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Whether I come and see you, or else be absent,  
I may hear of your affairs, that ye stand fast in  
one spirit, with one mind striving together for the  
faith of the gospel. **Philippians 1:27**

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Welcome Readers to the January 2009 edition of Keeping In Touch. This past year has flown by so quickly and it is hard to believe that a new year has come once again! We have some very good articles for you to read - a report from Paul and Pavlina Davis on the Czech conference this past fall, a movie review by Nicole Story, and a book report by Isaac. We have two excellent words; one by Cecil duCille on the mark of the beast and one by Mark Jantzi on repentance - both are pertinent to the hour that we are in. We are also including an excerpt from Nuggets for the Needy by Mavis duCille; it is on Divine Intervention and it is truly as apropos today as it was when it was first given. There is so much more that we hope will inspire, challenge, and encourage you in your walk with the Lord!

May God bless each and every one of you,  
The Keeping In Touch Staff

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# The Mark of the Beast

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Brother Gary Sonmore: *Thank You, God, for the privilege once again to gather together in Your name. We love You, Lord and we praise Your name. We thank You, God, for Your excellency, for Your majesty, for Your glory and that You want to share it with Your people, that You want to glorify Your people. Hallelujah. We just pray, Lord, that we will be obedient to that call, that we will follow after Your ways and Your righteousness and Your truths, Lord God, and that they would be grafted into our hearts and we would truly be the sons of God. Thank you, Lord, for this broadcast now, for this day, for all those that are participating listening in. We just pray that Your anointing would be upon each minute and upon each word that would be spoken. We just give You all the praise and the glory for Your goodness to us. Praise Your name. Hallelujah. Amen.*

Brother Cecil duCille: Thank you very much, Brother Gary. God bless you for this marvelous work which you are doing to help spread the Word of God through all the nations, as it were. Praise God. We want to thank God for giving us the Word to keep us in this last hour where man will come face to face with the judgment of God. We know that God couldn't continue having the world going in a downward direction. He said in II Timothy 3:13, ***But evil men and deceivers shall wax worse and worse, deceiving, and being deceived.*** So if we are, then it seems to me that the world is going in this world. We should thank God for the presence of Jesus Christ to keep us from going into evil. In other words, had it not been for the presence of Lord Jesus in a people and in the world, we probably would have probably fell into destruction already. But we know that God said, And he shortened those days, no flesh shall destroy the elect's sake, whom he hath chosen, he hath shortened the days (Mark 13:20). That means that it is possible for human beings to destroy humanity and life from the planet. You know, I hear different people talking about global warming and many are still building atom bombs. That is going to be the greatest global warming that we have ever had, because it will destroy the very atmosphere that we have. God is saying that it is possible for man to destroy the atmosphere. So if there is a global war that starts with atomic bombs, it must be stopped very quickly, for God has promised to intervene and that His intervention will save the planet and save humanity. So we do not have to have any fear that Satan will be able to destroy the world. He cannot do it. He has no power to do it. He cannot do it. He will try, but he is bound to fail. Praise be to God.

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I have been thinking about the Word of God that speaks of the mark of the beast. Everything that God does for us, He has to also do it for the church. If He allows the world to grow in a certain direction, He also has to bring the church to that same dimension at the same time. The people of God must have the power over the power of the enemy so that there is a balance of power. Now if we can look at the world and see the power of destruction that is being concentrated in this earth by the nations, then we can at the same time consider that God is giving His people more power than the enemy has. So we must always remember that this is being rooted and

grounded in the Word of God. No matter what you see happening in the world, God is giving His people power to overcome it or to control it. Therefore, all of the forces of darkness that are being concentrated in the earth today cannot perform the evil that they hope to do because of the Body of Christ and the church of God.

Let us look first at Revelation 7. We are going to see a picture here that matches the picture at this very moment in time. I believe that we only have months toward this great destruction coming in the world. If that is the case, then we must know that we, the sons of God, are going to get the power to overthrow these powers of darkness. We will start at verse 1, ***And after these things I saw four angels standing on the four corners of the earth, holding the four winds of the earth, that the wind should not blow on the earth, nor on the sea, nor on any tree.*** First of all, let us see if we can understand this Bible language here. ***And after these things I saw four angels standing...*** The word standing signifies that they would be in charge and ready to move. ***...standing on the four corners of the earth...*** As far as we know, the earth really does not have four corners because it is round. So we could not be speaking about the natural earth. We are speaking in a spiritual sense of four angels standing on the four corners of the earth. We might well be speaking of the four corners of the natural earth which would not be the natural earth, but the earth of man, the earth out there of the wind, of the sea. The human dimension has four corners and they are the mind, the emotions, the will and the desires. Now, these four angels were standing and they had the power to destroy.

Verse 2, ***And I saw another angel ascending from the east, having the seal of the living God: and he cried with a loud voice to the four angels, to whom it***

let us see who this angel is. This is a fifth angel now and this fifth angel was rising up from the east. The east always speaks of the mind of Christ, of God. This angel is rising up in God - from the earth, but of God, and he stopped the four angels from doing what they would have done because it says in verse 3, ***neither the sea, nor the trees, nor the servants of our God in their carnal realm, neither the sea trees (the Christians), till we of our God in their forehead.*** Remember now that the word we are talking about the messenger-counter-acting the work of the four earth.

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***was given to hurt the earth and the sea.*** Now ***Saying, Hurt not the earth, till we have sealed the servants of our God in their foreheads.*** Don't touch the (the nations), neither the have sealed the servants heads. It is no mistake. In it is written we, and that bereb angel. This angel is a many-membered angel. angel means messenger. So ger coming up from God and angels who want to destroy the

Now, let us look at it just a little bit; 60 years ago men had the ability to destroy the earth. Yet, they have not done it. The reason is because the angel of God has been holding men back. Of course, he knows that any one that uses the atom bomb will be himself destroyed. This time around anyone who uses it, he will be the first one to be destroyed. So here we are seeing that God created a messenger, a people. I do not want to say Christians because sometimes people misunderstand; the word Christian is so mixed up these days that it is difficult for me to say Christian and somebody gets the wrong idea. But these are servants of God, servants without guile, servants without denomination. Hallelujah. The Christian world has become divided up into denominations, sectionalized by the devil himself and he seems to be able to tell each denomination a peculiar lie that is peculiar to that denomination. So there is no joining together, except those who are in Christ. When you get in Christ you have no denomination. Christ is your denomination.

***Hurt not the earth*** (the carnal realm), ***neither the sea*** (the nations), ***nor the trees*** (the Christians), ***till we*** (the servants of God that are given the power to seal His servants with the Word of God). ***...till we have sealed the servants of our God in their foreheads.*** Somebody is preaching that the part regarding the foreheads means that they are going to stamp you on your forehead. Now if some should catch me and stamp me with a thousand stamps, it would not make any difference. I would still be preaching the message of God. Why? Because my stamp is inside of me, so God is talking about the mind. Amen. When He writes in your forehead, He is talking about your mind. Hallelujah. Verse 4 goes on to say, ***And I heard the number of them which were sealed: and***

*there were sealed an hundred and forty and four thousand of all the tribes of the children of Israel.* But he said before to hurt not the earth, neither the sea... *till we have sealed the servants of our God in their foreheads.* Now what does that tells you? It tells me that if God is sealing people in their foreheads, that the devil is also sealing people for his purpose.

Revelation 14:1, *And I looked, and, lo, a Lamb stood on the mount Sion, and with him an hundred forty and four thousand, having his Father's name written in their foreheads.* So, the seal that we are talking about is the name of God written in your mind. Now when we talk about the name of God we do not mean just having a big mark on your head with "YHWH" or something like that, no. We are talking of the nature of God in the mind. The scripture says to let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus (Philippians 2:5). So we see that it is the will of God to seal us in our minds with His very nature, but He would not do it until the devil was about ready to do something and God had to stop him. The angel said, "Hold on, let me finish the work of the sealing of the sons of God in their minds."

The devil therefore has something to do now to also seal people in their minds. We look at him doing his work in Revelation 13:1-18. We want to talk about the seal; I just want to show you the seal of the beast and then afterwards I am going to explain to you what the beast really is. Let us look at verse 16, *And he causeth all, both small and great, rich and poor, free and bond, to receive a mark in their right hand, or in their foreheads:* Now, I want you to notice this. When we are looking at the mark, the seal of God, we see that they got it in their foreheads, that is, in their minds. The scripture speaks of the forehead as the mind and the scripture speaks of the sealing as being sealed with that holy Spirit of promise (Ephesians 1:13). We see in John that we are sealed by the Holy Ghost (John 3:33). So when you are talking about the seal, you are going to have sealing. It is the nature of God being stamped upon the being of a person. Let us read the scripture in Ephesians 1:13, *In whom heard the word of truth, the whom also after that ye be-holy Spirit of promise,* So the seal of promise that we would be like Jesus one day. Therefore, the Christian continues, then the Christian should be getting more like Jesus. Now, if you see anyone who says he is a Christian and he is not getting more like Jesus, you know that he is not walking accord-

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ing to the Word of God. Now let us go back to the seal. *He causeth all...* This is Satan who causes people to receive a seal, not only in their forehead, but also it could be in their hand. Now what is my hand? The reference of the right hand is the hand of the Spirit. The left hand is always counted as the hand of the flesh, while the right hand is always counted as the hand of the Spirit. So if the Bible says that you see people receive a mark in their right hand it means that in their spiritual life, in their actions, in their motivations, in their work, in their living, that they have that mark. Now, this mark is the mark of the devil. The mark of the devil in the human being's right hand is that he would not care if he has your mind if you are working for him. So the devil is going to seal some people in their hands and I figure afterwards he would get them in their minds. But whether your mind is with it or not, if you are working for the devil, he counts you as being chained, as being one of his. *And he causeth all, both small and great, rich and poor, free and bond, to receive a mark in their right hand, or in their foreheads: <sup>17</sup>And that no man might buy or sell, save he that had the mark, or the name of the beast, or the number of his name. <sup>18</sup>Here is wisdom. Let him that hath understanding count the number of the beast: for it is the number of a man; and his number is Six hundred threescore and six.* Now we will come back to this later.

First, let us continue to see what is meant by this mark. We see that the mark of the beast is the mind of Satan, but the mark of Christ is the mind of Christ. I want you to see how they parallel. You are either going to have to be on one side or the other. You are either receiving the mark of Christ and becoming more like Christ, or you are receiving the mark of the devil and your development is towards becoming a full-fledged devil one day. That is a hard thing to think about, isn't it? Now, the Lord is saying to us as His children, that right now, this is a problem. Very often we preach things which seem far away. "One day, Jesus is going to come," or "One day, such and such

is going to happen," and we preach down the line and we preach down the line and people say, "Oh, I can put it aside. It is not of primary importance at this time." But what I am talking to you about, brethren, is of primary importance. This is beginning to come to pass. That means that God is saying to us that as sons of God, "GET THE MARK OF CHRIST IN YOUR MIND!" Let Christ take over your thinking! My goodness, if you want to have confusion, just go into a church and say, "Let us do so and let us do so." It will be a thousand different thoughts and a thousand different minds and somebody will begin to get upset because you did not do it his way. Hallelujah. We need the mind of Christ. The mind of Christ is one mind. It does not cause confusion. Hallelujah.

So God is saying that right now you are being marked by every experience, by every problem you have, by everything that happens in your life at this time. God is using these different things to mark His name on your hearts. When His name is on your hearts, if you are even unconscious you will speak the Word of God. If you are even asleep you will dream the things of God. God Almighty is at this moment bringing us to a very specific point of time. By the grace of God, I am going to show you at what point of time we have really come to.

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is manifested in the lowest realm, in the lowest frequency. Hallelujah. The soul is at a little higher frequency. The spirit is in the highest frequency so that it can touch heaven. So, God, in making man, made us so that we could reach back to heaven. Any man, sinner man, whatever you are, you can reach back to heaven at any time. Any time you call upon the name of the Lord, heaven opens to you. That is the way that God made man. But He also made man with a free-will that can determine his own future and can determine certain things for him. He can go to hell if he wants to. He can go to heaven if he wants to. But the man has a freedom in this time and in this realm. Hallelujah. We will soon lose it. We see that God, having created men like this, if man was to reject his spirit, the part that God would come into, then he would cut the contact or the connection between man and God and he would become a beast. Now, the worst beast that you could meet is an intelligent beast, a beast with great knowledge and understanding, a beast that can talk and can handle things. When you meet this type of beast, you are in trouble. According to God's Word, we the people of the end time, are in more trouble than any other people of any other time, because of the wicked men. We are talking about beasts now, men who have departed from God and rejected the heaven contact. These are men that rejected the contact from heaven and became worse and worse and worse until they came to the other side completely transformed into a beast.

Now let us read of this incident. Hallelujah. God told Nimrod not to build Babylon. They built five cities of the plain and one of these cities, the great head city was Babylon. Babylon represented the total rejection of God. When Babylon is mentioned it represents the total rejection of God. Now this city, I think my geography is correct, it was just a little outside of Baghdad in Iraq. So this great city was built and King Nebuchadnezzar was prophesied to by Daniel in Daniel 4. However, the king did not repent. Verse 29, *At the end of twelve months he walked in the palace of the kingdom of Babylon.* <sup>30</sup>*The king spake, and said, Is not this great Babylon, that I*

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*have built for the house of the kingdom by the might of my power, and for the honour of my majesty?* <sup>31</sup>*While the word was in the king's mouth, there fell a voice from heaven, saying, O king Nebuchadnezzar, to thee it is spoken; The kingdom is departed from thee. <sup>32</sup>And they shall drive thee from men, and thy dwelling shall be with the beasts of the field: they shall make thee to eat grass as oxen, and seven times shall pass over thee, until thou know that the most High ruleth in the kingdom of men, and giveth it to whomsoever he will.* Praise be to God. God humiliated this man, because this man had exalted himself to heaven.

The strangest thing is that God said that nobody should build back Babylon and that anybody who did build back Babylon would build it in the blood of his children and so on and so on. Hallelujah. What is the recent thing that happened in our time? A man rose up and started to build Babylon and he felt very secure and powerful in his situation. As a result, the American Army attacked Iraq and eventually the man was captured. When the Iraqi's formed their government, one of the first things they did was to hang him. So therefore, the Word of the Lord still prevailed that no one should rebuild Babylon. Amen.

Of course, the rest of the story is that this man, Nebucadnezzar, was for seven years out in the field eating grass like an ox, like a beast. It is marvelous. I can't imagine what kind of looks he would have received. You know? Verse 33, *...till his hairs were grown like eagles' feathers, and his nails like birds' claws.* Amen. Hallelujah. He would remain in that state until seven years passed over and God Almighty brought him back to his palace.

In this example that we have brought want to look into the Word of God to In the scriptures pertaining to the man as the beast. So we can see down the road into perdition to Lord speaks, therefore, of the forehead, it means people have lost the human spirit. ders going on in countries. young people were just killed in the islands in Jamaica, in people are losing the human ability to be humans. They are some beasts that kill whether they and the leopards. They will kill without in their nature. God is saying that a man can come Hitler and what he did, where he would kill anybody - his mother, his father, his sister, his brother. These men felt no emotional ties for humanity. They were just beasts. They had lost the ability to touch God. Amen. They had discharged their own spirits, because God says that when a man dies, even a sinner when he dies, his spirit goes back to God (Ecclesiastes 12:7). That means that the spirit is an endowment that God has given man and that makes him man. His spirit is what makes him want to live decently, want to relax sometimes, want to read. That is what God does for the human being. But then, man can degrade himself to a point where he becomes a beast, where he has lost all human propensities and has become less than human. Therefore, he will kill and he will do things like a beast and he will sleep at night. Nothing bothers him; he will destroy a whole city and be happy and go to bed. Such a man will come out and take over.

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to you, the main thought here is that we see that men do become like beasts. end time, God refers to one that men are progressing become beasts. When the mark of the beast in the who have rejected God We are seeing some mur- In the news recently, two in America. It is going on Trinidad, in Haiti. Many touch. They are losing the killing like beasts. There are are hungry or not, like the tigers being hungry because they have killing to a stage... When you think of a man like

Now we have read Revelation 14:10 about the mark of the beast. I want you to understand what this means. This means that the nature that I have described to you, the brutal nature - Paul called them natural brute beasts (II Peter 2:12) - that brutal thing is coming upon the human race. But the good part is that God is not going to allow the beast to come forth unless He anoints a man to control him. Now, I want you to rejoice in your heart about this, because if I just preach to you about beasts all day and never tell you why I am talking to you about this, it would definitely be an unproductive message. But God Almighty is saying to us that the more you see the world drifting towards destruction, towards hell, you should rejoice in God for your redemption draweth nigh (Luke 21:28). God is moving man in another way. God said that He will be one with us and that He will walk in us and that He will talk in us. In other words, the reason why God is allowing this thing to come to pass is because God is giving us the power to overcome it. Now when you think about power to overcome atom bombs,

and you think about power to overcome all the power of Satan, then you must realize that God Almighty is saying to us that our time is here to do so. So the more you believe that these things are going to happen is the more you will believe that God is going to do what He is going to do.

Revelation 20:4, *And I saw thrones, and they sat upon them, and judgment was given unto them: and I saw the souls of them that were beheaded for the witness of Jesus, and for the word of God, and which had not worshipped the beast, neither his image, neither had received his mark upon their foreheads, or in their hands; and they lived and reigned with Christ a thousand years.* We are talking about something that must happen in our millennium. We are in this seventh millennium, or seventh thousand years, where we are going to be with Christ a thousand years. That is the good part. But we have to go through the destruction that is about to come and the beast will force his will upon people, but that is after the war. I want you to understand that. The beast is now going to get power over the earth and he will force people to take his mark and to take his name. Hallelujah. Because his mark is his name and his name is his nature. Amen. I hope we can understand it.

The mark of the beast is the name of the beast or the nature of the beast and people will have to take that or else they cannot buy or sell. In other words, the time will come when Christians, those who are walking with the Lord, can neither buy nor sell. Isn't that something? That means that we will have to be depending upon Jesus Christ like the children of Israel depended upon Him in the desert to bring that manna. Can you imagine, every morning they woke up and rushed out with their little vessels to gather for the day. So Jesus Christ is really leading us in a way that we should see that it is now and that it is not some far time to come. In John 17:20, God tells us that we will be in Christ as Christ is with the Father. *Neither pray I for these alone, but for them also which shall believe on me all may be one; as thou, they also may be one in us: that the world may believe that thou hast sent me.*<sup>22</sup> And the glory *even as we are one:* So, any one who is saying that he is a great Christian

- "Oh, he believes in God, and he is doing great, marvelous things," - he must show the glory of God by being one with those who Christ is one with. "I in them," Jesus Christ in us - "thou in Me" and "we in Him." That means to say that we are completely covered over by Christ - "that they may be made perfect until the ancient of days come." That is that the coming of Jesus Christ is eminent, for He is not going to allow this thing to destroy us. Daniel 7:22, *Until the Ancient of days came, and judgment was given to the saints of the most High; and the time came that the saints possessed the kingdom.* That is where we are going, brethren. That is where we are going. We should not be discouraged about what is going on or what will come, for there is great discouragement coming. I saw in a vision the people of God weeping in the darkness and saying, "God has forsaken us!" Brethren, remember that God has not forsaken us. He will not forsake us. ... For he hath said, I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee (Hebrews 13:5).

*Until the Ancient of days came, and judgment was given to the saints of the most High; and the time came that the saints possessed the kingdom.* <sup>23</sup> Thus he said, *The fourth beast shall be the fourth kingdom upon earth, which shall be diverse from all kingdoms, and shall devour the whole earth, and shall tread it down, and break it in pieces.* We are talking about the world now and we are talking about a war that is coming in the world. Some people don't believe this, but the Bible said, *Thus he said, The fourth beast shall be the fourth kingdom upon earth,* (that is the last kingdom upon earth) *which shall be diverse from all kingdoms, and shall devour the whole earth, and shall tread it down, and break it in pieces.* <sup>24</sup> *And the ten horns out of this kingdom are ten kings that shall arise: and another shall rise after them; and he shall be diverse from the first, and he shall subdue three kings.* <sup>25</sup> *And he shall speak great words against the most High, and shall wear out the saints of the most High, and think to change times and laws: and they shall be given into his hand until a time and times and the dividing of time.* <sup>26</sup> *But the judgment shall sit, and they shall take away his dominion, to consume and to destroy it unto the end.* <sup>27</sup> *And the kingdom and dominion, and the greatness of the kingdom*

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*under the whole heaven, shall be given to the people of the saints of the most High, whose kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and all dominions shall serve and obey him. Praise God.*

Revelation 13:1, *And I stood upon the sand of the sea, and saw a beast rise up out of the sea, having seven heads and ten horns, and upon his horns ten crowns, and upon his heads the name of blasphemy.* Brother Daniel said seven kings. Brother John had the vision in the Isle of Patmos and he says ten crowns, which means kings, and upon his heads the name of blasphemy. In other words, the beast is going to hate God. Verse 2, *And the beast which I saw was like unto a leopard, and his feet were as the feet of a bear, and his mouth as the mouth of a lion: and the dragon gave him his power, and his seat, and great authority.* Daniel also saw these four beasts and he described them. So you should go back to Daniel 7 and you should read about these beasts. Verse 3, now this is interesting, *And I saw one of his heads as it were wounded to death; and his deadly wound was healed: and all the world wondered after the beast.*

Now, when man was aiming to get to a point of destruction of him, God sent Jesus. You know the whole story. The devil thought, "Let me kill Him and I will take the kingdom." But in a way, the devil is a fool. I do not know how an intelligent devil could think that way, but his devilishness drives him greater than his intellect. So he thought that he could kill Jesus and get the kingdom. When he killed Jesus, the Blood of Jesus Christ wounded him. I will tell you that within a few years the church would have destroyed Satan and taken the kingdom, had Satan not deceived the church in order to get some of the church to build its own church. That church put themselves in the place of God. So we see that the church is in a pretty bad condition now because they have healed the wound of the devil. Hallelujah.

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Now, we want a description we had to get a description we had to go to Revelation 12:7, where we see the description of the dragon. *there was war in heaven: Michael and his angels fought against the dragon; and Michael and his angels prevailed not; neither was Satan able to overcome him.*

What are we talking about? Satan had set himself up in the church. But the Spirit of God is going to prevail. In other words

the scripture says that He sent Michael. That means that God will send the angel of the covenant, this angel who comes down with the Blood and defends the people of God. At this time, God is going to send Michael. *<sup>9</sup>And the great dragon was cast out, that old serpent, called the Devil, and Satan, which deceiveth the whole world: he was cast out into the earth, and his angels were cast out with him. <sup>10</sup>And I heard a loud voice saying in heaven, Now is come salvation, and strength, and the kingdom of our God, and the power of his Christ: for the accuser of our brethren is cast down, which accused them before our God day and night. <sup>11</sup>And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb, and by the word of their testimony; and they loved not their lives unto the death.* Praise God.

Now we go back to Revelation 13. We are talking about this dragon who is the devil himself and he has given his power and his authority to a people here. Verse 4, *And they worshipped the dragon which gave power unto the beast: and they worshipped the beast, saying, Who is like unto the beast? who is able to make war with him?* We are talking about a kingdom, a government. We sometimes call it the "one-world government" and this government is going to take charge of the whole world after man has been stopped from destroying the earth with atomic weapons. The devil is going to raise up a kingdom and the kingdom has the image of a lot of the European nations. The mouth was a lion that is the British Empire; the feet were of a bear and that is Russia; the body was a leopard and that is France. But the whole of the civilized nations will come together and will form a beast government. Hallelujah. They will force men to worship. They will force men to worship this beast. Of course, that is how they are going to get their bread. Do we understand what God is saying here now? It is that

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the time has come when the church must be in a position to overcome this beast, because it is God's will. If one person will not, God will use another person to do it.

Revelation 13:18 says, ***Here is wisdom. Let him that hath understanding count the number of the beast: for it is the number of a man; and his number is Six hundred threescore and six.*** What is that? The number of Christ is 000 (zero, zero, zero) - the fullness of Christ - meaning to say that the number of the beast is 6, or man. Man's spirit is 6, man's soul is 6, man's body is 6, making 666 - spirit, soul, and body. This man, or the men who head up this government; they will be human, human, human. They will discard everything of God and they will take for themselves all that pertains to humans. Verse 16, And he causeth all, both small and great, rich and poor, free and bond, to receive a mark in their right hand, or in their foreheads:

"Okay, we are not going to have any more war. We had better clamp down on every human being. Every human being must be registered. You must receive a mark in your forehead or in your hand. You must be one of us and those who are not, we will kill them."

It will be such a great deception that all the people will be looking for God. You know, all the different nations talk about this god or that god. (I do not want to call any names.) Amen. But you know that they all have different kinds of gods. They will get all the gods into one. Revelation 13:15, ***And he had power to the beast, that the image of speak, and cause that as ship the image of the beast them that dwell on the earth, image to the beast, which had did live*** (Revelation 13:14b). making the image to is the one who was wounded by the sword. It seems to me that everything that is beast is coming together, because the Bible says that Satan will give his power and his authority to this kingdom of men and they will begin to rule the earth.

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They will not do it for long, brethren. I think they might have about three and a half years and God Almighty will intervene, because the fullness of Christ will come into His people and they will take the kingdom. Hallelujah. That is what Daniel said. He did not say that they will gently hand over the kingdom. He said they will take the kingdom. So, it is going to be the beast clashing with the manchild. You see, the manchild is the 144,000, or the sons of God, or the firstfruits company, whatever you may call it, but they are going to clash. Satan is going to make the same mistake that he made with Jesus Christ. He was a murderer from the beginning (John 8:44). He cannot help but kill, so he is going to say, "Let us kill them."

So in Revelation 12:2-3, we see where a manchild was born and the dragon wanted to kill the manchild. He wanted to kill. What will happen now, this fresh birth in Christ, this powerful, Christian, many-membered body, Satan will say, "Let us kill them. Let us kill them in such a way that nobody can say that they resurrected."

Amen. The woman brought forth a manchild. So what is Satan going to do? In other words, the woman is the church and the church is bringing forth a church. But it will not be a woman church any more. It will be a man church; that is, one that has the power within himself. Amen. That is Bible language. Satan, therefore, has decided to kill this manchild and he is going to chop their heads off. Amen. We see that picture in Revelation 11 where they beheaded the two witnesses. In other words, those who were witnessing to them. I am just telling you the end of the matter. They beheaded the witnesses and after three and a half days they rose up. Do you remember Lazarus' resurrection? Lazarus rose up in three and a half days. In other words, it was the fourth day when Jesus came and said, "Lazarus, come forth" (John 11:17). Well, this is what God is saying, that the sons of God will rise up after three and a half days and they will break the power of sin in the earth once and for all and forever.

The mark of the beast, what is it? When is it going to come? The mark of the beast is at this moment being perpetrated in the human realm. In other words, in humanity there are things that are marking the minds of men. There are people who are being marked and marked against God, blasphemously marked. There are people who are being marked for Jesus and being made steady, rock-solid in the Word of God, in the grace of God and in the

power of God. These two people of our generation are growing up together. Satan is marking some people in their foreheads. God is marking some people in their foreheads. Satan is marking people in their hands. God is saying, "No. I don't want your works. I want your heart." Hallelujah. Some people believe that they can work for God and that will put them in heaven. No, no, no. You must be marked inside, in your minds and souls and emotions and will and desires. Hallelujah. That is where the mark will be. So, the Lord God is doing a thing right now. You know, I am not preaching a gospel for tomorrow. He is doing it right now and it will continue until we reach the fullness. Wicked men shall grow worse and worse until the end comes (II Timothy 3:13). Righteous men will become more like Jesus, hallelujah, and more like Christ until we awake in His likeness (Psalm 17:15). This is the scripture. This is the Word of God. Fear not, brethren, for the hour is at hand. We are being made one with Christ through our minds being marked by the glory of God. Hallelujah.

We see men going in a different direction - all the false doctrines are designed to get men away from God. God is drawing us unto Himself by the love of His Spirit. May God bless you abundantly, brethren, and may God help you to walk in the truth and in the light of God.

Now I am sure you will want to ask some questions so I am going to close right here. Hallelujah. God bless you.

Gary Sonmore: Praise the Lord. just take a moment here to open up internet, for anyone that would ing the teaching today. We in during the week here. It the teaching today, but let

**Question 1:** After was led of the Spirit into tempted by the devil.

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Cecil duCille: Praise for Jesus Christ to estab- the devil himself. The could overthrow Jesus. He not think much of men. So opportunity to feel what it is for

Gary Sonmore: Okay. Praise the tion here.

**Question 2:** Jesus prayed, saying, "Lead us not into temptation." However, He Himself was led by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted. Is there a relation in these two? Or am I taking one out of context?

Cecil duCille: No, it is not out of context. The proof of life is death. In other words, to prove that Jesus Christ had eternal life in Him, somebody had to kill Him. Every time that God takes you one bracket up He will allow the tempter to come in and you will prove your power over him.

I will give you one little example here. In my life I was addicted to anger, great anger, before I was born again. When I got saved, I thought I had gotten rid of the thing, but lingering in me there was still that ability to be angry. I knew it was death, because anger in you is death. So, I went to pray and fast before God. After fasting for a long time, I was sitting in my office one day and my assistant rose up and slapped me with his fists in my face. Now, that had never happened to me in my life and according to how I used to live in violence, it was something that nobody would ever try with me. But guess what? That was the proof that I had received the deliverance from God, for when the man kept on beating at me, hitting me everywhere, I couldn't find it in my heart to hit him. Amen. So that made firm the endowment that I had received from God. Had I not received that test - you call it a temptation and it was a real temptation. But had I not received that temptation, I would still be uncertain as to whether, "Did I get it or did I not?" Praise God.

Gary Sonmore: Praise the Lord. Let us go to a question on the phone line.

**Question 3:** The seven years that King Nebuchadnezzar was a beast, was there significance in that number seven?

Cecil duCille: The number seven in scripture always has a meaning. In other words, the beast in the earth

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Thank you, Brother duCille. We will the phone line, as well as the like to ask a question regard- have a question that came is not necessarily related to me go ahead and ask that. Jesus was baptized, He the wilderness to be Why was this done? of this? God. It was necessary lish His power even over devil thought that he was a man and the devil did God Almighty gave him the a man to really overcome him. Lord. They are asking a second ques-

and in us will be overcome and we will be delivered from it in the seventh millennium, which is where we are now, in the seventh millennium. So, it definitely had a meaning.

Gary Sonmore: Thank you. There is a question coming in here from England.

**Question 4:** Will the firstfruits company be the first to resurrect? Or the first to receive the fullness?

Cecil duCille: Both. I Corinthians 15:23 tells us, ***But every man in his own order: Christ the firstfruits; afterward they that are Christ's at his coming.*** The order is Christ the firstfruits, those who are in Christ will rise first, afterwards they that are belonging to Christ at His coming. So yes, the answer is yes.

Gary Sonmore: Praise the Lord. You spoke today both of the mark and the sealing in both respects, both of Satan and of the Lord upon His people. Also, you spoke of this three and a half year period and we believe we are right at the precipice of the beginning of that period. What would be your comment as far as the sealing of God's people? When does that occur, before or during those three and a half years? Is there a point when God's people "run out of time" as far as that sealing? Or does that sealing still continue during that three and a half year period?

Cecil duCille: I do not know really. But what I do know is that at this time, we are being sealed. It is not just a "one-day" stamp that is put upon the brethren. It is the sealing in your mind, in your heart, in your emotions, and in your will that God Almighty is working in us right now and He says, "Do not bring the destruction until the sealing is done." Now, the peculiar picture that I see, which most preachers are afraid to preach, but I only speak what I hear from God and if I am wrong, I am wrong. You would mean that I never heard that this year, in the year 2008, atomic war. But God Al- would seal His people and hide tion of the world and from the what I believe is that the seal- ber now, the four angels standing were ready to destroy the earth and many scriptures which tell us directly fire being thrown. A great mountain of fire that the sealing must come before the destruction. So ing is going on now. Remem- ber now, the four angels standing were ready to destroy the earth and many scriptures which tell us directly fire being thrown. A great mountain of fire that the sealing must come before the destruction. You know that we believe that the destruction is coming this year some time.

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Gary Sonmore: Praise the Lord. Many times as we think, or I will say as the church thinks about the mark of the beast, many times it is that thought of the natural mark as you were talking about in the beginning of the broadcast. I believe that this marking of Satan upon his people is a parallel and a counterfeit to what God wants to do. It was not that Satan was the originator of that thought. But there is a sealing that God has ordained and prophesied that would come in this latter time. It does not necessarily exclude a natural mark, but it certainly is a spiritual mark upon His people. That is something that does not just occur with one physical stamp on your forehead or hand. It is something that occurs in the nature of the person, even as there is that parallel of this on Satan's side with his children, his people. So it is with the mark of God. We know that God is not necessarily physically marking His people with a cross or something like that. This is definitely speaking of a spiritually marking and it is something that is not just taking place in a moment, but it is a mark of a people that have dedicated themselves to the Lord and pursued the Lord and have taken upon His nature even. That is not a question, it is sort of a statement, but do you have a reaction to that statement?

Cecil duCille: Well, I think you were just confirming what I have said. Praise God. It could not be a natural mark and it is really in the mind and in the emotions and in the desires and in the will. I mentioned the atom bomb sixty years ago and nobody used it, because nobody had the will to do that. Emotionally, they could not have used it. But now Satan has found people who will religiously use it, because they will say that they were told to do it. So this is where we have come into a very dangerous time in the history of the world, the mark of the beast on minds.

Gary Sonmore: Yes, that beast nature that Satan is putting upon his people, he is putting that nature within their mind. It is not just some external, physical mark. Praise the Lord. We have another question here from the

internet.

**Question 4:** Do you mean that the atomic war will not last for the three and a half year period of the reign of the two witnesses? In this time period, when will the kingdom of the beast be fully formed? Also, when will the thousand year reign of Christ start?

Brother Cecil duCille: Well, the time in which we are now is encroaching upon the reign of Christ's time. God said that He would finish the work which He had made and so man is being finished. We are coming into the point where we will receive the fullness of Christ. When we do that, of course, the devil will try to bring destruction, but we have to finish with him, also. So, therefore, although it looks long to us, to God it is just a wink of time. By 2012, or somewhere around there, probably the whole thing will be finished. There is a three and a half year reign of the beast and I believe that it is the same three and a half years that the sons of God will arise. So if the sons of God do not counter-act the beast in the spirit, he will destroy the whole world. Because of this, he cannot destroy the world and at the end of his reign the sons of God will bring a challenge to him. The challenge is, "Kill me!" The beast will make the same mistake that he made with Jesus and they will kill them. Then the sons of God will resurrect and take over the kingdom. So, you see that cannot be very long from now. The three and a half years will start when the woman has the manchild, from the time of the birth to when we come into the fullness of Christ. Remember, the angel said, "Don't destroy anyone until I have finished marking them in their foreheads." So, you can see how things come together that we can actually pinpoint the time down to "this is our time in which we live."

Gary Sonmore: Praise the Lord. Let us open up the phone line for anyone that has a question.

**Question 5:** How will the human beings, the church, and the manchild, control the beast?

Brother Cecil duCille: How will the church control the beast? Right now, when we see things happening we should pray against it and I have seen even with the weather, that when the weather comes we pray against it and it turns away just like Jesus Christ controlling the being given that power to control winds and the waves. We are until the end of the time. The beast will be arrested and cast into the bottomless pit and humanity will be delivered from that thing. That is how we will control it, by believing God and praying and some things we will command and it will be done.

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**Question 6:** I want to make sure I understand correctly. Is the fullness coming prior to the atomic war?

Brother Cecil duCille: I remember the question - someone had asked if the war will last three and a half years. I do not think it can continue for three and half months. The war will stop. The Lord God said that before man could destroy the earth, the war will stop. Now, I do not know how intense it could be, but I can imagine that if cities of America are hit that America is going to tear up the rest of the enemies all over. That means to say, the scriptures say two billion people - it takes a thousand million to make a billion - so, two thousand million people will be dead. So if you can understand what we are looking at, God says it is to happen this year. I do not think the war can go many months. It is not a thing that could last, because if someone should hit America, how long would it take for us to hit back? Would we wait? This kind of warfare God would have to stop quickly. So whatever happens, God is giving us the power to speak the Word and stop that attack and save humanity. That is how I see it.

Gary Sonmore: The question that she is asking is, "What is the relationship between the fullness coming in the sons of God and when this atomic attack would be loosed on the earth? Is it before it or after it?"

Cecil duCille: The fullness must come either before or coinciding with the destruction, because if we do not have the power, we will not be able to stop them. Now hear what Revelation 7:3 says, *Hurt not the earth, neither the sea, nor the trees, till we have sealed the servants of our God in their foreheads.* Now when the

servants of God are sealed, the Bible tells us that it is by those same servants of God that the war will be stopped, because if the war continued the world would be destroyed. Matthew 24:22 says, ***And except those days should be shortened, there should no flesh be saved: but for the elect's sake those days shall be shortened.*** So how quick would it take to destroy the world if all the nations get angry? Do you know what I mean? So, I believe it could not be more than a few months. If it were three years there would be nothing left on earth. But then we are going to suffer after that because so many things will be destroyed.

**Question 6:** That is the only thing that makes sense to me. Thank you.

**Question 7:** I just had a thought. Brother Cassell had a word about seed-time and harvest, about the destruction. Could all this flooding that we are having be part of that seed-time where it is destroying all the crops and seed-bearing crops?

Cecil duCille: Well, the Word of God says that the nations were angry, and thy wrath is come. It said there would be great earthquakes, and there would be disasters everywhere (Matthew 24:7). I am seeing this happen that in every place you look there is some disaster. So I do believe that this is the beginning of something pretty big. That was in Revelation 11:18, ***And the nations were angry, and thy wrath is come, and the time of the dead, that they should be judged, and that thou shouldst give reward unto thy servants the prophets, and to the saints, and them that fear thy name, which destroy the earth.*** Yes. Then he

opened in heaven. ***19And the temple there was seen in his temple the were lightnings, and voices, and and great hail.*** So we are com-

**Question 8:** I have a ques- next to drug dealers or where be a shoot-out, you should move. I lived in when God found me. I there were shots that came in this come another foot it would have got- God to tell me, "Yes, move," or is it a

Cecil duCille: The scripture tells me in Revelation 18:2, ***And he cried mightily with a strong voice, saying, Babylon the great is fallen, is fallen, and is become the habitation of devils, and the hold of every foul spirit, and a cage of every unclean and hateful bird. 3For all nations have drunk of the wine of the wrath of her fornication, and the kings of the earth have committed fornication with her, and the merchants of the earth are waxed rich through the abundance of her delicacies. 4And I heard another voice from heaven, saying, Come out of her, my people, that ye be not partakers of her sins, and that ye receive not of her plagues.*** Now, I am saying that I would not want to be in places like Chicago and New York and San Francisco, nor many of those other big cities. I would not want to be there at this time. If I were there, I would be praying, "Lord God, show me if I should move and prepare a place for me to move to." There is no use moving out of the frying pan if you are going into the fire.

**Question 9:** I have another question. My nine year old son, who has been baptized, has not received the baptism of the Holy Ghost. We had an occurrence the other day where a kid was going to throw rocks at him and I didn't know what to tell him. Do you defend yourself? Do you just run away? Furthermore, what if this same child attacks his little brother or little sister? Is there ever a point where he or we are supposed to defend ourselves physically?

Cecil duCille: God has delivered me from that physical defense. I have had a crowd of men coming down upon me and kicking me and I never moved. I'll tell you something, I couldn't feel it. I couldn't understand it because I got some very heavy kicks, but I never felt any pain because I believe God. I don't believe God is going to have you teach your children any form of violence. Teach them to trust God to deliver them. I see some places where Jesus Christ Himself fled from them. Paul got out of the way, and others let him down in a basket to send him another way. So I do believe that non-violence is what Christ is teaching us.

**Question 9:** Thank you. That is clear enough.

Gary Sonmore: Praise the Lord. Hallelujah. Well, we have a full plate today with much good word given. Thank you for that, Brother duCille. Again, I think that it is so important that we take this to heart and allow the

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Lord to continue to seal us and to do whatever is necessary to put His seal upon us and to put His Spirit within us. Praise the Lord. Let me just conclude in prayer here and then we will be done for today. I want to thank everyone who has been able to join us today, both on the internet as well as on the phone line and for those who have been able to ask questions. I pray that they received the answers that they needed. Hallelujah. Let us pray.

*Lord, again we just thank You today for this broadcast, for this time in Your Word and in sharing. We just pray, God, that You will seal the message upon our hearts and bring to our remembrance those things that we need to take to heart and to learn and to chew on further, Lord. We pray that in this latter time, Lord, that we will continue to take this time seriously and to do business with You, God, in this late last hour. We give You praise and glory for Your keeping power upon us. We just bind any fear as we talk about these things, talk about the end time, talk about the beast rising up and the sealing of his people. Lord, we bind the spirit of fear that would come upon anybody that would question if they would be sealed by the enemy in some way.*

*Lord, by faith we just hold on to You. We reach out and in faith we say that we desire the sealing of God upon our soul, upon our mind and that there is no enemy that would be able to rob or distract us from the goal of having Your fullness within us, of having Your complete sealing within our soul and our mind. We give You praise and glory, Lord. Continue to bless each one that is listening and partaking of this broadcast today. Of course, for our Brother and Sister duCille, we thank You, God, for them, and we pray for divine strength for each of them and wisdom and guidance as well. We just give You all the glory and the praise now in Your precious holy name. Amen. Amen.*

Well, praise the Lord again and we look forward to next Saturday at this same time if the Lord wills. We believe that He does and that we will be able to have you to share with us once again. So that will conclude our broadcast for today. Praise the Lord. God bless everyone.

Cecil duCille: Praise the Lord. ☞

## Condolences

The Keeping In Touch and K.I.T. for Kids staff would like to express our heartfelt condolences to the families and friends of Theo Hampton, Carol Lawrence, Betty Lewis, Mavis duCille, and Russell Schaepe at their passing from this life to be with our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and we look forward to the day when we are together again in the presence of the Lord.

*Wherefore seeing we also are compassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which doth so easily beset us, and let us run with patience the race that is set before us, Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith; who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God*

*(Hebrews 12:1-2). ☞*



# Breaking Through the Veil

Reflections on the 2008 Czech Republic Conference  
by Paul and Pavlina Davis

**Pavlina:**

*The sun is rising on the horizon and I am slowly waking up. The feeling of the overshadowing presence of God is covering my soul, my mind - my whole being. Could this be? The reality of His presence is so strong that I don't seem to have a need of any great measure of faith in order to believe that He is here. I don't even have to seek Him; He is just here and He stays the whole day, even until the next morning...*

This is the closest way I would describe my experience at the 2008 Czech conference. The overshadowing presence of God that makes you feel that you just want to stop time and get lost in Him. God surely gave us a small foretaste of what it is going to be like when His fullness fills our souls.

Right from the beginning of the conference, God started to move upon the whole congregation. We didn't have to wait until the end of the week to really reach God; He reached us right from the start. Messages were brought forth about our need for repentance, turning away from bitterness, resentment, rebellion, our need for forgiveness and making our relationships with the brethren right. However, the words were not just words. They came with power to do what they were aimed at doing and the congregation was ready to move upon them.

I remember one particular meeting that made a lasting impression upon my soul. God moved mightily in worship that night and when we finally got to the word, it was getting quite late. The preacher didn't finish until 11:30 - time to go to bed. However, the presence of the Lord was there so strong that a small group still stayed behind. We began to worship and pray and as we did, God began to move upon individuals with repentance one towards the other; many were healed of old hurts and relationships were restored. God also sent a number of prophecies and visions to confirm the inner work. People prayed one for another with real love, care, and concern. We all smiled when a brother confessed, "Well, I was going to fix this one relationship and then leave the fellowship. So I fixed it, but now I don't have any reason to leave. So I guess I'll stay." Praise the Lord.

On another occasion, there was a word brought about the Holy Ghost and why God actually sent Him to us - so that we might commune with the Father, get to know Him and build our relationship with Him. When the altar call was made, it seemed that the whole congregation rushed down the aisle to kneel before the Lord in repentance. Truly God started something new that day.

It seemed that the whole purpose of God moving in the lives of so many at that conference was to *launch His church into space*. In other words, get us off the ground to soar in the Spirit so that the laws of this world





would not bind us to this earth any longer. There were also a number of visions brought forth about His army getting the last instructions for the final battle and the first lines actually being ready and in their places.

On one hand, it seemed a little sad that at this time of the end God was still dealing with us regarding the basics of life. His main desire was to get us out of the things that are carnal and related to the Outer Court. One would think that after walking with God for so long and receiving so much of His word together with His power, we would be in a different place. However, the glory that these dealings of God brought, and the liberty, love, and joy that was formed in the midst of the congregation was and is priceless. I would recommend everyone who was not able to listen to the meetings on the internet to get the CDs or DVDs and have your house filled with that which changed many lives for eternity. When one brother asked about the things he was seeing, he heard in his dream, "A HOLY GHOST INVASION." We truly experienced Holy Ghost invasion.

May the Lord richly bless you, give you that sense of His overshadowing presence in every step you take and prepare you for the final battle.

**Paul:**

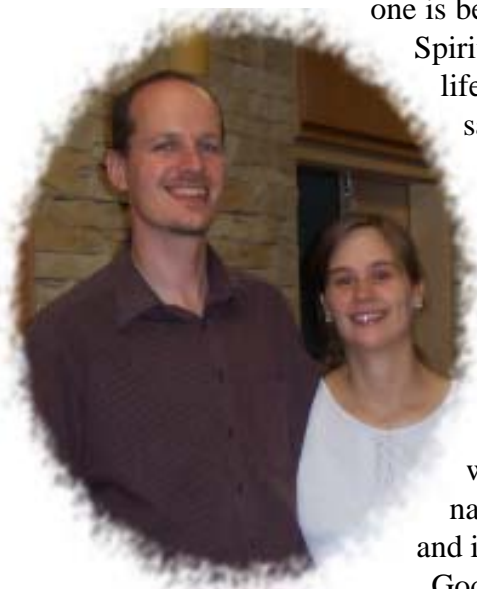
With each passing conference, I am more aware of the necessity to understand what the Spirit is saying, both to me as an individual, and to the church as a whole. Often it seems that the conference is looked upon as a highlight in a passage of time rather than a catalyst to provoke oneself to greater heights in God. At this particular conference, due to the initial meeting dealing with bitterness of soul and subsequent meetings dealing with the Baptism of the Holy Ghost, I was struck by the initial question of, "Why is God dealing with such basics at this late hour?" Then it came to me quite clearly; the overall question was not "Why God?", but instead "Am I?"

Because my natural human tendency wants to look at life from an outward perspective I was missing the point of what God was initially saying. Finally, the question became "Am I immersed in the Holy Ghost?" and "Am I being immersed into Christ?" After contemplating on why God was speaking to us about the Baptism of the Holy Ghost, I could only come to the conclusion that there is a need on my part to be completely immersed into the direction and knowledge of the Holy Spirit in every aspect of my life.



In my understanding of baptism, I am aware that it is for the purpose of the one being baptized to take on the nature of the thing that one is being baptized into. In the case of the Holy Spirit, it is for the purpose of immersing us into the

life of Christ in such way that His Spirit governs all daily activity. It is as Christ said, "I do nothing except that which I first see the Father doing." This can only be accomplished by an overall awareness of the governance of the Holy Spirit in our lives. In short, I must be immersed, baptized into Christ by the action of holiness being applied at all levels of my life. This is accomplished only as I yield myself to the work of the Holy Spirit. This comes by being baptized in the Holy Ghost. It is not a one time experience but a daily walking out.



Finally, there was a message brought that spoke of me being made of wood, a low level of humanity. However, there is an agent of change, fire, which will burn out the wood and replace it with the gold of God's divine nature. As long as there is wood, there will be fire; this will bring my change and in the end God will be glorified. Hallelujah!!

God bless you all. 🙏

# Slaves No Longer

Exhortation by Palina Davis  
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I just want to share with you what I see in the Spirit. I see the light, the sun coming into the land. Little by little, the sun, the light is filling the earth. As we sang: "Glory, Glory to the King of Kings" the sun, the light became so bright that it was almost hard to look at it. You know, it is not that yellow light that we are used to, it is bright white.

I see these slaves walking through the land. They used to show in the movies a line of many, many slaves bound by chains. They had these chains around their necks tied to their hands which were in chains and these were tied to the chains that were at their feet. But as the light comes in, the chains are broken and they take them off and they are given their robes. They are slaves, they don't have many clothes on, but they are receiving their robes and they are rising up and praising the King of Kings and giving Him glory.

I see many continents and many countries. I see Jamaica as first. There is a place where they were bound to the prince of this earth. They are being loosed by the glory of God coming in His people. I see Africa and I see the place being loosed. I see the Orient too, for God has His people even in that place and the Son of Righteousness is rising up with healing in His wings and He is setting the captives free.

You know, people, God has written about us in His book. Doesn't it excite you? Somebody so insignificant, living in a little village in the middle of nowhere, having troubles with every step we take, but God has looked upon us and He says, "This is the one I have written about in my Book. This is the one I have chosen to carry My Word and to set the captives free."

People, believe the calling. Take it and run with it. There are many slaves that are waiting for the simple word from the one who is so insignificant from the middle of nowhere, from such as who are you. Speak that word even tonight into the heavenly realm. Tell the devil you are not going to be his slave any longer. Tell the devil that he is a loser in your life, because it is written in God's book about you that you were born to be an overcomer and that you were born to set the captives free.

Thank You, Jesus. Hallelujah. 



Mark Jantzi  
May 11, 2008

This will be the second and perhaps the final word on repentance. Let us turn to Joel 2:12. Praise the Lord. We will read a few verses here. The word that came to Brother Campbell about three weeks ago was to call a solemn assembly. We have had a solemn assembly here this weekend. The brethren have also gathered in other places with a solemn assembly. The word that Brother Campbell gave also talked about weeping between the porch and the altar and there was a reference to the book of Joel.

So let us begin here in Joel 2:12, *Therefore also now, saith the LORD, turn ye even to me with all your heart, and with fasting, and with weeping, and with mourning: <sup>13</sup>And rend your heart, and not your garments, and turn unto the LORD your God: for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and of great kindness, and repenteth him of the evil. <sup>14</sup>Who knoweth if he will return and repent, and leave a blessing behind him; even a meat offering and a drink offering unto the LORD your God? <sup>15</sup>Blow the trumpet in Zion, sanctify a fast, call a solemn assembly: <sup>16</sup>Gather the people, sanctify the congregation, assemble the elders, gather the children, and those that suck the breasts: let the bridegroom go forth of his chamber, and the bride out of her closet. <sup>17</sup>Let the priests, the ministers of the LORD, weep between the porch and the altar, and let them say, Spare thy people, O LORD, and give not thine heritage to reproach, that the heathen should rule over them: wherefore should they say among*

*the people, Where is their God? <sup>18</sup>Then will the LORD be jealous for his land, and pity his people.* I think we will end right there. Amen. Now the book of Joel is not a disorganized book. It is not just verses thrown in here helter-skelter, willy-nilly, in any manner. There is a flow. There is a pattern. There is a purpose here. We are going to get to these verses in a minute, but if you go back to the beginning of Joel, it describes a desolation that is coming to God's people. Amen. It begins to tell of how the land has been taken over by demons, by unclean spirits. Brethren, we can see this, not only in our natural land, our own nation and other nations as well, but I believe that this has happened to God's people as well. Unclean spirits have come in and have eaten their way into the hearts and the souls of God's people.

It says here in Joel 1:4, *That which the palmerworm hath left hath the locust eaten; and that which the locust hath left hath the cankerworm eaten; and that which the cankerworm hath left hath the caterpillar eaten. <sup>5</sup>Awake, ye drunkards, and weep; and howl, all ye drinkers of wine, because of the new wine; for it is cut off from your mouth.* This is a description of what has happened and why there is a need for repentance; it is because the cankerworm, the palmerworm, the caterpillar and the locust have eaten and devoured the life of the Spirit from the church, from God's people. Amen. They have taken it away and have stolen it. We have allowed these unclean spirits to come in.

In the next verse it goes on, *‘For a nation is come up upon my land, strong, and without number, whose teeth are the teeth of a lion, and he hath the cheek teeth of a great lion.* He is talking about another invasion of unclean spirits. We haven’t seen the end of it, brethren. There is more coming. There is coming a time of tribulation, brethren, and God is calling for repentance because His visitation is also at hand. Amen. God is not going to come into His temple and dwell in His temple when the house of God is in this condition. Now you know that when we talk about the temple of God we are not talking about some futuristic thing that we expect to be built in the mid-east somewhere? That is not what we are talking about.

So there is a condition of desolation on the spiritual landscape and, brother, there is desolation even in the natural. You only have to read the news. You only have to be aware of what is going on. My goodness, these sudden tornadoes that have come up - I think it was this horrible thing that landed in Burma just yesterday. (Instead of Burma it is now called Myanmar). It is an unrighteous demon infested land, ruled by cruel, wicked men and it needs the gospel of Jesus Christ. The barriers and strongholds need to be broken down. Even as those strongholds need to be and indeed are being broken down in Islamic lands. At one time I had the attitude that this was just a solid wall, that nothing could ever break the devil’s stronghold. But I am beginning to find out that this is not true. God is indeed working in these places and bringing repentance. God is indeed making a visitation to those that are hungry for the real thing. So, Joel says that there is desolation, there is an invasion and then there is something that God is asking of man. Amen.

We go on now from here. Joel 1:13, *Gird yourselves, and lament, ye priests: howl, ye ministers of the altar: come, lie all night in sackcloth, ye ministers of my God: for the meat offering and the drink offering is withholden from the house of your God.*

Who are these priests and these ministers of the altar in today’s language? Yes, today they represent those in leadership; they are the sons of God, the elders, those that have responsibility, as well. Gird yourselves, and lament... howl. Oh my, that word *howl* is kind of a strong word, isn’t it? It means *to wail*. How many of you have ever wailed before the Lord? I don’t know, to me you just can’t put on an act when your heart is that rent or torn by grief. I can see that people sometimes make artificial tears, you know, and put on a little act. Politicians, I guess, are known to do that at the appropriate times as an “I feel your pain”

and that type of thing; it’s putting on an act.

But you know, God is saying, “NO! I don’t want you to put on an act. I want something to come from deep within your heart.” Amen. <sup>13</sup>*Gird yourselves, and lament, ye priests: howl, ye ministers of the altar: come, lie all night in sackcloth, ye ministers of my God: for the meat offering and the drink offering is withholden from the house of your God.* Now, we

don’t have or use sackcloth any more. Do you know what sackcloth really is? We used to call it burlap. Do you know that they don’t even make burlap any more? They are making it all out of some kind of plastic fabric, little plastic flat threads. It doesn’t even look like burlap. But I could always imagine what it would be like to put burlap on next to my skin and then to try to sleep in that. My goodness, this fabric would form an almost permanent indentation on my skin. Do you understand? I think that this is the whole idea, to afflict the flesh. If I can’t be afflicted in the inner man, start afflicting the outer man so that the inner man is going to cry out as well. I believe that this is the whole idea of fasting, in that it afflicts the outer man. The hunger pains, “I should have eaten my meal by now!” My body clock says, “Time to eat!” Amen. But we are saying, “NO!” We are going to bring the flesh into subjection. We are going to show the flesh that it can be submissive to the Lord by the Spirit.

<sup>14</sup>*Sanctify ye a fast, call a solemn assembly, gather the elders and all the inhabitants of the land into the house of the LORD your God, and cry unto the LORD, <sup>15</sup>Alas for the day! for the day of the LORD is at hand, and as a destruction from the Almighty shall it come.* So there are certain things required of man. God is saying, “Here is what is coming.” He is saying, “Here is what I require of man.” Also, when we get to the end of this whole passage, He says, “Here is what I will do if you fulfill the thing that I have asked of you.” What is He asking of man? Repent! Yes, He is asking us to repent. Now, I don’t know whether you understand much about repentance. I think sometimes that we have had the idea that if we merely confess, “Well, yes, I have a tendency to do this. I have a tendency to blow up and to get angry. I have a tendency that I don’t have patience. I have a tendency to thus, thus and thus and the other thing.” Okay! That is a good start, but to repent means that you are going to change. In other words, “I am not going to do that any more.” Hallelujah. “I am not going to walk that way anymore. I have a tendency to cheat others when I am doing business. NO! I won’t do

There is coming a time of tribulation, brethren, and God is calling for repentance because His visitation is also at hand.

that any more.” Amen. Whatever the tendency is that is unrighteous, you are not going to do that anymore, that sin that easily besets you. Hebrews 12:1, *Wherefore seeing we also are compassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which doth so easily beset us, and let us run with patience the race that is set before us.* Hallelujah.

Now we come back to those verses that we read. Amen. Joel 2:12, *Therefore also now, saith the LORD, turn ye even to me with all your heart, and with fasting, and with weeping, and with mourning.*

Fasting, weeping, mourning. I was thinking about this last night, this weeping, this mourning. This m-o-u-r-n-i-n-g, not this m-o-r-n-i-n-g of today, but this weeping and this mourning before the Lord. It is almost like He is saying, “Okay, you have a choice. You can be weeping and mourning now, or you can be doing it later.” What do I mean by that? What do you think your position is going to be when you come to the door and you knock on the door and you find out that the door is shut? Yet you want to enter in; you want to be part of what God is doing with the sons of God. You will see the joy, you will see the power, you will see the anointing, and you will see the flow of miracles that is coming forth through Christ, the power of Christ, the glory of the Lord in His people. Amen. You will see the glory that He received of the Father and that He has given to us, the church, the sons of God. You will see that! You will desire to enter into that! Luke 13:24, *Strive to enter in at the strait gate: for many, I say unto you, will seek to enter in, and shall not be able.* Why will they not be able? It is because they didn’t rend their heart at the appropriate time, when the Lord called for them to do so. Now, I don’t have the ability to just go and rend my heart anytime, or to just go and put it on my calendar and say, “Yes, let’s see, I think the twentieth of June will be a good time. Yes, that will fit in. I think that will be a good time. We will rend our heart then.” No! I can’t schedule this ahead of time. I have to respond to what God is saying. If God says that it is time to rend my heart, then He will give me the ability to do so. Amen.

Joel 2:13, *And rend your heart, and not your garments, and turn unto the LORD your God: for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and of great kindness, and repenteth him of the evil.* Again, we don’t understand some of these ancient customs. A man would come with bad news. “Your children are dead.”

This news would shake the man so much that he would take his hands and rip his garment open. Then he would

take dust and he would put it on his head. Then he would go down on his face and he would begin to weep and travail and cry out in the agony of his soul.

You say, “Now aren’t you getting a little carried away with this agony of the soul thing?” What else is it going to take to change us? Light affliction doesn’t seem to do it, does it? How many of you have had some light afflictions lately? Was it sufficient to bring about the change that you

know needs to happen in you? To really drive out the proclivity to unrighteousness that abides

in the inner man? Hallelujah. Oh, blessed be the Lord! You know, it takes travail. Zion cannot bring forth any manchild without travail. Some of you are mothers and you have experienced bringing forth children. Were you able to do so without travail?

Without pain? I don’t think so. That is the way that it works and this is God’s method. If we are

going to bring forth the fullness of Christ, there is going to have to come forth out of us a cry, a travailing cry:

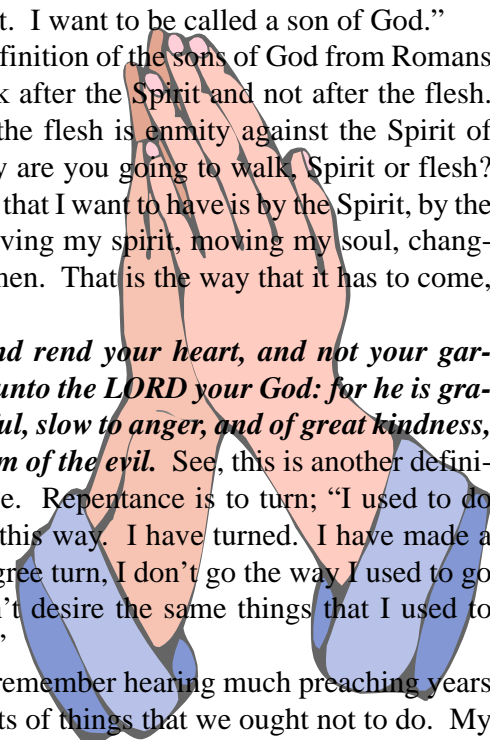
“My God! I am no longer satisfied with Adam! I can’t get away from Adam, but I am not satisfied living after Adam. I know that I can’t put an end to Adam. I can’t put an end to my flesh and I am not going to try. However, I don’t want that to be the prime mover of my life. I want to walk by the Spirit. I want to be called a son of God.”

That is the definition of the sons of God from Romans 8, those that walk after the Spirit and not after the flesh. Why? Because the flesh is enmity against the Spirit of God. Which way are you going to walk, Spirit or flesh? The prime mover that I want to have is by the Spirit, by the Spirit of God moving my spirit, moving my soul, changing my flesh. Amen. That is the way that it has to come, isn’t it?

Joel 2:13, *And rend your heart, and not your garments, and turn unto the LORD your God: for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and of great kindness, and repenteth him of the evil.* See, this is another definition of repentance. Repentance is to turn; “I used to do this, now I walk this way. I have turned. I have made a complete 180 degree turn, I don’t go the way I used to go any more. I don’t desire the same things that I used to desire years ago.”

You know, I remember hearing much preaching years ago and many lists of things that we ought not to do. My

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church and my elders made great lists of worldly entertainment and this type of thing and thus and thus and worldly this and worldly that. So I thought, "Okay, I can quit those things." So some of the things I did quit. I didn't do this. I didn't watch that. Then I discovered that I still had a longing for some of those things. Then I thought, "Well, if I still want those things, what good is it that I changed my outer behavior, but nothing changed in the inner part of my heart? The desires are still there." But now, what a joy it is to discover later in my life that I don't want those things anymore. It holds no interest to me. That kind of music, it is of no interest to me. The first step, I suppose, is that you lack an interest in it. After a while you find that it is totally irritating to you. It is just, "Why do they have to perform that thing in front of me?" Then you remember that you used to like that behavior. What has happened? Is it just that I got old? No, I don't think so. I see some old people really ripping it up out there, really cutting it up. No, it wasn't just the passing of time that did it. It is the continual walk after the Spirit and little by little God changing us.

But we have to be repenting in order to allow God to change us. Oh, He is not finished. Here I am. My age is above the halfway mark in the sixties, which means that I am pushing on to the next number that starts with a seven. I don't often think about that number but it is coming and it is rushing toward me. I used to think when I was younger, that when you get up to those ages that you are perfect. There will be nothing that you need to overcome because everything is all done. My goodness!

I'm discovering that God isn't finished. I have a feeling that He is not going to be finished until I draw my last breath. Why? He is going to continue to give me opportunities to overcome. There will be more and more and more of Adam to be overcome. When He is finished working on your outer deeds, He starts working on the inner attitudes. My goodness, how many of you have some attitudes? Oh, you didn't know that you did! Well, just keep asking the Lord. He will start showing you. There are attitudes and thought processes when we view things or when we view people. Just catch yourselves. What did you think about that person? What did you think about what he just said? Are you ready to condemn that man? Or are we ready to say, "My God, is there not salvation for that man?"

I didn't even tell Rita this. I stopped to get fuel this morning and I was the only one there at the gas station. I went in, got my wallet out and laid the money on the counter. I have done this at this particular gas station maybe a hundred times or more. They never say anything; they just make a grunt or something.

This morning the guy says, "Oh, are you going to church?"

I said, "Yes, how about you?"

"Oh no, I don't have time. Work, work, work; I just work all the time."

I said, "But you are not here every Sunday. I see your family members."

"Well..."

So then I said to him, "Are you a Christian?"

"No," he said, "I'm a Muslim."

Well, they don't show it, this particular family. They're not into the black and all of that. I walked out of there and when I got into the car I thought of all the things I should have said. I did, however, end by saying, "Jesus loves you." I threw that as a parting shot before I collected my change and left. Then I thought of all the things I could have or should have said.

How would I have reacted a year ago to a man looking me in the face and saying, "I am a Muslim."? I would have thought, "So you are going to be a terrorist, huh? You want to burn us down, huh?" These are some of the things I would have thought. Today I was thinking, "I wonder how Jesus can save this man? I wonder if the next time I go in, if I can say something else." I'm wondering, "Little by little, can I get this man to think about the fact that there is a God that loves?" He doesn't know God loves. His god is an angry god. His god doesn't give any assurance of salvation. Do you understand? They don't know any way that they are going to be saved.

Thank God that He can change us. Thank God we have been crying out to Him this weekend, "Change my heart, oh God." I want to think like Jesus would have thought about that man. Jesus could have brought him into the Kingdom in a matter of a few minutes - if the man was ready.

That is why Jesus said, "He must needs go through Samaria." The Father had told Jesus that there was one desperate woman in Samaria whose life was wrecked and ruined. "I want You to take the disciples and go through Samaria. There is somebody there who is crying in her heart. She wants to repent. She is so dissatisfied with her life. Go in and help that woman. Give her the Word that will bring her and loose her out of that horrible pit." Hallelujah. Amen.

Joel 2:15, **Blow the trumpet...** What is the trumpet? Literally it is a shofar. Now, what does a trumpet represent spiritually in our day? I don't happen to have any trumpets in my closet. If I did have, I wouldn't know how to blow them. But to blow a trumpet is to make an announcement. The trumpet was a means of sending out an alarm signal. It wasn't just an alarm, though. There was a means of blowing that trumpet that said, "Danger is coming! Lock everything down! Everybody get into a safe place!" You know, "The enemy is coming!" There were trumpets that made announcements that said, "The day of

Jubilee has arrived!” That was a trumpet call, as well. That might have been a different trumpet. It might have been a silver trumpet that was sounded at that time.

Anyway, the prophet or the prophetic ministry is a trumpet. You will notice that the prophets (at least the ones that we are affiliated with) seem to be loud and abrasive. Why? What is the purpose of this sound that the Lord uses with this kind of ministry? This word that we have from Brother Campbell is the sounding of a trumpet. It is an announcement that the day of the Lord is at hand and we need to take heed to this announcement. Out in the Midwest where they have these tornadoes all the time, they have a routine procedure. These sirens start going off when they see some of these things coming.

These sirens are located on the fire departments, aren't they? Usually these sirens start wailing when it is storming. It gets your attention and you say, "What in the world is going on?" You start talking to people, "What is going on?" "Oh! They made an announcement - a tornado is headed this way!"

What do you do when you hear the trumpet sound? Do you just say, "Oh well, another false alarm."? I don't think so. I think we say, "DANGER! I need to do something about it. If I do something about it, if I do what is required of me, I will be saved. If not, I am at the mercy of the elements."

All right, verse 16, **Gather the people...** As I said, Joel is a very well organized book here. Gather the people. There are several classifications of people here that are to be gathered. There are elders. We know who the elders are - the older ones. There are children - not babies - but children. Babies, also, are to be included in this, babies that are still nursing. Is anybody excused? "Well, I am on my honeymoon." No! Bridegroom, bride! Everybody has to pay heed to what is going on here.

The Lord's response, **<sup>19</sup>Yea, the Lord will answer and say unto his people, Behold, I will send you corn, and wine, and oil, and ye shall be satisfied therewith: and I will no more make you a reproach among the heathen.** What do corn, wine and oil speak of spiritually? The corn is meal and the meal is the Word. There has been a famine. The Lord said there is going to be a famine in our day. Not a famine of food, but a famine for hearing the Word. How many of you believe that there is a famine out there for hearing the Word? The Word is not going forth. There is hunger in people's lives. "I want to hear. What is God really saying?" The wine speaks of the joy of the Lord and

the oil is a type of the anointing of the Holy Spirit.

I know a lot of preachers are not telling people what God is saying. They are afraid that they are going to offend people. I will tell you what; I want to hear it straight. As for me, that is the way that I am. I want to be told. I don't want a nasty surprise. If you know the storm is coming, tell me it is coming. I don't want to be caught outdoors too far from my house to get into shelter when that storm hits. Would to God you had told me and offended me, even if you made me mad. If I didn't obey what I was told, I would have no one to blame but myself. But if you knew and you never told me so that I could take heed, then whose hands will the blood be on? The blood will be on

your hands. You had the Word of the Lord and you didn't warn anyone. You were the watchman, you saw it, you held your peace, and therefore the blood is on you.

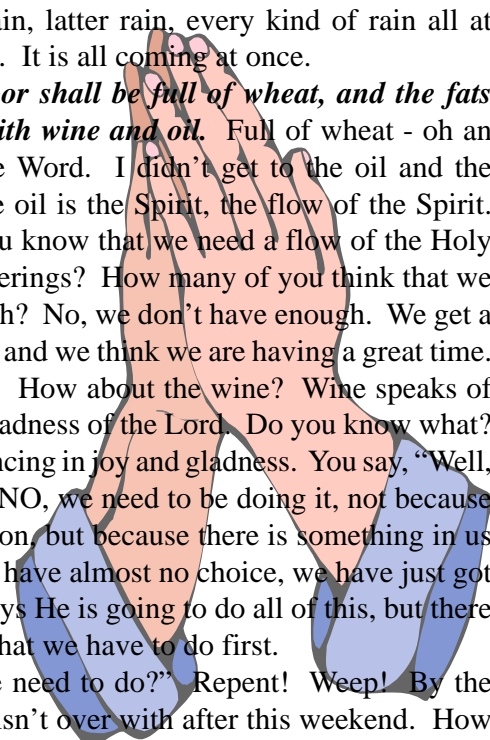
A few more verses from Joel, **<sup>23</sup>Be glad then, ye children of Zion, and rejoice in the LORD your God: for he hath given you the former rain moderately, and**

**he will cause to come down for you the rain, the former rain, and the latter rain in the first month.** The former and latter rain all at once, this is what is coming. Some say that the former rain was the day of Pentecost. Some say the latter rain was in 1948 (Latter Rain move) or 1906 (Azusa Street) or something. NO, I don't think we have seen it all yet, brethren. We are going to have a combination of former rain, latter rain, every kind of rain all at once, at one time. It is all coming at once.

**<sup>24</sup>And the floor shall be full of wheat, and the fats shall overflow with wine and oil.** Full of wheat - oh an abundance of the Word. I didn't get to the oil and the wine, did I? The oil is the Spirit, the flow of the Spirit. How many of you know that we need a flow of the Holy Spirit in our gatherings? How many of you think that we don't have enough? No, we don't have enough. We get a little bit of a taste and we think we are having a great time. But I want more. How about the wine? Wine speaks of the joy and the gladness of the Lord. Do you know what? We need to be dancing in joy and gladness. You say, "Well, I can put it on." NO, we need to be doing it, not because we are putting it on, but because there is something in us so strong that we have almost no choice, we have just got to dance. God says He is going to do all of this, but there are some things that we have to do first.

"What do we need to do?" Repent! Weep! By the way, repentance isn't over with after this weekend. How

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many of you know that? The solemn assembly isn't over with, whether we assemble or whether we don't assemble. We looked that word up, *solemn*. I was quite surprised at the meaning of it. Do you know what it really means? It means to stop. Do you remember any other words we found in that, Rita? *Refrain, stop, grave, to come to a halt*, in other words, solemn. Stop your routine, your normal run of activity. Bring it to a halt. Now, it is not the same as Sabbath, which means rest. It just means stop, halt, cease and consider.

Then the Lord says, <sup>25</sup>*And I will restore to you the years that the locust hath eaten, the cankerworm, and the caterpillar, and the palmerworm, my great army which I sent among you.* He will restore the grain, the wine, and the oil and He will restore what these demons have eaten from us. The devils have robbed our lives. The devils have robbed our children's lives. Devils have robbed our grandchildren. Devils have robbed our marriages. My God! And God is going to bring restoration.

Let me just finish here with verse 28, *And it shall come to pass afterward, that I will pour out my spirit upon all flesh; and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, your young men shall see visions:* Flesh, flesh, flesh, this is talking about people who live in the now. That is not talking about pouring out His Spirit on the people in heaven. We are the people of flesh. We who live and breathe and eat food. Yes, "I will pour out My spirit upon all flesh."

*...your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, your young men shall see visions:* We are not even seeing our sons and our daughters prophesy yet, are we? Yes, I want to see my sons and my daughters prophesy. Oh, they won't let the daughters prophesy. Most of them won't let anybody prophesy. If you get up and try to prophesy, they will carry you right out. *...your old men shall dream dreams...* I am looking forward to more than the stupid dreams that I have been dreaming lately. My dreams don't make any sense at all. Rita and I wake up and we ask each other in the morning, "What did you dream?" "Oh, I don't know. Somebody was trying to tow my truck out of the ditch." These are not spiritual dreams, brethren. No, I want to dream spiritual dreams. We ask the Lord, "I want that day to come when the outpouring of the Spirit is so heavy upon us, that when we go to bed, we have no choice. The Spirit is still there causing us to dream, stirring our inner man." It is going to happen. Visions, yes!

<sup>29</sup>*And also upon the servants and upon the handmaids in those day will I pour out my spirit.* <sup>30</sup>*And I will shew*

*wonders in the heavens and in the earth, blood, and fire, and pillars of smoke.* <sup>31</sup>*The sun shall be turned into darkness, and the moon into blood, before the great and terrible day of the LORD come.* <sup>32</sup>*And it shall come to pass, that whosoever shall call on the name of the LORD shall be delivered: for in mount Zion and in Jerusalem shall be deliverance, as the LORD hath said, and in the remnant whom the LORD shall call.* We are

talking about spiritual Zion, spiritual Jerusalem. Then Joel goes on talking in chapter three about the judgment upon the world. I will leave that part be.

Now, I have four other places to go here.

Let's turn to Haggai. Haggai begins with a description of the disgraceful condition of the Lord's house. They are talking about a natural house in the natural prophetic word here. Haggai 1:2, *Thus speaketh the LORD of hosts, saying, This people say, The time is not come, the time that the LORD'S house should be built.* How many of you believe that the Lord wants His house built? How many of you believe that He not only wants it built, but He wants it cleaned out?

Amen. <sup>4</sup>*Is it time for you, O ye, to dwell in your ceiled houses, and this house lie waste?* Yes. We live in a nice natural house, don't we? Most of us don't have a dirt floor. I know brethren that do. A good brother, a friend of mine in the Philippines, has part of a dirt floor in their house. Rain comes washing through the bottom of this house. Amen.

<sup>5</sup>*Now therefore thus saith the LORD of hosts; Consider your ways.* I believe this is what repentance is all about, to consider my ways. It is a time to think about where I am going. It is a time to consider, "What are my attitudes? What are my desires? What direction am I going in? Am I satisfied with the direction I have been going in the last 10 years? Do I really believe that God has been favoring me in the direction I've been going? Have I been running into a brick wall and I'm not getting where I want to get? Have I been desirous of overcoming something? Getting free of some addiction, whatever it is? Have I been desirous and I'm not getting there?" Consider your ways.

Here is what it says, <sup>6</sup>*Ye have sown much, and bring*

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*in little; ye eat, but ye have not enough; ye drink, but ye are not filled with drink; ye clothe you, but there is none warm; and he that earneth wages earneth wages to put it into a bag with holes. Ye have sown much...* What does that mean? That means that you have put a lot of effort and a lot of energy into it and you are no further ahead than you were before; if anything, you are further behind. You are not getting out of the hole; you are still in the hole, maybe even deeper. Let's go on here a little bit. ...*ye eat, but ye have not enough...* What happens when we eat, but not enough? We keep on eating. You eat more than you need and you just get bigger and bigger, but you are not really satisfied. You get duller and duller. I'm just reading it from the Word here. It says, ...*ye drink, but ye are not filled with drink...* People that are prone to drink - I'm talking about the wrong kind of drink - one drink is not enough. They have to keep drinking it all night long and they are still never satisfied. It doesn't satisfy; you're never filled. ...*ye clothe you, but there is none warm...* By the way, it seems that people seldom buy clothes to keep warm any more. They buy clothes because it is the fashion. Someone said that a man's idea was that they should put an expiration date on his clothes, so that he knows when the fashions are ready to change. I have clothes that are probably WAY expired. ...*he that earneth wages earneth wages to put it into a bag with holes.* That is before paper money. That is when the money came in coins, in silver, gold, brass and such. The man puts his wage in a bag on Friday night. He is on his way home. What happens? It disappears. Why? Why is it gone? Why can a righteous man earn the same wages as a man who is not walking righteously? The unrighteous man's family is starving, his children don't have enough, and his wife's needs aren't being met. But a righteous man is earning the same wages and somehow they are getting by, they are happy, they are joyful. How can that be? Do you understand the economy of it? You could actually figure out the details of what is happening if you examine your ways. What happened? "Oh, I stopped and I bought something that I shouldn't have. I stopped at the tavern." Oh-oh! There it goes. Yes. These are things that happen. Do you know what? Spiritually, it is the same principal.

*<sup>7</sup>Thus saith the LORD of hosts; Consider your ways. <sup>8</sup>Go up to the mountain, and bring wood, and build the house; and I will take pleasure in it, and I will be glori-*

*fied, saith the LORD.* Spiritually, go up, go to a higher place. We are being called to a higher walk. We can no longer dwell in this low-land plane of carnality that we have dwelt in. We have played religion down on this level. We can't stay here playing religion. We have to come higher into God. Hallelujah.

*<sup>9</sup>Ye looked for much, and, lo, it came to little; and when ye brought it home, I did blow upon it. Why? saith the LORD of hosts. Because of mine house that is waste, and ye run every man unto his own house.*

*<sup>10</sup>Therefore the heaven over you is stayed from dew, and the earth is stayed from her fruit.*

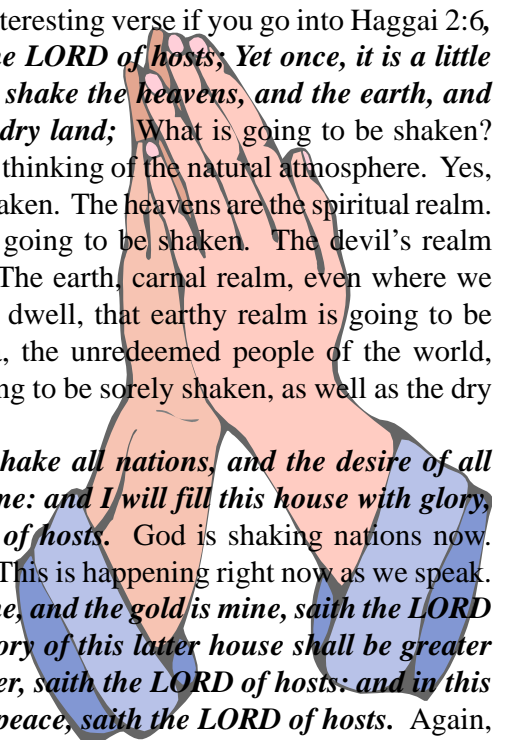
Every man takes care of his own business. Every man looks out for number one, for himself and what is his. "I will take care of me!" But we don't regard the Body of Christ.

We don't notice the suffering in the Body of Christ. We don't hear the cry of other people, the desperation of their cry, "I want to be free!" What will we do if we are aware of the condition of the house of God? We will be praying for them, won't we? We will be extending our hand to them. "Brother, sister, how can I help you? How can I help direct you to walk in God's way?"

There is an interesting verse if you go into Haggai 2:6, *For thus saith the LORD of hosts; Yet once, it is a little while, and I will shake the heavens, and the earth, and the sea, and the dry land;* What is going to be shaken? Now, you are not thinking of the natural atmosphere. Yes, that too will be shaken. The heavens are the spiritual realm. The heavens are going to be shaken. The devil's realm will be shaken. The earth, carnal realm, even where we carnal Christians dwell, that earthy realm is going to be shaken. The sea, the unredeemed people of the world, their realm is going to be sorely shaken, as well as the dry land.

*<sup>7</sup>And I will shake all nations, and the desire of all nations shall come: and I will fill this house with glory, saith the LORD of hosts.* God is shaking nations now. This is the time. This is happening right now as we speak. *<sup>8</sup>The silver is mine, and the gold is mine, saith the LORD of hosts. <sup>9</sup>The glory of this latter house shall be greater than of the former, saith the LORD of hosts: and in this place will I give peace, saith the LORD of hosts.* Again,

You can endure the fire of God's cleansing now or the fire of His judgment later. It is your choice. Which one do you want? I think I prefer the now.



what are we talking about “the glory of the latter house”? What is the glory of the former house, spiritually speaking? Go back to the day of Pentecost and people say, “Oh, if we could only have another visitation like the day of Pentecost.” But you know what? That was the former house. That was the beginning of the house of Jesus Christ, Christianity, the church, the beginning. Yet here it says that the latter house is going to be greater than the former. The latter house will be a better, more powerful outpouring of the Spirit with more powerful servants than on the day of Pentecost. Many shall be like Peter standing up all over the world and saying, “Repent and be saved and ye shall receive the gift of the baptism of the Holy Ghost” (Acts 2:38). People were crying, “But what shall we do?”

Yet, it shall be greater than that. Are you ready for that? Do you want to be part of that? Do you want to be in that house or do you want to be shut out of that house, weeping and wailing and crying on the outside of that house? “My God, I waited too long! You told me, Lord, to get involved. You told me, Lord, to get in and I delayed because I was lazy. You told me, Lord, but I counted some cost and said that it was too much.” No. You want to be part of that. Amen.

Now, if you would turn to Malachi 3:1, **Behold, I will send my messenger, and he shall prepare the way before me: and the Lord, whom ye seek, shall suddenly come to his temple, even the messenger of the covenant, whom ye delight in: behold, he shall come, saith the LORD of hosts.** There are two things here; there is a messenger preparing the way and then there is the coming of the messenger of the covenant. Do you see this? There is a fore-runner and then there is the coming of Christ. There is a John the Baptist ministry and then there is the coming of the fullness of Christ. Do you see this? The John the Baptist ministry is the Elijah ministry. Amen. So there is a messenger ministry now saying, “Prepare ye the way of the Lord.” Isn’t it funny that the Lord uses the same principles and the same patterns? He is doing the same thing again. Before the visitation to the house He sends a message out, “Prepare ye the way of the Lord. Make His paths straight.” What does that mean, “make His paths straight”? That means to start walking straight. Quit those crooked, devious ways. Get on the straight and narrow, so to speak. By the way, straight also goes along with narrow, doesn’t it? If you are on a straight path, you don’t need a broad path. You don’t need to wander here and

there, this side and that side. It is straight, it is narrow, and here is where you are to go. You don’t have the liberty of going to the right or to the left. You used to have that liberty, didn’t you? But now what happens? Now, if you turn a little to the right or to the left, a little voice comes and says, “Uh-oh. You are going the wrong way. Turn back.”

So, “the Lord, Whom ye seek.” Have we been seeking the Lord?

***Behold, I will send my messenger, and he shall prepare the way before me: and the Lord, whom ye seek, shall suddenly come to his temple, even the messenger of the covenant, whom ye delight in: behold, he shall come, saith the LORD of hosts.*** The “Lord, Whom ye seek” shall come how? Suddenly! Suddenly! Again, as I understand the tone of this message that was given through Brother Campbell, it is suddenly and not only suddenly, but also soon. This is the

last warning. This trumpet, this sounding of the alarm is the last one that you will hear before it starts. It doesn’t mean that Jesus came and that He has already arrived in His fullness. No! That isn’t what it means. But as for this messenger, where is he coming? Where is the “Lord, Whom ye seek” coming? He is coming to His temple, to His individual and His corporate temple; He is coming.

But who may abide? You say, “Oh, yes. Come, Lord Jesus! I am ready!” But in reality, “Who may abide the day of His coming?” It is going to be a great and terrible day, isn’t it? ***But who may abide the day of his coming? and who shall stand when he appeareth? for he is like a refiner’s fire, and like fullers’ soap:*** What is the appearance of the Lord? What does His appearing mean? It is His revelation, when the veil is finally pulled back and we realize the awesomeness of His glory and we begin to see the reality of what real righteousness is. Then we begin to say, “Oh, my God, I have hidden these dark things in my closet!” The glory of the righteousness - who will be able to stand when we really see it the way it really is? We say, “God is a righteous God!” We don’t know what that means! I think Moses found out when he saw the glory but he couldn’t see the whole thing. ***But who may abide the day of his coming? and who shall stand when he appeareth? for he is like a refiner’s fire, and like fullers’ soap:***

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I don't think we realize what it is really going to be like to be plunged into the midst of that fire. Once again, we have fire. Isn't that fire interesting? It is like weeping; you have got a choice: You can do the weeping and the rending of your heart now, or you will do it later. You can endure the fire of God's cleansing now or the fire of His judgment later. It is your choice. Which one do you want? I think I prefer the now. Why? He is a merciful God. He is not out to destroy me with His fire. What is He trying to do? He is out to refine me.

**<sup>3</sup>And he shall sit as a refiner and purifier of silver: and he shall purify the sons of Levi, and purge them as gold and silver, that they may offer**

**unto the LORD an offering in righteousness.**

I want to claim to be of the sons of Levi, don't you?

Yes, sons of Levi. It doesn't mean natural sons of Levi, does it? What does *purge* mean? Cleanse them, purge them and refine them. Hallelujah. He wants us to be able to offer an offering in righteousness.

What offering do you suppose He is after? Our soul, but He wants that soul offered in righteousness, doesn't He? Where is that offering of that soul made? At the golden altar, isn't it? He wants that offering to be an acceptable offering. The priest knew that it would be an acceptable offering when the smoke rose and went up and then the glory of God filled the temple. The veil has now been rent and man can go behind the veil. We will say that the veil is removed and now we are before the mercy seat and the glory of God is being manifested.

I have time for a couple more verses. Let us go to Matthew 3 and we will talk about John the Baptist. **<sup>1</sup>In those days came John the Baptist, preaching in the wilderness of Judaea, <sup>2</sup>And saying, Repent ye: for the kingdom of heaven is at hand. <sup>3</sup>For this is he that was spoken of by the prophet Esaias, saying, The voice of one crying in the wilderness, Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make his paths straight.** What was the message of John the Baptist? What was the theme? They don't really publish much of his sermons. You can sum it all up in, "Repent ye: for the kingdom of heaven is at hand." So people came. They came out and religious people came to be baptized: Scribes and Pharisees, (pastors and bishops, in our way of thinking) and what have you. There were religious people, leaders and elders. Amen.

**<sup>7</sup>But when he saw many of the Pharisees and Sadducees come to his baptism, he said unto them, O generation of vipers, who hath warned you to flee from the wrath to come?** Do you suppose that John the Baptist

was offensive? Do you think people got mad at him? Especially the way he looked, with a leather girdle of camel hair and he may have smelled bad. He could have had grasshoppers on his breath. Yes, the locust is a grasshopper that he ate with honey. He was not accepted in the town and he should have been because he was the son of a priest. Yet, he took a ministry outside of the system, because that was God's calling - out of the system. So the system men came. How far do you think he would have gotten in being sponsored in television evangelism today? No, you don't get big offerings or invitations to be on TBN

by calling people, "O generation of vipers, who hath warned you to flee from the wrath to come?"

He is separating wheat from chaff and what is He going to do with the chaff? Burn it up. If I hold on to chaff, then I am going to go where chaff goes.

Here is real repentance, **<sup>8</sup>Bring forth therefore fruits meet for repentance:**

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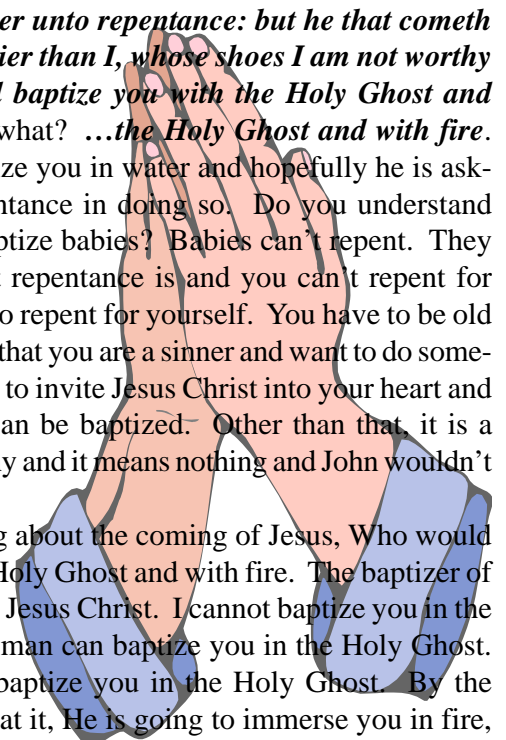
come to me and say you want to be dipped and dunked and

have a religious ceremony. Come to me with evidence that you have changed. By the way, this is the principle of the baptism of repentance. Baptism does not just consist of confession of sin, but baptism consists of repentance with change. "I am changed." By the way, you can change very fast in that manner if you want to. "By evidence of change are you talking about our souls to the Lord?" Yes!

But John the Baptist was saying this, **<sup>11</sup>I indeed baptize you with water unto repentance: but he that cometh after me is mightier than I, whose shoes I am not worthy to bear: he shall baptize you with the Holy Ghost and with fire:** With what? ...**the Holy Ghost and with fire.**

So man can baptize you in water and hopefully he is asking you for repentance in doing so. Do you understand why we don't baptize babies? Babies can't repent. They don't know what repentance is and you can't repent for them. You have to repent for yourself. You have to be old enough to realize that you are a sinner and want to do something about it and to invite Jesus Christ into your heart and life. Then you can be baptized. Other than that, it is a religious ceremony and it means nothing and John wouldn't do it.

John is telling about the coming of Jesus, Who would baptize with the Holy Ghost and with fire. The baptizer of the Holy Ghost is Jesus Christ. I cannot baptize you in the Holy Ghost. No man can baptize you in the Holy Ghost. Jesus alone can baptize you in the Holy Ghost. By the way, while He is at it, He is going to immerse you in fire,



too. He will submerge you in the fire. There will be fire all around you - top, bottom, front and back. That is the baptizing with fire.

<sup>12</sup>*Whose fan is in his hand, and he will thoroughly purge his floor, and gather his wheat into the garner, but he will burn up the chaff with unquenchable fire.* He is ready to do some thrashing. Now this is talking about the separation ministry of Jesus Christ. How many of you know He is a separator? People say, "Oh no, no, no. He is a God of peace! He is bringing everybody in!" No, He is not. He is separating wheat from chaff and what is He going to do with the chaff? Burn it up. If I hold on to chaff, then I am going to go where chaff goes. Basically, I want the chaff out of my life. I want wheat left in my life. You see, chaff, when it comes to its point of maturity, has nothing to do with the Kingdom of God. Chaff is activities in my life that have little or nothing to do with God's Kingdom. The clubs and organizations and fund raisers and what have you that I might have been involved with in the past, if it has nothing to do with the Kingdom of God, get rid of it, and be done with it.

Let's turn to Mark 11 and see what happened when He cleansed the temple. By the way, I think He did it twice. I believe He is going to do it a third time and three is a number of fullness and completion, isn't it? I think He is coming a third time to cleanse His temple. This is not the first time; this is not the second time. Mark 11:15, *And they come to Jerusalem: and Jesus went into the temple, and began to cast out them that sold and bought in the temple, and overthrew the tables of the moneychangers, and the seats of them that sold doves;* <sup>16</sup>*And would not suffer that any man should carry any vessel through the temple.* <sup>17</sup>*And he taught, saying unto them, Is it not written, My house shall be called of all nations the house of prayer? but ye have made it a den of thieves.* <sup>18</sup>*And the scribes and chief priests heard it, and sought how they might destroy him: for they feared him, because all the people was astonished at his doctrine.* <sup>19</sup>*And when even was come, he went out of the city.* He got out of town. Did you notice now what He was really dealing with in the temple? He *overthrew the tables of the moneychangers, and the seats of them that sold doves.* They were selling sacrificial doves to make it convenient for the sacrifice; to make it convenient for Passover. "Come and buy your lamb here. Come and buy here. You don't have to go and seek it." Merchandising. Yes, they were merchandising (marketing, trafficking and carrying on business). My, oh my, what is in the temple? Is the love of money the root of all evil? My goodness, is it? It seems that it is here.

Here in the passage in John 2 is probably the first time

that He cleansed the temple and I will finish with this. <sup>13</sup>*And the Jews' Passover was at hand, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem,* <sup>14</sup>*And found in the temple those that sold oxen and sheep and doves, and the changers of money sitting:* Again, He is not here throwing out prostitutes. He is not throwing out drug addicts or alcoholics. He is throwing out people that are buying and selling with religious intent. They are merchandising the things of God. They may be buying and selling the gifts of God. But let me say, the root of money goes far beyond that, doesn't it? It is the love of the filthy lucre; it is a life's ambition, a driving purpose or a goal. <sup>15</sup>*And when he had made a scourge of*

*small cords, he drove them all out of the temple, and the sheep, and the oxen; and poured out the changers' money, and overthrew the tables;*

What is a scourge? It is a whip. That means that first He saw it; he took the time to observe the scene. He didn't just fly into a rage. He went somewhere else and got cords and He wove Himself a whip. He took time doing this.

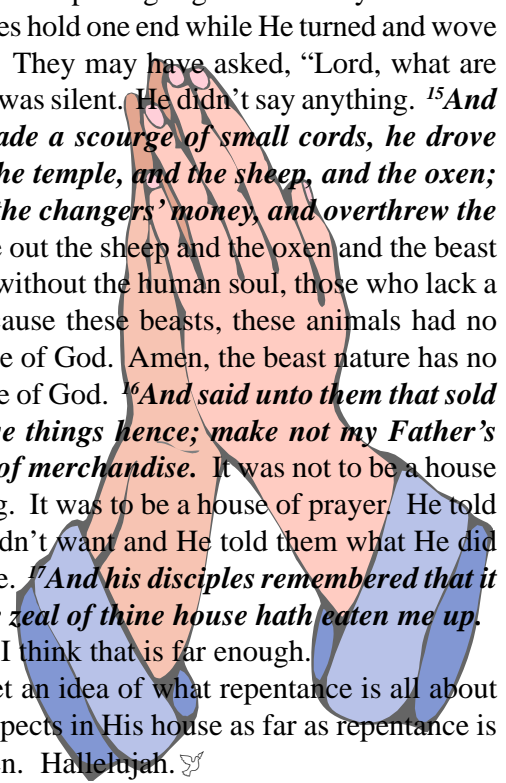
He was making it, weaving the cords together, turning it, hearing what

God was going to say. He was putting this means all together and He was taking His time to do it. People were wondering, "What is He doing? What is He doing with all those cords that He is putting together?" Maybe He had one of the disciples hold one end while He turned and wove at the other end. They may have asked, "Lord, what are You doing?" He was silent. He didn't say anything. <sup>15</sup>*And when he had made a scourge of small cords, he drove them all out of the temple, and the sheep, and the oxen; and poured out the changers' money, and overthrew the tables;* He drove out the sheep and the oxen and the beast (those creatures without the human soul, those who lack a living spirit) because these beasts, these animals had no place in the house of God. Amen, the beast nature has no place in the house of God. <sup>16</sup>*And said unto them that sold doves, Take these things hence; make not my Father's house an house of merchandise.* It was not to be a house of merchandizing. It was to be a house of prayer. He told them what He didn't want and He told them what He did want in His house. <sup>17</sup>*And his disciples remembered that it was written, The zeal of thine house hath eaten me up.*

*Hallelujah.* I think that is far enough.

I think we get an idea of what repentance is all about and what God expects in His house as far as repentance is concerned. Amen. Hallelujah. ✨

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# FIREPROOF


A MOVIE REVIEW

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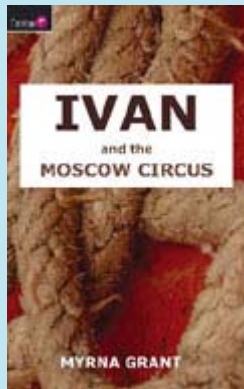
A friend of mine asked me if I would write something on how Fireproof impacted me as a single person... Let me start by saying that Fireproof is a story about love. I was truly moved by the movie because it is yet another example of love being a choice - not a feeling. Of course, the film is about a married couple, but it is even more about the relationship we have with the Lord. Are we choosing to love Him, even when we don't feel like it? When we can't see His face, or feel His presence, or even when we just don't know if He is speaking to us, we must choose to love Him. We must choose life and make choices everyday to let God know that we love Him. It's a slightly strange concept for me, but God made us because He desires to have companionship with us... why wouldn't we need to continually show our devotion to Him.

In Fireproof, the main character, Caleb, made a decision to do what His father requested and that was to go through a book called "The Love Dare." His heart wasn't in it to begin with, but he was willing to do it out of respect for his dad. Somewhere along the way, though, something changed in his heart and he chose to follow the instructions in order to make his wife know that he loved her. He had to put away the idols in his own life so that nothing could come between them. In the process, Caleb realized that his relationship with God was the same way, that he was continually turning away from God and that the reason he couldn't love his wife the way she needed to be loved was because he didn't know what true love is. True love isn't a feeling, it is all about sacrificing yourself; it is putting the other person before your own needs.

Truthfully, when I was asked to write a bit about my perspective about the movie and how a movie about marriage could be pertinent to a single person, I thought, "Of course it will give me a view of how I should love my future husband." But now having seen the movie, I have come to realize that the true meaning of the movie was about loving God, truly loving God, and putting His will before my own. God has loved us fully and gave His life for us. To be a Christian means to be like Christ, and to be like Him we need to love Him, truly love Him. The tag line for the movie is "Never leave your partner behind." God never leaves us behind... Can we say the same about us towards Him? 

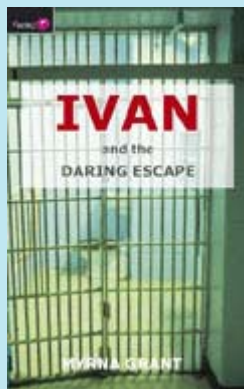
# Kids' Chronicles

## - Book Report - on the "Ivan Series" By Isaac

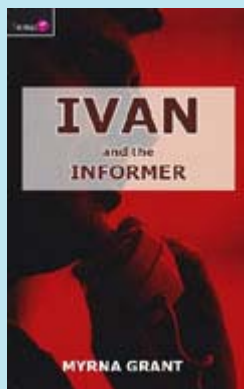


Recently, for my birthday, my mom got me the Ivan series. Ivan is a boy who lives in Russia in the communist times. In the first book, Ivan and the Moscow Circus, he helps this boy named Voldovia. Voldovia is a boy who is in a circus and his uncle, a great Russian poet, is in a hospital (kind of like a prison) because he criticizes the communist government in his poems. Well, Ivan helps Voldovia get his uncle out of this hospital where they do bad things to your brain so you won't talk bad about the government.

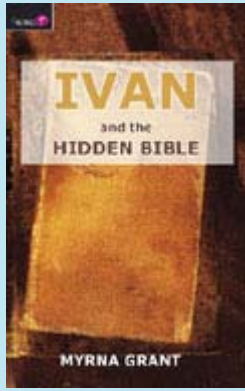
The second book is called Ivan and the Daring Escape. It's about a Christian friend of Ivan's named Peter, whose dad has been taken to a camp because he is a Christian. The KGB say that they are going to take Peter away if Peter's mom does not denounce her husband (which means to say he was a bad man). She won't, though, so the KGB took Peter away. Ivan then sneaks into the school where Peter is there by force and takes him back home. When the KGB found out that Peter escaped, they can't take him back because they had been saying that Peter ran away. Ivan then is able to get Peter's dad out of the prison camp and reunite the whole family.



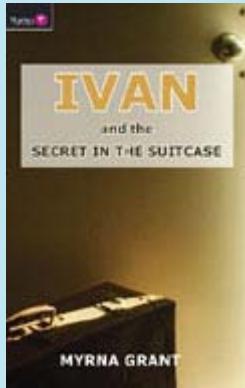
The third book is called Ivan and the informer. Ivan goes to a friend's birthday party (after his father is taken from the factory and put on a work farm). At the party, his friend, Alex, has some of a chapter from Jeremiah. In Russia, at this time, it is illegal to have a Bible and read it. Well, when the party is over, a friend of his, named Fred, leaves and then Ivan leaves and when Ivan leaves he is picked up by the KGB. They take him for questioning and ask him what they were doing at the birthday party and if he knows what Jeremiah means. Finally, after at least 3 hours, Ivan tells them that Jeremiah is a part of the Old Testament and then he is allowed to leave. After that day, his father is brought back from the work farm and reinstated in the factory; well, his friend's parents then get fined 50 rubles and his friends think he is an informer. Ivan tells them he isn't but then he remembers something. Fred went out and was picked up by the KGB and the KGB already knew about Jeremiah when they were questioning Ivan, so that would put Fred as the informer and as the story goes out, Fred comes and apologizes to everyone and they are friends again.



The fourth book is Ivan and the Hidden Bible. It is about Ivan and his little sister, Kate. They go to a farm with their school classes to work there for a week. They were told by their parents that this farm had belonged to their grandparents and that if they could, that they should try to find their grandfather's old Bible that he had hidden from the communists. When they got there, they were divided into groups and older boys were the captains. Ivan was in a group with a leader who didn't like Christians, so when they were out of sight, the older boy beat up Ivan and knocked



him unconscious. Then an adult found him and the bully (Boris) said that Ivan started the fight, so Ivan got in trouble. Ivan had to do school, while the others played. He thought he saw something in the fireplace and he reached his hand out into this crack in the fireplace and found a Bible. In the front of the Bible was a picture of his grandfather on a horse. Ivan then took the Bible home after a week and gave it to his parents who were so proud of him because he found the Bible his dad had wanted so badly.



The fifth book is called Ivan and the Secret in the Suitcase. Ivan goes to this secret young people's meeting and at the meeting there is this young girl about 14 years old whose father is in a prison camp and her mother is a mom of 9 kids (that's a lot) and they need warm clothes very badly. Ivan's friend, Alex, asked Ivan to help her family get clothes but also smuggle Bibles into Russia. Ivan's family is going on a trip to Belorussia, Hungary to visit with their mom's dad and sister and brother-in-law. Ivan is told that a person in Hungary can help this girl's family and that they will deliver the suitcase to him.

I was so blessed by these books and I learned that I need to trust in God and He will deliver me from anything that the devil thinks he's got me on. I hope that I can act like Ivan and that my heart will be right with God and I can know that God is with me of a truth. One other thing that I was blessed by these books was that Ivan was so kind to his sister and I know that I need to be kind to my brother.

God bless you, Isaac 🙏

## Visitors' Corner

*It was our delight to welcome so many guests to our weekend of meetings and the memorial service we held for Sister Mavis duCille. We had the families of the Sigwarths, Imigs, Herrigs, Owens, Wickboldts, Cassells, Chattics, Schneiders, Myers, Gassmans, Troxels, Freemans, and perhaps even some we missed! We also enjoyed Emeka & Ona's friends and Wynn's friend, as well. We appreciated all of the guests that came and blessed us with their fellowship this weekend. Thank you one and all.*



## Nuggets for the Needy “Divine Providence”

by Mrs. Mavis duCille

We, the K.I.T. staff, would like to present you with small portions of Mrs. duCille's book, *Nuggets for the Needy*, in hopes that it will edify, strengthen and encourage you. This passage is especially helpful in turning our eyes to the most important need that we have in this world. It is the need to know our heavenly father as the most intimate relationship we possess.

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Some weeks ago I awoke in the wee hours of the morning with a verse of scripture in my heart - Philippians 4:19.

"But my God shall supply all your need, according to His riches in glory..."

On receiving this scripture, the first thought that came to my mind was in the natural. "Oh yes," I thought, "God is going to supply physical and financial needs." Soon however, the Lord opened my understanding to realize that the greatest need today is that we my KNOW HIM, in His acts and ways. Yes, we stumble and falter and are discouraged because we are not acquainted with His ways and His dealings with His creatures.

Surely, He provides for our physical needs, but sometimes He uses methods that cause us to be built up in faith and virtue. When these dealings are set in motion, the flesh or carnal nature (because of lack of knowledge) rises up and rebels and then breaks. Divine Providence is that which slays the MAN so that the CHRIST might live and be exalted in our lives. He knows the ingredients and proportions necessary to do the job, but also, how we scream and squirm when the knife of circumstances begins to cut away the flesh. Sometimes we are unaware of the fact that "...it works the peaceable fruit of righteousness."

God's Providence proclaims His wisdom - beyond man's knowledge and experience. No other could form the correct plan for man to gain the desired results.

HIS POWER: God alone has the ability to exercise authority impartially - He sustains the world.

On many occasions Divine Intervention shows His power in miraculous deeds of deliverance. His mighty hand and outstretched arm, by which He brought His people out of Egypt, is still mighty and outstretched in our time. He showed His power over the power of Pharaoh, and now He has given us POWER OVER THE POWER OF THE ENEMY. No matter what your battle

might be at this time, God has given you power through Divine Providence over that strong thing which oppresses you. REACH OUT AND LAY HOLD OF THAT POWER RIGHT NOW AND THE GOD OF PROVIDENCE SHALL SET YOU FREE.

HIS GLORY: His wealth, splendor, and honor - we are His product in righteousness through grace - we are His Glory, being His workmanship.

HIS PRESENTATION: Divine Providence presents God's nature to mankind, that His Glory may fill THE TEMPLE. The temple must be emptied of all ugliness, that it might be filled with His Glory, which sometimes is like taking the bitter herbs which the Israelites had to eat with the roasted lamb.

HIS GOODNESS: He is honorable, admirable and worthy. Oh, the beneficence of God extending far beyond what we ask or think. One writer says "God is morally perfect and gloriously generous." This is a very apt description of His goodness. Maintaining the thought that GOD IS GOOD is a sustaining factor throughout our walk and experience with God. What God does, creates, commands, gives, and allows is done through His goodness, always mindful of Creation and His creatures. Thus, all things can work together for good - seeing, He through Divine Providence can cause what was intended for evil to work good, though sometimes after much cutting of the flesh. Total trust and total obedience is absolutely necessary as God deals with us, seeing His ways are past finding out, BUT one thing is sure, it works for our good to them that love Him. "If you love me, keep my commandments." LOVE therefore is fulfilled in trust and obedience.

Should God withdraw outward prosperity from His people and hardships are experienced, there is still a sense in which He is doing good.

Divine Providence is always working THAT WHICH IS GOOD. Being afflicted yields correction for subsequent benefit and is an exercise in strength, faith, patience, obedience, and endurance. Anything that drives man closer to God is for good, therefore temporary distresses work for the Christian an eternal weight of glory. The ungratifying circumstances can be numbered among God's good gifts and the expression of His beneficence if rightly used to lasting profit.

Jacob's divisive thinking was changed from vanity to profit, through Divine Providence. He is a God of present help, present power, present refuge. Jacob or no other could have thought out that plan for present help - Divine Providence took care of it all, and Jacob must have rejoiced in such a deliverance from a plotting, scheming mind into the mind of one who could rightly be called Prince of God (Israel). This brought him into the place of a more personal experience with God, thus the expression - THE GOD OF JACOB (the God that Jacob experienced - the God of power and might).

Jesus Christ, our Providence, does not only see ahead, but watches over His people. He has a concentrated attention that extends to every place and circumstance, seeing into the minutest as also the largest situations, caring for the smallest as well as the greatest, watching over the affairs of men (their success and failure, even the most insignificant things), protecting and caring in every way.

Divine Providence has a restricting and preventing hand. Though man may be allowed to cherish and manifest his evil desires, it causes him to either hate and despise the evil, or through God's providence submit his will to be united with God's will in the operation of righteousness, or love and embrace evil to his own destruction.

God is in perfect control of good and evil, yet every man is free; but justice must be meted out to the rebellious and mercy for all who seek mercy.

Divine Providence secures moral order in the world, a power to discourage vice and encourage virtue. The circumstances that govern man from birth (environmental, etc.) are not humanly controlled, and man being a creature of choice, is able through Divine Providence (God's intervention) to escape destruction or whatever is determined against him. God is directly involved with His creation and will always allow particular events to work His perfect will - whether it be in working virtue in, or evil out of us.

Rejoice therefore, and let the circumstances work in us that which nothing else could do. Circumstances work in us that which nothing else could do. Circumstances change things for good or evil but God's intervention will always cause that change to be FOR GOOD.✝

# Buzzards, Bats, Bumblebees & People

**THE BUZZARD:** If you put a buzzard in a pen that is six feet by eight feet and is entirely open at the top, the bird, in spite of its ability to fly, will be an absolute prisoner. The reason is that a buzzard always begins a flight from the ground with a run of 10 to 12 feet. Without space to run, as is its habit, it will not even attempt to fly, but will remain a prisoner for life in a small jail with no top.

**THE BAT:** The ordinary bat that flies around at night, a remarkable nimble creature in the air, cannot take off from a level place. If it is placed on the floor or flat ground, all it can do is shuffle about helplessly and, no doubt, painfully, until it reaches some slight elevation from which it can throw itself into the air. Then, at once, it takes off like a flash.

**THE BUMBLEBEE:** A bumblebee, if dropped into an open tumbler, will be there until it dies, unless it is taken out. It never sees the means of escape at the top, but persists in trying to find some way out through the sides near the bottom. It will seek a way where none exists, until it completely destroys itself.

**PEOPLE:** In many ways, we are like the buzzard, the bat, and the bumblebee. We struggle about with all our problems and frustrations, never realizing that all we have to do is look up! That's the answer, the escape route and the solution to any problem! Just look up. Sorrow looks back, worry looks around, but faith looks up! Live simply, love generously, care deeply, speak kindly and trust in our Creator who loves us.

LUKE 21:28

*And when these things begin to come to pass, then look up,  
and lift up your heads; for your redemption draweth nigh.*

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### *All Are Welcome!*

Meeting Schedule

Sunday Morning  
10:00am Fellowship

Wednesday Evening  
7:00pm Bible Study