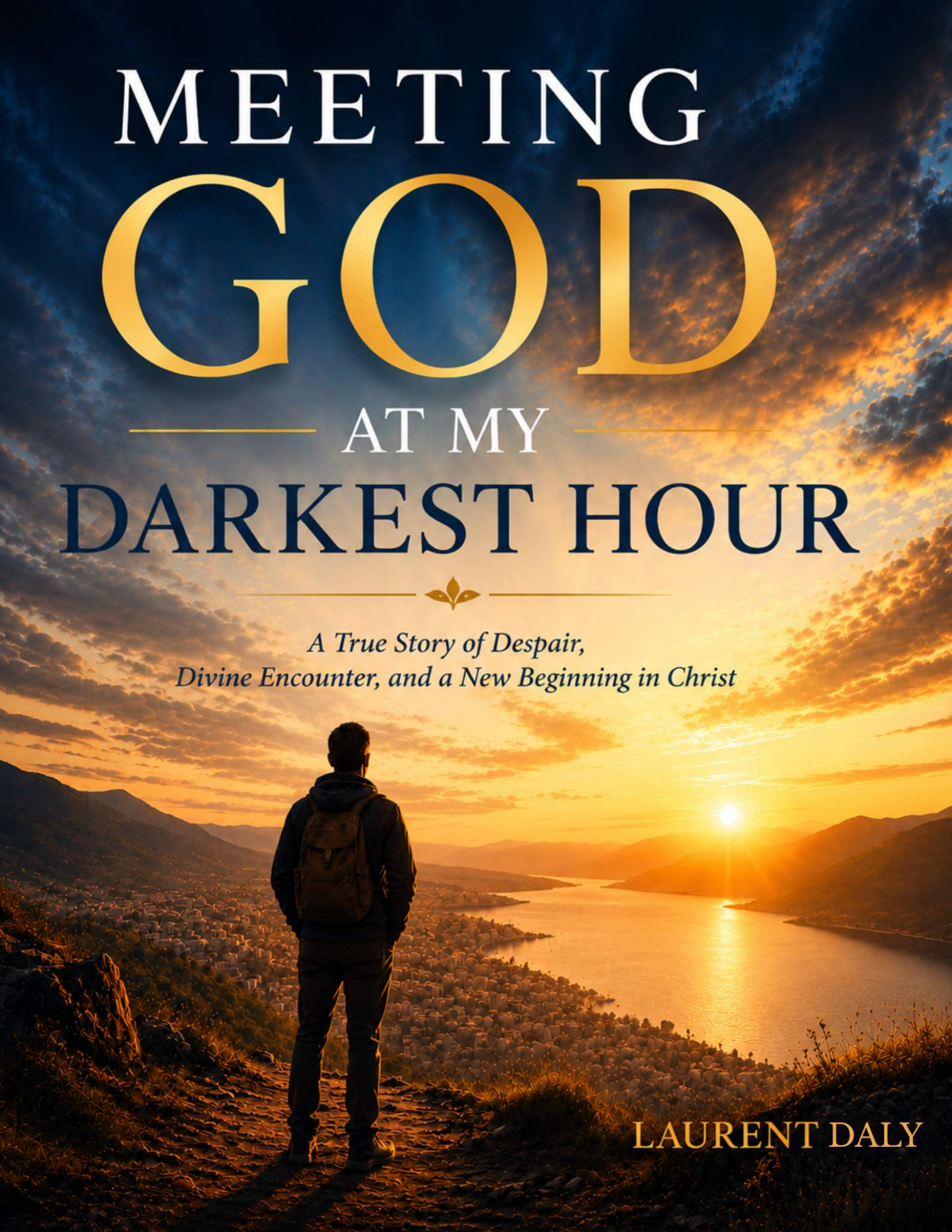


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Dedication

To every hungry heart that longs to hear Him...

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Preface

Every one of us will face difficult seasons in life.

There are moments when hope seems distant, questions remain unanswered, and the future feels uncertain. In those times, many people wonder if God sees them, cares for them, or is willing to receive them.

This booklet was written to share the greatest hope the world has ever known: the good news of Jesus Christ.

It is not a book about religion or human effort. It is an invitation to discover the love of God revealed through His Son. Whether you have followed Jesus for many years, are searching for answers, or have never opened a Bible before, my prayer is that these pages will encourage you to draw near to Him.

If this booklet helps you take even one step closer to Jesus Christ, it has fulfilled its purpose.

May God bless you as you read.

Laurent Daly
Nation's Light Ministry

Introduction

If you are reading this booklet, life may not be going the way you hoped.

Perhaps you have lost someone you love. Perhaps your health has changed, your family is hurting, your future feels uncertain, or the weight of regret has become almost too much to carry. Maybe you feel alone, disappointed, or simply exhausted.

Or perhaps none of those things describe you exactly. You cannot explain what is wrong. You only know that something is missing, and the darkness seems deeper than before.

Whatever has brought you here, I want you to know one thing:

You are not reading these words by accident.

This booklet cannot solve every problem you are facing. It cannot remove every painful memory or answer every difficult question.

But it can introduce you to Someone who knows you completely, loves you perfectly, and invites you to come to Him just as you are.

His name is **Jesus Christ**.

The Bible tells us that God is "near to those who have a broken heart" (Psalm 34:18). He sees every tear, hears every cry, and understands every burden, even when no one else does.

Perhaps you have prayed before. Perhaps you never have.

Perhaps you believe in God.

Perhaps you are not even sure He exists.

Wherever you are today, I simply ask one thing:

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Please keep reading with an open heart.

You may discover that your darkest hour is not the end of your story.

It may become the place where you meet God.

When Darkness Feels Overwhelming

There are moments in life when the darkness seems to close in around us.

A phone call changes everything.

A doctor's report leaves us speechless.

A relationship breaks apart.

A loved one dies.

A job is lost.

A trusted friend walks away.

Sometimes the pain comes suddenly.

Sometimes it builds so slowly that we hardly notice until one day we realise we no longer have the strength we once had.

In those moments, many questions begin to fill our minds.

"Why is this happening to me?"

"Will life ever be the same again?"

"Does anyone understand what I am going through?"

And perhaps the hardest question of all:

"Where is God?"

These are not new questions.

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For thousands of years, people have cried out to God from places of fear, grief, loneliness, disappointment, and despair.

The Bible does not pretend that life is free from suffering.

It tells the stories of ordinary people who experienced deep pain, yet discovered that God had not abandoned them.

King David wrote many of his psalms while facing danger, betrayal, and overwhelming sorrow.

Job lost his children, his health, and his possessions, yet continued searching for God.

The prophet Elijah became so discouraged that he wanted to give up.

Even Jesus Himself experienced rejection, sorrow, and suffering.

If you are hurting today, your pain does not mean that God has forgotten you.

It does not mean that He has stopped loving you.

And it certainly does not mean that there is no hope.

Your darkest hour may feel endless.

But darkness never has the final word when God is present.

The Bible says,

"The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not comprehend it."

(John 1:5, NKJV)

That Light is Jesus Christ.

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And before this booklet is finished, my prayer is that you will come to know Him, not merely as a historical figure, but as the living Saviour who still calls people to Himself today.

Where Is God?

When life falls apart, many people ask the same question:

"Where is God?"

Perhaps you have asked it yourself.

If God is good, why does He allow suffering?

If He loves me, why does He seem so far away?

If He cares, why doesn't He stop the pain?

These are honest questions.

God is not afraid of honest questions.

Throughout the Bible, we read the prayers of men and women who cried out to Him in their darkest moments. They asked difficult questions. They poured out their fears. They struggled to understand what God was doing.

Yet they continued to seek Him.

Sometimes we imagine that God is distant, watching our lives from far away.

The Bible paints a very different picture.

God knows every detail of your life.

He knows your joys and your sorrows.

He knows the questions you have never spoken aloud.

Nothing about your life is hidden from Him.

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The Bible says,

"O Lord, You have searched me and known me."

(Psalm 139:1, NKJV)

God sees what others cannot see.

He understands the burdens that no one else knows you are carrying.

Most importantly, God did not remain distant from the suffering of this world.

He came to us.

More than two thousand years ago, God sent His Son, Jesus Christ, into the world.

Jesus experienced hunger.

He experienced rejection.

He was misunderstood.

He was betrayed by a friend.

He wept.

He suffered.

He died on a cross.

Jesus understands human pain because He entered into it.

That does not mean we will always understand why certain things happen.

There are questions that only God can answer.

But the cross tells us something we must never forget.

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God is not indifferent to our suffering.

He loves us so deeply that He gave His only Son so that we might have eternal life through Him.

That truth changes everything.

It reminds us that even when we cannot see God's hand, we can trust His heart.

Our Greatest Need

There is something more serious than pain.

More serious than sickness.

More serious than loneliness or disappointment.

It is the problem that lies at the heart of every human life.

The Bible calls it **sin**.

Many people think of sin simply as doing bad things.

The Bible goes much deeper.

Sin is our decision to live independently of God. It separates us from the One who created us and loves us.

The Bible says,

"For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God."

(Romans 3:23, NKJV)

That includes every one of us.

No one is excluded.

We have all failed to love God with all our heart.

We have all said, thought, or done things that were wrong.

We have all fallen short of God's perfect standard.

Perhaps you are carrying guilt from something in your past.

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Perhaps there are words you wish you had never spoken.

Choices you wish you had never made.

Or opportunities you wish you had never missed.

You are not alone.

The Bible tells us that every person stands in need of God's forgiveness.

The greatest problem in our lives is not simply what has happened to us.

It is that, without God, we are separated from Him because of our sin.

That may sound like bad news.

In one sense, it is.

But the good news of the Bible begins when we understand why we need a Saviour.

God did not wait for us to become good enough to come to Him.

He came to us.

The Bible says,

"But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us."

(Romans 5:8, NKJV)

That is the heart of the Christian faith.

Jesus did not die because He had done wrong.

He was without sin.

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He willingly gave His life on the cross to take the punishment that we deserved.

Three days later, He rose from the dead, defeating sin and death forever.

Because of what Jesus has done, forgiveness is available to everyone who turns to Him in faith.

No sin is too great.

No life is beyond His reach.

No one is too far away to be welcomed by God's grace.

That is why Jesus came.

That is why the cross matters.

And that is why there is hope, even in your darkest hour.

How Can I Come to God?

Perhaps you have read this booklet and are thinking,

"I want to know Jesus Christ. How do I come to Him?"

The good news is that God has already made the way.

You do not have to earn His love.

You do not have to clean up your life before coming to Him.

You do not have to become "good enough."

Jesus has already done everything necessary through His death and resurrection.

The Bible says,

"For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God, not of works, lest anyone should boast."

(Ephesians 2:8–9, NKJV)

To come to God means responding to Him with repentance and faith.

Repentance means turning away from sin and turning toward God. It is a change of heart that leads to a new direction in life.

Faith means trusting in Jesus Christ alone for your forgiveness and salvation. It is believing that He died for your sins, rose again, and is able to give you new life.

Jesus Himself said,

"The one who comes to Me I will by no means cast out."

(John 6:37, NKJV)

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What a wonderful promise.

Jesus does not turn away those who sincerely come to Him.

No matter what your past may look like.

No matter how many mistakes you have made.

No matter how far from God you feel today.

His invitation is still open.

You may be ready to come to Him now.

If that is the desire of your heart, you can speak to Him in your own words.

God is not listening for perfect sentences.

He is looking at your heart.

The Bible says,

"Whoever calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

(Romans 10:13, NKJV)

If you are ready, the next page includes a simple prayer that may help you express your faith in Jesus Christ.

Remember, it is not the prayer itself that saves you.

It is Jesus Christ.

What Happens Next?

If you have placed your faith in Jesus Christ today, you have taken the most important step of your life.

The Christian life is not simply about praying one prayer.

It is about beginning a new relationship with God through Jesus Christ.

Like every healthy relationship, it grows over time.

You will still have questions.

You will still face challenges.

There will be days when your faith feels strong and days when it feels weak.

That is part of learning to walk with God.

The good news is that you do not have to walk alone.

God has promised to be with those who belong to Him.

As you begin this new journey, here are a few simple steps that will help you grow.

Read the Bible

The Bible is God's Word.

As you read it, you will come to know God's character, His promises, and His will for your life.

If you are not sure where to begin, start by reading the Gospel of John.

Ask God to help you understand what you are reading.

Pray Every Day

Prayer is simply talking with God.

You do not need impressive words.

Speak honestly.

Thank Him.

Ask for His help.

Tell Him your fears, your joys, and your questions.

He cares about every part of your life.

Find Other Christians

God never intended us to follow Christ alone.

Look for a Bible-believing church where Jesus Christ is honoured and the Bible is faithfully taught.

Spending time with other believers will encourage you and help you grow in your faith.

Keep Trusting Jesus

There will be days when life is still difficult.

Following Jesus does not mean that every problem disappears overnight.

But it does mean that you will never face life's journey alone.

The One who called you will remain faithful.

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The Bible says,

"He who has begun a good work in you will complete it until the day of Jesus Christ."

(Philippians 1:6, NKJV)

If you would like to learn more about following Jesus, or if you would like someone to pray with you, we would be honoured to hear from you.

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I confess that I have sinned against You and cannot save myself.

Thank You for loving me and for sending Jesus Christ to die on the cross for my sins.

Thank You that He rose again and offers me forgiveness, new life, and the hope of eternal life.

Today I turn to You.

Please forgive my sins.

Come into my life and help me to follow You from this day forward.

Teach me to know You through Your Word.

Guide me by Your Holy Spirit.

Help me to trust You, even when life is difficult.

Thank You for receiving me because of what Jesus Christ has done for me.

I place my life into Your hands.

In the name of Jesus Christ,

Amen.

If You Have Prayed Today...

If you have sincerely placed your faith in Jesus Christ today, the Bible gives this wonderful promise:

"Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new."

(2 Corinthians 5:17, NKJV)

A Prayer From the Heart

If you have come to understand that you need God's forgiveness and you sincerely want to place your trust in Jesus Christ, you may wish to pray.

Remember, these words do not save you.

Jesus Christ saves.

This prayer is simply an example of how you might express your faith to Him.

Dear Heavenly Father,

I come to You today because I know that I need You.

Your Christian life is the beginning of a new journey.

Like every healthy relationship, your relationship with God will grow as you spend time with Him.

Final Word

Whatever brought you to this booklet...

...pain...

...questions...

...loss...

...fear...

...or simply a desire to know the truth...

...my prayer is that you have not only read about Jesus Christ,

but that you have begun to know Him personally.

No darkness is greater than His light.

No failure is greater than His grace.

No life is beyond His saving power.

May the Lord bless you, strengthen you, and lead you as you continue to seek Him.

"The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. Amen."

(Revelation 22:21, NKJV)

Your Journey Has Just Begun

Thank you for reading **Meeting God at My Darkest Hour**.

If this booklet has encouraged you, we invite you to continue discovering God's Word through the free resources available from Nation's Light Ministry.

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- Biblical teaching
- Prayer support
- Ways to contact the ministry

"Grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ."

2 Peter 3:18 (NKJV)

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