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#### LETTER FROM THE EDITOR

Well we are now well into the New Year. The old year has gone and cannot be recalled.

Do not remember the former things, Nor consider the things of old. Behold, I will do a new thing, Now it shall spring forth; Shall you not know it? I will even make a road in the wilderness And rivers in the desert. It's time to move on and press into what God has for you this year.

Isaiah 43:18-19

To press means to be earnest and single-minded. Time is passing very fast and we must not miss Gods plan for our lives in this final hour.

Please take seriously the prophetic words in this issue.

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#### We are what we are by reason of the choices we have made in life

e see in the book of Ezekiel that some were given greater access and relationship with the Lord than others. We need to ask the question why?

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MARK WELL THOSE WHO ENTER IN

#### GOD LIMITED ACCESS FOR SOME TO HIS PRESENCE AND HIGHER PURPOSES

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## THEY WERE LIMITED IN THEIR ACCESS TO A LEVEL AND RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD

I returned, and saw under the sun, that the race is not to the swift, nor the battle to the strong, neither yet bread to the wise, nor yet riches to men of understanding, nor yet favour to men of skill; but time and chance happeneth to them all.

Eccliesiastes 9:11

## Time and chance happen to everyone

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## EVER HEARD THE QUESTION; "WHY DO SOME PEOPLE GET ALL THE BREAKS?

Well God's Word tells us that time and opportunity happens to all of us. It is often said and is true that, we are what we are by reason of the choices we have made in life, and the choices we make are largely a product of what we think and believe.

#### ACCELERATION IS A PHENOMENON OF OUR TIMES

It would be accurate to say that because of technology and other modern day innovations, that almost everything around us in our lives is in a state of acceleration. Computers are responsible for speeding up many aspects of our lives. A negative ripple in the stock market 20 years ago would have taken weeks to filter through, but today it takes only a few hours. The decisions we make today impact upon us much more quickly than they would have a few years ago.

The process of sowing and reaping is in a state of constant acceleration. God spoke about this phenomenon in relation to the harvest in these last days in this way.

Behold, the days come, saith the LORD, that the plowman shall overtake the reaper, and the treader of grapes him that soweth seed; and the mountains shall drop sweet wine, and all the hills shall melt.

Amos 9:13

Seasons come and go, eras end and new ones begin, during times of major change courses are set for the following years of our lives, and we are in such a change of seasons right now. New alignments we make can affect the rest of our lives.

## THE IMPORTANCE OF MAKING RIGHT DECISIONS

David and Jonathon were great friends, Jonathan knew that God had ordained that David was to become the King of Israel. Jonathan had some understanding of what God was saying and purposing in his day:

And he said unto him, Fear not: for the hand of Saul my father shall not find thee; and thou shalt be king over Israel, and I shall be next unto thee; and that also Saul my father knoweth. 1 Samual 23:17

The times in Israel were changing and although Jonathan knew this, he stayed loyal to something that was dead or dying intending to join with David later; he did not have the courage to align himself with David who represented this new era that was dawning in Israel. <u>This decision</u> <u>cost him his life:</u>

Now the Philistines fought against Israel: and the men of Israel fled from before the Philistines, and fell down slain in mount Gilboa. And the Philistines followed hard upon Saul and upon his sons; and the Philistines <u>slew Jonathan</u>, and Abinadab, and Melchishua, Saul's sons.

1 Samual 31:1-2

Remember Aaron the high priest under pressure sided with the makers of the Golden calf, God forgave him but he never got into the Promised Land.

THE BIBLE TALKS ABOUT THE SONS OF ZADOK AS HAVING A VERY SPECIAL PLACE IN THE END TIMES AND FUTURE

#### PURPOSES OF GOD.

And the LORD said unto me, Son of man, mark well, and behold with thine eyes, and hear with thine ears all that I say unto thee concerning all the ordinances of the house of the LORD, and all the laws thereof; <u>and mark</u> well the entering in of the house, with every going forth of the sanctuary.

Ezekiel 44:5

#### Mark well those who enter in: God limited access to His presence and purposes to certain individuals.

And the Levites that are gone away far from me, when Israel went astray, which went astray away from me after their idols; they shall even bear their iniquity. Yet they shall be ministers in my sanctuary, having charge at the gates of the house, and ministering to the house: they shall slay the burnt offering and the sacrifice for the people, and they shall stand before them to minister unto them. And they shall not come near unto me, to do the office of a priest unto me, nor to come near to any of my holy things, in the most holy place: but they shall bear their shame, and their abominations which they have committed. But I will make them keepers of the charge of the house, for all the service thereof, and for all that shall be done therein. Ezekiel 44:10-1, 13-14

## WE SEE THAT THESE WERE NOT ALLOWED INTO THE MANIFEST PRESENCE OF GOD

They were limited to the outer courts of God presence. However there was another category of people who had access to the very presence of God and the higher purposes of God.

But the priests the Levites, the <u>sons of</u> <u>Zadok</u>, that kept the charge of my sanctuary when the children of Israel went astray from me, they shall come near to me to minister unto me, and they shall stand before me to offer unto me the fat and the blood, saith the Lord GOD: They shall enter into my sanctuary, and they shall come near to my table, to minister unto me, and they shall keep my charge. And they shall teach my people the difference between the holy and profane, and cause them to discern between the unclean and the clean. And in controversy they shall stand in judgment; and they shall judge it according to my judgments: and they shall keep my laws and my statutes in all mine assemblies; and they shall hallow my Sabbaths.

Ezekiel 44:15-16, 23-24

#### WHO WERE THESE SONS OF ZADOK AND WHY DID THEY HAVE FAVOR WITH GOD?

In 2 Samual 18-17 we are given a list of people who ruled with David, one of which was a young priest by the name of Zadok. He and another priest Abiathar had left the house of Saul and sided with David crossing over into the new era in Israel. Both of these men had fruitful ministries but both would face decisions that would determine the rest of their lives.

Shortly after this there was a revolt in the Kingdom, and Absalom who had favor with most of the people sought to take the kingdom from David. This forced the two priests Abiathar and Zadok into making a decision over whom they would side with.

And all the country wept with a loud voice, and all the people passed over: the king also himself passed over the brook Kidron, and all the people passed over, toward the way of the wilderness. <u>And lo Zadok</u> also, and all the Levites were with him, bearing the ark of the covenant of God: and they set down the ark of God; <u>and</u> <u>Abiathar</u> went up, until all the people had done passing out of the city. 2 Samual 15:23-24

#### Both of these priests made the right choice, it must be remembered that if Absalom had prevailed in this struggle both Zadok and Abiathar would have lost their lives.

Time again went by and soon another critical decision was required of both these men. God had purposed that Solomon would become King after the Death of King David, however a man named Adonijah made a move to oust Solomon and make himself King. This again put these two men in a difficult position which would put their lives in jeopardy.

## Sadly this time Abiathar would make a wrong choice

Then Adonijah the son of Hagaith exalted himself, saying, I will be king: and he prepared him chariots and horsemen, and fifty men to run before him. And his father had not displeased him at any time in saying, Why hast thou done so? and he also was a very goodly man; and his mother bare him after Absalom. And he conferred with Joab the son of Zeruiah, and with Abiathar the priest: and they following Adonijah helped him. But Zadok the priest, and Benaiah the son of Jehoiada, and Nathan the prophet, and Shimei, and Rei, and the mighty men which belonged to David, were not with Adoniiah.

1 Kings 1:5-8

This cost Abiathar his priesthood 1 Kings 2: 27. The consequences of the decision that Abiathar made were far reaching in his life along with his descendants lives.

The testing of these two priests is a graphic remainder to us of the

#### importance of making right decisions

Zadok along with his descendants found favor with God that was so important it was worth of mention in God's Word and is used as an example to us all.

But the priests the Levites, the **sons of Zadok**, that kept the charge of my sanctuary when the children of Israel went astray from me, <u>they shall come</u> <u>near to me</u> to minister unto me, and they shall stand before me to offer unto me the fat and the blood, saith the Lord GOD: They shall enter into my sanctuary, and they shall come near to my table, to minister unto me, and they shall keep my charge.

Ezekiel 44:15-16

#### However those who did not make the right choices were limited to the outer courts of God's presence

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Many years later the prophet Ezekiel spoke of a coming new Temple or Order, this temple has never been physically built but it pictures the Body of Christ in the end times after their idols; they shall even bear foreshadowing the church which their iniquity. enters the millennium reign of Jesus. Ezek 44:11 Yet they shall be ministers The layout of Ezekiel's temple was in in my sanctuary, having charge at the the shape of the cross and the law of gates of the house i.e. the outer court this house was the Law of holiness. Ezekiel 44:10-11 This is the law of the house; Upon the Let us choose to us judgment: let us top of the mountain the whole limit know among ourselves what is good.

Fzekiel 43:12

For the eyes of the LORD run to and fro throughout the whole earth, to show himself strong in the behalf of them whose heart is perfect toward him.

Chr 16:9a

Job 34:4

We are now in a new season and it is time to move on and go to another level in God. If we seek Him and search for Him with our whole heart we will find Him in a new way.

And that, knowing the time, that now it is high time to awake out of sleep: for now is our salvation nearer than when we believed.

Romans 13:11

IN THIS TIME OF GREAT CHANGE CHOOSE RIGHT.

#### THERE IS NO EASY PATH FOR THOSE WHO FOLLOW THE LORD.

HE THAT LOOSETH HIS LIFE SHALL SAVE IT.



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The Sons or descendants of Zadok have a special mention as those who

will rule and reign with Jesus.

Time and opportunity happens to us all, choose wisely. Your decisions will

determine the direction of the rest

of your life. The enemy is deploying

deception into the church like never before. This strategy is directed at

enticing God's people into false

doctrines and deceptions that will

disqualify Christians from moving on

into the higher realms in God and

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Intimacy with the Father.

house.

And the Levites that are gone away far from me, when Israel went astray, which went astray away from me

# Strategies to Advance to the next new Level

Discover a new way for a new day!

## BOBBY CONNER

This invitation of advancement is open to all who will obey. Gender or age makes no difference

#### o Delay: It's Time to Proceed to the Next New Level – Possess The Land! A Big Word, For Now, Is "Occupy!"

In a profound encounter, the Spirit of God said, "It is time to go to the next new level!" I was instructed to prepare a remnant of Believers to position themselves to advance proceeding to the next new level, to possess the Land, and to possess and occupy! I said, "Lord, I don't like the word remnant, it seems too selective." He replied, "Don't misunderstand; this invitation of advancement is open to all who will obey. Gender or age makes no difference, it is an issue of the heart." All are called, but few will come!

#### The Peril of Falling Away

Don't allow yourself to stagnate and become callous and cold, now is the time to awake from slumber and rouse to reality (see **Romans 13:11-14**)! Arise and shine and push-on to new heights (see **Isaiah 60:1-5**). The Spirit of Truth is desiring to release profound awesome revelation for any who will seek to come higher. If you contend and earnestly seek this can be a season that the eyes of your heart are flooded with revelatory light (see **Ephesians 1:17-18**). We must go dig deeper into the Word of God to discover the ways of God.

Therefore let us get past the elementary stage in the teachings about the Christ, advancing on to maturity and perfection and spiritual completeness, [doing this] without laying again a foundation of repentance from dead works and of faith toward God, of teaching about washings (ritual purifications), the laying on of hands, the resurrection of the dead, and eternal judgment. [These are all important matters in which you should have been proficient long ago.] And we will do this [that is, proceed to maturity] if God permits. Hebrews 6:1-3 (AMP)

It is time for the Prophetic Seers to go into the Courts of Heaven, behind the veil acquiring the Divine plans and purposes of God. The Spirit of Truth stands ready to release the Divine strategies and blueprints of heaven. This is not a time to be vague and dim, but we must be bright and alert, clear and committed to advance the King in His Kingdom.

## Divine Dissatisfaction Producing a Holy Hunger!

The Spirit of God is fanning the flame of discontentment within the heart of many. We can't remain satisfied and content with our lack of power and spiritual authority; a cry of desperation must burst forth. "Enough is enough!" Ask yourself this question: **Am I willing** to pay the price to seek the Lord for promotion? This will be a season of swift acceleration and advancement if we put God first.

We are instructed to seek the Lord while He is near (see Isaiah 55:6). We are reminded that we only find the Lord when we search with all our heart (see Jeremiah 29:12-13). If we make seeking Him and His Kingdom our top priority, He will take care of everything else (see Matthew 6:33).

There is a wonderful grace offered for us to advance in the times of adversity! The invitation is extended to all saints; however, by a lack of commitment, many will disqualify themselves. This is a time to be desperate for the revealed glory of God. One of the marks of these overcomers will be hunger and complete dissatisfaction with business as usual.

This holy hunger will drive us to seek the Lord on a much more increased level. Jesus states,

"Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be filled."

Matthew 5:6

The Amplified Bible reveals,

"those who hunger and thirst for righteousness (uprightness and right standing with God)...shall be completely satisfied!"

Matthew 5:6 Amplified

It's time to remove all lids of limitations off and believe God for big things, assured that He is able to do much more than we could ask or even think (see **Ephesians 3:20-21**). One way not to miss God's new thing is don't think it is already here. Yes, we are so thankful and grateful for all that God is doing, yet there is much more. The promise is that the whole earth shall be filled with the knowledge of God's glory (see **Numbers 14:2**1 and **Habakkuk 2:14**).

The Spirit of God is stirring our souls and awakening our hearts to seek deeper depths and higher heights. This is the time for you to go all out for Christ and the Kingdom of God. Don't hold back; surrender yourself entirely to the control and guidance of the Holy Spirit. The statement is so true: deep is calling to deep (see Psalm 42:7).

Behold, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs forth; do you not perceive and know it and will you not give heed to it? I will even make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert. Isaiah 43:19

This is a promise of transformational power being released, giving an unction to function. A roadway in the rugged wilderness and flowing refreshing rivers in the dry, barren desert. Nothing is too hard for our God (see **Job 42:2** and **Genesis 18:14**)!

You have heard [these things foretold], now you see this fulfilment. And will you not bear witness to it? I show you specified new things from this time forth, even hidden things [kept in reserve], which you have not knownThey are created now [called into being by the prophetic word], and not long ago; and before today you have never heard of them, lest you should say, "Behold, I knew them!"

Isaiah 48:6-7 (AMPC)

These new things are called into reality by the prophetic proclamation. They

are decreed, and God brings them into reality.	the Spirit says to the churches. To him who overcomes I will give some of the hidden manna to eat. And I will give
We do not have time to delay, the Spirit of Truth is preparing a remnant to proceed to the next new level; we must advance and make progress (see <b>Ephesians 5:14-15</b> ). In this next	him a white stone, and on the stone, a new name written which no one knows except him who receives it." Revelation 2:17
new level, we will begin to grasp a higher, clearer insight into the majesty of the Master. Prepare to behold the living Lord Jesus in a much clearer way.	I pray that 2019 will be filled with the overflowing favor of God upon you and your loved ones. Embrace the promises of God's new day. Expect to see God's mighty power!
It is time to taste the hidden manna reserved for over-comers revealed in Revelation 2:17.	Bobby Conner
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"He who has an ear, let him hear what	

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# THERE IS AN ARMY RISING UP.

For the saints to be partakers of His victory, however, there are conditions: we must follow the Lord Jesus and abide in Him

n 2019 and the years following we will see many sweeping and dramatic changes across the landscape of the church. One of those changes is the assembling, equipping and deployment of the Body of Christ as a mighty, unstoppable army of the Lord Jesus Christ like never before seen on the earth.

# The Captain of our Salvation has completely triumphed over our enemies.

Having wiped out the handwriting of requirements that was against us, which was contrary to us. And He (Jesus) has taken it out of the way, having nailed it to the cross. <sup>15</sup> Having disarmed principalities and powers, <u>He (Jesus) made a public spectacle</u> of them, triumphing over them in it (the cross).

Colossians 2:14-15

Now thanks be to God who always leads us in triumph in Christ, and through us diffuses the fragrance of His knowledge in every place. 2 Corinthians 2:14

The Lord Jesus, having triumphed, leads us into victory over all evil powers. For the saints to be partakers of His victory, however, there are conditions: we must follow the Lord Jesus and abide in Him. If we don't learn to follow Him closely and abide in Him, even though He has provided victory, we will not experience His victory but instead have bitter defeat.

#### The War Is Real

For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this age, against spiritual hosts of wickedness in the heavenly places.

Ephesians 6:12-20

We know that we are of God, and the whole world lies under the sway of the wicked one.

1 John 5:19	Rather than being "sober and vigilant" many professing believers
This charge I commit to you, son Timothy, according to	are indifferent and distracted. Living a distracted and indifferent life opens
the prophecies previously made	the door wide for demonic deception
concerning you, that by them you	to derail your Divine destiny.
may wage the good warfare,	
1 Timothy 1:18	Once we are awakened to the reality that we are in a real war, the second
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good soldier of Jesus Christ. <sup>4</sup> No one	our objective. What is our goal in this
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2 Timothy 2:3-4	to win. This knowledge enables us to
	live focused lives while we avoid and
Beloved, while I was very diligent	overcome the enemy's ploys.
to write to you concerning our common salvation, I found it	Discovering our objective in war
necessary to write to you exhorting	comes from looking at the life of
you to <u>contend</u> earnestly (struggle)	our Master. At the end of His earthly
for the faith which was once for all	ministry, Jesus Christ prayed in John
delivered to the saints. Jude 1:3	17, verses 4 and 6:
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yet unformed. And in Your book they all were written, The days fashioned for me, When as yet there were none of them." Psalm 139:16	Victory in this spiritual war could be described as being able to stand before God, at the end of our lives, and hear the Lord Jesus Christ say:
"For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand that we should walk in them."	"You manifested My Name (character and nature) and you fulfilled the work(s) that I sent you to Earth to do".
Ephesians 2:10 Discovering what God sent us to earth for is not automatic. It must be revealed to us as we seek the Lord. We must also learn to abide in Jesus Christ, and be conformed to His image. This is God's great purpose.	Imagine if believers were awakened to come out of "aimless conduct" and, discovering their divine purpose and destiny, began to live focused and zealous lives seeking to fulfill it. We would see the greatest move of God, with unprecedented love and power, manifest on the earth to gather in the great last days' harvest. This will happen!
"And we know that all things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are the <u>called</u> <u>according to His purpose</u> . For <u>whom He</u> <u>foreknew, He also predestined to</u> <u>be conformed to the image of His</u> <u>Son</u> , that He might be the firstborn among many brethren." Romans 8:28-29	To fulfill God's will we must be aware of and overcome the enemy's ploys. "Lest Satan should take advantage of us; for <u>we are not ignorant of his</u> <u>devices</u> ." 2 Corinthinas 2:11
Being conformed to Christ and finishing the work that we have been sent to do are interrelated. Knowing the Lord and abiding in Him is required in order to properly fulfill His ordained	There are four primary ways the enemy seeks to hinder believers from fulfilling God's destiny for their lives: deception, distraction, discouragement and division.
works. These are two of the primary areas in which Satanic powers will constantly resist us:	<ol> <li><u>To deceive us into disobedience</u></li> <li>Satan wants to <u>deceive</u> Christians so they will not believe and obey His Word.</li> </ol>
1) To blind believers to their eternal purpose of being conformed to the image of Jesus.	And the Lord God said to the woman, "What is this you have done?" The woman said, "The serpent deceived me, and I ate." Genesis 3:13
<ul> <li>2) To keep us from finding and completing our assignment.</li> <li>(you can know your assignment by praying Colossians 1:9-11 regularly</li> </ul>	Satan could not directly harm Adam and Eve. In order to ruin man, Satan had to deceive them into

disobedience. He knew that when they doubted and disobeyed God's Word, that spiritual death would occur. It is the same today. Satan works to deceive the church from knowing and doing God's Word. Many false doctrines are flowing through much of the church today. They are doctrines of demons. Many teachings today only produce lukewarm, powerless believers who have no burden for God's will to be done. The popular "doctrines of demons" dull, blind and distract believers so that they do not understand their eternal purpose (to be conformed to Christ) and they never discover or fulfill their foreordained Divine assignments.

Today, where is the passion to love God with all of our heart, soul, mind and strength; to live only for Him and His glory?

Where is the burden in the churches to reach the lost?

Where are all the saints laboring together to reach the lost and then to diligently teach them, making disciples who truly follow Jesus?

Where are the prayer meetings with tears and groanings?

Where is the hunger and thirst for the beauty of holiness?

Where are the signs, wonders and power gifts to bring in the harvest?

Where is the deep concern and grief over the present lukewarm condition of the church?

Satan doesn't mind if we go to church and hear a self-help message, as long as we do not hear and DO the Word of God.

But be doers of the word, and

not hearers only, deceiving yourselves. James 1:22

#### 2) <u>To distract us away from pure</u> <u>devotion to Christ</u> -

But I am afraid that just as Eve was deceived by the serpent's cunning, your minds may somehow be led astray from your <u>sincere and</u> <u>pure devotion to Christ</u>.

2 Corinthains 11:3

It is only by being sincerely and purely devoted to Christ that we become filled with His light. It is the only way to fill our lamps with oil. The "oil of intimacy" causes the Light of Christ to fill us and shine forth.

Satan doesn't mind if we have lots of "Christian activity". But spending time at the feet of Jesus, devoted to Him, in communion, prayer and meditation on His Word, this is what Satan fears. Pure devotion to Christ causes the church (individually and corporately) to be progressively transformed into His image and to manifest the presence of the Lord.

Where God's presence and power manifests, Satan is completely defeated. Since Satan has no answer for this, his plan is to distract believers away from sincere and pure devotion to Christ, lest they become continually filled with the Holy Spirit.

#### 3) <u>To discourage us so we do</u> <u>not have strong faith in God</u> -

For <u>I want you to know what a</u> <u>great conflict I have for you and those</u> <u>in Laodicea</u>, and for as many as have not seen my face in the flesh, <u>that their</u> <u>hearts may be encouraged</u>, <u>being</u> <u>knit together in love</u>, and attaining to all riches of the full assurance of understanding, to the knowledge of the mystery of God, both of the Father and of Christ, in whom are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge.

Colossians 2:1-3

Before Paul ever came to Colossae, in prayer he discerned the Satanic attack against the saints there. Satan was working to discourage (and divide) them. Discouragement is from the devil. When we are discouraged, even the simplest things become difficult and even impossible. The opposite is also true. When we are encouraged, we feel strength! Difficult things become much easier.

Satan labors to discourage the saints. He does this by blinding us to the truth of how great God is, How faithful He is, How good He is, and How reliable His Word is. The truth is that God watches over His Word to perform it! (Jeremiah 1:12 NRSV)

Not one of all the good promises that the Lord had made to the house of Israel had failed; all came to pass. Joshua 21:45

Notice in Colossians 2:2 (referenced above) that Paul prayed for the discouraged saints that "their hearts may be encouraged, being knit together in love". Being connected to like-minded believers who have a passion for Jesus brings strength and encouragement. Satan wants to isolate and disconnect believers so that they will be weak and discouraged. To stay strong in our walk with God, we must be people of devotion to Christ and His Word, but we must also be rightly connected to the body of Christ.

If you are not in a church that is "on fire" for Jesus, find one and get connected. If you need to move and/or change jobs in order to do so, then do it. It is vital to be "encouraged and knit together in love" so that we have the strength and power to fulfill our eternal destiny.

#### 4) <u>To divide: to bring strife and</u> open the door for every evil work

But if you have bitter envy and selfseeking (strife) in your hearts, do not boast and lie against the truth. This wisdom does not descend from above, but is earthly, sensual, demonic. For where envy and selfseeking (Strife) exist, confusion and every evil thing are there.

James 3:14-16

Unresolved offense, criticism, judgment, finger pointing, anger, unforgiveness, bitterness and division are the ways evil spirits bring believers into captivity.

Strife causes us to lose the manifest presence of God.

Strife causes us to lose the anointing of the Holy Spirit.

Strife causes confusion and opens the door for every evil work.

Unity is just the opposite. Psalm 133 declares that when we are in UNITY, the Lord commands the blessing of His life/presence.

When we love one another (1 John 4:12) God dwells among us.

If we are going to shut the door to "every evil work" and fulfill our destiny in Christ, we must walk in love, forgiveness, and grace as we pursue unity and peace.

Deception, distraction, discouragement and division, which are the primary ploys of Satan, are "destiny stoppers". Let's not give any place to these! Let's become wise in what is good and innocent in what is evil. I want you to be wise in what is good and innocent in what is evil. <u>The God</u> of peace will shortly crush Satan under your feet. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

Romans 16:19b-20

But what things were gain to me, these I have counted loss for Christ. Yet indeed I also count all things loss for the excellence of the knowledge of Christ Jesus my Lord, for whom I have suffered the loss of all things, and count them as rubbish, that I may gain Christ and be found in Him..... Not that I have already attained, or am already perfected; but I press on, that I may lay hold of that for which Christ Jesus has also laid hold of me. Brethren, I do not count myself to have apprehended; but one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind and reaching forward to those things which are ahead, <u>I press</u> toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.

Philippians 3:7-9a, 12-14



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## God wants to take us beyond our tipping point KENT MATTOX

The kingdom has its own share of radical women who challenged the patriarchal rulers of the day

s we have entered into the beginning of the new calendar year, it has become clear that God wants to open the windows of heaven and pour blessings upon us, His people, this season. It would seem that we, as the Body of Christ, have come to a tipping point, a critical mass that God has brought us to so we can literally move into a mighty move of the Holy Spirit. I recently read this little nugget by Dr. Joseph Howell and think it sums up clearly where we are in the Kingdom:

"Suffering caused by unconsciousness continues to mount until critical mass of pain is eventually reached. This critical mass can also be attained quickly by experiencing huge sudden loss. Pain and loss are, at their apex, the person's "wake-up call" to consciousness. Why is it that extremes of loss and pain must occur before we are stirred out of our suffering and unconsciousness? The answer to this question is simply that the critical mass of pain and loss collapses the reason to live. The life's frame of reference, its set of givens and its raison d'etre (the most important reason or purpose for someone or something's existence), are no longer there. It is only then that the person searches for relief and for a way to continue living. It is then that the person can be receptive to the fact that the ego cannot change the reality of pain and loss. The person must now learn to see things in a new way. This new way is found as the awareness of reality is heightened. This is consciousness. Once the new awareness is experienced, one finds it difficult to return to his previous state of awareness because that brings too much suffering."

This further revelation by Dutch Sheets expands upon what critical mass looks like in heaven: "Revelation 5:8 tells us this, "...When He had taken the book, the four living creatures and the twenty-four elders fell down before the Lamb, having each one a harp, and golden bowls full of incense which are the prayers of the saints." Revelation 8:3-5 continues, "And another angel came and stood at the altar, holding a golden censer; and much incense was given to him that he might add it to the prayers of all the saints upon the aolden altar which was before the throne. And the smoke of the incense, with the prayers of the saints, went up before God out of the angel's hand. And the angel took the censer; and he filled it with the fire of the altar and threw it to the earth; and there followed peals of thunder and sounds and flashes of lightning and an earthquake." According to these verses, either when He knows it is the right time to do something or when enough prayer has accumulated to get the job done, He (God) releases power. He takes the bowl and mixes it with fire from the altar. There are bowls in heaven in which our pravers are stored. Not one bowl for all of them but "bowls."

We don't know how many but I think it very likely that each of us has our own bowl in heaven. I don't know if it's literal or symbolic. It doesn't matter. The principle is still the same. God has something in which He stores our prayers for use at the proper time. Recently, I believe the Lord showed me what sometimes happens when we come to Him with a need, asking Him to accomplish what He says in His Word. In answer to our requests, He sends His angels to get our bowls of prayer to mix with the fire of the altar.

When we don't discern that God is moving on our behalf, and are still functioning at the carnal level and we believe, that somehow, some way, we are orchestrating all of the events of our lives, we fall neatly into the category of natural mindedness. It is at the apex of this tipping point that critical mass begins to build, and change occurs as our thinking becomes transformed to spiritual mindedness by the renewing of our minds. God's desire is for us to not be conformed to the ways of the world, or, if you will, to the limitations of our five senses. For many of us, even as believers, our hope and expectations are limited to, and by, what we see, hear, feel, taste, and smell. God wants to take us beyond our five senses so we are positioned to overcome a limited mindset. Limiting ourselves to believing that we can only have what we see, hear, feel, taste or touch negates our understanding and interaction with the spiritual realm that is very much alive in and around us. Romans 12:2 reminds us, "Do not be conformed to the world (a limited natural life) but be transformed (open your mind to the spiritual realm) by the renewing of your mind...."

The word conformed is a Greek word and means to fashion oneself according to, or to form oneself to another's pattern. The greek word for conform (syschematizo), as used here, is a derivative of the word schema, which comprises everything in a person which strikes the senses: figure, bearing, discourse, actions, manner of life, etc. When we conform to the world, we attempt to outwardly model what we see or perceive to be the lifestyle of those who walk in darkness. It is a funny thing that we who bear the light and who are called to be different would then disquise our light to blend in and look like those who are ignorant of the hope that lies within us. Yet, the Word clearly teaches that we are not to buy into the syschematizos, or schemes of the enemy, which are designed to keep us blinded to the spiritual world. Rather, our minds are to be renewed and restored back to God's original design. In other words, we are to renew our minds to our Creator's original design for us before the fall of Adam, and therefore, mankind. Prior to the Fall, man lived with spiritual mindedness and was open, connected, and in constant communication with God, sharing sweet fellowship while walking in the cool of the garden. Renewal and restoration is literally getting back to the spiritual mindedness that you and I are created and designed to have. You may ask, "Why is that important?" Romans 8:6 lays it out for us, "The mind governed by the flesh is death, but the mind governed by the Spirit is life and peace."

Isn't that interesting? Do you know how many people live this life in the earth, who are spiritually dead and completely unaware that they have a purpose and that God has a plan for their life? Without His Presence we drift through life, sometimes successfully, but without any awareness of God's Presence, much less His purpose and plan. Drifting completely negates the Holy Spirit's availability and access to God. Romans 8:6 admonishes us to be aware that to be carnally minded, or natural minded (guided only by our five senses), is spiritual death. To be carnally minded is death, but to be spiritually minded is life and peace. To live every day knowing we have a purpose and plan, even when negative things happen in our lives, has to be appealing to anyone who lives led only by their senses. When we know that God is working ALL THINGS TOGETHER for our good our minds cannot help but be relieved, renewed, and restored.

Romans 8:26-36 enlightens us to God's plan, "In the same way, the Spirit helps us in our weakness, we do not know what we ought to pray for, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us through wordless groans. And He who searches our hearts knows the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for God's people in accordance with the will of God. And we know that all things work together for those that love God and are called according to his purpose." When we live with spiritual awareness and are mindful of God's purposes we are not **stuck** in difficult circumstances or problems because we know that God has a plan. It is vitally important to allow God to renew our minds and bring us back to the place of spiritual mindedness so we are not moved by every trial and test that life throws our way.

When we begin to see God for who He is then we can see ourselves as we are originally designed to function. As we reach our critical mass and individual tipping points we begin to recognize that God's intentionality removes all limitations that confine us to our natural senses. We have a very real and active spiritual life that is connected to the Kingdom of God and all the promises, purposes, and plans that God has for our lives.

I pray all fear, shame, doubt and unbelief is driven far away from our minds, and in this season God continues to develop a spiritual mindset and revelation that we have been co-created with Christ and that we are not living our lives separated from God. We are co-laboring with Christ because the Cross has made us compatible with God so that we could live a life continuously connected to the heavenly realm while here on earth. I bless you with a renewed mind and a supernaturally restored mindset to walk with God in new and creative ways as God opens the windows of heaven and pours blessings upon us in this new season.



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If you ignore the "red" sign you will meet with accident. Red signifies danger.

n August 28, 2016, as I was waiting on God, the Word of the Lord came unto me. And I heard the Lord Jesus said, "Tell them that the sign in the sky is red". As I meditated on that Word this Scripture came before my mind:

He answered and said to them, "When it is evening you say, 'It will be fair weather, for the sky is red'; and in the morning, 'It will be foul weather today, for the sky is red and threatening.' Hypocrites! You know how to discern the face of the sky, but you cannot discern the signs of the times."

Matthew 16:2-3

If you observe carefully these Scriptures, the word red is mentioned twice. The Lord Jesus used this color to talk about the different climatic patterns. Now, red signifies a foul weather all day; that is the season of the time in this last days. The Lord Jesus is saying to us, "The sign in the sky is red. From now onwards it's going to be a foul weather all day."

What first comes to your mind when the color red is mentioned? It most probably

will be the word *danger*. If you are driving your car, when you come before the traffic lights, and if it turned "red," you know should stop. But some people don't care, they just go ahead. If you ignore the "red" sign you will meet with accident. Red signifies danger.

The Lord Jesus showed me six representations for the color *red*.

#### 1. JUDGMENT

But God is the Judge: He puts down one, and exalts another. For in the hand of the Lord there is a cup, and the wine is red; It is fully mixed, and He pours it out; Surely its dregs shall all the wicked of the earth drain and drink down.

Psalms 75:7-8

The times in which we are living these days is called the Last Days. In these Last Days, God has risen from His throne (Ps 68:1). The moment He rises up, the first thing that happens is: His enemies will be scattered. Once God arises from His throne He will execute judgement. Once He gets up from His throne, in Psalms 75:7 says, He will rise up as a judge and will put down the sinners (Ps 75:7).

#### 2. VENGENCE

Who is this who comes from Edom, with dyed garments from Bozrah, this One who is glorious in His apparel, traveling in the greatness of His strength? — "I who speak in righteousness, mighty to save." Why is Your apparel red, and Your garments like one who treads in the winepress? "I have trodden the winepress alone, and from the peoples no one was with Me. For I have trodden them in My anger, and trampled them in My fury; Their blood is sprinkled upon My garments, and I have stained all My robes. For the day of vengeance is in My heart, and the year of My redeemed has come.

Isaiah 63:1-4

When God rises up as judge He puts on a different colored robe; He puts on a red garment. Why? His time of vengeance has come. For too long you have been suffering for righteousness sake. You held your peace. You have been persecuted by all people around you.

About 30 years ago, I was invited by a family in Koilpatti, Tamilnadu to go and pray for them. A young family of three: father, mother, and new born baby, were attacked by evil spirits due to witchcraft done against them. They could not live in their newly constructed house.

Their next door neighbor – a Hindu priest and a practising witch-doctor put curses on them. As a result their life went through hell. As I prayed for the family the Lord showed me how the Hindu priest had put witchcraft on this family. The Lord told me, "My time has come to take vengeance on behalf of My children. They have suffered too long. Now you pray against this witch doctor and command that he be stripped of his powers. You command judgement to come upon him."

As counselled by the Lord I prayed throughout the night. And then the judgement of God fell upon the witch doctor. And before the eyes of everyone in the village that witch-doctor died a horrible death. God took vengeance on behalf of His people.

God will take vengeance on behalf of His righteous people. For too long, the righteous have been persecuted. In Revelation 6:9-11, we read where the apostle John sees a company of martyrs crying out to God: "How long, O Lord, holy and true, until You judge and avenge our blood on those who dwell on the earth?" (v.10).

When Cain killed his own brother, Abel, God asked him: "What have you done? The voice of your brother's blood cries out to Me from the ground" (Gen 4:10). So, God will arise from His throne and will take vengeance on behalf of His people.

#### 3. DANGER

And another sign appeared in heaven: behold, a great, fiery red dragon having seven heads and ten horns, and seven diadems on his heads. His tail drew a third of the stars of heaven and threw them to the earth. And the dragon stood before the woman who was ready to give birth, to devour her Child as soon as it was born. Revelation 12:3-4

Look at the phrase great fiery red dragon. Who is this "great red dragon?" it is none other than the devil himself (Rev 12:9). Look at these two contrasts: the Lord Jesus Christ manifests as a gentle Lamb and as a great and brave Lion (Rev 5:5-6). Whereas, the devil manifests as a dragon—fire breathing, foul looking ugly dragon.

The fiery red dragon is now a threat and danger to us. How so? Revelation 12:4 says that he used his tail to draw down a third of the stars in heaven. Two things are mentioned here. One, his tail, and the other are stars in heaven. The "stars in heaven" refer to the mighty men and women of God. Daniel 12:3 says, "Those who are wise shall shine like the brightness of the firmament, and those who turn many to righteousness like the stars forever and ever." The act of using the tail signifies deception. So through cunningness and deceptions the devil is going to cause – deceive even the elect in the Lord to fall (Matt 24:24). This is the first danger.

Those who are shinning like stars—men and women of God, be very careful concerning the viles and deceptions of the devil in these last days. How could the dragon deceive the "shining stars?" How Lucifer, the brightest and most glorious angel did become a dragon? *Pride* (Ezek 28:12-18). In the same manner, all those who are shining like stars will be lured by the dragon's tail if they continue to be prideful.

Ministers of God, be very careful. You can never say, "I am standing strong, nothing can deceive me." The Bible warns, "Therefore let him who thinks he stands take heed lest he fall" (1 Cor 10:12). Remember the Lord Jesus' warning: "But he who endures to the end shall be saved" (Matt 24:13).

The second danger is that the dragon stands at the mouth of the woman's womb watching when her baby will come out. Obviously to kill it before the babythe man child can born and become an exceedingly great and mighty army to be a threat to him. Similarly this was how the new born babies were killed during the birth of the baby Moses (Ex 1:15-22). And such killing also happened during the birth of the Baby Jesus (Matt 2:16-18). The Bible further tells us that he goes to make war with the remnant of the saints of God (Rev 12:17). Times of persecution is coming for the true remnant believers of God. Persecution is going to be heated seven times in the last days as the furnace of Nebuchadnezzar (Dan 3:19).

The people of God must learn to put on the whole armor of God to stand in the evil days (Eph 6:11,13). These are the evil days, so learn to put on the whole armor of God. When you put it on then you will able to wage war against the dragon and his angels. But remember one thing, the battle is not with flesh and blood. But "against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this age, against spiritual hosts of wickedness in the heavenly places" (Eph 6:12). That is why God is equipping you with the armor of light (Rom 13:12). The armor is of light because light dispels darkness.

So remain strong and faithful till the end, because the dragon will now go after the true remnant believers of God with great wrath (Rev 12:12). Revelation 12:11 says, "And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony, and they did not love their lives to the death." Be faithful unto the end, to the extent of not loving your lives even unto death.

#### 4. WAR

Another horse, fiery red, went out. And it was granted to the one who sat on it to take peace from the earth, and that people should kill one another; and there was given to him a great sword.

Revelation 6:4

The Apostle John saw a red horse go forth when the second seal was broken by the Lord Jesus. A great sword was given to the rider on the horse and he went forth killing.

Great wars are going to take place in many parts of the world. Already now we see the ISIS in the Middle East creating a great torture and havoc. Not only there but also in many nations in Africa. In the coming days these wars are going to increase. As a result of these wars, famines and sicknesses are going to increase; sicknesses of uncontrollable kind.

New air-borne viruses and diseases will appear. The latest virus that appeared is Zika. It started last year in Brazil and has spread to 52 nations of the world so far. There are no controllable medicines for Zika, yet another unnamed virus has been discovered in Tiruvallur, Tamilnadu, India. A strange virus is affecting children. Many children have died so far and the authorities do not know what the cause is. Older people are fearing that after children they will be affected next. The Lord Jesus warned, these are the signs of the last days (Matt 24:7).

When we see all these things that are taking place around us why are we still

blind? Why can't be discern the signs of the times? When there is war there is bloodshed, innocent lives are killed. The ISIS terrorists are using innocent people as human shields around them. Hamas terrorists and Palestinian terrorists did that in the past. In 1991 Saddam Hussein did that. Millions of innocent lives are been killed. When the innocents' blood falls on the ground, the Bible tells us, the ground cries out to God (Isa 33:9; Rom 8:22) and that causes natural earthquakes in the world.

Scientists may give different natural reasons for earthquakes, but the spiritual cause is the shedding of blood. When men and women abort fetuses in the womb, you are killing innocent lives. You may think it's only a small formless fetus. It's not just a small formless fetus, but, as long there is heartbeat, it is life. You cannot say, "I am not ready and it is not a pregnancy." Abortion, is murder; you are a murderer.

The fetus that is thrown on the ground, or into the dumpster, or eaten by animals or given to the laboratories for experiments or secretly buried in caves or burned, doesn't matter. Blood has been shed on the ground and that blood will cry from the ground (Gen 4:10). God will send His judgement by shaking the ground.

#### 5. ARMY OF GOD

I saw by night, and behold, a man riding on a red horse, and it stood among the myrtle trees in the hollow; and behind him were horses: red, sorrel, and white. Then I said, "My lord, what are these?" So the angel who talked with me said to me, "I will show you what they are." And the man who stood among the myrtle trees answered and said, "These are the ones whom the Lord has sent to walk to and fro throughout the earth." So they answered the Angel of the Lord, who stood among the myrtle trees, and said, "We have walked to and fro throughout the earth, and behold, all the earth is resting quietly."

Zechariah 1:8-11

The Army of God—a youth army, will rise

up all over the world empowered by God. God will pour out His glory upon the young people. They will go forth to do great exploits for God. Great power will be given to them that the world has never seen before. This is why it is important for young people to keep their bodies pure and holy.

Youths should guard their virginity till the day of their marriage. No matter how much they are tempted, they must not lose their virginity. It is the plan of the devil to make them lose their virginity as the sons of God were tempted and fell in eras gone by (Gen 6:2). The devil will tempt them and cause you to lose their virginity so that he can keep on condemning them that they have lost the grace of God. The condemnation will make the youths to blame themselves for having missed the glory and the grace of God. The devil will condemn them making them feel unclean and dirty and that they are not fit to be part of the holy army of God.

Youths, do not believe the glossy lies that you see in the media. All over the world the media is now portraying the gay lifestyle as something fashionable and like the need of the hour. Famous Hollywood celebrities, sportsmen, even American lawmakers are now boldly and unashamedly saying that they are gays. Many nations in the world have now legalize same sex marriage. And the gay community is vociferously demanding that other people must accept their life style as legitimate.

Youths, especially those who are of the age 16 and above, guard your virginity because you are the Army of God. If by chance you have lost your virginity don't sink in the pool of condemnation. Repent right now and come back into the love of God. If you were an innocent of rape or sexual abuse, by beloved youths don't feel that you have lost the grace of God. I am persuaded by God that your body can be recreated as if you are a pure virgin. All things are possible by God.

#### 6. BLOODSHED

"But when you see Jerusalem surrounded by armies, then know that its desolation is near. Then let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains, let those who are in the midst of her depart, and let not those who are in the country enter her. For these are the days of vengeance, that all things which are written may be fulfilled. But woe to those who are pregnant and to those who are nursing babies in those days! For there will be great distress in the land and wrath upon this people. And they will fall by the edge of the sword, and be led away captive into all nations. And Jerusalem will be trampled by Gentiles until the times of the Gentiles are fulfilled. Luke 21:20-24

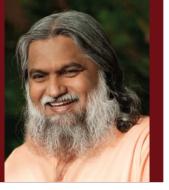
Bloodshed is coming upon Jerusalem, the City of God. War has been appointed, and it is coming, very soon. Our God is a good God He is watching over you.

In conclusion let us remember the Word of the Lord: "Tell them the sign in the sky is red." Let us prepare ourselves to face the coming days.

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There is a greater need for sensitivity and obedience to the leading of the Holy Spirit than ever before

hile spending time with the Lord in prayer these past few weeks I've come to a place of rest and resolve. Rest because I have learned, and I am learning how to place all my plans, purposes and pursuits as well as all my struggles and cares upon Him.

Resolve because I know in this season of transition into the Kingdom age and Great awakening that is upon us, there is a greater need for sensitivity and obedience to the leading of the Holy Spirit than ever before. I do not want to try and coast to the finish line in this life through the belief that the end of all things is near and the coming of the Lord draws ever closer. No, as Paul said, if we want to win the prize we must train and exercise constantly that we might win, just as any athlete who wants to excel at his sport will work and strive for excellence in his pursuit of a championship. You don't quit, you don't let down until the final whistle!

As a young man my sport was distance

running. I loved the mile and twomile races. We would train for days and weeks, even months, preparing for the challenge of winning the title and trophy at the end of the season for the best team. Each race you would have to set a pace that would keep you on the edge of what you were capable of with the thought of going beyond into territory that you had never crossed before. Each lap was building towards a final lap, the leg of the race that would determine who had trained and prepared, who would endure and find the strength to dig ever deeper to be the first across that finish line.

When that final lap came, somehow you would dig deeper into yourself for that last ounce of strength and determination, for that last spurt of power that would carry you across that line. And when all of that training and hard work paid off; when you won that race, the joy of being the winner made all those months and even years of training and preparation

#### worth it!

As the challenge of each day comes I am faced with a decision: will I live this day to its utmost and strive for the excellence of conformity to Christ, or will I meander through the day without a thought of the greater calling of God to all His people in this hour – to be a light in the midst of the ever increasing darkness.

The Lord has been challenging me through His word; asking me questions and causing me to contend in a greater measure for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ. I want to give you just a couple of examples of what this looks like in my life and how I am encouraged by the Spirit of God to position myself for the days ahead. I believe each one of us will be challenged in our own way by the Spirit of the Lord to move toward this ever-increasing place in God, however if you are struggling and in need of a starting place, this may help you.

"Now Jesus and His disciples went out to the towns of Caesarea Philippi; and on the road He asked His disciples, saying to them, "Who do men say that I am?" So, they answered, "John the Baptist; but some say, Elijah; and others, one of the prophets." He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" Peter answered and said to Him, "You are the Christ."

Luke 8:27-29

As I read this scripture the Lord spoke to my heart and asked me, "Who do YOU say that I am?" At first, I was a little bit taken aback at such an obvious question. But the Lord who is gracious to me when I seem to be missing the point rephrased the question for me. He said, "Who do you say that I am to you today?"

As I thought about this question, I realized that as I faced each day with its new challenges, I had the This is the place of victory! This is the

opportunity of seeing different facets and varying degrees of the Lord's involvement in my life based upon the need of the moment. Say for instance I'm challenged with the need for strength to continue on, it is in my recognition of Jesus as the Strength of My life that helps me to persevere (Phil 4:13). So, at that point, I say, "Lord, you are my strength!"

If I am not feeling well, I then say, "Lord, you are my healer!" Each day, every moment of the day I can choose to recognize who He is to me at any given moment.

Let me go a little bit further. When Jesus asked the disciples, "Who do you say that I am" only Peter responded. He made a declaration based upon the revelation that was given him, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God."

Here is where we oft times miss the Lord. We speak without revelation and it has no impact in our lives because it does not have the life or light of the Spirit of God who gives us understanding and insight. As the Lord said to me many years ago, "Until it is life in you, it can never be released as life through you", speaking of the word.

We need to grow in our relationship with the Lord and His word and take the time to truly know Him. We must move past the menial and mundane 'church experience' of that which is portrayed as Christianity today and into the realm of intimacy with the Lord so when we speak, we are speaking from experience, from our position of intimacy and knowledge of Him; from having walked with him as the very heart and center of our lives. We must get to the place where what we say about who He is in our lives becomes that declaration via revelation that brings life!

place of overcoming! It is beyond the ordinary and is communicated with insight and authority because the light and life of revelation has dawned in our hearts, and now we have something to share of Kingdom value.

In the same way, the Lord challenged me with an oft quoted scripture,

"And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony, and they did not love their lives to the death"

Revelation 12:11

He said, "The blue print for victory in every challenge you have throughout your day is found in this verse."

I said, "What do you mean Lord?"

He said, "Because of the covenant of my blood you have redemption and access to all the promises and all the benefits of the Kingdom of Heaven. You access them by what you say in any given situation; by your testimony."

Immediately I understood. My testimony is not just that backward look about the trials Jesus has brought me through, but more importantly about what I am facing now! What am I saying when I am faced by the challenges that come my way each and every day? What do I speak while in the midst of these tests and challenges? My 'testimony', my 'declaration spoken through the lifegiving revelation of the Spirit of God' is what gives me the victory!

In the midst of the storm do I cry out, "Lord help me, I'm drowning! Don't you care?" Or do I say, "Peace, be still?"

We have come to a time where the Body of Christ is being challenged to step into their Kingdom Authority and to shine the light of God's Glory wherever we go and in any circumstance we find ourselves in. There is a culling taking place. The 'varsity team' if you will is being selected in this hour to begin this final phase of the Kingdom of Heaven on the earth. As professional athletes they have trained long and hard with a focus and intent to be the best and to win the crown. Their lamps are trimmed!

Those who have neglected the time and effort to 'train', to participate in this season will find themselves struggling to keep up. I'm not talking about the works of your flesh nor am I speaking of any religious protocol. I am talking about a meaningful and passionate relationship with the Lord. This yearning for Him causes you to spend time in prayer, fasting and the studying of His word that you might know Him! This process of sanctification and consecration has been going forth for many years now.

We are right now in the valley of decision. Will you pick up your cross today and follow Him? Are you prepared and willing to lay aside every weight that so easily besets you and to run the race set before you? Your coach, your helper, Holy Spirit is here right now to get you 'up to speed' for the final race – if you are willing.



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## PEACE AND SAFETY A CLOSER LOOK AT THE WARS DESCRIBED IN

PSALM 83, ZACHARIAH 12 AND EZEKIEL 38

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we are at great risk of gaining much intellectual knowledge, but not knowing the Lord Jesus Himself

s a whole, the mainstream church believes what she is told to believe. Instead of learning to be led by the Spirit of all Truth, she follows the teaching of a man/woman or a ministry, resulting in the body of Christ becoming lazy, vulnerable to deception, being tossed to and fro with every kind of doctrine, and never truly growing up into the matured stature of Christ.

We need the true gifts of the apostles, prophets, evangelists, pastors and teachers, but with so many voices and opinions circulating through various forums, we need to discern what is of God, and what is not.

And He Himself gave some to be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, and some pastors and teachers, for the equipping of the saints for the work of ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ, till we all come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to a perfect man, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ; that we should no longer be children, tossed to and fro and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the trickery of men, in the cunning craftiness of deceitful plotting, but, speaking the truth in love, may grow up in all things into Him who is the head—Christ— from whom the whole body, joined and knit together by what every joint supplies, according to the effective working by which every part does its share, causes growth of the body for the edifying of itself in love.

Ephesians 4:11-16

Note how the primary purpose of the 5-fold ministry is to mature the body into the fullness of Christ. In an age of instantaneously attainable information, we are at great risk of gaining much intellectual knowledge, but not knowing the Lord Jesus Himself. Knowing about the Lord is not the same as knowing *Him*, just as 'doing the greater works', can never take the place of becoming Love personified, and being known by Him because of our Love.

## Nowthepurposeofthecommandment is love from a pure heart.

1 Timothy 1:5

In this article, I aim to awaken in you a hunger to seek greater understanding of the Word of God for yourself with a pure heart, as well as be able to discern the times we are living in. We are going to see prophetic passages of Scriptures come alive in our lifetime, but if we don't know much about them how on earth are we going to be able to be prepared for them?

Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.

Matthew 5:8

A pure heart will see God, and will therefore see Truth, as He is Truth. An impure heart will not see God, and not see Truth, thus opening the door to deception. An example of this is the introduction of pre-tribulation rapture in the 1800s, which soon gained popularity and by the 1970s was widely assumed to be sound end-time theology. That is a problem, the body of Christ needs to mature and both discern, and seek out the truth, by turning to Jesus Christ – Truth Himself.

We need to come to the Word of God in a humble and contrite manner, emptying ourselves of pre-conceived ideas, and truly seeking Truth. Thank God, He gave us the Holy Spirit who promised to guide us into all truth.

However, when He, the Spirit of truth, has come, He will guide you into all truth; for He will not speak on His own authority, but whatever He hears He will speak; and He will tell you things to come.

John 16:13

I have been drawn to understand endtime Biblical prophecy for a number of years, and I enjoy discussing the Word with other Believers. However, it has been my common experience that the majority of Believers adopt the teaching and opinion of a specific man/woman or ministry, and are unable to back up their opinion from the Word of God for themselves. Failing to read the Word of God for themselves, and relying purely on other's conclusions leaves individuals (and subsequently the body of Christ) in a vulnerable position, susceptible to deception and at risk of being tossed to and fro by every wind of doctrine, as we read above in Ephesians 4:14.

Jesus spoke a lot about the Kingdom of God, and the signs of the end of the age, such as in Matthew 24, Luke 21 and Mark 13 to name a few. Over the last millennia, centuries and decades it must have surely seemed that the Lord's return was imminent, and yet there are prophecies relating to Israel, and specific battles that must be fulfilled before the Lord's return. In an age where the Internet is overflowing with thousands of teachers, it is easy to hear another person's opinion, and adopt it as your own. My challenge to you is this. Read Scripture for yourself, tackle end-time prophecies, and ask the Holy Spirit to give understanding and revelation on the matter, and remain open to His leading. With the soon coming return of the King, none of us want to be unprepared and ignorant to the times we're living in, and the following Biblical end-time prophecies contain major pointers to what is to come.

I was born and grew up in Africa and I love it's wildlife. The determination of the Hippopotamus to maintain direct access to water is how I would equate the need to hear God for myself. Don't let anything or anyone come between you and the water! Pursue the Lord for yourself, pursue your own understanding and gain revelation from the Holy Spirit. Don't settle for someone else's opinion, even if it sounds plausible. Search it out for yourself and invite the Spirit of Truth to lead you.

#### May the Spirit of Truth tell you things to come! As we discuss end-time prophecy, put this into action and do the study for yourself.

Now, I want to stir up in you a desire to seek revelation directly from the Spirit of God, and to look for pointers in this season, that will point to the return of the King. Jesus Himself said in Matthew 24:44 that we need to be ready for the coming of the Son of Man. In Luke 12:56 Jesus criticised the multitudes, saying, "Hypocrites! You can discern the face of the sky and of the earth, but how is it you do not discern this time?"

#### **So how do you know in which point of Biblical Prophecy we are now living?** Let's start with the words of Jesus.

In Matthew 24:15 Jesus refers to Daniel 9, saying.

"Therefore when you see the 'abomination of desolation,' spoken of by Daniel the prophet, standing in the holy place" (whoever reads, let him understand), "then let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains.

Matthew 24:15

Daniel 9:27 speaks of someone that will confirm a covenant for one week (seven days = seven years), but in the middle of the week will break that covenant and go to war against Israel

and the Church.

Then he shall confirm a covenant with for many one week: But in the middle of the week He shall bring end an to sacrifice and offering. And on the of abominations shall wing one who makes desolate, be Even until the consummation, which is determined, Is poured out on the desolate."

Daniel 9:27

Paul also refers to the words of Jesus when he quotes:

For when they say, "Peace and safety!" then sudden destruction comes upon them, as labour pains upon a pregnant woman. And they shall not escape.

1 Thessalonians 5:3

Three things must take place before the Antichrist breaks the covenant with Israel 'mid-week' (after 3  $\frac{1}{2}$ years):

- 1) The temple will have been built
- 2) Israel will be at peace
- 3) A covenant of peace will have been brokered with Israel's Arab neighbouring countries

#### The Temple

The components for the third temple are ready, even the new altar was dedicated on 10<sup>th</sup> December 2018. To quote from the Temple Institute's website, "The Temple Institute's ultimate goal is to see Israel rebuild the Holy Temple on Mount Moriah in Jerusalem." However, the temple cannot be built until peace has been brokered, so we need to look for Biblical end-time prophecies that refer to peace between Israel and her neighbouring countries.

You will say, 'I will go up against a

land of unwalled villages; I will go to a peaceful people, who dwell safely, all of them dwelling without walls, and having neither bars nor gates'

Ezekiel 38:11

We know that a peace treaty will be signed with Israel – so my question is: What must first happen in order for Israel to come into peace and safety?

There are three specific prophecies relating to wars with Israel. Since Daniel 9 refers to the Antichrist confirming a peace treaty with Israel, it is fair to assume that peace is somehow attained prior to his 'confirmation' of this peace. This peace treaty must be a result of Israel having won a war or wars against her enemies. Once we see Israel win these wars and come out triumphant, we can be sure that the Antichrist is on the scene.

#### Psalm 83, Zachariah 12 and Ezekiel 38

These three Scriptures relate to wars with Israel. One these wars must have resulted in peace, in order for Ezekiel 38:11 to happen. I do not believe that the battle of Psalm 83 or Zachariah 12 have happened yet. I know most people think that these battles happened when Israel fought the wars of either 1948, or 1967 between Arab states. But they never produced the peace that we see described in Ezekiel 38:11. Israel have not had much peace for the past 70 years and we only see it getting worse.

These three Scriptures each speak about Israel being invaded by her enemies, but are they referring to the same wars, or different wars? When do these battles take place? Are they independent of each other? Are there similarities? When do they happen? Have they already happened? Will we see them? Questions, questions and more questions!

## Let's break it down and firstly look at Psalm 83.

Asaph, who was David's worship leader, but also a 'Seer Prophet' over 3000 years ago, wrote Psalm 83. He wrote 12 Psalms: 50 and 73-83. He also wrote them in a time of Israel winning wars and gaining land. But here in Psalm 83 we read about a confederacy coming against Israel. He was seeing a future event. Will we see this battle? I believe yes and things will only accelerate faster and faster from thereon in.

So, I want to share where I am at, using the Scriptures. It may conflict with your opinion, but do you know what, that's OK. As long as we each seek to be led by the Spirit of Truth, we will get there and together build up the bigger picture.

Could I suggest, that we might very soon see Psalm 83 and Zachariah 12, as I also believe they are the same battle, being played out in the next year to 18 months or so in Israel. Here is why I feel we are about to see this happen. Let's look at the Scriptures.

Prayer to Frustrate Conspiracy Against Israel

A Song. A Psalm of Asaph. Do not keep silent, O God! Do not hold Your peace, And do not be still, O God! For behold, Your enemies make a tumult: And those who hate You have lifted up their head. They have taken crafty counsel against Your people, And consulted together against Your sheltered ones. They have said, "Come, and let us cut them off from being a nation, That the name of Israel may be remembered no more." For they have consulted together with

one consent;

They form a confederacy against You: The tents of Edom and the Ishmaelites; Moab and the Hagrites;

Gebal, Ammon, and Amalek;

Philistia with the inhabitants of Tyre;

Assyria also has joined with them; They have helped the children of Lot.

Selah

Deal with them as with Midian, As with Sisera,

As with Jabin at the Brook Kishon, Who perished at En Dor,

Who became as refuse on the earth. Make their nobles like Oreb and like Zeeb,

Yes, all their princes like Zebah and Zalmunna,

Who said, "Let us take for ourselves

The pastures of God for a possession." O my God, make them like the whirling dust,

Like the chaff before the wind! As the fire burns the woods,

And as the flame sets the mountains on fire,

So pursue them with Your tempest, And frighten them with Your storm. Fill their faces with shame,

That they may seek Your name, O Lord.

Let them be confounded and dismayed forever;

Yes, let them be put to shame and perish,

That they may know that You, whose name alone is the Lord,

Are the Most High over all the earth. Psalms 83

The ancient nations listed here in Psalm 83 have modern equivalents. They are the Muslim Brotherhood, certain Palestinian groups like Hamas, Hezbollah, Fatah, the Wahhabi sect of Islam, and the Islamic militants from the group named 'Assyria', mainly Iranian ruling regime through Hezbollah and Hamas with other Islamic and Turkish Jihadist. Totally different to the nations involved in the 1948, 1967 and 1973 wars like Egypt, Syria, Jordan supported by Lebanon and Iraq. So I just can't see the war of Psalm 83 and Zachariah 12 to have happened yet. Did these wars produce total peace in the region? Simply no. Reading this, you might disagree, and that's OK, but just hear me out. If at the end, we agree to differ, and then let's do it with love for each other and maturity.

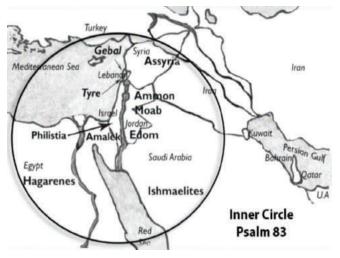
The Lord makes Israel a stumbling block to the nations.

The Coming Deliverance of Judah The burden of the word of the Lord against Israel. Thus says the Lord, who stretches out the heavens, lays the foundation of the earth, and forms the spirit of man within him: "Behold, I will make Jerusalem a cup of drunkenness to all the surrounding peoples, when they lay siege against Judah and Jerusalem. And it shall happen in that day that I will make Jerusalem a very heavy stone for all peoples; all who would heave it away will surely be cut in pieces, though all nations of the earth are gathered against it.

Zechariah 12:1-3

Pictured below: The enemies that surround Israel as described in Psalm 83 and Zachariah 12.

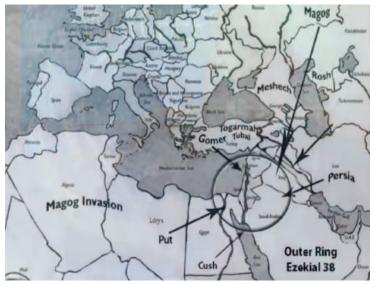
However the nations that come



against Israel in Ezekiel 38 are entirely different.

So that answers one question: Psalm 83 and Zechariah 12 are the same battle but Ezekiel 38 is a separate battle.

Pictured below: the nations described in Ezekiel 38 that come against Israel. In Ezekiel 38, a massive army invades Israel. It involves: Turkey, Iran, Libya,



Break away countries of the Soviet Union, Some North African states, Sudan.

What about Russia? I believe Russia is involved but look at this...

#### Gog's Armies Destroyed

"And you, son of man, prophesy against Gog, and say, 'Thus says the Lord God: "Behold, I am against you, O Gog, the prince of Rosh, Meshech, and Tubal; and I will turn you around and lead you on, bringing you up from the far north, and bring you against the mountains of Israel.

Ezekiel 39:1-2

Far North? This is not Russia. I believe that Gog and Magog is Turkey. When we see the word Rosh here, many think its Russia. It cannot be. The word "Rosh" is a Hebrew word meaning "head" or "chief". Ezekiel is calling out 'the prince of Rosh', the head of all the other areas mentioned, which are in Turkey. Turkey will be the main 'head' of this army. Also Ezekiel wrote at a time when these places were in Asia Minor, modern day Turkey.

Pictured below, Ezekiel 38 refers to Gog, Meshech and Tubal, in present day Turkey.

Now if you take a compass bearing from Jerusalem due North, towards

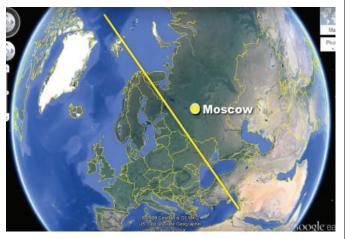


the furthest Northern point on earth, the North Pole, it only just skims part of Russia and nowhere near Moscow. See below.

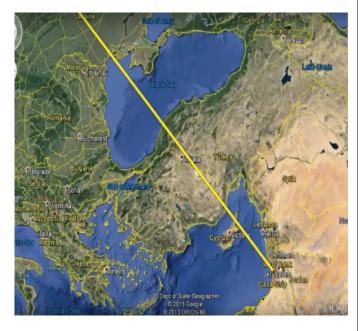
Google Maps: Due North From Jerusalem To North Pole.



#### Notice, it just skims Russia



However, it goes directly through Turkey, with Syria just below



Could Turkey be where this massive army comes from?

1) The 7 Churches were in Turkey, Rev 2

2) Satan's seat was in Turkey, Rev 2:13

3) Ankara is north of Jerusalem, Ez 38:15, 39:2

4) Noah's Ark landed in Turkey, Gen 8:4

5) Iran shares border with Turkey, Ez 38:15

6) Fountains of waters are in Turkey, Rev 16:12

Bible says Gog is Turkey, Ez 38:3

#### How are the wars won?

Another major difference is that in Ezekiel 38 it is God who shows Himself powerful, but in Psalm 83 and Zachariah 12 it is the nation of Israel, through their military might, who show themselves powerful. However, prior to Ezekiel 38 war taking place, the backdrop is peace and safety:

You will say, 'I will go up against a land of unwalled villages; I will go to a peaceful people, who dwell safely, all of them dwelling without walls, and having neither bars nor gates'—

Ezekiel 38:11

So if the Psalm 83 & Zachariah 12 war hadalreadyhappened, then we would see Israel presently enjoying peace and not in danger of any pending threats such as Hamas or Hezbollah. Just in one night in November 2018 we saw over 200 rockets being fired from the Gaza strip at Israel. This in itself states that Israel is not living as a peaceful people or dwelling safely in unwalled villages. Are there no walls in Israel? Are they living peacefully with their neighbouring states? Simple answer is a resounding "NO".

Pictured below: a wall in Israel Today



So I believe there has to be a war were Israel will feel no threat from its surrounding neighbours. The wars of 1948, 1967 and 1973 have not accomplished this. So there has to be another war that sees them able to live peacefully and dwell safely. I believe that Psalm 83 and Zachariah 12 both describe one and the same war that will accomplish peace, paving the way for the battle described in Ezekiel 38.

Let's take a closer look at Ezekiel 38:

#### Gog and Allies Attack Israel

Now the word of the Lord came to me, saying, "Son of man, set your face against Gog, of the land of Magog, the prince of Rosh, Meshech, and Tubal, and prophesy against him, and say, 'Thus says the Lord God: "Behold, I am against you, O Gog, the prince of Rosh, Meshech, and Tubal. I will turn you around, put hooks into your jaws, and lead you out, with all your army, horses, and horsemen, all splendidly clothed, a great company with bucklers and shields, all of them handling swords. Persia, Ethiopia, and Libya are with them, all of them with shield and helmet:

Ezekiel 38:1-5

This is a huge army that will come against Israel and the IDF will be overrun. It seems this army will succeed.

We also know that God unleashes His wrath on these nations.

#### Judgment on Gog

"And it will come to pass at the same time, when Gog comes against the land of Israel," says the Lord God, "that My fury will show in My face. For in My jealousy and in the fire of My wrath I have spoken: Surely in that day there shall be a great earthquake in the land of Israel, so that the fish of the sea, the birds of the heavens, the beasts of the field, all creeping

things that creep on the earth, and all men who are on the face of the earth shall shake at My presence. The mountains shall be thrown down, the steep places shall fall, and every wall shall fall to the around.' I will call for a sword against Gog throughout all My Mountains," says the Lord God. "Every man's sword will be against his brother. And I will bring him to judgment with pestilence and bloodshed; I will rain down on him, on his troops, and on the many peoples who are with him, flooding rain, great hailstones, fire, and brimstone. Thus I will magnify Myself and sanctify Myself, and I will be known in the eyes of many nations. Then they shall know that I am the Lord." '

Ezekiel 38:18-23

- Brother against brother
- Wars and rumours of war
- Earthquakes
- Floods
- ✤ Fire
- Brimstone
- Hailstones

This seems to depict what Jesus describes in Matthew 24 and Luke 21 when asked the question by His disciples pertaining to the signs of His second coming. But God will win this Ezekiel 38 battle and show both the Jews and the Gentiles that He alone is God, and no other.

Could it be because Israel will have placed so much faith and dependence on their army, especially after winning the Psalm 83 battle, that they are almost saying, "We don't need your help" to God. I believe that when this Ezekiel 38 war breaks out against Israel, their army and air force will be on the brink of being overrun and they will have to cry out for God to intervene.

"Then they shall know that I am the Lord."

Just look at what is happening on the borders of Israel today: Operation Northern Shield! The IDF have located and exposed tunnels from Lebanon into Israel dug by Hezbollah. This again is evidence that Israel is not dwelling peacefully as described in Ezekiel 38. I believe these orders came from Iran, to the Hamas military leadership in the Gaza, to fire everything they have as a diversion to what was happening on the Lebanese border involving Hezbollah and what was happening in Syria.

On Tuesday the 29<sup>th</sup> of November, the Israel Air Force carried out airstrikes on Iranian targets at the area of al-Kiswah, to the south of Damascus, and hit Iranian militia positions, including Hezbollah, and weapon storage warehouses. Israel have been monitoring Iran over the past few years, as Iran have been flying in huge 747 cargo planes full of what the Israelis now know were arms. What arms we don't know. But remember what it says in Isaiah 17:1?

"Behold, Damascus will cease from being a city, And it will be a ruinous heap.

Isaiah 17:1

What causes Damascus to cease to exist? Could it either be a nuclear or chemical explosion going off as a result of what Iran might be bringing in now? This is yet to be fulfilled and I believe we will see it happen in the not too distant future.

Then we have Russia's involvement in Syria. Israeli PM Netanyahu met with Russia's President Vladimir Putin in Paris at the commemoration of the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of World War 1 Armistice on November 11.

This meeting, which only lasted about 15 minutes, revealed to Netanyahu that Russia were actively against Israel and had even sided with Iran. Look at Syria now. Assad is dependant on both Russia and the Shiite dominated regime of Iran. Why would Russia do this? I think Ezekiel tells us.

I will turn you around, put hooks into your jaws, and lead you out, with all your army, horses, and horsemen, all splendidly clothed, a great company with bucklers and shields, all of them handling swords.

Ezekiel 38:4

What's the hook? Natural resources that are being found in Israel! Russia sells huge quantities of gas into Europe other parts of the world. Israel has also discovered huge deposits of gas and is now selling to Europe. Putin does not like this. I believe Russia will first use a proxy like Iran, who in turn use their proxies, Hamas and Hezbollah and other Islamic groups, to start a war against Israel, as described in Psalm 83 and Zachariah 12. They will fail and when they fail, we will see the nations mentioned in Ezekiel 38, led by Turkey, amass to go for the wealth that is in Israel. That's the hook. Russia has a part to play in it and will allow other nations to lead so they may gain control over these resources, but do not want a full-blown conflict against USA and her allies.

As a result of these two battles, there will have to be a peace brokered, probably by the UN, which will bring peace to the whole region. Many signatures will be upon this treaty. But one is missing.

Vision of the Glorious Man Then he shall confirm a covenant with many for one week;

But in the middle of the week	and safety!" then sudden destruction
He shall bring an end to sacrifice and	comes upon them, as labor pains
offering.	upon a pregnant woman. And they
And on the wing of abominations shall	shall not escape. But you, brethren,
be one who makes desolate,	are not in darkness, so that this Day
Even until the consummation, which is	should overtake you as a thief.
determined,	1 Thessalonians 5:1-4
Is poured out on the desolate."	
Daniel 9:27	In conclusion, I believe we will see
	firstly Psalm 83 and Zachariah 12 take
There the Antichrist will confirm this	place and then secondly, the battle
covenant, or treaty, by adding his	in Ezekiel 38 which results in peace
signature to it. This will start the final	and the political manoeuvrings of the

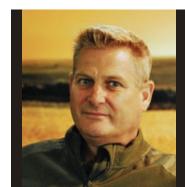
signature to it. This will start the final week of Daniel's seventy sevens, the last seven years of this age. It is just around the corner. Even Jesus quoted this passage of Daniel in Matthew 24:15. Tells us two things. Firstly the Temple will be built and secondly there is peace like never before. Paul also describes this time period.

But concerning the times and the seasons, brethren, you have no need that I should write to you. For you yourselves know perfectly that the day of the Lord so comes as a thief in the night. For when they say, "Peace the "abominations shall be one who makes desolate," and the start of 'The Great Tribulation'. I believe we are on the very brink of all of this breaking out now. We must keep our focus on Jesus to survive these coming days. There is

Antichrist's rise to power, resulting in

survive these coming days. There is only one Kingdom to establish, and that is His. If we are building anything other than this, it will come tumbling down.

Come Lord Jesus, come.



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# Prophetic Dream Received 18th January 2019

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Please take this prophetic word by Jeremiah Johnson seriously

s a nightly dreamer since the days of my youth, I honestly cannot remember the last time I had a nightmare. That all changed last night as I woke up in my bed unable to breathe, my heart racing out of control, and my entire body numb and shaking. It was a terrifying experience to say the least.

In the dream, I was on a ship with Donald Trump in a swamp that was totally infested with alligators. Many of them were larger than life. However, these were not merely just alligators, they revealed themselves to me as "mercenary alligators." In other words, they were trained to sink our ship and had no other agenda but doing so. Risking their life was not a problem for them. They had been commissioned to sink the ship and kill us.

As our ship sailed deeper into the swamp, Donald Trump was laughing with his "Make America Great Again" hat on as he steered. He continued to laugh as he would purposely plough into as many alligators as he could. "I'm going to drain the swamp!" he would yell to me on the ship.

Suddenly, I began to realize that the more Donald tried to drain the swamp, the more the swamp was going to drain him. Larger and larger alligators began to swim up and take large chunks out of our ship. We began to take on water and I knew then that our death was imminent. Donald seemed to be totally oblivious to the great danger we were in.

I pleaded with him to stop intentionally and purposely draining the swamp, but it was too late. We were swallowed up into this totally demonic mercenary alligator abyss. It was a gigantic black hole. I could literally hear hoards of demons laughing and cheering. What I felt and experienced as Donald and I died together is something I will never forget.

I immediately woke up in my bed suffocating, numb, and my heart racing out of my chest. As I began to pray to get free, this is what the Lord spoke to me and said,

"Jeremiah, My people do not recognize the demonic warfare from hell that is being unleashed upon the United States and Donald Trump. Even as a wall is being built, why are My people refusing to build a wall of intercession and prayer around their President and around their nation? Yes, the borders are unsecured but they are far more unsecured in the Spirit realm than you could ever imagine. How is it that a man would see the necessity of building a wall to protect a country but My people cannot even recognize their desperate need to build a wall of intercession and prayer around their own lives and churches? How the American Church continues to sleep and slumber in these days of history has come before My throne and it has greatly grieved My heart!

I warn you Jeremiah, that as Donald tries to drain the Swamp, the Swamp is going to drain him. His heart will become hardened, his resolve will become dangerous, and the attacks upon his life and presidency will only get bigger and bigger. This will be a result in large part due to a prayerless Church in America that has refused to pray for their President and that has ignored the demonic agendas in Washington. If My people do not begin to gather and call upon My Name, great danger will come upon the shores of the United States of America, says God.