Interview with ALINA & ROHIT - 2-26-2024

RG: What were you feeling when you were talking with him?

ALINA: At the beginning she feels it is normal because we know that being a Christian from the teachings of the Bible. We also know that he who want to spend a righteous life in Christ they will definitely suffer. Those things don't make more discouraged. But later when after some moments after some time, when I see the comments and I see the people that are commenting sometime, that makes me very sad and discouraged.

ALINA: At that time I was in fasting prayer and that moment it happened and she told that her family, she is the only believer in her family. When her family didn't understand her because they are not Christian. When her family saw the video and the comments on her, her family maybe told many things to sister ALINA. Her family made her discouraged. Since they are not Christian they definitely think wrong about her.

ALINA: At that point she was discouraged, but at the leaders' meeting last Friday along with other friends have encouraged her. And after their encouragement and the word from the Bible, she is ok and feeling good.

ALINA: But like last Friday, she is encouraged to move on. No discouragement. It doesn't mean anything to her right now. She knows that who wants to spend a righteous life in God that they will suffer. It has happened to the Christian people, so no problem for that.

ROHIT: It does happen certainly. They were visiting home to home, preaching, sharing about Christ. I expected that it happened that they guy came and made the video and challenged us at the time. Threatening them they will put it on social media. At the time he thought it was a normal thing because he knows that the apostles, they also suffered in Christ.

ROHIT:When Ros remembered their suffering, it is nothing for us to suffer. I know that this thing will happen, it is not a new thing for me. Because the previous people also have suffered these things and many brothers and sisters from their team and from other teams encourage them. You are not the only one, we are also suffering. Even Christ is suffering himself for us. So, it is not a new thing for us. It doesn't discourage me at all. He is still strong.

RG: I think of lots of verses that come to mind when I think about what happened with you guys.

RG: I think about the Apostles in Acts chapter 5. They were rejoicing for suffering for Jesus.

Acts 5:41 NLT - 41 The apostles left the high council rejoicing that God had counted them worthy to suffer disgrace for the name of Jesus.

RG: Another verse I think about is Matthew chapter 5.

<u>Matthew 5:11-12</u> NLT - 11 "God blesses you when people mock you and persecute you and lie about you and say all sorts of evil things against you because you are my followers. 12 Be happy about it! Be very glad! For a great reward awaits you in heaven. And remember, the ancient prophets were persecuted in the same way.

RG: Jesus says that God blesses you when people mock and persecute you and lie about you and say all sorts of evil things against you because you are my followers.

RG: This video has gone viral, I assume it just viral in Nepal. 1.3 million video views, 10000 comments, 35000 reactions.

RG: How does that make you feel knowing that Christ is allowing this for his glory and for your glory that all these people are seeing this?

ROHIT: A little bit of discouragement when it is happening. After the video many people are calling, how has this happened, what did you do? Many people are calling, many relatives are calling. Why has it happened? Many people walk on the street and many people are looking at me and at that moment I think, maybe this guy has seen the video, so he is looking after me like this.

ROHIT: In genuine, in truth, this thing is happening.

ALINA: In eyes of non-Christians I am a bad girl, I am very bad in their eyes. In eyes of many Christians, I am good because I am doing the calling of God. Since till now maybe I have not made famous Jesus, but through this video many people have watched that. Even they know Jesus, or they don't know Jesus, it doesn't matter. Some they know Jesus and they comment good and others that don't know Jesus comment bad. Either way I am happy that, either good or bad, many people come to know that Jesus is there. He is the Lord there.

ALINA:Those things make her good. She knows that maybe for this work maybe I will not get any rewards in this worldly earth, but I believe that I have hope that I have big faith that one day, in time of Christ, definitely I will be rewarded.

RG: there is a promise in the Bible that you will be rewarded, there is no doubt about it. Here is what I think. It is true that God allows everything. God has allowed this man to harass you and to put this video on Facebook.

RG: Is this guy any different than Pharoah in Exodus? Exodus 14:

Exodus 14:4 NLT - 4 And once again I will harden Pharaoh's heart, and he will chase after you. I have planned this in order to display my glory through Pharaoh

and his whole army. After this the Egyptians will know that I am the LORD!" So the Israelites camped there as they were told.

RG: God is going to get the glory in all of this. And we keep giving him glory when we stand firm, and we stand true on God's truth. You have shared everything I have thought about because we also know that Jesus was persecuted. We are told in John 15 to expect this.

John 15:20 NLT - 20 Do you remember what I told you? 'A slave is not greater than the master.' Since they persecuted me, naturally they will persecute you. And if they had listened to me, they would listen to you.

RG: I also like in Romans chapter 10, verse 11. It says the following:

Romans 10:11 NLT - 11 As the Scriptures tell us, "Anyone who trusts in him will never be disgraced."

RG: You are not disgraced; you are a shining star. You will have great rewards in heaven. I am proud to be partnered with you. Yes, we need to keep preaching. My prayer is, that God will use this, to allow you and ROHIT to be more effective for the gospel. That you will have more opportunities to talk about Jesus because people have seen this video.

RG: We can't keep our mind on the noise and distractions around us, we need to keep our eyes on Jesus. The apostle Peter, when he walked on water, as soon as he looked around and looked at the waves, he started to sink. But if he had kept his eyes on Jesus, he wouldn't have started to sink.

RG: So, I look at 1.3 million people that have seen this video, I think that is awesome!

RG: Any last thoughts?

ALINA: She has been so much encouragement by what has happened. I have come to know that in any situation we have to be steadfast in the Lord. When we are steadfast and when we are strong in the Lord, many more blessings will be there. We came to this world, Jesus selected us to do some things, if we can't do anything then why are we here. It is a privilege for me because I'm doing the work of God. And I know that when we spend a godly life, when we follow Jesus, there is much more persecutions there.

ALINA: It is not a new thing. I am happy I am a part of Jesus. Jesus has suffered so much for me. When we just acknowledge him, when we just remember his pain, then this is nothing for me. I am very encouraged by that and very happy with that. And I know that I am here for a certain time for this work, but one day I will be with him and that day my reward will be there in Jesus Christ.

ROHIT: Even I was not expected that this thing will happen in my life. But no problem, this thing has happened and I feel that god is always with me and with us. Even in a bad situation he will strengthen me to deal with it. Before that I felt that I am very immature, maybe I am not worthy to do anything. But when this thing happened I feel that maybe God has made me more worthy in Him. He is encouraged because he is getting more mature in Christ, day by day. The video made me stronger. With social media maybe people see me in a bad eyes, bad aspects. But in Christ I am growing, so let's make him more strong.

RG: This is great because how many people are Christians but never put themselves in the position. They are never sharing their faith to even possibly face persecution. And because you are, you are on the right path. Keep it up. Let this grow you. Let this build up your faith and make you even stronger.