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Living

# RE- FLECTING GOD

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Acts 13:32-43 RG AUDIO 090112

Conviction, awareness of my sinfulness and my need of God's forgiveness, weighed on my heart for some time. I thought of it as depression, a product of guilt and shame for the things I had done. Worst of all, I felt helpless to do anything about it. This led to despair, a long tunnel without any light.

A friend invited me to a revival service. It was in a large church I had attended only once before. I expected a "hell-fire and brimstone" sermon, but instead the evangelist spoke on the love of God. The unfamiliar church and the large crowd seemed to fade away. "Jesus wants to lift that load of guilt and sin you are carrying. He already knows what you have done and the kind of person you have been. Why not come to him?"

I don't remember making the decision or walking forward. I do clearly remember that Jesus met me there. His loving grace filled the void where once only my sin and shame had been.