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An invitation to realign your life with God's truth

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WELCOME

We are deeply grateful that you got a copy of this devotional. Our prayer is that your decision to engage with this resource leads you to **an opportunity for personal growth, resulting in an engagement with a broader mission. Every copy of this devotional helps to support and bring sustainability to the task of reaching the least reached**, furthering the work of mission mobilization.

Our hope is that as you grow spiritually through these devotionals, you will be inspired not only to strengthen your relationship with God but also to extend His love to those around you. Our prayer is that, as you deepen your walk with Christ, your desire to serve others —beginning with those closest to you — will increase. Additionally, we trust that you will feel led to pray for those who have yet to hear the Gospel and be moved to act on behalf of those who do not have access to it.

We encourage you to share this devotional with others, even using it to lead Bible studies with friends, family, or anyone in your community who could benefit from this message. Together, we can extend the reach of the Gospel and make a lasting impact on the lives of those who need it most.

Thank you for being part of this mission.

With gratitude,

Julio, Gildelia, and Lucas Maromizato

DAY 5

LOVE THAT CLASHES WITH LOGIC

by Gildelia Moromisato

Key Scriptures:

“But I tell you, love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, that you may be children of your Father in heaven.” – Matthew 5:44

What Kind of Love Is This?

What do we do with a command so contrary to our instincts that it borders on offensive? - Love your enemies. Is that even wise? Is it just? Is it safe?

It's easy to nod in agreement with Jesus' words when they're printed on a page. But sit with them long enough, and they begin to undo you. They expose the parts of us that prefer vengeance to mercy, distance to reconciliation. Jesus' call to love our enemies is one of the most challenging and transformative commands He has given us, the path that reflects the very character of God.

This is **volitional, inconvenient, disarming love** that chooses the good of the other even when that other is your betrayer, your critic, your persecutor.

It's what got Jesus killed, and that's a strange mirror. He's not telling you how to become a child of God - He's showing you what children of God do. They live in such a way that their lives confuse the world. And in doing so, they become strange mirrors of divine mercy.

But here's the unsettling question: **Do you truly want to love like your Father?** *"He causes his sun to rise on the evil and the good, and sends rain on the righteous and the unrighteous."* Mathew 5:45

Or are you more comfortable loving like everyone else - within limits, with conditions, on your own terms?

To love like this is to accept that grace is not fair. It is scandalous. And you, once its undeserving recipient, are now its steward (Rm.5:8).

That's no small calling. When Jesus said *"pray for those who persecute you,"* He wasn't offering a survival strategy - He was calling us into spiritual resistance. Not against people, but against the darkness that enslaves them and tempts us.

And here lies the paradox: **Loving your enemy may not change them. But it will change you.**

Reflection

This doesn't mean ignoring injustice or allowing abuse, but it does mean acting with mercy and not letting the evil of others turn us into bitter people.

Loving our enemies is a powerful witness to the gospel and has the potential to change lives, both ours and theirs.

- Who is the person you instinctively want to avoid, attack, or silence?
- What might God be asking you to release - justice? control? pain? - so that His love can have the final word?

Practical Application

- **Pray the Hard Prayer:** Not for God to fix your enemies but for God to bless them in ways you wish He'd bless you.
- **Let Go of the Scorecard:** Lay down the tally of offenses. You don't have to forget, but you must release the need to repay.
- **Practice One Act of Unfair Kindness:** Do something this week for someone who has wounded you. It might just be the most powerful sermon they ever hear.
- **Remember Who You Were:** You were once an enemy too - and Christ did not wait for you to become worthy before loving you.

Prayer

Father, Your love confronts me. It unsettles my sense of fairness. It disarms my defenses. It humbles me. Teach me to love not just those who are easy to love, but those who remind me of my own sinfulness. Let my prayers be soaked in grace, not self-righteousness. Make my heart a dwelling place for Your mercy. Break me where I've become hard. Heal me where I've been hurt. Shape me into a true child of Yours - one who loves as recklessly and redemptively as You do. In Jesus' name, Amen.

Final Thought

The question isn't whether love is logical. The question is: Do you really want to resemble your Father in heaven? To love your enemy is not to lose yourself - it is to find out who you were always meant to be.

PRAY FOR THE LEAST REACHED: Shaikh

The **Shaikh** people of Bangladesh, numbering over 135 million, are **the largest unreached Muslim group in the world**. Predominantly Sunni Muslims, they make up the ethnic and religious majority of the country. Despite centuries of Islamic tradition, very few have ever heard the Gospel in a meaningful way. The Christian presence is minuscule - **less than 0.01% of Shaikhs follow Jesus**.

Barriers to the Gospel include strong religious identity, fear of social rejection, and lack of access to Scripture in a culturally relevant form.

How You Can Pray for the Shaikh:

- **Open Hearts:** Ask God to stir spiritual curiosity and a longing for truth among the Shaikh.
- **Courageous Disciples:** Pray for those few who have encountered Jesus to be bold, wise, and deeply rooted in faith.
- **Creative Access:** Pray for new and effective ways—media, business, education—for believers to live among and bless the Shaikh.
- **Relational Bridges:** Ask God to use friendships, acts of kindness, and everyday conversations to reveal His love.

Your prayers may help unlock doors no strategy can open.

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ABOUT US

We're Julio, and Gildelia Moromisato - originally from Brazil, now serving the nations from our home in Tyrone, Georgia. Our journey into missions began over two decades ago, sparked by a deep desire to know God and make Him known. Julio joined Operation Mobilization (OM) in 1998 after a transformative season in Japan, and Gildelia (Gil as called by friends) came to join OM in 2001. We married in 2003 and have been serving side by side ever since.

In Brazil, our ministry focused on mobilizing, training, and sending believers to the nations. Julio led OM Brazil as its national director for eight years, while Gil led the Missionary training before directing communications and launching The Freedom Challenge Brazil - a mission focus movement empowering women to fight for the freedom of those oppressed by human trafficking and exploitation.

In 2013, God led us with our son Lucas to the U.S. where our calling has continued to unfold. Julio has served in various leadership roles with OM USA and now leads COMIBAM USA - a network mobilizing Latino churches and leaders in the U.S. for global missions. He also serves with OM Latin America as part of the leadership team, focusing on mobilization to the unreached groups. Gil remains an active voice for The Freedom Challenge, teaching the Bible, mobilizing women to pray, give, and act for those oppressed and needing Freedom in Jesus Christ.

Together with our son Lucas, we live by grace, serve with joy, and are thankful for the faithful support of friends and churches who partner with us in prayer and giving.

Thank you for being part of this journey.

With gratitude,

Julia & Gil & Lucas



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ABOUT MISSION MADE

Mission Made exists to awaken hearts and mobilize lives through everyday products that serve an eternal purpose. We believe what we wear, carry, share, or gift can be used to point people to Jesus — and support initiatives that brings the Gospel to the ends of the earth.

For decades we have been serving through global movements (Operation Mobilization (OM) and COMIBAM USA. And from OM we borrow a statement that clearly describes our hearts: ***“Since our beginnings, we have been driven by a deep conviction that everyone should have the opportunity to hear the gospel at least once. So we went. No place was too hard, no people too far, no idea too crazy, no dream too big and our failures did not hold us back. Tens of thousands have joined us and hundreds of millions have heard the gospel. But we are not done yet.”***

Through Mission Made, we create beautiful, practical, and bold products that connect everyday life with God’s global mission. Each purchase helps support the mobilization of Latino leaders and churches to serve among the least reached — including refugees in the U.S., unreached people groups in Africa, Asia, and Europe, indigenous communities in Latin America, and mobilizing the Latino global diaspora.

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