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And now for 5830, "No Matter of What."

Nathaniel Bronner: Welcome to Brothers of the Word, because brother, you need the word. And actually, I have been in the middle of a series, and this past week, I was actually sitting in a place, I was all by myself, and I was just thanking God. I mean, sometimes there are waves of what I would call seasons that flow over you. And there sometimes to be honest about it, we're just not thanking God that much, that's just all true. I don't care how spiritual you claim to be, there are times when you are just not thanking God that much.

For whatever reason, thanking God is not at the top of your list of priorities at the moment. This just happened to be one of those times. When I was in the mood and in the perception and in the mindset, I was just thanking God. I said, "Lord, it's so beautiful." I would just go on and on. And God then spoke something to me and told me to preach on that thing upon today, and normally I don't preach sermons twice even if I'm going somewhere else and preach a sermon. I generally would never preach the sermon here. God always gives me something that is specific for that time and that place, and I'd rarely ever repeat it unless he says so.

But he actually spoke some words that actually came from a wedding ceremony, wasn't even a sermon. It was a wedding ceremony. As I sat there, I heard God speak. I'm in the midst of just praising him, and I heard God speak, "No matter what." In other words, he was saying to me, "Will you still praise me no matter what? Things are going pretty good right now, but will you still praise me no matter what?" And I told Pastor James that that was what I was going to preach about today and actually the "No Matter What" wedding ceremony was actually Prophet Hector and Caprice's wedding.

So, James called Prophet Hector, and he told Prophet Hector, "You know, Pastor Nathaniel says God just told him to preach on this coming

Sunday on No Matter What.” And Prophet Hector said, “Do you realize this is our three-year anniversary, and we’re just celebrating all weekend long?” He said, “Pastor Nathaniel -- I said, “No, I didn’t know that.” I didn’t know that, but God knew that, and Prophet Hector, you can go follow him at prophethector.com. Prophet Hector and his beautiful wife, Caprice here, and they are here together because it’s the three-year -- And you know one thing about it, every wedding ceremony that I have performed, there’ve been no divorces except for one. Well, the one was I don’t have a choice by doing that because it was a relative, and I knew going into the thing. I said, this thing -- I knew going into it, there was an issue, but something, you’re just going to do for blood. You know how Jesus was with that wedding thing. He said it isn’t about the time but it was mama. This was a relative, I had to do it because of blood, but I know going into it, and I don’t know about this one.

So there have actually been no wedding that I have performed except for that one that have ever ended in divorce, but there’s always something that’s unusual about it. I rarely do what’s called the standard ceremony. So, for any of you who are getting married and you want a standard ceremony, don’t get me because it isn’t going to be standard. Get Pastor James or get Pastor C. Elijah, they’ll go straight by the book. If you want stuff just ordered to every dot, you know if I die (00:04:30) for just the way you want it, get Pastor James because there’s no telling what lie would have happened with me. So just get one of them if you want stay strictly by the book and you don’t want any surprises, do not get me.

But as I dealt with that and there is God began to deal with me, so I want you to break your series, and I want you to preach on that on this Sunday, and I don’t want you to prepare anything. I don’t have a normal little pet that I preach from so you just speak from the heart. And for many of you, it may be a season coming up where you’re about to go through some stuff.

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And after when we go through some stuff, not only do we not praise God, we blame God. “Lord, why have you got me in this mess? Why have you put me here? Why am I in this pain? Why has this happened to me? Lord, why did you do this to me?” So, we blame God for our situation. And God was telling me, “You’re praising me right now, but will you praise me, will you be faithful, will you trust me, will you follow me no matter what? And when I performed that wedding ceremony, that’s what the charge that God had told me to tell them because do you know

in marriage, you go through some stuff? I mean you go through some stuff and sometimes stuff can happen really quick. I mean, sometimes even before you get off to honeymoon, you know stuff just happen, you found out some stuff you didn't even know. Before you get back from the honeymoon, you say, "I didn't know this about you." I didn't know that about you." So, it would be some stuff. Before you even get off to honeymoon, you found out some stuff that you got to deal with, that you didn't know about because when you're in the day this date, it's a different world, but once you got them you got them. And once you got them, stuff just go to happen.

Do you know a woman will never have a case of flatulence when she's dating? I don't know but you all know what flatulency is. Flatulence is passing gas, never. Women will never pass gas. Getting married? -- You say, "I didn't realize that." So, it's some stuff. So, God was simply saying, "You got to stay together no matter what."

See, there are some situations where God could not have spoken that to the couple. There are some couple, you look they stay together. I've had situations where God has spoken to me. It reconciles about differences. And I just -- I look at God and say, "It reconciles about differences. You all are not going to make it. And they got mad at me about it. They nearly killed each other. So, they knew right there, he told you but it was reconciled differences. Some folks just aren't going to make it. But with that couple, God was saying no matter what.

You see there are some relationships that are ordained. There are some that are put together in heaven and there are some put together in a night club. The ones put together in a night club don't hold up under no matter what. But the ones put together in heaven regardless of what happens. You see, your relationship between you and God is ordained. It's put together in heaven, and that relationship is not supposed to break no matter what. But there are things in the world that will stress it. Not only are there things in the world that will stress it, God will stress it himself. God will test you to make sure. God will test your faith, and he will sometimes push you to the very limit. Because see, I was sitting there in a season of good times. I mean stuff was just going great, I was feeling great. Stuff was just going good and God says, "No matter what."

Now I have you on the stage and now some of you wondering what is this you got here. It's a teapot. This is a teapot. It's got water in it. It's sitting on a hot plate. So, the water is hot. Do you know sometimes God has to deal with us in order to make some tea in life? We're like this

teabag and yet this is hot. Sometimes God has to take and he'll put us through some hot water. You see the steam coming off this water. He'll put us through some hot water but it is the hot water that brings out the flavor. And when you put a real Christian and some hot water and it starts to swirl, it starts to stir, you begin to then see what your true colors are. And then God can tell you, "Are you really with me no matter what? When the circumstances get tough, when your money runs low, when your relationship goes to stream, your child gets sick, when you get sick, when you start dealing with all this stuff, are you really, really with me?" What are your true colors? So, God will sometimes put us through some tough stuff so he can ask us no matter what.

But I want to tell you several things about this. Number one, it's easy to see the tea. It's easy to see how when we get in hot water and we come through it and everything works out, and then we can praise God, "Lord, you have brought me through this." But I am here to tell you that most Christian's suffer more from sweet tea than they do hot water. We suffer more from sweet tea than we do hot water.

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When we're in hot water, the real Christian often, he looks to God because there's nothing else is going to happen. See, there are some situations when you're at the end of your rope. The bank has denied you, your loan. Your friends won't lend you any money. The doctor says, "Based on what I see here, there's no cure." Your spouse says, "I'm leaving. I'm never coming back." So, myou got the stuff that only God can pull you through. But what happens on the other extreme? What happens when you got sweet tea? Sweet tea destroys more Christians than hot water.

Do you know that every time the children of Israel, when God really prospered them and blessed them, they couldn't make it beyond two generations before they went back to worshiping other gods and turned away from God? The minute God prospered them, the minute God gave them sweet tea, they couldn't hold up. See, I was sitting in that place praising God, I was in the middle of sweet tea, and it was on a Wednesday, which is my Sabbath Day. It's the day that I have promised to rest. And I was in the middle, not hot water, but sweet tea. I started calling the office. I started writing even knew it was day off, knew I had made a covenant with God that I would rest just one day but stuff is just going so good. You know sometimes when stuff be going good, you get excited. Do you all had that happened, stuff just be going good.

I mean the bank account was literally higher than it had ever been in the history of the company. So, here I am, I'm dealing with all of this stuff and I'm just getting excited about it. Lord, just bless me. I'm just writing emails. I'm just talking. I'm just handling business, and it's supposed to be my off day. And I had a covenant with God that I would rest one day a week, but sometimes you deal with sweet tea. I violated that day. See the "No Matter What" applies to either end. It applies when you're in hot water but it also applies to sweet tea.

Do you know if God blesses most folk with money, their percentage giving drops? You find the percentage giving is always higher among people who have very little and who's struggling. Once God starts blessing you with a whole lot of money, I can't tie up of all this. It's easy to tie when I don't have -- You don't bless me with me this. I can't tie -- You got sweet tea. And sweet tea is sometimes way more detrimental than hot water. So, even in the natural sweet tea is a whole lot worse. You know if you got the leader of sweet tea and a lot of times you go to a restaurant, they bring you a whole bunch of sweet tea and there's nothing but water and sugar, and it's usually about 40% just sugar. We're like that in life.

The "No Matter What" applies to the hot water and it applies to the sweet tea. Can God trust you at other extreme to where you will still say like, "Though he slays me, yet will I trust him." The problem comes with most people is though he prospers me, though he blesses me beyond my wildest imagination, though he gives me all of this, will I still be faithful unto the Lord?" The thing became so clear to me when I -- I went into work yesterday, it's a Saturday. The company is close but my day is Wednesday. And I made a covenant with God, "Lord, if I violate that Wednesday, I will take two days to make up for that." It's what God told me to do. But I didn't take two days and I went in on Saturday.

When I went in on Saturday, I hit my code to turn the alarm off and the alarm didn't turn off. It just kept counting down. I hit the code again and the alarm still didn't turn off. I said, "maybe I just forgot the code." Because I got all this pin numbers I have to remember all and I had the code actually in my phone and my password dialed in the phone. So, I took my phone because it was count down. You only got a certain amount of time before the alarm goes off. You got to enter that code correctly before the alarm - so it was just ticking down and at the end of about five or six time, I said, "Let me check to make sure I got this code right. So, I pull out my phone, open the password program and the thing was just spinning on it. I said, "What in the world is wrong with this? I

can't get to the password. The phone has just lots of -- what in the world?"

So, I'm sitting there trying to punch in the code, waiting on the password pro, it's just spinning won't open, the alarm goes off. So here goes the woo-woo-woo. So, the alarm goes off, I'm punching in what I thought was the code, still wouldn't go off. So, I know the monitoring station is going to call. And I knew they will call my cellphone, I would be able to give them the disarm code so they wouldn't dispatch the police. So, I'm sitting there waiting, holding my phone, it's just spinning, and I see a little note pop up, voicemail from alarm company. I said, "How in the world the phone didn't ring?"

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So, I have to rush in the office, call the alarm company, tell them there's a false alarm, disregard. And then the password program finally opens, I see the code. I said, I didn't like the code. I've been dialing it all this time. I go dial the code in, the alarm cuts off. And then I understood. Sometimes when God has given us sweet tea and we have gone away from him, he has to bring it back to our remembrance. I am the one who has blessed you with this. I am the one who is in control. And yet even though I blessed you, you still won't do right.

See, I want to show you this right here. This is the hotplate that I heated up the water with. This is a little red, you can see the burner here. The problem that most of us have is not even God putting us in the hot water. Right here, this little red sticker, it says, "Caution: hot surface." Do you know God's word is full of caution hot surfaces? There are 613 laws in God's law. Out of those 600, 365 of them are thou shall not. They're basically caution hot surface. The problem that most of us have is not the hot water, sometimes it's not even the sweet tea. It's the caution hot surface and we will take our hands and put our hands on this hot burner, and we say, "Aw!" and it burns us and it blisters us, it swells up, it's got us raw, and you would think -- You all just say, "You would think." You would think that after that, we would never put our hands on that hot surface ever again. You would think.

The issue that I have seen with all of us -- see, first of all, when I violated that rest day, that wasn't the first time. You all say that again. Say, "That wasn't pastor's first time." See, a lot of you, what you are experiencing is not God putting you in the hot water making flavorful tea, you're not experiencing sweet tea, you're experiencing continually putting your hand on the hotplate. This occurs whenever you do

something over that you've done before and it's burned you. I see it in people's health. I remember one lady came to us one day, she said, "Pastor, I just have a real problem with sugar. Every time I eat sugar, my face swells up, I break out in -- every time I eat sugar, it just happened to me. And whenever I eat sugar, my body just go to pieces and all this stuff just happen." So, what would you think will be the obvious advice to give this lady? But the problem is we keep putting our hands on the hotplate, and it burns us and blisters us every time.

Some of you got relationship like that. You keep getting in relationship after relationship after relationship and it would be the same -- first of all, you go to the same place to meet the same kind of folk to do the same kind of thing. And you keep putting your hand on the hotplate. See, God, even in his way, he's got some stuff that tells you about relationship that says caution hot surface. Don't put your hand on this. Don't touch this. He's got some things that tell you just don't touch this. He said, be you not equally it, you're a nonbeliever. There's a caution -- but you don't understand, he's fine. He's fine, pastor. He's not a believer, he's fine. No, he didn't get a job but he's fine. Well, yeah I know, he got three or four other babies like that and he supports them, but he's fine. All that, caution hot surface, and we put our hands on the same thing over and over again.

See, most of my stuff is not new. Most of the things that I deal with, what I experience pain, it's not new. It's putting my hand on the hotplate over and over and over. Most of the business stuff that I have problems with is not new. It's putting my hand on the hotplate over and over and over, and I see it in business. And they see your group that James and I attend, they have a slogan called SRPs which stands for silly repeating patterns. But that's not what it stands for, that's what it's cleaned up stand for. But the silly repeating patterns they occur in our lives over and over and over and over, and God is trying to get us to the point of where we trust him no matter what.

There are some things he has told you to do, but yet you come up with obstacles. I knew I need to get up and run this morning. See, that's one of the things that I know; work out six days a week, you'll never be sick. And I tell you, if you ever see me sick, you'd be guaranteed with one thing, I have failed to work out six days a week. And I knew I need to get up and run this morning. When my alarm went off, I did not want to run.

You all ever had a situation that you didn't want to do it. But I knew that I needed to do it and when I don't do it, I pay a price in my body by not being in condition. I struggle out of it. I went into the workout room, I turned on my treadmill, and the treadmill was stuck. I got one of these fancy electronic treadmills that came up and says, "Program stuck." It didn't stuck, it was in a loop and it just wouldn't move. So, I'm saying to myself, this is the first time this has ever happened. I can't run on this treadmill and then I heard those three little words, "No matter what."

See, sometimes we're looking for an excuse because you didn't want run in the first place. So, you're looking for an excuse in terms of why can I not -- see, that's what happens sometimes when you look out on the window and there's a little rain on Sunday morning. And some people look out in the window and say, "Look, there's a cloud way over there. It may rain today." And all you're just looking for is any excuse why you can miss church today. And I'm hearing God says, "No matter what." And in my workout room, I got a really fancy workout, I actually have two treadmills. The other treadmill is much smaller, it's much older, but that didn't stop me. And if that wouldn't work and I just go outside and run. Let me put it like this, nothing stops you when it's something you want to do. You will find all kind of ways to get around. Nothing will stop you when it's something you want to do. But if it's something God wants you to do, and whenever God wants you to do something, understand this, it's not for God. God don't need my exercise, I need it. God don't need my rest, I need it.

So, the things that God has directed me to do like a parent to a child is not for God, it's for me no matter what. And there are those of you got those two issues of trusting God on either extreme. And then there are the things that God has directed you to do, but for whatever reason you don't want to do them or you don't want to keep doing them. We fall off the wagon and God is saying, "My child, if you just stay with me, there's a reward at the end of this road. You may not see it, you may not understand it, you may not even agree with it. There have been so many things I've had if you trust God, I hear him clearly speaking -- did that make sense. But often the things of the spirit don't make sense to the things of the natural. And sometimes it's just the matter we just don't want to do it. But God is saying to somebody here today no matter what.

I'm glad Prophet Hector and Caprice was able to join us. Prophet Hector, I'm going to ask you just to say some words at the end because it's been three years since those words. I don't know what all is going on in your relationship, I'm sure there's been some beautiful nights and

days in that relationship, but I'm also sure there's been some times when you had to say, Pastor, this thing, I had to say that no matter what, I just don't -- I don't know. And maybe not, maybe it's just been like the little red heart just be floating above every time. Maybe it's been just total bliss all the way through, but I know if it's like typical things, whenever God sends you to something, often that thing, it takes some work, it takes some energy to make it right and to do what God says to do. God will give you a garden, but often, that garden has to be weeded and you have to go in and fertilize it and then you have to then rip the harvest. You got to put some work into the thing. So, God will oftentimes send us in places and into things and sometimes the water becomes hot. But when we simmer it and just take a sip, the tea is good, but we can never often make it through the simmering and the hot process of making the flavor.

Just say that with me, no matter what. If you adopt that philosophy, no matter what happens to you, you'll always praise. And when you praise in the midst of it, it changes the circumstance. It really, really, really does. When you praise in the midst -- Pastor James gave the example of his son who got in what I would call a car wreck. I don't believe in accidents, I really don't. I just don't believe in accidents. I don't believe anything in this world is accidental. Everything is orchestrated. So, he got in a car wreck, but how you view the wreck, you can look as, "Oh my car, it's just messed up. This is horrible. This is just horrible. Or, I don't have a scratch on me. Praise God. Lord, thank you for this." See, how you view it, it's a no matter what. And even if you do have a scratch on, because I've told you a multiple times about my crash, I had a whole lot of scratches; scratches, bruise, facial fractures. Still, just Lord, I thank you. And that was the way I honestly felt about the thing because I've learned how to give thanks, and I've had to go through some things to understand that God is in everything. And when you can adopt that philosophy of no matter what, it will change how you approach everything.

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So, every circumstance, you're able to see God in it. And every direction that God gives you, you make sure you get that thing done no matter what because if he tells you to do it, there's a way to do it. He doesn't tell you that then you can't do. He tells you plenty of stuff you don't want to do, two different things. But he doesn't tell you anything that you cannot do. And when we learn that and adopt that, nothing will stop us from having the inner peace on this earth and allow us to go through life just a whole lot smooth. I'm going to praise God no matter

what. Praise and problems, they can't occupy the same space. You can't praise and complain at the same time. You're either one of the other.

Psychology, you hear some people saying you multitask. You cannot multitask. The human mind can only think one thought at a time. You can -- what's called multiplex, which means flip from one thought to the other, but you can't think about one thing at a time. So, if you praise you just can't think about the problem. And it changes how you even view that problem, because every problem has some benefit in it if you can find the problem. And you find the praise and you find the benefit in that problem. Every problem has some benefit in it, simple as that. Even death itself, at least they're going onto heaven, at least they're in a better place now. So, you can see God in every single thing of your life and you praise him, and you'd be better, and you'd be obedient no matter what.

Prophet Hector, I want to just ask -- first of all, I want you to come up but I want you to bring your wife with you because it's a testimony just to be together, it really is.

Prophet Hector: First of all, we're glad to be here. Me and my wife will say a couple of things then I'll pick it back off for her no matter what.

Caprice: Praise God. No matter what, marriage is real. I thank God for, I know three years to some people don't seem like a long time but three years nowadays is a big deal, because marriages aren't taken for a joke. People don't respect the covenant anymore and I thank God for Pastor (00:27:27). I told him when we got married, he had some (00:27:31) it can't be nobody else. When he said no matter what, he gave us the mic, I did the same thing like, "I wasn't prepared." So, I thank God for my husband that no matter what I'm going to continue to love him. No matter what, we're going continue to serve God together. No matter what, we're going to continue to have faith. No matter what, we're going to trust God and no matter what, we're going to continue to honor him, and we're going to continue to love one another and be there for one another and I just thank God for you and I thank God for the pastor and for the ministry, and for just being there for us through the times that we needed you guys the most. So, thank you so much.

Prophet Hector: Wow! Well, years ago, I took up the phrase no matter what. I think I was a teenager and I said, "Lord, no matter what, I'm going to serve you." I didn't know what I was getting into and I stayed with God even when I wanted to party. I guess I thought I wanted the party. And I want to have friends to do bad things, I couldn't do it. I wanted to but

I just couldn't do it no matter what. I made a covenant to the lord. I did not know that the lord was going to put that covenant in my marriage. All our days have not been perfect. She just told me yesterday morning, she said, "I want to punch you." Because sometimes she says I'm like her little boy, I get into stuff. She's like, "Babe, you didn't wipe the (00:29:19)." "Yes, I did. I just didn't do it like you." One time she (00:29:27) toilet seat, because she said I forgot to let the toilet seat down.

Caprice: It was night and I wasn't paying attention.

Prophet Hector: I was trained to leave it up. So, before I was married, I was trained to leave the toilet seat up, so I wouldn't -- as a little boy, you wouldn't -- I'm sorry, the little boy is eight, he can't aim straight. But anyway, I learned to let the toilet seat down.

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I can go down the list but a lot of people think that my wife and I been married 30 years. And when I think about the Lord ministry, it was three years and He done something exciting things. Three years has been exciting. The day before we got married, we had a storm and her dad didn't want us to get married and we kept on going forward no matter what. We had every problem you could think of but nobody knew that my wife has set up something beautiful in the reception, because the reception wasn't about pulling off some little leg garment. It was about recognizing marriages.

So, we had a big fight. I mean we had a big fight with the devil, not her and I, because I didn't think there was nobody out there for me. Me being a prophet to the nations, always find the rejection in everything else, and God gave me my own diamond. And then when a man of God (00:31:08) shoes burst, a car rental stuff going on, the airplane got delayed, some of (00:31:15) the wedding plane, got delayed. People got sick that was in the wedding. So, I said, our marriage got to be powerful for all this going on. Miracle signs when this is happening before we're going to get married, while we're getting married, after we're getting married. Cameramen turned their life around and everything like, what in the world -- and they were not black.

And then we had different nationalities at our wedding, so we wouldn't have a pro-black wedding because our wedding, it's tied into a ministry. It may have a ministry effect. Everywhere we go, people are like, "Who are you guys? You all look so happy." My wife prayed that no matter what prayer on the way here. She's right and she couldn't stop saying

no matter what. We were excited about getting here. We're going to be out of town next week, but God didn't want us to go out of town this weekend. God want us to hear his message, still we go out of town and we marinate and soak it up no matter what.

I've been excited, I've been talking about fertilizer for the past three weeks and Pastor Nathaniel made a comment about fertilizer. And then I got excited when he was doing that illustration about the tea. I mean I just can't believe how all the things I've been through all my life and I never thought I'd live just say 50 years old. I had a birthday in February and I saw 50. I saw 50. Some of you all don't even know how awesome God is. I saw 50 years old you all. My dad didn't see it, but I saw it. Being the only child, my dad didn't see 50 you all, but I saw it. All my life, it was a struggle saying, "I got to outlive my dad. I got to outlive my dad." And when I finally did -- because I lost my daddy at 23, I was 23 years old, but I saw 50.

Then I saw John a few days ago, I'm laughing and talking with him. When we heard about the accident, I said, "Lord, I thank you for the miracle because he can get another car." God will give him a better car that what he had. But you all, I saw 50. I can't take that for a joke. Some of you all are older than me and everything, but let me tell you, I've been through some stuff, but no matter what I didn't change. I've been lied upon and talked about and cursed out and gun pointed but I saw 50, you all and I'm married at 50, not single at 50. I mean, I'm just excited right now because this message touched more than my heart, it touched my soul, because I was the hot water. I was that tea bag. I was that mug that had to hold a hot water. I was the hotplate. I was the hand that touched the hotplate. See, some of you all don't have a testimony. Some of you all should be excited about what God has done to your life. Some of you should be really excited and I heard the Lord tell me at the beginning of the year that this will be the year of the comeback. And I said, "Lord, I haven't said it nowhere else, but Lord, I sat at one church and I didn't really want to say it."

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Then the lord was talking to me about the comeback. But let me tell you, you have to go through this tea moment and now, if I have no tea in years, but if I ever drink another glass, I won't forget this episode. I won't forget you all. If you all don't do nothing else right this year, and I thank God for every single thing. My wife will tell you, I thank him of everything. It isn't my first time. I thank about the good, the bad and everything else. I even thank him when we were going through getting

married. I thank him then. I even thank him the first time she made me irritated. I think I messed it, Lord. I don't even know if I made the right selection. But God, wouldn't let me out.

It's true, our marriage has been tested, but anything that can be tested can be trusted. And I thank God for my 30 years because my three years is somebody's 30 years. I know next year is going to be 40 years. I know next year is going to be 50 years. But you all, let's just be thankful. And we love you. We're going to continue periodically as the lord bring us through, because we have a work to do as husband and wife, because we have some people to see. So, you all enjoy your weekend and whatever you do, love on somebody. Amen.

Nathaniel Bronner: Amen. Amen. Amen. We thank God for their testimony of their three years and 30, or 40, or 50 more to come. Amen. Amen.

Right now, with heads bowed, does anybody in this place and this message today has ministered to you in some form? You may be in some hot water right now, or you may be touching the hotplate that you know you shouldn't have touched and it may have you in some situations. Or you may even be in the sweet tea phase where you've been caught up with the good things and you know you haven't been giving God the time, to worship him in the thanksgiving that you should. You fit in any one of those three categories, the altar is open and you can come at this time and we'll pray with you.

I just hear God said, Pastor James mentioned about those three categories. If you come and stand in the category that you know you're in; hot water, keep putting your hand on the hotplate, sweet tea. You know which category, hot water, keep putting your hand on a hotplate, sweet tea. Anybody still want to come up? Come on up. If you know you got those issues, come on up, get in the group that you're in and you might as well get this thing resolved today. See, even this is one of those no matter what, because there are still some people sitting there and you are struggling with this thing and I do not want to get up there because folk going to see me in this group and (00:38:28) hot water, they go, "No, I'm putting my hand on the plate and then no, I got sweet tea issues."

So, do not worry about what folks think about your situation. It only matters what God thinks about your situation, just you and God and this is between you and God. So, right now, if you're struggling with situations in one of these three categories, don't let anything stop you

from coming up and moving to move to a new level with that thing. Amen. While each one of us is going now just pray over each group.

Male: Let's pray, Father we just thank you so much Lord, we just honor you and we bless You and praise Your name, lord. Father just pray over those who have come down in hot water. We thank you Lord God for being with us. Thank you for being a very impressive help in the time of trouble. Lord we just grab a hold of you, we trust You, we depend on You, Lord, we call on You. We depend on Your word Lord, we use everything that You have given us. We rest in your love and Father we just thank you so much, we ask You for help. Let us learn what we need to learn. Lord, we pray that You burn out the impurities that need to come out of our lives. Lord we thank you for bringing us forth this pure gold. Thank you for this (00:39:58) trial and tries us and it is not something strange that happens, but our faith comes forth this pure gold.

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Imperishable faith, Lord. We love you. Thank you for being with us. We honor you and praise you. Thank you for making us strong. Thank you, Lord God for purifying our lives. We deepen our faith, we deepen our trust in you. We grab a hold to your word, we grab a hold to you, Lord. We just rest in your love. We just thank you father. We thank you lord. We thank you lord. Thank you for working in our lives. Thank you for working in this situation. Thank you for delivering us. We just trust you. In Jesus name we pray, Amen.

Nathaniel Bronner: Amen. You all can stand to your feet. I'm going to ask Brother Houston, if you just come. I know he has to leave so he'll get you all out quick. Let's give us our benediction for today.

Male: Amen. Let us pray. All wise and eternal God our father. We thank you Lord God. You're worthy, Lord God. You're worthy of all the praise. You're worthy of every tear, Lord God. You're worthy Lord God of every challenge. You're worthy Lord God. All we can give you Lord God, we owe you everything. As we promise Lord God on today, Lord, we vow that no matter what, Lord, we will worship you, Lord God, in spirit and in truth, Lord. We submit ourselves to you once again, Lord God. It's a pleasure, it's a blessing to live for you, Lord God. It's a blessing to be called your children. I thank you so much Lord God for arc of salvation, Lord God, Pastor Nathaniel and Pastor C. Elijah, and Pastor James, Lord God, and Mama Rabi, Lord God. Thank you for all of the ministry

leaders and servants in this place, Lord God. Add a special blessing to the obedient hearts in this house, Lord God.

Thank you, Lord God that it is here at a beacon, Lord God, for this neighborhood, for this community, Lord God, for all who are blessed that view this broadcast, Lord Jesus. We love you Lord God. We honor you, we exalt your Lord God. Strengthen us, teach us, train us, mature us to become everything you would have us to be and we'll be careful to give your name all the glory to honor and to praise. It's in the mighty majestic magnificent, all some wonderful name of Jesus that we do pray. All hearts that agree say, "Amen."

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