

Why the Church Needs to Stand Up to Save Meriam Ibrahim

Christians have a responsibility to speak for those who can't speak for themselves. Proverbs 31 calls Christ-followers to defend the cause of the weak. All throughout, Scripture clearly instructs Christians to raise their voice for those who have no voice.

Today, you have the opportunity to help speak up for someone who is not able to speak for herself. She is a wife. She is a mother of two young children. She sits jailed in a Khartoum prison, a place she already knows far too well. Why is she there? Simply because she is a Christian.

Ladies and gentlemen, allow me to introduce you to Meriam Ibrahim. Ever since January of this year, this woman has been shackled in Sudan for her Christian faith. Even in the face of extreme persecution, this woman of God has stood strong in her faith. One of her children, a newborn, was born during her imprisonment. Currently, Meriam awaits a death sentence for refusing to renounce her faith in Christ. If not overturned, her sentence could include 100 lashes and execution.

The time to act is now. We can talk all we want about caring for the weak, but right now is a fitting time to practice what we know to be right. I invite you to raise your voice for one who cannot speak for herself. Please sign this petition calling for Meriam's release and requesting that President Obama grant her expedited safe haven in the United States. Together, let's raise our voice for one who is voiceless.