

GOD AT THE MOVIES

Mandela • God at the Movies, Part 1
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MANDELA: It may never be well-known, nevertheless, I have an epic journey of my own. I have my own long walk...

STORY BEGINS WITH... identity → leading to duty, a.k.a. destiny, a.k.a. God's will for my life.

THE ROLE OF THE "OTHER" — IDENTITY, DESTINY is fortified and clarified and coaxed out by others — so we "REMEMBER".

Remember the prisoners, as though in prison with them, and those who are ill-treated, since you yourselves also are in the body.

Hebrews 13:3

STEPS ON OUR "LONG WALK TO FREEDOM"

THE CAUTIOUS STEP — Beware of the strength of anger.

Matthew 5:38–48

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THE DECISIVE STEP — Decide to walk out of hell.

** NOTE — Everyone has a good reason to stay in hell.

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Jonah 4:9

THE DETERMINED STEP — Really believe Jesus, and walk with Him in Love.

MY STEP

1. Love is everything... pursue the God of Love.

"By this all men will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another."

John 13:35

The one who does not love does not know God, for God is love.

1 John 4:8

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