

Pastor Todd Mullins Reveals the Hidden Purpose Behind Your Struggles

When Pastor Todd Mullins first stepped into leadership at Christ Fellowship Church, he carried a heavy sense of inadequacy. Surrounded by spiritual giants like John Maxwell and Reinhard Bonnke in the congregation, he found himself battling fear and self-doubt.

“I was praying and bringing all my fears to God in that season, my insecurities like, I don’t think I can do this, God. I don’t have what it takes,” Mullins recalls on the Rich Wilkerson Jr. podcast.

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But instead of receiving a comforting affirmation from God, Mullins heard something unexpected. “What I got from the Lord was, yeah, you don’t have what it takes and you’re not enough.”

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Is Swearing a Sin? What Scripture Actually Reveals

Is it truly a sin to cuss?

During a livestream question-and-answer time, Isaiah Saldivar answered perhaps one of the most controversial questions that Christians ask: Is it a sin to use profanity?

“Yes, it’s a sin,” says Saldivar. “No matter what way you try to get around the cussing argument, cussing is a sin because the Bible says ‘Do not let any corrupt communication proceed out of your mouth.’”

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“The Bible says says you’ll be judged on every idle word. The Bible says ‘how can pure water and salt water come out of the same stream?’” he continues.

Rather than justifying coarse language, Saldivar challenges believers to pursue purity in speech as a sign of spiritual maturity and reverence for God.

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But that’s just the beginning. In the rest of the video, Saldivar tackles even more tough questions with boldness and biblical clarity. If you’ve ever wrestled with questions about language, lifestyle or what it really means to live set apart, you won’t want to miss what he says next. Watch the full video

to be challenged, encouraged and equipped to walk in holiness.

It's easy to lose sight of the one thing that truly matters most: seeking first the kingdom of God and His righteousness.

Jesus promised that "all these things will be added to you" (Matt. 6:33) if we simply prioritize Him. Yet, so often we strive to figure life out on our own—what degree to pursue, what job to take, what steps to follow—when God is calling us back to the simplicity of seeking Him.

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In a recent message to the Remnant Revival Outreach Center, Richard Lorenzo Jr. reminded listeners of the power and priority of truly seeking God.

Lorenzo passionately shares, "Through the process of seeking Him, the Holy Spirit will start showing you steps. Get this degree. Get this technical degree. Get this CDL. Get this barber license."

He also acknowledged that we won't always get it right. Sometimes we'll think we've heard from God and we haven't. In those moments, we return to the secret place and ask, "Lord, where did I miss it?" And He reveals our heart—showing us where our desires got in the way of hearing His voice.



To order Richard Lorenzo Jr.'s new book, What's the Purpose of Life? visit .

God isn't just trying to direct us—He's preparing us. He wants to purify our hearts so that nothing hinders our communication with Him. Sometimes we suffer because of our own rebellion and other times it's because God is trying to turn us into the person He wants us to become.

Lorenzo explained that when that refining is complete, there comes a moment where God says, "Now it's time," and He exalts you—just as He did with prophets and apostles throughout Scripture.

Importantly, Lorenzo called out the fear and obsession many Christians have with the demonic. "The devil's under our feet," he declares. "We beat him through Christ." Instead of fearing demons, he urged believers to keep their focus on Jesus and walk in the authority He's already given us. When the gospel is preached, demons tremble—not because of us, but because of Jesus.

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This brings us to what Lorenzo described as the most important message of all: the gospel of Jesus Christ. "There are many gospels," he said, "but there's only one gospel that brings salvation."

"It's the good news of what Jesus Christ did. Not our birthdays, not us, not the gospel of deliverance, not the gospel of healing, not the gospel of whatever. The gospel of Jesus Christ is the only gospel that brings salvation," says Lorenzo.

"The gospel should lead you to relationship," Lorenzo says. "That's what the good news is—you can be in relationship with your Creator." That's the purpose of life. That's the message the world needs to hear now more than ever.

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So ask yourself today: Am I seeking results, or am I seeking Jesus? Have I heard the gospel, or has the gospel changed me?

Seek Him—and everything else will follow.

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Newness, Favor and Fresh Anointing: John Eckhardt's Stunning Word for May

As we step into the month of May, there's a stirring in the Spirit—a call to awaken to the beauty and freshness of a new season.

Drawing from the rich imagery of Song of Solomon 2:12, Apostle John Eckhardt shares a prophetic word that speaks directly to the heart: “The flowers appear on the earth; the time of the singing of birds has come, and the voice of the turtle dove is heard in our land.”

Just because most of us do not dive into Torah law does not mean it isn't applicable to our lives today.

Rabbi Schneider, in his series Decoding the Torah, highlights the profound implications of understanding God's law for modern believers. While it's commonly taught that Christians are no longer bound by the Old Testament law, the speaker emphasizes that we can still find incredible value in studying it.

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The Torah, or the first five books of the Bible, contains 613

laws that many may see as irrelevant for New Testament believers. However, Schneider asserts that these laws offer us a unique window into God's nature and character. While Christians are not under the law in the sense that we are no longer bound by it for salvation, God's law still reveals His self-revelation, giving us guidance on how to walk in His ways.

Unfortunately, many Christians today are unaware of how the law and grace work together. The modern church often emphasizes "easy grace" and forgiveness, but this can lead to a shallow understanding of the Christian walk.

Schneider points out that without a proper reverence for God's law, we lose something essential—both the fear of God and the blessing that comes with understanding His principles.

Jesus Himself confirmed the law's ongoing relevance. In Matthew 5:17, He declared, "I did not come to abolish the law, but to fulfill it." His death on the cross fulfilled the law's demands, but He also affirmed that the law remains significant until heaven and earth pass away. Jesus also taught that those who "keep and teach" the commandments will be called great in the kingdom of heaven.

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The apostle Paul also affirmed the law's goodness, stating that it is holy, spiritual, righteous and good. The problem, however, lies not with the law itself but with humanity's inability to keep it. This is where Jesus comes in—He enables believers to walk in God's ways through the Holy Spirit. By

accepting Christ and being born again, we are empowered to live according to God's law in the Spirit.

Understanding the Torah, as Schneider puts it, is not about legalism but about receiving the spiritual insight that comes from knowing God's Word. The law, as the first grace, paved the way for the fullness of grace through Jesus Christ. Christians are called to study the Torah, not as a burden, but as a way to draw closer to God and live according to His will.

In rediscovering the wisdom of the Torah, we reconnect with the ancient foundations of our faith and experience deeper blessings in our walk with Christ.

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This Is Your Confirmation – Don't Quit, Keep Trusting God!

Spiritual warfare is real, and the Bible makes it clear that we are engaged in a battle not against flesh and blood, but against spiritual forces of evil (Eph. 6:10–18). God doesn't leave us defenseless—He has provided His full armor to equip us. But how do we know if we're truly wearing it?

In a new video, Vlad Savchuk provides a key outline so you can take inventory of your spiritual walk and see what parts of the full armor of God you may or may not be wearing properly.

First, standing in truth is essential. The belt of truth holds all the other pieces of armor together. Are you aligning your thoughts, words and actions with God's Word? Are you rejecting lies and living a life of integrity? Without a commitment to truth, your entire spiritual defense is compromised.



To order Vlad Savchuk's new book, *Make the Devil Homeless*, visit .

Second, check your heart. The breastplate of righteousness protects your inner life. This isn't just the righteousness Christ gives us at salvation—it's also about pursuing a lifestyle of obedience. Are you quick to repent when you stumble? Are you resisting compromise? If not, you leave your heart exposed to the enemy's attacks.

Third, examine your walk. The shoes of the gospel of peace help you move forward without stumbling. Are you at peace with God and others? Are you ready to share the gospel when opportunities arise? A lack of peace makes the Christian walk painful and ineffective, especially in seasons of trial.

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Next comes the shield of faith. Faith is what blocks the enemy's fiery darts—those thoughts of fear, doubt, and discouragement. Are you actively trusting God's promises even when circumstances seem bleak? Faith isn't denial of reality; it's standing on God's Word above what you see.

The helmet of salvation protects your mind. Are you renewing your thoughts with the truth of who you are in Christ? Or are you wearing a "hat" of shame and condemnation instead of a helmet of salvation? Your identity as a child of God must be firmly guarded.

Then there's the sword of the Spirit, the Word of God. It's

not enough to own a Bible—you must know it, speak it, and declare it over your life and battles. God's Word is your offensive weapon against the enemy's lies.

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Finally, Paul urges us to pray at all times in the Spirit. Prayer activates the armor. Prayer is where battles are won, strength is renewed and divine strategies are received.

Remember, the armor of God is not to help you win a victory—the victory is already won through Jesus. Your job is to stand firm in it. Ephesians 6 doesn't say to conquer, it says to stand. Even in the darkest "evil day," when spiritual attacks are intense, your armor will allow you to withstand and remain unshaken.

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Stay in God's Word, live a life of prayer, walk in peace, pursue righteousness and trust in the finished work of Christ. Jesus already declared that it is finished, and so we can rest assured knowing that the Lord has already paid for in full all the healing, hope and deliverance we will ever need.

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75 Years Later, He Finally

Receives the Unthinkable!

Could history hold the key to us receiving either a divine blessing or judgment?

Throughout history, nations have risen and fallen based on their treatment of Israel, a principle rooted in the Abrahamic Covenant. As Jonathan Cahn emphasizes, God's promise to Abraham, "I will bless those who bless you, and I will curse those who curse you" (Gen. 12:3), has determined the fate of empires from Egypt to America.

In his teachings, Cahn highlights how the destiny of nations is tied to their relationship with Israel. As we witness the changing tides in world politics, this timeless truth remains as relevant today as it ever has been.

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The Fate of Nations in History

Consider Egypt, once the most powerful empire in the world. At the time of the Exodus, Pharaoh enslaved and oppressed the Israelites, and in turn, Egypt's glory collapsed. By 1200 B.C., as Jonathan Cahn notes, the Egyptian Empire lost its foreign territories and would never regain its former power. The same pattern is seen with the mighty Assyrian Empire, which sought to destroy the northern kingdom of Israel. Cahn points out that, just as Assyria wiped out the northern kingdom, it was eventually destroyed by a coalition of nations in 612 B.C. This historical principle of divine judgment is repeated throughout time. Similarly, Nazi Germany, which orchestrated the Holocaust, met its demise after the war, with the country left in ruins.

The pattern is clear: nations that have sought to harm or oppress the Jewish people have faced severe consequences. Conversely, nations that have supported Israel have been blessed. Cahn points to America's long history of blessing Israel, especially during the late 19th and early 20th centuries, when Jewish refugees found refuge in the United States. In return, America became a world power—both economically and militarily.

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America's Turning Point

Cahn warns that America is facing a critical juncture. Recently, there has been a noticeable shift in America's stance toward Israel. The attempt to divide Jerusalem during the Clinton administration, followed by the 9/11 attacks, marked a turning point in America's relationship with Israel. Cahn emphasizes that as America moves away from its biblical foundations and its historic support for Israel, the potential for divine judgment is real. As America turns from God and from Israel, it risks the same fate as other empires that have faced divine judgment, a theme Cahn repeatedly explores in his writings and sermons.

A Call for Revival

The survival of Israel is a testimony to God's faithfulness. As Jonathan Cahn often reminds us, despite attempts by powerful empires to destroy the Jewish people, Israel remains. This is because the God of Israel lives, and His promises endure. As Christians, we must heed the lessons of history

that Cahn highlights, understanding that our nation's blessings are tied to how we honor Israel.

As we stand with Israel, we stand with God. May we not forget the words of the Abrahamic Covenant and the profound impact they have on the nations today. America's future depends on its relationship with Israel, and only by returning to God and supporting Israel can we hope to see God's blessings continue.

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