

Pastor Says His Favorite Curse Word is a 'Prayer'

Tullian Tchividjian, the pastor of The Sanctuary in Jupiter, Florida, and grandson of the late Billy Graham, told his congregation which cuss word is his favorite.

ChurchLeaders reported how Tchividjian told his congregation which cuss word is his favorite, which he says is a "prayer" to God.

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Speaking on Exodus 20:1-7, which is about the Ten Commandments, Tchividjian said that the command not to take God's name in vain is a difficult one to follow.

"Is keeping this commandment that simple?" he asked. "I wish it was, but it's not. Even this seemingly simple-to-keep command exposes us far deeper and demands from us far more than we think."

Tchividjian said that not taking God's name in vain is much more than abstaining from shouting curse words. He then said he could give an "apologetic" for using a phrase specific to God Himself.

"Let me give an apologetic," Tchividjian said. "[This] is my favorite cuss word, by the way, hands down my favorite cuss word."

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Tchividjian said this statement might be "alarming to your ears," but that he believes it "is the most theologically

accurate cuss word on planet earth.” He then likened the word to being a “prayer.”

“Something bad happens, something that you don’t like, something that needs to be you’re saying is, ‘God you are the only one that is capable of cleaning up this mess,’” he continued.

Tchividjian acknowledged that people have disagreed with him over the years, but he believes he sees this as a “theologically-driven prayer, if it’s used properly.”

This attempt at justifying something that Scripture is against is a reminder that we must use wisdom and discernment about everything at all times. The Word of God gives us life and life more abundantly. We find restoration and hope within it, and with that, we find the truth of how God wants us to live. It’s within this time of prayer and meditation on the active, living, breathing Word of God that we will find the path to life.

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