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 1978  
 to 2018  
 Years in Ministry



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# Celebrating 40

*years in ministry!*

**1978 - 2018**

**Here are some the things your prayers and support have helped us accomplish.**

- Ministered in 22 Countries! Many of them multiple times!
- Conducting Open Air Outreaches overseas since 1986! Over 200,000 have come to Christ!
- Breakdown: 168,000 salvations in India, 21,000 in Nepal, 5,000 in Papua New Guinea, 2,800 in Kenya, 2,000 in Bulgaria and many more in Nicaragua, Peru, Costa Rica, and Mongolia outreaches.
- Trained and passed out our books to thousands of Pastors and leaders!
- Ministered in 100's of churches all over North America and Europe!
- Running a Girls Home and Sewing School in Agra, India
- 9 books published! Released one Music Album!



**Justin** attended our healing ministry training session in much pain. He was expected to be in the wheelchair and go through months of rehabilitation after serious basketball injury. Within minutes healed after prayer! Played basketball the next day after coming out of wheelchair with no difficulties - **Cody, Wyoming June 2003.**



**Mostafa (R) & Baseem (L)** Syrians who were both miraculously healed after we shared Christ with them and later received Christ in refugee camp. This was our first of many trips since to work with refugees. This trip was to **Thessaloniki, Greece.** We were able by a miracle of God to reunite Mostafa with his wife and children after being separated for over 2 years by the Syrian war. We have since visited Mostafa and his family twice while in Germany - **April, 2017.**



**Maan Bhadur Magar** - paralyzed 7 years. Carried to campaign. Instantly healed by Jesus - **Kohalpur, Nepal April 5, 2012.**



11,000 people turned to Christ in **Barielly, Uttar Pradesh, India - June 2009.**



Singing at Ingraham School in **Ghaziabad, Uttar Pradesh, India - November 2011.** Principal was healed and the entire student body council accepted Christ.



Mark at age 20 launching out into ministry! **June 1978.**



Mark and Sharmila married May 20, 1995. Great addition to ministry in 1995! Sharmila and Mark have been serving in ministry together for over 23 years now. **New Delhi, India.**



Historic Leadership **Conference Kathmandu, Nepal Spring 1992.** Once conference was over many miracles, signs and wonders broke out all over Nepal as leaders returned home.



**Surkhet, Nepal October 19-21, 2016** outreach.



**Bijoy** was born blind. Instantly healed after prayer! Able to see my finger! His miracle attracted many other villagers to attend our outreach. 1,200 salvations! - **Dumbdumi, West Bengal, India March 2002.**



by Mark R. Anderson

# How Big is Your Jesus?

Excerpt from upcoming book to be released in 2019

**H**umility is very important in releasing the big Jesus that He really is in our little world. John 3:30 says, *“He must increase, but I must decrease.”* Once we decrease and allow Him to become big, we enter the place where favor, promotion, miracles, signs, and wonders start becoming a regular occurrence in our lives and in our sphere of influence. This is where Heaven can invade the earth.

Less of us and more of Him! You cannot work this up. It comes through intimacy, faith, humility and recognizing that in and of ourselves we do not have it, but that we are in Christ and Christ has it all! There is no shortage or deficiency in Christ! *Not that we are sufficient of ourselves to think of anything as being from ourselves, but our sufficiency is from God, who also made us sufficient...* (2 Corinthians 3:5-6).

Jesus spoke this universe into existence. When He said, *“Let there be light,”* the universe began expanding at the speed of light and has not stopped expanding since. There are billions and billions of stars, and He has named every one by name. We all need to realize how big Jesus really is and how small we really are. We must get the focus on Jesus, where it belongs, in order to usher in a move of God.

Jesus is huge! *Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever* (Hebrews 13:8). Jesus has not changed. He is still the same today. *Then a great*

*multitude followed Him, because they saw His signs which He performed on those who were diseased* (John 6:2). Is Jesus performing signs, wonders, and miracles in your midst like He did in the Gospel accounts? If not, He has not changed, but we may have changed in a way that is not allowing Him to be the same today. This becomes a roadblock to healing. With humility, we need to recognize that the problem is ours, not His.

## How to Focus on Christ

*Looking unto* [Greek: eyes riveted on] *Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith, who for the joy set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God. For consider Him who bore such hostility from sinners against Himself, lest you become weary and discouraged in your soul* (Hebrews 12:2-3).

I hope will cause you to ponder the question, “How big is my Jesus.” How big or small your revelation of Jesus, in any area of your life, will determine the quality of life you live. Your revelation of Jesus, who He is and what He can do through and for you, is key to success in life and ministry. It needs to start with humility and an understanding of His purpose for your life.

*Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith...* (Hebrews 12:2). Where is your focus and attention? What is your

focus? Many believers are overwhelmed by their problems and focus on “me and my problems.” If that is your focus, you need to readjust. Many behold their huge problems and out of the corner of their eye catch a small glimpse of Jesus. If we first and foremost behold Jesus, then see our problems out of the corner of our eyes, with our peripheral vision, our problems will be so small in comparison. It all comes down to what you focus on!

In the Amplified Bible Hebrew 12:2-3 reads: *Looking away* (from all that will distract) *to Jesus.... Just think of Him.... consider it all in comparison with your trials.* If you look away from your problems and focus on Jesus, your problems will become tiny and easy to conquer because Christ in you is at work on your behalf. He is on your side! How big is your Jesus in some of the predominant areas you have to deal with in this lifetime, like your physical and mental health or your finances? I would like to share some insight on how your revelation of Jesus can help in these areas of your personal life.

## The Main Hindrance to Healing

Many believers battle with physical and mental afflictions. Jesus is big enough to deliver us all and restore us to complete health. One of the main hindrances to healing is demon spirits! In Mark 16:17-18, Jesus mentions two ways to minister healing to individuals. One way is in verse 17, *These signs shall follow those who believe: in my name they shall cast out demons....* Then another way is in verse 18, *They will lay hands on the sick and they will recover.* It has been a privilege to watch Jesus heal many thousands of people, both in our

outreaches and one-on-one. I have to say that at least 75 percent of those healed were healed as a result of having demons cast out of them.

Demon spirits cause many physical and mental health problems, especially when we yield to them. Not all sickness is caused by demons, but much of it is. Many try to ignore the demonic realm, hoping their problem will go away. But Paul said, *“Lest Satan should take advantage of us; for we are not ignorant of his [demonic] devices”* (2 Cor. 2:11). Healing does not take place by ignoring the problem.

*How God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power, who went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with Him* (Acts 10:38). Notice Jesus healed all (nobody was left out). To do this too, we need to address the issue of who was causing the physical or mental pain and deal with it properly, knowing who we are in Christ and how big He really is.

## Lasting Change

Many deal with the problems from the outside, rather than addressing the root. Dealing with problems on the outside keeps our hearts and minds on the problem. Lasting or permanent change starts from the inside and works outward. *And do not be conformed* [Greek: fashioned or patterned after] *to this world, but be transformed* [Greek: metamorphosis, change from one form to another] *by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God* (Romans 12:2). The perfect will of God is in His Word (see Ps. 19:7).

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True and lasting change comes when we allow our minds to become immersed in God's Word concerning all areas of our lives as well as knowing who we are in Christ. Many people try to dig up the past in an effort to change the future. They try to figure out how many curses have come into their lives or what from their past is hindering them rather than focusing on Jesus. How big is the Jesus, who lives in you to deal with curses in your life?

**...Forgetting those things which are behind and reaching forward to those things which are ahead** (Philippians 3:13). Understanding who we are in Christ and leaving the past behind can cause a lot of junk in our lives to fall by the wayside. Many believers are conscious of all their problems and failures and are living on the wrong side of the cross. As believers in Jesus, we need to live life in relation to what Jesus accomplished at Calvary. It works! Changing our physical and mental states does not happen through taking a tremendous amount of time digging up the past, but it comes by getting our focus and attention on and in Christ and His word, which can continually set us free (see John 8:31-32).

## How Big is the Devil and Your Problems?

Many focus on the devil and their big problem as opposed to a big Jesus! A large part of Jesus' ministry was casting out demons and healing the sick. Many Christians desire to follow in His footsteps. *And all of us, as with unveiled*

*face, [because we] continued to behold [in the word of God] as in a mirror the glory of the Lord, are constantly being transfigured into His very own image in ever increasing splendor and from one degree of glory to another; [for this comes] from the Lord [who is] the Spirit* (2 Corinthians 3:18 AMP).

One way I prepared for the healing and deliverance ministry was by beholding Jesus in the word of God. I read and meditated on Him healing and delivering people from sickness, infirmities, and demons. Soon I was being transformed by God's word into that same image. My revelation of Jesus the Healer and Deliverer became huge! This will work for anyone who does the same. The focus has to be Jesus in us, not our past, problems, or failures. We must go beyond trying to work up our faith, joy, and peace and tap into His Faith, His joy, His peace, His healing, and His deliverance. All of this is in Him.

Paul said *The mystery which has been hidden from ages and from generations, but now has been revealed to His saints. To them God willed to make known what are the riches of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles: which is Christ in you, the hope of glory* (Colossians 1:26-27). Jesus in me is much bigger than any demon or problem that comes my way. We must not limit the Jesus in us. He is huge! Allow Jesus to become huge in every area of your life, by focusing on Him and His Word.

Look at the description of Christ in us just a few verses later, in Colossians 2:9-10 *For in Him dwells all the fullness of the Godhead bodily; and you are complete in Him, who is the head of all principality and power.* Think about it, the Creator, God Himself resides in us, and everything thing that He is resides in us! It is available to us! Nothing is

impossible for Him (see Matt. 19:26) or for us, if our focus is Him. We must just tap into His life residing in us. 1 John 4:4 says *You are of God, little children, and have overcome them, because He who is in you is greater than he who is in the world.*

Satan is sometimes referred to as Beelzebub (see Matt. 12:24). Beelzebub means lord of the flies, prince of demons, and lord of filth. If we seriously meditate on this, we will see how defeated he really is. Flies to me are nothing more than irritants. Same with demons! I do not focus on flies! Same with the Devil and demons! Jesus talks about casting out demons with the finger of God (see Luke 11:20). That implies that it does not take much effort. If a fly lands on my food I use my finger to flick him off it and get back to eating. I'm not focused on the fly! I'm focused on my food! That is what Jesus is talking about when He said He casts out demons by the finger of God. It's not difficult!

Many have difficulty dealing with the Devil and demons because they feel they are more powerful than they really are. This Greek definition shows us just how powerful demons really are. Not very powerful at all! Beelzebub also means lord of filth. There is not much to say about filth (or to put it politely dung as mentioned in the Bible)! It's not something I like to give much attention or focus to. I get it done and move on! This is what Satan and his demons are equivalent to. Beelzebub has no power other than what we give or allow him and his demons, by focusing on them.

Satan and his demons were defeated 2,000 years ago at the cross. Colossians 2:15, talking about Jesus, says *Having disarmed principalities and powers,*

*He made a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them in it.* All we are to do now is walk in His victory over Satan and demons and enforce their defeat. 1 John 3:8 says *...For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that He might destroy the works of the devil.* That is why our focus for the most part needs to be on Christ.

Unfortunately, Christians often talk about all their problems and how the devil is beating them up. Many times the Devil and their problems get more glory and attention than Jesus Christ. Isaiah 14:16 tells us how surprised many will be when they finally see Lucifer or Satan. *Those who see you will gaze at you, and consider you saying is this the man who made the earth tremble, who shook kingdoms?* (Isaiah 14:16). Some day we will see with our eyes just how weak and defeated he really is.

When our focus is more on the problems and demons, they will get the better of us. If our focus is Jesus, demons and problems do not stand a chance. More of Jesus and less of us also means less problems and less of the devil and his demons. More of Jesus also means more Heaven on earth and less hell on earth. This is one way to live victoriously over sin. Are we allowing Jesus to increase in our life, or is our focus on demons or on "me and my problems?"

## How to Deal With Opposition

How people deal with opposition reveals where their focus and attention are based. We can learn from the early Church. *And daily in the temple and in every house, they ceased not teaching and preaching Jesus Christ* (Acts 5:42 KJV). Their focus was not on their problems

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or opposition, on the devil or demons. Their entire focus was on Jesus Christ and Him crucified. Paul's approach to opposition was laudable. *For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ, for it is the power of God unto salvation* (Romans 1:16). The word salvation is the Greek word Soteria. The Greek meaning is rescue, health, preservation, safety, deliverance, deliverance from the molestation of enemies, etc. The Gospel, the good news of Jesus Christ, is the power of God unto salvation. We must not get sidetracked from allowing the good news of Jesus Christ to be our focus first and foremost.

As I have traveled in India and many other countries, I have witnessed the enemy at work killing, stealing, and destroying lives. If my focus were the sickness, disease, sin, and demonic oppression I saw, it would be overwhelming. My main focus is on Christ and on communicating and demonstrating the Gospel of Jesus Christ. On occasion we have walked into cities in India where literally all hell was breaking loose. I did not pray any harder or get focused on the problem or what other demons I needed to bind more than normal, but my focus was the Gospel. The more intense the opposition is, the more the focus needs to be on Jesus. What was the result? Thousands came to Christ, undeniable miracles happened, many demons manifested, were driven out by the power of Jesus and demonic strongholds came crashing down. The good news of Jesus Christ is the power of God, and it was all we needed to help turn multitudes from sin and bondage to Christ.

Jesus said *Behold, I give you the authority to trample on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy, and nothing shall by any means hurt you* (Luke 10:19). Demons and problems are subject to us (see Luke 10:17); we are not subject to them. We must know who we are in Christ and operate from that perspective. Ephesians 1:22 says that all things are under Christ's feet (including demons, sin, and all of our problems). *[He] raised us up together and made us sit together in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus* (Ephesians 2:6). The devil, demons, sin, and problems are under our feet.

Let's keep our focus on Jesus, eyes riveted on Him considering Him and refusing to get distracted by life's problems. We must look at Him as the source for everything and understand that, apart from Him, we can do nothing (see John 15:5). When we understand this, notice what Jesus says will happen. *If you abide [Greek: constantly reside] in Me, and My words abide in you, you will ask what you desire, and it shall be done for you* (John 15:7). If our focus is on Jesus, He will increase, we will decrease, we will maintain constant residence in Him, and we will be able to ask whatever we need and it will be done for us. Nothing we face can overcome us when our focus is on Him.

In conclusion, I think it all comes down to this. What are you consumed with, external circumstances, problems, worldly matters or Jesus, how big He is, His Word, His promises? This will determine your quality of life! 🌟



by Sharmila Anderson

## Urgent Update on Karishma Girls Home, Agra, India

**K**arishma Girls Home opened in 2007 with 3 girls. Since then we have housed and cared for 30 girls at one time, though consistently taken care of 23 girls. It has been an extremely rewarding and effective ministry "to the least of these".

10 girls are from Orissa state and came to us as a result of the severe persecution of Christians there in 2008. They witnessed horrific atrocities in their communities. When they arrived, they were withdrawn, fearful and very sick. In less than a year they blossomed into bright confident girls, full of life, energy and joy.

8 girls were from Bihar, being raised by a single parent or orphaned. They were in danger of being kidnapped and sold into the sex trade or their bodies used for harvesting organs. A few are from Agra and other parts of the country.

During these years 2 girls have graduated from High School with honors. One is pursuing a career in nursing. We witnessed these illiterate and backward children blossom into intelligent students, whose greatest joy is attending school, reading and learning.

It is with an extremely heavy heart that I am letting you know that **PROBABLY in May 2019 we will be OFFICIALLY closing the doors on Karishma Girls Home. WE NEVER THOUGHT WE WOULD SEE THE DAY THAT THIS HOME**

**CLOSES.** The radical Hindu militancy (BJP) has made running the orphanage very difficult. Government officials constantly harass my mother, who oversees the orphanage, and the house parents. They are threatened with jail time if they do not comply with their outrageous demands. My mother turns 80 in May.

We have called other places to see if they could take in some of the girls, but most Christian orphanages are in the same dilemma.

We will not be running it as an orphanage, though 3-4 GIRLS, WHO WILL GRADUATE HIGH SCHOOL IN 2020/2021 WILL STAY IN THE HOME. We do not want to send them home before they complete their education. We plan on running a daycare and a sewing school for women on the premises. This will be the second sewing school that we open. Tremendous fruit is coming forth from the one we run in the slums of Agra. Women's lives are literally being changed as they learn this trade that provides for them and gives value to them.

We will keep you informed of any developments with our outreaches to women and girls in India. As of now we continue to operate, sometimes in sheer defiance of the militant Hindu's demands. 🌟



# Summer and Fall Ministry Trips to Europe!

Since August Sharmila and I have taken two trips to Europe ministering in 19 meetings, in **Germany, Austria, Switzerland and Poland**. We have also been working with Pastor Gerhard and refugees in East Germany. My book **THE AUTHORITY GIVEN TO MANKIND** was released in



Husband and wife both healed! Wife had abscess and tumor on breast. Disappeared after prayer. Confirmed it with Sharmila.

Husband healed of severe back and leg injury from a fight many years ago. **Putlitz, Germany August 19, 2018.**

German. I now have 4 books in German.

On our recent trip we ministered in Berlin for the first time, in four different meetings. **Berlin is the 'Atheist Capital of Europe!'** Now many new doors are opening for us to return and to do a multi-church training conference in Berlin, ministry in Poland and with Ukrainians also!

## Germany Going Through Major Changes

We love ministering in Germany. The German people have made us feel right

at home. Things are rapidly changing in Germany! While in Germany Chancellor Merkel's CDU party lost more seats in another state election. She has decided to step down as leader of the CDU Party in December and not run for re-election in 2021, as a result of what is happening in Germany.

While there on 3 trips this year we could see and hear a lot of what is going on with the refugee/migrant crisis in Germany from the Germans and refugees. The tremendous financial burden of this crisis has been born by the German people. If those coming would assimilate into society, be productive and work it would be much better. It was good Germany helped out refugees fleeing war and many refugees/migrants we have worked with are so grateful for that.

Many have come in from the Middle East and Africa who were not fleeing war but taking advantage of what we would call an open border policy here in the USA. It seems to be backfiring in some ways.



Had metal in shoulder from dislocation. Healed after many years and able to move arm and shoulder freely. Back & knee also healed! - **Neubrandenburg, Germany August 18, 2018.**



This past year in East Germany I have had the privilege of baptizing 30 Afghans and Iranians that have turned Christ through Pastor Gerhard's ministry to refugees/migrants.

In July 2017 the UN Refugee Agency stated 7 out of 10 migrants crossing the Mediterranean were not fleeing war, disaster, or persecution. They said that they were coming to Europe for a new life and are economic migrants not asylum seekers or in need of protection.

We have seen the German people bending over backward, patient and kind but things are changing now, which is making it more difficult with the ministry we do with refugees. As a result of recent policies extreme anti-refugee politicians have risen up and gained ground. Now many refugees are being deported whether they are good or bad. Two young Afghans who came to Christ through Pastor Gerhard, were working and committed to a church. Suddenly and without warning they were sent back to Kabul.

Lot of changes coming! It seems like Germany is going from one extreme to the other and it needs to find the right

balance to help the refugees/migrants who want to assimilate into Germany, become productive, many of who we have met, helped out and ministered too. At the same time they need to deal properly with Muslim radicals, those who are not there integrate into German society or are terrorists. What we have seen lately it is causing many Germans to paint all refugees/migrants with a broad brush. Many of the German people are getting weary! Pray for Germany!

The present refugee situation in Germany created some obstacles for our ministry, preventing us from doing the larger events we planned to do while there to reach and train refugees.

Pastor Gerhard is facing a lot of discouragement and health problems, as he continues to pour out his life to help refugees/migrants, with little help. Over 600 refugees have been water baptized since coming to Christ through his ministry. Our ministry is doing what we can to support Pastor Gerhard financially and to help minister there on each trip to Germany. 🌍



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# 2019 Schedule



We are working on our upcoming International 2019 schedule in the weeks to come. Here is what we are working on!

**JANUARY 20** River of Life Fellowship 319 Broadway St  
**Thermopolis, WY 10:30am**

**MARCH India**

**MARCH 13-15** *Bangai, Nepal*

**MAY Germany**

**JUNE 21-23** Bible College *Jabalpur, MP, India*

**TENTATIVE Siberia and Peru**

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