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THE GOSPEL OF

# MARK

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SUFFERING SERVANT & SON OF GOD

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## MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Thursdays, Jan 9 - May 1 @ 6:30-7:30a



**WARRIOR'S HEART**  
BUILDING GOD'S KINGDOM ONE MAN AT A TIME

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# ***4 Snapshots of the Savior***

**Mark 6:30-56 (Part 2)**

**Snapshot 1**  
***“Coach & Care Giver”***  
***Mark 6:30-33***

# Snapshot 2

*“Compassionate Teacher & Bread of Life”*

*Mark 6:33-44*

# Two Foci



- 1. Christ is like no one else...the Son of God!**
- 2. Christ is radically committed to His disciples' transformation!**

# Mark 6:45-52



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# Snapshot 3

*“Prayerful Refiner of Faith”*

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***Why did Christ not go with  
the disciples?***

“We tend to use prayer as a last resort, but God wants it to be our first line of defense. We pray when there’s nothing else we can do, but God wants us to pray before we do anything at all.”

**E.M. Bounds**

# “Overwork” vs. “Overflow”



***The Savior is the source...***

# “The Overflow Way”



## HEBREWS 4:14-16

**Therefore, since we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens—Jesus the Son of God—let us hold fast to the confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but One who has been tested in every way as we are, yet without sin. Therefore let us approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us at the proper time.**

# Prayer



***A disciple ministers from an overflow of his time with the LORD.***

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***Hardships and Challenges aren't  
always a sign of disobedience!***



**So why do we face  
struggles and suffering?**

# Struggles Segue



***Struggles may be a rebuke from the LORD,  
but they likely are a time of revelation or  
refining of our faith.***

# Suffering Segue



***A disciple shouldn't be surprised at  
opposition or suffering.***

# [PROSPERITY GOSPEL]



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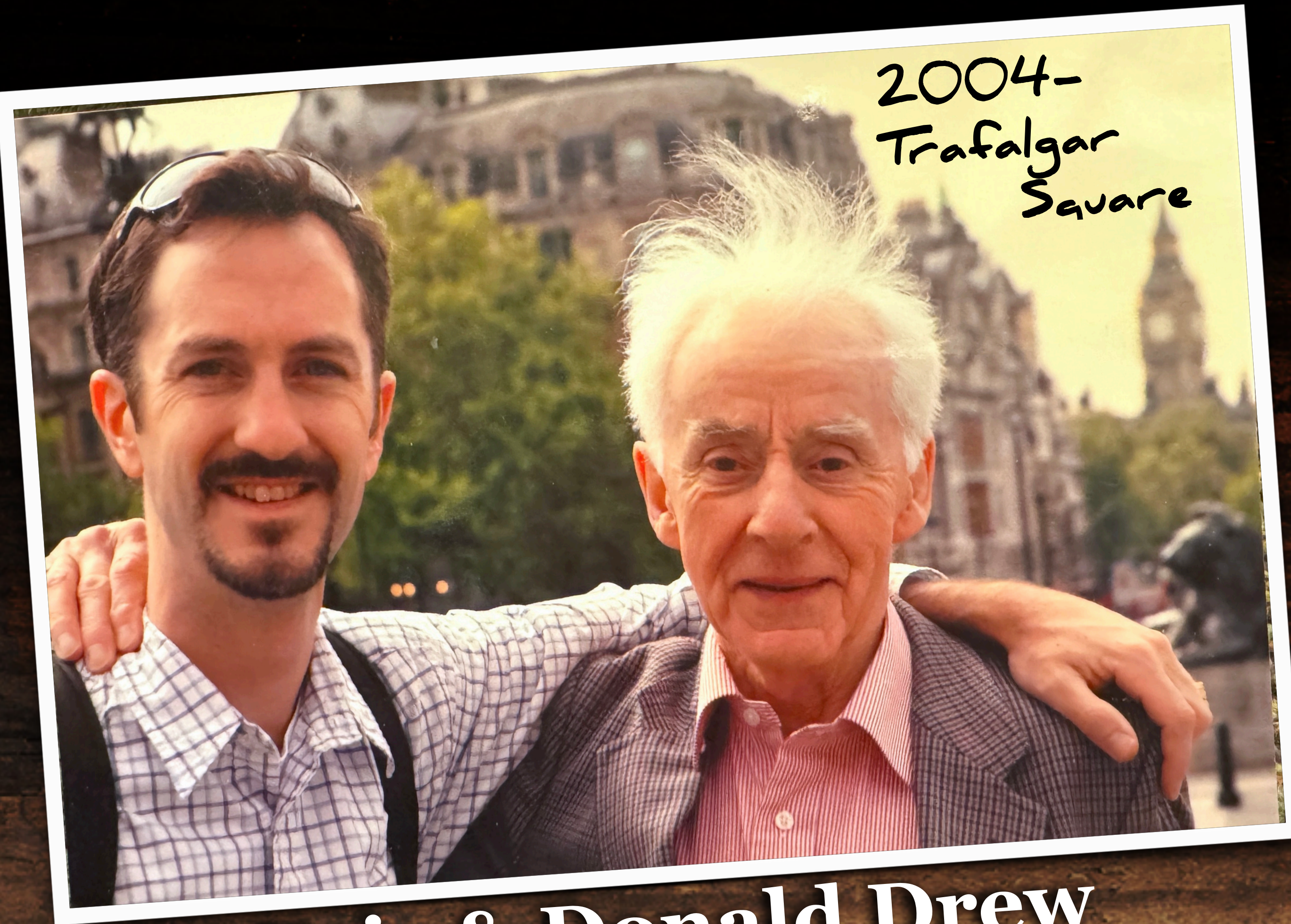


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## **JOHN 16:33**


I have told you these things so that in Me you may have peace. You will have suffering in this world. Be courageous! I have conquered the world.”



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Trafalgar  
Square

**Eric & Donald Drew**

"Never doubt in the dark what God has revealed in the light."



Let the *faith* to **BEGIN**  
be the *faith* to **FINISH!**

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# Christ the Source



*Peace isn't found in the absence of storms,  
but in the presence of Christ!*

***ABIDE DAILY!!!!***

***Why did Christ not rebuke the  
disciples this time? (Mk. 6:51)***

# Perseverance



***A disciple continues to minister  
and obey in the midst of the  
storms of life.***

# Snapshot 4

*“The Healer & Messiah”*

*Mark 6:53-56*

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**MALACHI 4:2**

**Make tassels on the four  
corners of the outer  
garment you wear.**



**Deuteronomy 22:12**

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# Discussion



1. Do you have consistent times of resting and prayer? What tends to get in the way? What tends to help?
2. Do you respond to interruptions in faith or in the flesh? When have you been interrupted by someone and it turned into a blessing or ministry opportunity?
3. Do you tend to evaluate life circumstances with a scarcity mindset or an abundance mindset?
4. What do you have that could be a bigger blessing in the hands of the Savior than in your hands?
5. When facing struggles do you tend to give up, complain, or continue? How can you grow in resilience?
6. Have you made a priority of abiding in Christ daily through prayer, scripture reading, worship? What tends to get in the way? What tends to help?