Dr. Rick Rigsby on making Jesus Savior and Lord

TBN’s Al Horreya TV: A voice of hope to the Arabic world

Here’s a perfect way you can share God’s love through TBN!
It's February and what better time to discuss a subject that is dear to the hearts of nearly everyone. Love is so important in our lives that we devote a special day so that we can demonstrate our love to those who are closest to us. But while Valentine's Day is certainly a special holiday for many of us, we should not forget that across the earth — and in our own neighborhoods — are untold billions of individuals who live out their days with the cold reality that there are few if any who truly love and care about them.

Friend, that is why Jesus came to earth: to bring the love of the heavenly Father to everyone. Through the salvation Jesus freely gives to each of us, one of the greatest rewards we have is to serve as a conduit of His love, to our family and friends, of course, but also to those we find difficult to love. His love for us makes it possible for us to love others.

It all begins with fixing our gaze upon Him, and, through the power of His Holy Spirit, committing to loving God with all of our heart, soul, and mind. Jesus calls that "the first and great commandment," and then He tells us that there is a second commandment that is like the first: "You shall love your neighbor as yourself" (Matthew 22:37-39).

And who, exactly, is that neighbor God commands us to love? Scripture makes clear that it’s more than just those who live next door to us, those we work with each day, or others around us. Jesus answers that question with the well-known parable of the Good Samaritan (Luke 10:29-37). Most of us know the story by heart: A man going about his own business is robbed, beaten, and left half-dead on the road outside Jerusalem. A priest and a Levite pass by, respectable folk outside Jerusalem. A priest and a Levite pass by, respectable folk fully capable of rendering aid and compassion, but who ignore the need. In the end it is left to a passing Samaritan, despised by the world, to rescue the wounded and dying man.

The point of this unforgettable story is that just how the Samaritan responded to the need, how he loved his neighbor, is how Jesus loves us. And it is how He calls us to love others — both when it is convenient and when it isn’t.

Not long ago Laurie and I sat down with our friends, psychologists and relationship experts Les and Leslie Parrott, to talk about what it looks like to love the way Jesus loves. In fact, Dr. Les Parrott has written a New York Times bestselling book entitled Loving Like That (see page 8), which breaks down the process into five simple but powerful, principles.

To love others like Jesus loves us means that we seek to be:

- **Mindful**, intentionally connecting with other people, rather than living emotionally detached and disconnected.
- **Approachable**, so that others feel safe and welcome in relationship with us.
- **Grace-filled**, seeking to be kind and tolerant in how we relate to others.
- **Bold**, standing against the fear and intimidation that would isolate us from others.
- **Self-giving**, jettisoning a self-absorbed attitude and investing ourselves in the lives of those around us.

Les puts it this way: "Through His example and teaching, Jesus was, in effect, saying to us: 'If you want to love at the highest level — like I love — you have to pay attention to more than just your agenda.' That means recognizing and meeting someone else's need." He adds that "when you decide to love like Jesus, it's inconvenient and it will slow down your life. Things that are urgent and immediate for you will take a back seat to the needs of others."

Of course, as Les himself admits, loving like Jesus is impossible unless we’re plugged into Him, the source of all love. Jesus says: "I am the vine; you are the branches. If you remain in me and in me, you will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing" (John 15:5, NIV). The fruit of His love in our lives increases as we connect more and more to Him, through the Holy Spirit He sent us for that very purpose.

Friend, here at TBN our mission is all about helping you and viewers all over the world connect to Jesus, to know and love Him more every day and, in turn, to be a vessel of His love to all the people He has placed in your realm of influence. Every program we produce and broadcast, and every moment we are on the air, we consider God-given opportunities for us to impact the world — including your community, your home, and your loved ones — with the love of Jesus.

What’s more, we consider it an honor and privilege to partner with people just like you, who stand with us in prayer and financial stewardship as we broadcast God’s love 24 hours a day to homes and hearts across the earth. You are an integral part of how God is using TBN to reach untold millions of individuals and families with His hope, healing, and love.

Thank you for your commitment to this epic global outreach. And may God continue to bless us for that very purpose.
THE CHOSEN: Premieres Feb. 8th on TBN
Go behind the scenes of this Christian television masterpiece!

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BN welcomes Pastor Rick Warren of Saddleback Church for a new Bible teaching program on the book of James. In the midst of all the uncertainty so many have faced over the past year, the book of James is ideal for us to study, because it shows us how to face the future with confident faith. Don’t miss this important ten-week series, beginning with episode one right here!

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It began more than fifteen years ago as a dream in the heart of TBN founder Paul Crouch to reach Arabic-speaking Muslims in the Middle East with the message of salvation through Jesus Christ. Since its launch in 2005, the Al Horreya TV network has grown into a clarion voice for the gospel in the Arabic language, reaching out to the nearly 500 million Muslims and Arabic-speaking peoples in the Middle East, Africa, Europe, and throughout the world.

“My dad had a real burden for sharing the love of Jesus with Muslims,” said Matt Crouch. “And to him Al Horreya TV represented a major vehicle for getting life-changing Christian programming to the huge Arabic population throughout Egypt, Syria, Jordan, and the rest of the Middle East.”

Today via satellite and Internet broadcast, Al Horreya TV is reaching untold millions of Arabic-speaking individuals and families with culturally relevant content designed to introduce them to the truth of who Jesus is and how He can transform their lives. Dr. Raafat Girgis, founder of Al Horreya TV, said that the Arabic community across the Middle East is the true “heart and mind” of the Muslim world. “And through Al Horreya God is reaching deep into this people group with the message of God’s love through Jesus Christ.”

Dr. Girgis explained that Al Horreya is Arabic for “freedom,” and said that “despite the unrest and uncertainty that permeates so much of the Middle East, millions of viewers are finding true freedom through Al Horreya TV.”

This month TBN is focusing on the theme of love—God’s unbounded love for us, and the love He fills us with to pour into the lives of our family, our friends, and those around us. With this newsletter we’re including a Share Card featuring a special installment of Better Together, TBN’s daily talk and ministry show produced by—and for—women. Join host Laurie Crouch and friends as they talk about healthy relationships, love languages, and more. Use your smart phone to scan the QR code on the Share Card and check out the program. Then hand off the Share Card to someone you think will be inspired by this show!

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That’s why we want to invite you to join many other members of our TBN family in becoming an automatic monthly giving partner. When you partner financially with TBN using our auto-giving option, you are joining hands with us and others to send the love of Jesus to over 175 nations on every inhabited continent. Your monthly financial commitment to TBN helps us deliver hope and inspiration around the clock to individuals and families whose lives you’ll have an integral part in impacting for both time and eternity!

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