Tony's message challenged Christians not to assume that familiar freedoms, national security or Christianity's influence will always continue. In a world of rapid change, conflict and unreliable information, believers are called to place their confidence in God rather than in political power or comfortable circumstances. Uncertainty should encourage us to draw closer to Him, not conclude that He has abandoned us.

Drawing on Isaiah 44–45 and the opening of Ezra, Tony described how God worked through Cyrus, the Persian king, to enable the Jewish exiles to return and rebuild Jerusalem and the temple. Although Cyrus was a foreign ruler, God used him to fulfil His purposes. The exile challenged the people's assumptions about their promised land, yet God remained faithful through both their displacement and restoration. His authority was not limited to Israel or its rulers.

This biblical account raises a question for Christians today: how would we respond if our society changed dramatically or our freedom to worship were restricted? Tony suggested that hardship could draw believers back to God, while stressing that we cannot know what lies ahead. God's repeated declaration in Isaiah that He alone is Lord offers grounds for trust even when events are confusing or unsettling.

Tony's personal experiences in India and Indonesia illustrated that Christian faith can flourish where Christianity is not the dominant religion. He recalled young pastors committed to serving Jesus despite persecution, growing congregations and believers whose courage stood alongside material hardship.

The message also questioned the self-centred attitudes that can shape everyday behaviour and responses to immigration. Remembering his own family's migrant history, Tony encouraged listeners to examine their reactions to others. Christians are called to love their neighbours, regardless of their background, rather than allow fear or personal interests to determine their response.

The closing encouragement was to draw continually nearer to God. Psalm 23 reminds believers of His care through difficult circumstances. Our hope rests in His presence and faithfulness. Whatever the future brings, faith, hope and love endure: faith in God, hope for a future with Him, and wholehearted love for Him and our neighbours.

Tony concluded his message by having us listen to this song.

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