

## Maximum Committing to Christ

Di lesin den we wi bin don lan bifo dis sirios wan bin tok mo bot tu impotant tin den: a) fo mek yu valyu den klia en b) fo no di mek-ap we God gi yu, we na yu shep, fo mek yu liv yu layf maksimal. Bot den no get wan valyu atol pas yu gi yu layf to Jizos Krays, we na di men tin we dis lesin de tok bot.

Naw wi de liv insay tem we wi sosayti de fred fo komit. Robot Bela, we de stodi bot pipul den layf na di Yunivasiti na Sawt Kalifonia, bin rayt wan buk we nem Habits of the Heart. I bin se, 'Amerikan pipul den no de du natin. If wi de komit to enitin na individyual fridom en kip wi opshon den opin.' Naw di problem wit dat na de i de lid. If a no komit to enitin, dat min se a no go get enitin na layf. I tan lek se a go dorj wan kafeteria layn en se, 'Wel, a no go pik mi entree rayt naw, a want fo kip mi opshon den opin. A go wet pan di vegjetabul den. A go kip mi opshon den opin.' Bay di tem we yu rich na di end pan di layn. Yu no get natin na di tre, en na dat kin apin na boku pipul den layf.

Fos insay dis sirios, wi bin se fo mek yu kontinyu fo pe atenshon impotant fo mek yu get di maksimal layf bay we yu no de west yu tem pan tin den we no impotant. Di men tin we yu fo pe atenshon pan na fo put yusef dorj. Di nomba wan tin we yu nid fo liv layf we rili ful-ɔp na fo gi yu layf to wetin God want tru in pikin, Jizos Krays. Pol bin se na Leta Fo Rom 12: 1, 'A de beg una broda den fo gi una bodi as sakrifays we get layf we na una rizin fo sav (spiritual service-ASV).' Naw yeri mi, we a se, 'Komit to Krays,' a de tok bot mo pas disizhon. A de tok bot wan komitment.

Boku pan una don mek disizhon bot Krays, bot a tink se i fayn fo se boku pan una de we no rili komit to Am. Yu want di sev we I de gi, bot yu no sho se yu want di masta we I de aks fo. Na dat wi de tok about wit komitment.

Wi nid fo komit wi layf to Krays bikos:

1. Na pat pan God in plan fo wi layf.

'Wi na God in wok, we wi mek insay Krays Jizos fo du gud wok, we God rædi bifo tem fo wi fo du.' ( Leta Fo Efios 2: 10 ) Gud tin den de we I mek wi fo du. Notis 'Den mek wi (aw?) insay Krays Jizos fo du gud wok.' In oda wod, apat from rial komitment to Krays, wi no go eva no di maksimam rizin fo layf, wi potneshel te den mek da komitment de.

A gladi fo mi sev.

Pol bin se na Sæken Leta To Timoti 1: 9 [Jizos] sev wi en kol wi fo liv oli layf, noto bikos of enitin we wi don du, bot bikos of in yon rizin en in speshal gudnes. A nid fo gi mi layf to God bikos I don gi mi in layf. Amen? God mek di ɔltimat komitment we i tek di fom fo motalman en kam na dis wol fo day pan da kros de fo wi as di pafekt sin atonment. I rili klia, bot di sem tem i rili pawaful.

If God nɔ eva du ɔda tin fɔ mi, nɔ eva bles eni ɔda tin na mi layf, nɔ eva ansa ɔda prea, nɔ eva gi mi ɔda smɔl it ɔ nɔ eva tɔk ɔda kayn wɔd mi we, a get fɔ pe Am mi ɔl rayt naw bikɔs ɔf wetin I du fɔ mi na di krɔs. Pɔl bin de rayt bɔt wetin mek i want fɔ du sɔntin na Fɔs Leta Fɔ Kɔrint 15: 10 i bin se, 'Bɔt na God in speshal gudnes a de du wetin a bi, en a de wok tranga wan pas den ɔl—bɔt nɔto mi, bɔt na God in speshal gudnes we bin de wit mi.' A de kɔmit to Krays bikɔs a gladi fɔ di sev we a sev.

2. God prɔmis fɔ bles da kɔmitment de.

If a go jomp in, a min se if a go rili jomp in, I go bles da kɔmitment de. Luk Lyuk 6: 38, bɔku pipul den kin tek dis vas fɔ tɔk bɔt fɔ gi mɔni, bɔt i rili de tɔk bɔt ɔl layf. 'Gi, en den go gi yu. Wan gud mezhɔ, we yu prɛs dɔŋ, shek togɛda en rɔn oba, go tɔn na yu lap.' Matyu rayt se Jizɔs bin tɔk bɔt di sem tin 'Una fɔ luk fɔ God in Kɪŋdɔm en in rayt we i want fɔs, en den go ad ɔl den tin ya to una.' (Matyu 6: 33)

Dat na jɔs tu pan dɔzin en dɔzin fantastik prɔmis den na Skripchɔ usay God se if yu jɔs put yu layf na mi an, a go briŋ blesin en benifit den we yu nɔ go ivin imajin —if yu go jɔs trɔst mi. Di mɔ yu de kɔmit to mi, na di mɔ a go akɔmplit tru yu.

Na den nɔto gud rizin; nɔto big rizin den de fɔ gi yu layf to Krays? A nɔ ebul fɔ tink bɔt eni ɔda rizin we pas dis. So wantɛm wantɛm sɔmbɔdi se, 'Wetin mek nɔto ɔlman de du am da tɛm de? Wetin mek nɔto ɔlman de kɔmit to Jizɔs?' ɔlman nɔ rili de kɔmit to Krays bikɔs ɔf di resistans fɔ kɔmit, tri pan den de tɔk bɔt dɔŋ ya.

Resistens fɔ kɔmitment to Krays:

1. Nearsightedness- failure fɔ tek di long luk.

Wi nɔ de luk 20 ɔ 30 ia dɔŋ di rod, mɔ lɛk frɔm wan eternal pɔynt. Wi jɔs kin lɛk fɔ liv fɔ naw. C. S. Lewis bin rayt sɔntin we rili fayn insay wan pan In buk den, 'Wi get di rɔng we aw wi de si tin. Wi kin tink bɔt wisɛf as mɔtalman we get spiritual dimenshɔn, we infakt, wi na spiritual pipul den we jɔs de pas tru di mɔtalman ɛksperiens. Di big pikchɔ na, a na spiritual pɔsin, en a go liv sote go sɔmsay. Bɔt, wi kin si nia en si wisɛf pak insay di bɔdi. We wi de si tin nia de mek wi pe atenshɔn pan wetin na di izi tin, di fayn tin en di tin we izi fɔ du, en wi nɔ de pe atenshɔn to di valyu den we wi get fɔ long tɛm.

Jizɔs se "Bɔt di wɔri we pipul den de wɔri na dis layf, di ful we fɔ get mɔni en di tin den we pɔsin want fɔ du, kin kam insay en chok di wɔd, en mek i nɔ get frut." (Mak 4: 19) Wi Masta nak di nel rayt pan di ed. Wi de pe atenshɔn pan di tin den we wi fɔ du kwik kwik wan, nɔto di tin den we impɔtant. Wi nɔ de si den rial valyu den de we wi bin evalyu na di "Wetin Na Mi Valyu den" lesin. Wi bin stɔp fɔ aks se, 'We a ol 90 ia en luk bak, wetin na di tin we a rili want fɔ dɔn du? Aw a kin want fɔ mek den memba mi mɔ?' ɔl wetin wi de tink bɔt na naw. Wi nɔ de kɔmit!

A lɛk di stori bɔt Jɔn Skulli. Insai di mid-70s, na im bi di preziden and chif ɛksektiv ofisa fo Pepsi Cola. I bin bi president we i ol 34. I bin get in fes na di kɔva fɔ eni big magazin. We i ol 42 ia, i bin de ɔp di wɔl de mek mɔ mɔni

pas aw i go eva spen if i sheb am evri sekɔn. Wan felo we nem Steve Jobe bin don stat wan nyu likl kompiuta kompini we dem kol, Apple

Computer. I bin dɔn ker am go lek aw i go ebul fɔ ker am go. I bin no se dis man we nem Jɔn Skulli na di man we go ebul fɔ ker am go ɔp as den nɔ no yet. I beg, en beg, en beg, en beg am fɔ kam, bɔt Skul bin de mek tumɔs mɔni. Fɔ dɔn, insay wan pɔnt os na Nyu Yɔk, i luk Jɔn en i aks am dis bad bad kwestyɔn: 'Jɔn, yu want fɔ spen di ɔda pat na yu layf fɔ mek shuga-wata, ɔ yu want fɔ chenj di wɔl?' Dat bin du am. I bin brok am kɔmɔt na di say we i bin de si nia, en i bin rili ker Apɛl Kɔmpyuta go ɔp we nɔbɔdi nɔ si yet.

Bɔt ayt den de we pas kɔmpyuta. Di apɔsul Jɔn bin tɔk na Jɔn In Fɔs Leta 2: 17 se, 'Di wɔl en ɔl di tin den we i lek en di tin den we i want go dɔnawe wan de, bɔt enibɔdi we du wetin Gɔd want go liv sote go.' Wi get fo get ova dat nearsightedness fo kommit.

## 2. Selfishness - tink bɔt yusef nɔmɔ.

Bɔku bɔku bɔku pipul den de bil den wan ol wɔl rawnd densef en den nɔ get tɛm fɔ Gɔd. A nɔ get tɛm fɔ Gɔd; A tu bizi wit mi wok. A nɔ get tɛm fɔ wetin Gɔd want na mi layf, a get ples fɔ go, pipul den fɔ si en tin den fɔ du. A don get drim, a get plan, a get ambishon. Naw dis na pipul den we in essential de se, 'Naw Gɔd, a no mɔ bɔt mi layf pas yu.' A no wetin go mek a gladi, a no wetin go mek a ful.' Bɔt Gɔd se, 'Nɔ, yu nɔ de du am. Na mi disayn yu en na mi bil yu. Yu tink se yu no, bɔt yu de blo am.'

Sɔm pan una rid Calvin en Hobbs, di katun na nyuspepa. Wan bin de we a bin si sɔm tɛm bifo we a bin tink se i rili fayn. Calvin bin de luk Hobs en tɛl am se, 'A get pis wit di wɔl, en a rili kol.' Hobbs se, 'Wɛl, wetin mek na so?' Calvin se, 'Wɛl, a dɔn diskɔba mi purpose na layf, a no wetin mek den put mi ya en wetin mek ɔltin de.' Hobbs se, 'O rili?' Calvin se, 'Yes, a de ya so dat ɔlman go du wetin a want.' Hobbs se, 'Wɛl, i fayn fɔ mek a dɔn klia dat.' Calvin se, 'Yes, en wans ɔlman aksept am, densef go get kol at.'

Wi de laf dat, bɔt plenti Calvins de na di wold. Di wɔl de rɔn rawnd den. Wans evribodi else figure dat out, dem go bi serene, tu. Bɔt we yu de liv fɔ yusef, yu get wan fayn smɔl gol na layf. Bɔt Jizɔs bin se lek aw den rayt am na Mak 8: 35, 'Enibɔdi we want fɔ sev in layf go lɔs am, bɔt enibɔdi we lɔs in layf fɔ mi en di gud nyuz go sev am.'

## 3. Fred.

Insay di wan den we nɔ rili kɔmit den layf yet to Krays, klin en simpul fred na sɔntɛm di rizin we bɔku pas ɔl. As wi de fred, wi kin aks wisef kwestyɔn den lek: Wetin i go kɔst? If a rili kɔmit to Krays, wetin Gɔd go aks mi if a rili tek in an en mek I lid mi? Yu tink se a go bi pɔsin we lek fɔ du tin? Wetin ɔda pipul den go tink? A go lɔs mi padi den we nɔ de wɔship Gɔd? A nɔ go kol igen? Wetin a go du if a nɔ ebul fɔ du wetin a dɔn prɔmis? Wetin a go du if a nɔ ebul?

Na di kayn fred we de mek pipul nɔ de kɔmit. Naw, if dat inklud yu en den fred den de dɔn mek yu nɔ bi wetin Gɔd want yu fɔ bi, le a tel yu wetin na di say we den fred den de kɔmɔt, apat frɔm di ol dɛbul inseq. Di sos of di

fred na yu no andastan di charakta of God. Either yu no rili trost In waes, or yu no rili trost In lov. I sori fo no se a tink se fo tumos pipul den, na di las wan.

Folks, a wan tel una se God no bi som cosmic killjoy fo skay we de wet fo deal yu a bummer. I se, 'A no di plan den we a get fo yu. Den de fo gud, en noto fo bad.' (Jerimaya 29: 11) Eni papa, ol mama en papa kin aydeshon wit dis. If yu pikin fo kam to yu en se, 'Papa, a respekt yu en a lek yu, yu na mi papa, en a want fo liv layf di we aw yu want mek a liv am.' Aw yu go ansa dat? Papa, yu go luk da pikin de en se, 'Ha, ha, ha, O boi, yu no sabi am, bot yu go bi miserable from ya on out. No ayskrim igen—spinach, atishok, en anchovies fo yu. A go brok yu ple steshon. Yu go sidom na da kona de en wer dunce kap di res of yu layf en no eva go na do.' Yu no tink se dat na fo laf? Na tin we no mek sens atol. Bot stil, na dat buku pipul den kin tink bot den layf if den gi am to God. I go put mi tru som obstakl kos fo mek a misef.

A wan tel yu wetin, if mi boy pikin waka kam nia mi en se, 'Papa, a want fo komit mi layf to yu purpose en gol dem, a want fo bi di pikin we yu want mi fo bi.' A go du oltin, ol wetin a ebul fo mek in layf fayn lek aw i go fayn. God we na wi Papa se, "A want fo du di sem tin." Na dat mek Jizos bin se, 'Una fo luk fo God in Kingdom en in rayt we i de du fos, en a go ad ol den tin ya to una.'

Luk Sam 37: 3, 'Trost pan di Masta en du gud; de na di land en enjoy sef pasto. Gladi yusef wit di Masta en I go gi yu di tin den we yu at want. Komit yu we to PAPA GOD; abop pan Am en I go du dis.' Na di promis dat. A no get natin fo fred bay we a de komit mi layf to Krays. Laif go fayn pas aw i go fayn.

Wetin mek wi nid fo komit to Krays.

Aw a go ansa wit komitment to Krays? I klia se if yu noto Kristian, yu nid fo abop pan Krays en obe di gud nyuz. I klia se yu nid fo no Jizos as udat na in, God in Pikin. Yu nid fo kam to Am pan yu ni de se, 'A biliv dat,' en konfes In nem. Yu nid fo put yu insay di day we Krays day we den ber yu wit am, baptayz insay Krays, fo fongiv yu sin. Dat na di we aw posin kin gri fo tek di gudnes we God don gi am. Bot som pan una don olredi du dat. Yu don obe di gud nyuz olredi. Yu don wer Krays we yu don ber wit am we yu baptayz. Som pan una kin geda wit choch oltem, bot if den no di trut, una no rili gi una layf to Krays yet. Yu no rili step pan In pawa en gris yet se, 'A want In we pas mi we.'

Wetin yu stil nid fo du? Di fos tin we yu nid fo du na fo kolkyul. Insay Lyuk 14: 25, Jizos tok bot aw fo komit. I se if yu go fala mi, i go bete fo mek yu tink bot am. I se no man de we go bil tawa if i no fos tek inventari fo in moni en in matirial den. I go mek sho se i ebul fo don. I no go go af-af en lef fo du am. I se no kin no de we no go tek kia fo kont in yon fos bifo i go fet wo. If i get 10,000, i no go izi fo go du fet agens posin we get 20,000. I se, 'If yu go komit to mi, i bete le yu tink bot am, i bete le yu kol am.' Insay evri komitment, benifit den de fo get en prayz den de we den fo pe. Yu kin disayd if yu komit bay we yu tink se di benifit den pas di kost den. Na dat. In oda wod den, yu tink se di tin we mek den du am fit fo mek den spen buku moni?

A wan mek yu du smol eksperiens. Pikcho na yu maynd tu ledja den. Na wan say na dis ledja na di kwestyon: Wetin na di kost fo fala Jizos Krays, bikos kost de? Na di oda say na di ledja di kwestyon na: Wetin i kost fo no rili komit to Jizos Krays? We yu ansa den kwestyon ya, yu de mek komitment.

We yu komit to Krays, wetin yu de giv op?

1. Di rayt fo get posin in yon govment.

A no go pul eni panch. No se "A don komit to Krays" if yu no go komit. In oda wod, no bi wetin a want igen, bot God, wetin yu want? No bi wetin a wan du, na God, wetin yu wan mek a du?

Si, i wondaful fo no se di God we mek di wan ol wol gi wi eni wan pan wi di pawa fo pik aw di Olmayti God go get pawa na wi layf. I no bin nid fo du dat. If I bin want, I bin fo don mek evri wan pan wi popet, robot o animal, bcd o fish. Bot I mek wi wit di ebul fo tink, rizin en pik. I gi yu di abiliti, noto so, fo disayd. So if yu komit to Jizos Krays, yu de se,

'God, a de ton dat rayt bak to yu.' Luk wetin Pol se na Leta Fo Galeshya 2: 20, 'Den don

kras mi wit Krays en a no de liv igen, bot Krays de liv insay mi.' Wan komitment bin de, en I bin ton ova pasnal sovereignty.

2. Posin in yon pryorited fo yu risos den.

Whew! Dat wan de sting! I no de igen wetin a want fo du wit mi tem, na, God wetin yu want mek a du wit yu tem? I no de igen wetin a go du wit mi moni, bot God wetin yu want mek a du wit yu moni? Si, na di konsept fo stewardship. We yu komit to Jizos Krays, yu de se, 'A no se God get ol wetin a get en I want mek a jos de manej am fo jos smol tem fo in glori. A kin giv op 'di mi en mi konsept.' Na God. A kin giv op pryorited pan mi risos, eni kayn risos.

3. Di valyu sistem we de na di wol.

Den bin tok bot dis konsept na di "Wetin na Mi Valyu?" lesin. 'Bikos oltin na di wol—di tin den we sinful posin want, di tin den we in yay want en di bost we i de bost bot wetin i get en wetin i de du—no komot from di Papa, bot na from di wol.' ( Jon In Fos Leta 2: 16 ) Pawa, gladi-at, prestij en prapati, noto se yu no eva get eni wan pan den tin den de; na dat yu nor de spen ol yu atenshon, yu tem, en yu filin fo tray fo get am. If a gi mi layf to Krays, a kin lef fo du wetin di wol se impotant. Naw dat na big big prayz, noto so?

We yu giv op yu pasnal sovereignty yu rialize se yu noto di manija fo di yunivas, yu noto ivin di manija fo yu layf. Yu go mek God kol di shot den. Giv op di pryorited fo yu risos, di chasing afta di wol valyu sistem.

We yu disayd fo NO komit to Krays, wetin yu de giv op?

1. I de kost mi God in plan fo yuz mi layf di best we.

If a disayd se a nɔ go kɔmit to Krays, bɔt jɔs drift tru layf. A go get smɔl smɔl snatch dɛn fɔ gladi ya ɛn de, bɔt a nɔ de eva kam nia fɔ tap pan wetin Gɔd ebul ɛn want fɔ du wit mi layf bikɔs dat jɔs kɔmɔt frɔm rili waka an to an wit di Masta.

## 2. Satisfayshɔn ɛn gladi

Una we maybe advans in ia we nɔ eva mek da kɔmitment de kin testify se una dɔn fil wan olo filin fɔ lɔng tɛm. Dat ɛmti ɔ hol filin na di nɔ satisfay ɛn gladi at we yu giv ɔp.

## 3. Layf we go de sote go.

Yu giv op wan riwod na heven, wan eternity of absolute bliss we a nɔ go eva du bad, kray, ɔ kray igen. Yu nɔ go eva yeri Jiova se 'Wɛl, gud ɛn fetful savant. Enta naw insay di gladi-at we PAPA GɔD de gladi.'

Wans yu don mek dat kommitment, den CHARGE! I min se chaj, dediket, go fɔ am, ɛn nɔ tɔn bak. 'So, mi brɔda dɛn, a de beg una, bikɔs Gɔd de sɔri fɔ una, una fɔ gi una bɔdi as sakrifays we get layf, we oli ɛn we go mek Gɔd gladi—dis na una spiritual akt fɔ wɔship.' (Leta Fɔ Rom 12: 1)

We payɔt tɔn ɛn stat big 747 dɔɔj di ayyɔt rɔnwe, i kin rich usay i nɔ go kam bak. I de get mɔ ɛn mɔ spid, ɔ i go get ɛya ɔ krash ɛn pwɛl inɛf. A de fred se sɔm pan una de we dɔn get una injin dɛn we de revv. Na plenti oda pipul de out dehm we no ivin de na di airport.

Sɔm nɔ ivin no se plen de. Sɔm pan una sidɔm na layf in rɔnwe, de rev, de bil smɔl spid, bɔt nɔto inof spid fɔ go na di ays? Yu nɔ eva kɔmɔt na grɔn insay yu rilayshɔn wit Krays. Yu no bɔt Am, bɔt yu nɔ eva kɔmɔt na grɔn wit rial kɔmitment fɔ no Am.

Sɔm pan una go dɔn sidɔm na da runway de fɔ lɔng lɔng tɛm, de revv una injin ɛn se, 'Wan pan dɛn de ya, wan pan dɛn de ya, a go get kɔmit.' Wan pan dɛn de ya a go gi mi layf to Gɔd. Wan pan dɛn de ya, a go stɔp fɔ liv mi plan ɛn bigin fɔ liv Gɔd in plan.' A rili wɔri se sɔmde yu go tinap bifo Jizɔs Krays wit big big rigret fɔ se a du dis kayn stupid tin! A inves mai laif, a inves mai taim and a inves mai talent fo di rong purpose. Aw a wish se a go ebul fɔ du am bak. Bɔt i go tu let.

Wetin de hol yu bak fo yu kommitment? Wetin na di tin we de kip yu na di runway, insted of bi airborne? Na fo fred? Yu de fred wetin Gɔd go du wit yu? Na nearsightedness, yu jɔs stil de luk ol dis tins we de roun yu? Yu tink se na jɔs fɔ jɔs bisin bɔt wisef nɔmɔ? Na rilesɔnship? Wetin na dat? Yu tink se tɛm dɔn eva de na yu layf frɔm we yu mek yu fɔs kɔmitment to Krays we yu mek wan kɔmitment we nɔ get ɛnitin fɔ du wit yu talent, yu tɛm, yu trɔs ɔ yu layf we yu nɔ shem ɔ rizev? Yu si di rial ishɔ na yu wan bi keshual, lukewarm, Kristian di res of yu laif? Yu nɔ go ebul fɔ tek pat pan Krays. Di wan tin we Kristianiti nɔ go ebul fɔ bi, impɔtant pasmak. Yu kin ayd, yu kin de nɔ kɔmit, ɛn basically, nɔbɔdi nɔ go no—bɔt Gɔd no. Lesin # 1299 - Febwari 2, 1997

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