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Three things that are expressed in every God/man covenant in history: 1. the glory of God, 2. the government of God and 3. the gifts of God. All three of these were evident in the first three covenants of the Old Testament beginning with the original covenant between God and Adam and Eve.

1st The Dominion/Cultural Mandate and Mission. (Gen 1:28, Gen 2:15).

1. GLORY - The glory of God was in creation, especially in the garden of Eden. The glory of God was of course in all God had created but it was also in unfallen mankind. Before the fall, Adam and Eve were clothed in the glory of God and made in His image to express who God is. (So shall His glorious Church show His glory and express who He is.) God is omnipresent, everywhere, but He really showed up in the garden of Eden and God and man walked together in the spirit (*ruach*) of the day. To see Divine pattern, we notice in this covenant there is a three-fold structure, the earth, the land of Eden and the garden. The earth is like the outer court, Eden like the Holy Place and the garden is like the Holy of Holies. This would also be the pattern in Moses' tabernacle that was yet to come. It reflects the whole original purpose of God which is to dwell with man, to tabernacle with man. John 1:14 tells us that Jesus came and



dwelt among us or *tabernacled* among us. Jesus Himself was the ultimate tabernacle on earth because He perfectly housed God and perfectly is God even though He was perfectly human. Out of the glory of God comes the government of God.

- 2. GOVERNMENT God released His government (Kingdom) on earth through Adam and Eve and their descendants. The Kingdom of God is His rule and it is also His realm. Adam and Eve were to multiply and fill the earth which is the calling of a priest because a priest stewards relationships. Even though globalists are trying to depopulate the earth, God's mandate continues. God told Adam and Eve to govern and take dominion, to *radah and kabash*, to rule and subdue. God wants His government flowing through His created ones. It is our responsibility to be rulers and a kingdom of priests under our God. The three-fold calling is A> the priest (stewarding relationships), B> the prophet which fills the earth with the word of God, the ways of God and His cultures and values of the Kingdom, and C> the king calling is to take dominion and subdue the earth. This three-fold calling operates in a three-fold structure: God is Father, Son and Spirit and we are spirit, soul and body.
- 3. GIFTS Out of His glory and government come the gifts of God. The first gift He gave Adam and Eve was Himself. His presence is the ultimate gift. He gave them the gift of fellowship as He walked in the cool of the day. Then He gave them the gift of stewardship and told them to guard the garden. Also Adam was to guard his spouse. Adam's fall was preceded by his failure and irresponsibility. Our responsibility is to guard God's interest, to guard His bride. God also gave the gift of development and cultivation of the earth. He wanted the earth developed. Although it was created perfectly, it was not fully mature or complete. God uses man to restructure creation, to make it more glorious in its expression.

$\underline{2^{nd}\ Covenant}$ - The preservation of the created order and mankind.

The second covenant was between God and Noah (Gen 6:11-22, Gen 9:6-7).

1. GLORY - The glory of God was being assaulted in Noah's day. The ultimate glory of God, created in His image was mankind, and man was being assaulted. Covenantal man, the two seed lines of Cain and Abel were under assault. There was a mixture coming forth between the sons of God and the daughters of men. There are two views on this. The traditional view is that the sons of God were angels because Job refers to angels as sons of God three times, and the daughters of men would represent mankind, and their cohabitation produced giants. The other view is

that the daughters of men were the decedents of Cain and the sons of God were the decendents of Seth because Seth is injected into the genealogy of Jesus the Messiah. The sons of God could just be the line of righteous covenant keepers that intermarried with the unrighteous. In either view, God opposed the mixture because it weakens and compromises the line of the righteous. The glory was also being assaulted by widespread violence and corruption in mankind to the point that God had to deal with it in universal judgment, but as with all God's covenants, the covenant with Noah was redemptive: God started over with eight people. As Jack Hayford said, "Redemption glorifies God more than creation."

- 2. GOVERNMENT The covenant with Noah released then a mechanism to guard against evil maturing to the level of universal judgment again. In (Gen 9), God ordained the civil ruler, and this is the root of civil government covered in Romans 13. God ordained the civil ruler so that mankind would learn to deal with the enemy of God that is trying to wipe out human life via murder. The enemy wanted to wipe out human life because God would bring the Messiah and Redeemer who would be fully God and fully human. Even today we are having to overcome a philosophy that is anti-life, anti-gender reality, anti-nuclear family, anti-Church and anti-nation. Globalism opposes nationhood. Look at Gen 10, there were 70 nations. However, in chapter 11, there is Babel (globalism), which was about building a centralized government to rule everything. In chapter 12, there is an answer to the conflict between chapters 10 and 11, between nations and globalism. We are where we are as America because we had too many political leaders for generations who were globalists. Globalization is just economics, free and fair trade, but globalism is demonic like we see in Babel. That tower was not going to reach heaven architecturally. They attempted to reach heaven, metaphysically and used divination and witchcraft, etc. That spirit is still with us today. (It is disappointing when civil rulers that are supposed to avenge us are evil themselves. That irresponsibility leads to a fall. In some ways, our nation is in a free fall, but there is a remnant that's pushing back that is not just on the defense. The civil ruler has the sword of the Lord to avenge evil but the Ekklesia Church has the sword of a rhema word in their mouth. Your mouth is a sword when you are sharing, not just memorized scripture, but rhema, revelatory, breakthrough, prophetic words.)
- 3. GIFTS Of the gifts given in the Noahic covenant, one was architecture on how to build an arc. Another gift was the gift of seasons. A third gift was a rainbow with the promise that God would not allow the world get so wicked again to bring a universal judgment. God also gave Noah and his family the gift of starting over with the same mandate, same mission. In Gen 9, God gave the command to Noah to populate the earth

as He had commanded Adam, but He used a different word saying *swarm* the earth. (One interesting note also is that Noah was a Gentile priest. That tells us the plans of God have not been about ethnic Israel but about covenantal Israel, which is both Jews and Gentiles.)

- 3rd Covenant The Redemption Plan of God was activated in history (Gen 12:1-5). The third covenant was between God and Abraham. Redemption happened for Adam and Eve. Redemption was pictured with Noah when they offered animals after coming off the ark, and God was pleased with the sacrifices. But redemption came to fullness with Abraham. That's why there is more reference to him in the New Testament than other Old Testament characters. The calling of Abraham was to come out of his land Chaldea and go to the Promised Land.
- 1. GLORY The glory of God was released in the call and promises to Abraham because his seed blesses all ethnicities and nations. The glory of God was revealed in calling Abraham who was in the genealogical line of Shem (Noah's son) who was carrying the covenant. Joshua 24:2 says that Abram was home in Chaldea living with his fatherTerah and grandfather Nahor who worshiped idols. This shows us that Abraham had the right genealogy but he was being discipled in idolatry. Covenant always trumps ethnicity. (We can be proud of our ethnicity and culture as God made us, but we do not believe in ethnic superiority.) The glory of God is in calling, and we are like Abram in that we did not call ourselves but were called by God.
- 2. GOVERNMENT Abram gives us the first clue of what Ekklesia is. The called, the called out ones are called from the world system, the power of sin and the dominion of darkness. And we are called out to worship the Father and Son by Holy Spirit. We are called to govern on the earth in behalf of our exalted King. The government is released in a joint venture between Father and Son in the earth. In Gen 17, God didn't just call Abram, He brought him into covenant with Himself. The man who was raised in idolatry believed God when he said to look up into the stars of the heavens to see how numerous his descendants would be. The man had a rush of faith which Paul talks about as justification by faith. Faith opened the door and then covenant was sealed through circumcision. This process was more than a physical act. It was basically the initiation of adoption. God had to adopt Abraham as a son because this Father of the Faith could not be a father without being a son.
- 3. GIFT This covenantal relationship, like every covenant, was sealed with blood. We are in relational covenant with Father because of the blood of Jesus. The gift God gave Abraham and Sarah was a son and all the future that included.

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Recently, Marty dreamed that he was killing a 12-14 foot grizzly. He had a .416 Weatherby, an elephant gun, powerful and piercing. Chunks of the bear's body were falling to the ground with every shot until finally the mammoth creature fell forward. As its face hit the ground, a huge oak tree fell across its shoulders. Waiting to be sure the bear was dead, Marty stood back watching as blood poured from its wounds and formed a dark red puddle around the bear's body. Then suddenly the bear surged to its feet again, roaring, running and destroying everything within reach. He followed the wounded beast until he saw him finally drop over dead.

I knew the bear in the dream represented unresolved issues, that troubling residue from the experiences in life that build a reaction in us. It is not our circumstances that trap us and delay, detour and destroy us. It is our reaction to those circumstances. We become a habitat for bears through our reactions to life. Most people will face injustice to some degree in life. God's plan is for us to outlive it and move on. However, if we do not let go of the fear or dread or frustration or anger of experience, we bait bears and build a growl in our own soul.

So bear signs in our lives can be considered those touchy reactions that have taken up residence in the caves of the soul, negative attitudes,



irritableness, personality issues, offenses, behavior patterns, touchy nerves, pet peeves, preferences, disappointments, gripes, etc. These bears are common to most people, but we must recognize they cannot be coddled as a simple personality quirk! You cannot just tolerate bears and trust them, thinking they won't do damage. Bears will damage your health. Any negative, anxious or angry residue in your soul will break down the immune system of the body. Bears will damage relationships. Cynical remarks, hair-trigger tempers and emotional demands on others are all signs of bear and will damage relationships in the long run. Bears will damage purpose and potential and hope because disappointment, despair and depression will eat away at your future.

The biggest problem with bears is that they go away but don't really leave. Even when issues hibernate and we seem to have them under control, that is not the same as resolved or defeated. We need more than just temporary relief. A sleeping bear is not a guarantee he won't rare up and eat you! We need to defeat the bears once and for all so they cannot cycle back through our lives in another season.

In Marty's dream, the oak tree and the pool of blood indicated the troubling issues were inherited, bloodline issues. In other words, the bear had been around a long time, tolerated and allowed to cycle through several seasons and generations. That's why he was so huge and seemingly undefeatable.

As the dream depicted, confronting soul issues is not easy, so be sure to take enough gun power. Hunters don't usually hunt bear with an elephant gun, but it was enough gun to get the job done. We can boldly, load up our .416 Weatherby, (4:16 Hebrews says, *Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need.*) Grace is a powerful weapon, an enabling from Almighty God. He will supply the strategy and ammo to get the job done. No matter how big, how old, how tenacious or how deadly the bears in your life, God's grace is sufficient for the task.

I didn't realize that morning that Marty's dream was a prophetic call, a stirring in the mulberry trees signaling God's time to take action, but then "Everything was established in the mouth of two or three witness." With no knowledge of her dad's dream, two days later, Melissa had a vision. In the vision, she was hiking to a cabin and found the door ajar as she came upon it. She stood outside the cabin wondering if it was a person or a BEAR in the cabin, and she was questioning if her defense training would be effective on a bear. Melissa was in the throne room seeking enabling to take out a bear also. That was my second witness that God was saying something.

We had not been discussing bears, but evidently God was. As a third witness, the same morning as Melissa's vision, I had a dream. As I stood about twenty feet away, I watched a huge bear tear a man apart and eat him piece by piece. Strangely, it was not the blood and gore that bothered me. It was the sense of helplessness and hopelessness of the situation that troubled me. I awoke from the graphic dream saying, "Help Lord, our issues are eating us up and robbing us of our future and destiny."

I sat in the fourth watch darkness still troubled by that sense of helplessness and hopelessness I'd felt in the dream. I asked God, "How do we defeat the bears in our lives? How can we take out the self-defeating snares and win the battles we seem to be fighting over and over? How do we overcome once and for all? How do we get freed up for change so we can move on into your good plans?

His answer came swiftly and simply, "Remember Me." Those two words echoed through me for a moment taking my mind to the communion scriptures. *ICo 11:25* "This cup is the new promise made with my blood. Every time you drink from it, do it to REMEMBER ME." I couldn't grasp it right away. Was God telling me the answer to my questions was communion? When I remember that He, the Son of God defeated every foe and paid the price to enable me to do likewise, and I remember He paid the price for my healing and deliverance and I remember His blood carries the new testament promise of full restoration, then drinking of the cup is my agreement that all of that is in effect!

Communion is not magic. Communion is a powerful act of covenant and agreement. That agreement opens the door in the earthly realm to all that we remember He has promised and provided. His blood backs His promise to restore all things, to heal, to prevail in all things. We must REMEMBER HIM until the truth saturates our thoughts, our emotions and our decisions. We must REMEMBER HIM until His promise and provision are louder than every opposition and contradiction. At that point of true agreement, whether emotional, spiritual, physical, circumstantial, financial or relational, every experience has to bow to Him and the promise made with His life's blood.

First we remember, then we proclaim: 1Co 11:26, For as often as ye eat this bread, and drink this cup, ye do shew (PROCLAIM) the Lord's death till he come. When I take communion, I'm not just proclaiming Jesus died, I'm proclaiming all that He accomplished in His death, burial and resurrection, and I'm proclaiming it 'till He come.' The last words of that scripture came up off the page and I was confronted with a question: "Why does the word "come" mean "return" to you?" I had never realized it before, but every time I'd heard or read that scripture, I assumed it was

simply saying to keep taking communion until the return of Christ in His second coming. However, the emphasis in that scripture is continually remembering His power, provision and presence is in effect. The word "come" is not limited to His future coming, just like "Thy Kingdom come" is not limited to a one time, future event. The righteousness, peace and joy that is the Kingdom comes every time we pray as Jesus instructed. Likewise, every time we Remember Him and all He accomplished, He can and will COME into the NOW situation.

I was so stirred and pivoting on the word "come," that I searched out more evidence of what I was hearing. Rev. 22:17 uses the same Greek word and tense for the word translated "come." And let him that heareth say, Come. And let him that is athirst come. And whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely. That is an on-going "come," inviting all to partake NOW. Even in verse 20, He which testifieth these things saith, Surely I come quickly. Amen. Even so, come, Lord Jesus. Come here is not limited to the future. Barnes commentary on Come, Lord Jesus (Rev 22:20), shows it is a petition for both now and the future: "The language . . . is expressive . . . to denote a desire that the Lord Jesus would come in any and every manner; that he would come to impart to us the tokens of His presence; that He would come to bless His truth and to revive His work in the churches; that He would come to convert sinners, and to build up His people in holiness; that He would come to sustain us in affliction, and to defend us in temptation; that He would come to put a period to idolatry, superstition, and error, and to extend the knowledge of His truth in the world; that He would come to set up His kingdom on the earth, and to rule in the hearts of people"... NOW, and ultimately "that He would come to receive us to His presence, and to gather His redeemed people into His everlasting kingdom."

"Till He come," if communion is to have the meaning and effectualness that Christ intended, we dare not relegate only to the future what is within reach NOW. Communion is much more than just a memorial or a grateful gesture or even a sacred moment. It is remembering His victory so we can proclaim our agreement with it and thereby receive fresh provision into our lives. It is appropriating all that He has done, not just someday but now. When the scripture talks about partaking unworthily, that would be partaking without remembering who He is and what He accomplished, and that would be partaking without expecting all He is to come in presence and power, even NOW.

Communion is a powerful act of agreement, a tangible door that opens the floodgate for the Water of Life to flow into the Now! Having access to such life and overcoming power, we dare not ignore or tolerate bears that will damage and rob our lives and generations. No matter how big, how old, how deadly or how threatening or tenacious the bears in your life, His provision is your enabling to overcome them and it is time to take them out!

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In Acts 2:41-42, they absorbed 3000 souls in one day. They had no organization and no programs. A few days later, 5000 more were added and they grew because they continued teaching the apostles' doctrine they had been taught in the large meeting and in small groups also. They also continued in the apostles' fellowship, the same type of fellowship that the apostles had with Jesus Christ, 1Jo 1:3 that which we have seen and heard we declare unto you, so that you also may have fellowship with us. And truly our fellowship is with the Father and with His Son Jesus Christ. This fellowship is *koinonia*, which means participation, communication, and partnership in a common interest, not just gathering people in one place or having eating meetings. God wants a living organism: Act 2:43-47 And fear came on every soul. And many wonders and miracles took place through the apostles. Act 2:44 And all who believed were together and had all things common. Act 2:45 And they sold their possessions and goods and distributed them to all, according as anyone had need. Act 2:46 And continuing with one accord in the temple, and breaking bread from house to house, they shared food with gladness and simplicity of heart, Act 2:47 praising God and having favor with all the people. And the Lord added to the church daily those who were being saved.



It is the will of God to have larger meetings and it is the will of God to have those called of the Lord to fulltime labor in the Word to speak in these meetings. (This calling has unfortunately for many, developed a concept of clergy and laity which is not a godly mindset.) Nevertheless, one of the greatest dangers to the Church then and now is preaching another Jesus, another gospel and another Spirit. Because the Church is always being confronted with twisted doctrine, those laboring fulltime in the Word must keep it as the focus and speak and be sustained while they teach the Church to function on biblical sound doctrine. (And pray these called out ones not be caught in an institutional church system that kills them.)

Timothy was called out as an apostle and Paul explains to him his challenge. 1Ti 5:17 Let the elders who rule well be counted worthy of double honor, especially those who labor in Word and doctrine. There is double honor, an honor in the calling to labor in the Word of God, and an honor in the right to be sustained in that labor. (Even in the Old Covenant the enemy knew how to get these laborers out of their calling and that was to cut off their resources.) 1Ti 5:18 For the Scripture says, "You shall not muzzle the ox treading out grain," and, "The laborer is worthy of his reward (hire or wages)." It is a scriptural principle that Jesus taught.

2Ti 2:15 Study earnestly to present yourself approved to God, a workman that does not need to be ashamed, rightly dividing the Word of Truth. Timothy spoke of the calling to labor in the Word so that one can accurately handle the word of truth. Those called must live a right lifestyle and be apt to teach.

1Ti 3:15 But if I should delay, that you may know how you ought to behave in the house of God, which is the church of the living God, the pillar and foundation of the truth. Two things Paul stressed everywhere he went was that those who labor in the Word of God have to have sound doctrine and right behavior. As Paul said, "Follow me as I follow Christ." 1Ti 3:15 I write so that you will know how one ought to conduct himself in the household of God, which is the church of the living God, the pillar and support of the truth. The pillar and foundation of the Church is Truth, and those who have been called to labor in that Truth and present that Truth are also called pillars of the Church. Remember in Galatians 21 when Paul was with Gentiles in the region of Galatia, there were leaders that came down from the Church in Jerusalem to see what was happening with those Gentiles. Paul called those men that came "pillars." The pillars must have right doctrine and right behavior and hold the Church accountable.

Gal 6:6 But let the one being taught in the Word share with the one

teaching, in all good things. Gal 6:7 Do not be deceived, God is not mocked. For whatever a man may sow, that he also will reap. talking about sowing to those that are called to labor in the Word of God and keep sound doctrine in the Church. If there is a twisting of the Word and the Church no longer has sound doctrine, the Church starts breaking down. I will give an example. I heard an apostle recently mention a book by a Texas pastor who teaches dispensationalism and dual covenant. This pastor obviously believes that the Abrahamic covenant is to Israel and that the New Covenant that Jesus established is to the Gentiles. It says therefore that we cannot expect an Israeli to believe the gospel that Jesus Christ came to preach to the Gentiles. The book says that Jews are saved under the Abrahamic covenant by natural birth. The pastor went on to say that one of the errors of the Church is to think we have to preach this gospel of the death, burial and resurrection of Christ to a Jew. He openly said that Jesus Christ never came to be Messiah of Israel and never even said He was Messiah to Israel. He added that Israel did not crucify Jesus Christ, but rather Rome and the high priest did. He said Israel did not reject the Messiah because He did not offer Himself as their Messiah. That pastor claims his book will change the face of the Church as though that marks his accomplishments in writing it. HOWEVER, the doctrine presented in that book was in no way sound and must be confronted! The problem of dispensationalism has plagued the Church for decades because it carries twisted doctrines like this dual covenant, but this book takes the error even further. And the book is only one of the tools of the hellish scheme to dumb down the Church to the point of not being able to discern proper doctrine. One of the greatest threats to the Church is people bringing in such erroneous doctrine. That's why there must be laborers that labor in the Word of God to keep sound doctrine and hold the Church accountable for sound doctrine.

People cannot be discipled to Christ without sound doctrine. They can be discipled to a denomination or the institutional church without sound doctrine, but not to Christ. We have to bring back sound doctrine so that perverted beliefs do not continue to weaken the Church. The tolerance of these twisted beliefs shows the lack of discernment in the Body of Christ that the laborers in the Word must confront. Paul's greatest fear and one of the greatest strategies of Satan against the Church is getting unsound doctrine in our pulpits. Dispensationalism is a conspiracy even though some good men have preached it. It is designed to destroy the future of young people and the ministry of the Church. It has to be confronted. Paul was not in prison because he preached but because he confronted error and defended the gospel. We saw a young man on national TV when asked if Jesus Christ was the only way to God answer that he was only called to edify and build people up. He did not answer with

sound doctrine nor did he defend the gospel truth. But things are changing. There is a new horizon for the Church that is no longer playing church. Restoration of sound doctrine is coming to the Church so that people can be discipled! God is going to raise up hundreds that labor in the Word of God to assure the sound doctrine. We wouldn't have all the scandals in the Church or the nation if we had sound doctrine and right behavior. In the plan of God, people are held accountable. 2Cor 11:3 But I fear lest by any means, as the serpent beguiled Eve in his craftiness, so your thoughts should be corrupted from the simplicity due to Christ. 2Co 11:12 But what I do, that I will do, so that I may cut off occasion from those who desire occasion; so that in the thing in which they boast, they may be found even as we. 2Co 11:13 For such ones are false apostles, deceitful workers, transforming themselves into the apostles of Christ. 2Co 11:14 Did not even Satan marvelously transform himself into an angel of light? 2Co 11:15 Therefore it is no great thing if his ministers also transform themselves as ministers of righteousness, whose end shall be according to their works.

In the Old Covenant, every time one man rose up as a powerful leader Israel was revived and followed him. If that leader messed up or died, Israel went down. God does not want His Church to rise and fall on a person. In searching out how the Church matures and makes disciples, I ran across material from an apostle in China. He talked to his leaders about western ministers coming to China with a western mindset and he addressed their doctrine. He showed how their doctrine could not truly make disciples. The first thing he addressed was the doctrine of receiving Christ so that when you die you go to heaven. He told them that putting the emphasis on receiving Christ to go to heaven is not conducive to making disciples. He explained that the emphasis on tongues does not make disciples. He addressed also how the mindset of the imminent return of the Lord was dangerous in the making of disciples. He was dealing with a group of young men that had been indoctrinated by the western culture and their thinking the Lord was about to come any minute had them quitting their jobs and quitting their education to preach the Lord was about to come. He showed them how that destroyed discipleship instead of teaching doctrine that was conducive to making disciples and followers like Jesus did.

One of the greatest battles of the Church is people getting in the pulpit and twisting the Word of God. When the Word is twisted, the Church starts crumbling. We are in the challenge and we need hundreds of laborers in the word to confront these mindsets. We need laborers that are committed to Christ more than they are committed to a cause or movement or a congregation. And we need laborers that are working out the apostolic doctrine first and foremost in their own lives.

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On July 4th, 1776, the Continental Congress signed an article called the Declaration of Independence. On the other side of the Atlantic, in the chambers of King George, history tells us he made an entry into his journal which said, "Nothing of importance happened on this day." He wrote it because he wasn't in the room when they signed on the dotted line, but in that room, EVERYTHING CHANGED.

Have you ever tried to share an encounter with someone who "WAS NOT THERE"? You try your best to explain it, but we finally say, "I guess you had to have been there." Why? Because some things can ONLY BE FELT AND NOT TELT! As I write this, I say that there will be for those who are hearing and can internalize this, that you will be more involved and have parts in more "personal historic" first-time achievements in Kingdom issues of major importance in 2022.

How would you have felt as one of the 120 in the Upper Room and someone asked you to describe it? The one thing you would know that prophecy was fulfilled, and that you were part of historical Kingdom business first hand that has continued to flow from there to this present day. A common denominator on that day was they individually positioned themselves by obeying the words, "Go and tarry, until you be endued from on high." They experienced and were introduced to "The New". When they moved into "the dimension of the Spirit," that was an important event of significance. The great thing is they were part of an experience



of "NEW" that has touched billions today. After that experience, if any of them were to write in their journals, "Nothing of importance happened today," that would not be God's fault. Many of us might have felt like penning those words multiple times in our ploddings.

I believe we can look forward to 2022 with an anticipation of not only a good outcome, but new results. It is inherent in us to hope and believe for a future that God has prepared. I'm not talking about streets of gold, I'm referring to the privilege of working in His Kingdom with incredible fruitfulness. No Ruts, no Rote and no Routines for 2022. This is a year of "New". The harshness of the last two years will be erased, as we move with assurance that "He who has begun a good work in you, will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus." Phil 1:6. The Lord has deftly aligned us for our assignments. All that has been is an accumulation of what is next. May this serve to pique your expectation. Don't be surprised when God drops a giant in your lap (like David). It served him well for his future. You see, when David killed the only man he had slain in his life, the prophetic minstrels were singing, "David has slain his tens of thousands." His giant was a prelude (an action or event serving as an introduction to something more important.) WOW! What was Moses doing the day before the burning bush? Ruts, Rote and Routine, until the New was presented. It was always God's plan for him. He just had to "get there" at the perfect time.

I believe the Spirit has planted seeds of expectation that will spring forth when time and faithfulness cross paths. Intently look for five "News" for 2022: 1) New Insights: Coming into a knowledge of something in a deeper level (a definitive advantage when revealed), an application of previous information newly embraced with a sense of FIRST-TIME knowledge set on fire of the Holy Ghost. 2) New Way: Can mean a new organizing to meet unmet previous goals. Encompasses a willingness to bend, change to pivot and trust. What worked yesterday has been upgraded to you - even for a new you. 3) New Wisdom: The accumulation of years now released through your faculties of speech and creativity. The old will appear fresh with the import of future ministry opportunities and achievements. His Sprit is speaking to you! 4) New Relationship(s): For some, it will mean "venues" to minister (in places thought impossible). To others, it's God's assigned people to come alongside you - even friends who will propel and assist you to achieve your destiny and just be a friend with a mutual respect. 5) New Power: To empower others. You can't find what you're not looking for! I wrote in one of my messages some time ago, "I don't want to climb another ladder of success, I want to help others climb their ladders."

This calls for a New Perspective of our perceived purposes. It's really not about us, it's about us finally understanding Love. I will respond to our Lord hitting our "refresh button" for 2022. You and I will write in our journals this coming year, not as King George did, but "something supernatural" happened on each day of 2022.

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Let me recap from previous articles by saying that I find that I've had a subconscious conclusion that awakening, like revival, is a coming event. But more and more I find that awakening is happening on a constant basis. It's not going to be culminated in one moment because it's just too big for one moment. This is an ongoing rollout.

I keep getting this picture. I see two territories divided by a wall. One side is where we reside and the other is the Kingdom realm. I keep getting this glimpse of us praying and asking God to send things into our territory from that Kingdom realm, BUT what I keep hearing is we need to move over to that other side, reside there and bring provision back into the other territory as needed.

In John 10:9 Jesus says, "I am the door. If anyone enters by Me, he will be saved, and will go in and out and find pasture." I have been stuck on this scripture for over a year because I knew there was more to it than I was grasping. Now that I have seen the previously described scenario this scripture is coming to life! Let me explain in my elementary way what I'm seeing in this. Jesus says if we enter through Him we will be saved first of all. That word "saved" right there means: save, heal, preserve, rescue (Strong's concordance). Well, being saved, healed, preserved and rescued from this current humanistic society and religious church system sounds miraculous to me! Then Jesus says we will go in and out and find pasture. When I think of a pasture I think of a place where animals are taken care of and live.

Now, back to the picture above regarding those two territories. What if part of this awakening is us waking up to see where we should be residing? Hey, we are always looking for the next "move of God". What if that "move" is us moving from residing in a natural territory to a supernatural realm? I'm not talking

about death. I'm talking about living in such a way that, let me quote from a message I just heard, "it's like Christ is on the earth again". Track with me for a second. If we wake up and go through the door right in front of us (which is Jesus) and begin to live from that supernatural side, and then we go in and out taking what we gain from that supernatural pasture out to the territory we previously lived in, I'd say that would turn the world upside down!

This slumber we have been in has been from a coma-inducing, evil agenda that's been around longer than we have. Awakening must start in the Church because this agenda has unleashed an unbridled humanism which has infiltrated the Church to the point that we should be asking if the church actually looks *anything* like Jesus. Literally, we have allowed infirmity to rule over our congregations and dictate how we gather and conduct meetings. No, Jesus would not have bowed to or coddled this way of life. All sickness, anxiety, fear, accusations, mental instability, and hate would have no choice but to bow in His presence. This is why we must wake up to the existence and possibility of participation in the supernatural realms of the King. [*Please see editor's note at the bottom of this page.] We represent the King of all kings and He intends for that to be understood through His children without saying a word. Yes, this is very big. It's a whole new way of life!

We cannot continue to live in this current state with all of our fears, entitlements and soulish comforts and expect to see His Kingdom come. It doesn't mean His Kingdom won't come, it means we won't be a part of the invasion and possibly won't see it in our lifetime. The bottom line is we can either stay asleep and live by the religious patterns we've lived by for decades or we can pursue Him, the Way, the Truth, the Life, walk in the dominion mandate in our lifetime and be a part of this awakening. It takes hunger and repentance. You turn from a self-focused, human centered mindset unto the mind of Christ. It's literally as simple as asking God to "wake me up!". He will transform you if you want to cross the threshold of that door in John 10:9. Don't forget, walking through that door leads to John 10:10, "The thief does not come except to steal, and to kill, and to destroy. I have come that they may have life, and that they may have it more abundantly." The only way to live an abundant life is to walk through that Door and reside there. You don't have to wait for a coming event. Awakening is at your doorstep right now!

[EDITOR'S NOTE: When Jesus said, "I have meat to eat that you know not of" (Jn 4:32) He was "being fed" from a realm that was not physical. Although His body had not reached a state that He no longer needed physical food, He was now, in the present moment, feasting on what was ministering to Him from a nonphysical realm (cf. Matt.6:10-"on earth as it is in heaven") and it was evidently more desirable and more satisfying than physical food. At this point, He was not even wanting physical food, preferring to continue partaking of a realm that was not easily explained or described. Hence, "I have meat to eat you know not of" (Jn.4:32). Jesus did not tell them it was something they could *not* know of nor did He communicate to them that it was "food" that they were not permitted to eat. He told them it was something they did not know of in that moment. In Isa.55:8-9 when Jehovah told Israel "my thoughts are not your thoughts" and "my ways are higher than your ways", He was not telling them that they could never know His thoughts are His ways (Moses knew the ways of God-Ps.103:7). It is likely that He was presenting those facts as a challenge that Israel come up to the knowledge and ways of God.]



On the Day of Pentecost, a great awakening manifested in Israel. Thousands were converted in the streets of Jerusalem following Peter's message. Signs and wonders began to manifest through the ministry of the apostles. The newborn body of believers shared all things in common and grew in unity. The family of God enlarged as *The Lord then added to the church (ecclesia) daily such as should be saved (Acts 2:47)*.

During this season of explosive growth Peter, on his way to the temple for the hour of prayer, healed a lame man. The man leaped to his feet and began to run, shout, and praise God for his healing as he followed Peter into the temple. Peter took the occasion to declare the gospel of the Kingdom to those who witnessed the healing, and 5,000 more received Jesus. Peter was arrested for this and ordered the following day by the high priest Annas, the rulers, the scribes, and elders to give an account asking, *By what power, or by what name, have you done this (Acts 4:7)*, referring to the healing of the lame man.

Peter boldly spoke to the religious leaders, declaring, that by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead, even by Him does this man stand before you whole (Acts 4:10). When the leaders saw the boldness of Peter and John and the healed man standing before them, they were completely disarmed. They could not deny the fruit of the message. To stop this movement of the church, they further threatened Peter and John, commanding them not to speak at all



nor teach in the name of Jesus (Acts 4:18). Peter responded by declaring, Whether it be right in the sight of God to hearken unto you more than unto God, you judge. For we cannot but speak the things which we have seen and heard (Acts 4:19-20).

As persecution increased against the Jerusalem church, *more believers* were added to the church (Acts 5:14), and more signs and wonders manifested by the Holy Spirit. Multitudes brought their sick into the streets where they laid them on beds and couches so that the very shadow of Peter passing by might heal them (Acts 5: 14,15). The power of Holy Spirit was amazing; and as this power increased, so did the resistance from the religious order and evil civil rulers.

Following the death of Stephen, the Jerusalem believers scattered as persecution dramatically increased. However, in the scattering, new territories were transformed by the ministry of these believers. They took with them all they had learned and received from the apostles in Jerusalem. They impacted cities and regions wherever they went. The pressure of persecution produced a quality in them whereby they were able to advance the gospel of the Kingdom despite severe resistance. They withstood, pressed through the resistance, and released what they had been taught and what they had received of the Holy Spirit as they obeyed the convictions of their hearts and broke open new territory for the Kingdom of God.

The church at Antioch was birthed by these breakthrough believers. It was there that the apostles, prophets, and five-fold leaders gathered to launch the higher-order purposes of the Kingdom of God throughout the nations. It was in Antioch where apostolic teams were sent to transform nations and establish Kingdom outposts throughout the known world. The movement of the Kingdom of God became unstoppable as believers progressively advanced throughout the nations. They moved by the progressive revelation of the Holy Spirit, they exhibited great honor, they yielded to the authority of the apostolic leadership, and they operated in love and integrity toward one another. Their Kingdom function was more important than their positions or personal ministry ambitions. Out of their purity of heart these believers impacted their cities and regions, influenced nations for the glory of King Jesus, and turned the world upside down.

In the parable of the laborers (Matthew 20), the owner of the vineyard one day hired workers throughout the day to harvest his field. At the end of the day, each worker received the same pay. Those who worked one hour were paid the same amount as those who worked the entire day. This created tension at the end of the day since those who worked longer expected more pay than the ones who worked less hours. In this parable, Jesus made the statement, So the last shall be first, and the first last

(Matthew 20:15). While this was true of that day in the field, it is true today for the Ecclesia.

Clearly, the Father has been progressively advancing His church. The twenty-first century church is mirroring that of the first century church. The first will be as the last and the last shall be as the first. The end-time church will be the mirror image of the original ecclesia birthed on the Day of Pentecost just as the end-time earth will be as the original Eden birthed on the Day of Creation. The earth and the ecclesia are coming full circle as the manifestation of God's original design is in motion.

We have entered the day where the last is becoming as the first. The ecclesia has come full circle and the persecution from the evil opposition is intensifying. In the face of this, we are entering the season where breakthrough believers are emerging once again to advance the Kingdom. The global harvest is at hand. Great exploits will be manifested through believers who carry and operate in the breaker anointing. Many signs and wonders will manifest as the outpouring of the glory of God is released into all nations. Breakthrough believers will pioneer the fresh move of God and carry the heart of Father God that exceeds all personal ambition and notoriety.

As Dr. Bill Hamon wrote in 2002, the Day of the Saints is upon us. The five-fold leadership of the church is in place, and the gates of hell will not prevail against the Father's ecclesia. There are more battles ahead. In some we will suffer setbacks, in others we will celebrate victories, but ultimately the war is won. As we face the opposition of forces of apostate religion and evil civil rule, may we too, like Peter, sound the clarion call, Whether it be right in the sight of God to hearken unto you more than unto God, you judge. For we cannot but speak the things which we have seen and heard.

Father has won, and we are arising in the love that Paul shared about in Romans 8:31-39 (TPT): So, what does all this mean? If God has determined to stand with us, tell me, who then could ever stand against us ... who then is left to condemn us ... who could ever separate us from the love of God's Anointed One? Absolutely no one! For nothing in the universe has the power to diminish his love toward us . . . for God has made us to be more than conquerors, and His demonstrated love is our glorious victory over everything ... I am convinced that His love will triumph over death, life's troubles, fallen angels, or dark rulers in the heavens. There is nothing in our present or future circumstances that can weaken His love.

His love is your guarantee of victory! Be strong and steadfast in this awakening and end-time harvest. You WILL experience His Glory and see His Kingdom come and His will be done as heaven continues to invade earth!

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Growing up in Southern California, my friends and I spent a lot of time at the beach. We would spend our time body surfing or boogie boarding. At first when learning, you miss a lot of waves because you don't know how to position yourself to ride it. If you are too close, the wave passes by, if you are too far away, the wave crashes down on top of you. But there is a place where you can go that will position you at the bottom of the wave, and if you start paddling at the right time, the wave will pick you up from the bottom, put you on the top, and carry you into the shore. When that wave is getting closer, you can feel it pulling you towards it. There is a sense of drawing that, if you want to ride it, you must yield to and move towards. That is the sense and feeling that I believe the people of God are feeling. It's the drawing of the Spirit of God towards what is coming. There is such a sense of movement and anticipation of what God is going to do next. The prophets are stirred, the apostles are moved, the evangelists are seeing souls, the pastors are preparing to disciple, the teachers are seeing new revelation. There is this ground swell of the Holy Spirit preparing the people of God to what is coming

I believe that what is coming will not necessarily be a new thing, but the next thing. It will be a new level of what God has done, is doing, and



will do. Here is an example from 2Chronicles 5:11-14. "And when the priests came out of the Holy Place (for all the priests who were present had consecrated themselves, without regard to their divisions, and all the Levitical singers, Asaph, Heman, and Jeduthun, their sons and kinsmen, arrayed in fine linen, with cymbals, harps, and lyres, stood east of the altar with 120 priests who were trumpeters; and it was the duty of the trumpeters and singers to make themselves heard in unison in praise and thanksgiving to the LORD), and when the song was raised, with trumpets and cymbals and other musical instruments, in praise to the LORD, "For he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever," the house, the house of the LORD, was filled with a cloud, so that the priests could not stand to minister because of the cloud, for the glory of the LORD filled the house of God."

We, in charismatic circles, love this passage. Not only have I preached this passage many times, but I've experienced this event on a number of occasions at varying degrees of manifestation. There have been times where Jesus came into the room and no one could move or talk. We sat in silence for an hour plus. Not one moved, not a child cried, just sat there knowing God was with us. There've been times when the glory was so strong in the room, that at the altar, I could not stop weeping and shaking, and that continued for hours after we left that service. I've been in services where the glory of God came down and half the people are laughing on one side of the room and on the other half of the room the people are weeping all at the same time. The amazing thing is that business as usual was over. Like the priests in 2Chronicles, we could not stand to minister, go about our regular duties, while His manifest presence was so strong. I know many of you have experienced the same type of encounters with the Lord, but I believe there is more in the days to come, not necessarily a new thing, but a greater level of it.

In chapter 6, Solomon prays to dedicate the temple. After his prayer, something magnificent happens. Let's keep reading in 2Chronicles 7:1: "As soon as Solomon finished his prayer, fire came down from heaven and consumed the burnt offering and the sacrifices, and the glory of the LORD filled the temple." WOW! Now that's a service! Fire falling and consuming the sacrifice is such an incredible manifestation that all the people fell on their faces and worshipped the Lord saying, "For He is good, for His mercy endures forever." By the way, after the fire fell from heaven, it was now up to the people to keep it burning 24 hours a day. Day and night the fire on the altar was to be kept lit. That my friend is work. You cut the wood, bring the wood, clean the ashes and will still be tending the fire. Revival fire is work, but there is a grace that comes with it. "Thy people shall be willing in the day of thy power...". Psalm 110:3. Let's not forget the focus and intentionality we need to keep the revival fire burning, but there is more to see in 2Chronicles 7:2, "And the priests could not enter into the house of the LORD, because the glory of the LORD had filled the LORD'S house." Now this is some next level stuff. Not only could the priest not stand to minister, they couldn't even go inside. When I read this, I felt something jump in my spirit. This next move, outpouring, awakening, revival, encounter, experience, or whatever you want to call it, is going to move the people of God outside the four walls

of the church. Many times the epitome for us charismatics is God coming in such a way that we can't have regular church. You know the service where there is no preaching, that's revival, but I digress. Here not only was it not church as usual, but they couldn't even go inside. It wasn't that God was doing a new thing, He just gave them more of what He already is. Don't get stuck on the idea that God has to do something totally brand new, He may, but He may also just increase our capacity to contain more of who He is. This next awakening will have its greatest manifestation and effect outside the walls of the church, even to the point that the people fall on their faces and say, "For he is good, for his mercy endures forever."

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Romans 11:4–5 (KJV 1900) — 4 But what saith the answer of God unto him? I have reserved to myself seven thousand men, who have not bowed the knee to the image of Baal. 5 Even so then at this present time also there is a remnant according to the election of grace.

Every generation has had a remnant. We see it repeatedly throughout the scriptures. Even the Bride of Christ is a remnant within the remnant. But there is also coming a time when there will be a final remnant, a remnant according to the election of grace. The word 'election' means: the choosing, the hand picking, the act of God's free will to bless a chosen people. Today we can see a remnant that is present upon the earth. We can

even see remnants within the remnant, ones who are going hard after God and some within that group have unique revelation concerning God.

The word 'remnant' in Webster's means: a small remaining quantity of something, a surviving trace, a small part, member, or trace remaining, a small surviving group.

Perhaps the small number is because of not being qualified to be handpicked by God. In this verse it speaks of time, which here means Kairos or a divine moment of God. Perhaps the remnant is small because few recognize that divine moment. Or perhaps the remnant is small because it is so valuable. What does that mean? God always reduces to what is most precious before He pours out. Gideon was reduced; the followers of Christ were thousands and only eleven remained faithful. In the upper room, of the thousands ministered to beforehand, only one hundred twenty would keep pursuing what had been promised. God does this to show it is not about numerical conquests but yielding to His Spirit. God has never been hung up on numbers like we are.

I have said for a long time, it is not only about whether you will make it to heaven as a Christian. No, it is also about what you will "rule and reign" for all of eternity. The proving ground of governing there is how we govern here. I believe we have been given our seventy years plus guaranteed, to fulfill our roll in governing and to fulfill our destiny. God may extend our life depending on our stewardship of these things.

Is this the final remnant? Part of me believes it and hopes it is. Another part of me knows many things are only forerunners of the true ones yet to be seen. Will we see them in our lifetimes? Only God knows. We need to be planning to be here a while and at the same time believing for a 'suddenly' to occur again. I am planning my moves with both intentions. The books I write I hope grows the Church and brings it into authentic life and maturity. At the same time, I am writing books not for the generation alive today but for generations yet to come, if the Lord tarries. In either way, I believe I am contributing to the final remnant. After all, most authors become known after they are gone.

We look at things taking a long time and maybe never seeing in our lifetime, as God forms within us through His great workings and dealings. I believe we have the generations of promise upon the earth. The ones who will bring things to conclusions and usher in a new heaven and earth. But I also know they will never accomplish the finalization of the Kingdom to present to the Father unless a new order and pattern emerges. It must be 100% spiritual and not based on man's wisdom or structures. I

wish I knew what I know now when I began the journey. I would have avoided a lot of lost time, so now I work to bring others to a higher starting grid. But God is also a God of 'suddenly' and can accomplish more in two to three years after a lifetime of preparation. That was the pattern of Jesus, thirty years of preparing for three years of governing. These kinds of thoughts and thinking patterns bring a realization that the ways of God are indeed higher than our ways.

Psalm 110 (KJV 1900) — A Psalm of David. 1 The Lord said unto my Lord, Sit thou at my right hand, Until I make thine enemies thy footstool. 2 The Lord shall send the rod of thy strength out of Zion: Rule thou in the midst of thine enemies. 3 Thy people shall be willing in the day of thy power, in the beauties of holiness From the womb of the morning: thou hast the dew of thy youth. 4 The Lord hath sworn, and will not repent, Thou art a priest for ever After the order of Melchizedek. 5 The Lord at thy right hand Shall strike through kings in the day of his wrath. 6 He shall judge among the heathen, he shall fill the places with the dead bodies; He shall wound the heads over many countries. 7 He shall drink of the brook in the way: Therefore shall he lift up the head.

This is the Psalm that is most quoted today and most quoted in the New Testament. This is the Psalm of the final Remnant. The Lord told me, "During the pandemic, people are quoting Psalm 91 for the virus, but Psalm 110 is the way of the future." Reading this Psalm, we see a remnant group that is moving, the priesthood of Melchizedek. This Psalm literally has the elements I talked about at the beginning of the book. The power of nature, the method of rule-righteousness, authority through sonship/inheritance, power by nature and grace as the catalyst. All surrounding the beauties of holiness found in verse 3. Notice it says here beauties, plural. There are dimensions of holiness we have not yet seen or entered that God will be revealing.

As God is re-ordering the Body of Christ back to the original intention, we will find many things we strove for to be no longer viable. But the re-examination of our spiritual life always seemed to create a deep hunger for both the simplicity and depths of God. We can talk about order and we immediately think of Kingdom and 5-fold government. We think about alignments, relationships, ordination, commissioning, and a host of other things. All these things are important but what I see is, there is a "way" that seems right to man but can lead to our own destruction. But there is a way from God that will lead us to life. These things do not lead us to life but help manage and maintain the life already flowing. This is one of the concepts we have wrongly embraced, thinking if we just had these things going, then the move of God will come. The Biblical pattern is these things all were needed after the life of God was already flowing. They were required to manage the move of God but did not necessarily create the moving of God.

You see, we have put more attention on building structures, networks, and followings than on building the spiritual man to the point of intense overflow. These things all make us feel accomplished and feel good about ourselves. But they all bring a false validation that is coming from ourselves because of what others are saying or affirming. There is so much scrambling to be connected to the latest and greatest emerging leader. So much time and resources going to conferences to be seen and perhaps talk to "the man or woman of God" so we can name drop. In all honesty, I do not see this as behavior of those hidden with Christ, whose lives are no longer their own. I do not see a holy remnant being taken in so easily to be deceived and get into such a self-deceived state that these things are more valuable than simply sitting at His feet and truly knowing Him. "My God" what have we become?

We must have a fascination like David did with who God is and have such a desire to come before Him, several times a day, just to be close to Him. David was fascinated by the beauty of holiness and it caught his imagination. Today we are more in the state of fantasy Christianity, instead of 'truly knowing' Christianity. I have concluded, in America, we are in a pre-Christian era. We have not yet come into the maturity we see scripturally portrayed by the Early Church. Fantasy will derail you, but imagination will empower you. Imagination was given by God to take away spiritual limitations and open spiritual ways and thinking only found in other realms. This is what Enoch discovered.

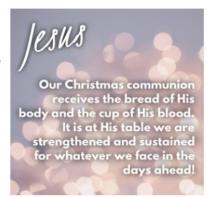
I believe the final remnant will not be concerned with so many of the things we are concerned with today. I believe their spiritual focuses will be heightened and they will be more spiritually present in the moments. They will know the time and season and intentions of God. They also will know the ways and paths and what is holy, profane and a mixture. They will not deliver messages but be the message inside the Messenger who is Christ. Hidden mysteries they will speak and unfold, bringing revelation to many longing hearts desiring the One true living God. In simplicity, they will speak but eternal consequences will unfold from their lips.

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CHRISTMAS 2021: SOME REFLECTIONS

The star that shined over a stable manger in Bethlehem some 2,000 years ago continues to remind us that the earth, since its creation by the Lord God, is in a perennial cycle of light and darkness (Genesis 1:1-3). This cosmological reality is an unmistakable sign of a covenantal conflict in history between the citizens of the Kingdom of God and the citizens of the fallen world system. Simply said, this battle is waged between the sons of light and the sons of darkness (1 Thess. 5:5).



Jesus referred to this conflict in

terms of the wheat and the tares (Matthew 13:38). The tares, by the way, which are sown in the wheat field in the darkness of night, are designed to thwart the saving harvest of many in our nation and the earth. In case you haven't noticed, these tares are maturing right now: fear, pandemic confusion, chaos, lawlessness, deception, theft of our freedoms, etc.

To me, it is the battle for the earth raging now between Christ and the spirit of antichrist. Anti means to oppose and to replace. The antichrist spirit is against the following: (1) life; (2) true gender identity; (3) family; (4) church; and (5) nationhood. The good news in the middle of this mess is "The Star" of Bethlehem — the Daystar and Morning Star — continues to shine in millions of hearts and lives around the world! Scientifically and spiritually, light overcomes and overwhelms darkness. Come on, Ekklesia — rise and shine, for your light has come and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you (Isaiah 60:1-3)!

Bethlehem means the "house of bread." It was here that Jesus, the living Bread, came down from heaven to earth (John 6:50-51). The Arabs define Bethlehem as "the house of meat." We know from history that this town, located about two miles from Jerusalem, supplied the Temple sacrificial system with animals, especially lambs. Jesus, of course, would be introduced by John the Baptizer 30 years later as "the Lamb of God" who takes away the sins of the world, i.e., Jews and Arabs (representing the Gentiles). Our Christmas communion receives the bread of His body and the cup of His blood. It is at His table we are strengthened and sustained for whatever we face in the days ahead!

Jean, Dawn, and I send you our love and best wishes for you and your family to have a blessed and peaceful Christmas. We are very grateful to be a part of your life and ministry, and we thank you for being a part of our extended family.

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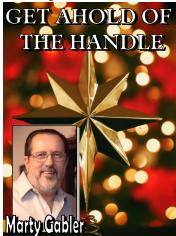




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There is a lot of downloading coming to us from heaven. There is also a lot coming to us through the internet. Take caution with what you do with what is coming in on your computer. There are all manner of prophecies out there about what is supposed to be happening in the near future. I received a call from a pastor recently who told me that there were some people in his congregation hearing one thing from one prophet and others were hearing from another prophet who contradicted the first prophet and the church was torn as to which one they were going to go with concerning the future.

WEIGH AND JUDGE

We are in a time when there is a great need to weigh matters and judge words rather than just taking everything that we hear and zealously trying to get it to fit into our theology and our eschatology. There are even some folks who are willing to adjust their theology to get it to fit words coming from voices that are continually predicting near events even though many of them have not come to pass. Some of those people and their words are finding acceptance because of what seems to be widespread fear and despair. If someone is in fear or suspicion, they can find a word that will accommodate it.

It is time to come to balance and one of the best ways to do that is to realize who God is in this hour. His throne is not and cannot be shaken. His plan has not changed nor has He throttled back on His purposes in this earth. There are no oil spills on the carpet around His throne and there are no fault lines running through the floor.

GET AHOLD OF THE HANDLE

We need a handle to hold on to for the tomorrows to come. On a documentary about the Colorado River I saw a raft full of people going through rapids. The guy at the very back of the raft was not holding on good and when the raft hit some very turbulent water he flew up into the air, flipped over backwards and hit the water while the raft simply continued down the river with all the other adventurers still inside. We need a handle to hold on to because our nation is in the rapids and is going through some turbulent water but we have a raft (Isa46:10;2Pe1:19). We have heard what many, who are called prophets, have said and we have heard what politicians and advisors have said but we need to stay in the raft, we need to know what God's Word says. In the day of Noah, while the world was deteriorating around him, Noah had a raft. It was the preparation of God for those who would heed His voice. Jesus is still the solid Rock. Recent and threatening events have not turned Him into a pebble. There is Someone solid for us to cast our anchor on. Stay in the raft.

GOD IS WORKING IN THE SPIRIT REALM AND IN THE EARTH

There are things happening in the spirit realm that are governed by the throne of God. They are not governed by physical circumstances, not governed by politi-

cians nor parliaments (Ps2:4). God is in charge but that does not mean that we are to just sit back and take everything that comes along and say, "Well, that must be what is supposed to happen to our wicked nation now." We sometimes get so caught up with current events and possibilities and what seems like is the inevitable that we tend to forget about God and His mandate upon our lives (Ps71:6;Isa14:24;51:1). What God is doing in the spirit realm is having an effect in this earth. He is not finished with earth, with this nation nor with us so there is still a great need to get into alignment with the purposes of God in His ever-expanding Kingdom.

FEAR CAUSES US TO LOSE FOCUS

The hand of God is moving. Recently, as I was praying about all the predictions, estimations and concerns coming in over the internet I had a vision of a hand moving and very active. It was moving people from one location to another. It was moving money and buildings and equipment here and there. As I watched this busy hand I realized that a veil was beginning to form between the busy hand and myself. Finally I could not see anything the hand was doing. The Lord spoke to my heart that the reason so many of His people are losing heart is because their fears and despair have formed a curtain between them and what His hand is doing. His hand is still moving and working but we can't see it because of what we have allowed in the forefront of our thoughts and considerations.

STAGING AND SUDDENLIES

There is a staging going on in the spirit realm. God is processing and placing people and things in proper order so that His purposes are fulfilled by the moving of His hand. What will seem like suddenlies will come into being because of God's careful staging of the events long before they manifested. Some of the frustration people are dealing with is the lack of their knowledge of what God is doing behind the veil which is beyond their comprehension and beyond their preoccupying worries. Just because we cannot comprehend the actions of an all-wise God while many voices of judgment and despair are speaking, doesn't mean that this God is inactive or withholding His actions. The whole world was in turmoil while Noah was able to hear God's preparation plan for his family.

OUR MANDATE FROM GOD HAS NOT CHANGED

The mandate is still in place. It has not changed because there is political turmoil throughout the nation and throughout the world or because there is a natural disaster in several nations at one time. We don't have to look for a new mandate because it is the same one we have had for a long time (Mt.28:18-20); we just need to begin to give ourselves, our effort and our money to it. We are still supporting missions and investing in our spiritual sons, still making plans for the future and increasing efforts for the Kingdom. There are people talking about changing their plans and goals for their church because the coming of the Lord is so near. What we best be planning is planning to live like we have never lived for the purposes of God. Perhaps we should put less emphasis on *talking* about a Savior and begin to *live* like we have a Lord Who has left us with a mandate.

Thank you for

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Dates are subject to change. Call before traveling.

Check Marty's FaceBook page for updates or our blog page: martygabler.com

PLEASE PRAY FOR US

We have been putting dates on the Calendar after the magazine goes out. Please Check Marty's Facebook page and martygabler.com for dates. We also serve on presbyteries, councils and prayer groups during the week that we don't post. Thank you for your prayers and support as we travel.—Marty & Kathy

Dec. 5 * Houston, TX Global Advance Church Pastors: Luis y Korey Gomez 2:00 * 281-580-8574 luis1gomez@hotmail.com Bilingual Service*Spanish/English www.globaladvancechurch.org

Dec. 11 * Frisco, TX
KingdomLife Church
Pastors Brandon & Willy Burden
Meeting with leadership

Dec. 12 * Frisco, TX KingdomLife Church Pastors Brandon & Willy Burden 20 Year Anniversary Celebration!! info@kingdomlife.org 214-618-1500

Dec. 15 * Internet FMCI ZOOM Call at 1:00pm CST Leadership Development 2022 Prophets Speak Marty & Melissa will be participating on the prophet team Meeting ID: 845 452 6351 Dec. 25 * Around the World MERRY CHRISTMAS Celebrating our Lord Jesus! Blessings and peace be upon you through Jesus Christ our Lord

Jan. 2 * Willis,TX
Grace Church Willis
Marty will be giving the
2022 Declarations
and leading in prayer for the
hand of God to be upon us, our
families and our nation

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