Rick Warren and Bill Hybels expand visions with centralized authority and seeker sensitive churches



1990s

- Multi-site church movement and video-venue sites reinforce celebrity pastor mega-church model



1960s

- Charismatic movement takes off aided by radio and TV broadcasting
 - Robert Schuler School of Leadership
 - John MacArthur begins church focused on reformed theology

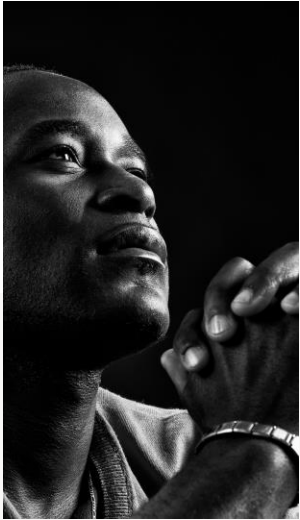


1980s

- John Piper and David Jeremiah are examples of pastors propelling the mega-church movement
- Evangelism drawn into suburban church "experience"
 - Hillsong Worship founded



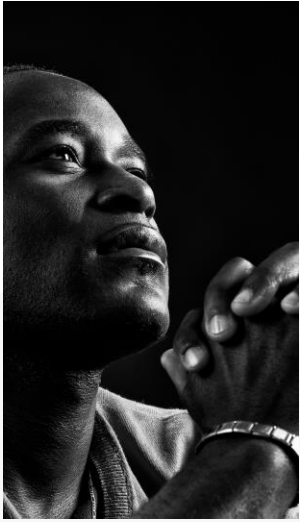
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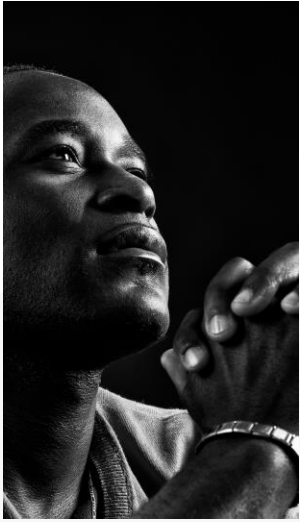
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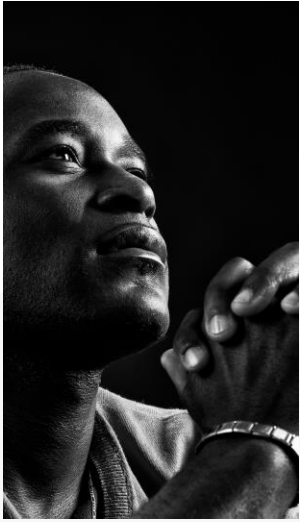
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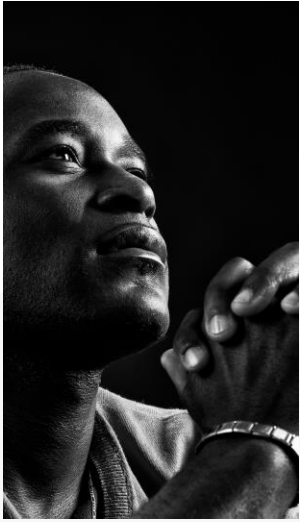
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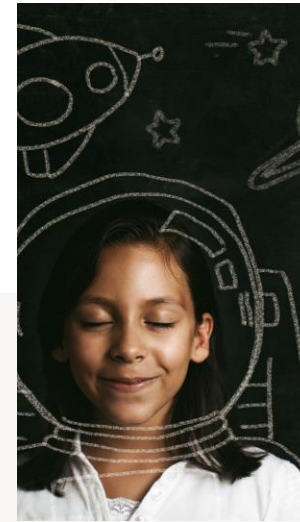
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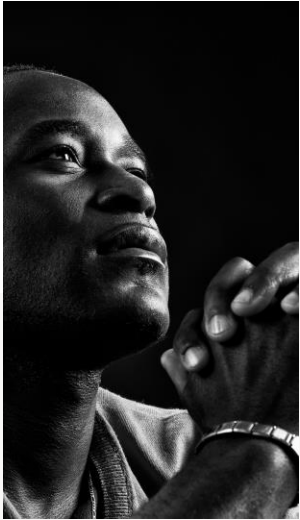
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CONCERT MENTALITY

Musical worship experience and emotional connection prioritized