

# NDE—John Burke & Focus on the Family – 2025

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John, let's give a little bit of background for the listener who may be joining us, didn't hear the previous broadcast that we did with you.

As a young man, you were a skeptic of Christianity.

Your background is engineering.

I get that.

That's a typical combination, right?

You're very science-oriented, you want facts in front of you, etc.

You did have a major event in your life that changed your perspective.

What happened?

Well, my dad got cancer, and so literally death was knocking on our door.

At that time, I thought, maybe there's a God, I don't know, Jesus, probably just good man myth about Son of God.

You're the pastor today, that's phenomenal, that story right there is phenomenal.

The thing that happened is a friend gave my dad the very first study on near-death experiences, the guy who coined that term.

He was actually a professor at the University of Virginia, and he heard from another professor who was doing a lecture who had had a near-death experience.

His name was Dr. George Ritchie, he was a doctor, and this had happened to him.

He had encountered Jesus, and he's talking about this, and Dr. Moody hears it and starts asking his philosophy class about questions about post-mortem existence and what they thought, and about one out of 25 of his students would come up and say, that happened to me.

That seems very high.

It's not though.

The Gallup poll actually found one out of 25 people have had a near-death experience.

That number's consistent.

That's extraordinary.

Interesting, just recently a study was done in the European Academy of Neuroscience across 35 European countries, and they found it more like one out of 10.

So it's a more common occurrence than we might think.

John, let me ask you, and you've said this to me before, and I'd love for you to tell it to our listeners, our viewers on YouTube, it's as if the Christian community, we've shrunk back from this subject.

It's almost, it gives the appearance like we're afraid to talk about it, but in your research and what you've done, it so backs up scripture that you say we should be running toward these stories and explaining it to the world that doesn't understand it.

And one thing you said that really caught me is we should never hand this over to new agers or people that have different perspectives about what happens after life.

This is a truly Christian area that we should talk about.

Yeah, but I struggled with that.

I mean, it took me 35 years to actually write the book for a reason.

And what was that?

Well, so back to my dad gets, someone gives him this book.

I see it on his nightstand, pick it up and just start looking like, huh, because he had a diagnosis of it was terminal, and I couldn't put it down.

And I was so blown away because I thought, OK, I've always asked, you know, how do you know this stuff is real?

How do you know?

And here I was seeing evidence from he'd categorized 100 people and so many of them were seeing this God of love and light.

So many of them saw Jesus and knew God was Jesus.

And I was like, wow, could this be true?

Now, I wasn't convinced right away, huh?

But I within the next couple of years ended up starting to read the Bible and got into a small group.

I came to faith in Christ and then and I think it was God's providence.

I kept running into more and more of these stories.

And I just was curious, like, OK, how does how does what the Bible say correlate with what these people are saying?

And initially, it doesn't always.

So I am always skeptical of any one story.

And I think that's a good posture to have, actually.

Yeah.

Don't just believe everything that every individual says.

And so it took me a long time because what I started to realize was what they are reporting.

In other words, these things happen to them and they are reporting them.

But then they're also interpreting and and the way they interpret what happened to them is always going to be in their own world view, right?

Wherever they were coming from, right?

Let's get into some of this.

What are those similarities with those experiences that you followed and describe that research just so people have a scope?

It has been over a thousand people that you've interviewed or people that you are working with. So it's a it's a big number.

Yeah. But what are those similarities that you did find?

You've mentioned a couple of them.

Yeah. Well, and in the book, I kind of focus on 12 or 13 of the commonalities.

When someone dies, they they say they leave their body, but they're in the room still.

Many times they can see their body, they can see the resuscitation attempts.

And that's what convinced so many skeptical doctors, cardiologists, oncologists, because these patients would come back and tell them what they saw happening.

But they were unconscious. Right.

So that and and a lot of corroborative evidence, you know, that we can talk more about.

But they talk about how they they're still themselves.

They have a spiritual body, but they're still fully themselves.

In fact, feel more themselves than they've ever been.

Yeah. Remember everything about their life.

And they're watching what's going on.

Complete sense of peace.

Just feel like they've never felt so alive.

Many times they travel then.

Sometimes they call it through a tunnel.

Sometimes it's a path like a pathway of light.

Sometimes it's instantaneous.

They're just there.

And they get to this place of incredible beauty, not unlike Earth, mountains and flowers and trees and forests.

But also so much beyond at the same time.

And in this place, it's it's lit up with the most exquisite light.

But the light doesn't shine on things.

It comes out of everything.

Isn't that amazing? And it's not like like the light of Earth that hurts your eyes.

It's light that they say is palpable.

It's love, it's life and it's light altogether.

And it's like it's emanating from everything.

Which fits with scripture.

Well, yeah, I mean, it's amazing because Isaiah 60,

where Isaiah is talking about the new heaven and new earth.

There'll be no sun or moon for the glory of God is its light.

John, chapter 21, you know, John says the the the Lord is the light of heaven and the lamb is its lamp.

And the nations will walk in that light.

Yeah, I mean, in that light.

It's exactly what they're greatly.

But we think it's metaphoric or poetic.

There's so many things that I had read in scripture that seem kind of weird or awkward or just cheesy.

You know, like streets of gold and pearly gates and all that.

And what I've realized studying these people talking about the same places,

but describing it from so many different angles.

And what I finally realized is the metaphor I like to use is imagine if you lived in a flat two dimensional world and of only black and white.

And that's our experience here.

And death is separation, right?

So when we die, our spirit is separated from our earthly body.

Well, imagine being ripped off that flat black and white two dimensional plane and brought out into three dimensional space with colors and things you've never experienced.

And you can still see your flat world because it's a part of the bigger three dimensional world.

But then you have to go back into the two dimensional flat world.

And how would you explain what you experienced?

How would you explain a third dimension up and down when they don't have up and down?

How would you explain colors when they only have black and white?

That's where the confusion can come in.

The interpretation, the interpretation, because they're trying to describe something that truly is indescribable in our three dimensions.

But like in that example of light, that's exactly what the scripture is saying,

that God is the light of heaven.

I mean, and you're saying exactly that it is.

But you would never, you know, when you first read an account.

Yeah, what does that mean? What does that look like when you first read an account and people say they experience this beauty and there's there's this mystical light coming out of everything and there's this mystical being of light.

And this light is love.

And and you're thinking, oh, that just sounds kind of wacky.

That's where I didn't, you know, until you really study the scriptures and you try to imagine what they say.

Yeah, you don't know.

Gene, I wanted to turn to you and just tick off a few things that caught your attention as you and I read the book.

Well, there are many things.

There's right 10 things, but I'll just briefly list probably five.

And John, as you just mentioned, the the love,

the overwhelming and boundless love that people experience from Jesus, that it's a love that's so incredibly full of warmth and grace.

And people describe it as being fully known and fully loved.

And it's it's something that they feel.

They just feel it permeating them and the light in heaven,

that the beaming, brilliant, radiant light coming from and through Jesus and and that Jesus and God the Father literally light up heaven and that people describe their senses as being so much more than what they have on Earth.

It's so amplified. That grabbed me, too.

Yeah, it was like you could see 10 feet or 100 miles.

Yeah. And that's another great example.

You know, the commonalities like of the descriptors.

You know, I wrote about, you know, probably 12 to 15 of the commonalities typically, but they're actually I've categorized over 40 descriptors of this place and and what these people said across the globe.

And I actually matched them to what the Bible says.

And I've got verses for all but two.

Wow, that's amazing.

And even the two.

So one and this is and this is where when you first hear the stories as Christians,

I think it does sound kind of maybe out there weird.

They will say something like,

you know, there were colors far beyond the color spectrum.

And, you know, this light that is love and all that.

Well, once you start to see what the Bible says, you realize, oh, well, that's what we should expect if we had imagined heaven. Right. Right.

But we don't we don't really read it and go, what would that be like?

People being able to see, you know, like they'll say, I could see miles and as if I was right up close.

It's like, well, OK, well, that's not in the Bible.

Well, actually it is.

John in the Book of Revelation is taken up into heaven.

He's taken in the spirit to a great high mountain,

which Captain Dale Black, a commercial airline pilot, describes in his experience.

And he's describing the same place and others describe the same place.

But John is up on a very high mountain.

And yet he reads the words inscribed on the stones of the New Jerusalem.

No, the New Jerusalem. OK.

You know, the foundation stones, their names are written there.

How did he read them? Yeah, that's a great question.

But they commonly say this.

They have their eyesight is magnified.

In fact, they say that you don't just have five senses.

It's more like you have 50, 100 senses.

And and the senses are blended. Yeah.

So so again, that's where it's like, oh, well, that's really amazing.

Yeah. But if you think about it,

you know, we are constrained by three dimensions of space.

We're constrained.

This is a limited experience of this abundance of life that Jesus promised.

John, I think we've done a good job kind of painting the picture of what data you collected and and, like you said, connecting it to scripture.

We can't cover all that in 30 minutes, so people need to get the book to get into more detail.

But I do want to cover some of the stories because, again, they're profound.

Let's start with Dr.

Mary Neal, a physician.

She had an accident, a water sport accident.

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Describe what happened and what happened to her and her experience.

Yeah. And, you know, so many of these are like doctors and airline pilots.

And that's what really got me is why would they make this stuff up?

It just it only hurts their career.

And Dr. Mary Neal is a spine surgeon.

She was kayaking with her husband in Chile and she goes over a fall and it was a steep drop.

And her kayak wedged between two boulders underneath the waterfall.

Right. So she and she couldn't get out.

And she was pinned to the kayak, tried to release her spray skirt.

The force of the water was holding her down.

You know, her friends were waiting for her to come up.

And she's sitting there doing everything she can, calmly trying to get out.

And then she starts to realize, I've been underwater too long.

I can't I can't be underwater this long.

I can't still be alive.

And she's and it's pretty in the book.

I describe what she said.

She said she she's feeling more peace and joy than she's ever felt before, more alive than she's ever felt.

And yet she's also completely herself.

So she's super analytical.

Cause of person. Right.

And she's sitting there watching her knees bend backwards,  
analyzing now what's going on with my cartilage and my bones right now.

But that's not what she's experiencing.

Instead, she's experiencing Jesus physically hugging her, holding her.

And she was shocked by that.

And she had come to Christ as a young girl, but in medical school and kind of gone the way of, you know, science and medicine and who knows about God and but she feels Jesus.

And she knows it's Jesus intuitively knows it's Jesus physically, tangibly holding her and and gives her a life review,

which is another commonality. Right.

That we that's seeing your life.

We experience our lives in a in a powerful, profound way.

Like Mary said, not only was Jesus showing me the all the experiences of my life, he was showing me how everything the things I said were good, the things I said were horrible,

how he used them in other people's lives.

And he showed me sometimes 10, 20, 30 people were moved.

How truly good comes of all things.

It's that, you know, that verse of God uses all things to good of those who love.

And how long was she dead and what happened to her?

30 minutes.

So they she finally dislodged about 15 minutes underwater.

And then they were able to they saw her body come up.

They pulled her up on shore.

They started resuscitation.

And and meanwhile, she she shoots up out of the water and she's up above the water fully herself and can see them searching for her, searching for her body.

And she said, and this is another commonality,

this welcoming committee was there.

This this group of people that were people she knew she had known as long as she had existed.

But they, she said, were bursting with love and light.

Like it was coming out of them toward her.

It was like this.

And they were it was like this big, great party.

Like they were joyful and dancing and hugging and, you know, kissing.

It's real life.

You know, we tend to think, well, OK,

there are these people with light coming on.

That's weird.

But actually, that's Daniel.

That's Daniel, chapter 12, I believe, where he says everybody will die and and be resurrected.

Ultimately, some to, you know, eternal perdition,

but some to everlasting light.

And those who lead many to righteousness will shine like the stars forever.

But Jesus said that, too, in Matthew 13, he said.

And then the righteous will shine like the sun in their father's kingdom.

Huh? Now, what is that?

Well, see, that can if you don't really study it.

And that's what I'm telling you, Jim, it really did take me 30 years before I was like, oh, OK, I see how the pieces fit.

These are technically connected.

Well, I mean, these ideas we will share in the glory of God.

And if the glory of God is the light that lights everything up and the love,

then we are actually experiencing the the glory of God emanating through us.

Imagine that imagine getting to experience the life and love and glory of God and then being able to exude that.

So so in Dr.

Neal's case, going back to her story, she's watching all this.

At what point does she kind of come back to her broken body and back to life? And what was that like?

Well, and another commonality, time doesn't work the same way there.

And the people I interviewed in Imagine Heaven, you know, some say there was no time, some say there was time, but it just worked differently.

You were never in a hurry and there was plenty of time for everything.

That sounds like heaven.

Well, absolutely.

No, really, time is an enemy here.

Yeah. And you realize that.

But but there it's you know, it's just like Second Peter three, eight to the Lord, a year is like a thousand a day is like a thousand years,

a thousand years like a day. Yeah.

So they say the same things.

So she has quite a bit of experience.

But again, it sounds strange, but she was very aware of what was going on on Earth.

And she was moving down this path that was she described this beautiful flowers, just flowers everywhere and flowers that were a lot of them like you would know, but some that you don't know here on Earth and just gorgeous.

Now, she lives in Jackson Hole, Wyoming, one of the most gorgeous places on Earth.

And I asked her, you know, how does that compare to heaven?

And she's like, there's there's just no way to compare.

That in and of itself is interesting.

These people that have these experiences and then they're back here.

It's like you got to deal with that.

Well, they don't want to come back.

Isn't that interesting? They don't want to come back.

And many times they, you know, sometimes the Lord gives them a choice, which is interesting.

And sometimes he says, no, you've got to go back like my friend Randy Kay.

He was a CEO.

So again, these people, this guy is on the in Time magazine.

But he had one of these experiences when he had an embolism in his in his leg and then sepsis.

And and he was gone.

And he was there with Jesus in this incredibly beautiful place.

And they're walking.

And and Jesus has his arm around him.

And he's just like,

it chokes me up talking because every time I talk to Randy,

I haven't once been able to talk to him without him choking up,

talking about it's real being with Jesus that what they say is,

yeah, it was beautiful. Yeah.

My friends and family were all there.

But when Jesus appeared,

there was nothing else I wanted to look at. Yeah.

And they talk about looking into his eyes and his eyes.

It helped me understand somewhat where John in Revelation one describes Jesus eyes as flaming fires of, you know, and.

But they say like all the colors,

like this light coming out, that's all the colors.

But that look right into you and you are home.

Huh?

Knows you think of that.

Yeah, we're created for a relationship with God.

That's the whole purpose of creation.

Let's move to another story, another doctor, actually,

Richard Eby.

This one is really interesting because he was dead for 10 hours.

I mean, I describe that.

I mean, most and he's a medical doctor and he's a doctor.

But 10 hours, how do you even survive that? I know.

And what happened?

Well, so he he was helping a relative move and they were moving out of a two story, I think, apartment.

And he was throwing junk over, you know, the edge,

the the rail.

I like his style of moving. That's good.

Yeah, exactly. I would have to sign.

They're like, hey, let's just get rid of this.

Yeah, whoop. Over the edge.

He was leaning on that railing and he didn't realize the termite said,

basically, oh, my goodness.

And it it went and he went head first into the concrete,

split his skull open.

And so, yes.

So he was actually he revived miraculously in the morgue.

He was already in the morgue.

Ten hours, ten hours.

Yeah. I mean, medical doctors hearing that now are saying that it's impossible.

But it happened. Yeah, it happens.

And yeah, and I have others who have medical records.

Forty five minutes an hour.

But that's that is what was his experience, given that he was.

So he didn't he didn't travel a path or a and that's where,

you know, these commonalities, different people experience different points of these commonalities, some more than others.

I don't know why, honestly, but he just was instantly in this valley,

this this gorgeous valley with, you know, mountains and field and all and flowers and tall grasses.

And he said he called himself kind of an amateur botanist.

So he was he was just thrilled with the the botany of the plant,

like the plant life.

And he noticed, you know, some, you know, tall, like what we would call Arborvitae on on Earth.

And he noticed some species of trees and plants, but others he didn't.

And he picks a flower.

And he's and he's having this experience of like realizing he's still himself.

He's still he's he's got a body.

But he can also somewhat see through his body,

through his legs to the to the flowers below.

And as he's asking these questions, like he asked a question, can I wonder if I can pick a flower?

And immediately the answer is there.

And he knows this is this is Jesus speaking to him again.

Another commonality is the the the speech is some call it telepathic,

but it's more than that. Right.

In other words, it's thoughts, it's feelings, it's complete communication instantly, heart to heart.

And so he picks it and he notices it's not watery.

It's not like the cellular watery.

And the and the voice says, of course, because Jesus is the life.

That flows through.

He's the life of everything.

So the the spirit of God, the living water of God is what flows through.

We don't need artificial.

It's different side industry.

You don't need artificial water, which is a fascinating thing.

It is even like the river of life there, you know, is the spirit of God and is alive.

And and it just it made me realize that something that says in in Hebrews chapter eight about when God told Moses to construct the tabernacle,

he gave him a pattern for it.

And he said, constructed exactly as this pattern I give you,  
because it it says in Hebrews eight is a shadow of the real one in heaven.

And it started to make me just think is is the sun and the water,  
which is life support of Earth, just a shadow of the glory of God and the living water of heaven.

That's the real thing.

And this is this is all a kind of a shrunk down version of real life and a finite version, a finite version, which I like to think about.

I often think about in terms of our own ability to express ourselves,  
the emotions that we feel.

It's almost like the Lord said, I'm going to put you in a box here and you've got only finite ability to see things, to experience things.

But it's all in the hope that you're going to lean into God.

Right. Well, I think with these finite abilities and then, boom,  
heaven is infinite.

Theologically, it makes total sense.

So we start in the knowledge of good and evil.

Right. Yeah, yeah.

We experience the knowledge of good and evil because of original sin.

And so God in his mercy isn't letting us experience all of the all of the goodness that then we would lose or all of the evil that we could feel.

And that's the other thing I realized is the sufferings of this earth,  
as horrific as they are, are nothing compared to what it's like to be eternally separated from God.

John, you know, that that's sounds great.

And I know that there are going to be listeners that are hearing this,  
that are having horrible life experiences.

I mean, I don't know what it could be, but, you know, we know the categories.

Loss of a loved one, a terminal illness, diagnosis or other pain, a loss of a son or daughter.

And it's hard to imagine that in the world,

we're going to be living in a world where we're going to be living that it actually is going to be better in heaven because they're feeling that pain.

Speak to that concept, if you can, that the hope of heaven is what we're aiming for here,

even though this life is going to really dish up pain.

And then what's the purpose of that pain?

Well, and Paul, you know, who had experienced heaven.

So, you know, he says in Second Corinthians 12, I was taken up,

you know, whether in the body or the body is taken up into heaven and experience things that no one can explain.

No one is allowed to tell,

which is another thing some people say, by the way,

they weren't allowed to share everything.

It was veiled to them when they came back.

But but yeah, so Paul says in Romans eight,

I am convinced and he's convinced from experience that the sufferings we go through on this earth are nothing compared to the glory that we that will be revealed.

That's the hopeful point in heaven.

And and, you know, to realize, though,

that relationship is meant to last forever.

I think a lot of fear that even Christians have all people,

but I think even Christians have is somehow heaven will be this mystical.

Even the way I've described it, you might feel like, oh,

that's kind of weird and scary.

Like, I don't want to be a light.

I don't want to be a right.

But you're not. You're fully you are.

This is what people say.

And that's why I put one hundred and twenty of their stories and hearing in their words what the Bible says.

Jesus said, you will be with me to his friends.

I will come and get you.

You'll be with me.

I won't eat or drink, you know, again until we eat and drink and feast together in the kingdom of heaven.

You're going to eat and drink.

I mean, he was talking about we're going to eat food.

We're going to drink wine.

We're going to have celebrations.

You're and that's what they say.

You're more yourself than you've ever been.

And there's this great reunion that, you know, when when we come together,  
it's like the Old Testament used to say, and he was gathered or she was gathered to her people.

Right. When when someone dies. Right.

Well, they weren't always buried in the same location when it said and he or she was gathered to her people.

That's God giving us a hint all the way back in the Old Testament.

That's what's going to happen.

There's a great reunion.

And so everything that we suffer here on Earth is set straight.

John, you're a pastor.

I mean, that's your heart coming out of that engineering background.

And this, you know, this is something God's given you a passion for.

I'm thinking of the listener right now who doesn't have that relationship with Christ.

I mean, we talk a lot about that.

Oftentimes here, focus.

We say if we can help your family, that's one thing.

But if we haven't introduce you to the author of the family,  
we kind of failed in our Christian mission. Right. Exactly.

So we want to do both.

And I'd like for you to speak to that person right now who's listening this going as sounds like a bunch of  
malarkey, you know, for me,

it's excitement because I think you're putting pieces together that the Christian community, we either have lost  
talking about this,

but it's right there in scripture.

You do a fabulous job of connecting scripture to these experiences that people have.

And I think that's that's the evidence I need that the two are together.

But I want you to speak to that person who's sitting there right now.

They're driving down the freeway or whatever they might be doing.

They're going, what?

But they're still listening because they're intrigued.

Yeah. But, you know, speak to their heart about what this means.

This is critical.

Well, stop and think about this.

You're talking about millions and millions of people all across the globe and not just Western Europe.

No, no. I put I put studies.

I put studies in Imagine Heaven where they've studied 500 Indians in the continent of India and compared to 500 Americans,

you know, very different cultural religious upbringings.

And yet what they're describing, the heaven and the God they're describing is the same. And I think what you need to just you know, it was like I wasn't very open minded.

It was the death of my father, you know, that made me kind of wake up.

And I think it's a sad truth that many times we go through life wanting to get our will be done.

Yeah, there you go. Right.

All of us. And that's that's Christians, that's non-Christians.

We live in a world of wills at war.

Yeah. Think of marriage.

Oh, yeah. Oh, yeah. It's the struggle.

I mean, and kids and adolescents and right.

And that's what we're we're navigating.

And Jesus taught us to pray.

Father, your will be done on Earth as it is in heaven,

because that's what's missing on Earth.

God, though, and this is what I think is important to realize that I started to realize God is love.

Right. God is love.

And and God, when when God came in the form of Jesus,

he had foretold this for thousands and thousands of years.

I'm a geek. OK, I'm an analytical geek.

And so I became convinced Jesus is real, not by near-death experiences.

And I put in another appendix of just some of the evidence in history that convinced me this is real, this is not myth.

He sent Jesus, the father sent Jesus so that we would know what love looks like in our finite world.

God wants relationship.

And it's hard to imagine relating to a mystical spirit you can't see.

And yet God remains hidden for a while because he's teaching us something.

He's teaching us how to forever choose love, how to forever choose the author of love, the God of love.

But we haven't. All of us have gone our own way.

All of us have chosen.

I know what's best for my life. My will be done.

You know, and we've we've we've inadvertently or blatantly push God aside.

And the Bible calls that sin and says the wages of sin is death,  
which is spiritual death, meaning separation from God.

But this is the amazing thing.

And this is what these stories reiterate as well.

God, you know, God doesn't make entrance into heaven something you earn.

He just it's a gift.

All he needs is a heart turning to him saying,

I want your love, I want your forgiveness, I want your life.

Well, that was one of the challenges as I read the book, really.

And I'll let you know as a reader of your book.

How I responded to it, because when the Muslim encountered the light and the light said to that Muslim, this one of the experiences in the book,

I'm Jesus, my attitude was, well, wait a minute, Lord, you gave him a chance.

He passed it by now in this near death experience.

You're allowing him to acknowledge you.

And I'm telling you, in my heart, John, what I heard was, oh,  
are you going to set the boundaries of my grace?

I thought that was my job.

Isn't that great?

And I was like, Lord, I'm so sorry.

And you know what's funny?

Dean Braxton, who is a wonderful Christian man who actually travels, he's we pray for each other.

So he's he's in another part of the country right now talking about this.

He had one of these near death experiences.

And in Jesus presence, you know, he was a counselor for juvenile delinquents, basically. Right. Right.

And what he said he had seen is sexual abuse to minors is the most horrific thing that can possibly happen because it has such traumatic effects.

As a counselor, he said this.

So here he is in Jesus presence.

And he's experiencing this love that he said.

And many said this.

It felt like I was the only one Jesus loved.

Like he loved me so much and was so crazy about me.

And like I was his only kid.

And he said, but then I would think about someone else.

I'd realize, oh, no, he he loves him the same.

But I feel like I'm the only one.

And then he had this thought, what about them?

And what he was thinking is child abusers.

And he was thinking it is in a judgment as a judge.

And he said, Jesus,

almost in a in a harsh kind of way, said to his mind, to his thoughts in his heart,  
who are you to nullify what I have done?

And he said, when when you put someone in prison.

So he used his own analogy because he was in the criminal justice system.

When you put someone in prison, eventually they get out.

They get out or they die.

When we put someone in hell, it's for eternity.

He said, and then he said, he stretched out his arms like he was on the cross and he could see the nail nails in his actually wrist, more like wrist, they would say.

And he and what he realizes, he wants everyone there.

He died for everyone.

He wants everyone hard to fathom that.

And but that is it.

It's it's that God has removed every barrier between us and the one who loves us, except one, our pride and our pride.

We can play God and we can say, I don't need you, God, and my will be done.

Or we can just simply humble ourselves and go, Lord, forgive me.

Thank you that you paid for all my wrongs.

Two thousand years ago, so that a simple I do is all God needs.