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When the talk was over, she said the people stood up in silence, collected their wraps, and left the room. As the people were leaving, she said she saw a man in a gray overcoat with a brown felt hat clutched in his hands. She said she recognized that man. He was a former guard at Ravensbrück concentration camp where she and her sister Betsie had been sent for concealing Jews in their home during the Nazi occupation of Holland.

She said that man came up to her, thrust out his hand, and said, "A fine message, Fraulein! How good it is to know that, as you say, all our sins are at the bottom of the sea!" But Corrie ten boom said she fumbled in her pocketbook rather than shake the hand of that man, for when she saw that man, all of the horrible memories of Ravensbrück came back to her. She said she remembered that man in his blue uniform and visored cap with its skull and crossbones. She remembered the huge room there with its harsh, overhead lights, the pile of dresses and shoes in the center of the floor, and the shame she and her sister Betsie felt as they had to walk naked past that man. She remembered that her sister Betsie had died in that place, and she didn't see how she could ever forgive that man!

She said he withdrew his hand and said, "You mentioned Ravensbrück in your talk. I was a guard in there. But since that time I have become a Christian. I know that God has forgiven me for the cruel things I did there, but I would like to hear it from your lips as well."

She said he thrust out his hand again and said, "Fraulein, will you