

How This Fierce Young Minister Went From ‘Pit of Religion’ to Passionate Preacher

Ruzanna Tovmasyan travels the country with a unique ministry: sharing the gospel through art, productions, dance and more.

Born as one of 10 children in an Armenian family, Tovmasyan says she was raised in an intense “cult-like” Pentecostal church.

“I had never actually understood the gospel growing up; I was baptized in the Holy Spirit when I was 2. So I spoke in tongues, I heard the voice of God, I saw miracles, all of that. But I didn’t actually understand the finished work of Jesus,” Tovmasyan shares in an episode of “C-Pop,” the Christian pop culture podcast.

Then as a teenager, Tovmasyan says she encountered the radical love of Christ.

“I remember the Lord speaking to me like, ‘You’ve been saved this whole time, you just didn’t know it.’ It was this thing of, ‘You mean, I didn’t have to worry about how, I’m filled with the Holy Spirit?’

“I accepted Jesus when I was a child, but it was in that moment, I was like, ‘God, once and for all, I don’t want to have a lukewarm life. I don’t want to chase after anything else. I want You fully because the world does not satisfy. Sin does not satisfy,” she says.

That’s when God really began to move in her life. Listen to the podcast to hear how.