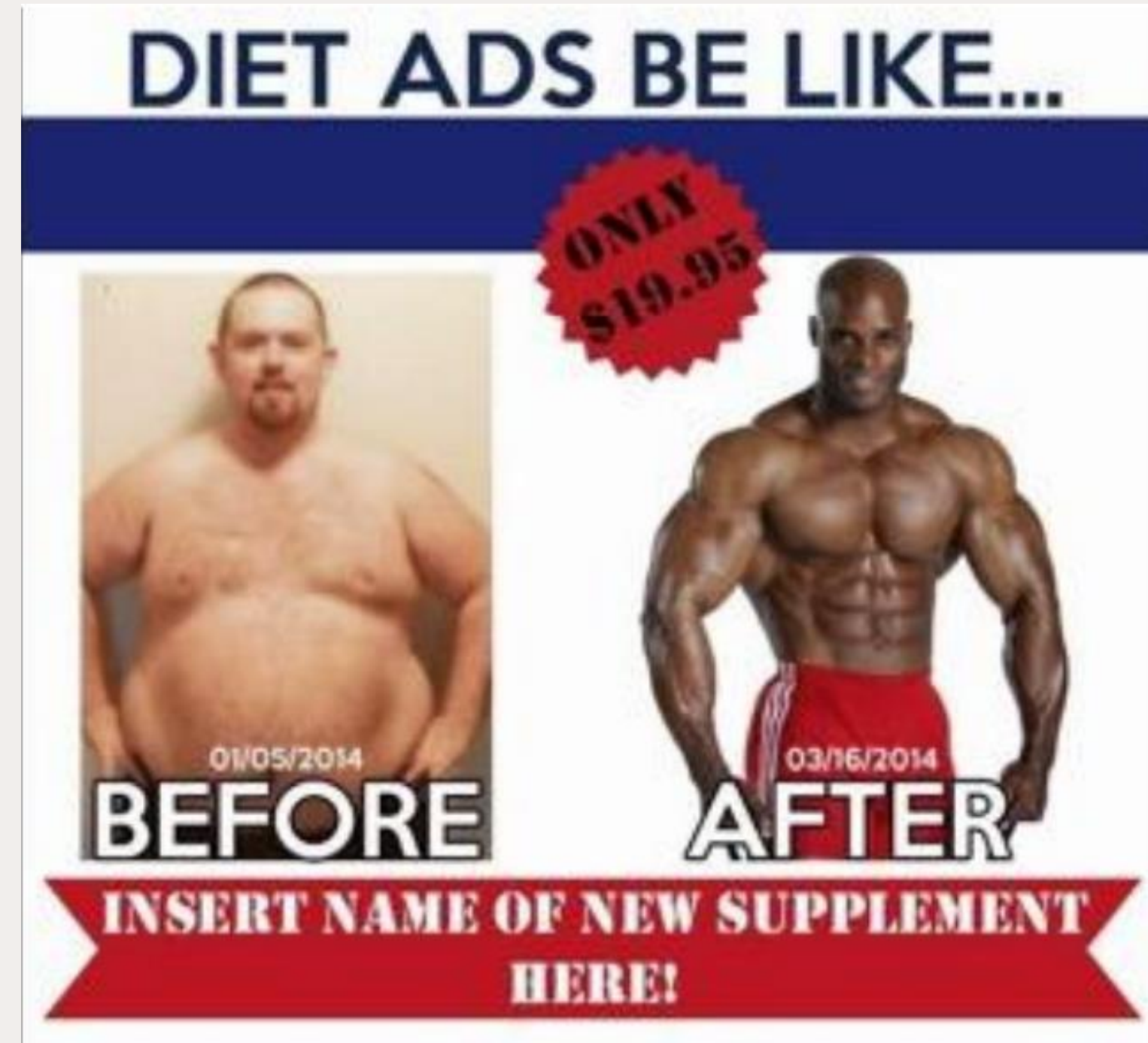


Examining Our Attitudes
Behind Our Actions



KEEP YOUR WORD



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MATTHEW 5:33-37

33 "Again, you have heard that it was said to the people long ago, 'Do not break your oath, but fulfill to the Lord the vows you have made.' 34 But I tell you, do not swear an oath at all: either by heaven, for it is God's throne;

35 or by the earth, for it is his footstool; or by Jerusalem, for it is the city of the Great King. 36 And do not swear by your head, for you cannot make even one hair white or black. 37 **All you need to say is simply 'Yes' or 'No';** anything beyond this comes from the evil one.

KEEP YOUR WORD

EXODUS 20:7

You shall not take the name of the Lord your God in vain, for the Lord will not hold him guiltless who takes His name in vain.

KEEP YOUR WORD

MATTHEW 23:16

Woe to you, blind guides! You say, 'If anyone swears by the temple, it means nothing; but anyone who swears by the gold of the temple is bound by that oath.'



KEEP YOUR WORD

MATTHEW 23:18

You also say, 'If anyone swears by the altar, it means nothing; but anyone who swears by the gift on the altar is bound by that oath.'



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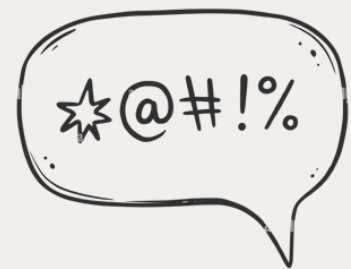
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PROBLEMS



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Making promises
to others lightly



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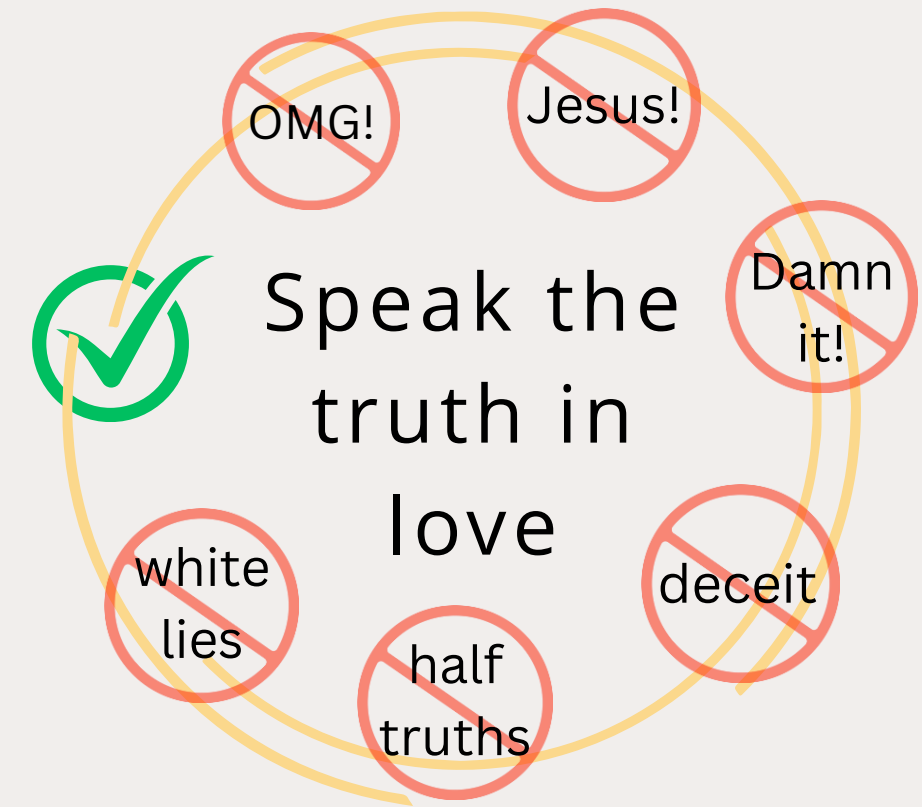


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PRACTICES



 Keep our promises

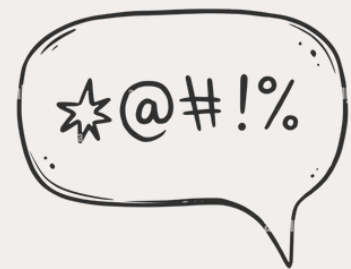


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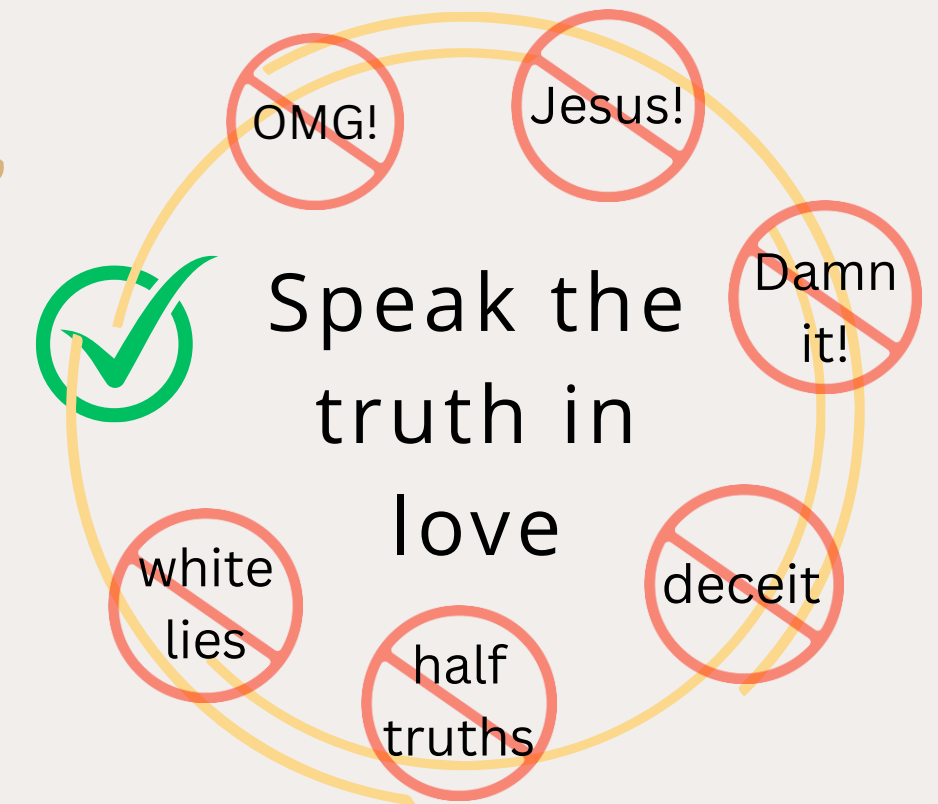


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Matthew 5:33-37

PRACTICES



Keep our
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KEEP YOUR WORD

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Let what you say be simply 'yes' or 'No' ,
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(Mat 5:37 ESV)

LAW OF RETALIATION

MATTHEW 5:38-42

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38 "You have heard that it was said, 'Eye for eye, and tooth for tooth.'

39 But I tell you, do not resist an evil person. If anyone slaps you on the right cheek, turn to them the other cheek also. 40 And if anyone wants to sue you and take your shirt, hand over your coat as well. 41 If anyone forces you to go one mile, go with them two miles. 42 Give to the one who asks you, and do not turn away from the one who wants to borrow from you.

LAW OF RETALIATION

DEUTERONOMY 19:21

Show no pity: life for life, eye for eye, tooth for tooth, hand for hand, foot for foot.

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- Judges to exercise in the courts of law
- Not Laws given to individuals to exact vengeance

LAW OF RETALIATION

Jesus say:

But I tell you, do not resist an evil person...

(Mat 5:39)

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- Do not retaliate
 - Do not take revenge
 - Meekness which is self-control under provocation

PROBLEMS

We tend to retaliate



We are easily offended

We refuse to forgive





PRACTICES



demonstrate love by
not retaliating



Willing to give more
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Stretch our capacity
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Give freely to those in
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TREATING YOUR ENEMIES

MATTHEW 5:43-48

43 “You have heard that it was said, ‘Love your neighbour and hate your enemy.’

44 But I tell you, love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you,
45 that you may be children of your Father in heaven. He causes his sun to rise on the evil and the good, and sends rain on the righteous and the unrighteous. 46 If you love those who love you, what reward will you get? Are not even the tax collectors doing that? 47 And if you greet only your own people, what are you doing more than others? Do not even pagans do that?

48 Be perfect, therefore, as your heavenly Father is perfect.

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MATTHEW 5:46-47

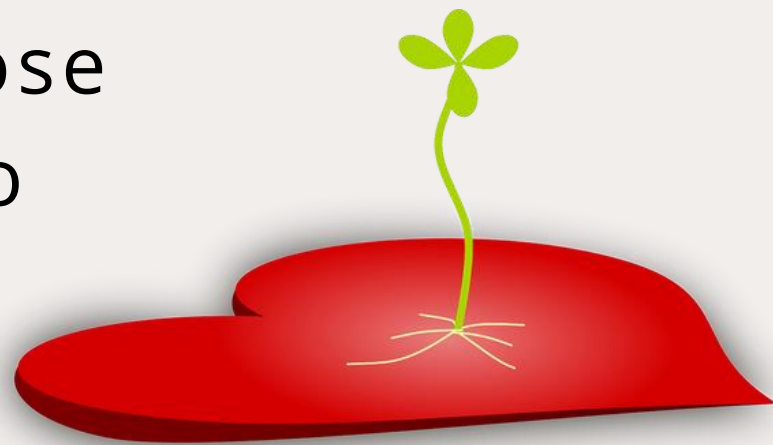
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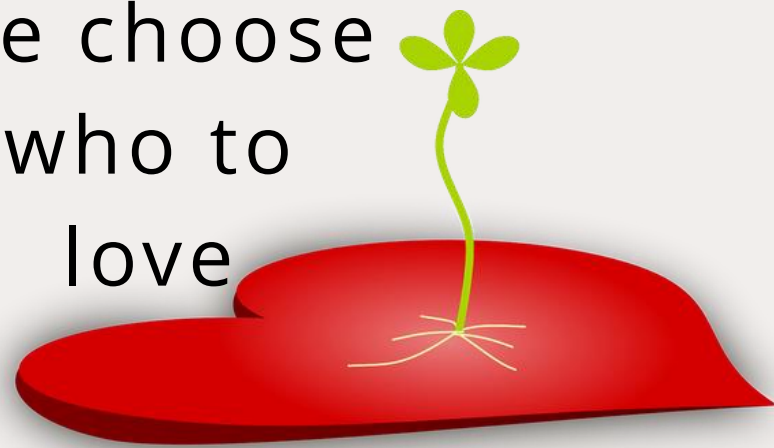


We show
disdain to
enemies



PROBLEMS

We choose who to love



We show disdain to enemies



PRACTICES

Be proactive to do good



DO GOOD



Pray for your enemies



Reflect God's perfect love

TREATING YOUR ENEMIES

Fifth youth ^{11/11/10} charged with gang murder

Drama outside court as 19 supporters end up arrested too

By KHUSHWANT SINGH

A FIFTH person was yesterday charged with causing the Oct 30 death of polytechnic student Darren Ng in Downtown East – but there was drama outside the courtroom too.

Nineteen youths who turned up to support Louis Tong Qing Yao when he appeared before a district court also ended up being arrested.

The 19 males aged between 17 and 22 are believed to be gang members.

For the first time yesterday, the police indicated that the dead youth might have been involved in gang activity himself.

He was chased by a group of youths with choppers and hacked to death in the main foyer of the Downtown East entertainment hub between 5.30pm and 5.37pm on Oct 30.

In a statement, the police said that investigations into the incident have shown that the murder was connected to “gang-related disputes involving the deceased, victims and assailants”.

Initial media reports that the murder arose from a “staring incident” were unfounded, the police added.

The police warned that gang behaviour would be dealt with firmly and decisively, and that included acting against those who turn up in force at the courts as a show of support for fellow gangsters.

Criminal Investigation Department director and Senior Assistant Commissioner of police Ng Boon Gay said

young offenders involved in violent crimes would not be treated lightly simply because of their age.

They can expect to face the full brunt of the law, including the Criminal Law (Temporary Provisions) Act, which allows for detention without trial.

Yesterday, Tong, 16, became the latest and youngest so far to be charged with Mr Ng’s murder while being part of an unlawful assembly.

Tong, who looked expressionless in the dock, also faces three loan-shark harassment charges. He allegedly scribbled graffiti and splashed paint after midnight on Nov 2.

He is said to have scrawled “O\$P\$” – which means “owe money, pay money” – with an indelible marker at Bishan, Serangoon North and Hougang.

At the flat in Hougang, he also splashed black paint on its door and windows.

He joins four others who were charged last week with Mr Ng’s murder: Chen Wei Zhen, 19, Tang Jia Min, 21, Ho Wui Ming, 20, and Edward Tay Wei Loong, 18.

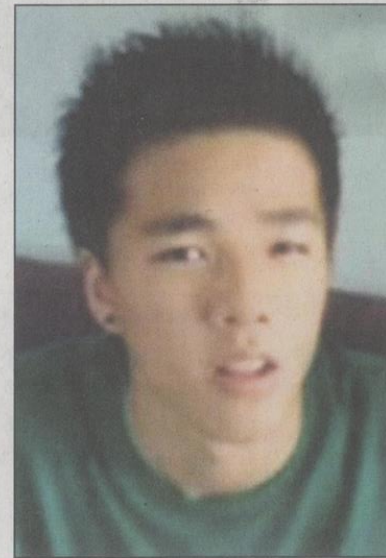
Tay, who is in hospital with injuries from a fall while trying to escape arrest, was yesterday ordered remanded for two weeks. The others will be produced in court again on Tuesday.

When Tong was brought into the dock, at least five people who appeared to be his friends were in court, seated in a row.

They were spotted trying to make eye contact with Tong but he did not seem to see them. Another group remained outside.

The smaller group inside the courtroom left after Tong was led away for further investigations.

Passer-by Steven Chow, 62, told The Straits Times that he saw more



The police also made clear that investigations

into the Downtown East incident show that the murder (of polytechnic student Darren Ng, above) was connected to “gang-related disputes involving the deceased, victims and assailants”. They said initial media reports that the murder arose from a staring incident were unfounded.

than a dozen young men gathered at the side of the Subordinate Courts building at about 10am.

“They were all young and appeared to be taking instructions from a tall guy,” said Mr Chow, who lives near the courts.

He heard from friends that they were later arrested.

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Watch video updates on the Bukit Panjang slashings and Downtown East murder on www.razortv.com.sg



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They filled the need for us to be loved and be cared for ... They are very generous and kind. Godpa even paid for a degree course for one of my friends .



"They are still so young and have many challenges ahead of them. I have come to love them like I loved my son."

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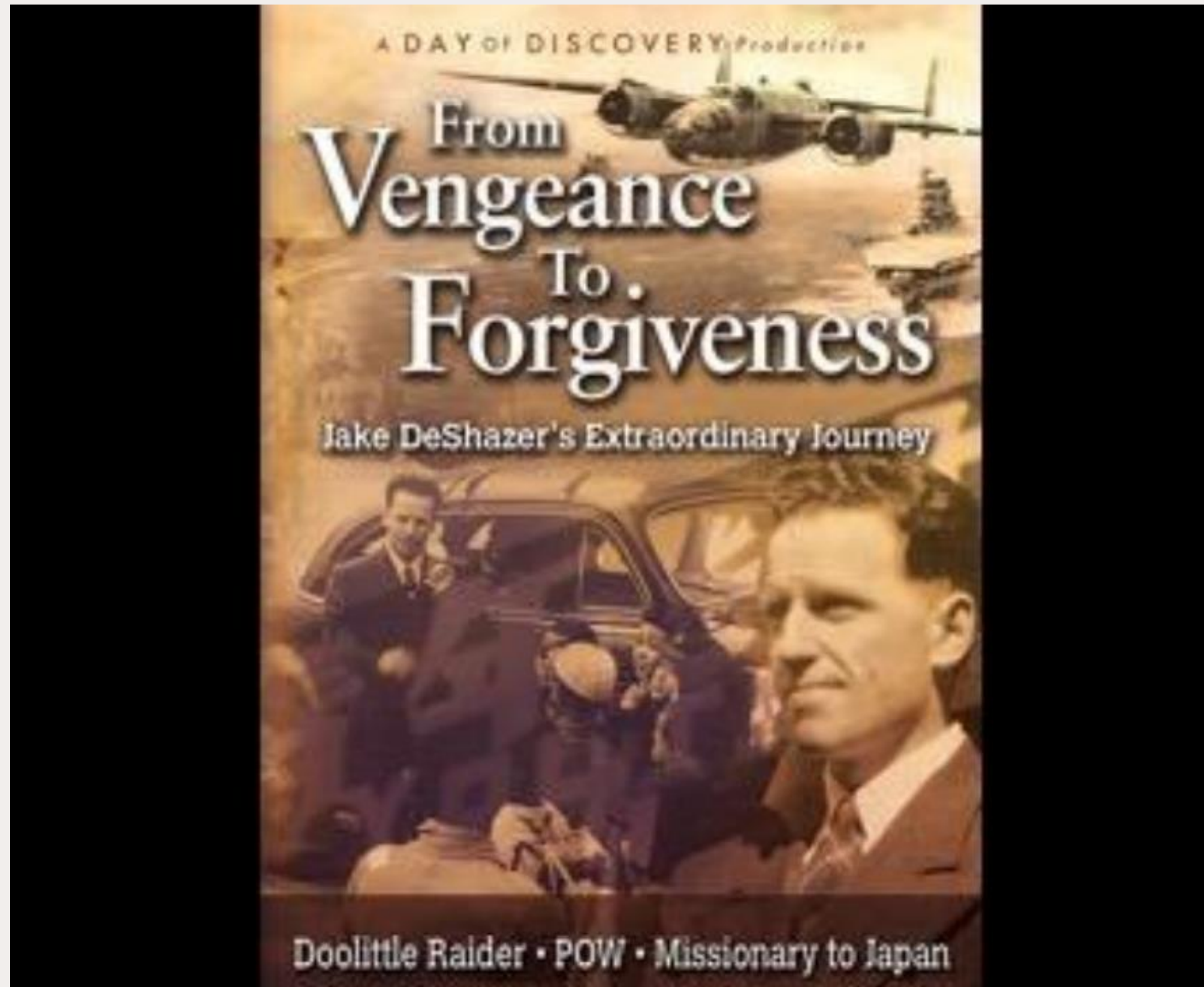
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“The bitterness
of my heart
against my
captors seemed
more than I
could bear.”

- Corporal Jacob
DeShazer



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