

How to deal with your Enemy: Strategies for real warriors.....

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Why this book?

Preamble: The Importance of Writing This Book for the Preacher Who Must Deal with the Enemy of the Ministry

In the work of ministry, the preacher is called to walk a delicate line, balancing the high and holy call to preach the gospel with the unavoidable reality of opposition and adversities from both within and without the faith community. Ministry, at its core, is about serving God's people and fulfilling His purpose on Earth. But often, it becomes entangled with the presence of enemies—those who seek to hinder the work of God, to discredit the messenger, or to lead others astray.

It is crucial for every preacher to understand that the enemy is not always easy to identify. Sometimes, the adversary wears the cloak of religiosity, like the Pharisees in the time of Jesus, or the teachers of the law in the days of Moses. Other times, the enemy might be disguised as a fellow believer, causing division within the body of Christ. Regardless of the form it takes, the enemy seeks to disrupt, destroy, and discredit the divine calling of the preacher and the message of salvation they proclaim.

Moses: Facing Opposition in Ministry

When we reflect on Moses, we see a leader who encountered opposition at every turn. Called by God to lead Israel out of slavery, Moses faced resistance from Pharaoh, doubt from his own people, and even rebellion within his ranks. Yet Moses didn't waver. His

relationship with God and his deep faith provided the foundation to withstand the relentless pressure from those who sought to undermine his mission.

Moses' life teaches us that the enemy in ministry will sometimes come in the form of stubbornness, disbelief, and rebellion. We see Moses struggle with these forces, but we also see him turn to God in moments of weakness, seeking wisdom, direction, and strength. From Moses, we learn that the preacher must not only be strong in their calling but also deeply reliant on God for guidance and perseverance in the face of opposition.

Jesus: The Perfect Example of Enduring Opposition

Jesus, the ultimate example for all preachers, faced the full weight of opposition during His

ministry. From the Pharisees who plotted to kill Him to the crowds who misunderstood His purpose, Jesus exemplifies how to handle enemies with both grace and strength. His approach to the enemy was one of clarity and boldness—He never compromised His mission or the truth of the gospel, even when it meant confrontation.

Jesus' interactions with His adversaries teach us how to engage with the enemy: with truth, wisdom, and integrity. He didn't shy away from calling out the hypocrisy of religious leaders or challenging the status quo. Yet He did so with the goal of redemption—not merely to expose sin but to offer salvation. For the preacher, this is a powerful lesson: the goal in dealing with the enemy is not retaliation, but the advancement of God's kingdom and the

eventual reconciliation of those who oppose Him.

Paul: The Preacher Who Dealt with Real Enemies

The apostle Paul offers another significant example of a preacher who faced relentless opposition. From physical beatings to imprisonment, Paul's ministry was marked by constant struggle against enemies—both human and spiritual. His letters, especially those to Timothy and the Corinthian church, reveal a man who was well acquainted with the pressures of ministry, including false teachings, division, and personal attacks.

Yet through it all, Paul demonstrated resilience, wisdom, and deep commitment to the gospel. He knew that enemies would come, but he also knew how to fight against

them—not with carnal weapons, but with the spiritual armor of faith, prayer, and the word of God. Paul’s ministry teaches the preacher today the importance of maintaining doctrinal purity, standing firm in the face of opposition, and always seeking the ultimate good of the church, even when dealing with difficult enemies.

The Preacher Today: Learning from the Past

For the preacher today, the lessons from Moses, Jesus, and Paul are both timeless and urgent. Just as these great men of God faced enemies that sought to thwart the work of the Lord, so too must modern preachers be prepared for the attacks that will inevitably come. The enemy may be subtle, operating through division, discouragement, or deception. But the preacher must stand firm, anchored in the truth of God's word, seeking to protect the ministry from the enemies who would seek to destroy it.

The lessons we learn from Moses, Jesus, and Paul point to the essential tools that every preacher needs to deal with enemies of the ministry: an unwavering commitment to the gospel, a dependence on God in prayer, and a resolve to stand firm in the truth. In writing

this book, we will explore not only how to recognize the enemy but also how to handle opposition with grace, wisdom, and spiritual authority. As preachers, we are not merely called to stand in the pulpit but also to stand in the face of adversities—knowing that our strength is not in our own abilities but in the power of the Holy Spirit who equips us for every battle.

This book is for those who are in the trenches of ministry, facing enemies who want to tear down the work God has entrusted to them. It is for those who, like Moses, Jesus, and Paul, must endure hardship for the sake of the gospel and the glory of God. Through these pages, we will learn that with God, we can face any enemy and remain faithful to the calling He has placed on our lives.

Dedication

To the preacher standing in the trenches of ministry, weary but unyielding, facing opposition that comes from every side—this book is for you.

To the one who feels the weight of discouragement pressing heavy on your shoulders, who hears the voices of critics and feels the sting of betrayal from those you serve, this is for you. You are not alone.

To the servant leader who, like Moses, has stood firm in faith against those who would seek to undermine the work of God, but at times wonders if the battle is too great, this book is for you.

To the preacher who, like Jesus, has poured out your life in sacrifice, only to face

misunderstanding and rejection from those you love and lead, this is for you.

To the apostle-like leader, who, like Paul, has endured the weariness of ministry, but finds yourself battered by the forces of division, falsehood, and spiritual warfare, this book is for you.

May these pages remind you that the battles you face are not in vain, that the God who called you is greater than any enemy that stands against you. Let the wisdom of Moses, Jesus, and Paul renew your strength and your resolve. Stand firm in the truth, seek God in prayer, and trust that He will equip you for every fight. You are called, you are chosen, and with God's power, you will persevere.

This book is written with you in mind—dear preacher, servant of the Most High. May it

serve as a source of encouragement, wisdom, and unwavering faith as you continue to labor for the kingdom of God.

-Dr. Wilson

Preaching Matters: Never Quit

To the preacher who stands in the pulpit, week after week, proclaiming the Word of God, whether in the face of joy or sorrow, victory or defeat—this book is for you.

In a world that often questions the relevance and power of preaching, it is important to remember that preaching matters. Preaching is the divine tool by which God chooses to reveal His truth to the world, calling men and women to salvation and transformation. It is not simply a task or a vocation; it is a holy calling, a privilege that has been entrusted to you. As a preacher, you are a messenger of the Almighty, carrying a word that has the power to change hearts, to restore lives, and to bring hope to the hopeless. Preaching matters because it is the avenue through

which the gospel message reaches those who are lost in darkness.

But, as every preacher knows, the journey of proclaiming God's Word is not without its trials. Like Noah, you may stand alone, faithfully building the ark of salvation in a world that mocks and disregards your message. The rain may seem delayed, and the flood may not yet be in sight, but God has called you to persevere. Noah's ministry wasn't about numbers; it was about obedience. The same is true for you. Faithfulness in preaching isn't determined by the immediate results you see, but by your unwavering obedience to God's call.

Like Elisha, who remained faithful to the prophetic call despite the constant threats of opposition and the loss of Elijah, you may feel as if the mantle of ministry is heavy and that

the task ahead is too great. But just as Elisha received a double portion of God's anointing, so too will God give you the strength and courage to carry on. You may find yourself discouraged, but remember that God has equipped you for every challenge you face. Even in moments when you feel you are standing alone, God's power is with you, and He will supply everything you need.

Like Elijah, who experienced the highs of Mount Carmel only to find himself fleeing in fear from Jezebel, you too may experience moments of spiritual burnout, where the weight of ministry feels too much to bear. In those moments, when you feel like quitting, take comfort in knowing that even Elijah needed rest and encouragement from the Lord. God's presence was there for Elijah

in the stillness of the gentle whisper, and He will be with you too. Never forget that even in your deepest struggles, God is faithful to restore, renew, and sustain.

Like John the Baptist, who boldly declared the coming of the Lord and pointed others to Christ, you too are called to be a voice in the wilderness, crying out for repentance and proclaiming the Kingdom of God. Even when your message is rejected, or you find yourself in prison for your faith, as John did, know that your labor is not in vain. Your obedience to the call to preach will never go unnoticed by the Lord. He sees every tear, hears every prayer, and remembers every sacrifice.

In the face of opposition, discouragement, and weariness, never forget this truth: Preaching matters because it is the means by which the Word of God goes forth. And in the strength of

the Lord, you cannot fail. Your calling is not just to preach for a season, but to preach for a lifetime, to stand firm in the truth, and to never give up.

So, preacher, when you feel like quitting, remember Noah, Elisha, Elijah, and John the Baptist. They all faced moments of doubt, moments when the task seemed too great, but they persevered. And so must you. You are part of a great legacy of men and women who have faithfully proclaimed the Word of God, and your labor, no matter how difficult, is an essential part of God's eternal plan.

This book is written to remind you that you are not alone. God is with you. The Word you preach has power. And though the enemy may come against you, you must never quit. The battle is the Lord's, and He will equip you for the task at hand. Preach on, preacher. The

world needs your voice, and God will give you everything you need to finish the race He has set before you.

A Savior for the City

1 Samuel 23:1-5

Every now and then, we stumble upon a passage that makes it crystal clear—God is moving! You don't have to guess, you don't have to wonder, because the fingerprints of the Almighty are all over it! And in these moments, there is always a theme of salvation and obedience. Today, we find ourselves in such a text—a city under siege, a people in peril, an enemy running rampant. But God had a man. And when God has a man, the enemy has a problem!

Here in 1 Samuel 23, we see a foreshadowing of our ultimate Savior, Jesus Christ! David steps into the role of a deliverer, a protector, a savior for a city that didn't even know it needed saving! Ain't that just like Jesus? He

came to rescue us when we weren't looking for Him, weren't calling for Him, weren't even aware that we were lost! But He came anyway! And today, we can learn what it means to have a Savior for the City!

The Reality of the Enemy

The Bible says in verse 1, "Then they told David, saying, 'Look, the Philistines are fighting against Keilah, and they are robbing the threshing floors.'"

Notice something: The enemy was active! He wasn't waiting; he was warring! He wasn't hesitating; he was devastating! The Philistines weren't just launching an attack—they were robbing the threshing floors! This was economic warfare! The threshing floor was where the people gathered their grain after the

harvest. It was their livelihood, their provision, their future! And the enemy came to steal it all!

Isn't that what the devil does? Didn't Jesus say in John 10:10 that "the thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy"? The enemy is always after your provision, your peace, your future! The enemy comes to wipe you out before you even get a chance to enjoy what God has given you!

The Inquiry of the Righteous

But look at what David did in verse 2: "Therefore David inquired of the Lord, saying, 'Shall I go and attack these Philistines?' And the Lord said to David, 'Go and attack the Philistines, and save Keilah.'"

David didn't move off emotion. He didn't rush into battle just because he was angry. No, he

prayed! He sought the Lord! Saints, let me tell you, before you make a move—before you fight a battle, before you make a decision—you need to pray! Because not every battle is your battle! Not every fight is your fight! But when God says "Go," you can go with power, you can go with confidence, you can go with authority!

God told David, "Go! Fight! Save the city!" But not everybody was ready for the fight.

The Insecurity of the People

In verse 3, the Bible says, "But David's men said to him, 'Look, we are afraid here in Judah. How much more then if we go to Keilah against the armies of the Philistines?'"

David had warriors with him, but they weren't ready for war. They were afraid! And isn't that

just like some of us? We see the enemy, we see the problem, we see the battle, and we shrink back! "Lord, we're already struggling where we are! How can we fight another battle?" Fear will keep you from your destiny! Fear will keep you from stepping into victory! Fear will have you questioning what God already confirmed!

But look at David—he didn't argue with them. He didn't let their fear become his fear. No! The Bible says in verse 4, "Then David inquired of the Lord once again."

When fear rises, pray again! When doubt creeps in, pray again! When people tell you it can't be done, pray again! And look at God—He didn't change His answer! He said, "Arise, go down to Keilah. For I will deliver the Philistines into your hand."

The Victory of the Savior

And that settles it! David didn't ask for another sign, didn't need another confirmation—he obeyed! And in verse 5, the Bible says, "And David and his men went to Keilah and fought with the Philistines, struck them with a mighty blow, and took away their livestock. So David saved the inhabitants of Keilah."

David did exactly what God called him to do! And just like David saved Keilah, Jesus saves us! Just like David delivered the city, Jesus delivers us! He fights battles we cannot fight! He defeats enemies we cannot see! He steps in when we are weak, when we are afraid, when we are outnumbered!

Conclusion

My brothers and sisters, the question today is simple: Can God trust you with the mission? Can God trust you to fight for your city? Can God trust you to stand up against the enemy? This world is in trouble! The enemy is on the move! He's taking our young people, he's destroying families, he's invading our communities! But God is looking for a David! God is looking for a warrior! God is looking for a man or a woman who will stand up and say, "Lord, send me! I'll go!"

We need a David in Memphis! We need a David in Detroit! We need a David in Chicago! We need a David in Atlanta! We need a David in our cities, in our churches, in our communities! Somebody who will fight, somebody who will pray, somebody who will obey the voice of the Lord!

If you want to see victory, you gotta fight! If you want to see deliverance, you gotta fight! If you want to see change, you gotta fight! But here's the good news—when God sends you, He will go with you! And if God be for you, who can be against you?

Somebody give God praise! Because He is still a Savior for the city! Amen!

One Step Ahead of the Enemy

1 Samuel 24:1-22

The last time we looked at this text, David was running for his life. Saul was in hot pursuit, and it looked like David was about to be trapped. But God! God stepped in and sent Saul a divine distraction—a report that the Philistines had attacked Israel. So Saul left David alone and ran back to fight. That was nothing but God’s hand of protection over David’s life!

But now, as we continue reading, we see David is running out of places to hide. And here we are in today’s passage—David ends up back in a place where Saul nearly caught him before. This time, Saul is only a few feet away from capturing David, but once again, the Lord steps in and spares him.

This passage teaches us something about how to handle our enemies. I want to share with you today how God will position you one step ahead of your enemy, not to destroy them, but to teach you—and them—a lesson about mercy, faith, and trust in God.

In a Cave Near The Enemy

Saul hears that David is in the wilderness of En Gedi, so he takes 3,000 of his best men to hunt him down. That's a lot of soldiers for one man! Saul is serious about trying to take David out.

But watch how God moves—Saul enters a cave to relieve himself, not realizing that David and his men are deep inside that very same cave! Imagine that—David, the one Saul is trying to kill, is right there in the shadows. Saul has no bodyguards, no army, no defense—he

is completely exposed. God has literally delivered Saul into David's hands.

Now, David's men see this and say, "This is your chance! The Lord has delivered your enemy to you. Do whatever you think is best!" But instead of killing Saul, David does something different—he sneaks up, and all he does is cut off a piece of Saul's robe. At that moment, God is doing something in David's heart. David realizes that he doesn't have to kill his enemy to win. He doesn't have to destroy Saul to prove his strength. Instead, he lets him live.

I learned something from this!

- You don't always have to kill your enemy!

- Sometimes, God allows your enemy to stay in your life, not to destroy you, but to develop you!

Sometimes, you need your enemy to keep you praying, to keep you focused, to keep you moving forward!

If it weren't for your enemy, you wouldn't be as strong as you are today!

If it weren't for your enemy, you might have gotten too comfortable and missed your destiny!

So today, I thank God for my enemies! Because they keep me praying, they keep me humble, and they keep me dependent on the Lord!

Choosing Mercy over Revenge

After David cuts off the piece of Saul's robe, something happens—his heart is troubled. He tells his men, "The Lord forbid that I should do this to my master, the Lord's anointed. I cannot stretch out my hand against him."

David is teaching us something here. Even though Saul is trying to kill him, David still honors the fact that Saul was once chosen by God. David has the power to take Saul's life, but instead, he chooses restraint.

Here's what I've learned from this part of the text:

Meekness is not weakness. Just because you hold back doesn't mean you're weak; it means you're wise.

Just because you have the power to get even doesn't mean you should use it.

Sometimes God will give you access to your enemy, not for revenge, but to teach them—and you—a lesson about mercy.

David could have ended Saul's life, but instead, he chose to be the bigger person.

David could have embarrassed Saul, but he spared his ego.

David could have humiliated him, but he let him walk away.

David took the high road instead of the wrong road!

Can God trust you with your enemy today?
Can He count on you to show mercy when you have the upper hand? Can He rely on you to

let Him handle your battles instead of taking matters into your own hands?

In a Conversation with The Enemy

After Saul leaves the cave, David calls out to him: "My lord, the king!" Saul turns around, and David bows before him.

David then asks him, "Why do you listen to those who say I want to harm you? Look today—I had the chance to kill you, but I didn't. Here's the proof—I cut off a piece of your robe, but I didn't touch you. I am not your enemy. So why are you hunting me down?"

Then David says something powerful: "Let the Lord judge between you and me. Let the Lord avenge me, but my hand will not be against you."

That's faith talking! David refuses to take justice into his own hands. He trusts that God will take care of Saul in His own way and in His own time.

Here's what I see in this moment:

David's meekness doesn't make him weak; it makes him strong in the Lord.

David doesn't fight Saul with his own hands; he lets God handle it.

David is more concerned about his character than his comfort.

David teaches us that true power is having control over your actions and emotions.

And look what happens next—Saul is convicted! He breaks down and weeps, saying, "David, you are more righteous than I.

You have treated me well, but I have treated you badly. I know that you will surely be king one day. Swear to me that when you take the throne, you won't wipe out my descendants."

And what does David do? He gives Saul his word. He swears not to harm his family. Saul didn't deserve mercy, but David gave it anyway.

Final Lesson from David's Journey

When you trust God, you don't have to fight your own battles—He fights for you!

When you show mercy, you prove that God's Spirit is truly at work in you.

When you choose humility over pride, you position yourself for God's blessing.

David could have taken Saul's life, but instead, he gave him peace. He could have held a grudge, but instead, he extended grace. He could have sought revenge, but instead, he let God handle it.

And because of that, David remained one step ahead of his enemy—not by fighting, but by trusting in the Lord!

So my question to you today is this: Can God trust you with your enemy? Can He trust you to show mercy when you have the power to get even? Can He trust you to let Him fight your battles?

If you let God handle it, He will always keep you one step ahead of the enemy!

Strategy from the Stronghold

1 Samuel 24:14-29

My brothers and sisters, today we find ourselves walking through the wilderness with David. He's on the run! He's being hunted down like a fugitive by a king who has lost his way. Saul, driven by jealousy and insecurity, is determined to take David out. But despite the enemy's relentless pursuit, God keeps on making a way. Ain't that just like God? When the enemy thinks he's got you cornered, God steps in and says, "Not today!"

So today, I want to talk to you about "Strategy from the Stronghold." Because every now and then, you've got to know how to move when the enemy is after you. You've got to learn how

to strategize when the devil is plotting against you. And David teaches us how to do just that!

The Place of Protection (Verses 14-15)

David didn't just run anywhere; the Bible says he stayed in strongholds. That means he found a place of protection in the wilderness. And child of God, when life gets tough, you've got to know where your stronghold is.

For David, it was the caves and mountains of Ziph. But for you and me, our stronghold is the Word of God! When the enemy is on your trail, you've got to hide yourself in His promises. When the devil is whispering lies in your ear, you've got to stand on what God has already said!

Saul was looking for David every day, but the text says, "God did not deliver him into his

hand." That's good news, church! The enemy might be looking for you, but as long as you're in God's hands, he can't touch you! Somebody ought to shout right there!

The Power of Partnership (Verses 16-18)

While David was hiding in the stronghold, look who shows up—Jonathan! Saul's own son. Now, if anybody should've been on Saul's side, it was Jonathan. But God will send you the right people, even in the midst of your trouble. Jonathan came to strengthen David in the Lord. That's the kind of friend you need! Not somebody who will gossip about your situation, but somebody who will encourage you in God.

Jonathan tells David, "Don't be afraid. You will be king!" Oh, I love that! He reminds David of the promise. And sometimes, you need people

in your life who will remind you what God has spoken over you. When you're tired, when you're frustrated, when you feel like giving up—you need a Jonathan to say, "Hold on, God ain't done with you yet!"

The Pain of Betrayal (Verses 19-23)

But just when you think David is catching a break, here come the Ziphites. These folks went out of their way to snitch on David. They didn't owe Saul anything. David hadn't done them any harm. But some people just don't want to see you win.

Have you ever had people turn on you for no reason? Have you ever had folks smile in your face but then run and tell your enemies where you are? That's what David is dealing with. And let me tell you something: the closer you get to your destiny, the more betrayal you will

experience. But don't let it shake you! Because just like God protected David, He will protect you too!

The Providence of God (Verses 24-29)

Saul was closing in. It looked like David was about to be captured. But just then, a messenger showed up with urgent news: "Saul, you better come quick—the Philistines are attacking!" And just like that, Saul had to let David go.

Listen, church! That wasn't a coincidence. That was God's divine intervention! Right when the enemy thought he had David trapped, God sent a distraction to pull him away. And won't He do it? Won't God make a way out of no way? Won't He step in right on time?

David called that place "The Rock of Escape." And some of us ought to have our own Rock of Escape. That moment when God stepped in and delivered us. That time when He turned the enemy's plans upside down. That moment when He blocked what the devil tried to do!

So what's the strategy from the stronghold?

Stay in your place of protection – Hide yourself in the Word of God.

Surround yourself with the right people – You need a Jonathan who will encourage you in the Lord.

Expect betrayal but don't be shaken – Some people won't like you simply because of the anointing on your life.

Trust in God's providence – He will always make a way of escape.

David made it out because he followed God's strategy. And if you hold on, if you trust Him, if you stay in the stronghold of His Word, God will deliver you too!

Can I get an Amen?

Dinner with the Enemy

St. Luke 11:37-54

Have you ever been around people who didn't appreciate you, who talked about you behind your back or tried to shame you? If you've ever been in that situation, then you can relate to what Jesus was dealing with in our passage today. Jesus is invited to dinner, but not by friends—He's invited by people who are out to get Him. These people aren't interested in sharing a meal or fellowship—they want to trap Him, discredit Him, and find a reason to accuse Him. I call this "Dinner with the Enemy." It's a real thing. And in this moment, Jesus uses the opportunity to expose their hearts and attitudes toward God, themselves, and others. Let's dive into what Jesus was really saying and how we can learn to deal with those who come against us in the same way.

The Pharisees' Problem

In the beginning, we see Jesus invited to dine with a Pharisee. The Pharisee is surprised because Jesus doesn't follow the ceremonial washing ritual before eating. This ritual was not about hygiene, but about showing how "clean" someone was from the defilement of sin—especially from contact with Gentiles or sinners. It was a show of piety.

But when Jesus doesn't participate in the ritual, the Pharisee is taken aback. Why? Because it challenges their pride in their outward righteousness. They were so focused on the external, they missed what really mattered: the heart.

Jesus says to them, "You clean the outside of the cup and dish, but inside, you're full of greed and wickedness." He's calling them out

on their hypocrisy—cleaning up the outside but ignoring the inside.

Here's the lesson: You can't just focus on the outside and neglect the inside. Sin isn't something you can just scrub off with a ritual or a good deed. It's something that has to be cleansed from the heart. And just because you follow religious traditions doesn't mean you're clean. If your heart isn't right with God, no amount of outward acts will make a difference.

The Pharisees' Pride

Jesus doesn't stop there. He digs deeper and addresses the Pharisees' pride. He says, "Woe to you Pharisees! You tithe your herbs, but you neglect justice and the love of God." They were meticulous in following tiny details of the law, but they were blind to the big picture: love, justice, and mercy.

They wanted to be seen as righteous by people—taking the best seats in the synagogue, getting greetings in the marketplace. But Jesus exposes them as hypocrites, likening them to hidden graves. People walk over them unknowingly and are led astray.

It's like some of us today who might love the attention that religion brings—posting scripture on social media, getting the likes and comments—but privately, we aren't living the life we're preaching. Be careful of the “keyboard Pharisees” who show one face online but live another life offline. They're leading people into spiritual danger.

Jesus warns us not to get caught up in the outward show of religion. God is concerned with the heart, not the public image. And if our

hearts aren't right, we're no better than the Pharisees.

The Pharisees' Partners

Next, Jesus turns to the lawyers in the room. These were the people who interpreted the law and supported the Pharisees. When one lawyer tries to defend the Pharisees, Jesus exposes their hearts as well.

He accuses them of burdening others with laws that are impossible to bear while not even lifting a finger to help. They made the law a heavy weight on the people, but didn't live by it themselves. They would also build elaborate tombs for the prophets, honoring them with their words, but in reality, they were just as guilty as their ancestors who killed those prophets.

The lesson here is clear: there are people who love to tell others what to do but don't practice it themselves. These are the folks who judge others for their actions while ignoring their own faults. We need to be aware of these people in the church and in our lives. They are quick to point fingers but don't hold themselves accountable. And that's dangerous.

The Pharisees' Prophecy

Finally, Jesus prophesies judgment for the Pharisees and the lawyers. He says that the blood of the prophets will be required of that generation. They had rejected God's messengers, and their actions would have consequences. The lawyers had taken away the key of knowledge, keeping people from understanding the Word of God.

Jesus warns us that there are people in this world who think they can ignore God's Word, who believe the rules don't apply to them. But there's a day of reckoning coming. These false teachers will be held accountable for leading others astray.

Conclusion

As Jesus wraps up His words, the Pharisees and lawyers begin to plot against Him. They try to trap Him in His words, but He remains calm and unshaken. This is the nature of dealing with the enemy—no matter how much they try to come at you, you have to stay focused on what God has called you to do.

I learned something important from this passage: "Dinner with the enemy" is always going to be a setup for attack. But just like Jesus, we can use it as an opportunity to

expose the truth and to stay focused on God's purpose. They may try to discredit you, lie on you, and manipulate your words, but stay true to who you are in Christ. In the end, God will use even the attacks of the enemy to fulfill His plan.

Jesus taught us how to deal with those who come against us. He didn't get distracted by their schemes. He stayed on mission, and He did it for them too. He died on the cross not just for His friends, but for those who rejected Him, for those who plotted against Him. He did it for the Pharisees, for the lawyers, and for us.

When you face your own "dinner with the enemy," remember: stay focused on God's mission. Trust that God will use even your enemies to fulfill His purpose. And know that in the end, God will have the final word.

May God help us to keep our hearts right and our focus on Him, no matter who sits at the table.

Standing Strong in the Face of Opposition: How to Handle Enemies of Your Ministry

Scripture: Esther 4:7-16

Family, let me tell you, the Book of Esther is a powerful testament to God's faithfulness and how He works even when we can't see His hand at work. This story is not just about a queen, it's about bold faith in the midst of overwhelming opposition. Today, we're going to talk about how we handle those who rise up against us in our ministries, in our work for the Lord, and in our everyday lives. How do you stand when enemies come for you? How do you respond when it feels like the world is against you? Esther teaches us how to handle the enemies of our ministry, and I want you to listen closely today.

There are three things we need to look at from Esther's life that can help us navigate the opposition we face: Esther's Problem, Esther's Position, and Esther's Plea.

Esther's Problem

Look at what's happening in verses 7 and 8: "Mordecai told him of all that had happened to him and of the sum of money Haman had promised to pay to the king's treasuries for the Jews, to destroy them... he gave him a copy of the decree to destroy the Jews."

Esther's problem is one that we all face as believers at some point: she has an enemy who wants to destroy her and her people. Haman, the second-in-command, had plotted the destruction of all Jews because of his own pride and hatred. And family, this wasn't just some idle threat—this was law. It was a

decree, an official document that had been signed and sealed by the king. There was no going back from this.

Now, Esther has been placed in a position of power, but that doesn't mean her problems are over. No, in fact, her position has brought her into the very crosshairs of the enemy's plot. It's not that she did anything wrong, but simply because she was Jewish, she was in danger.

Just like Esther, we find ourselves in situations where we have an enemy who wants to tear down the work of God in our lives. Sometimes it's a person, sometimes it's a circumstance, or sometimes it's the enemy of our souls working behind the scenes. But the question is, how will you respond?

Esther's Position

Now, let's look at Esther's position in verses 9-14. After hearing about the danger, Mordecai says something critical: "Who knows whether you have not come to the kingdom for such a time as this?" (v. 14). Mordecai reminds Esther that God has positioned her in this place, not by accident, but by divine appointment.

You see, Esther is in the right place, at the right time, to make a difference. But it's not going to be easy. Esther has a choice to make: step up and stand for her people, or stay silent and let them perish. The weight of the position she holds is heavy—she has influence, but it also comes with great responsibility.

I want to ask you today—what position has God placed you in? You may be facing a difficult time in your ministry, on your job, or in your family, and the enemy might be making it

hard to keep standing. But understand this: God has you exactly where you are for a reason. Maybe you're in that job not just for the paycheck but for a divine assignment. Maybe you're facing opposition because you're right where God wants you to be, and He's calling you to stand firm.

Esther's Plea

Now, in the final verses, we see Esther's plea for help: "Go, gather all the Jews that are present in Shushan, and fast for me, neither eat nor drink three days, night or day..." (v. 16). Esther understands that this battle is bigger than her. She can't fight it alone. She needs the support of her people—she needs prayer.

And here's the lesson for us: even when you're in a position of power, even when you have the

ability to make a difference, you need prayer. You need support. You need people who will stand with you in the gap. Esther didn't say, "I got this on my own." No, she called on her people to fast and pray for her. She knew that without God's intervention, she would not survive this battle.

Family, there are times when ministry gets hard. There are times when the opposition seems too great. But you don't have to fight alone. We need to ask for help, we need to surround ourselves with prayer warriors, and we need to be open to God's guidance. Esther didn't fight with weapons; she fought with prayer and faith.

Let me ask you today, how do you deal with enemies in your ministry? How do you handle opposition? Are you willing to stand in the gap for the people God has called you to serve,

even when it costs you? Are you willing to call on others to pray for you when the battle gets too heavy?

Like Esther, we all have a choice: we can stay silent, or we can step up and speak out for God's people. But understand this, when God places you in a position of influence, it's for a reason. You might be there for such a time as this—to be a light in a dark place, to speak truth when everyone else is silent, to stand up for righteousness when evil is rampant. And when the opposition comes—and it will come—know that God is with you.

Conclusion:

Family, the enemies of your ministry are real. They may come at you with lies, with threats, with obstacles that seem impossible to overcome. But like Esther, you've been placed

in this moment for a reason. You have a position in God's kingdom, and He will give you the bold faith you need to stand strong.

So, let's stand together, pray together, and fight the good fight of faith. Let's be like Esther—bold, fearless, and faithful to the call God has placed on our lives. Amen?

How to Handle Your Enemies

Mark 12:13-34

I've learned something about life, y'all: when you've got enemies, trouble's never too far behind. Enemies don't want the best for you. They may smile in your face, but you better believe they're plotting behind your back. I believe it was the O'Jays who said, "Smiling faces sometimes tell lies." Ain't that the truth?

Enemies can be two-faced. They'll act one way when they're with you, but another way when they think you can't see them. Sometimes, your enemies are closer than you realize, and they always seem to know just enough about you to twist things.

But one thing you can always count on is this: eventually, your enemies will show their hand. They can only hide their true colors for so long.

Now, Jesus, my friends, had enemies too. And let me tell you, He didn't do a thing wrong. Unlike you and me, who've probably offended someone along the way, Jesus was spotless. He didn't gossip, He didn't lie, and He didn't harm a soul. But still, His enemies wanted Him dead. They wanted to stop His ministry.

Calvary was hanging over Jesus like a storm cloud ready to burst. He had less than 48 hours before He'd die for the sins of the world. Trouble was brewing, and His enemies were plotting in the shadows. They came to the temple with one goal in mind:

1. How can we set Him up?

2. What trap can we lay to catch Him?

Just days before this, they questioned Jesus' authority. They wanted to know who He thought He was. Who did He think was backing Him up? Jesus didn't play their game. Instead, He gave them a parable that exposed their hearts. He knew what they were planning, and He let them know that they would be repaid for their wickedness—but by God, not by Him.

The Enemies' Madness

Mark 12:13 says, "Then they sent to Him some of the Pharisees and the Herodians to catch Him in His words."

Now, these two groups—Pharisees and Herodians—didn't even like each other. But when it came to getting rid of Jesus, they

found a way to team up. Their hatred for Him united them. The Pharisees hated Rome, and the Herodians were loyal to Rome. But together, they wanted Jesus gone.

The word Mark uses for “catch” is *agra*, which means to hunt or trap. They were like hunters setting a snare, waiting to catch their prey. These enemies were ready to pounce, set the trap, and go in for the kill.

- The Herodians were supporters of King Herod and the Roman government, working with the oppressors.
- The Pharisees were the strict religious law keepers, despising Roman rule.

But they didn't care about their differences. Satan was working behind the scenes, stirring their hearts to set a trap for Jesus.

If you live like Jesus, you'll attract enemies because you won't stand for what they stand for.

If you live like Jesus, the devil will set traps for you.

If you live like Jesus, you'll have enemies lying in wait, hoping to tear you down.

If you live like Jesus, there are demonic forces trying to destroy your witness.

I remember seeing a story on CNN about a pastor who got caught up in a scandal. Satan set a trap, he took the bait, and now his name is ruined. He's become a laughingstock. My word to you today is: be wise! Don't fall for the trap! The enemy's out there, setting up snares.

The Enemies' Motives

These enemies were trying to trap Jesus with a question: "Is it lawful to pay taxes to Caesar, or not?" (Mark 12:14).

Now, let me break this down. The Pharisees hated paying taxes to Rome. It reminded them of their oppression. They were waiting for a Savior to kick out the Romans, and they figured this question would trip Jesus up. If He said, "No, don't pay taxes," they could accuse Him of treason against Caesar. If He said, "Yes, pay taxes," He'd lose the support of the people, who hated Roman rule.

It was a perfect trap. But Jesus wasn't fooled.

The Master's Mindset

Mark 12:15 says, "But He, knowing their hypocrisy, said to them, 'Why do you test Me? Bring Me a denarius that I may see it.'"

Jesus wasn't taken in by their false piety. He saw right through their act. He wasn't just looking at their words; He was looking at their hearts. The word hypocrisy comes from the Greek word for "actor"—someone who plays a role, wearing a mask. Jesus saw the real motives behind their smooth words. He wasn't fooled for a second. When you've got the mind of Christ, you can see through the games people play. You can recognize a hypocrite when you see one. When you have the mind of Christ, you'll know when someone's trying to trap you. With the mind of Christ, you'll know

when someone doesn't have your best interests at heart.

I remember a time when I was facing a tough decision, and I asked God for wisdom. The Holy Spirit gave me the clarity I needed to see the trap the enemy had set. With God's guidance, I walked out of that situation with victory. Jesus asked them to show Him a coin. When they handed it to Him, He asked, "Whose image and inscription is this?" They said, "Caesar's."

Jesus replied, "Render to Caesar the things that are Caesar's, and to God the things that are God's" (Mark 12:17).

How to Handle Your Enemies:

Jesus showed them that there are earthly laws we must obey, but God's law is higher.

The coin belonged to Caesar because it had his image on it. But you and I—we belong to God because we were made in His image.

Jesus wasn't just talking about taxes; He was talking about our priorities.

Give Caesar what's his, but give God what's His. Your money belongs to Caesar, but your soul belongs to God.

Conclusion:

The Pharisees thought the issue was taxes. But Jesus showed them the bigger issue: tribute to God. Not paying your tribute to God

has eternal consequences. But not paying Caesar? That's temporary.

One day, you'll face God, and you won't be able to ignore it. If you owe Caesar, you better pay up while you're alive. But if you owe God—and you do—you'd better settle that account before it's too late. Let me tell you a quick story. One day, I got a call from my wireless company. They said, "Your account's past due." I ignored it. Then I got an email, then a letter, and eventually, I realized I had to pay what I owed if I didn't want to lose my service.

Some of you are just like I was—you keep ignoring God's calls. He's been sending you messages, warning you that your time's running out. Don't ignore it! Settle your account with God today. If you're listening today, you've got the chance to settle your

account with God at the cross. Jesus already paid the price for you. He took all your sin upon Himself, died in your place, and rose again so you could have eternal life. Don't wait. Your debt is paid—if you accept Him.

If you owe God, come to Jesus now while you still can.

Facing the Enemy: A Word for the Season

1Kings 18:1-19

I want to talk to you today about facing the enemy. You see, it's been three years—three long years—and the sky hasn't opened up. There's no rain. There's no water. There's a famine in the land, and the people are starving. The animals are dying, the economy is crashing, and the so-called gods of Baal? Well, they've been quiet. They haven't shown up to help. But in the middle of this, God sends His Word to Elijah, and says, "It's time to face the enemy."

Positioned to Face the Enemy

The first thing I want you to see in this text is that God sends Elijah right back into the danger zone. He says, "Go, present yourself to

Ahab, and I'll send rain on the earth." You see, Elijah didn't have the option to keep running. He didn't get to go into hiding and just wait things out. No! God had an assignment for him. God says, "Elijah, I've got something for you to do. You can't keep hiding. You've got to go and confront the one who's leading my people astray."

Elijah's obedience was tied to the people's prosperity. God said, "When you go, I will send rain." Elijah's obedience wasn't just for him—it was for the people. If Elijah went, the people would be blessed. If he didn't go, they'd stay in the drought.

You see, brothers and sisters, sometimes you are the one God is sending into the drought. Sometimes you are the blessing. Sometimes you are the answer to the crisis. Sometimes God has positioned you to be the very thing

that turns the tide for your family, your community, or your ministry. Elijah's obedience was tied to the prosperity of others, and your obedience might just be tied to someone else's breakthrough.

Placed Near the Enemy

Now, as Elijah is on his way, he meets someone named Obadiah. Obadiah is a servant in Ahab's house, but he's not just any servant. Obadiah is a man who fears the Lord. He's the one holding it together, feeding and protecting the prophets of God, even while Jezebel is slaughtering them. Obadiah's life is a picture of quiet, faithful service in the midst of a wicked, idolatrous regime.

But you need to understand, Obadiah's faith isn't loud. It's not in the spotlight. It's not on the front page. But it's real. He's doing the work of

God undercover. He's not getting any applause. He's not getting any credit. But he's faithfully serving where God has placed him.

And I want you to hear this today—sometimes God sends you into places where you feel like you're all alone. You might be the only one standing up for what's right, but you are not alone. God has servants everywhere! Sometimes you're the one holding it down in your family, your workplace, or your school, doing the right thing when nobody's looking. But God sees you, and He has placed you there for a purpose.

Partners That Face the Enemy

Now, when Obadiah meets Elijah, he's afraid. He's afraid of what Ahab will do if he finds out that Elijah is back. But Elijah's response is bold. He says, "I am going to face Ahab today.

No fear. I'm going to stand before him and declare that the Lord is God, and we're about to settle this once and for all."

Here's what I want you to see: Obadiah is a good man, a man who loves God, but he's still fearful of facing the enemy. Elijah, on the other hand, is fearless. Elijah's faith has been built in the wilderness. He's been tested. He's been stretched. He's been refined. And now he's ready to face down the enemy.

There's a difference between these two servants. Obadiah's fear is rooted in self-preservation. He doesn't want to be caught in the middle of this confrontation. But Elijah? Elijah is all about the mission. He knows that the battle isn't about him—it's about God and His glory. Fearlessness in the face of the enemy comes from knowing who you serve and what's at stake.

I've got a question for you today: Is God preparing you to face your enemy? Is He getting you ready for something big? The same God who prepared Elijah in the wilderness is preparing you right now. He's stretching your faith. He's growing your trust. He's building your confidence, so that when the time comes, you can stand tall in the face of your enemy.

You may feel like Obadiah sometimes—quietly working behind the scenes, not getting noticed, and dealing with a difficult assignment. But God has you exactly where He wants you. And when the time comes, He'll bring you face-to-face with your enemy, just like He did with Elijah.

Conclusion:

When Elijah finally faces Ahab, Ahab accuses him, saying, “Is that you, O troubler of Israel?” But Elijah stands his ground. He says, “No, I’m not the one troubling Israel. You and your father’s house have forsaken the commandments of the Lord and followed the Baals.” Elijah is fearless because he knows the truth, and the truth is that God is the one who holds the power.

The challenge for us today is to be like Elijah. To be bold. To be confident in who our God is. To not back down when the enemy comes against us. God is looking for more Elijahs today—believers who will stand up in the face of fear, who will speak the truth, and who will declare that the Lord is God.

So, let me ask you again—are you ready to face your enemy? Are you ready to stand up for what’s right, even when it’s hard? Fear not! Stand in the power of the God who has called you. He’s preparing you, just like He prepared Elijah, to do great things for His glory. Don’t be afraid to face the enemy—God is with you, and He’s greater than anything you’ll ever face!

Don't Bow to the Music: Resist Your Enemy— Faith in the Fire

Daniel 3:16-18:

"Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego replied to him, 'King Nebuchadnezzar, we do not need to defend ourselves before you in this matter. If we are thrown into the blazing furnace, the God we serve is able to deliver us from it, and he will deliver us from Your Majesty's hand. But even if he does not, we want you to know, Your Majesty, that we will not serve your gods or worship the image of gold you have set up.'"

Today, I want to talk to you about the kind of faith that won't bow to the pressure. I want to talk about standing firm when the world is calling you to bend, about keeping your eyes on the Lord even when the fire's getting hotter.

I'm talking about the faith Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego had in Daniel 3.

These three young men didn't just say they had faith, they showed their faith. They were in the middle of a trial that would have made many others bend their knees in fear—but not them. And today, we're gonna learn from their example.

Now, let me set the scene. These three boys were taken captive from Israel and brought to Babylon. They found themselves in a foreign land surrounded by foreign customs and foreign gods. But in the midst of all that, they remained faithful to the one true God. They didn't give up on Him, even when the culture around them was trying to pressure them into worshiping false idols.

Then came the moment of truth. King Nebuchadnezzar, the ruler of Babylon, built a massive golden statue, and he demanded that everyone in the kingdom bow down to it when the music played. You had to worship or face the fiery furnace. Everybody was bowing down, but Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego said, "No, we will not bow."

The Challenge:

Now, listen to this, saints. The king was furious when he heard about these three standing tall while everybody else was on their knees. But do you know what they said to him? They said, "King, we don't need to defend ourselves in this matter. If we get thrown into the fire, our God is able to deliver us. But even if He doesn't, we're still not bowing!"

Now, that's real faith, church! When they said, "Our God can deliver us," they were confident in God's ability, but when they said, "But even if He doesn't," they were faithful to God's sovereignty. Faith in the fire isn't just about believing God will save you—it's about trusting Him no matter the outcome.

Unwavering Faith:

Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego didn't let their circumstances shape their faith. They didn't say, "If God delivers us, then we'll believe He's real." No, they knew He was real before the furnace even heated up. Their faith wasn't dependent on what God could do for them; it was based on who God is. They knew that their God was sovereign and mighty, whether He chose to deliver them or not.

Brothers and sisters, sometimes life is gonna throw us into the fire. There will be moments when the heat is turned up so high, you feel like you can't stand it. But you've got to know who your God is! Whether God delivers you from the fire or takes you through it, He is still the same God who holds the whole world in His hands.

Courage to Stand Alone:

Imagine it: everyone is bowing. Every single person in the kingdom is down, except for these three young men standing tall, eyes locked on the heavens. It's easy to follow the crowd, but it takes courage to stand alone when you know what's right.

I want to ask you today: Will you stand alone when the crowd is going the wrong way? When everybody else is bending the knee to

the culture, the pressure, or the world's standards—will you stand firm in your faith? Picture a tree standing alone in the middle of a storm. The wind is howling, the rain is pouring, but that tree stands tall while all the other trees are bending. Why? Because it has deep roots. It's anchored. When your faith is rooted in God, you won't be shaken by the pressures around you.

God's Presence in Trials:

Now, watch this—when the king threw them into the furnace, he thought they'd burn up. But when he looked in, he saw something amazing. Not three men—four! And the fourth man looked like "a son of the gods." God showed up in the fire. The flame didn't burn them, the ropes didn't bind them, and the furnace couldn't consume them.

I'm telling you today—whatever fire you're walking through, God is with you. He might not always keep you from the fire, but He'll show up in the fire. You're not walking through that trial by yourself, and you're not walking in vain. God is right there with you—and if He's in the fire with you, you know the fire can't burn you!

Have you ever watched gold being refined? The gold goes into the fire to be purified, and the heat separates the impurities. But the fire doesn't destroy it; it purifies it. Sometimes, God will take you through the fire to purify you, to make you stronger, and to reveal His glory in your life.

Like Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, we need to trust that God is able to deliver us from any situation. But we also need to have the heart that says, "Even if He doesn't, I will still trust Him." God doesn't always work things

out the way we expect, but He's always working in our lives. Young people, I want to remind you that the world will try to pressure you. Your friends will ask you to compromise. But look at Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego. They didn't fold under pressure. They didn't bow to the music. You don't have to either. Stand firm in what you believe, no matter the cost.

Whatever you face, you're never alone. The same God who walked with Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego is walking with you. When the heat is on, don't be afraid. Stand strong, knowing that God is right there with you in the fire.

Conclusion:

I want to leave you with this—Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego's faith was tested in

the fire, but they stood tall and God showed up in their trial. What a testimony of trusting God no matter what!

When the world is playing its music and trying to get you to bow down to its idols, will you stand firm? When the fire's burning hot, will you trust that God is with you? You've got to have faith in the fire—faith that trusts God whether He delivers you or not, because He's always with you.

Closing Prayer:

"Lord, we thank You for the example of Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego. Give us the strength to stand firm when the world pressures us to compromise. Help us to trust You, even in the fire, knowing that You are always with us. We thank You for Your

presence, Your protection, and Your power. In Jesus' name, Amen."

Now go on, family, and don't bow to the music! Stand firm, because the God you serve is with you!

Meet the Author

Dr. Angulus Wilson: A Pillar of Spiritual Leadership, Preaching, and Missionary Service

Dr. Angulus Wilson has been a transformative figure in spiritual leadership for over 35 years, shaping the lives of many through his roles as Chaplain, preacher, professor, and author. His journey of ministry and service has not only been impactful in the lives of individuals but also in the broader Christian community, where his leadership has been marked by a deep commitment to training others for the work of the ministry. His multifaceted contributions to Wheaton College and beyond have left a lasting imprint on Christian leadership development, particularly in the African American church tradition.

A Man of God: Chaplaincy and Spiritual Leadership

As the Chaplain at Wheaton College, Dr. Wilson's leadership transcends the typical confines of academic settings. His work has been marked by an unwavering commitment to helping students grow spiritually, preparing them to lead with integrity, humility, and compassion. His ability to communicate the Gospel with clarity and power, often through the lens of African American preaching traditions, has deeply resonated with those he has mentored. Dr. Wilson's leadership in this capacity is not merely about providing spiritual guidance for college students; it's about cultivating a sense of calling, helping students recognize the significance of ministry in all aspects of life. His teaching encourages a

holistic approach to spiritual formation, one that integrates faith, intellect, and service.

Through his chaplaincy, Dr. Wilson has trained individuals to think critically about their faith and its application in both the church and the broader world. His leadership encourages Wheaton College students to pursue ministry with an understanding of its demands, challenges, and joys, equipping them to be faithful in their vocations whether they are in ministry full-time or engaging in secular spheres with a missional mindset.

A Preacher of Righteousness: The Art of Black Preaching

Dr. Wilson's approach to preaching is rooted in the African American tradition, marked by its emotive power, its ability to convey the profound truths of Scripture with passion, and

its invitation to deep personal transformation. His preaching has impacted countless congregants, both within the Wheaton College community and beyond. Known for his vivid imagery, rhythmic delivery, and heartfelt appeals, Dr. Wilson's sermons are a call to not only hear the word of God but to respond with conviction and action.

In his preaching, Dr. Wilson models the importance of expository preaching, where the message is drawn directly from Scripture and applied to the lives of the listeners in a way that is relevant to their experiences. His skill in connecting the timeless truths of the Bible with the contemporary struggles and hopes of his audience makes his preaching accessible and transformative. He teaches his students to approach Scripture with a sense of awe and responsibility, guiding them in learning how to

communicate God's message with clarity and relevance.

A Teacher of Ministers: Professor and Mentor

Dr. Wilson's impact as a professor has been profound. His role at Wheaton College has seen him shape the next generation of Christian leaders, particularly in the areas of homiletics, pastoral care, and ministry leadership. He possesses an incredible ability to impart knowledge while fostering a deep sense of personal responsibility for one's ministry calling. As a professor, he doesn't just teach theology and biblical studies; he models what it means to be a servant-leader in the truest sense.

His students are not merely recipients of academic knowledge; they are mentored into lives of ministry. Dr. Wilson's pedagogical

approach emphasizes the importance of character, compassion, and cultural competence—qualities that are essential for effective ministry. His legacy is seen in the numerous alumni who, having sat under his teaching, now serve in churches, nonprofits, and missions around the world.

His mentorship goes beyond the classroom, where many have benefitted from one-on-one guidance in navigating the challenges of ministry life. By instilling a deep sense of servant leadership, Dr. Wilson ensures that his students not only excel in their academic pursuits but also develop a heart for the people they will serve.

A Missionary at Heart: Spreading the Gospel Globally

Dr. Wilson's leadership extends beyond Wheaton College and the United States, as his work as a missionary has taken him to different parts of the world. His global ministry has allowed him to be a part of movements that seek to share the Gospel and equip the global church for its mission in the world. His passion for cross-cultural ministry reflects his broader commitment to God's work on earth, seeing the Great Commission as a call that transcends geographic and cultural boundaries.

As a missionary, Dr. Wilson has emphasized the need for the church to understand its role in global missions. He often speaks of the church's mission to engage with and serve communities across the world, not as a one-sided benefactor but as a partner in building God's kingdom. His teachings on mission

focus on the importance of cultural sensitivity, humility, and the centrality of the Gospel in all endeavors.

The Legacy of 35 Years of Leadership and Service

Dr. Angulus Wilson's 35 years of leadership and service in the church and academia have left an indelible mark on the ministry landscape. His unique ability to train others for the work of the ministry—whether through preaching, teaching, or direct mentorship—has equipped countless individuals to step into the world of ministry with both competence and compassion. His leadership is a model of servant-hearted care, an example of what it means to lead with humility and integrity, and a testament to the power of God's calling.

Through his years of service, Dr. Wilson has not only trained individuals for ministry but has also demonstrated what it looks like to live a life of faithful service to God's kingdom. His work continues to inspire future generations of leaders, preachers, and missionaries to carry forward the message of Christ with conviction, love, and humility.

In summary, Dr. Angulus Wilson is more than a chaplain, preacher, professor, and missionary. He is a servant leader whose legacy will endure for years to come, as those he has mentored continue to impact the world with the message of Christ. His leadership, driven by a deep faith and a commitment to the work of ministry, has shaped not only the lives of individuals but also the direction of the church and the future of Christian leadership.

