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'... you did for me.'

(Matthew 25:40)

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**For you**

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Dear friends of the word,

she was to arrive in the middle of the night at a bus station of a major European city and would have to wait for over an hour in the darkness for her connection. She phoned me and asked: "Please put in an extra prayer for me that night!" I promised to do that and encouraged her to stay true to the motto 'Don't stop giving!' even during this night time trip.

"God has got so much imagination!" I heard her say a few days later. She'd arrived at the bus station late at night and sat down on a bench. She noticed two young people that seemed insecure and almost a little desperate. After a few minutes they started approaching her. "First I wanted to go away because I felt a little scared but I decided to stay!" she told me. They were from Argentina and spoke only broken English. They were on a tour of Europe and wanted to go to Germany by bus but didn't know how to get there. "Then I had the idea to invite these two onto the bus journey I was taking because my destination was a major European city with connections to any European capital" she told me. "And guess what, the young Argentinian lady decided to sit next to me and not her boyfriend and we talked for the whole journey. It was a great conversation. When we were saying our good bye's, I was looking into happy faces!" And in a slightly more contemplative way she added "Somehow God's always at work. I met him again that evening!"

Dear friends of the word, we meet people on a daily basis, often unexpectedly. Jesus wants to meet us through these people. Through them, HE is asking for our time, for advice, for a small gesture of sincere love. Let us have the courage to stay and play our part. HE will thank you for it and tell you: "...You did (*this*) for me!" In those moments let us live for Jesus who loves us infinitely. Let's say this to him repeatedly throughout the day: "**For you!**"

for the OnWordTeam

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