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On the road to Emmaus, the resurrected Savior walked with two disciples, talking with them about the recent events in Jerusalem. Though they did not recognize him, he talked with them about God's plan for the Messiah. When they arrived at their town, Jesus acted as if he had to go further. Why? Didn't he want to stay and continue the conversation?

To Piott, a Russian believer, Jesus' actions showed politeness. He didn't want to stay unless he was truly wanted. Piott had seen the Communists overrun his country. The police burst into people's homes anytime they chose. Finally, a Christian shared with Piott the story of a Savior who knocked gently at his heart, waiting to be allowed in. Piott was impressed with this gentle Jesus and willingly opened the door. Jesus became Piott's Savior and Lord.

Piott knew the meaning of conversion. He was changed. God sent him as a worker in the underground church. Here, he learned from the example of others. Growing Christians showed him how to develop his witness and exercise his faith. Soon, Piott made countless trips smuggling Christian literature into Russia. He grew more and more bold. He was driven to be not just a disciple, but to be a disciple maker, bringing others to Christ.

Finally, he was arrested and imprisoned. No one knows what happened to him.

Romanian pastor Richard Wurmbbrand once said: "We should never stop at having won a soul for Christ. By this we have done only half the work. Every soul won for Christ must be made to be a soul winner. The Russians were not only converted, but they became 'in the underground church. They were reckless and daring for Christ. . . ." How does a person like Piott grow from being saved to saving others? Just as someone showed Piott how to become a Christian, someone showed him how to grow in his faith. People must be shown how to be more for Christ. Is your growing faith an example to others? God calls you to be a disciple as well as a disciple maker.

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