



The Accidental Eavesdropper

Five years ago, a young Muslim girl walked into a Christian church in her Central Asian city, looking for a pastor. She'd heard some things about Jesus and wanted to ask questions. She was told the pastor wasn't in, but that she could sit in a corridor to wait for him. As she waited, the girl was surprised to hear, from somewhere down the hall, people speaking her language rather than the Russian she'd expected in this Russian Baptist Church. She scooted her chair closer to the room in order to hear more.



She was listening to a discussion of an Entrust course, *The History of Redemption*, facilitated by a man of her own nationality. Believers from her ethnic group had gained permission to hold Bible courses in this Russian church, even though they themselves weren't Russian.

The class was discussing Old Testament teachings about the coming of Jesus. Captivated (and thanks to a divinely delayed pastor), the girl listened attentively, out of sight in the hallway. And as she sat in that chair, she prayed quietly, giving her life to the Lord Jesus.

No one but the Lord and the young Muslim girl knew what happened in the corridor that day. But five years later, just a few months ago, that same girl was walking down a street when she happened upon the man who had been facilitating the discussion in that church. She stopped him and, full of excitement, told him how she had surrendered her life to Christ that day and had been serving Him every day since.

God, in His sovereignty, led a certain girl to a certain place to hear certain words in her own language that day, through an Entrust Bible course. God is at work in Central Asia!

***“How, then, can they call on the one they have not believed in?
And how can they believe in the one of whom they have not
heard?”*** Romans 10:14