## **RESCUED FROM HELL**

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The Church of God of the Full Gospel has the honor to present the testimony: "Rescued from Hell," with pastor and evangelist Carmelo Brenes.

In the year of 1982, I had an accident which had a mortal ending. At that moment my life was taken. In the same moment that all my existence ended, I felt everything become dark, and I began to walk through a dark tunnel. I saw a being that was taking me and began to hear screams and moans. I understood that my life had been taken from me; I ceased to live on the earth. But the most terrible thing was that as we were going through the tunnel, the fear inside of me was increasing more and more. I knew that, although my body was already dead, I was alive in some place.

We walked for a while inside that tunnel. Suddenly, I heard groans and moans that I had never heard before. As we continued walking inside that cold and dark tunnel, I began to see big, gigantic snakes that moved from one place to another and to hear different moans and groans. There was something very peculiar about that place: almost all the people in that place had something in common. They were all thinking about and crying out for water at that moment. We continued going until we arrived at an open place like a plateau with many chambers and divisions that contained different people.

I began to cry out with terror and beg God for mercy. I began to tell Him, "Lord, remember my life! Have mercy!" In those moments, a feeling of terror invaded my soul. I felt like my whole life was passing before my eyes once more. I was walking with the being that took me. As we approached a door, I shouted, "Have mercy on me my Lord; have mercy on me! I beg you to help me! Help me Lord!!"

Suddenly there was a silence, and I heard a voice saying, "Stop!" Because of that voice, all of hell shook. The being that was taking me by the hand released me, but I did not fall to the ground. Instead, I remained hovering in one place and heard that voice once more that said, "I am not the God of adulterers, I am not the God of fornicators, I am not the God of liars. Why do you call me Lord if I am not a God of those who boast?" I felt for a moment that my whole being was going to be destroyed, but as the moments passed the being's voice became softer and told me, "Come and I will show you the things going on in this place that are waiting for all who haven't been willing to follow my way and have walked after the imaginations of their own hearts." I began to walk in that place, while listening to all those moans that crushed my very soul. Suddenly, we stopped at the head of a cell where a woman was sitting in a rocking chair. At first, it seemed like nothing was happening to her, but suddenly her body transformed because she was a witch. She screamed with such groans and moans, and asked for help because her whole being was burning in flames. She began to scream

horrifying screams, begging for someone to please help her. The Lord spoke to me and said, "The wages of sin is death, and those who arrive in this place will never get out again." He also showed me places down in the earth, like openings in the earth, that had some kind of boiling oil where there were also beings that were burning in flames--human beings, that were in that place of suffering. When they tried to go out, a demon came at once to put them inside that place again.

The Lord showed me that because of the disobedience of men, many people that had once been a part of Christian and Evangelic churches, found themselves in that place crying out and begging for mercy over their lives, which could not be found anymore because mercy can only be found when we are still alive on this earth. Once the men are dead, mercy can not be reached anymore, as the Lord says in His word, *"And as it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment" (Hebrews 9:27).* We continued walking and arrived at a very special place where there were people that had once listened to the word of God, but never wanted to repent. I noticed a woman with two children who were pleading with their mother and asked her: *"Why? Why didn't you take us to Sunday school? Why didn't you allow us to go to church?"* And they cursed her because they once wanted to go to church to hear the word of God, but their mother never allowed them to go to church to hear the gospel. He also took me by a place where there were pastors, evangelists, and missionaries and many believers who were there for different causes.

I saw a pastor that especially caught my attention. This man had never believed in the power of the Holy Spirit, speaking in other tongues, or the baptism of the Holy Ghost. He also never believed in the healings of the Lord. Now however, he was begging for mercy, and for one more chance to go out and tell the world that speaking in tongues is real, that that the Holy Ghost is real, and that there is real freedom in the gospel of the Lord. But it was too late for him; he could not leave that place because his time to repent of his evil was while he was on earth. Even when he was a member of the Christian evangelic church and a pastor, however, he had not reached mercy. There was also a missionary there because he asked for money to open a mission in Africa, but he only used half of the money. The rest of the money he took it for himself, and now he begs for mercy in that place and for another chance to deliver back the money that was not his. He remembers how he lied to take that money that was not his and begs for mercy and forgiveness. But when he sees that mercy can not be granted to him, he curses Jesus Christ.

I want to tell you, it is not the same at all, when you live life here as when you are in that place of torment. In hell, you hear the shouts and groans of terror and pain in the throat of those that were once inside the church praising the name of Jesus. Now in that place they cry out and beg for mercy for their sins, but once on this earth they had that chance. Now, they are just waiting for the eternal and Last Judgment. There were also pastors there because they robbed tithes and offerings from their churches. Now, they want just one more chance that can not be granted any more--one more chance that can only be found on this earth. They spend day and night crying out without ceasing to undo all their bad works. The opportunity to repent is while you are alive on earth because after this life there are no more chances. Those who die without Jesus Christ go to hell, and those who die with Jesus Christ go to the eternal life. Many people believe that dying is just stopping this existence and that their bodies will go into the earth. At death real life begins and the real personality of the believer or the sinner shows up and begins to live, either in the glory of God or in condemnation and eternal shame. That choice you make it today and now; right at this moment is when you can think over and meditate on where you want to spend your eternity. Do you want to spend eternity in hell or in the glory? At this very hour you can still decide.

We continued walking and arrived at a horrifying place where there were demons of all types, shapes and forms. There were some that had just one arm, one eye and one leg, and the end of the leg was like a hoof of a foal. Their faces were like half of a human face, but the rest of the other half was empty. I asked the Lord, "Lord and this? What it is this?" And He said, "These are demons of destruction, in the homes of all those who are lost. This is the demon that will destroy and destroy without rest, day *after day.*" The torment in that place is terrible--so terrible that the souls can not stop and remember all the things that they did while on earth. Is like it is written in Luke 16 from verses 19 on (19"There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and lived in luxury every day. 20At his gate was laid a beggar named Lazarus, covered with sores 21 and longing to eat what fell from the rich man's table. Even the dogs came and licked his sores. 22The time came when the beggar died and the angels carried him to Abraham's side. The rich man also died and was buried. 23In hell where he was in torment, he looked up and saw Abraham far away, with Lazarus by his side. 24So he called to him, 'Father Abraham, have pity on me and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue, because I am in agony in this fire.' 25"But Abraham replied, 'Son, remember that in your lifetime you received your good things, while Lazarus received bad things, but now he is comforted here and you are in agony. 26And besides all this, between us and you a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who want to go from here to you cannot, nor can anyone cross over from there to us.' 27"He answered, 'Then I beg you, father, send Lazarus to my father's house, 28for I have five brothers. Let him warn them, so that they will not also come to this place of torment.' 29"Abraham replied, 'They have Moses and the Prophets; let them listen to them.' 30" 'No, father Abraham,' he said, 'but if someone from the dead goes to them, they will repent.' 31"He said to him, 'If they do not listen to Moses and the Prophets, they will not be convinced even if someone rises from the dead." "The rich men died, and in Hades he lifted his eves while in torment and saw Abraham and Lazarus at his side. There he could remember that he had a father and five brothers. He could think about them in that moment because there, your soul is alive, your soul can feel the pain. You can remember all the things you did in your life good or bad; you can remember the way you lived within or out of the church; you can remember all your relatives, your mother, your brothers, all your friends, and that is part of the torment. That man in the Bible could remember that he had five brothers, and also beg for mercy saying, "Father Abraham send someone to tell them and testify to them, so they do not come to this

place of torment." But Abraham told him, "They have had Moses and the prophets let them hear them." In the same way, today you have prophets of God that preach the gospel of the Lord on this earth. You have heard the Word of God, and now is the time to repent. Nobody from the dead will come to save you because He who can save your soul, Jesus of Nazaret, has already resurrected from the dead, and is now sitting at the right hand of the Father ready to save you. Nobody else can save you. It is written in the book of Acts 4:12 "Salvation is found in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given to men by which we must be saved." Just in Jesus alone. When I remember all that pain, I still feel all the pain and terror in my soul in remembering that there are young children in that place between the ages of 12 and 14 years old. They also regret many things they did here on earth. There are many that believe that their children will not be lost or go to hell because they are so young. But let me tell you, if your children are not in the ways of the Lord, and can already distinguish between good and evil they will also arrive to that place of torment because it is written in Revelation 20:12 " And I saw the dead, great and small, standing before the throne, and books were opened. Another book was opened, which is the book of life. The dead were judged according to what they had done as recorded in the books." All persons that can comprehend and can make the distinction between good and evil will have to stand before the Lord; nothing is hidden from the eyes of the Lord.

We continued walking until we came to a place where it was some sort of football stadium. The demons' laughing stock were human beings. Their mockery was the very image of the living God; the joy of the demons was to torment the living image of God. They pulled out pieces of their bodies and hid them from them and made them look for them. That made them feel great pleasure because that caused great pain and torment, which is what satan and his demons like the most. It is like is written in John 10:10 "The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full." It is not like when you are here sitting in a chair and you can ask for water and drink it. In that place, people ask for water and mercy; in that place people regret even the day they were born. In that place, people are sorry that they did not meet Jesus. Also, many that met Jesus regret that they walked away from Him. But it is already late. I want to tell you that if you have walked away from the ways of the Lord, if you have walked apart from Him, today is the time to come back! Do not be ashamed of what your friends may say; do not think of what your father, your girlfriend or your brothers may say. Think of what the Lord says in His word: those who are ashamed of Him on this earth. He will also be ashamed of in the heavens (Luke 9:26 If anyone is ashamed of me and my words, the Son of Man will be ashamed of him when he comes in his glory and in the glory of the Father and of the holy angels.) It is time for you to run to the presence of God; it is time for you to look for the salvation. Do not look for a church, look towards Jesus Christ. Do not look for a church that makes you feel good; look for a church where the Spirit of the Lord moves and repent of your sins! It is time for repentance; now is the time to cry out to the Lord and tell Him: "Lord I recognize that I am not saved; Lord I recognize that I still can not attain salvation on my own." If this is

your situation when you are reading this testimony, just run to Jesus Christ! Your life is in danger, the Word of God says that He will come as a thief in the night.(*1 Thessalonians 5:2 for you know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night.*) Are you ready to be saved or are you still thinking about it?

We continued observing what these demons were doing to those in torment. They took out an eye and hid it. We saw human beings dragging themselves in pain to look for it. For the demons, it was a big joy to see that person. Other demons took away part of a leg to watch him jump and hobble, looking for the part of the body that was missing; to another they took out an arm just to laugh about the pain the person felt. I want to tell you that those who have met the Lord Jesus and once walked in His ways, but die in their sin receive double punishment. As the Word of God says, (Mark 12:40 They devour widows' houses and for a show make lengthy prayers. Such men will be punished most severely. James 4:17 Anyone, then, who knows the good he ought to do and doesn't do it, sins.) Those who know how to do good, but do evil shall receive double condemnation. Those who never knew the Lord also have torment and pain, but it is more tolerable than for those who knew Jesus and slid back. I just want to tell you, that when we were in that place, I felt such a terror in my soul, although I know that here men do not think in that way. I was in as deep of a panic as I feel right now. I felt terror for my life; I felt such a terror for all the torments that I was looking at; I felt such a pain and compassion for all the souls that were crying and begging for mercy; I felt all my being become weaker, but the Lord was there giving me strength and told me: "I will show you how many things are still waiting for all men." We passed that place, and arrived at a different cell that was burning in the edges. There were souls crying and suffering and I began to see what was going on with them. Those who were in the torment with flames that looked like gases were the ones that had once stood up in the altar of God. They had led cults and preached the word of God. They were the ones that had once cast out demons and spoke in tongues, but now were in torment because one day they made the decision to walk away from the holy way of God. We stood there watching all those in pain burning in the flames. Even when all we could see were almost just bones of a dark gray color, they could still felt the pain. They also could talk, they could beg for mercy when they felt that the Lord was walking by them in that moment. They shouted with loud screams: "Jesus please have mercy on us!" But the time for mercy is today.

We continued walking until we arrived to at a place and the Lord told me: "Look at this wide street." I stood looking at the street and saw a multitude of believers with their Bibles in their hands. Their hands were raised up; some of them were praying some of them were shouting. The road of the Lord continued to the right, but they continued walking straight to hell, and I asked the Lord why they were going that way. He told me: "They have a double life; they are living two lives: one in My house of prayer, and another in their own houses." And I said to the Lord: "But Lord, these people come from praising your Name!" And He said: "Yes, and even when they cry, shout, and say nice things about Me or to Me, their hearts are full of adultery, full of evil, full of lies, full of deception, full of hate, full of roots of bitterness, full of bad thoughts." Then, I could understand what is written in the Scripture in Mathew 7:21 Not everyone who says to

## me, 'Lord, Lord,' will enter the kingdom of heaven, but only he who does the will of my Father who is in heaven.

There are times that we think we are doing things okay--that we are walking right before the eyes of the Lord. The truth is, however, that maybe there is a brother or sister that we may not like, and perhaps we do not go to church because of that brother. When the pastor asks in the church, "How many of you love the Lord?" They say "Amen!," but the Bible says that those who do not love their brothers and hate their brothers are like murders, and no murders, can come in the kingdom of Heaven. (*Matthew 5:22 But I tell you that anyone who is angry with his brother will be subject to judgment. Again, anyone who says to his brother, 'Raca,' is answerable to the Sanhedrin. But anyone who says, 'You fool!' will be in danger of the fire of hell.*) This is one of the biggest reasons inside the church of the Lord why many do not like each other but rather hate each other and are still waiting for the coming of the Lord. But the Bible says that the wages of sin is death. (Romans 6:23 For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord) Many persons in that day will have regrets.

Some of them say: "Oh no, today I won't go to church because brother so and so will preach and I do not like him." But in that place in hell you will cry out for that man so he can come and preach the Word of God to you. There, you will beg for an opportunity for that one you have hated on this earth, so you can hear him once more. You will beg in that place to hear at least once more that word again. In that place, you will be sorry that you hated your brother; in that place you will be sorry that you did not follow the word of God that tells you, "You shall love your neighbor as your self" (*Leviticus 19:17-18 Do not hate your brother in your heart. Rebuke your neighbor frankly so you will not share in his guilt. Do not seek revenge or bear a grudge against one of your people, but love your neighbor as yourself. I am the LORD).* In that place you will be so sorry of all the time that you lost in the church of the Lord, there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth as the Word of God says. (*Matthew 13:42 They will throw them into the fiery furnace, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.*)

You know how sad it would be to live an evangelic Christian life in this earth, but not go to heaven when you die, and for your soul not to receive salvation? I think that today you have to meditate, and think over whether you are doing the will of God. If Christ comes today would you go with Him? I want to tell you with this call; Meditate on this today! Do I want to enter into the heavens? Does the Christian life that I am living please God? Today, it is still time to recognize your faults and to turn your heart to the Lord. If you are reading this today, today is the day to turn towards the Lord! Today is the day when you can accept Jesus as your personal savior and escape from the bond of hell.

You know some people think: "Well, it doesn't matter where I am going, it doesn't matter what will happen after this. I will enjoy this life." But I can tell you, to enjoy this life is to walk hand in hand with Jesus Christ; to enjoy this life is spend the time in the house of the Lord. You do not enjoy this life in the bar, with liquor, or with women. You enjoy it in the house of the Lord. Unlike those who come to the house of the Lord just for some nice moments, we have to look for the Lord in spirit and in truth, asking Him for

mercy for those who are still walking on roads of death and sin.

We continued walking inside that place, and surprisingly people who believed that they were truly holy while on earth, were begging for mercy and for another chance. They were there saying: "Lord please have mercy on me!" I was begging the Lord right along with them. I was begging the Lord to have mercy on me! In the moments my soul ached, I felt an immense pain, for those souls too. I felt that there were many reasons to continue living. I felt that man needed an opportunity with Jesus. I felt so much pain when I began to see how people drag themselves in that place, begging for mercy and asking for forgiveness.

We arrived to a place where a woman was acting like she was reading the Word of God, and preaching about John 3:16. She said: "For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life." I asked the Lord, "Why is this woman here if she can remember what she preached about and she gave the gospel message? Why is she in this place?" He answered and said, "Because she could never forgive her husband; she never managed to forgive her husband." (Matthew 6:14-15 For if you forgive men when they sin against you, your heavenly Father will also forgive you. 15But if you do not forgive men their sins, your Father will not forgive your sins.) I asked: "Lord is it so easy is to lose salvation?" That woman had been shepherding an evangelical church for 35 years. In that moment, her life was passing before her eyes, and she saw that she could never forgive her husband. Now she is begging for one more chance to forgive her husband. But I want to tell you, if you have problems with your husband or your wife, forgiveness is for today! Today is when you have to call him or her and say: "Forgive me or I forgive you for what you have done to me" Come to an agreement! (Matthew 5:25 Settle matters quickly with your adversary who is taking you to court. Do it while you are still with him on the way, or he may hand you over to the judge, and the judge may hand you over to the officer, and you may be thrown into prison). If Jesus calls you to His presence today, where would you go? The Word of God says: Matthew 5:7 Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy. If you are one of those who cries in the presence of the Lord, who cries in the presence of the Holy Ghost, you are still under the grace and mercy of the Lord. But if you feel that you can not cry any more in the presence of the Lord, if you feel that you can not pray anymore, if you have left behind your prayer life, let me tell you that you are under great danger. You know, forgiveness is something special, and that woman never forgave. After 35 years, she had been shepherding a church and just in one second of her life she lost everything! Meditate today! React today! How are you living your life? How do you want to spend eternity? I have a biological brother that says: "The day that I die, I will go to hell and let the demons poke me with the coals, and I will help the demons to poke the coals in the fire." But let me tell you that the judge of the Lord has reached him. While I am recording this message he is lying down with AIDS in his body, and is now begging God for a chance. He turned his heart to the Lord and converted because he does not think the same way anymore. Now he does not want to go that place of torment. Now, he doesn't find it easy to open his mouth and say that he will let the demons poke him with the coals. It is not the same to say I want to go there and be tormented, than to really be

in that place of torment. Because of the mercy of God, my brother has accepted Jesus as the savior of his life. But I want to tell you something and listen to me carefully. My brother had the chance because that illness was progressing in his life. But how or when are you going to die? Will you have another opportunity besides this moment to ask the Lord to forgive you or will you die instantly without time to ask the Lord for forgiveness? Please meditate in this moment! How long your life will last?

We continued walking and arrived at a summit, where there were a group of men that called themselves "Evangelic Christians." In the neighborhood where they lived, there was a man who had been an alcoholic, but had converted to Jesus Christ, and one day his wife got severely ill. He began to knock door by door, until he arrived at those "brothers" and said to one of them, "My wife is very sick. I need you to lend me some money to take her to the hospital." And that man told him, "That is what you say! No! We do not have money here!" And he went to the house of the other and also told him, "I do not have money! I need money!" And so on he went from door to door of those brothers asking for money for transportation to take his wife to the hospital. But none of them gave him anything, and the man's wife died. Then, they called themselves "brothers" and they said: "Did you see brother? That lesson we taught that alcoholic? He wanted the money to go to the bars and drink liquor, but he wouldn't get me with that! I know what he really wanted was to drink alcohol, but I didn't give him a single penny! Then the other "brother" also started to tell the story of how the man came to him and so on until all of them told the story. But the saddest part is when one of them begins to burn in fire and flames and begins to give big and horrifying shouts of pain, and he begins to regret and moan all the bad things that he did on the earth, and he to say: "Lord! Why couldn't my unrepentant heart see the evil I was doing in my life?" But the Bible says clearly that the sons of God are those who are guided by the Spirit of God (Romans 8:14 because those who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God.) When this happened, all the rest of them began to burn in fire and flames, and they began to cry and regret and remember that day in which that man came and knocked their doors, they began to remember that moment when this man came and asked them a favor.

I don't know if one day you will arrive at hell and remember that you once read this testimony or that one day you were told that you would give account to the Lord for your life. Maybe you were told not to pay evil for evil, and you listened to the gospel of Jesus, and did not want to repent! That day would be the saddest day of your life!

Those bodies were burning in flames, but were tied with a rope. The bodies were a dark gray color. They couldn't do anything but regret, moan and shout in pain and terror because the pain was unbearable. Their flesh almost melted and fell from their bodies; their skin fell from the bodies until they were just darkish-grey colored bones. I want to tell you that this pain and torment is permanent; there is a torment that has no end—it never ends. All these people remember how much evil they had in their hearts. Listen to this! This is not a movie! This is not an invention or a fairy tail. This is something that really happened! This is something that happened in my life!

Please listen to me carefully. I was an Evangelic Christian. I converted to Jesus; I prayed for the sick and God healed them, I prayed for the lame and God raised them up. I cast out demons and spoke in new tongues, but in my life had entered a spirit of vainglory that made me see my pastor spiritually smaller than me. In some occasions, people went to church for my pastor to pray for healing. When nothing happened, they came the next day for me to pray for them. I came to them and just gave the word, and God supported the word that I said. But I began to think that it was me, that I was the one that was causing the work of God. In my vainglory, I thought that I was someone. In my own understanding, I was a super-gifted man or someone special. I could not understand that it was the mercy of God that was in my life, until I arrived at the place and God told me, "I am not the God of people with vainglory." Then, I could understand that many of us stand in an altar full of pride and vainglory. Many, who the Lord allows to sing praises to Him with beautiful voices, begin to be full of pride. How many people who preach the word of God, and are used by Him begin to think that they are overly important? How many of those that God has given the gift of deliverance get full of pride, and begin to think that they are someone important? I want to tell you that God is looking at every single step that you give, every single move that you make. God is listening to you and knows your heart. I want to tell those of you who are reading this testimony, if you have vain glory, pride, or arrogance in your heart, if you see your brother or pastor with disdain, please repent of your sins in this hour! It is much better to be humiliated before the men, than be humiliated in the presence of the Lord. You know I wish that one day for a moment, just for a moment, you that read this testimony could see this place. I wish, that for a moment, you could hear those moans, groans, and cries that were so horrifying, that fill the soul with terror. Those cries that can reach the deepest parts of anyone's heart. Those shouts that cry, "Lord! Have mercy on me! Lord! Take me out of this place! Lord! Stretch out your hand and take me out of this place of torment!" That is the moment in the life of a person when they begin to remember everything. If you knew how sad is to be in that place forever! Do you realize how much pain will be in your life in that moment or how sad it will be for you to arrive to that place?

We continued walking, and arrived at a place, a kind of anteroom we could call it. A being came and shouted. When he shouted, all the demons presented themselves before him. Two very beautiful women were presented also. They had the task on earth of destroying ministries and to rise against pastors and ministries. In some occasions you may see that a young, very attractive woman tries to get close to a minister of God to make him fall into sin. That is the goal. The devil has entrusted those demons. That is the goal! You who serve in the altar of God, who take part in cults, who minister to God in praises, singing to the Lord. You that play the guitar, you that play the drums or the piano, understand my words. Satan wants to destroy your life. If he has to use your father, your mother, your brother, your pastor, your brother in the congregation he will use them. All those who do not have a repentant heart before the Lord or walk close to Him, can be an instrument in the hands of the devil at any moment. These women go out over the whole earth, but they do not go to the bars or to the canteens. They go exactly and directly to the churches. In the same way there are demons playing men,

dressed like men, that go directly to the churches to confuse the young ladies and even to the married women. By doing this, they destroy many lives, but they are sent by satan with a spirit of demons to destroy the work of the Lord.

In that place there is also a man that blasphemed against the Spirit of the Lord; that man is standing there asking for forgiveness and for mercy. I want to tell you that every moment, worms of fire come out of his mouth, eyes and ears. He tries to take them out with his hands, but the more he takes them out the more come out. More and more worms of fire run around his body. Like it is written in Mark 9:44, "If your hand causes you to sin, cut it off. It is better for you to enter life maimed than to go into hell with two hands, where the fire never goes out." This man shouted in pain and big screeches, but he just could not leave that place or destroy the worms that were attacking his body. He could not take them off his body because the more he tried the more they multiplied. He spent all his time in the same torment and pain. There was even a moment when the worms began to eat his bones. You could see that the pain he felt was just unbearable. Because of the intensity of his shouts, I felt such a terror--terror of seeing all those punishments that take place in there. In that moment he remembered all his family. There you can remember how many family members you have, those who are walking with the Lord and those who aren't. I want to tell you today, you have to take the promise of God in Acts 16:31 that says, They replied, "Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved-you and your household." You know, if you love your family begin to preach the Word of God to them, so they may escape from hell. Do you know how terrible it is when it says in the Bible, Mathew 10:28 "Do not be afraid of those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. Rather, be afraid of the One who can destroy both soul and body in hell."

There are times when we try to hide from the pastor; there are times when we hide from the deacon of the congregation. Sometimes, we hide from the elders of the church, but nobody can hide from the presence of the Lord. Always remember that wherever you are, in the high, in the deep--no matter where, you will be always before the presence of the Lord. (*Psalms 139:7-10 Where can I go from your Spirit? Where can I flee from your presence? If I go up to the heavens, you are there; if I make my bed in the depths, you are there. If I rise on the wings of the dawn, if I settle on the far side of the sea, even there your hand will guide me, your right hand will hold me fast.)* 

You know there is a reason why there are so many Christians in that place. It may sound crazy, but it is because of the lies. Some arrive at the church and when they are asked why they didn't come the other day, they say: *"It's just that I had so many things to do! So, I just could not come."* But that was not true. They simply did not want to go, but they lied. And you know what? That is exactly what Anania and Safira did. In the Book of Acts 5:3-10 it states, *"Then Peter said, "Ananias, how is it that Satan has so filled your heart that you have lied to the Holy Spirit and have kept for yourself some of the money you received for the land? Didn't it belong to you before it was sold? And after it was sold, wasn't the money at your disposal? What made you think of doing such a thing? You have not lied to men but to God." When Ananias heard this, he fell down and died. And great fear seized all who heard what had happened. Then the young men came forward, wrapped up his body, and carried him out and buried him.* 

About three hours later his wife came in, not knowing what had happened. Peter asked her, "Tell me, is this the price you and Ananias got for the land?" Yes," she said, "that is the price." Peter said to her, "How could you agree to test the Spirit of the Lord? Look! The feet of the men who buried your husband are at the door, and they will carry you out also." At that moment she fell down at his feet and died. Then the young men came in and, finding her dead, carried her out and buried her beside her husband. At that same moment, that woman died because of the lie. There are many Evangelic Christians that are in that place because they believed that they were simply lying to the pastor, but know that when you lie, you are not lying to men, you are lying to God. The lies are there before the Lord. The Word of God says that no drunks, no adulterers, no fornicators, no liars shall inherit the kingdom of God.

The point of this testimony is that I want you to realize that I had an Evangelic Christian life, very used by God, but there was vainglory in my heart. And I want to make a special call for repentance. Repentance is a call to make you recognize your faults, a call in case you are living an Evangelical Christian life, but are not clean before the eyes of the Lord. Today, you can renew your heart and mind. If you are reading this, but have not accepted Jesus in your heart, and want to accept Him as your savior, you can pray this prayer of faith: "Lord Jesus, in this hour I am before Your presence to ask your forgiveness for my sins and faults. Today I am sorry Lord for all evil I have done in my life, and I am asking you to enter inside my heart. Today, I accept you as the only one and sufficient savior of my life."

If you are lukewarm and living a double life in the church and your home, bow your head right where you are before the presence of the Lord, and tell Him: "Lord Jesus, have mercy on me. Today, I come before you to ask you for Your forgiveness, to reconcile with You. Write my name in the Book of the Life and fill me with Your Holy Spirit. AMEN."