

BOLDNESS by Jarrod Davidoff March 8, 2020

When you look around the world today you can notice people that are very bold and outspoken about their beliefs. No matter how absurd or perverted they may be there is really no shame.

Everyone's comes out the closet. It's time we as born-again believers, children of God need to.

I mean 10 years ago or more you wouldn't dare speak about OR even do some of the sick and perverted things that people are now speaking about.

Some parents are encouraging their kids to be transgender.

I believe that abortion on demand and even in the final trimester is the most barbaric act in human history. People are engaging in human trafficking and some of the most perverted things I cant even mention because of children.

Many people have given themselves over to a debased mind. I mean they really don't care. Its like people don't care. Where is the normality?

Where is their shame? Just go to some supermarkets at 3am in the morning and people are walking around dressed in their pajamas. Have you seen what some people wear at airports, it's embarrassing-you would think?

It's like people JUST DON'T CARE. Then theirs us who believe in Jesus. The one that is the WAY, TRUTH, LIFE.

If any group of people should be bold in telling the TRUTH and SHARING THE GOSPEL and standing up for what is RIGHT, it's us.

We are that BRIGHT and shining city on a hill. We are the ones that should be shouting from the rooftops.

Proverbs 28:1 ...But the righteous (RIGHT | RIGHT-STANDING) are bold as a lion (KING OF THE JUNGLE | HE KNOWS HIS AUTHORITY & POWER.)

Definition of boldness:

showing or requiring a fearless daring spirit (Merriam Webster)
fearless before danger

2 Timothy 1:7 For God has not given us a spirit of fear, but of power (ability to act or produce an effect. possession of control, authority, or influence over others) and of love and of a sound mind.

1) BOLDNESS TOWARDS THE LORD

Hebrews 10:19 Therefore, brethren, having boldness to enter the Holiest by the blood of Jesus

Sing the son

-There is power, power..

Fame and fortune can't save us. No manager can get you a free pass into heaven. No religious leader can save you. There is only one Savior between heaven and earth and His name is Jesus.

Ephesians 3:12 in whom we have boldness and access with confidence through faith in Him.

Hebrews 4:16 Let us therefore come boldly to the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

We can boldly come to the Lord to speak to Him and spend time with Him. Imagine that. Imagine the most powerful person, the most powerful force in the Universe is God. He spoke creation into existence. How powerful is He.

YET He wants us to come confidently to Him as our Father. This is truly mindblowing

Psalm 138:3 In the day when I cried out, You answered me,*And* made me bold *with* strength in my soul.

I don't care who you are, we all have trouble in life because we have an enemy the devil and we have our flesh that goes through tests and trials and temptations. YET through these times of testing and trials the LORD, our HEAVENLY FATHER wants us to come to Him and He will fill us with His love, peace, presence and power

Call on the name of the Lord and you will be saved

Hebrews 13:6 So we may boldly say: "The Lord *is* my helper; I will not fear. What can man do to me?"

Some people say, you guys use Jesus as a crutch. My sister used to say that to me. My reply was no-He's my entire lifeboat.

2) BOLDNESS TO DISCIPLE PEOPLE

Discipleship is intentional.

It may come naturally to some people but either way-IT NEEDS TO BE INTENTIONAL.

Here's the bottom line-If you don't disciple your family, friends, school and community-THE SECULAR MEDIA WILL. HOLLYWOOD WILL.

Then don't be shocked when your kids are acting up and your son Bill wants to be Gill and your daughter Claire wants to become Blair

Proverbs 22:6 Train up a child in the way he should go (AS FOR ME AND MY HOUSE WE SHALL SERVE-not just believe in-BUT SERVE THE LORD),And when he is old, he will not depart from it.

It takes time to read them the Word. It takes time to talk to them and ask how school was, what did you learn, what did they teach you.

Discipleship takes time yet its an ETERNAL investment that will reap everlasting blessings and fruit in people's lives.

We have all the saying

HONESTY IS THE BEST POLICY

Proverbs 27:6 Faithful *are* the wounds of a friend

People want to be politically correct. 'I don't want to offend anyone' That's not in the BIBLE. Preach the WORD.

Yet Jesus said 'You will know the TRUTH and the truth will set you free.

You will have an intimate knowledge of the truth. It will be revelation knowledge, not head knowledge. It will be revealed knowledge from God into your spirit.

It will cause the formation of your morals, your character, your grit, your determination that no matter what you face you will not be moved, you will not be shaken, you will be a gladiator for JESUS.

Ezekiel 3:18 When I say to the wicked, 'You shall surely die,' and you give him no warning, nor speak to warn the wicked from his wicked way, to save his life, that same wicked *man* shall die in his iniquity; but his blood I will require at your hand.

The Lord hasn't called us to be popular BUT effective wise, hoest, truth bearers

If you see your brother or sister in Christ in sin or falling away, I ENCOURAGE YOU TO Encourage them in the Lord and if need be to WARN THEM if you have access to them or influence with them.

Philemon 1:8-9 Therefore, though I might be very bold in Christ to command you what is fitting, *yet* for love's sake I rather appeal (an application for corroboration, appeal to reason) *to you*—being such a one as Paul, the aged, and now also a prisoner of Jesus Christ

Acts 28:30-31 Then Paul dwelt two whole years in his own rented house, and received all who came to him, preaching the kingdom of God and teaching the things which concern the Lord Jesus Christ with all confidence, no one forbidding him.

-Paul discipled people in groups-imagine been in Paul's connect group-I encourage you to commit to an Eternity Connect group

-invest in your spiritual walk with the Lord-invest in discipling others as this is eternal

THINK OF THE TIME WE SPEND

-sleeping (7 hrs a day x7= 49hrs a week)

-work (8 hrs a day x 7= 56 hrs a week)

-eat 3 meals @ 15min/meal=45min/day= 5.25 hrs/week

-Church 1.5hrs-Bible Study group 1.5 hrs

-Daily Bible Study and prayer 30min

=3.5 hrs a week

So we eating nearly twice as long as spending with the Lord and on spiritual things

12 times more sleeping than on kingdom things a week

TAKE NOTE OF THIS

WHEN you disciple someone to serve the Lord, they in turn will disciple others and they will fulfill their destiny and make an impact.

SO DISCIPLESHIP TAKES TIME, YET THE RESULTS ARE ASTRONOMICAL

3) BE BOLD TO FULFILL YOUR ASSIGNMENT

1 Chronicles 28:20 And David said to his son Solomon, “Be strong and of good courage, and do *it*; do not fear nor be dismayed, for the Lord God—my God—*will be* with you. He will not leave you nor forsake you, until you have finished all the work for the service of the house of the Lord.

David was encouraging his son Solomon to build the Temple

What has God called you to build?

Is it people? Is it a business? A political career? A school? Is it Eternity Church? Save the World Foundation? Your family, friends, work colleagues?

The Lord has given us 2 great ministry assignments

Save the World Foundation which has led nearly 5 million students to Jesus. STWF is Eternity Church missions' outreach

And Eternity Church which I believe is destined to be the greatest supporter of world evangelism and global impact. I believe we are going to send members as missionaries around the world. I believe the Lord will mightily bless our businesspeople who can help support these teams around the world.

This assignment is a collective assignment and I invite you all to partner and commit to it in the Lord.

Its not about Jarrod and Lucinda. It's about the Lord and precious souls.

We are working in our Fathers house to serve Him and others. We are waiters, serving people feasting on His Word.

We have great starters, mains and desert.

1 Corinthians 15:58 Therefore, my beloved brethren, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that your labor is not in vain in the Lord

I'm not doing this for a corruptible crown but an incorruptible one.

Jeremiah 1:5 "Before I formed you in the womb I knew you (*knew infers that before God created you He knew your completion. God always starts with the end in mind*). ; Before you were born I sanctified you (*to set apart*

to a sacred purpose or to religious use) I ordained (Meaning of ordain: -to invest officially with ministerial or priestly authority)

to establish or order by appointment, decree, or law

(Merriam-Webster)

You a prophet (one gifted with more than ordinary spiritual and moral insight) to the nations.”

Revelation 22:12 “And behold, I am coming quickly, and My reward *is* with Me, to give to every one according to his work.

Daniel 12:3 Those who are wise shall shine Like the brightness of the firmament, And those who turn many to righteousness Like the stars forever and ever.

2 Timothy 4:8 Finally, there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will give to me on that Day, and not to me only but also to all who have loved His appearing.

4) BOLDNESS IN SHARING THE GOSPEL

Romans 1:16 For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ, for it is the power of God to salvation for everyone who believes, for the Jew first and also for the Greek.

Satan wants to intimidate and silence us about sharing the gospel.

But the Church of Jesus Christ is not a pleasure boat but a life boat for saving souls and all hands are needed on deck, from the captain to the cook.

Jesus said in

Acts 1:8 But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.”

1 Thessalonians 2:2 But even after we had suffered before and were spitefully treated at Philippi, as you know, we were bold in our God to speak to you the gospel of God in much conflict.

Ladies and gentleman **NO MATTER** what comes our way and no matter what we may go through we need to be bold in sharing the gospel. If we think of waiting for a perfect environment we will be waiting a really long time.

THE BIBLE SAYS TODAY IS THE DAY OF SALVATION

Ephesians 6:19-20 and for me, that utterance may be given to me, that I may open my mouth boldly to make known the mystery of the gospel, for which I am an ambassador in chains; that in it I may speak boldly, as I ought to speak.

2 Corinthians 3:12 Therefore, since we have such hope, we use great boldness of speech

Time with Reihard Bonnke in Sudan and Nigeria

In **Acts 3** a crippled man gets healed at the temple when Peter prays for him. The crowd were astonished, and he then preached to them and about 5000 were saved. The Saducees were furious and beat them up and grabbed them and took them and locked them up. The next day they were taken and put in front of the Sanhedrin.

Peter replied to them

Acts 4:8-21 Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, “Rulers of the people and elders of Israel: If we this day are judged for a good deed *done* to a helpless man, by what means he has been made well, let it be known to you all, and to all the people of Israel, that by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead, by Him this man stands here before you whole. This is the ‘stone which was rejected by you builders, which has become the chief cornerstone.’ Nor is there salvation in any other, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved.”

Now when they saw the boldness of Peter and John, and perceived that they were uneducated and untrained men, they marveled. And **they realized that they had been with Jesus**.

But so that it spreads no further among the people, let us severely threaten them, that from now on they speak to no man in this name.”

So they called them and commanded them not to speak at all nor teach in the name of Jesus. But Peter and John answered and said to them, “Whether it is right in the sight of God to listen to you more than to God, you judge. For we cannot but speak the things which we have seen and heard.” So when they had further threatened them, they let them go,

The disciples responded to their threats BUT NOT like this:

Hey guys we better stop preaching because we are offending them
We better stop preaching to them as this is getting violent and we can get hurt

They responded like this:

Acts 8:29-31 Now, Lord, look on their threats, and grant to Your servants that with all boldness they may speak Your word, by stretching out Your hand to heal, and that signs and wonders may be done through the name of Your holy Servant Jesus.”

And when they had prayed, the place where they were assembled together was shaken; and they were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and they spoke the word of God with boldness.

BRITISH SOCIALITE Listening to George Whitfield

LET'S LOOK AT PAUL

Acts 13:44-46 On the next Sabbath almost the whole city came together to hear the word of God. But when the Jews saw the multitudes, they were filled with envy; and contradicting and blaspheming, they opposed the things spoken by Paul. Then **Paul and Barnabas grew bold** and said, “It was necessary that the word of God should be spoken to you first; but

since you reject it, and judge yourselves unworthy of everlasting life, behold, we turn to the Gentiles.

Acts 14:3 Therefore they Paul and Barnabas stayed there a long time, **speaking boldly** in the Lord, who was bearing witness to the word of His grace, granting signs and wonders to be done by their hands.

Acts 18:26 So he began **to speak boldly** in the synagogue. When Aquila and Priscilla heard him, they took him aside and explained to him the way of God more accurately.

Acts 19:8 And he went into the synagogue and **spoke boldly** for three months, reasoning and persuading concerning the things of the kingdom of God.

I was weekly in Joubert Park in Johannesburg
Also weekly at Orange County schools
We are now going to start doing open air crusades in parks in OC
and eventually stadiums.

5) POLITICAL BOLDNESS

"In the age-old contest between popularity and principle, only those willing to lose for their convictions are deserving of posterity's approval."

— *Gerald R. Ford*

"I have endured a great deal of ridicule without much malice; and have received a great deal of kindness, not quite free from ridicule. I am used to it."

— *Abraham Lincoln November 2, 1863 in letter to James H. Hackett*

"Courage is more exhilarating than fear and in the long run it is easier. We do not have to become heroes overnight. Just a step at a time, meeting each thing that comes up, seeing it is not as dreadful as it appeared, discovering we have the strength to stare it down."

— Eleanor Roosevelt *You Learn By Living* (1960)

When I speak about the political realm this is all levels of society. This is your school PTA, your work or business committees, local elections speaking up against ungodly practices.

Bad things happen when good people do nothing

Reinhard asked to address Parliament in one of Asia Pacific nations. He felt the Lord telling him to preach the gospel and do a call for salvation. He responded but Lord, what about the protocol. They Lord responded back

Don't worry about the protocol, GO FOR THE ALTAR CALL.

I was invited to Sun City which is the top hotel resort in South Africa and one of the best resorts in the world, to speak in a series of motivational messages to train the staff in guest relations. I told the General manager that I was an evangelist and not a motivational speaker. He said he knew, yet wanted me to come nonetheless.

It was 4 messages over 2 days at the Palace of the Lost City one of 4 hotels on the resort, which has been voted in the past top 2 hotels in the world. The cheapest room is about \$400 a night. The top one about \$3000 a night.

I asked the GM if I could share about Jesus and give people the opportunity to pray and receive Him. To my great delight, he said yes.

I was somewhat concerned that he may get fired as a result, yet he was one of the top luxury hotel managers in the world and had that authority to do it.

So over 2 days I shared inspirational messages yet spoke about Zacchaeus and Jesus and gave people the opportunity to receive Him.

About 200 staff received the Lord and we gave them each a pack of discipleship materials.

Here we look at Ester before the King, pleading for national deliverance

Esther 4:13-14 Mordecai told them to reply to Esther, “Don’t suppose that because you are in the palace, you will escape any more than the other Jewish people. Indeed, if you are silent at this time, relief and deliverance will come to the Jewish people from another place, but you and your father’s family will perish. Who knows but that you were brought to the kingdom for a time like this?”

Vs 13 and then I’ll go in to the king, even though it’s against the law. And if I perish, I perish.”

Esher 5:1-3 On the third day, Esther put on her royal attire and stood in the inner courtyard of the palace in front of the king’s quarters. The king was sitting on his royal throne in the throne room, opposite the entrance to the building. When the king saw Queen Esther standing in the courtyard, she won his favor, and the king extended to Esther the gold scepter that he was holding. Esther approached and touched the top of the scepter. The king asked her, “What do you want, Queen Esther? What is