Thoughts on Dawson Trotman's Homecoming Lorne Sanny

I. Introduction.

- A. Key text: 2 Kings 2:9-14.
- B. After the death of Trotman, the speaker felt an overwhelming sense of weakness.

II. The need.

- C. God is waiting today for people to take up the mantle of faith and follow.
- D. Every moment someone is passing off into eternity who does not know Christ.
- E. God will heal the broken hearted, the bound, the mourning, the heavy—this is the real world in which we live. (Isaiah 61:1-3)

III. The answer.

- F. God gave us eternal life, has given us His Spirit for personal empowerment and has left us here to spread the gospel. The gospel is our responsibility.
- G. The same gospel reaches into the hearts and souls of every woman no matter where they are found. (Colossians 1:28)
- H. This requires discipline—discipline that Trotman modeled.
- I. God is calling us to step out in faith.
- IV. The goal is to evangelize for salvation and to teach men to get in the Word and evangelize also. (Colossians 1:28)
 - A. We lack laborers with a servant heart.
 - B. The problem is that people are not in the Word.
 - C. God is looking for soldiers and we are to seek patiently to develop them. (2 Timothy 2:3)
 - D. Today we have one of the greatest opportunities and God is waiting for us to step out in faith.

Application questions.

1. What is it that the speaker said Trotman modeled so well?

2. How is what Trotman modeled applicable to us in our call to evangelize and make disciples? What is required of us?
3. How have you responded to the call to develop disciples? What can you do to get other people into God's Word?