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00:00:00.060 \longrightarrow 00:00:02.159
Carrington Moore: Couple of times. She does a great job of creating
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Carrington Moore: The space for us every week. And we're really,
really grateful for that.
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00:00:05.640 --> 00:00:16.680
Carrington Moore: She's been doing this every week since the start of
zoom. I don't discount that you actually missed a Wednesday, possibly,
so thank you. Thank you so much for all that you do for us. And I want
to give a clap for you all.
00:00:16.710 \longrightarrow 00:00:27.360
Carrington Moore: That you all have been faithful and learning and the
list of covert 19, I believe that we need God more than never. But
assessing guy that community. It's actually very difficult. So I want
to say thank you to you all.
00:00:27.900 \longrightarrow 00:00:37.380
Carrington Moore: For being a part of this Bible study. I pray that as
I teach as pastor Ray teaches as pastor Gloria teaches us. We have
many panel discussions that you're gleaning
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00:00:37.860 --> 00:00:48.780
Carrington Moore: Something that can be useful for your spiritual
life. So that's the hope we are. We will be having Bible study next
week. So this is the second to last, I will study of the year.
00:00:49.080 --> 00:00:50.070
JONELL JOHNSON: I think next week, those
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00:00:50.640 --> 00:00:59.910
Carrington Moore: Are showing, I believe, of the Christmas can top I
believe that's correct. The next Thursday. I believe will be on
Christmas Eve service that will be focusing on.
00:01:00.210 --> 00:01:10.980
Carrington Moore: Youth and Families and then a face Christmas for
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next week. Don't quote me, but I believe they'll be the showing of the
power of six or 7pm. And so we're gonna ask people to to
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00:01:11.670 --> 00:01:11.940
Carrington Moore: Give
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00:01:12.270 --> 00:01:15.210
Carrington Moore: If you can't see it, next Wednesday.
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00:01:16.440 --> 00:01:23.940
Carrington Moore: Back there showing the Christmas cantata next
Sunday. And then the rebroadcast again next Wednesday. That's for this
so I'm sorry if I
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00:01:25.560 --> 00:01:29.340
Carrington Moore: Want people to have a couple of times to be able to
kind of tune in and watch that.
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00:01:29.730 --> 00:01:31.050
Carrington Moore: We're excited for that. So let's just
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00:01:31.590 --> 00:01:35.040
Carole Copeland Thomas: Put it out about December 30 well we have
Bible study, then
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00:01:36.210 --> 00:01:41.520
Carrington Moore: We will be having Bibles turn on December 30 and the
December 31 we will have our
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00:01:42.960 --> 00:01:44.220
Carrington Moore: All our new years
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00:01:46.500 --> 00:01:56.940
Carrington Moore: And so I believe that will be producing some
material regarding all of the things that were coming up. I know. If
you go on our website. You can see there's a flyer that shows some of
our services.
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Carole Copeland Thomas: So there. So there will be surface on December

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3 there will be Bible study on December 30
00:02:02.460 --> 00:02:02.850
Carrington Moore: Yes. No.
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00:02:04.560 --> 00:02:06.000
Carrington Moore: That will be the last Bible study.
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00:02:07.140 --> 00:02:11.370
Carrington Moore: The next day, we'll have our watch night service
okay information that was our
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00:02:14.220 --> 00:02:15.900
Carrington Moore: Second to last Bible study.
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00:02:16.950 --> 00:02:30.810
Carrington Moore: Of the year and we've been talking about the other
side of add that on the first week of add that we talked about Mary.
Mary had to work through right what it means for her to be
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00:02:33.030 --> 00:02:42.030
Carrington Moore: inconvenienced because the Holy Spirit. We're going
to dig into that a little bit more on today, pastor at her last week
did a good job of really talk through the different complexities of
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00:02:42.030 \longrightarrow 00:02:53.640
Carrington Moore: Joseph. Joseph had to work through that situation
that know that that went really well. It's sort of going to kind of
talk about Mary and Joseph really briefly today, open to really talk
about this subject of pain.
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00:02:54.210 --> 00:03:03.390
Carrington Moore: Presence and promise we'll talk about pain presence
and promise as we kind of finish off this series, all other side of
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00:03:04.860 --> 00:03:05.220
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Carrington Moore: Prayer.

00:03:06.840 --> 00:03:12.540

Carrington Moore: Request. You want to put it in the chat will put in the chat. If you have any prayer requests. Quite an input into the chat. We're going to jump right into it.

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00:03:13.320 --> 00:03:23.340

Carrington Moore: Let us pray. Mother, Father God, we thank you for this day, Lord God, we thank You Lord God, because it had been logged out we're looking at two things got first word that we're looking at. Lord got your first coming

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00:03:23.790 --> 00:03:32.160

Carrington Moore: You are made manifest in the world. Lord God. The Bible says the earnest expectation, but got the creature waiting for the manifestation of the sons of God, Lord.

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Carrington Moore: Who are waiting for you. Lord God for for centuries got we're waiting for you, Lord, got some 2000 years ago he revealed yourself us God and we're

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00:03:40.560 --> 00:03:50.880

Carrington Moore: So grateful because logo. Because of you, because he died on the cross for us. Okay, we are now in right relationship with you got, we now have access to the Kingdom of Heaven, Lord, God. So we say

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00:03:51.240 --> 00:03:59.190

Carrington Moore: We're grateful for that or got one added more got we're looking at the First Coming Lord God, have you, but we'll get an apple also looking at the second coming, look at

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00:03:59.400 --> 00:04:06.150

Carrington Moore: Those eschatological true for God and God and your second coming, or got a you got bringing the kingdom of God. And so in this

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00:04:06.540 --> 00:04:14.970

Carrington Moore: Season, we are looking at got how we can be connected. Look at how we can be a help for ushering in the kingdom of God. What God. So in this moment.

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Carrington Moore: And this avid season or got on this moment God I pray that you bless us for the next 1520 minutes guy, give us insight, Lord God asked me crowd the scripture together. This will provide the name of Jesus, the Christ or the saver that everyone say Amen.

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00:04:28.650 --> 00:04:37.560

Carrington Moore: Amen. So brothers and sisters, one of the songs that was a really interesting to me. I have a wonderful uncles.

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Carrington Moore: And aunts or my stepmother side and during Christmas time, we always had a good time would always come together, we always play spades and if you actually look back at some my Facebook video, you will see my uncle's Malcolm Clarence Marco bom bom.

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Carrington Moore: bom bom Mako wheel. I'm overwhelmed gene that's the southern name off the William James, you will see them coming together and it was seeing all the time.

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Carrington Moore: For the songs that what they were saying that it used to be a blessing to me. I don't know all the words really well, but the song that he was saying was, what do the lonely do

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Carrington Moore: At Christmas time knows that song by song. What do the laundry to do at Chris. He goes something like that.

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00:05:21.060 --> 00:05:27.060

Carrington Moore: Song boards are tis the season to be jolly, but how can I be when I have nobody

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Carrington Moore: The your tie kill DOES IT MAKE IT BETTER KNOWING THAT WE WILL BE together a silent night. I know it's going to be joy to the world, but it's going to be sad for me what

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00:05:38.490 --> 00:05:54.840

Carrington Moore: The Lonely do at Christmas and brothers and sisters, I'm not gonna lie to you. This will be the first Christmas that I will spend with my family right can go back to this town will have a little is not safe or not safe. My parents not saved for me. And so I have singing the song, what

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00:05:55.890 --> 00:05:56.580 Carrington Moore: For the moment,

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Carrington Moore: At Christmas time. And some of us that might have resume with us and we might have had lonely Christmases before

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00:06:03.960 --> 00:06:11.760

Carrington Moore: Christmas is not always how we can play with our children and be happy Angelica, sometimes Christmas brings up some sad memory.

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Carrington Moore: Because we lost some folks are a lot of mother or father might not be with us. And so Christmas as a time of choice for sound, but this is also a time but you only in this

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00:06:22.500 --> 00:06:34.410

Carrington Moore: In this moment to talk there real quickly. We want to talk through real quickly, what, what is it the only do it for Christmas, but also how we understand this intersection of our faith that that brings a pain.

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Carrington Moore: That brings up the idea of the premise of guy, but also brings up the promise. I want to say that we find our Scripture texts will look at the stories, the narratives of Mary

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Carrington Moore: The narratives of Joseph, we look at the narrative of Christmas and advocate. We understand that is filled with pain.

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Carrington Moore: Feel with the presence of God is also feel with promise I will read that, I will read the lyrics of the song. One more time. It says this is the season to be jolly

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Carrington Moore: But how can I be what I have. Nobody you'll take
care of doesn't make it better knowing that we won't be together I
silent night. I know it's going to be joy to the world, but it's going
to be sad for me what the lonely do
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00:07:16.440 --> 00:07:17.250
Carrington Moore: At Christmas.
00:07:18.360 --> 00:07:30.030
Carrington Moore: Brothers and sisters, I want to submit to you that
in the text. When we look at the story of Joseph and Mary, we
understand that we had going on. Prior to Jesus, prior to
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00:07:30.990 --> 00:07:40.740
Carrington Moore: God inconveniencing them. They had going on,
financially, they were not rich, but they had everything they need to
know about you, but sometimes I
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00:07:41.220 --> 00:07:46.620
Carrington Moore: Feel good in my life as I'm turning 34 I'm moving
into a place where I got no real money.
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00:07:47.190 --> 00:07:50.490
Carrington Moore: I got a little bit change in my pocket. I can do a
little something where I can
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00:07:50.700 --> 00:08:02.970
Carrington Moore: Be a blessing to my father be a blessing to my
stepmother, be a blessing. A little brother and I feel good. I don't
need to be wealthy, but as long as I'm doing okay and in the Scripture
text we find Mary and Joseph
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00:08:03.480 --> 00:08:06.480
Carrington Moore: Everything in the world and not buying a Cadillac,
but then
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00:08:07.260 --> 00:08:19.140
Carrington Moore: Honda that their product they get 2018 Honda Accord
that gets them from point A to point B. And I don't know about you,
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there's nothing wrong with having a reliable Honda as you can be. Alright, so in the text to kind of that they

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Carrington Moore: Don't have everything they work. They have everything

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Carrington Moore: We see that they might be a middle class family. They had going on religiously, they were living according to the word of God and their parents were proud of them. And they and they didn't have it.

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Carrington Moore: They had going on cultural because they were a part of a sec, called the Jews that weren't Samaritan. So we see that they all still lower than the Romans, right, they were living

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Carrington Moore: Room is supremacy, but also we understand the thing where it also see it this way. They want the bottom cast of society right they had some cultural

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Carrington Moore: Cultural things about them that kind of made them separate and set apart. So although the experience of depression. They also handle comfort in their culture that allowed them to some ways be shielded

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Carrington Moore: From the oppressive forces of Roman imperialism and so we know that they weren't the Samaritans, and they were part of a crowd ethnic group.

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Carrington Moore: That every outcast wanted to be a part of. And so if you're out past living under Roman imperialism and you can have access to Roman citizenship that the next thing was to be what part of the Jewish culture.

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Carrington Moore: Everything according to the text was going as

planned. I've been wearing engaged be leery he had a trade.

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Carrington Moore: And things were looking good. Joseph was just he just wasn't

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Carrington Moore: A BLACK MAN. HE WAS A. Was it called it a BMW a black male with the Java holiday that little phrase that they have the other black man with a john has a fine black man walking he loaned Mary so much even have to marry. He didn't believe even though

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Carrington Moore: She said she was chat with child. Yeah. Right. And according to his poetry addition to stone her or he put away, put away quietly because

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Carrington Moore: He loved her. They had going on there were a lot of there were two peas in a pod toast have had to go along but how many of you know that just because you've got it going on, doesn't mean at thing. It happened to you. But here's the thing about the text, which is really interesting.

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00:10:25.590 --> 00:10:42.390

Carrington Moore: Joseph and Mary have a job experience there misfortune there it convenience doesn't come because of Roman Empire love them their misfortune doesn't come because of poverty there at this point, it doesn't come because about rulers misfortune their convenience comes from God.

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00:10:43.680 --> 00:10:49.740

Carrington Moore: What happens when God is the reason why you're lonely Christmas.

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00:10:51.030 --> 00:11:04.770

Carrington Moore: We see in the text we look at, look. Look at nearly at the beginning of the text we see a couple things going on there, let us know. That is, is God that is showing up in their lives that create a problem. But here's the thing.

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Carrington Moore: Out of the beginning or Mary what she's talking with Elizabeth is is confirmed that she's gonna be live chat one

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Carrington Moore: visits her and says you are the favorite one of the law, right, you, you have a precious a son of God inside your belly. What is she doing, she has that

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Carrington Moore: We call it a marriage Magnificat she, she's a song of how God has been good to her chemo says that generations will call me blessed

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Carrington Moore: The beginning of the blessing all is going well. She's so excited, but like some of us.

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Carrington Moore: What happens on the blessing doesn't feel much like a blessed thing. The next week after you've been there but you got a new job and everything was good yeah honeymoon phase. And then the second or third week, the people who are supervising

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Carrington Moore: Cradling they put the script or you ever been in a relationship. When you say it that way.

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Carrington Moore: Right, you have everything was good, right, everything was fine and you start getting to know them a little bit more, you start saying, Oh, we're a little strange little crazy. Wait a minute. This is not what I signed up for in the text we find

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Carrington Moore: Mary thought she was signing up for joy and peace and legacy or having some cool things leaves or why because he was been inconvenienced by God. What do the lonely do at Christmas time, we're looking at pain.

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Carrington Moore: Presence and the power of God and go to our three points. Real quick, we have to talk about the triple Peter real quick.

First of all, I want to suggest to you.

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Carrington Moore: In the text that Mary isn't wanted along the lines of women.

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Carrington Moore: Have been a blessing to the people of God, we see in the genealogy of Matthew, chapter one, there's a couple woman who actually mentioned, there's a couple women who actually mentioned. Does anybody know some women that were mentioned in the text.

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Carrington Moore: Anybody know Matthew chapter one.

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Carrington Moore: And Mama, mama speaks of them to you so that you all might know. So Mary. She's in she's in she's in good company. We look at Matthew chapter one, we're looking at the genome genealogy of Jesus. We have to see some women who are

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00:13:15.780 --> 00:13:24.060

Carrington Moore: You all. You all got it. You got rehab. I want to say that in the texts that Mary is in good company because there's some people

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00:13:24.840 --> 00:13:37.470

Carrington Moore: That have been through Mary's condition and they use the women only beautiful feminists power right to be a blessing to the people that are around them and sometimes in life.

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00:13:38.400 --> 00:13:40.590

Carrington Moore: Cells being oppressed and sometimes not always

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Carrington Moore: We're not always able to maximize our potential, but the blessing of God and the blessing of God. Worth it working with us as sometimes you got to use what you got. And very us what she has to make sure

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00:13:52.890 --> 00:14:01.410

Carrington Moore: That she survives and she's in a long line of women they use what they have to make sure that they survive raising the company. She's got a couple more.

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Carrington Moore: And rehab and Ruth and Bathsheba. He's a full women who are mentioned in the genealogy of Jesus given at the beginning of the Gospel of Matthew now. Now each of these women. I want to say they were out

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Carrington Moore: Either they also use their sexual and reproductive x instead of

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Carrington Moore: A burst of ways tomorrow, played a prostitute in the text. They come in and pregnant about father in law to get what was rightfully urs rehab was a woman who use her sexual desire God for

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00:14:33.750 --> 00:14:39.960

Carrington Moore: An entire people Ruth was the ethnic outside was usually close to her mother law nail me

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Carrington Moore: The two women devise a plan for Rufus the piece of answer very well and provide for the well being and Bathsheba came along, who became pregnant and an act of adultery with the blood of King David that she was has been dry Sally Mary appear to this family tree.

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Carrington Moore: So. She's a, she's a long line of women who found themselves being oppressed by patriarchy, but they did what they had to do some diversify and Mary fires herself.

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00:15:09.030 --> 00:15:19.890

Carrington Moore: In the same predicament different circumstance, but in the same predicament where a woman leanness right i mean i look I made that word up or not forgive me if I did, I made

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00:15:22.140 --> 00:15:33.690

Carrington Moore: That word up. No, I said, women in this. That's a

real word in the worldliness. You have to do what they have to do to survive because they understand right because their culture that they are less thing.

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00:15:34.440 --> 00:15:41.520

Carrington Moore: And text suggest that in many ways, women throughout the text that they don't have control literally over their own body.

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Carrington Moore: So just like the modern and rehab and roof and Bathsheba, they do what they have to do to survive and in many ways we're work we're thinking through 2020

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Carrington Moore: In many ways, some of us are here because we didn't, we have to do to survive and Mary suggest that in the text. There's nothing wrong.

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Carrington Moore: There's nothing wrong. One of the blessing is surviving when we go to watch now and go to quickly to watch night I was actually doing some research on watching out of the other day.

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Carrington Moore: And one of the things we're thinking about

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Carrington Moore: Sounding some friends about the importance of watch night service in the black church. I know many of you all know this history or the things that came up for me, which was extremely beautiful is that people

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Carrington Moore: Talk about the different black person right and different parts of the country who found themselves at Washington

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00:16:31.980 --> 00:16:38.580

Carrington Moore: mean you're literally persons who are fighting in the northern army to ensure that black people in the staff would be free. 00:16:38.790 --> 00:16:45.930

Carrington Moore: There are people in the north like Frederick Douglass, who in Boston and Philadelphia who advocated for black person to be free but also we

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00:16:46.410 --> 00:16:52.920

Carrington Moore: Are beautiful for mothers and fathers who literally slaves on Southern plantations. What were they doing it was fine.

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Carrington Moore: And sometimes we do survive a as a as a passive resistance, but the violin is a real action is almost like

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Carrington Moore: We took I was gonna have a color purple praise right I've talked about this all the time when students and I might be black. I might be ugly, but I'm still here. And so times by just saying that I made it through as a blessing married

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Carrington Moore: Like tomorrow, like rehab blabbermouth like Bathsheba, the blessing is that they survive the terrorism out their culture. So Mary

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Carrington Moore: First, as a blessing that she's so excited about that. She's found out about Mary song or Mary's Magnificat and then what happens when the blessing gets out. It almost feels like it backfires and her husband, the love of her life.

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Carrington Moore: To be

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JONELL JOHNSON: A

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Carrington Moore: question we have to ask ourselves first point.

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Carrington Moore: What the pain reduced and ally.

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Carrington Moore: produces something

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Carrington Moore: When we have to ask ourselves, what is it, producing a lot of and how we use that pain. How do we allow that pain to fester inside of us. And how do we respond to God.

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00:18:07.170 --> 00:18:15.210

Carrington Moore: In the midst of the pain. That's why I said, in many ways, Mary and Joseph are experiencing the inconvenience of God in several ways like Joe

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Carrington Moore: Remember, Joe. Joe had to go on and on. He was a beautiful highly melon native man who had it going a lot of beautiful wife beautiful children and riches in glory and what happens and the storage.

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00:18:27.780 --> 00:18:35.040

Carrington Moore: That literally the enemy. They have a godly tribunal and the enemy suggested it says, you know, job only serves you.

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Carrington Moore: Because you made a wealthy Joe only saves you because he gets everything right, Joe only serves you, because he you have blessed

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Carrington Moore: And then what happens, Joe has everything stripped away for him everything that he says yet will I trust the Lord God, and sometimes when the blessing turns on you. You have to have, you have to have a get well I trust in God, top of testimony.

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Carrington Moore: That that is producing something in us will be mindful, I will respond to that panel I. The next point I we're almost done.

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Carrington Moore: Next one. We're almost done.

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Carrington Moore: And producing produces something. What does that paint up to fill in the blank. The next point.

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Carrington Moore: You have to pray for the presence of God, look at the story.

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Carrington Moore: Of Joseph and Mary all best the constant thing that leaf throughout the narrative is that God has made present

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Carrington Moore: The angel. The Lord Business Mary, it says you're pregnant Chow.

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Carrington Moore: Down as president is Joseph. He's like, You know what, I'm not sure what are you doing, she I know she stepped out on me or what, but I can't marry her, but I live on put

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00:19:47.970 --> 00:19:48.240

JONELL JOHNSON: Away.

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Carrington Moore: What happened she has a chocolate has a dream.

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Carrington Moore: And God confirms the side of his mind. Don't worry about it. You go back to me you love me. Well, because a child is on the law.

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00:20:00.060 --> 00:20:02.460 Carrington Moore: Yes. Anyways,

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Carrington Moore: I was talking back to it. That's all right, he do to talk back to a previous me. It's all good.

00:20:08.340 --> 00:20:10.890

Carrington Moore: Yes. No. And maybe wave

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Carrington Moore: A presence of God.

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Carrington Moore: Is at least throughout the narrative.

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Carrington Moore: And I want to say to us, sometimes you have to make sure that our life is set up in such a way that we are inviting in the presence of God.

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Carrington Moore: I want to suggest to you that prayer produces the presence of Guy Why is a pencil out important because God no matter in the good and the bad God always have the power to a firm, the direction that we need to go in memory is Jessica.

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Carrington Moore: Was the conundrum problem just let her to the destitute right she can be a real true there could be some accusations made against her goals as a beautiful book called the scandalous GOSPEL OF JESUS. Right.

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Carrington Moore: Jesus, she's. Her name is is as being is being silly because of what God has done to Mary, she's thinking thing. It's literally back up.

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00:21:07.980 --> 00:21:08.940 Carrington Moore: Like this, this

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Carrington Moore: Christ that has amassed inside of her belly, right, she's dealing with the loneliness of Christmas you live because Christ is inside of a belly and as can produce it inconvenience, but the beautiful thing is that Mary

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Carrington Moore: Is in within the presence of God. And I want to say to us that in prayer, we're inviting in the presence of God. And we're not praying

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Carrington Moore: We need God to affirm the next direction for our life, we need to have a little talk with Jesus tomorrow about worries.

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Carrington Moore: Us being able to be in tune with the direction that God wants us to go. It's also contingent upon our prayer life.

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Carrington Moore: You can't be a good preacher and not pray for me. Can I don't know, I haven't seen any

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Carrington Moore: And you can't you can't be a good mother and not pray, you can't be a good father and I pray you can't be a good spiritual leader and not praying

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Carrington Moore: Why because there'll be some vicious mistakes that you're making your life. But also, here's the thing.

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Carrington Moore: When the blessing turns on you because it's your turn. Oh, you don't have your some of your older than I am. The blessing is go turn on you.

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Carrington Moore: There will be some times that your blessing. Seems like a curse. You have to figure out what to do I do with the blessing. And that's when God extend this guy's point. We're almost done.

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Carrington Moore: So, so we said that pain produces something we have to be able to acknowledge what is the pain producing in our life how we're responding to the next point. We talked about is that is that

the presence of God is contingent upon prayer.

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Carrington Moore: That you want the presence of God in your life, you gotta be in prayer, literally, they make it through this moment of the inconvenience of God because they are prayerful people and the presence of God is laced to off the narrative. The last part is the promise.

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00:22:52.740 --> 00:22:58.650

Carrington Moore: Last part is the promise and i'ma leave you with this you have to be prepared for the promise.

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Carrington Moore: You got to be prepared for the problems with the whole thing I love about the text is that we were introduced to Joseph and Mary or turn a little bit about Joseph and Mary were told that Joseph is a good man. Right. We were told that Mary is up right

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Carrington Moore: And she's fuel in many ways. Some of us can forfeit the blessing of God or the promise of God because we're not prepared to receive it.

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Carrington Moore: We're not prepared to receive

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Carrington Moore: The blessing of God. Some of us, we get into that relationship. We're so excited. We haven't worked on ourselves enough. And in some ways we lose out.

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Carrington Moore: On beautiful people in our life, whether it be romantic or rather be friends because we're not prepared to handbook them well.

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Carrington Moore: So it wasn't walk into that new job because we're slacking on old job we get into our new job, what they got.

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Carrington Moore: Going on, but those bad habits that we had an old
job we bring it to our new job. We're not successful as we want to be.
Sometimes you know when our finances.
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00:23:58.020 --> 00:24:08.820
Carrington Moore: That God told us to get our money together to three
years ago, I know that we've been doing well. I was passed away the
finance finances together thing that Jamison and our path to kind of
leverage that called again.
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00:24:09.480 --> 00:24:11.850
Ray Hammond: Oh, financial peace university or
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00:24:13.650 --> 00:24:15.900
Ray Hammond: Let's see what the other name. We use was a
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00:24:16.290 --> 00:24:17.550
JONELL JOHNSON: Crown ministries
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00:24:18.450 --> 00:24:19.710
Ray Hammond: No, not crown.
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00:24:23.910 --> 00:24:25.080
Aaron T: Financial stewardship.
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00:24:25.230 --> 00:24:27.660
Ray Hammond: Financial stewardship financial discipleship, but
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00:24:27.780 --> 00:24:28.590
Ray Hammond: Yeah, I know.
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00:24:29.040 --> 00:24:30.000
Ray Hammond: That yeah
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00:24:31.800 --> 00:24:33.660
Carrington Moore: Discipleship like five, six years.
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Carrington Moore: Right, literally happened a couple years ago, we did another one last year before coven Gasman tell us some of us get your finances together and I finally you're ready. Whoo. I want

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Carrington Moore: A hot new job and making \$100,000 a year, you go to eBay, I'm ready to buy a house. They said, You're credited jacked up for God told you

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Carrington Moore: Should go get your credit together. So you could be in a place to receive the promise sometime, because we have not live the life that God has called us to live. We can't handle

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Carrington Moore: promise of God literally show such as the right man for the job because Joseph has integrity, he's prepared himself to receive the promise in the good

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Carrington Moore: And the bad Mary is the right woman for the job because she is righteous and good and favor from the Lord. So even in the good

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Carrington Moore: And then the bad she's prepared to handle the problem. Some of us, we have to ask ourselves in this Christmas season and this added season in this in this zoom sees it. And this pandemic season. Here's the thing.

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Carrington Moore: We might be the pandemic at the promise is still there. We have to ask ourselves, are we prepared.

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Carrington Moore: To handle the problems pain.

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Carrington Moore: Presence, I promise. Pain is producing something cold is producing something in our children's lives.

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Carrington Moore: And our married lives and our friendship. We have to be able to identify that pain and identify what is producing

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Carrington Moore: Presence of God is contingent upon our prayer life you feel distant from God. You don't have to do a whole lot. I encourage you to pray every day.

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Carrington Moore: You get into that, that the habit of praying wake up in the morning and the knowledge of God. And before you go back to bed acknowledge God I began to think about how you can insert God the language and got the mindfulness in your life. Last thing.

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Carrington Moore: You're preparing yourself to walk into the promises of God might not seem like it.

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Carrington Moore: My that you might have been leaving a spectacular life at the moment we're all stuck at home. Do you like the base running together as brothers and sisters. Trust me.

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Carrington Moore: The promise of God is still over our lives individually and the promise of God is still over our lives, collectively, that's not promise that's been given to Bethel seriously.

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Carrington Moore: There's a promise that's been given to Bethel that God is calling us to continue walking in, but we have to stay prepared for the problems.

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Carrington Moore: Is the Word of God for the people of God thanks be

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Carrington Moore: To God, I'm open it up for questions or comments. Our got anything left to say, Pastor, and we want to teach another Bible study. Go ahead.

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Carrington Moore: But I told this will be a short one. I would get home before the storm is over. But I want to open it up for people, as we're moving into the Christmas season. So this is

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Carrington Moore: Our second to last bottle still won't be having Bible study next week. But if you want to talk about pain if you want to talk about

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Carrington Moore: The presence of God. He will talk about a promise of God, I'm open it up to you now. And I get your responses to how you understand the text or how your understanding what I just shared with you.

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JONELL JOHNSON: Well,

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JONELL JOHNSON: I've had a variety of experiences with Christmas through the years. And sometimes, they've been great. And sometimes they have been I'm

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JONELL JOHNSON: Not as good as others. But this Christmas I made up in my mind that I was going to celebrate the birth of Jesus.

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JONELL JOHNSON: And that that's what's so important about this season.

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JONELL JOHNSON: Is to celebrate his birthday and you know when you have a birthday. You get all excited about your birthday and you feel good about your birthday and you go from maybe being 72 to 73 years old.

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JONELL JOHNSON: And or from 33 to 34 years old so you celebrate your birthday. And so that's the way I'm looking at Christmas this year I'm

looking at it as 206 00:28:37.350 --> 00:28:52.050 JONELL JOHNSON: A celebration of the was birthday, and I'm gonna make the best of it because it was a big day. I don't know exactly what they came on, but I know he was born. And so that's the day that I choose to celebrate in December 25 207 00:28:54.090 --> 00:28:56.460 JONELL JOHNSON: Jesus is the reason for the season. 208 00:28:59.160 --> 00:29:01.290 Carrington Moore: As a Kirk Franklin was Jesus. 209 00:29:07.980 --> 00:29:16.710 Carrington Moore: On the nines. I remember being in maybe some of the eighth grade sing about at Mount Zion Church of God and clashing and some Ohio sing that song. Jesus is the reason 210 00:29:17.010 --> 00:29:27.420 Carrington Moore: So like you said, Jesus is the reason for the season. I want to encourage is the metal we're going through as a figure out a way to celebrate life celebrate the life of Jesus and I live. That's good. That's good. 211 00:29:27.690 --> 00:29:32.610 Ray Hammond: Anyway, it is Kirk, Franklin. And it's the theme for Sunday Christmas Sunday this coming Sunday. 212 $00:29:33.000 \longrightarrow 00:29:34.440$ Carrington Moore: There you go. There you go. Hey, 213 00:29:36.930 --> 00:29:38.160 Carrington Moore: Look, you got anybody else. 214 00:29:43.200 --> 00:29:44.910 Albert Coombs: Hi, how you doing, everyone.

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00:29:45.630 --> 00:29:45.900 Carrington Moore: See you.

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Albert Coombs: I'll see you
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Carrington Moore: Anyone else want to share
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Carrington Moore: Yes, this question. What are some promises that God
has given to you that she know you need to walk in this season. What
are some promises of God over your life if you don't know I mean was
will force the promise of that you know that God's given to you that
you've got a walk into
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00:30:13.860 --> 00:30:22.710
JONELL JOHNSON: The Lord has told me that He'll never leave me and
he'll never forsake me. The Lord has told me that he'll never put more
money than what I can give me a way of escape.
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Carrington Moore: This idea that God is gonna walk with us always
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Carrington Moore: Promise that we have to we have to make manifest in our lives.

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Albert Coombs: Good to see you. Thank you. Thank you. Yeah.

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Albert Coombs: Well, you know, I remember that. Um,

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Albert Coombs: So two years ago I had a problem with my neck to street four and five, they collapse exit this five actually exploded and I didn't feel any pain, but I felt numbness in my left arm to put welcome to pick it up anymore. And so I was very fortunate

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Albert Coombs: I was managed to get a good surgeon and they fixed the

neck. Put the depths of despair. Again, I even got an entire back. So, you know, Alice was at the point was, was getting taller than me. But now I'm blue bill told her. Her so that worked out really great. But the thing is, um,

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Albert Coombs: The Lord really brought me through that situation. I'm so appreciative of it because back then. I didn't know what my situation was going to be

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Albert Coombs: And it's amazing how the Lord brought me out of that to the point now when I had a physical everything was perfect. I had no problems blood test came back, everything was just normal

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Albert Coombs: And I have to take off of that, where you can do you can go to some situations that could be very difficult. And then all sudden, you come out that

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Albert Coombs: feeling great. So that's definitely a gift from God.

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Carrington Moore: Amen. Thank you so much, brother, Albert for that beautiful testimony that was good, that was good. Anyone else before we close out

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JONELL JOHNSON: Things I would encourage you not to sit on your blessing because the more you speak out what God has done for you. The more he's gonna do

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Carrington Moore: Share a sausage and I'm sure he's last points with long as we're looking back episodes for your bill so I'm just pulling

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Carrington Moore: This out of the season. The book. The book The Black Madonna manifesto of openness methodology. It shares for ways that we can learn from Mary and other women. Other melon Native women in the text and women in our own history.

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Carrington Moore: What it says to remember brother already actually just brought that up that oftentimes oftentimes the ability to remember

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Carrington Moore: In many ways, helps us to humanize ourselves and to remember the ways in which God has brought us this far.

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Carrington Moore: We think about even from the start of the year from January to December, God has done a lot for us, someone I know a lot of you this true

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Carrington Moore: Some of my friends have prospered even in the midst of a panda at some of us, we might not be able to do everything within want to do some of us in this moment.

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Ray Hammond: May be

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Carrington Moore: possible only because of God.

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Carrington Moore: We don't fill up a prospering in fact that you're still here. You're still have activity of your limbs and it's still a blessing. So in many ways. I want to suggest to us that it's important to what to remember

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Carrington Moore: What God has done for us because

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Carrington Moore: What the, the mothers of the church would say to me, always say out loud all the time when I was younger. It's they would say, Of God did it in

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Carrington Moore: And it will say, God can do it again. And some of us have God did it for us in 1995 or 1976 or February, God can surely do it now.

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Carrington Moore: The other thing I want an admission that was she would say to me, I have to say, we used to have testimony service.

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Carrington Moore: All the time. And so we want to go from remembering to retelling right there's one thing to remember what God has done.

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Carrington Moore: What's another thing like without or just do it to testify or retail. What is God has done.

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Carrington Moore: Oftentimes, this is, this is really important or thinking about intergenerational knowledge and memory oftentimes the stories of God. Right.

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Carrington Moore: Sometimes the beautiful miraculous stories of God is sometimes died with us.

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Carrington Moore: Because we refuse to tell others what God has done. It's not that we don't remember, but we haven't gotten to the habit of telling others, and this is why it was so important.

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Carrington Moore: Sometimes people will come to church because they see Carrington, or Facebook or passed away on Facebook or pastor Gloria past about passwords preacher phenomenal sermons every Sunday. Here's the thing, people will look at that, or

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Carrington Moore: Go to the next one. But here's the thing was just a choice, you call

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Carrington Moore: This a jar. NOW, WHEN NEW COSTA can when you call and say, Hey, how you been doing God laid upon my heart to talk to you when you retell the story.

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Carrington Moore: Of God working in your life. It convinces others that God can possibly work in their life as well. We telling the story of God or testifying.

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Carrington Moore: As I like to call is so important. I remember when I was younger, Elena and mission. I was talking about her before she was singing the same song.

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Carrington Moore: Every Sunday night, a testimony. So I lied to, not as God is my witness at six o'clock at St. James church of god in christ she was singing the same song.

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Carrington Moore: Every service you would open up to you and a coach at church. You have to open up you get up, you sound like to thank God for the pastor, the assistant pastor. Yes, I can assist the passes back and matures. I've been we have second assistant pastor

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Carrington Moore: Or thank God for the deacons and for the trustees and for the missionary. Oh, thank God for my husband and my children actually go through all of those things. And then before she would begin to testify just saw

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Carrington Moore: A blessing for you.

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00:36:41.580 --> 00:36:42.630 Carrington Moore: Know blessing.

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Carrington Moore: You can reach up and grab it dogs got a blessing to see that every Sunday at six o'clock.

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Carrington Moore: To remind people to retell the story I will God has done in her life. So in many ways it's important for people to be able to identify God through us. So we need to make sure that we're, we're, we are remembering the story we to make sure that we are retelling the story.

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Carrington Moore: The other part I want to make sure that we do want to make sure that we are resisting in our story of the times that are local culture, we like to talk about hope.

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Carrington Moore: As it things will will do as Moses get better, but hope.

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Carrington Moore: Not out and resistance is nothing but magical thinking

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Carrington Moore: Our forefathers and foremothers they had hope. But our hope was backed up by action in many ways through our resistance. We're bringing about the promises of God. So God has called us to keep was this thing. And the last part.

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Carrington Moore: The last part, I'm really done you all maybe preach the next part.

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Carrington Moore: We have to remember we have retail. We have to resist.

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Carrington Moore: And then also lets us know that all of our stories there is redemption.

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Carrington Moore: That's the story of of Joseph and Mary in the midst of all this going on as an outcome is so important because God and

God's first coming here on Earth is to redeem us

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Carrington Moore: To redeem that just the good stories, not just the rich people stories. I just the stories that sound good, that are palatable. But God suggest to us.

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Carrington Moore: That every story there is redemption, no matter what you've done matter what you seen no matter your social economic bracket amount of the color of your skin amount of this mistakes that you made the power of the gospel of the gospel is for everybody.

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00:38:48.210 --> 00:38:49.080 Carrington Moore: And everybody

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Carrington Moore: Has redemption little book teaches us to what to remember to retail to resist.

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Carrington Moore: And know that we have redemption. Well, that's all I that's all I got. I literally I stopped two minutes ago. That's all I got. But really, literally, this is all like, I have no more notes.

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Carrington Moore: They are literally all gone. So y'all want to share anything else we can close out our picture over the pastor, Ray.

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Carole Copeland Thomas: One thing I'd like to do, I'm going to sort of take over, because we know that tomorrow is Reverend Carrington Moore's birthday.

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Carole Copeland Thomas: We put in the chat that November was the brother al Coombs birthday and the 25th is Sergio nail Johnson's birthday. Okay, so hold on I'm going to put on a little Stevie Stevie just all a happy birthday, so hold on just one second, you're going to have to hear a little Liberty Mutual

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Carole Copeland Thomas: Conversation first a little commercial. But
then we're going to go on and play this well known. Happy Birthday
sound song. So just one second, let me get them going. And then we'll
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00:39:55.710 --> 00:39:59.550
Ray Hammond: Count. Anything is better than having the ST sing this on
zoom
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00:39:59.760 --> 00:40:01.170
Carole Copeland Thomas: That's why I'm doing it this way.
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00:40:06.000 --> 00:40:06.900
Carole Copeland Thomas: Amen pastor
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00:40:08.850 --> 00:40:11.250
Carole Copeland Thomas: Okay, commercial and then we began
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00:40:14.100 --> 00:40:15.060
Carole Copeland Thomas: We do some beach reading
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00:40:18.990 --> 00:40:21.240
Carole Copeland Thomas: Starbucks frappuccino a flavor that
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00:40:28.050 --> 00:40:30.000
Carole Copeland Thomas: You can walk along with it. That's fine.
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Carole Copeland Thomas: So that's a happy birthday to our birthday
FRIENDS HERE, REVEREND more Joe nail Johnson and outcomes in Virginia.
God bless you. Hey man, Hey, man, that will turn it back to our past
doors.
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00:44:30.420 --> 00:44:35.760
Carole Copeland Thomas: About pastor, let me let me do some things
here with the audio and
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00:44:39.150 --> 00:44:41.610
Carole Copeland Thomas: All right, sir. You can now take yourself off
mute.
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Ray Hammond: I see sister, Carol. Want to make sure that nobody who's
going to sing. Amen. Praise God. So, we want to thank God we have to
celebrate everybody's birthday. We assisted Suzanne. Also, we
understand is celebrate
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00:44:55.650 --> 00:44:56.190
Ray Hammond: Amen.
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00:44:56.610 --> 00:44:58.560
Carole Copeland Thomas: Right, you include it in
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00:45:00.150 --> 00:45:08.940
Ray Hammond: Well, God bless you and wonderful world of celebration
and very much in keeping as a Sabbath remembering that
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Ray Hammond: Christmas is a season that that deeply warms our heart.
We all look forward to it has so many wonderful memories associated
with it.
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Ray Hammond: But I do appreciate the importance as pastor Carrington
is done and looking at that other side of admin.
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Ray Hammond: Because there's a lot about the season. That is about
resilience and the overcoming of adversity and pain and sorrow and
grief.
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Ray Hammond: And a whole bunch of us need to do that all of us to some
extent in this season of a pandemic. Many of us because we have lost
people we've lost friends. We've lost
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00:45:47.850 --> 00:45:50.820
Ray Hammond: You know folks that we grew up with. We lost
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Ray Hammond: Major family members and it's so crucial. I think for us to understand that a time like this that the Christmas story isn't just about joy.

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Ray Hammond: It's about the ways to maintain that sense of joy and peace in the midst of incredible adversity incredibly painful times difficult times.

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Ray Hammond: Times of misunderstanding times of being, you know, separated alienated abandoned. It's all about that as well.

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Ray Hammond: And that's a message that's a story that we very much have to carry with us and help others to share a particularly in this year 2020

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Ray Hammond: Which will go down in all of our lives. I, well maybe there'll be another year. That will top this one, but I can't imagine it. This has been some kind of year.

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Ray Hammond: And I think I can get some witnesses on that one.

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Ray Hammond: But, praise God. We are here at the end of it. We're going into a new year that has great promise for all kinds of reasons.

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Ray Hammond: And and we are reminded that we can pass through for global crises. At the same time, and God will be faithful and bringing us through it. So for that we're grateful. Thank you. Pastor Carrington for the other side of heaven. God bless you.

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Carrington Moore: Man Thank you so much, Pastor, Ray. Appreciate your, your important insightful. Why's it kind of words when I open it up for a prayer request. Now if you want you can put your

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Carrington Moore: Picture your name with your prayer requests in the chat and we'll be sure to pray for you. I will ask to people to close out in prayer.

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Carrington Moore: I'm actually going to ask Minister Italian us to kamei the world you prepare yourselves for close out in prayer. But if you have any prayer requests.

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Carrington Moore: Please put your prayer requests in the chat and we will be sure to hold you in our prayers and our hearts, but also to do our best to see your name.

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Carrington Moore: So we're going to do is, when asked her, can we start first, and this is the minister time we'll close out this ties will make sure you still there. It's all right. You can stay. You can stay with the video off. It's all good.

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Carrington Moore: Are you still there. I. Amen. Amen. And so I'm going to give you about 15 more seconds. Put your prayer in the chat for sister can be start bunch of prayer in the chat or you can unmute yourself and say it out loud will do my best to pray for you.

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Carrington Moore: Master can be going to the

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Cammie Browne: Name of Jesus. We just want to thank you Lord God for this wonderful day. We thank you, Father God,

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Cammie Browne: For the message that was party tonight with wisdom. We thank You Lord God, how you continue to keep us the law. God, You've been faithful

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Cammie Browne: We just want to thank you for all you how you continue to do our grant us the peace of God that surpasses all of the standard

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Cammie Browne: We want to thank you, Father God for knowing us by frame and name the logo. We just want to thank you for

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Cammie Browne: Who you are the logo for you are faithful. You are gracious, you are merciful, you are everlasting you are king of King, you are the Lord of lords, you continue the logon.

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Cammie Browne: If we had 10,000 tons. We could not praise You love and Father God for the prayers that would be assured that 0h God become an agreement, the local asking that you, Father God was sealed the deal.

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Cammie Browne: We thank you, Father God for the answer prayers that you've already determined that will God, we thank you, Father God for that you're going to reveal to us the law God in the coming year.

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Cammie Browne: We thank you, Father God, for how you're going to continue the logo to show your people that you are God, we thank You Lord God that you continue to gracious

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Cammie Browne: chance after chance and you continue the Lord God to work with us individually and collectively

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Cammie Browne: We just want to thank you Lord God, and I can't praise you enough for all that you continue to do

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Cammie Browne: But most of all, the Lord God, we want to thank you that during this month of the season the logo that we determined that you are the reason for the season.

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Cammie Browne: And it is much to be grateful have much to celebrate every morning that we rise the Lord God, we can always say the Lord

God, we are so thankful to be here.

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Cammie Browne: For every breath day Lord God for everything that you continue to do. We just want to thank you and praise you.

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Cammie Browne: Now, Lord, we lift up the praise the Lord God, I'm not sure what's being lifted up tonight but I selfishly, the Lord God as that you will continue to pray for the

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Cammie Browne: bps arm community. The Lord God and pray for the families that have still being impacted by coven

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Cammie Browne: We pray for the children. The law God who continue the little got to work remotely. The Lord God and dealing with the emotional

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Cammie Browne: Aspects of, you know, what they have to deal with the Lord God just being distant from friends and I pray for Julie, the Lord God, and I'm not ashamed to say that she needs much prayer tonight we just asked you before.

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Cammie Browne: God that you would come and games every spirit of suicidal ideation everything to look at these children go hook them.

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Cammie Browne: La them before you throw the race this morning. I know that you are God who continues to perfect as the Lord God, you are merciful that I just want to thank you and praise you.

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Cammie Browne: I asked my family, my family will continue to pray for me.

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Cammie Browne: As I go through this difficult time. I pray for my

friend at all. God, who was intubated right now just asked lift him up there. Oh God, he's didn't name is Dean.

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Cammie Browne: We pray for him the Lord God, we just ask that you will continue to minister to his mind.

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Cammie Browne: We know that you are God, the Lord God who's able to touch on the areas the logo, the weekend, it will see

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Cammie Browne: So I just thank you Lord God. He speak to His grave matter as you speak to his white matter is between brain. It's pretty his cortex.

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Cammie Browne: And you speak to his front or his tempura. The Lord God to speak to every aspect, the Lord God I pray that you would astounded doctors, even on tonight.

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Cammie Browne: But we know that you are able to look after that, which doctors cannot see the Lord God, you're able to see

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Cammie Browne: And we just want to thank you and praise you in advance for the victory. We want to thank you for the healing that will come

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Cammie Browne: And we just pray the Lord God even his subconscious mind and scenes in a state of a call with the Lord God that you would keep him.

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Cammie Browne: Because I know that you're able to reach places just as you touch Lazarus demo God you are able to touch him. Even though we just want to thank and give you praise in Jesus name Amen

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TANYA MILLER: God, I just wanna pray in agreement with assist Academy

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TANYA MILLER: Lift up your god everything that she has bought before you were God God. We know that this is an on

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TANYA MILLER: Precedent in time where God. We have all been shaken to our core from the youngest of us to the oldest of us, like I said, those of us who reside in a cities without a home to those of us who live in well homes well well heated homes and comfortable homes we each like God have been

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TANYA MILLER: pulled aside from our normal interactions and there is a sense of community that is so different this year.

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TANYA MILLER: As we walk into Christmas so many of us can't be with our families.

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TANYA MILLER: So many of us are feeling lonely so many of us are feeling discouraged. But guy. We thank you for

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TANYA MILLER: This Bible study and for our church community who has

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TANYA MILLER: Helped us to look at the story of your birth.

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TANYA MILLER: That it too was a distressful uncertain time that there were so many people who are feeling hopeless and lonely but yet.

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TANYA MILLER: They listen to the angels. Yes.

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TANYA MILLER: Who said that peace and goodwill would come to all men.

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TANYA MILLER: They saw a star that lit their way and they followed it across Miles God I pray for every person attached to our communities that are, that is on this phone call today. I pray that each community will find a ray of hope, a light will hear the angels proclaimed piece to this situations.

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TANYA MILLER: God, we know that our school systems and our children, our educators at our social workers and our hospital workers and our frontline staff and the people that work in the grocery stores the people that work or God in in the

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TANYA MILLER: coals and Macy's and all these different places. All of us are have adjusted so much in this year and it has laid on us a burden. That's indescribable.

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TANYA MILLER: in years to come. People write books about what it was like to live during the coronavirus pandemic and how it changed communities, but God what they will not be able to say is that it will not change our faith. Our whole our trust in you. Yes.

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TANYA MILLER: We will draw closer to you in this system God if we haven't prayed throughout this because our prayers have been sucked up by worry, then give us words to pray, Give us

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TANYA MILLER: Tears to cry. Give us groans to to let loose, Lord God so that we can turn to you instead of the situation because I'm turning to you, we see the Christ child that was born to set us free.

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TANYA MILLER: That was born to shift the tides of the world at this time. And if we ever need a shift we need it. Now what God

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TANYA MILLER: And so God we do acknowledge and thank you for bringing us through this time or got these last nine to 10 months. Look, God, we thank you we are survivors guy we

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TANYA MILLER: We mourn and we cry and we will remember the also have gone on that we no longer share space or time with we will hold them there and our hearts God

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TANYA MILLER: But we know that you have called us to journey on and to proclaim your great name. So God, we thank you. And we know that you will be with those who are suffering with depression was suffering with

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TANYA MILLER: Suicidal thoughts, those who are suffering because of lack of food to eat those who are suffering because they can't they can't adapt to this online platform. Let God

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TANYA MILLER: Those who are suffering because they don't have shelter, because we, the parents who are who are overwhelmed because they are having to to to to do school work in their day job work. God, we need to be if we ever needed the Lord before God. We sure do need you now.

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TANYA MILLER: And we cry out to you, and we ask, Lord God that you will help us to find

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TANYA MILLER: That star that would lead us to you. Help us to hear the words of the angels who proclaim peace. Help us to take up the faith of of Mary, who said, This doesn't make sense. Yet will I trust him.

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TANYA MILLER: Joseph, who said, This doesn't make sense. Yet will I stay the course and trust God may that be our refrain tonight and throughout the remainder of this time.

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TANYA MILLER: As we journey into 2021 we commit all all of our lives. All of our decisions all of our thoughts over to you and we we thank you God for how you're going to continue to bring us through is

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in your name, we pray and give thanks. Amen.
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Cammie Browne: Amen.
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Carrington Moore: Man, but you all for like a prayer. Thank you so
much, you all enjoy the rest of your night you all stay
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00:58:17.520 --> 00:58:17.970
Carrington Moore: Safe
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00:58:18.540 --> 00:58:19.440
Carrington Moore: We'll see you after
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00:58:20.220 --> 00:58:20.910
Ray Hammond: Amen. God
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00:58:21.660 --> 00:58:21.960
Bless
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00:58:24.540 --> 00:58:28.560
Ray Hammond: Is it the next week, or the next two weeks for bible
study
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00:58:29.070 --> 00:58:31.920
Carrington Moore: We're off next week, but we'll be back on the week
after.
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00:58:31.950 --> 00:58:32.940
Ray Hammond: Following week okay
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00:58:34.920 --> 00:58:35.220
Albert Coombs: Good.
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00:58:36.180 --> 00:58:37.800
Carole Copeland Thomas: I bless everybody take care
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00:59:01.470 --> 00:59:02.610
Albert Coombs: I can't believe I'm saying
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00:59:16.320 --> 00:59:17.250
JONELL JOHNSON: Appreciate it.
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00:59:20.790 --> 00:59:21.570
Carole Copeland Thomas: God bless.
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00:59:26.160 --> 00:59:27.630
Carole Copeland Thomas: Happy Birthday Happy birthday.
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00:59:44.040 --> 00:59:48.510
Carole Copeland Thomas: Good night. Now, take care. Good night. I'll
be praying for you can be
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Cammie Browne: Praying for you. Thank you so much.
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Cammie Browne: All right. Love you.
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00:59:54.060 --> 00:59:54.630
Carole Copeland Thomas: All right. Love you.
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00:59:54.660 --> 00:59:56.580
Carole Copeland Thomas: Guys, take care. Good night. Now,
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