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The Passion of Jesus Christ...

Recently, I felt as if I were standing at the foot of the cross. When I saw *The Passion of the Christ*, I experienced the most realistic portrayal of Jesus' final hours that I have ever witnessed. The movie is biblical, powerful, and life-changing. There is no question that it is the most hard-hitting display and demonstration of the crucifixion.

To read more about the movie and how Prestonwood is embracing it, visit www.prestonwood.org/passionmovie.

When the movie was shown during the Elevate Conference at Prestonwood in January, the response mirrored the reactions at other previews of this film. When the movie ended, the audience was

silent. No one moved. Nothing was heard except the sounds of muffled crying. Slowly, people began to realize what they had witnessed. And they began to remember the awesome responsibility that each of us bear.

This film, combined with my current message series, *The Passion of Jesus Christ*, and our Easter services in April, represents a huge opportunity to communicate the message of Jesus Christ this spring. People will be talking about this movie. Thousands are going to know what He did, but they won't know why He did it. We must share with them. We must invite them to our weekend services. We must invite them to our Easter services. We must be ready.

I am most excited about the opportunity we have to explain the meaning of the cross to millions of people who will be asking tough questions. I am excited that we can share the hope that comes after the cross—the life found in Christ's resurrection. Let us all be praying for those in our lives who do not know Jesus Christ. This season, let us make sure that we don't take His amazing sacrifice for granted. Go see the movie — and bring a friend with you.



This year we are focusing on the theme of Kingdom Forever. Pray about whom you might invite to this movie as, together, we step forward into this incredible opportunity to impact the Kingdom forever.