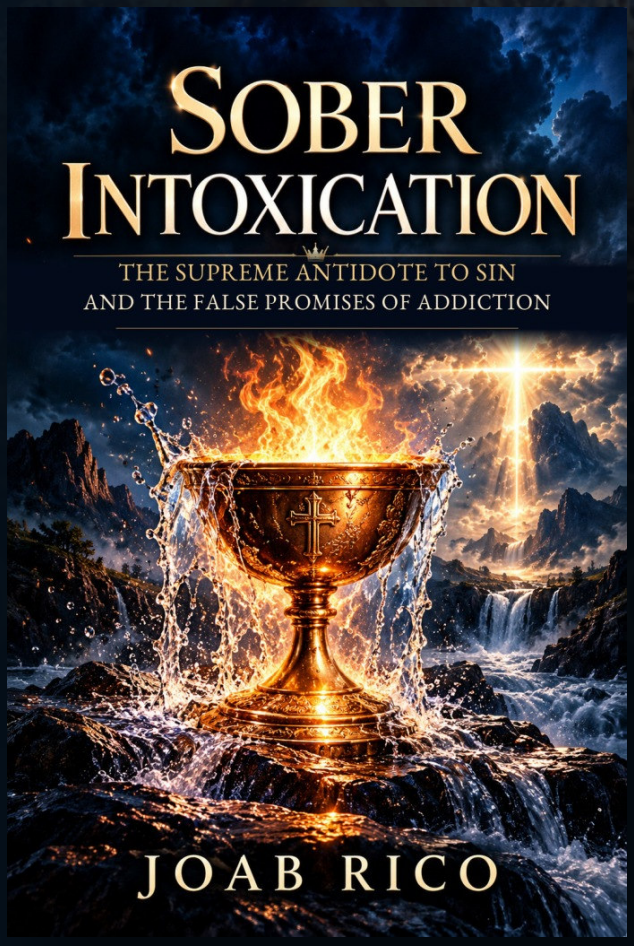
BOOK · TESTIMONY · SPEAKING

SOBER INTOXICATION

The Savior is the Satisfier.

Living Water.
Holy Fire.
Freedom in Christ.

A personal testimony of mercy
and an invitation to hope
in Jesus Christ.



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Christian author, educator & gospel witness

THE FAST. THE PRAYER. THE FREEDOM.

Twenty-one days. Almost three years.

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At a Christmas Eve service, Pastor Jentezen laid hands on me and prayed. I have not had an alcoholic drink since.”

I joined Free Chapel’s twenty-one-day fast and read Pastor Jentezen’s books on fasting. I am grateful for his courageous call to seek Christ with renewed devotion.

As I approach three years sober, I give glory to Jesus Christ. My desire is to know Him more deeply and to help others discover the freedom purchased by His blood.

FREE INDEED IS THE DEED.

Freedom in Christ. Life in the Spirit. John 8:36 · Ephesians 5:18

Personal testimony. Prayer and fasting belong alongside appropriate medical and addiction care. No identical outcome is promised.

PASTOR JAMES MARTIN · THE PRAYER IN THE SANCTUARY

He took time to listen.

After I lost my job, I opened my heart to Pastor James Martin in the Free Chapel sanctuary. He drew near, placed his hand over my heart, and prayed for me and the work I needed.

His prayer remains precious to me because he made time for my need. I was met with personal care.

In the season that followed, I received a teaching position with approximately $10,000 more in annual salary. My brother also welcomed me to live rent-free.

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I give thanks to God for the provision, and for a pastor whose prayer became part of a season of renewed hope.

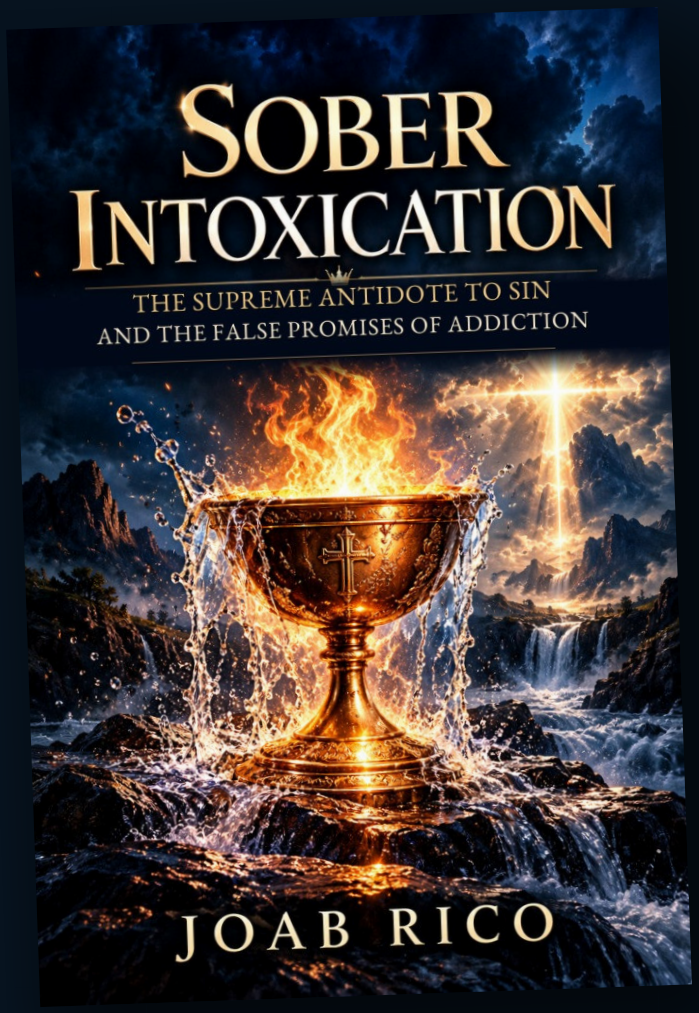
Pastoral care became personal.

My gratitude is for the preaching I heard and for the kindness I received when I needed someone to listen and pray.

A personal recollection of prayer, pastoral kindness, and provision.

THE BOOK & ITS MESSAGE

False promises. True satisfaction.



SOBER INTOXICATION

The Supreme Antidote to Sin and the False Promises of Addiction

What can truly satisfy the hunger beneath our cravings?

Through Scripture, personal testimony, and pastoral reflection, the book explores the false promises of addiction, the Holy Spirit's ministry, and the surpassing worth of Jesus Christ.

For readers seeking hope,
families walking beside them,
and churches learning to care.

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Naming the hunger	Reordering desire	The recovery cathedral

A theological and pastoral work that encourages wise recovery support.

IN THE AUTHOR’S OWN WORDS

Words for the wounded heart.

ON TESTIMONY · PRINTED PAGE 8

“A testimony is not a stage. It is an altar.”

ON GRACE · PRINTED PAGE 8

“The language of this book is sober because addiction is serious. It is joyful because grace is stronger.”

ON THE CHURCH · PRINTED PAGE 5

“The pulpit and the parking lot must not preach contradictory messages.”

The invitation is to truthful recovery, compassionate community, and the superior satisfaction of knowing Jesus Christ.

Excerpts from Sober Intoxication. Page references follow the supplied reading edition.



THE AUTHOR & HIS MISSION

Joab Rico

From alcoholic zeal to apostolic zeal.

Joab Rico, M.Div., is a Christian author, educator, coach, and evangelist. Through Joab Rico Mission, he writes and speaks about the beauty of Christ, the hope of the gospel, and faithful discipleship.

Reach the lost & train the reached until all the lost are reached.

SPEAKING & INTERVIEW THEMES

The Savior Is the Satisfier

From Alcoholic Zeal to Apostolic Zeal

The Church as a Recovery Cathedral

WHY I PRAY THIS TESTIMONY TRAVELS FURTHER

Help for the person still hiding.

Jesus Christ bore our sins at the cross and rose from the dead. He calls us to repent and trust Him. I want the person still hiding in shame to hear that good news, ask for help, and find a church willing to walk beside them.

01

HOPE FOR THE STRUGGLING READER

Tell a trusted pastor, clinician, or recovery leader what you are facing. Seek wise care as you grow in faith in Christ.

02

SUPPORT FOR FAMILIES

Practice truthful love and wise boundaries. Seek appropriate medical and recovery support for the person you love.

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SERVICE THROUGH THE CHURCH

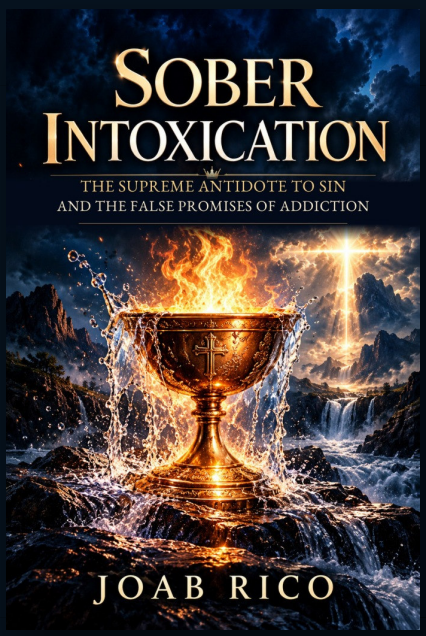
Begin conversations about repentance and faith in Jesus Christ, then walk beside people through patient discipleship and wise care.

My prayer is that this testimony helps thousands find hope in Christ.

BOOKS · INTERVIEWS · SPEAKING INVITATIONS

Let the mercy travel further.

For a testimony gathering, church conversation, podcast, or interview, contact Joab Rico about sharing the story and message behind Sober Intoxication.



THE BOOK

Sober Intoxication

The Supreme Antidote to Sin and the False Promises of Addiction

View the Amazon listing ↗

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