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This is Just Common Sense. Embracing common sense conservative principles with Dr Johnny Hunter.

00:17 - Dr. Johnny Hunter (Host)

Greetings and salutations and welcome again to today's broadcast. As we prepare for the future, we always want to thank you for your prayers and thank you for all you're doing. Now, today, we got a wonderful guest on. There's no easy way for me to introduce him. Rather than introducing, let me go about this a whole other way.

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When I was a young minister, it was the late Ann Jimenez of Rock Church in Virginia Beach who I first heard tell a large gathering of pastors that there is a military demarcation line which cannot and must not be crossed, and for the church she said that line is abortion, and she challenged the pastors at that time to stand firm. To me, her sermon was a call to sacrifice worldly reputations and interpose to save the children. She really felt that we should be between them and the deaf camps and literally do our best to save her. Her call was I think I must have been the only one to hurt message like it was, because she was talking about saving children and especially the babies that were still in their mother's womb. However, all the pastors say they amen, but they just ate their banquet meals as if nothing, and I remember that day being so. Whoa, I said. Did they really hear what she said. When I became a minister, I actually had a privilege to meet her and I thanks her for planting that seed of truth in my heart, and later books by authors like Francis Schaefer, Jack Wilkie, had a profound influence on the way of my mindset of favoring not only just being a Christian but being a Christian activist. When one study, when one studies clergy who stood in key moments, such as Dietrich Bonhoeffer in those days of Hitler's reign and the Jewish Holocaust, when you're learning from Dr Martin Luther King and his brother A.D. King, known as A.D. King, during the civil rights struggle, you see clergy who remind you of the early apostles like Paul. In my lifetime there's been Dr Harron Crawford. There's been priests like Arthur Colbert, Paul Marks. I even got to meet Joe Scheitler. We had privileged to stand with him. People that I've had stand, privileged to stand on that demarcation line that Anne Jimenez was talking about. However, it was a rescuer who, mine and heart was so committed to Christ Jesus. They kept leadership focus in the midst of the national rescue movement. He was a mighty man of God, a very humble man of God. He was totally sold out to Christ and, as all the previous as every name you've heard me mention before. He was just as sold out as them.

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The Detroit Free Press reported on February 23rd this in 2023, this year, this last year, I got to remember we got a new year, now 2024. And, yeah, blessed new year to all of you who were listening, but it was just recently, in this last year. Then, there's more than two years after conversion, on what they dubbed a murder meal, eight people have been indicted on federal charge of allegedly blocking access to Sterling Heights abortion clinic and that came out of the Detroit Free Press and they they even listed the people who was there. And when you read the list, it's a powerful group of names. And the names they started to set charging in the indictment are Cal Zastrow, of Michigan, and we got Cal Zastrow. They had Cal



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Zastrow, Chester Gallagher, I don't know. Caroline Davis I don't. I don't know. I didn't say I don't name her, he was telling me I'd say it right. Joel, Joel Corey, justice Phillips and Adel, her name, in that we call it Eva Adel, South Carolina, and Eva Castro, of Michigan. And today we have Cal Zastrow on the line with us.

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He has wonderful quotes when you really get to know him. Every sin has in it a hatred of God. From Matthew Hendry Look only on Jesus that he got that from Eva Adel, fellow rescuer, who's been to jail with us many times, and he says some wish to live within the sound of a church, of a chapel bell. I want to run a rescue shop within a yard of hell. That was CD Stubbs, a missionary to China, in there and there's a number of mothers. You can get to hear his voice itself.

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But a quote directly from Cal said rescue the preborn babies. I'm overwhelmed with gratitude that Jesus rescued me. It's all about Jesus, not me. And we're looking at this person who was a student at North Central Bible College and one that, when I woke up in jail with him, buffalo, new York, had revival going on with those mighty men of God. We have with you someone who's now been indicted by our federal prosecutors for interposing. When I say interposing, I mean that's actually bringing his life between those and others. But wait a minute. Pat's stopping me because she wants to read a scripture just before he comes and says his word. Yes, okay, pat, he grants a treasure of common sense to the honest.

05:38 - Pat Hunter (Co-host)

He is a shield to those who walk with integrity.

05:42 - Dr. Johnny Hunter (Host)

Oh, thank you, sweetheart. That's from Proverbs 2.7. Proverbs 2.7. Yes, and with this one. So we say JCS stands for just common sense.

05:52 - Pat Hunter (Co-host)

Just common sense, and it also stands for Jesus Christ.

05:55 - Dr. Johnny Hunter (Host)

Saves Cal. You have the floor.

06:01 - Calvin Zastrow (Guest)

Well, what a joy to speak with you, brother Johnny and Sister Pat, again.

06:07 - Pat Hunter (Co-host)

I miss you all.



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06:08 - Calvin Zastrow (Guest)

Yes and just trust God to bless you and do great things. Amen. Yeah, hallelujah, johnny. We met in jail in Buffalo during the spring of life over 30 years ago. Amen, we actually believed and acted like children were being murdered. We show up at the place of chaos and violence and we went and preached the gospel and witnessed and interposed ourselves peacefully. We were where there was sin and violence. We were peacemakers where there was lies. We were peaceful truth tellers. Yes, and so we did 24 days in jail together and I would say, and every other man who was there 193 or four of us would say, that was the most powerful, the best Christian men's retreat we ever had. Amen.

07:06 - Dr. Johnny Hunter (Host)

Amen. You know, and the most beautiful part of it is I don't know if you know it you know, we at the time. I try to remind people at the time of the rescue. You don't know how many children you saved and we found it from Christ's great son that there was 312 ladies who kept their children. We found out years later it was over 700 babies that were saved during that two week period.

07:29 - Calvin Zastrow (Guest)

Praise the Lord.

07:30 - Dr. Johnny Hunter (Host)

Praise the Lord.

07:31 - Calvin Zastrow (Guest)

And plus most of the death camps in Buffalo and the area closed down after the rescues, so we thank you for that.

07:39 - Dr. Johnny Hunter (Host)

They never recuperated from that blood money that they weren't getting. They never recuperated. Hallelujah. You know and there's been some wonderful things going on Of all the people you've always seen to have an insight of where God really wants His church and His people to be. And in the midst of all of this, my heart broke when I saw that you had been indicted. Tell us what you are facing and tell us what you would like the church to know. You know, just speak from your heart.

08:09 - Calvin Zastrow (Guest)

Amen, thanks.

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Well, there was a rescue at Sterling Heights, a mortuary, a few years ago now, and the large numbers of people that used to do rescues a peaceful interposition of going and risking violence upon themselves, to peacefully stand in the gaps so that innocent people, innocent children especially, wouldn't be murdered.



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We thank the Lord for that, the large numbers, and we thank the large or small numbers. So some of us have still kept participating in that direct ministry and the price has gone up. And so when we did it at the time we were charged with trespassing the local city charge. And then the federal government came up with some other charges against us. They charged us for violating their freedom of clinical entrances act or the face act that was passed by the Senate and the House and signed by then President Clinton in 94. And so we're charged with that. And they also came up with a new thing from the civil rights legislation from the 1960s. They say that abortion is a civil right, the right to murder your baby is a civil right, and so we're also charged with conspiracy to violate civil rights.

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So that's the charge. Now the face charge, according to the law says maximum penalty for the first offense is six months and they say they're going to our maximum penalty, for that is a year, and then the maximum penalty for conspiracy to violate civil rights is a 10-year felony in federal prison and a \$350,000 fine. So that's what I and the others are charged with, including my daughter, eva. She's also charged with that same crime, and along with Eva Adel, the communist concentration camp survivor, who's also a rescuer. So there's those of us that are charged with that. That's what we're facing and that trial is. We've had pre-trial hearings and motions already and the trial is set to start in federal court in Detroit on April 11th of this year, April 11th, April 11th. But there's been also a similar charge. There's a bunch of these going on around the country that the current president Biden administration and the Department of Justice is going after. So myself and my son, jim, and my daughter.

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Eva they are. We are all facing criminal charges from what they say, when there was a rescue a few three years ago or almost three years ago in Mount Julia, Tennessee, and so that one is in federal court in Nashville, Tennessee and that jury trial starts for the charged, the people charged with felonies, the same thing. There are six of us looking at 11 years in federal prison with the civil rights felony in face, and then there's four defendants in the Nashville case that are just charged, with one year in federal prison for violating face. And so the ones charged with felonies. We start on January 16th, the jury trial starts in Nashville Tennessee.

12:00 - Dr. Johnny Hunter (Host)

So that's coming up this month.

12:02 - Calvin Zastrow (Guest)

That's coming up in two weeks here, hallelujah.

12:05 - Dr. Johnny Hunter (Host)

Oh, wow, you know, and I wanna tell you, you know, even, even you know we run a paradox here and a lot of people know I like people, I love people who are colorblind, and also like people to not be colorblind. You know it's like a paradox, yeah, you know. In other words, don't judge a person by based



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on his skin color, but at the same time, you need to be aware of everybody's culture and their differences so you can see more and appreciate more. And I can't tell you, coming from the black community, how offended I am that they will call abortion a civil right. Abortion is the thing that takes away our civil rights. You know, I'll tell people in a moment. Now you wanna start talking black? Only here we can do that, you know I mean it's worse than that.

12:50 - Calvin Zastrow (Guest)

How can a person vote In Nashville? In order to get to the federal courthouse, you have to drive on two different highways, probably. One is Dr Martin Luther King Jr Highway and the other one is Rosa Parks Boulevard. Whoa.

13:11 - Dr. Johnny Hunter (Host)

See, and this should tell people something Know, if you are killed, if they womb lynched you that's what I call a womb lynching. That's what abortion is. Yep, then say playgrounds mean nothing to a dead child. Good education means nothing to a dead child. Voting rights mean nothing to a dead child. If you kill that child, you haven't helped that child. Civil rights, you have literally just stripped that child of every civil rights they would have had if they had lived. I tell you, I can't tell you how offended I am that you're even being charged with such a travesty. This is. This is. I hate it that the Biden administration appears to be using blacks to accomplish certain things that are not biblical at all. Period Right and Cal, you're saying they're going back like two to three years to bring these charges up.

14:07 - Calvin Zastrow (Guest)

Yes.

14:08 - Dr. Johnny Hunter (Host)

And this happened like in August of 2020. Yeah, yeah. See what? And what gets me is that you tell me a charge doesn't happen years ago, and even they didn't start charging people to eight, eight months, even after Roe v Wade goes. It's almost like the enemy just went crazy you know.

14:27 - Calvin Zastrow (Guest)

well they, you know they can't rely on the court anymore, so they're just making stuff up and seeing if it sticks. You know, of course there's no law that grant federal law that grants a civil right to murder your baby. It ain't there. So it appears they're just making it up and trying to bully folks and see if we put up with that. Wow.

14:47 - Pat Hunter (Co-host)

Wow.

14:49 - Dr. Johnny Hunter (Host)

You know, but you know this is. This reminds you so much of what the apostles and everyone went through. You know, here are these people that simply stood up for Jesus and you know to think that for



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all the apostles did they end up in jail? But we got to remember who we followed in Jesus Christ. Yeah, in Jesus Christ end up on the cross and shared his blood for our sins. Hallelujah, I mean, oh and. And he did nothing wrong, and yet they persecuted him.

15:19 - Calvin Zastrow (Guest)

Yeah.

15:20 - Dr. Johnny Hunter (Host)

Oh, but I'm, I'm, I'm. Let me be a good host. Now Go ahead.

15:25 - Calvin Zastrow (Guest)

You're doing great for each brother.

15:28 - Dr. Johnny Hunter (Host)

Yeah, but go ahead, brother Cal, share, share with us more. What do you think church? One thing I'll only put on our thing we know we need to be praying when April comes around, but now we need to be in prayer even for January.

15:40 - Calvin Zastrow (Guest)

Yeah, yeah, you mentioned earlier some you know, dr King and Dietrich Bonhoeffer and some of these other people. Well, I have the question is what did faithful, normal Christianity look like for the early nearly church? It looked like people getting arrested and beat up and then they would. They would count it all joy, they would rejoice that they were counted worthy to suffer for the name of Christ. Yes, yes.

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That's what it looked like. It looked like the Philippian jail for preaching and evangelizing and declaring the glories of Christ. That that's what normal Christianity looked like then. And in Nazi Germany the normal Christianity looked like Dietrich Bonhoeffer and others joining the confessing church and being faithful and rescuing their neighbors from violence and harm. That's that's what normal Christianity looked like. So now it's our turn to just be normal. We're not exceptional, we're not heroic. We're just trying to follow Jesus. And he says anyone would come after me must deny himself and pick up his cross daily and follow me. Well, the cross is not an item of jewelry. It sure wasn't in the Roman Empire. It was a one way ticket to a torturous death.

17:04 - Pat Hunter (Co-host)

Yeah.

17:05 - Calvin Zastrow (Guest)

And Jesus is saying if you want to follow me, you walk this path daily. And so we're just trying to serve and follow the Lord and love our pre-born neighbors and be peacemakers when there's violence. And then last year, my family and I, besides doing street ministry in front of abortuaries and evangelizing, we



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also we went to Ukraine. I was in Ukraine seven times a lot last year. Wow, before Actually, not last year, but in 2022 I went there seven times before my federal indictment came down in October. And so Our thinking, our one of our family motto is, is where are the greatest needs and where's the least amount of help? That's where the Zastros want to show up and help.

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Wow and and the greatest need is for everybody to hear the gospel once.

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Yes, yes, yes and and if people are about to be killed, they and their parents need to hear the gospel. And Because they're not following the gospel when they do such violence and wickedness. And so I went over there and they had me speak at a pastor's conference in Moldova, next to Ukraine, and there was one elderly pastor there who was in his 70s and I said, brother, were you serving the Lord? Were you pastoring during the Soviet communist era, when they controlled all the Republics around there, including Moldova? And he said yes. I said tell me what faithful Christianity looked like under the KGB and the Soviet communists. And he said a three-word Statement in Russian. That was their church motto and it was faithfulness brings handcuffs.

18:55 - Pat Hunter (Co-host)

Oh, wow.

18:56 - Calvin Zastrow (Guest)

Well, here we are.

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Yes here we are. It's easy to say we love Jesus and it's easy to have a pro-life opinion and it's easy to talk. But what if we really acted like our neighbors were being murdered and we were supposed to be peacemakers? What if we actually went and saved their lives? What if we actually risked violence upon ourselves and and loved them and laid our lives down to pick up the cross and follow Jesus? So nothing's changed Now. Nothing's changed in 2000 years of church history.

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If you want to be faithful to Jesus, you'll be persecuted for it, but sometimes you also have revival. Sometimes God saves people and he stops the mouths of lions and he closes abortion mills and he does great works and shows himself mighty on on his behalf and on his children's behalf. So we're gonna keep trusting and following Jesus and Judges are gonna do what they're gonna do, attorneys are gonna do what they're gonna do, police and US marshals and jailers they're gonna do whatever they're gonna do. And we're gonna just keep following Jesus and serving him. Because if we believe right and Then we are become right, if we allow Jesus to change us and make us right, well, then we'll do right, then we'll behave right and that behavior looks like obedience and love and being peacemakers and live in holy and we're trusting God to bless that and I'm just excited for what God's gonna do and I'm praying for grace



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because no problem or trial or jail or imprisonment or torture, nothing can happen to me that God will not provide grace for me to be a rejoicer, for me to be an overcomer if I keep my mind stayed on Jesus.

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I'm promised to not just have good feelings. I'm promised to have my mind in perfect peace as I stayed on Christ. I'm promised that I will have joy, unspeakable and full of glory. I'm promised to be an overcomer. The blood of the Lamb still has its power and I'm gonna be faithful, lord willing, with grace. I'm gonna be faithful to keep my testimony of righteous and Loving my life not under death, and then I'll promise to be overcome him Hallelujah.

21:33 - Dr. Johnny Hunter (Host)

Hallelujah to our audience that are listening, those of you listen to the program live when it comes out on this on this day, as you're listening right now, and those who will turn on your podcast and you're listening podcast at a later time. You're listening to Cal Zastrow. His real name is Calvin Zastrow, what we always call him Cal Zastrow. He's from Michigan and I tell you I've had the privilege of waking up in jail with this fellow and him and other mighty men of God and the thing about waking up when you see Cal, when you wake up, he's in that jail, in that prison, with a smile on his face, still worshiping, serving God, and he comes out with a smile on his face and he goes into other countries and you heard what he just said about Ukraine and Did Cal I can't tell you learned it.

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I just want to say to those of you who are listening Real, pay very close attention to what he's saying, because we want to be praying for him and those of you who, in Nashville that are listening to this when it comes around your time, if you can either not only pray, but if your church could make a Effort even just to be at the courthouse and be there, because your prayers mean something when it's right there at the place as much as I mean when you're at the distance. And Also for April the 11th coming up, we're gonna be praying, praying, praying, but as many of us as possible and you are a Christian in the church let's put some feet with those prayers. Keep on going.

23:04 - Calvin Zastrow (Guest)

Amen, amen. You know it's easy, you know scripture gives us some of the things that are happening in heaven, just part of it, and its beauty and its glory Beyond understanding on earth. But part of what's revealed to us is that there's these four winged creatures that fly around the throne of God telling him holy, holy, holy and. And. To Jesus, you know, they say worthy is the lamb that was slain and is risen again and and that's beautiful. And God receives great glory from those winged creatures and God receives great glory from all the angels in heaven looking at him and shouting and saying and singing worthy is the lamb, holy, holy, holy is the Lord, our God. And then we have Jim Pollyon and all the other faithful Christian martyrs in heaven, and saints and all the other Christians who've been faithful to Christ and gone before us, and the patriarchs, Abraham and all them they are. They get to see God's face right now and tell him how beautiful and holy he is. And they get to look at Jesus himself and say worthy is the lamb, and that bring God. That brings God great glory.





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But I wonder, brother Johnny, I wonder, sister Pat, I wonder if it does not bring God even greater glory if those who have not seen God yet, who've never seen the throne, who've never been to heaven, yet never had a vision of an angel, I wonder if, from their cancer bed or from their jail cell, if they look up and, in chains and shackles, and they look up by faith, into heaven and shout holy, holy, holy is the Lord, our God, worthy is the lamb that was slain.

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Well, I want to be a part of that. I want to be found faithful, to rejoice by faith, not just by sight. I want to be found faithful to Christ. I believe that when a nation gets to the point where it celebrates perversion and child sacrifice and violence, I believe that nation is going to be greatly judged, if not completely destroyed by God. And I don't want my grandchildren, I don't want my children sitting on my grave complaining about the tyranny and the violence and the wickedness and saying grandpa, why didn't you stand against evil when you could, grandpa, why didn't you come and resist that wickedness and that tyranny? I want them to bless me.

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I want them to bless my memory yes even if I have to suffer for that, because I stood for the Lord, I stood for righteousness, I stood for the lives of liberty and the lives of pre-born babies so that they wouldn't be killed. I want to be blessed by them, I want to be, I want to be found faithful. I want Jesus to say well done though, good and faithful servant. He's not going to say well said. He's not going to say good position papers, you wrote good voting. No, it's. It's going to be well done. So I want to do well, but first of all, I want to have a pure heart, to love and worship Jesus through every trial and tribulation and to find people that have great needs and go in there and be a need beater. I can figure this out.

26:38 - Dr. Johnny Hunter (Host)

Jesus will help me to go find needy people, especially children about to be murdered, and go and meet their needs and try and save their lives, and I look forward to trust in the Lord and see in what comes of this hey, man, I always tell people, you know, if I was born in the time that we would, that the slaves was on the plantations, I would hope that I would been with Harriet Tubman and help her get a million people off as possible. You know, if I had been in Germany during the time of Dietrich Bonn, I hope I would have worked, especially for people that even Cory Ten Boom and others who did their best to save as many people as they could from, even from Schenle, the whole shebang. But I wasn't.

27:20 - Calvin Zastrow (Guest)

I'm born in this season, in this time, and I want I want to be able to say I saved, did my best to save as many children as possible could you know, but you mentioned a name you said Jim and a lot of people when you call them a martyr, a lot of people don't not know who Jim was and what happened well, 13 years ago in the town of Owasso, Michigan, there was an elderly gentleman who was sitting on across from the local high school with a big sign, the picture of a born baby. Uh said pro-life. And it was one of



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my rescue brothers, one of my jail brothers named Jim Puyen, and a man pulled up to him and shot, shot him. Four bullets entered his Jim's chest and he got a martyr's crown for standing for Jesus right there yep.

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And so whenever people come through in Michigan and around, and my kids and other people I take him to the spot where Jim's blood is in the ground and I say this is what normal Christianity is. This is normal, this is average, this is expected. So if you're not ready to lay everything down for Jesus, don't play, don't play, don't. Don't go to the church and sing and pretend. No, this is, this is what you got to be ready for, to stand for Jesus. So so, two days after Jim was shot, we me and all my little kids and my wife we were standing on the spot singing praises to Jesus and, fresh anew, volunteering to love Jesus and serve Jesus, and counting the cost and being ready to pray, pay it. So yeah, that's Jim. Jim poyan, he was one of my best friends and and he got to see Jesus real quick.

29:21 - Dr. Johnny Hunter (Host)

Now, folks, you heard this, now notice this was not broadcast across. No big national news. They didn't played us on CNN ABC every night for a week. You know, we're just kind of quietly mentioning Local papers, local place and among the rescues, and they knew what happened, but it was not broadcast out. So sometimes media is gonna ignore things. But I tell you who doesn't ignore things? God.

29:46 - Pat Hunter (Co-host)

That's right.

29:47 - Dr. Johnny Hunter (Host)

That brother Jim. His name is written in the Lamb's Book of Life. That name is not ignored at all. Well, the bumper music gonna be kicking in here on minute here. So, cal, go ahead and take us out for whatever's on your heart, and I can't tell you how much I appreciate you today. And we're gonna be standing touching Yep, no sitting here, looking at Pat and Pat says we need to have some other people. That's been indicted on the program too.

30:12 - Calvin Zastrow (Guest)

You know I'll put you in touch with them. I'll, I'll get, I'll introduce you to the other people that are indicted. And I just invite people to love Jesus, to trust Jesus, to yield to Jesus. Don't be afraid of what man can do to you, don't be afraid of failing. Just keep your eyes on Jesus and surrender everything to him. Yeah, and go where he follows you. He leads you and and do what he says and just be a child on his lap and adoring him All day long, every day, all year, all your whole life, and then someday you'll get to see his face, hallelujah where he is, the lamb yes.



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30:50 - Dr. Johnny Hunter (Host)

Glory to God. Everybody remember JCS. Jesus Christ saves. Thank you for being on this program with us today and thank you for the sacrifice you've made and we thank you for stepping into the fire. I'll all you and amen, brother, we're gonna be with you there in prayer and if there's a way we can actually be there with you there in person, we're gonna try to work towards that too.

31:15 - Calvin Zastrow (Guest)

I'll put you in my jail. Visitation lists, brother and sister. Thank you Amen.

31:22 - Dr. Johnny Hunter (Host)

One way or the other, we definitely gonna have victory. Amen, we're gonna know it, and now, and I should tell you once again Thank you so much for being and thank you for being real. Thank you so much, cal.

31:34 - Calvin Zastrow (Guest)

God bless you, dear friends. Oh, God bless us.

31:37 - Announcer (Outro)

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