

## A WAKE-UP CALL

<sup>4</sup> Nevertheless I have this against you, that you have left your first love.

<sup>5</sup> Remember therefore from where you have fallen; repent and do the first works, or else I will come to you quickly and remove your lampstand from its place—unless you repent.

Revelation 2:4-5 (NKJV)



- 1. Strong and barely controllable emotion.
- 2. The suffering and death of Jesus.



<sup>16</sup> When He had been baptized, Jesus came up immediately from the water; and behold, the heavens were opened to Him, and He saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting upon Him.

Matthew 3:16 (NKJV)

## 2. PASSION MOVES YOU TO MISSION

<sup>36</sup> But when He saw the multitudes, He was moved with compassion for them, because they were weary and scattered, like sheep having no shepherd. <sup>37</sup> Then He said to His disciples, "The harvest truly is plentiful, but the laborers are few. <sup>38</sup> Therefore pray the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into His harvest."

Matthew 9:36 (NKJV)

## 3. PASSION BRINGS YOU TO YOUR KNEES

- <sup>38</sup> Then He said to them, "My soul is exceedingly sorrowful, even to death. Stay here and watch with Me."
- <sup>39</sup> He went a little farther and fell on His face, and prayed, saying, "O My Father, if it is possible, let this cup pass from Me; nevertheless, not as I will, but as You will."

Matthew 26:38-39 (NKJV)

## 4. PASSION ALLOWS YOU TO OVERCOME

<sup>50</sup> And Jesus cried out again with a loud voice, and yielded up His spirit.

<sup>54</sup> So when the centurion and those with him, who were guarding Jesus, saw the earthquake and the things that had happened, they feared greatly, saying, "Truly this was the Son of God!" Matthew 26:50,54 (NKJV)