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This book is a rendition of Jerry's published book "Awakening the Inner Man" that can be found on Amazon and other leading outlets. This rendition copy has added content with colorful pages. We are doing a revision of this book in color print in-order to give the reader some colorful illustrations which are sure to bring attention to the unseen world that is all around us.

All scripture, unless otherwise indicated, is taken from the King James translation of the Bible.

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I dedicate this work in thankfulness to the Father of my lord Jesus Christ, the Father of grace and mercy. Dear Lord, my humble prayer is that you use this work to stir up revival in the hearts of your people, that they may discover that you are the I am God, the God that is more than enough, the unchanging God and what you were yesterday, you are today, and will be tomorrow!

Hebrews 13:8

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#### **OPENING PRAYER**

Father, I sincerely come before your throne and pray a special prayer asking that you assign an Angel with each of my books, that for many years have been distributed and mailed without charge throughout the inner cities of America including many countries throughout the world. <u>Dear Lord, you know</u> <u>my heart, that I did not under Your inspiration and</u> <u>guidance write these books for personal gain, but with</u> <u>a burning desire to become a difference and positive</u> <u>influence in people's lives.</u>

Lord, I am believing your Holy Spirit to enlighten those that take time out of their busy schedule to read this book seeking a closer walk with you and Lord, I ask that you give them a deeper understanding of the truths that are embedded in your word. Dear God, help us remember that we as your children make up your body on Earth and when one member suffers, we all suffer. Dear Lord, each morning as we begin our day, we need your daily bread, and we ask you to forgive our debts as we forgive our debtors.

Dear Lord, please give us direction and guidance to be reminded of your tender mercy, love, grace, and supreme sacrifice in becoming our sin substitute that we may be free from the bonds of sin. Lord, help us to demonstrate to all that see us, that we are indeed the body of Christ on this Earth and Lord in this trying time of unrest and confusion, may we always bear in mind that you are a very present help in the time of trouble. Lord, as we journey through each day allotted unto us, may we be thankful and look around to observe your love in action through the hearts and minds of your people. Help us Lord, to recognize your divine appointments and act upon the opportunities to exercise your unconditional love to our families, our friends, and even those who are not so friendly. Lord, your word tells us that love begat love and if we sow love, we will reap love. Heavenly Father, help us to express our love in ways that will bring change that will enhance our relationships including our marriages and to show love to others not expecting anything in return. Lord, in our time of despair, please remind us that you will be there even in the time of trouble. Lord, help us realize that in the time of sorrow, your love will be there to cover and strengthen us in Jesus mighty name we ask. A-MEN

## BOOK HISTORY (THE AWAKENING)

Beloved, for many years, I had a deep inward desire to write and publish a book on the **Recipe for True Revival**. The book would be an in-depth study of what things must be in place to experience an outpouring of God like the 1906 Azusa Street revival. In the fall of 2016, the Lord blessed me to finish the book and get it ready for printing. I sent the rough draft manuscript to **Don Stewart Ministries** and in a few days, I received a reply with an endorsement from his ministry including a personal phone call from the Apostle telling me how he saw God's hand on my life and expressed his desire for me to become a part of his ministry.

Minister & Author Mark Crouch, the branch manager of two TBN stations in Indiana read my rough draft and wrote a forward for my book. Brother Mark had been with TBN for more than 26 years however after the passing of Jan Crouch, both of brother Mark's TBN stations were permanently closed. Beloved, because of being used and scammed in my past dealings with publishers, I was very skeptical concerning who I could trust to do my life's work. I was cautious on what publishing company to sign with because this new book. It was a treasure, a sacred artifact consisting of my life's journey with God. On merit, I decided to take a trusted friend's recommendation and go with an unknown publishing company that seemed to have a good rating with the BBB.

My friend had informed me that the man who started this publishing company had also been taken, which caused me to want to trust him. My friend owned and operated a successful radio station in Tennessee, and he highly recommended his friend as being honest and trustworthy. Taking his recommendation in consideration, I decided to retain this publishing company to print my book. I paid the man up front and signed a contract to get this book in print. Beloved, three years had passed and not one manuscript from this company to approve.

Saints, my life's work, my dream is now diminished because the main important people that endorsed the book were no longer in the positions they were in when endorsing my work. Saints, I was so hurt, and the radio station friend that I trusted, did not try to help me by approaching the guy he had put his name on about his delinquency, which gave me question marks about him. I had trusted this station owner enough to give him my famous Indiana Jones hat and whip which I should have saved for my ministry archives. This hat was no ordinary hat because for more than twelve years, this anointed hat had faced the guns, the knives, and the gangs in the inner cities especially Atlanta, Georgia, winning their respect including having channel 11 news watch our truck while we visited a prostitute with a fruit basket in Grady hospital. Beloved, this hat had gone under bridges, inside crack houses and many abandoned houses, winning the hearts and respect of the homeless, while clothing, feeding, and providing love that they had never known. After three full years and no book, I finally had to either sue or walk away and give it to God.

Beloved, I had a legal binding contract for several thousand dollars but after seeking God, I wrote the publishing company a letter informing them of their breach of contract including describing how their business had destroyed my life's work. In closing, I informed them that I am sowing this loss and hurt to the Kingdom of God, and they no longer owed me, but they do still owe God and he will collect. They called and laughed in my face but before hanging up, I replied that I can go to bed and go to sleep knowing I did you right. Three days later the man was no longer laughing because a driver under the influence hit him in a head on collision nearly killing him. Later, my gift from God, my wife, Augustina or Tintin, volunteered to help self-publish this book and get it out working in the Kingdom and to that may he labor of love and commitment be recognized and rewarded a hundred-fold in this life and the life to come. A-MEN

#### ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS & RECOGNITIONS



I wish to give special thanks to the one minister who answered the call of God in 1951 after graduating from Bible College, to minister on the highways across our nation. I was blessed to have

him pray over me in 1995. Since my first book written in the early 90's, I have honored the late **Chaplain Jim Keys;** a man that persevered ten long years before he was blessed with his first convert. The ministries God birthed through him are as listed **"Transport for Christ"** and **"The Association of Christian Truckers."** These two ministries have had many converts since their founding and remain an oasis that can be found in many truck-stops throughout our nation including the ACT Road Angel Truckers Center located in Brownstown, Illinois. May God continue to richly bless this work as we celebrate his legacy. **A.MEN.** 



I want to leave a special honor and tribute to the late **Chaplains Joe and Kris Tackett** who left all to serve as ACT Chaplains under the ministry of

Chaplain Jim Keys. In the early 80's, God had these two precious saints there for me at the ACT chapel in Carlisle, Pennsylvania when I needed some answers and looking for a reason to live. Please check out the ACT web site listed for you. *http://www.acti70.org*.



Let me give special recognition to the late **Chaplain Joe Hunter and his wife Janice Hunter.** Joe and Jan are the founders of Truck Stop Ministries

which has chapels across the nation in many truck stops. For many years, these two have been very supportive of my ministry activities in the trucking industry to which I am most grateful.



Let me honor, my personal mentors and prayer intercessors the late Pastor Hubert and Eula Meadows. These two precious saints were instruments of God in

helping me found Withered Hand Ministries, Inc. They brought their church that was in Virginia in under its charter as the second chartered church with Withered Hand Ministries. Throughout the 90's Pastor Meadows and I shared many successful revivals and radio programs together.



I want to recognize one of the original founders of Withered Hand Ministries, Inc. A big shout out to **Pastor Terry and Teresa Munsey** from Monticello, Kentucky. Terry is the

senior pastor of the New Covenant Fellowship in Monticello, Kentucky.

New Covenant Fellowship is a growing church and is listed on google maps. Pastor Terry is one of the original charter members and dedicated founders of Withered Hand Ministries, Inc. in 2004. This work of faith and study is dedicated to all that take time to read this book, especially those connected with the transportation industry and those that believed in me when at times I did not believe in myself. A big shout out to all that stood and remained faithful in helping me remain focused through my many trials.



I want to recognize the late **Dale Martin. Minister Dale and Viola Martin** were one of the first ordained with WHM in 2004 and Sister Viola Martin is still an active minister with us today.



Ι want to recognize Apostle Stewart Don with Don Stewart **Evangelistic Association**. Apostle Don came up under the mentorship and ministry of the late A. A. Allen. Apostle Don loved and endorsed this book.

He also recognized me as being a part of his worldwide ministry.

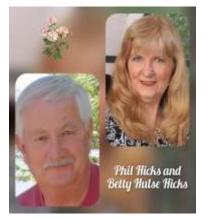


I wish to recognize Bishop Felipe "Ping" Alba and his wife Nida Alba of Miracle Life Fellowship International including all that are related to Miracle Life Fellowship International and Apostle Don Stewart Ministries.



I want to recognize Chief Apostle David A. A. Mungo with Guiding Light Ministries out of North Carolina for giving me a word many years ago that helped steer me to where I am at today working in God's

ministry. Apostle Mungo is a dear friend and mentor.



I want to recognize my brother-in- law **Phil Hicks** a retired truck driver and my beloved executive sister **Betty Hulse Hicks** formerly with 3E Company's worldwide offices

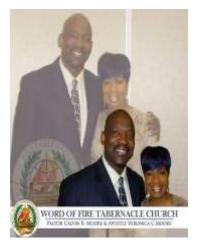
including the Safe Tech Company. My sister usually handles all my personal affairs here in the United States to which I am most thankful.



I want to recognize a special lady from the Philippines, Minister Augustina C. Mergullas and as of April 28, 2021, she became Mrs. Augustina M. Hulse. Beloved, on February 07, 2017, God brought this

precious gift into my life and what a change took place in my life and ministry. I was able to re-gain my focus and devote my time to doing God's work.

A big shout out to my beautiful wife and ministry partner minister Augustina M. Hulse, a spirit filled woman of God. Minister Augustina M. Hulse now helps with our USA ministry and publishes all our books. Minister Augustina serves as the Co-Founder & President of our International ministry "Withered Hand Ministries Philippines, Inc." www.whmphilippines.org

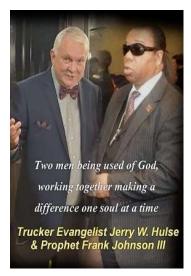


I want to recognize **Pastor Calvin B. Moore and his lovely, anointed wife Apostle Veronica Moore** at the Word of Fire Tabernacle Church in Los Angeles California. These two precious people of God

have been used of the Lord to touch many lives here and abroad. They are on face-book and are the founders of the Relentless Prayer and Conference Line Mon.-Friday 7:00pm PST.



I wish to recognize a longtime friend and Director of Evangelism with Withered Hand Ministries, **Pastor Joe, and Joan Vanover**. These two are chaplains to over 3,000 bikers and race car drivers.



I want to recognize a wonderful man of God **Prophet Frank Johnson III**, whom I recently met while conducting а revival in Ohio. We became friends and are ministering together on Rhema Gospel Express of San Antonio. out

Texas. Rhema Gospel Express is a member station that can be found on the United Gospel network. Later this year, Prophet Frank and I are making plans to do some revivals together. To listen to his Saturday program at 4pm Eastern and ours together on Sunday at 4pm Eastern, download the United Gospel Network app from play store. Open the app and scroll through the stations to Rhema Gospel Express.

Open that station and get your praise on!



I want to dedicate this book to **Pastor Robert and Becky Hale,** for their love, support, and encouragement. Brother Robert took three years interviewing the people and wrote the first book on my life and ministry

titled (Ministering the Withered Hand in 1994.) Later, the book was rewritten by me and published as a novel titled (Mystery of the Withered Hand) then later (18 Wheels and Jesus.) These published books were used by God to touch and change lives all over the world including people of renown status. Pastor Robert Hale currently serves as the Treasurer with Withered Hand Ministries, Inc. Withered Hand maintains a website averaging one hundred visitors a week. Sister Becky Hale has a gift of prayer and has been a great support having witnessed many miracles through this end time life changing restoration ministry. <u>www.witheredhand.org.</u>



I want to recognize a special young truck driver from Los Angeles, California **Evangelist Paul Bass.** This man has been faithful to my ministry and has a special hunger for God. He has ministered for us

on our call-in church conference line and the people loved him. Evangelist Paul Bass operates in a powerful anointing and loves the Lord with all his heart.



Special recognition to **Pastor Cynthia Wells with True Foundation Ministry. Pastor Wells serves** as the Assistant Director of Evangelism and serves as the board Secretary & Director of License and Ordinations with Withered Hand Ministries, Inc.



I want to recognize **Evangelists Joseph and Emily Sortino**, for believing in me and representing Withered Hand Ministries, Inc., five times in and throughout the regions of Ethiopia with God

touching and doing creative miracles that caused them to earn the respect of the priests and police.



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I want to recognize a powerful man of God that has taken time out of his busy schedule to mentor and personally anointing me for fulltime ministry including a monetary gift with several of his

inspirational books. A big shout out to **Bishop Joey** Johnson, the Presiding Bishop of the Beth-El Fellowship of Visionary Churches, organizer, and Senior Pastor of the House of the Lord church located in Akron, Ohio. Bishop Johnson is a renowned bible scholar, established author, counselor, educator, conference speaker and workshop facilitator. His experience in leading one of the city's largest churches for forty-six years has equipped him to impart wisdom for issues related to church growth and development, business management, leadership, and team building.



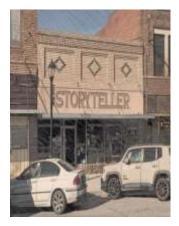
I want to give special recognition to my longtime friend and **Minister Dr. Glen Moody**. Dr. Glen founded the Moody Book Store that is now named I Love Books and Teas

Bookstore located in the Fort Henry Mall in Kingsport, Tennessee. Dr. Glen has been carrying my inspirational books for several years to which I am most thankful. **Contact: 1+423-378-5859.** 



I want to recognize **Pastor Sara Lee "Destiny" Johnson**, for believing in me as she represents Withered Hand Ministries, Inc., throughout the free

world. Pastor Destiny was mentored by the late Dr. Myles Munroe and made history as the first female speaker to minister in the African conference.



I want to give special recognition to **Storyteller Books** located on 524 Broadway Street in Thermopolis, Wyoming. The owner **Mrs. Ellen Reed** will make you feel welcome with some good

Jackrabbit Java coffee. Storyteller has an online store, also you can find my inspirational books here. *307-864-3272 www.storytellerwyo.com* 



I can't leave out my dear friends **Tony & Leila Malone** with Black Hat Missions. In the early 1990's, Tony wrote and recorded the song about me, and my

ministry titled "18 Wheels and Jesus." This recorded video by Tony Malone can be found on YouTube.



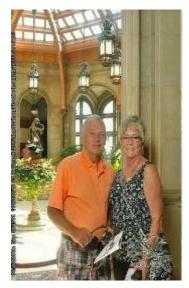
I want to give a shout out to my great friend, **Evangelist Mark, and Ginger Crouch.** Brother Mark worked twenty-six (26) years at Trinity Broadcasting Network in Greenwood & Richwood

Indiana. Brother Mark is a wonderful speaker, Poet, and Author of several books that can be found on Amazon. Brother Mark is a close friend and an active advisor with Withered Hand Ministries., Inc.



I dedicate this book to **Pastor Joseph Dunn** and family from Abingdon, Virginia. Brother Joseph is ordained with Withered Hand Ministries, Inc., and has been preaching since

his early teens. He Pastors the Rooty Branch Church in Bristol, Tennessee.



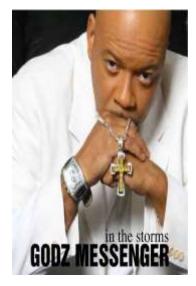
I wish to recognize my new **Pastors, Billy Ray & Patsy Courtney** of Rogersville, Tennessee. Pastor Billy Ray is the Senior Pastor of Faith Assembly Church located off highway 11w in Rogersville, Tennessee. Faith Assembly Church

can be found on google maps and is known to be a spiritual oasis that is being used of God to bring a spiritual awakening to Hawkins County and surrounding areas. Pastor Billy Ray has a reputation of being a Pastor's Pastor, a great encourager to the body of Christ, a spirit filled man that loves the Lord and knows how to lead God's people by example. *https://www.facebook.com/rogersvillefaithassembly* 



Blessing to Minister Executive Director Sheldon Livesay of One Accord Ministry. This life changing ministry is located in Rogersville Tennessee. I was blessed to meet Director Livesay in the 1990's and have known this man of God for many, many years.

Beloved, this man of God is a praying man, a man after God's own heart that lives what he preaches. Of One Accord Ministry is a restoration ministry that is reaching out with helping hands of love that is being used of God to make a difference in people's lives especially in the Appalachian Mountains of East Tennessee. <u>www.ofoneaccordministry.org</u>



I want to recognize my close friend **Evangelist Jamal Seymour** from Boston, Massachusetts. Brother Jamal known as AKA **Godz Messenger**, is a close friend and gave me some stern Christian council when I was going through a

severe trial almost to the point of giving up my gift of writing inspirational books. Brother Jamal is the CEO and Founder with Fire Escape Music. He has been a guest several times on TBN and travels nationwide interviewing young people for Christian talent. Brother Seymour, we call messenger, hosts a radio show Sundays on KROV Radio in San Antonio, Texas. *www.godzmessenger.com* 



I want to recognize two great friends **Elder James & Elder Kay Lockhart** out of San Antonio, Texas. Elder James is a radio host at KROV HD2 FM 91.7

and member of All Nations TV in San Antonio, Texas. Brother Lockhart is also the Founder & President of Rhema Gospel Express operating with the United Gospel Network. Elders James and Kay Lockhart have a heart of gold. Augustina and I are blessed to have them as our friends.



Ι wish to honor my longtime friend and advisor Minister Stephen and his lovely wife Doreen Gagne from the State of Maine. Evangelist Stephen Gagne serves as

the Public Relations Director with Withered Hand Ministries, Inc.

Stephen also maintains a live program called "This is your stage with Mr. Steve" every Saturday night at 9PM Eastern on the Call in Church conference line (563-999-1229) There is no pin needed to join the conference



I dedicate this book to my son, WHM **Minister Jimmy Smith** and his family. God healed Jimmy after suffering five strokes & being treated for over a year with ALS including weak bones in his feet. He just recently (June

2021), came through 5 surgeries from a flesh-eating bacterium which he got from a nearby lake and God through consecrated prayer healed him. It was devouring an inch an hour and caused him to lose most of his front abdominal area. Evangelist Jimmy has a book out on Amazon entitled, "Is Your Life Wrapped in a Napkin?"



I dedicate this book to my dear friends and TV personality **Robert and Laurie Smallwood** from Virginia. For several years, brother Bob gave me free programs on his radio stations and for several years has given

my inspirational books out on his TV program "Picken Time with Bob" on Living Faith Television in Abingdon, Virginia.



I want to recognize **Prophetess and Singer Karen Jaguar.** She has been a loyal faithful friend for many years and has represented one of the greatest ministries Apostle De'brah Eunice Gordon

Osagiede as a Jesus woman traveling the world working in the Kingdom.

Prophetess Karen Jaguar is now actively recognized as the board liaison for Withered Hand Ministries, Inc.

I want to pay tribute and recognize the late **Raymond and Sadie Cook** of Rural Retreat, Virginia. Her late husband Raymond Cook was a former member of the Hells Angel motorcycle club and was one of my greatest fans. Raymond loved my ministry and was eyewitness to many manifestations of the power of God. His wife Sister Sadie was one of my loyal prayer intercessors with Withered Hand Ministries, Inc. Mrs. Sadie Cook and the late Mrs. Eula Meadows would often call me on the road informing me that they were praying for me. Let me tell you that Heaven got a little more real when I received the news that Mrs. Meadows and later Sadie Cook had gone on to be with the Lord. I was blessed to drive 100 miles to her home and spend some time with siter Sadie including singing for her as she held my hand. Sister Sadie went on to be with the Lord the next day and I tell you dear reader that Heaven got a little more real when I received the call that she had passed.



A big shout out to **Pastors Lee and Donna Stiltner with Trash Ministries,** which consists of motorcycle riders hungry for Jesus. I have been blessed through their ministry and learned a lot from their council and

guidance. I will never forget the ordination service held in Blountville, Tenness in 1994. Brother Hubert Meadows had traveled from Rural Retreat, Virginia and Pastors Lee and Donna Stiltner from Church Hill, Tennessee to ordain me into the gospel ministry. I will never forget the words of encouragement and adulations as Pastors Lee and Dona Stiltner addressed the church body of my achievements and worthiness to receive this high honor. Both broke into tears as they described the growth and anointing, they have witnessed in my life and ministry. Saints, this service helped give me the confidence to never give up even when having to stand alone with no one to stand with me.

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I also wish to recognize their son **Pastor Danny Walker and his beautiful wife Mrs. Karma Cook Walker**. Pastor Danny was birthed out of my ministry in the late 1990's. Senior Pastor of the **Abundant Life Fellowship in Mount Carmel, Tennessee**. I also

want to recognize his sisters Shelly and Jessica Lawson. Both were birthed out of that powerful move of God that touched the young people in Pastor Lee and Dee's Church called **The Church A Flame**. Sister Shelly and Sister Jessica's husband Jordan are the worship leaders in this end time spiritual awakening church. Sister Jessica leads the sign language worship for the services. <u>Like it was</u> <u>yesterday, I remember that meeting in the 1990's</u> <u>which took place at the Church of Flame in Church</u> <u>Hill, Tennessee.</u>

Beloved, on that special revival night, we were all in one mind and one accord praising God, when suddenly there was a portal opened and Heaven descended to touch Earth. Beloved, I had spent long hours with God while driving which I did a lot back then. I remember being led by the Lord to stand and pray a special prayer with my hands outstretched toward the young people and let me tell you beloved that God showed up. There were five young preachers birthed out of that prayer causing a hunger in the youth. They fell in love with Jesus and had a special service that week, gathering to start a bonfire in a secure place dedicating themselves to the service of God by burning all their worldly magazines, records, and books. Church, it is time to re-dig the wells of revival, especially in these trying days that are upon us. It is time to get down in the dirt and come clean with God in pure repentance for our self and for our Nation then we can see the cleansing fire of revival sweep through our land, but it first must begin with us.



I want to recognize my loyal friend, a Great Woman of God from Nashville, Tennessee, **Evangelist Dr. Anita L. Moore of Lion and King Ministry**. Dr. Moore has been with us for a long time and is now overseeing and managing the Call in

Church conference line ministry. (www.thecallinchurch.com)

Augustina and I appreciate all the effort she has contributed to help others enrich their lives for the Kingdom of God. Dr. Moore has a profile that can be viewed on face book & social media.



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I want to recognize **Bishop Stephen and Dr. Sonia Villaester** including **Pastor Adrian & Aileah Villaester** of Illigan City, Philippines. Bishop Stephen is a friend and currently serves as the Vice President of our International Ministry. I also want to recognize all the ministers with our international ministry such as **Pastor Luther Allen & Marily Villaester** of Cagayan de Oro, Philippines and **Pastor Prudencio & Virgie Diosmano** of Dipolog City, Philippines. <u>www.whmphilippines.org</u>

## PREFACE

Dear reader, I begin this work with a zeal to bring some valuable truths concerning the call of God that may be upon your life. The very fact that you took the time to purchase this book speaks of the thirst and hunger you have for God and His word. This purpose for writing this book is to share some truth and insight to the body of Christ concerning the lax condition of some churches today. All one need to do is show up early before a church meeting and observe the attitude of the ones gathered. There is no regard for the lost, no burden for souls and some are even gathered in their corners of gossip. Some churches today tend to resemble a social gathering with no regard for the lost but an out-of-control society catching up on the latest trends and this is the breeding ground for the start of apostasy in the church today. It is like gathering in a movie theater and everyone is waiting for the show to begin. According to scripture being fulfilled before our very eyes, we are living in the Laodicean church age as spoken of in the book of *Revelation Chapter 3:14*.

Beloved, we need to come back to our first love and remember what it was like when we first believed. Saints, we need to be honest with ourselves, awaken from our sleep and come back to God with true repentance for ourselves, our family, and our Nation.

Beloved, we live in an unpredictable dangerous, troubled world and we desperately need God to visit us with his Holiness and power. Can we be safe and agree that we desperately need a true cleansing revival which is God's proven method of awakening his church. This book is a clarion call to repentance and right living.

Saints, we need a spiritual house cleaning to get rid of the unconfessed sin and ungodliness in Christian leaders. It is time to come out of our comfort zone and seek the Lord with all our heart. When I was in a tent revival several years ago in Maine, the Lord revealed to me the secret to revival. We must remember that God only dwells in an environment of love. I will share later this amazing secret and how it is within reach if we desire it with all our heart. Remember beloved, we find in *Song of Solomon Chapter 2:15*, a clear warning that it is the little foxes (the little-un-confessed sins) that spoil the vine. I ask you the reader to read this book with an open heart and allow the Lord to minister to your needs.

- Are you hungry for God and do you have a desire to know more about the one who gave your life?
- 2. Do you have a desire to fulfill the plans he has for your life?

Saints, we find in the book of *Mathew 5 verse 6* these beautiful encouraging words, "<u>those</u> <u>who hunger and thirst for righteousness's sake</u> <u>shall be filled</u>".

# THE AWAKENING (DIVINE MOMENTS WITH GOD)

Warning, this book could change the way you view God, yourself, and others. Please read this book with an open mind and allow God to enrich your life.



#### Chapter 1

### THE RECIPE FOR REVIVAL



I begin this work as an attempt to be a voice crying out in a world that seems to be in a hurry to worry and going nowhere. I once wrote a song titled, "It Won't Always Be That Way". It speaks of the wrongs in a world that has forgotten God. It speaks of the sadness of children crying and loved ones aging with their hair turning grey. The daily news speaks of people taking their life and the life of innocent others. We hear of mothers leaving their unborn children in dumpsters. There are street people living in cardboard boxes to get some shelter from the hot sun. We have old people in nursing homes that have been abandoned because they are no longer useful or able to care for themselves. Beloved, we have innocent children in hospitals born with Aids and serious diseases from mothers wanting to have a good time. This gives me the wrong picture when we live in the land of plenty. There should be enough blessing among us to take care of our own.

Today, we have crooked men and women in leadership that are greedy and do not care about the populace at large. James calls them shooting stars, wells without water because they are more concerned with their lavish lifestyle than the culture around their church and their community. I am sorry, but I don't see anything here to laugh about as some tend do in services today.

Beloved, may I ask you an important question, what about the culture around the large mega churches and did God tell us to build our own Kingdom and wield power over others? Beloved, God said to let our light so shine before our fellow men that they would see our good works and give glory to God (*Matthew 5:16*). My wife, Tintin ministered on this a few years ago in the Philippines using the illustration of being in a dark room searching for the door with our mind playing tricks on us then striking a match which during its flicker begins to give light and bring hope in the darkness. She stated that what little bit we do for God in this dark world can be compared to the flicker of that match in a dark room. Saints, the word in 1corinthians 3 verse 13 states that our works shall be tried with fire whether they be wood, hay or stubble.

Saints, the day of the Lord shall declare or reveal our works. They will be tried by fire and the fire will reveal every man's work of what sort it is. Some drunk that got saved off the street and became a soul winner in the kingdom of God may have more rewards and crowns than some mega preacher that robbed his flock to wear the best clothes and drive the best car so he can look good and stand out.

Beloved, I remember the chorus of my song echoes the warning, "<u>when Jesus comes again it'll all</u> <u>be over, there'll be no more reason to cry, yes when</u> <u>Jesus comes again it'll all be over, so be ready, and</u> <u>keep your eyes on that Eastern sky."</u>

Saints, I believe that the living God is getting an army together that has been through the storms of life and have been conditioned to meet the enemy on every front. You will be surprised to find that many of these powerful soldiers of the cross are not very well known by the religious hierarchy of our day. These men and women have had to fight for every inch of ground gained because of their past mistakes. These men and women have been through God's school of grace and have their degree. They have not had anything given to them, but they have qualified for it through their training in the field. Yes, our undesirables who make up the forgotten church of the hedge will be the worship leaders and the leaders of clergy in this last push by the Spirit of God to rescue as many as possible from Satan's rebellion.

Wake up church, there is a lost and hungry world out there looking for answers and we have them. Some of us have been through the tests of life and gained strength from our battles. We have developed better habits and do not fall for the things that took us down before but stand guard over our heart and cherish God's blessed Spirit and call upon our life and ministry.

Beloved, did you know that there are times when the church forgets why it exists. Even Christians seem to forget why they were saved, and the eternal plan God has for their life. All too often, they tend to think that church is all about them. They think that their relationship with Jesus is totally focused on their agenda and needs. I want you to know it is not about us but about Him and there is a lost and hungry world out there that is looking for answers and we have them. We have been through the tests of life and gained strength from our battles. Strength is what is on the inside of us not what is on the outside. Saints, we can use a good illustration by going to our bathroom and looking at a tube of toothpaste. When you squeeze it, what is on the inside will come out unless it is near empty then you may have to roll it. If we as Christians turn everything over to God, He promises to be our strength. We do not have to be strong in the physical to be strong in the spiritual. When we have Jesus on the inside, we have all the strength we need in any given situation. Jesus is the I am God, the God that is more than enough. Ephesians the third chapter states that God is able to do more than we can even ask or think?

This means our three-pound brain is not able to grasp what our God can do. He spoke the word and galaxies were formed. He is the God of creation, and he is our God. Dear God, my prayer is, bring us back to humility and cause us to not glory in any of our own achievements as one that is proud, but help us keep our eyes on you the Author and finisher of our faith. Lord, help us to be like Daniel and pray a prayer that will shake a whole empire to its knees. Lord, help us not to glory in anything save the cross of Jesus Christ. Saints, the day is approaching when the Army of God is soon to march into the face of the enemy and take back what the enemy crept in and stole from God's people. We each have a lot to fill in God's eternal plan and purpose. Nobody else can do what we were chosen to do so there is no place for jealousy to be in our ranks. God needs all kinds of people to reach all the different cultures and ethnic groups in our world. We need to start caring for one another and quit being selfish and isolated. We must have the right attitude toward God and our fellow men. Church, we are bound together as one body by the precious blood of the Lord Jesus Christ and not doctrines or denominations.



THE BODY OF CHRIST

Church we need to realize that we are bloodbought brothers and sisters in Christ and realize that we are in a fight, and it is not our neighbor or the church down the street. There is a colossal war going on around us between good and evil and we are caught up in it. The word of God states that we are not fighting against flesh and blood but against powers, rulers, and against spiritual wickedness in high places.

Beloved, the enemy loves for us to fight among ourselves. Beloved, the only time you will notice the enemy come and unite is when they are coming against the work of God. Beloved, why cannot we, the church, unite for the cause of Christ? Beloved, we are in a fight, and it is time to realize that we need to fight together as one colossal body. Saints, when we unite as one, we will experience a spiritual strength and become a powerful force to put the enemy at bay.

Saints, there are powerful strengths and forces set in place when we come together in unity. Beloved, we are here to be a light to bring hope, meaning, and purpose in a life that is searching for the truth and to be released from the enemy's hold on their life. Let us labor together for the common cause of souls. As we flow together in unity, we will see the power and love of God begin to spread all around us. Saints, the enemy knows that when we are united, we become a powerful force, and therefore he tries to bring division. I have always said that if a brother or sister draws a circle and leaves you out, then swallow your pride and draw a bigger circle bringing them in.

Beloved, God wants us to prosper and flow in the body as children of faith and power. God desires for us to live circumspectly in this cruel world making the most out of every opportunity. Saints, when we miss an opportunity, it cannot be reclaimed. We complain about giving a little time to God's work and evangelism, when beloved, every moment should be recognized as a precious gift from God. How many are entering an eternity they are not prepared for? Beloved, God wants us to manage our time and invest it in something worthwhile. Did you know that there is strength in working together? In Ephesians the 5th chapter, Paul speaks of redeeming our time and managing it wisely. Too many have the mistaken idea that the building is the church.

God's Son Jesus is not coming back for buildings but a bride that hath made herself ready. We are told in his word to occupy till he comes. Saints, we are not here to fill up space, nor are we here to build our own kingdom. The church that will bring down the gates of hell was borne in unity, and it is time for that church to stand up and take action! Beloved, did you know that each of us are chosen to fill the right place in the body. God wants us to flow in His body that His call may be fulfilled in our life and ministry. Beloved, we have come to a climax (contest) of this church age, and it is time to have a firm base (foundation) for the work of the Holy Spirit. Saints, we must have unity and love in the body. Did you not know that these are the two foundation stones that must be in place for the gifts of the Spirit to operate? Beloved, the gifts of the Holy Spirit will not function without unity and love in the body of Christ. Again, let me emphasize that we need to start caring for one another and quit being selfish and isolated. I will address this in greater detail in the chapter on unity.

Saints, God came to set us free from the fear and bondage of the devil that we may live in the liberty and freedom purchased for us through the cross of Jesus Christ.

Saints of God, we need to realize that Jesus has already defeated Satan. This means that Jesus has all the authority over Satan and His Kingdom. *Luke 22*.

- 1. We as God's people share the same authority
- 2. Authority was delegated by the Father to Jesus. Luke 22
- 3. We the church are the body of Christ
- 4. The body cannot go in one direction, and the head in another direction.

Beloved, did you know that revival started at Pentecost when the **ONE HUNDRED TWENTY** (120) were filled in the upper room as the Holy Ghost fell upon them like a mighty rushing wind. Later we find them speaking to people from all nations and they were able to hear and understand in their own language. Beloved, revival has never ceased but we live in a fast-paced world and want everything handed to us. Can somebody say A-Men? Right there! Beloved, there is a price to pay in-order to witness true revival and this book will teach you what it takes to experience a move of God that will shake the kingdom of darkness to its core as the true fresh fire of God falls in our midst consuming everything that is not like Him. It will unmask the pretense and set things in order and most of all it will crown Jesus as the Supreme King, Lord and Savior.

Acts 2: 6 "Now when this was noised abroad, the multitude came together, and were confounded, because that every man heard them speak in his own language." Matthew 16:18 "And I say also unto thee, and upon this rock, I will build my church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it."

Beloved, according to Matthew's gospel, the church should be breaking down the gates of hell and invading the territory of the devil. Wake up church and let us be on the offensive and not the defensive then like the Apostle Paul, we together can say "*I fought a good fight and finished my course.*"

Saints, it is then and only then that we can hear the Lord say, "Well done my good and faithful servant, you have been faithful over a few things; enter into the joy of the Lord and I will make you ruler over many".

Beloved, I do not know about you, but this is what keeps me going even when the going gets tough because I long to hear these words spoken from my masters' lips. Paul speaks in 2 Timothy about enduring hardness as a good soldier which actually gives us insight that he is not talking about a soldier on a battlefield but is speaking of one that is in training or what we call boot camp which is a system of rigorous training that is designed to break the spirit of the person and teach them to not react to a situation but respond.

Boot training is to teach a soldier to respond to a situation without thinking which could save their life and the lives of others in a real battle. Beloved, this means they are not a soldier, but are in training to become a soldier. We as men and women of God especially those of us with a divine call upon our life are in boot camp learning the schemes and devices of the enemy.

Beloved, sometimes we are placed in situations that appear to be hopeless, but this is when we learn to trust in him who called us to be a soldier. The more experience we have with him in these hopeless situations and discover that he is in complete control produces within us great faith to act upon circumstances and things further down the road of life. 2 Timothy 2:3-5 King James Version (KJV) Thou therefore endure hardness, as a good soldier of Jesus Christ. No man that warreth entangles himself with the affairs of this life; that he may please him who hath chosen him to be a soldier.

Beloved, God desires for us to be an example of what He can do. Through this rigorous training, we learn to rely upon him and not ourselves. We learn that spiritual law can override natural law and change the outcome of a hopeless situation. When we feel incapable and weak, we have discovered through these hard trials that he is capable, and he is strong. Because of our training we find that when we do not have the answer or know what to do there is an inside voice telling us that he does. Beloved while we are in these severe trials and everyone, we thought was for us walks away like we are nothing, what can we do? Church, we feel hurt, betrayed, used, with no one to turn too. Beloved, grace is not always easy and can sometimes cause us to feel abandoned as if God is our enemy instead of our friend.

God, I thought you were my friend and I thought you loved me, but now look at what is happening to me and where are you? In this situation we have no one to turn too but Jesus. His word has brought us through similar situations before but still the enemy is on the job trying to get us thinking that God is holding back on us like he did Eve in the Garden of Eden.

- 1. Why Lord did they do this to me?
- 2. I thought they were my friend.
- 3. I thought I could trust them.

Beloved if you go through life and expect people to be like you then let me tell you by experience that you will be very disappointed. Saints what we will discover in this place of hurt confusion and shame is there is something birthed on the inside of us, and it is growing. It is not visible, but we can feel it and because it is invisible the Lord that birthed it in our shut-in time with Him will protect it until it is time for it to come forth. Beloved, victory does not come easy and to experience true revival, we must have a spirit of endurance and realize that it is not about us but about Him.

Beloved, our God is with us through it all and before it can get to us, it must go around Him. Isaiah 32 verse 2 states that a man shall be as a hiding place from the wind. The book of Hebrews lists the men and women of faith that made it into God's Hall of fame. I believe these witnesses that died in the faith not yet having received the promises need to be looked at for what they had.

These men and women of faith declared that they were pilgrims and strangers passing through a strange land looking for a city whose ruler is God. These precious people of God had a spirit of endurance which brought them through all their trials and does not the word of God state that they were made examples for us! These pilgrims of the faith allowed God to leave his signature through them to future generations even us today!

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Authors Note: Beloved after we have braved the storms of life and discovered that we can have joy through it all, we have begun to enter his rest realizing that it is not about us but about him working through us to reach a hurting world looking for answers. Beloved, we are no longer praying for a move of God but have been conditioned by his word and his Spirit to become a move of God. We are now discovering that revival never ceased at Pentecost and all we must do is pay the price and walk in it.

#### Lord Bend Me to do Thy Will

The early church came to their gathering in one mind and one accord devoting themselves to consecrated prayer.

These saints expected the Lord to be with them and came expecting to hear from others of what God has done in their lives. Yes, dear reader there was a time when people came to church to meet with God. I close this chapter with these inspiring words. We must be ready to move even when difficulties and unexpected things arise! The call of God on our lives demand action and God honors those who are prepared. We cannot afford to take a day off. We beloved need to recognize our gifts and use them with a made-up mind to serve God and his purpose. Saints, we need the mindset that we are not praying and waiting on a move of God, but we have become a move of God for his call and his purpose.

Beloved, we never know when God is going to move, and we must be fully surrendered and submitted so that when he does move, we won't miss it. Those that are not prepared will be left on the outside looking in. Beloved, the thought that just came to me concerning our walk with God is *"how are we going to keep the promises we made while enjoying the mountain top experience when we are struggling to go through the trials and unexpected events that appear out of nowhere in the valley?"* 

Beloved, even now, the whole world is coming to a screeching halt because of the Corona Virus that is killing millions of people throughout the world.

In 2020, I was planned for five revivals this last year in the Philippines and six revivals this year in 2021. What would you do if you were me and have all these people telling you that there is no way for it to happen but deep down you know in your spirit that God has been a faithful friend and his will and purpose will always be accomplished? He said in his word in Psalms 91 that he will keep us from the noisome pestilence that wasteth at noon day. This means it will kill even in the middle of the day, but this hellish virus only has power in the fallen kingdom and in the new covenant there is no curse. Beloved, the atonement in the birth, childhood, life, death, and resurrection was honored by God declaring our sonship and this virus from hell must bow to his holy name.

Beloved, in the new covenant, Jesus has been made both Lord and Christ. Christ is now seated at the right hand of God representing us before the council and courts in Heaven. I would advise you to do a study of these courts, how they operate and also do a study of the books that were written about our lives and ministry before creation.

Beloved, according to my studies and what God has shown me these many years, Satan is unable to come before the throne of God, he can only approach the outer courts. Beloved, at the end of this world when our Lord comes back to put an end to the battle of all battles, yes, when He destroys His enemies with the brightness of His coming, it will only take one of God's Holy Angels to bind our arch enemy Satan and put him in a bottomless pit for one thousand years. Church, through these many trials and tribulations, we have learned to hear and obey his voice and in this seemingly dark hour that has come upon us, we must be ready to hear his instructions and move upon them with an expectation of victory. Saints, this is our time to make a difference, for many people in the world today are confused, looking for answers and need some hope. Beloved, this world pandemic has caused people to become shaken in their minds and many are now realizing that life as they know it can come to an unexpected end. Saints, the future today with all the hatred and unrest looks bleak, and they are ready for the greatest news on planet Earth. It is time to weep between the porch and altar seeking God for fresh revival fire.

Beloved, people need to know that they were not a mistake and there is a God that loves them with an unconditional love for he knew them before the foundation of the world. They need to know that he had a reason for them to make the fertile egg and become a person.

Yes, he has a purpose for their being here and we have the answers. Many sperm are destroyed by white blood cells on their way to the egg and only a few survive. Saints, only one will make it and God is overseeing the whole process. The one that will make it has a personality and books written about its purpose to be accomplished on this planet even before conception. It takes around three months for the embryo to develop fingerprints that are unique and unlike any that has been born on this planet.

Beloved, they need to know that they have a purpose to fulfill through the life allotted to them by the one who knows and planned their life the end from the beginning. This means he foreknew them before the foundation of the world. Yes, saints of God, before our God placed the first ocean here, he had a divine plan for our life and my prayer is Lord, let the words of my lips and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in thy sight, O lord, my strength, and my redeemer.

Beloved, this prayer can be found in Psalms 19:14 and it is my favorite verse throughout the whole bible. Here David is coming clean before God desiring that God would cleanse him from past sins that he had overlooked. Here, in this Psalms, David had an idea of redemption and he looked to God to be rescued from sin past and present. The word states in Luke the 6<sup>th</sup> chapter and 45<sup>th</sup> verse that out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaks therefore he is praying that his words would come out of a heart that is pure and one that is meditating on the goodness of God. Saints, we release the worship that is in our heart by opening our mouth with praise. Worship is how we esteem (value) (admire) our God. Beloved, we can worship without our voice. Something happens when we worship him through a shout, song and even a prayer of praise.

Beloved, it gets his undivided attention and secures his presence for the scriptures state that God inhabits the praises of his people. His abiding presence helps get our eyes off the schemes and tricks of the enemy and helps regain our focus on the greatness of our God.

It gives us fresh revelation of his greatness of who he is and his mighty power to save and forgive. It helps get our eyes off the bars that hold us captive and get them on Jesus our redeemer, the author and finisher of our faith including salvation, which makes us complete in him. It is the proven way to lay the foundation for healthy relationships, building families, and being supportive of our friends including co-workers.

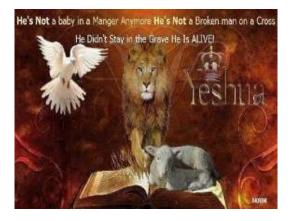
God's abiding presence causes us to feel special, calm, and soothing. In the face of adversity and distress, we can reach within to find our faith in God's abiding love and know in our heart that everything will work out all right even if we do not always understand.

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Beloved, just when we least expect it, and in the times when need Him the most, His abiding presence will come shining through and wipe the tear drops from our eyes lifting our spirit into true worship.

Beloved, we are never alone because God's abiding love challenges us to simply trust Him with all our hearts, all our mind, and all our strength including making a demand requiring us to give up our best for his best. **A-MEN** 

# Chapter 2 PRAYER THAT MOVES HEAVEN



Beloved, this chapter is designed to help us realize that we have a wonderful loving Heavenly Father who desires to have a personal relationship with us. This powerful being states in His word that He will withhold no good thing from His children and even now has just spoken in my spirit that it is His good pleasure to give us His kingdom. Somewhere behind this universe, there is an awesome allknowing, all-powerful God who is seated on His throne where He watches over His creation. His word clearly states that He has had a plan for mankind before He made the first man, Adam, from the dust of the earth. Beloved, the Lord God spoke everything into existence but knelt and carefully molded the first man from the clay of the earth. Since the beginning of time, this wonderful creator has shown that He desires to have a personal relationship and fellowship with His people which were created in His image and likeness. Beloved, our relationship, and trust are not in some unknown Spiritual Force, Saint, or Angel but in a real live being who loved us enough to step into history and give His life for His greatest creation which was under a curse from the fall of Adam.

Beloved, this curse took place in the Garden of Eden when Adam and his wife, Eve, disobeyed God and ate the forbidden fruit. This forbidden fruit was from the tree of knowledge of good and evil. They were told the penalty for breaking this law would be death.

Beloved, in breaking this commandant, they gave in to Satan's lie and deception that God would not kill them, but their eyes would be opened, and they would be like God causing Eve to entertain the thought that God was holding back on them. Because Adam was given dominion over the earth, their actions caused all of creation to be placed under a curse. Adam willfully disobeyed God and forfeited that delegated dominion to Satan. Their willful act of breaking God's law allowed sin to enter the human race, bringing with it the penalty of death. In the fullness of time, God became a man and stepped into history to pay this sin debt and die for us.

The debt called for a man, perfect like Adam with pure blood, must die to redeem man from this curse but God who is perfect in all His ways could not make another man from an earth that is under a curse. Christ bore our earthly nature and gave His earthly life so that one day we may bear His Heavenly nature. Church, the way for man to get back to God was restored through Christ, his death, his burial, and his resurrection.

Saints, this fellowship is now available to all who receive this wonderful news and **Prayer** is the gracious gift that allows us to walk into His presence and fellowship with Him as our Father.

#### The Source of Prayer

"Who may ascend the hill of God and stand in His holy place? He who has clean hands and a pure heart; one who has searched their heart and received cleansing." Psalm 24: 3-5.

Church, we must approach God with worship and adoration for who He is and what He has done. God is sovereign and does not depend on what is created to sustain Him, but all creation is dependent upon Him.

God is Holy in his character, his deed and is not bound by space and time. Beloved, this is what distinguishes and separates Him from all other created things. Church, God has granted us the gift of prayer to enter his divine presence and discover that not only is he seated on his throne in Heaven with his Angelic host, but His Spirit is here on earth with us. This revelation awakens something like a deep voice within saying this world is not our true home. Prayer causes us to realize that there are more around us than we can see and because of circumstances involved, it may take some time before we see physical results. Beloved, we need to receive revelation that God sees all and is looking at people around us. He is observing what affects our answered prayers will have on them. Prayer is the means to satisfy our desire to know Him who delivered us from sin, giving us a deeper desire to be in His presence and commune with him.

#### **The Model Prayer**

In Matthew 6:9-13 we find the Lord instructing His disciples concerning the proper way to pray and approach God? Some call this passage of scripture The Lord's prayer. Here we find the preacher of all preachers standing overlooking the Sea of Galilee instructing His disciples concerning the right way to pray and approach God. He instructed His disciples to take their prayer life serious and not exploit themselves like the heathens who love to pray in public and be known for their educated words but to enter into their closet and pray in secret. He encouraged them that their Father who sees in secret would reward them openly. The Lord began His prayer by addressing God as our Father. It was not uncommon for Kings in the Middle East to be addressed or called the Father of their people. History reveals that many times George Washington was called the Father of America. When we address God as our Father, we are identifying ourselves as being the children of the King and in so doing we are confessing that He is our sovereign, Lord. This is a Kingdom prayer.

Saints, in this prayer, we are not only praying for a time He has set in the future when His Son will sit on His throne here on earth and reign in righteousness, but we are making a statement that we acknowledge His right to rule over all people including us. Beloved, God has a Kingdom, and that Kingdom is now at work in our lives. It is an established Kingdom where Satan has been defeated and Jesus has been seated above all where He rules as the King of Kings and the Lord of Lords. Beloved, we find in Luke 22cd chapter that Jesus delegated the same authority given unto Him by the Father to His church which is His body.

We as His children need to realize this same authority has been delegated unto us and direct our prayers asking God to mold us to become one unified body doing His will even as it is already being done in Heaven. Church, when we pray the words "Hallowed Be Thy Name", we enter a new level of respect for God and reverence for His person. Beloved, can we pause in this study for a moment and thank him for not giving up on us, even when we were not so good? Lord, we give you praise for who you are and what you have done for us. Church when we give him praise and place him on the throne of our heart, we are willfully giving into to His will and call upon our lives, by placing Him on the throne of our heart even as He sits on His throne in Heaven. Beloved, we as his children are expressing unto Him that we have a burning desire for our lives to reveal His love and His character to a lost and hurting world. We do this in our everyday lives, both in private and in public, which is played outwardly by our actions.

Beloved, when we pray this kind of prayer, we come to the place where we are not asking Him to change His will or even bless our will, but we are asking Him to bring us to discover His will for our life and cause us to walk in the fullness of it.

Beloved, once we discover His will and purpose for our life, we need to show forth an effort to do it with all our might. This will show Him that we are maturing in our new walk and that we are in total submission to Him as stated in *Romans 12 verse 2* which calls for us to submit to the good and acceptable will of God which is our reasonable service.

Saints, may we turn from the world and its enticements realizing the time at hand and walk in the light as He is in the light loving others as He loves us saying Father, thy will be done in Earth as it is in heaven.

## **The Serenity of Prayer**

Saints, God expresses in Psalms 68 of his holy word that <u>*He is a Father to the Fatherless*</u>. Some, like myself, bear the memory of a rough childhood with an abusive father who showed very little love toward His family.

Dear reader, I never got to hear the words "Son, I am proud of You" My Father was always telling me "I would never amount to nothing" and acted as if he were in competition with me". Unlike an earthly Father, our Heavenly Father desires to develop a loving relationship with us and, clearly, shows in His word the true characteristics of what a real Father should be. Beloved, God's word declares that He possesses a Father's Heart, a Father's Love, a Father's Strength and a Father's Concern for His people. God desires for us to maintain a family relationship with Him and even though He already knows our needs, He wants us to come to Him trusting and believing that He is able to meet them. Beloved, because we are members of His family, God desires for us to ask Him for what He already longs to give us.

Saints, our prayer life prepares and enables us to enter into His presence that we may receive instruction and blessings. Sometimes we just need to come to Him and unburden ourselves and know that He will always make time for us his children.

Galatians 4:6 "And because you are sons, God hath sent forth the Spirit of His Son into your hearts crying Abba Father"!

## Asking Prayer

Beloved, how we approach God and what we are willing to ask Him for, will reflect how we view Him! Do we view Him as one that works on a merit system that requires us to satisfy some demand to gain His favor like other religions, or do we approach Him as a loving Father that loves His children?

Saints, sometimes, we tend to make our requests in accordance with what we understand about His character. May I ask you to think a moment and think about how would a child that has an abusive father approach their father? What will they ask for and how will they approach them? Will they be fearful that he may burst into an emotional uproar? Now beloved may we ask ourselves a very important question that could have a great impact on our life, our family, and our ministry including those we may come in contact within our everyday life? Saints, are we as God's children approaching Him with fear having the mindset that He is waiting for us to fail, or can we approach Him as the model Father full of compassion and love who is determined to bring us to a good end? James 4:2 states that we have not because we ask not, and we are expected to ask Him for the things He has promised.

Beloved, if God were to give you a blank check how would you fill it out? Would you use it to better yourself or would you use it to help others and advance the Kingdom of God? One thing we must recognize is that timing is everything in the Kingdom of God.

Beloved, we must not be praying a one-sided prayer, but we must stay in His presence and allow Him time to place His burden in our heart. Again, we must realize that He is all knowing and looking at everything and everyone around us that will be affected by our prayers. Saints, we need daily strength to continue this journey. What we had yesterday is not sufficient to face what we may encounter today. When we come before Him and express our needs, we need to recognize that He instructed us to ask because He is concerned. We stand with confidence knowing that our God is able to answer our prayer and meet our needs. Beloved, the Lord linked the word "and" in the phrase between asking for daily bread and asking for daily forgiveness.

Saints, because we do not know what dangers we may encounter, we need God's protection to cover and protect us therefore we are told to pray "Deliver us from evil"? We, as His children, need to discover in His word that all temptations must have His approval before they can be sent against us.

Beloved may we come boldly unto God and make our request with confidence and humility remembering His word in *Hebrews 11:6 that states*, *"without faith, it is impossible to please Him"*.

Thank God Saints, He has extended His grace unto us that we can come boldly unto Him with praise and thanksgiving in our heart for we are His children.

# Seeking His Will

Beloved, God desires for us to have a personal intimate relationship with Him and we do this by having a conditioned consecrated prayer life. When we seek the Lord in prayer, we are entering a higher level of intimacy such as seeking His presence and glory. We might be asking and seeking for direction or simply asking for His will be done in our life instead of us asking Him to bless our will and plans. It is getting beyond our will and seeking His divine guidance in a situation and allowing Him complete control in our life.

Jeremiah 29 verse 13 states that if we seek Him with our whole heart, we shall find Him. Hebrews 11 verse 6 states that God will reward those that diligently seek Him.

Beloved, we read earlier in the Lord's prayer that the disciples were learning the proper way to pray and were told not to pray out loud in public but to enter their closet and shut the door. Beloved, God cannot place things in our hand until He first prepares our heart to receive and know that He can trust us with the answer. Dear reader, Instead of Him becoming a part of our lives, God desires for us to become a part of Him and the plan He has. We need to seek Him for wise council and be an influence on the world around us and not allow the world to influence us. Even the Lord himself told us to seek first the Kingdom of heaven and all other things will be added unto us, however, our blessings and needs should never take precedence to seeking the King. This walk of faith needs a strong prayer life and prayer sometimes needs fasting for its perfect development.

## **Results of Prayer**

Duncan Campbell Evangelist in the Hebrides 1949 revival] related an account of the days leading up to the revival: ''It was the week-night prayer meeting!

Saints, there had been bitter opposition to the Gospel in the village, and although many attended the meetings from other areas, very few locals attended. A church leader suggested they should go to prayer, and thirty or so moved into the home of a friendly farmer.

Prayer was hard, and about midnight Duncan Campbell turned to the local blacksmith who had been silent so far and said, 'I feel the time has come when you ought to pray.' The man prayed for about half an hour, because in revival, time doesn't matter, and then drew his prayer to a close with a bold challenge: "God, do you not know that your honor is at stake? You promised to pour floods on dry ground, and you are not doing it." He paused for a while and then concluded: "God, your honor is at stake, and I challenge you to keep your covenant engagements.

"At that moment, Duncan Campbell recalls, 'That whole granite house shook like a leaf,' and one elder thought it was and Earth tremor. Duncan Campbell was reminded of Acts 4:31: 'After they prayed, the place where they were meeting was shaken....' Duncan Campbell pronounced the benediction, and they went outside. It was about two o'clock in the morning and they found the whole village alive, ablaze with God. Saints, there were reports of men and women were carrying chairs, asking if there was room in the church for them!" (Taken from Revival, A People Saturated with God by Brian Edwards).

Beloved, as God's children, we have a choice between effectual praying and excuses. Too often we take the easy, human way out as we offer excuses for our failure in touching God. We love to point out the coldness or problems in our church family, or the day in which we live as reasons to neglect our prayer life. Could it be that "our cupboard is bare"? Ole Mother Hubbard went to the cupboard to fetch Rover a bone but when she got there the cupboard was bare and Ole Rover never got none! Has coldness taken over? Has sin dulled our sensitivity to the voice of God?

We have too many gods of this world which could be our job, car, religion, spouse etc. that we allow to consume our time and energy. Continuing in the life that which we know to be sin will prevent us from praying through to God (Psalm 66:18).

Isaiah said to God's people, "But your iniquities have separated between you and your God, and your sins have hid His face from you, that He will not hear". (Isaiah 59:2) Saints, I believe if Elijah were here, he would call out, "How long halt ye between two opinions? If the Lord is God, follow Him, but if Baal, then follow him". (1 Kings 18:21)

Beloved, God says to those hungry to see the fire of God descend upon His Church today, "You will seek Me and find Me when you seek Me with all your heart" (Jeremiah 29:13). In the Gospel of Matthew Chapter 7 verse 7, Christ says, "Ask, and it shall be given you." When we really mean business with God, we will find that real praying is work. Satan will fight every effort we make to touch the throne of God. Saints, there is a price to pay if we are to experience a real move of God. This price could consist of long hours, sleepless nights, heart searching and require a possible "housecleaning" (Psalm 66:18).

Beloved, prayer means denying self and perhaps putting aside the things we like and want to do, to give God time to implant His burden in our hearts. It is here that victory comes as we begin to fully obey the Spirit's promptings, so that we are ready to allow the Holy Spirit to take control. Saints, did you know that the old masters of the pulpit got their texts on their knees, soaked them with their tears, groaned over them with a travailing spirit and warmed them with strivings in and groaning's in prayer. Beloved did you know that there is a spirit in prayer? We need especially in these troublesome times to pray more in the spirit and pray till we feel a release in our soul that everything will be ok.

Beloved, when these saints of God stood behind their pulpits, their messages were delivered as a living thing, warm from God's heart. They were burning in the preacher's heart to make warm the heart of the listeners. Just recently while revising this book, the Lord had me and the main man of our ministry Robert Hale drive over an hour and a half to minister in a small Pentecostal church in Pennington Gap, Virginia.

I had prayed for a woman in the church that had read my some of my books and had driven hours to be with TV personality Bob and Laurie Smallwood where they were doing a show at a steakhouse in Lebanon, Va. The woman and her sister was hoping they could meet me but had no idea I would be there. The steakhouse was giving free meals to all visitors and when they arrived, they found there was only two open spots to sit, and they were at my table. Later, I prayed for their healing, and they were instantly touched by the hand of God.

Beloved, later one of the sisters called me informing me that they had received their healing and invited me to visit their church. Their church was needing a move of God and I became intensely burdened for their church. Finally, I was invited and made plans to attend stopping by a bookstore that carried my books to purchase some to help this pastor.

The Lord met us before service and touched the pastor causing the hair to stand on his arm. I ministered that night without preparing on Psalms 103 using the text "We have a friend that will stick closer than a brother." God used me to download into that church and now the stage is set for growth which will turn into revival. My assignment is complete and now if the church is willing to pay the price, God will send an outpouring of his spirit that will saturate the entire community. I suggested that they build a prayer box with no way to get anything out of and start live streaming some worship and teaching services from the church with maybe a fifteen-minute broadcast on a nearby radio station. This is now starting into the first of August 2021, and it has now been a little over four months since I came out of a 43-year career in trucking and entering full time ministry. I have two miracle services coming up in the next two months and am both scared an excited to enter the miracle ministry and fulfill the call and assignment upon my life and ministry which I have been trained and equipped for.

#### There is no substitute for prayer.

Authors Note: Beloved, currently, we that have experienced true revival are looked at as dreamers and storytellers. We are often ridiculed and overlooked because if we were to tell this fast-paced half stepping generation with their indoctrinated progressive intellects what our God can and is able to do, most would shrug us off and walk away.

Beloved when we bow to pray, we need to present our prayers with a sense of expectancy that God will meet us there and do what is best for us in the situation. Beloved, his word says the meek will inherit the Earth. The meek are the ones that recognize their need is in him and they are thankful for his salvation. The meek understand who they are in his sight and are careful how they treat others. They sorry for their sins and are thirsty for are righteousness to be filled with all the fullness of God. Beloved, the meek can say like David that the Lord is their portion of their inheritance, and it is confirmed by him. Isaiah 54 speaks of our protection, our heritage (way of life) and our righteousness being or confirmed by the Lord. Ephesians the first chapter speaks of Paul asking God to open the eyes of their understanding being enlightened that they may know the hope of his calling and his inheritance in the Saints.

Chapter 3 BREAK UP YOUR FALLOW GROUND



# **Fallow Ground**

Saints, it is time to have revival in our heart but before it can happen, we must allow God's word to break us till there is none of us left. We need the hidden sins of the heart broken up. I am talking about the fountains of sin that are in the deep crevices of our heart. Now don't get too saved on me for His word says that all have sinned and come short of his glory. This leaves none of us out because he says that our righteousness is as filthy rags. I dare you to look this up and see what it means. I will tell you that it is not pleasant. We need to look at the scripture below to see how far we have let down the standards of God. Hosea Chapter 10 verse 12 days "Sow to yourselves in righteousness, reap in mercy; break up your fallow (uncultivated) ground: for it is time to seek the Lord, till he comes and rains righteousness upon you."

Fallow ground is a piece of land that has laid bare and not been tended. The elements have hardened it like a piece of plastic that has been seared in the fire. It would have to be soaked with water to be able to plow it. Beloved, this is the way our hearts have become when we neglect to spend time with God and not praying and reading our Bible. We will soon become complacent or self-satisfied and never give room for growth. Beloved, I preached a message in my younger years from Proverbs 23:27 which states that a prostitute is a deep ditch, and her steps lead down to hell. It also states that you will find many bones of young men there. As we examine this, we find that a deep ditch usually has loose dirt around the top sides which means that it would be hard for us to get out should we fall in.

This is like the sin that we let creep in unawares through our eye gates and our ear gates. We get in trouble when we allow these things to get in our mind. It is a well-known fact that battles are fought and won in our mind. Once these vices get in our mind, it will not be long until they get in our heart and our emotions will tell on us. The Bible says that out of the abundance of the heart, the mouth will speak, and all these things come from the heart which can be described as the sins of self-will, self-gain, selfmotivation, selfish desires, and selfish choices need to be uprooted by the word and the Spirit of God. Beloved let's get real like us truckers used to say "where the rubber hits the road." I am talking about the secret sins of gossiping, backbiting, and talebearing which according to Proverbs the sixth chapter the lord hates and seven is an abomination. Beloved, these sins are strictly condemned in Proverbs the 6th chapter and one who would sow discord among other believers is an abomination before the Lord. Saints. sometimes we find ourselves selling out our faith for personal gain or it could be from the demands of loved ones or a close friend.

We need our hearts stirred with Holy Ghost anointed preaching from someone who has spent time in their prayer closet with God. Someone who will preach the unadulterated word of God with power that will cause us to reexamine our self before a Holy God who hates sin. Far too many today, are rebelling against the will of God and are refusing to lay their life down for His service. Saints, we need the crosses of sin broken up and to rid ourselves of the angry spirit that seems to overtake and control us when we least expect it. Too many people are living a selfmotivated life for their own gain and sometimes at the expense of others. Jesus said if we save our life, we will lose it but if we lose our life for his sake, we shall find it. (*Matthew 16:25*).

Beloved, a good example would be to observe what is taking place in the streets as drug dealer's prey upon the innocent to enslave them into selling their drugs to meet their own gain. Sad but true, this spirit finds its way into the local assembly of our churches today causing confusion and church splits.

This spirit, when recognized, needs to be addressed and rebuked because it has no place in God's children. Let's not forget bitterness, unforgiveness, jealousy, envy, and strife. Beloved, does it bother you to be overlooked and see someone else promoted? This is envy and is strongly rebuked in God's word. I know this may hurt a bit but if we are going to see a move of God on this planet, we are going to have to do some house cleaning and get ourselves to the place where we can have a conscience void of any offense before God and our fellow men. I want us to now look at Joel chapter verses 12 and 13. "Therefore also now, saith the Lord, turn ye even to me with all your heart, and with fasting, and with weeping, and with mourning. And rend your hearts 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 of the evil." Beloved, the Lord through this prophet is calling for a personal repentance that comes from the heart. The heart is considered to include the intellect and emotions.

In verses 15-17, the Lord is calling for a national repentance in a solemn assembly with no one being exempt. Read these verses with an open heart and let us ask some questions?

- 1. Am I satisfied with my life as it is?
- 2. Do I catch myself developing a hunger for the mighty living God?
- 3. Do I now devote myself to pray for revival?

## Lord, please bring revival in my heart!

Joel chapter 2 verses 15-17 "Blow the trumpet in Zion, sanctify a fast, call a solemn assembly: 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. 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?"" Beloved, can we in true repentance say from our heart that "it is not my brother or my sister, but it is me, oh Lord, standing in the need of prayer." *Can we bow and pray "Lord, help me come out of my comfort zone and have a clean heart to do thy will.*"

Lord, your word says that they that are in leadership are the ones that ascend, and they must have a clean heart. But what about those who bring their gift to the altar which could be singing, preaching or some other gift and they remember there is some unfinished business with another brother or sister. The word says to go and make things right then come back and offer up your sacrifice. Beloved, I believe from this chapter alone that some of us have had to say, "Oh me, oh my, or "Ouch-Hallelujah!"

Saints, as God's children, we have a choice between effectual praying and excuses. Too often we take the easy, way out as we offer excuses for our failure in touching God. For example, we are tired. We don't have time to pray. The good news is that we can attain our goals because He is with us. He will help us if we are sincere. Beloved, prayer means denying self and putting aside the things we like and want to do, to give God time to place His burden in our hearts. Beloved, victory comes as we begin to obey the Spirit's promptings so that we are ready to let the Holy Spirit take control. Beloved, when we meet the conditions, our Father will hear and answer our prayers.

Church, we can have joy in knowing that he is the God of all comfort. We can have joy in our trials in knowing we are not alone. Happiness is based on circumstances and subject to change, but joy is knowing that we have his abiding presence with us, and we are never alone. Beloved, God's Holy Spirit is doing a work in us, and we must realize that change is a continual process in our Christian life. My prayer as you read this book is that you will be renewed in knowledge and discover God's purpose for your life. Beloved, let me shout from the house tops that God is Love and he really cares for you so much that he sent Jesus to pay our penalty of death that he might raise him up for our justification. Beloved reader, it is not about how much we love him, but it is all about the fact that God loves us unconditionally because we are his greatest creation. We are created in his image, his likeness, and God desires for us to accept his signed pardon and come running to him with all our needs. Beloved, your future is not ahead of you, it was placed within you at birth. Beloved, the scriptures teach that the church is to be a unified body consisting of many members and each member has its own unique function within the body.

Beloved in closing out this chapter, I would like to reflect on what we have learned and ask some very important questions that will help advance us in staying on the assignment God has called us to fulfill.

- 1. What is your need today and what changes do you need in your life for you to be effective in the Kingdom of God?
- 2. Are you ready to destroy the old Earthly urges and burn them!
- 3. Are you ready for a change that will affect your whole life and ministry?

The word says for us to "Put to death, therefore, whatever belongs to your earthly nature: sexual immorality, impurity, lust, evil desires and greed, which is idolatry." Colossians 3:5 It also says for us to discard the old ugly practices "rid yourselves of all such things as these: anger, rage, malice, slander, and filthy language from your lips. (Colossians 3:8) Beloved, the word of God teaches us to "put on the new man." We know that we have passed from death unto life because we love the brethren. The old has given way to the new. Thank God, I am not the man I used to be for as the song says beloved, I don't live there anymore.

# Chapter 4 BECOMING A WORM

# Job 22:6 "But I am a worm, and no man; a reproach of men and despised of the people."

God is looking for those of us who will be willing to be a worm and despised of the people. You might say that is hard, but let's look at the verse above and get some insight as to what Job was stating.

We all know that if Job had not endured the trials, we would not be reading about him today. Job was saying that he was helpless and worthless. We must be willing to be overlooked. The way up in God's kingdom is down on our knees. The greatest is he who serves. The way to receive is to give. The way to find our life is to lose it. God is looking for those who will come to an absolute place of surrender. In order to be used of God in this end-time revival, we must empty our self out and be filled with God. We must have the resemblance of Jesus in our spirit, and this comes from a surrendered life.

I hear Isaiah saying that Jesus made himself of no reputation. God is keeping a record and he will reward us for our faithfulness.

Saints, my favorite verse in the bible that I think speaks volumes is *Psalms 19 verse 14 which* says, "let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in thy sight O Lord my strength and my redeemer."

Beloved, if someone were to choose the Christian lifestyle to get ahead of everyone else in life, it will not take long for them to discover that they have chosen the wrong lifestyle. There are times we may take three steps up the ladder only to find ourselves at the bottom. Saints, if we are to be like Jesus, we must have a broken spirit and a hunger for souls. Only through a process of learning to yield and obey the Master and his call, are we able to live the surrendered life and see the power of God on display. God, the Holy Spirit is armed with the knowledge and plans God had for our life before we were born and is anxiously waiting to guide us to what was chosen for us. He longs to speak to us and take us away from things that would distract us from our call and bring us into fellowship with Him. Each time we hear His voice and obey, we become more anointed, empowered and possessed by His Spirit.

God help us to never lose our babe like spirit that we may remain teachable and pliable in the Lord's work. Saints, we are to be the bread of life to this dying generation and there is no way into the deep things of God but by His Spirit. Beloved, we are told in God's word that we need to crucify the flesh and keep it under subjection to the spirit. Beloved, our flesh with its lustful cravings and desires are our worst enemy and we must not give in to its cravings.

Dear reader, in-order for us to fulfill the call upon our life, we must become broken before him and allow him to use us where he wills and not our will. Church, our cry should be, save me, oh God, from myself. Help me to become broken before You that Your Spirit may set Jesus up to be King in my life. Help me not be complacent and live on what happened in the past but be broken before you in a spirit of humility and get fresh manna for the day. Listen carefully beloved, our ministry cannot be outside of us. You cannot separate the ministry from the person. God had to teach me this and if God is going to use us, he will speak and preach through us to others by who we are because of the anointing upon our life.

Even our prayers become who we are and is not something that we do. The call of God upon our life is going to cause us to be more sensitive to the things of God that we may be more sensitive to the things concerning his people. We as men and women of God are to be humble but be bold understanding and having compassion to meet the needs where others where they are. I am talking about having answers from the word of God out of the hope that lies within each of us. We are to be faith builders, encouragers that have purposed in our heart that we will not be bought or bribed to compromise the gospel of Jesus Christ. Remember beloved that we are a spiritual vessel that is consecrated unto the master's use.

# Chapter 5 THE SPIRIT OF TRAVAIL

Romans 8:26 "Likewise the Spirit also helpeth our infirmities: for we know not what to pray for as we ought: but the Spirit itself maketh intercession for us, with groanings which cannot be uttered."

Beloved, this book would not be complete without addressing the spirit of travail which is lacking in some churches today. The word speaks in 1 Corinthians the 2nd chapter, that the Spirit of God searcheth all the deep things of God. In Romans 8:26 we read of the intercession of the Holy Spirit. This is what we call getting into the spirit of prayer. The Holy Spirit helps our inability to pray intelligently about situations by praying with unutterable groaning. These groans are not voiced as words but are a special intercession toward God's will in the situation. God, the Spirit, knows what the Father's will is for our life. He is able to turn our prayer around and make it more acceptable to God.

Church, this is what we call praying in the spirit of travail because we are standing in proxy or place for the one, we are interceding for. Saints, in many churches today, you will never hear much said about the spirit of intercession and praying until you pray through, but it is real, and it does get results. There are people in the body of Christ who are called to this special gift. Beloved, I once had a prayer intercessor come to me with tears and a broken spirit. When I inquired what was bothering her, I was shocked at her answer. Someone had told her that she did not have an important position in the Lord's body being a prayer intercessor. Saints, sometimes a prayer intercessor will go hours without sleep praying for a ministry to be successful that souls would be saved, and lives would be changed. I asked this young lady if she could see her heart to which she rightly replied no I cannot see my heart. I asked her how she knew that it was there, and she replied because she was alive. I replied that if she needed it to pump blood through her body that she might live then it makes her dependent upon its function for her to sustain life.

She replied, "Yes that is right." I said very intently with a loud voice, "You are the heart, without you and others like you; no ministry could stand the onslaughts of the enemy".

Beloved, when a person gets into the spirit of intercession and travail, they are doing spiritual warfare in the heavenly realm. They sometimes can feel the pain in their belly of some unseen trap or attack aimed against the one they are interceding for.

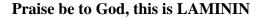
The spirit of travail in intercession can be likened to the birth pains that a woman soon to give birth would experience. The word of God in Isaiah 66:8 says that when Zion (church) travailed, she brought forth her children. But the word also gives warning in another place that the children have come to birth and there is not enough strength for the birth. Church, we all know what happens when this happens in the natural. The mother could die and pose a threat for what is in her also to die. Dear God, please help us realize that we are up against a real enemy who does not like us because we are made in the likeness of our creator. Church, we need to get alone with God and spend some quality time in prayer and intercession. Jesus left us the example to follow as he would be up all-night praying and talking with His heavenly Father.

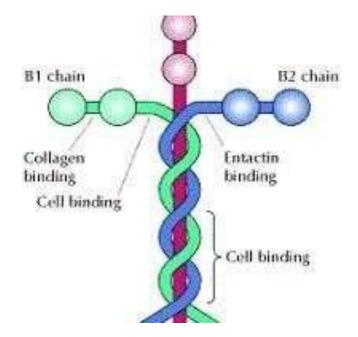
Saints, I remember having the spirit of travail come upon me while preaching the word. I was in so much travail that I was stooped over holding my belly from the intense pain. The church was about to give birth and God was allowing me to experience the battle going on in front of me for the souls gathered in this meeting. God bless the dear saints of God today who will give up precious sleep to moan and agonize before the throne of God for the souls of men. Beloved, God knows he can count on these precious warriors at a minute's notice, and they will drop everything to do service for the King.

Beloved, we find in Luke 22 that Jesus speaks informing us that as the Father has given unto him a Kingdom, he has given unto us. Beloved, it is time to get past the cross and realize who we are in Christ.

We find in John 14 that Jesus speaks of going to prepare us a place and most ministers preach that he is speaking about heaven but in reality, he is speaking about the cross. He is speaking in John 17 about the Glory which he had with God before the world was. The scriptures also state that Christ was slain before the foundation of the world. Beloved, the scriptures also state that all creation is waiting with groans for the Sons of God to be manifested. Beloved, Christ went to the cross to prepare us away to get to God and all that we lost in Adam we gained through Christ and are now translated out of the fallen kingdom of darkness into the new covenant and kingdom of God where we are recognized as Sons and daughters of the Most-High God. Beloved, there is no curse in this Kingdom that can keep us in bondage but only blessing where we can rule and reign with Him. Satan challenged God on justice and that is where and why we exist today. God spoke everything into existence, but He got personal when He made Adam from the dust of the earth and put his cell structure together with a glue-like substance called Laminin which is in the shape of a cross.

Saints, Jesus bore that same cell structure therefore when we need to become an intercessor for someone, we can remember Psalms 91 where God states that he remembers our frame that we are but dust but also visualize who we are in his Kingdom and do spiritual warfare against an enemy that has already been unseated and defeated.





### LAMININ- THE CELL STRUCTURE THAT HOLDS OUR BODY TOGETHER

### Chapter 6 ENTERING THE SECRET PLACE

Saints, I hope you have enjoyed the valuable insights in the previous chapters of this book but now it is time to discover the secret to dwelling and abiding in that most holy place where only a few have arrived. We start by studying the First and Third chapters of the book of Ephesians where we will find the Apostle Paul praying for the Ephesian people the most important prayer that a person can pray for another believer. He is praying that God would take these people deeper and deeper into an intimate knowledge of who He is.

We all know there are several names of God and each one defines His character and I strongly suggest that you do a study on his names, and you will like me be in full adoration of who He is. We find in Exodus 19:18 that Mount Sinai was covered with smoke because the Lord descended upon it with fire. The smoke billowed up from it like smoke from a furnace, and the whole mountain trembled violently. The people heard a trumpet sounding loud and increasing in volume followed by a voice proclaiming His name and proclaiming His glory. Beloved, there is something in these scriptures that stood out to me that showed the relationship Moses had with God. Saints, the word says that Moses spoke, and God answered him by a voice. Paul in the First Chapter of Ephesians is praying and asking God to grant a prayer to the Ephesians that only the Holy Spirit is able to give. We find in Chapter Two and verse 18 that we have access to God by His Spirit.

Notice, Paul is not asking for more strength, more motivation or more determination for these men but for them to be endued with Spiritual Wisdom and Revelation that would bring them to a greater understanding and revelation of the Knowledge of God. We look at the First Chapter and starting at the 17th verse we find the prayer prayed by the Apostle Paul for these Ephesian people. I want to emphasize that when we pray this prayer by praying these scriptures mentioned above that we are praying a prayer that God recognizes.

Beloved, are you hungry for that deeper walk and seek for that intimate relationship with the living God? To get the insight we need to gain entrance into this sacred place, I strongly suggest you study the life of King David and find out what real worship is all about. True worship begins when we see our Lord for who he is, catch a glimpse of His holiness. It is how we esteem (Value) (Admire) Him for who He is. We worship him in our heart, and we praise Him with our voice to vent out the worship that is filling our heart. I want you to know that there is power unleashed when we enter true worship and praise. It will get his attention and cause the burdens that are attempting to hold us captive to lose their grasp as we get our eyes and focus on Him who loves us and gave Himself for us. Saints it is time to seek his face like never before and enter into what I like to call "The Fifth **Dimension**", which is the place that God dwells where time and space are not governed by the law of physics that govern this planet. It is a place where spiritual law will and can override natural law. Beloved, I intend to get into some of my experiences God allowed me to experiment in this realm in a later chapter.

Beloved, we must have Solitude (isolation) (seclusion) (sabbatical) which is time alone with God. Solitude is the key to hearing God's voice in knowing Him and preaching His Word with an anointing that will break the grasp that the powers of darkness have on the people. Jesus said that when we pray, we are to go into our closets in private and it is in that private place that Satan is restricted and cannot hear our prayers because we are covered by the shield of His love.

Church, it is time to get past the sanctuary of worship and enter into a wonderful relationship with Christ who is not flesh and blood but an Eternal Being. Nothing should ever be allowed to take the place of being in His presence. There should never be a question in our mind when it comes to our relationship with Him. I am NOT talking about people places and things, including family, which are temporal and will come to an end but our place of being in direct relationship with Him. This trusted relationship will determine how much He can trust us with in the world to come.

Beloved, we need to come into a place of holy reverence for who He is and what He has done for us that we might be called sons and daughters of the most-high God. We have got to get past regular worship which is filled with man-made forms and agendas which exemplify the flesh more than the Creator. I am talking about when church becomes more than good meetings and good preaching. It is when we get tired of church in the norm and the world being able to sit comfortably in our meetings and there is no conviction of their sin and way of life. Beloved, when we enter in and seek His presence with our whole heart, we are guaranteed by His word that He shall be found. The problem is that people today want a neat religion that they can control. I now will relate the intimate secret in praying this prayer and getting results. Beloved, no one outside of Christ can pray this prayer because it must be prayed in the spirit. I now ask you dear reader if you are ready to develop that special prayer time and pray these scriptures every day? Paul stated in the word to pray without ceasing which means not a lengthy prayer but actually means like an everyday cough.

Beloved, I strongly suggest you memorize these powerful scriptures and get them in your spirit man. I conditioned myself some years back to memorize and pray these scriptures every time I had a spare moment on my hands.

I would catch myself quoting and praying these scriptures while driving my 18-wheeler late at night and usually around 3 am. I found that most demonic activity has calmed down at that time of the morning.

### Dear reader, are you ready to go further?

Turn to the Third Chapter of Ephesians and start at the 1st verse. Here we find the Apostle Paul launching deeper in this prayer and thanking God for who He is in a spirit of worship. He then asks God to grant unto them to be strengthened with might by His Spirit in the inner man that they might know the unfathomable Love of Christ. Church, here Paul is praying for the spiritual growth and well-being of these Ephesians that they might know the length, the depth, and the height of God's love shown to us through the giving of His son to suffer our penalty of death and by raising Him up for our justification that we may become sons and daughters of the most-high God.

When we become sons and daughters and have received the spirit of adoption into His royal family, then this prayer states that there is nothing that we can think of that he is not able to bring to pass. The bottom line is that God will honor this prayer and the Christian Life has God's Mercy as its foundation. All our songs, praise, prayers, communion services, preaching and our giving reflects upon the mercy of God that is clearly seen in Jesus Christ the Son.

Dear reader, because of His mercy, my whole life that was upside down and empty of meaning is now one of worship and adoration for this wonderful God whom I call my friend. Saints, there is nothing the church needs more today than a fresh encounter with the holiness and presence of the living God. Men and women have made attempts to bring God down to their level and lower His standard and requirements for living but when His presence and holiness is introduced to us by His Spirit then we find and discover that He is the Standard and has called all men and women unto repentance.

Beloved, the scriptures reveal that great men of God trembled and fell on their faces when they found themselves in the presence of the holy Angels and we can only imagine what it will be like to meet this awesome Eternal being one day and give an account of our lives. This Awesome Creator has extended unto each of us an invitation to accept His pardon and His grace through the finished work of his son Jesus Christ in giving his life as a ransom for all that receive His pardon and forgiveness. We have received the Spirit of His Son into our hearts making us Sons, Daughters, and Heirs of His royal family. This Awesome God is calling us to come out of the outer court of the sanctuary and into the inner court of His presence and grace. Christ has offered to share His Glory and his throne with His people for the scriptures state that one day we shall judge Angels. When we dwell in this intimate place, the powers of darkness cannot pervade for it is our private time of knowing God and experiencing Him in a way that can only be described as complete intimacy. I tell people that approach me concerning my walk with Christ and the high anointing on my life that they can go drink from the same fountain that I drink from and that is the fresh, clear water of the Holy Spirit by spending time with Him in solitude.

Saints, are you hungry for and do you have an inward desire to see and experience the beauty, the splendor, the glory and the majesty of God? Church, look unto Jesus for He is far superior to the holy Angels that behold his face and majesty in heaven.

Beloved, He is far superior to Moses, the great leader, the greatest prophet to arise in all of Israel. Jesus is greater than all the prophets for He is more than a great prophet. <u>Jesus is the other Adam</u>; he is God in human flesh. He is greater than Israel's high priest for He is the ultimate High Priest, the One who would go into the Holy Place once and for all to pay the price and give the sacrifice. God did not make a covenant with us who would not be able to keep it but made an everlasting covenant with His Son and when we accept His plan of salvation we are drafted into that covenant as sons and daughters of the most-high God.

Beloved, the new covenant is better than the old covenant because when Christ shed His blood on that old Roman cross over two thousand years ago, it was not something that had to be repeated over and over again like the shedding of the blood of goats and bulls and sheep or any other animal. Christ's blood was like no other blood that flowed on the face of this planet. He made a covenant with His eternal blood so that you and I once and for all could be forgiven. By this covenant, He says in Hebrews chapter 10, "Let us draw near" into that holy place". You and I have been given access into the very holy of holies because a High Priest has gone in and offered Himself as a sacrifice for our sins. Saints, you and I can now come into the presence of a Holy God. All of this was done by and through the finished work of Jesus. God's Son Jesus did not do away with the law which was like a doctor diagnosing our problem but fulfilled its requirements to pay our sin debt and bridge the gap between us and God.

The law was then put aside as a requirement for sin which could never be a permanent solution to man's sin problem. God raised Jesus up for our justification and through faith in Him and His finished work; we can become the children of the Living God. God has given us something to pursue. We find it in Hebrews 12:14 "Pursue peace with all people, and holiness, without which no one will see the Lord."

- 1. What is the purpose?
- 2. What is it we are pursuing?
- 3. Are we pursuing Peace with all men?

Beloved, the word instructs us to pursue holiness, without which no man shall see the Lord. We define holiness as something just for us, but as we study the history of great revivals when the holiness of God comes, we find that people are broken in humility. What happens is that peace is made between brothers and sisters in Christ.

Beloved, all the barriers that have been erected by man and by Satan and by the flesh are torn down. Racial barriers, denominational barriers, barriers of broken fellowship, past hurts and pain are torn down when we get in the pursuit of peace with all men and the pursuit of holiness.

God is righteous and we need to have the same desires that He has. When something is wicked before us, we need to call it what it is. When something is pure and holy before us, we need to hold on to it and have a burning desire for it. Our passion, desire, and hunger should be on the things that are pleasing to God. Beloved, are we hungry and do we have a strong desire for God to control our lives? We need to spend time in God's word and presence, kneeling before Him and meeting with Him. God wants to revitalize and renew us. If we do not maintain a prayer life and make that a regular part of our Christian walk, we will not be able to cope with all the trials and tests that are sure to come our way. The desire for God and his righteousness should be a driving force in our lives. Jesus said that we are to go into our closets in private and it is in that private place we are to pray unto the Lord and that is the hidden place where Satan cannot hear our prayers where we are covered by the shield of His love.

Beloved, when we dwell in this special place with God, the powers of darkness cannot pervade for it is our private time of knowing God and experiencing Him in his fatherhood that we drink the wine of Christ and experience the life that He purchased for us as new creations through the blood of His atoning sacrifice.

Beloved, we are formed and held there in the secret place where God's mercy meets God's judgment and together, we were formed before the foundations of the world by the palm of an all-knowing God who loves us and ransomed us through His sacrifice. Saints, we can experience liberation from the powers of darkness and the anointing of the Lord will fill us to the overflowing nature of the everlasting glory of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. When we abide in the secret place we are hidden from the enemy and the enemy cannot touch us therefore in that secret place where we are hidden from the enemy the forces of darkness cannot prevail against us so therefore we can pray in the power of the Holy Spirit without fear because God has given us a sound mind and strength to pray in the power of His Spirit thus defeating the powers of darkness, through the anointing and indwelling presence of Christ within us who gives us strength to be an overcomer. Isaiah 41 speaks of renewing our strength and mounting up with wings as eagles which can soar above the storms.

Beloved, we can better understand the power that resides within in each of us as his children by using an illustration of our hand being placed inside a glove. I was in a seminar workshop and was called upon to speak on what teachers represent in the fivefold ministry and they only gave me five minutes. I remembered I had some gloves with me and placed one on a table. I called for a volunteer and a young boy stepped forward. There were several church elders there including some from other states. I asked the young boy to keep raising his voice to command the glove to pick up a pencil. I asked him why his glove would not pick up the pencil and he said I do not know. I said now put your hand in the glove and pick up the pencil. I looked around and said that is what the role of the teachers in the fivefold ministry is and that is to put substance or knowledge in their pupils so they can be effective and make a difference in the body of Christ. By itself, the glove can do nothing but when we place our hand in it, then it not only has a living substance in it, but it also has the strength of the life of that substance in it.

Because we have been redeemed, Christ is now dwelling inside us, and we not only have the power of attorney to act in His name, but we have the strength of that power within (Christ in me; the hope of glory) which causes us to declare that we can do all things through Christ that strengthens us.

## The bottom line is this: It is the deep placed within me calling unto the deep riches of His glory and all He is!

Beloved, are you ready to discover how to enter the secret place with God which is a roadmap for us to enter the sacred place where no devil would dare trod?

Saints, this place to and in God must be opened by an invitation through his Holy Spirit which we find in Hebrews the ninth chapter that Jesus offered himself to God through his eternal spirit to purge our conscience from dead works to serve the living God.

#### Psalm 24:7-1

<sup>7</sup> Lift up your heads, O ye gates; and be ye lift up, ye everlasting doors; and the King of glory shall come in.<sup>8</sup> Who is this King of glory? The LORD strong and mighty, the LORD mighty in battle.<sup>9</sup> Lift up your heads, O ye gates; even lift them up, ye everlasting doors; and the King of glory shall come in.

### Psalms 24:1-5

# <sup>1</sup> Who is this King of glory? The LORD of hosts, he is the King of glory, Selah.

Dear reader this is the way to get to God and now let's get into the place where the Holy Spirit can make the Father and Son real to us. The Earth is the LORD's, and the fullness thereof; the world, and they that dwell therein

.<sup>2</sup> For he hath founded it upon the seas and established it upon the floods.

<sup>3</sup> Who shall ascend into the hill of the LORD? or who shall stand in his holy place?

<sup>4</sup>He that hath clean hands, and a pure heart; who hath not lifted up his soul unto vanity, nor sworn deceitfully.

# <sup>5</sup> He shall receive the blessing from the LORD, and righteousness from the God of his salvation.

Beloved, the Greek word for pure means Holy, cleansed, or genuine! Moses at the burning bush was in the presence of a powerful being that is perfect in all his ways. Jesus in Matthew the fifth chapter speaks that the pure in heart shall see God. He is not only speaking of a future day, but he is speaking of being able to enter his presence like Moses did today. Beloved, for us to enter this secret sacred place we must become honest with our-self and with God. Listen beloved,

Beloved, God wants to meet and speak to us, but there are some questions we need to ask ourselves and let's be honest before God.

- 1. Is our mind open to hear?
- 2. Is our heart hardened?
- 3. Are we too busy to listen?

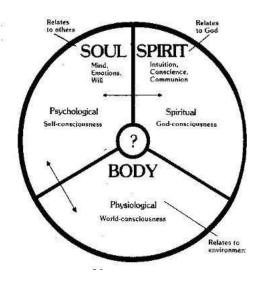
Beloved, the bible is God's word and to understand his voice, you must make and attempt to know his word. How do we interact with the world around us and how can we know that we are hearing and speaking with God? Beloved, what happens when we see and hear things that we know is not right but our soul man which consists of our mind and emotions keep feeding it to out spirit man for we are not all you see. Beloved, we are spirit beings that exist for a short span of time in a mortal body. There will come a time and place in our life that this body will be taken from us, but we will still exist.

We cannot die because we are eternal spirits and that is one reason Jesus preached hard on hell and the coming judgement. Our spirit man which consists of our inner conscience knows this input is wrong and will without hesitation reject it as something that is not good for us but what say if we keep feeding it to our spirit man trying to convince him that this is what we want? I tell you that he will soon become lax and the warnings from him will not be as strong. Beloved, a good example is a restless person who at one point in their life accepted God's free pardon and became a child of God but here they are going through something that has hurt their inner man such as a bad relationship or even marriage, and betrayal. These kinds of people have low self-esteem and usually find themselves sunk in themselves building walls around their hurt inner man.

Beloved, did you know that saints feeling less than human, start looking for comfort and even slipping to look at pornography thinking maybe if they learn more about the world they might be loved and accepted? Their inward man is telling them it is dangerous and not good for them, but they keep slipping to do it anyway and before long, its deadly lures have them in a trapped situation.

Below is a good diagram of what God is urging me to explain and through all of this he will make away of escape but first we must realize that he foreknew us, and he is one that sees and knows all. Saints, the scriptures teach that nothing is hiding from his sight but isn't it good to know that we have a mediator Jesus Christ the middleman. Beloved, it is good to know that we have someone to represent and intercede before the courts of Heaven on our behalf but before Jesus came, God allowed men and women to receive visitations from his Holy Angels and some were known to tremble in their presence. Dear reader, we need to claim our children for the Kingdom of God and protect them with our prayers.

Beloved, hear me well at the conclusion of this work of faith that unless we are willing to change and grow up, our lives will never reach the fullness that God has planned for us. The word warns us to not let another take our crown and this will be very disappointing when compared with Eternity watching someone else wear what should have been ours.



Beloved, we find in the book of Revelation that the Holy Angels that were in his presence of almighty God, hid their faces before him in holy reverence for who he is. Beloved, we have become a spoiled stubborn generation that has had everything handed to us but did not men in bible time's fear and tremble in the presence of the Holy Angels of God? Paul warns Timothy in 2 Timothy chapter two that it was best to flee youthful lusts or passions and pursue righteousness, faith, love, and peace along with those that call upon the Lord out of a pure heart. Beloved, people are important to God, and he does not want us living in fear and unbelief but in the power and victory of the cross where he became our sin substitute and defeated Satan taking the keys of death and the grave away from him. Beloved, how can we live a successful life with meaning and purpose that will make a difference in our lives and community? Saints, to get the secret things of God revealed to us, we must be able to hear and know his voice.

#### Do you Know his Voice?

Beloved, do you know the voice of God and are you in a position to hear his instructions? Saints, praying in the spirit and meditating upon his word helps remove the hindrances that we like unto mountains or obstacles which can stand in our way. Saints, the key to hearing God's voice is get into solitude with him. Let's say that I am preaching on the radio but while driving you run out of the signal and frequency of the station.

Beloved, I am still preaching but you can no longer hear me because you have run out of the signal range of the station. There are many voices and distractions in this busy world, and we need that alone time with God that he may download his instructions into our spirit man. We also need to spend time in his word and allow his Holy Spirit to reveal to us his will and purpose in our lives. Beloved, we are even able to hear his voice through his preached word that is coming from a spirit filled consecrated vessel that allows us to grow and apply the truths we have read in God's word for our spiritual growth. To get the secret things of God revealed to us we must hear his voice directly from him. When we can hear and obey his voice, nothing can stand in our way. Saints, we must also be able to understand his voice, and this means we must know his word. When God speaks to us, the Holy Spirit will align us to what is written in his word. This requires us to study our bible which is the starting point of hearing God's voice through his word. The Holy Spirit was sent to lead and guide us into all truth, but he cannot lead if we are unable to hear him.

I will now close this chapter with the scripture found in John 10 verse 27; "My sheep hear my voice; I know them, and they follow me." Beloved, when I quote this scripture, for some reason I think of the one that went astray, and the good Shepard goes looking for him reminding myself that I was that one that went astray. I can see him now going out to his sheep counting 97, 98, 99 but wait one is missing. Jerry is missing and it's getting late. He grabs his staff with the special hook on it and goes to find Jerry. He is game for the wolves, I got to keep looking then he hears my faint cry.

I am wedged between some rocks on a very steep hill. He carefully works his way toward me then reaches his staff around and pulls me to safety. He looks me over and checks to see if I am ok. The unique thing about when he found me is that he did not scold or whip me but put me to his chest allowing me to hear his heartbeat then after a few days, he carefully would put me back in the fold. Thank God for the Shepard that loves and is known of his sheep. The interesting comparison of the old and new testaments is in the old the sheep die for the sins of the people to be put off for another year and in the New Testament, the Shepard gives his life for the sheep. I can close this chapter singing "Guilty, guilty, was the plea that o accuser says to me for the law of God says your as guilty as can be but wait the Shepard gave his life, the wrath of God was satisfied when the shepherd gave his life for the sheep. And I walked out of sins prison from my chains set free, Thank God, church, I we don't have to pay sins penalty.

### Chapter 7

### WHEN YOUR STUBBORNESS TALKS BACK



The children of Israel had just come up out of Egypt and had conquered all their enemies destroying them. Yes, God had provided for them abundantly and was continually blessing them despite their rebellious ways and bouts of disobedience. They had come to the top of Mt. Pisgah and Moses sent messengers to the king of the Amorites saying "Let me pass through thy land: we will not turn into the fields, or into the vineyards; we will not drink [of] the waters of the well: [but] we will go along by the king's [high] way, until we be past thy borders. *Numbers 21:22*.

Sihon, the king of the Amorites refused to let them pass through his borders peacefully and gathered his people together and fought against the children of Israel. The children of Israel prevailed, took their land, and settled in the plains of Moab. (*Numbers 21:* 24-35)

*Numbers 22:1 says* "And the children of Israel set forward, and pitched in the plains of Moab on this side Jordan [by] Jericho." Balak, the king of Moab, the son of Zippor and all of Moab became distressed because of Israel and they saw what Israel had done to the Amorites.

*Numbers 22:3* "And Moab was sore afraid of the people because they [were] many: and Moab was distressed because of the children of Israel."

Balak, the king, feared that Israel would destroy the Moabites like they had the Amorites. Therefore, he met with the board of elders of the Moabites "And Moab said unto the elders of Midian. Now shall this company lick up all [that are] round about us, as the ox licketh up the grass of the field. And Balak the son of Zippor [was] king of the Moabites at that time." (Numbers 22:4) Balak along with this board of elders discussed a plan of action against the Israelites and set out to hire a man of God by the name of Balaam.

*Numbers* 22:5-6 "He sent messengers therefore unto Balaam the son of Beor to Pethor, which [is] by the river of the land of the children of his people, to call him, saying, Behold, there is a people come out from Egypt: behold, they cover the face of the earth, and they abide over against me.

Come now, therefore, I pray thee, curse me this people; for they [are] too mighty for me: peradventure I shall prevail, [that] we may smite them, and [that] I may drive them out of the land: for I wot that he whom thou blessest [is] blessed, and he whom thou cursest is cursed." Balaam, the son of Beor, was a prophet of God that lived in Pethor, which is on the banks of the Euphrates River. His reputation had been established as one that had the power to curse or bless.

The elders of Moab and the elders of Midian departed with the rewards of divination in their hand; and they came unto Balaam, and spake unto him the words of Balak." "And the elders of Moab and the elders of Midian departed with the rewards of divination in their hand; and they came unto Balaam, and spake unto him the words of Balak." (Numbers 22:7) Balaam being a prophet of God listened to what they had to say. When you listen to the words of the enemy it opens the door for access into the mind to start planting his thoughts which go contrary to what is right. "And he said unto them, Lodge here this night, and I will bring you word again, as the LORD shall speak unto me: and the princes of Moab abode with Balaam." (Numbers 22:8). The thought of reward had been planted in Balaam's mind and by having them stay the night gave him time to think on that which was planted. Many times, when the enemy plants a contrary thought in our minds instead of rebuking that thought we meditate on it giving it room to grow. "And God said unto Balaam, thou shalt not go with them; Thou shalt not curse the people: for they [are] blessed." (Numbers 22:12).

Balaam did what he should have done and inquired of the Lord, but like many people today he didn't listen to what the Lord said. He let the words of the Lord go in one ear and out the other. "And Balaam rose up in the morning, and said unto the princes of Balak, get you into your land: for the LORD refuseth to give me leave to go with you." (Numbers 22:13) Here Balaam says the Lord refuseth me to leave.

Beloved, all too often, we tend to ask God for something and because we don't like His answer, will leave the door of opportunity open for the devil to come and sow his fiery darts. Saints, the enemy knows what we want, and he will disguise it and send it our way to distract us from receiving what God has for us. He will do this through a voice, a dream or even through someone else. Remember, the enemy knows what we desire for he has studied us for many years. "And the princes of Moab rose up, and they went unto Balak, and said, Balaam refuseth to come with us. And Balak sent yet again princes, more honourable than they." (Numbers 22:14 & 15).

Beloved, the devil may leave you for a little while, but if you left the door of opportunity open you can be certain that he will come again, and the next time will be more cunning and more persuasive than before. He has a way of making things happen that looks like God did them and without discernment, you will not be able to tell the difference. "And they came to Balaam, and said to him, thus saith Balak the son of Zippor, let nothing, I pray thee, hinder thee from coming unto me: For I will promote thee unto very great honor, and I will do whatsoever thou sayest unto me: come therefore, I pray thee, curse me this people. And Balaam answered and said unto the servants of Balak, If Balak would give me his house full of silver and gold, I cannot go beyond the word of the LORD my God, to do less or more." (Numbers 22:16-18) He set his sight on the gift and not the giver: verse 17 says "For I will promote thee unto very great honor, and I will do whatsoever thou sayest unto me: come therefore, I pray thee, curse me this people." Beloved, we find that Verse 21 says "And Balaam rose up in the morning, and saddled his ass, and went with the princes of Moab."

God's permissive will allowed Balaam to make his own decision. Balaam decided to go with the princes of Moab, which was against the Will of God.

Verse 22 says "And God's anger was kindled because he went: and the angel of the LORD stood in the way for an adversary against him. Now he was riding upon his ass and his two servants [were] with him."

Many people ask the question why God was angered when He told him to go. Beloved, God never told Balaam to go in verse 12 God said "Thou shalt not go with them; thou shalt not curse the people: for they [are] blessed." Balaam here is in trouble with God. *Verses 22 through 30* describe the actions of the ass which saw the angel of the Lord standing ready to kill Balaam for his disobedience. The ass tried to warn Balaam on three different occasions that danger was just ahead, but Balaam's mind was determined to do what Balak had requested of him to receive the reward of divination rather than listen to and obey the Will of God. Verse 28 says "And the LORD opened the mouth of the ass, and she said unto Balaam, what have I done unto thee, that thou hast smitten me these three times?"

Beloved, this very scripture proves that Balaam had a one-track mind. Even though God opened the mouth of the ass to speak, it was not then, and it is not now, a common practice for any animal to speak.

Balaam was so focused on his own personal satisfaction that he could not see what God had done. In verse 29 we are told "And Balaam said unto the ass, because thou hast mocked me: I would there were a sword in mine hand, for now, would I kill thee. Balaam communicated with the talking ass, yet his mind was so focused upon himself, for he said thou hast mocked me.

Verse 30 says "And the ass said unto Balaam, [Am] not I thine ass, upon which thou hast ridden ever since [I was] thine unto this day? Was I ever wont to do so unto thee? Verses 31 through 33 say "Then the LORD opened the eyes of Balaam, and he saw the angel of the LORD standing in the way, and his sword drawn in his hand: and he bowed down his head and fell flat on his face. And the angel of the LORD said unto him, wherefore hast thou smitten thine ass these three times? Behold, I went out to withstand thee, because [thy] way is perverse before me: And the ass saw me and turned from me these three times: unless she had turned from me, surely now also I had slain thee, and saved her alive to the things of God."

Beloved, I often imagine what the children of God looked like as Balaam looked at their tents from the top of the cliff. God had instructed Joshua to have the different tribes pitch their tents in a certain direction and line with the ark being in the center. If we study this closely, we will discover what Balaam saw. Looking at Israel from the top of that high cliff, the picture would be that of a cross. God always worked in shadows showing his greatest plan to redeem fallen man and here we see it as he sees his chosen people spread out resembling a cross which one day would be his chosen way to smite his Son and allow Him to hang between the heavens and the earth to pay the sin debt for all mankind.

We find in this chapter that God allowed Balaam's stubbornness to talk back through the mouth of a stubborn mule. You might ask what is so unique in this, well it is because a horse will throw its rider and run off, but a mule will throw its rider and wait on him to get some sense that he will not get his way. This is typical of the Holy Ghost who sometimes will back off and wait on us to realize it must be done God's way. Balaam was not able to curse what God had blessed but later we find Balak giving a plan of action to cause the Children of Israel to disobey God which would bring the curse upon them. Beloved, that's what is meant by the counsel of Balaam. Back in the 23rd chapter we find that Balaam and Balak went their separate ways, yet later Balaam is killed with them because he had come back and told Balak how they could defeat the Children of Israel and cause God to punish them.

Numbers 31:16 says "Behold, these caused the children of Israel, through the counsel of Balaam, to commit trespass against the LORD in the matter of Peor, and there was a plague among the congregation of the LORD." Balaam caused a stumbling block to be set before God's people causing them to fall.

Revelation 2:14 says "But I have a few things against thee, because thou hast there them that hold the doctrine of Balaam, who taught Balak to cast a stumbling block before the children of Israel, to eat things sacrificed unto idols, and to commit fornication." Stumbling block comes from the Greek word skandalon skan'-dal-on ("scandal" probably from a derivative of 2578; a trap-stick (bent sapling), i.e. snare (figuratively, cause of displeasure or sin)occasion to fall (of stumbling), offense, thing that offends, stumbling block. Wow, we find here in the book of Revelation 2:14 that Balaam made it into God's book as one who is to be avoided.

Saints I hate to say it, but like some of the popular preachers today, he is known for his love of money, popularity, prosperity, worldly fame, and prestige because he devised a plan counseling Balak how to set a stumbling block in front of God's people causing them to fall. He sold out the people of God for a price but even Balaam was known to be a prophet and he must have known how to enter god's presence. Tragically, the end of the story is that Balaam caused the people of God to sin, and God instructed the people to hang the heads of the people of that had sinned upon a fence facing a certain way to appease His wrath but He also instructed them to place Balaam's head beside theirs. Let me speak with all the authority of Heaven that any preacher that does not hold to the gospel truth and seeks to become prosperous at the expense of God's people is nothing more than a Balaam selling out the people of God.

Matthew 5:16 says "Let your light shine before men that they may see your good works and glorify God". The Lord is stating that our life is a light to others. He also said for us to be a light and not build our own kingdom like some are attempting to do today. What little bit we do for God can be likened to striking a match in a dark cave or a dark room. The flicker of that match can bring hope and light up what seemed like a hopeless situation.

2nd Peter 1-3 says "But there were false prophets also among the people, even as there shall be false teachers among you, who privily shall bring in damnable heresies, even denying the Lord that bought them, and bring upon themselves swift destruction."

But there were false prophets also among the people, even as there shall be false teachers among you, who privily shall bring in damnable heresies, even denying the Lord that bought them, and bring upon themselves swift destruction. And through covetousness shall they with feigned words make merchandise of you: whose judgment now of a long time lingereth not, and their damnation slumbereth not." "Which have forsaken the right way, and are gone astray, following the way of Balaam [the son] of Bosor, who loved the wages of unrighteousness; But was rebuked for his iniquity: the dumb ass speaking with man's voice forbad the madness of the prophet."

(2nd Peter 2:15-19 & 22) These are wells without water, clouds that are carried with a tempest; to whom the mist of darkness is reserved for ever. I close with John 10 verses 28 and 29 "He that despised Moses' law died without mercy under two or three witnesses: of how much sorer punishment, suppose ye, shall he be thought worthy, who hath trodden underfoot the Son of god, and hath counted the blood of the covenant, wherewith he was sanctified an unholy thing, and hath done despite unto the Spirit of grace?" Saints, what punishment would be worse than to die without mercy? How dreadful when one would reject the plan of God and abuse his mercy and grace, and yes, foreboding love?

If we die without accepting God's redemption plan, the law of God is going to demand full payment for our sins and cause us to be guilty of the bloodshed by the Lord Jesus. The abused grace and mercy of God will call for vengeance.

The blessed word in Hebrews 9 verse 14 shows clearly that Christ offered His blood through the Eternal Spirit establishing an everlasting covenant with God which satisfied God's wrath when he gave his life as a ransom for us all.

"How much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the eternal spirit offered Himself without spot to God, purge your conscience from dead works to serve the living God?" (Hebrews 9:14) Beloved, the blood not only protects and places a barrier between us and the enemy, but it cleanses us from all sin allowing a murderer to be forgiven and allows the risen Christ to live His life through him.

Yes, dear reader, God made the way plain and it is up to us to either accept his pardon for our sin or reject it and be found guilty before an angry God who at death will require the innocent blood of His Son upon our head. Let's face it; there is no other religion that can take the guilt and stain of blood from a murder's hands but Christianity which is not a religion but is based on a personal relationship with God. The scriptures teach that the blood of Jesus Christ cleanses from all unrighteousness. You might ask how his red blood is able to make us white as snow. Dear ones, it is a spiritual transformation that takes place in the heart of man. Just as one would apply soap to wash their body, we apply the blood in receiving his great sacrifice and daily reading his word to enrich our soul.

One can work in a soap factory and even stand next to it, but it will not clean unless it is applied. We apply the blood in receiving his gift of salvation which is given freely without merit. God chose the foolishness of preaching to save them that will believe in his (Jesus) virgin birth, death, and resurrection.

Dear reader, He is the other Adam, and he was once one of us. The word states in Isaiah 53:10 that "Thou shall make his soul an offering for sin."

Beloved this means Jesus the other Adam had a soul just like you and me. The word also states in God's Holy word found in 2cd Corinthians 5:19 that "God was in Christ reconciling the world unto himself. My thoughts on this would be (Reconsolidating the debt into one) or (Recolonizing) which would be God's way of life. Dear reader, Jesus not only had a soul, but we find in Isaiah 53;10 states that his soul (Jesus) was made an offering for sin.

Verse 11 states that "thou shalt see the travail or anguish of his soul and be satisfied. The reward of his sufferings is to establish his church here on Earth that the redeemed family of God may enjoy fellowship with our father". The true church of God made up of believers in his finished work through Christ is not a religion like all the others but a way of life maintaining a relationship with a wonderful God who desires a family. Beloved, when we accept Jesus as our savior, we are adopted into God's family as heirs. Jesus is the only name that God recognizes. (Acts 4:12) There is no other name under heaven whereby men can be saved. The Bible takes sin very seriously, more so than perhaps any other religion. Sin alienates us from the presence of God. Sin is rooted in the heart of man. Sin cannot be removed by any self-help program. Saints, no other religion has any viable help to offer for the removal of sin. I close with a well-documented fact that happened in Chicago that caused a stir among the many world religions that had their representatives there to prove their religion was the way to God.

During one session, Dr. Joseph Cook, of Boston, suddenly rose and said: 'Gentlemen, I have sat and listened to each of you attempt to prove to us that your religion is the one that will get us to God and get his attention, but I beg to introduce to you a woman with a great sorrow. Bloodstains are on her hands, and nothing she has tried will remove them. The blood is that of murderer. She has been driven to desperation in her distress. I believe if my mind does not deceive me that he was speaking of Lady Macbeth that was a required reading in school. Is there anything in your religion that will remove her sin and give her peace as an unexpected silence fell upon the gathering?

### Not a single reply was heard.

Raising his eyes heavenwards, Dr. Cook then cried out. 'John, can you tell this woman how to get rid of her awful sin?' The great preacher waited as if listening for a reply. Suddenly he cried, 'Listen John speaks; *Chapter 1 verse 7 Quote KJV 'The Blood of Jesus Christ his Son, cleanseth us from all sin'*.

Not а soul broke the silence: the representatives of Eastern religions and Western cults sat dumb as they had nothing in their teachings that would provide the needed answer. Glory to the Lamb of God, now we know why the songs in our worship services such a ring of hope as the words have proclaimed the gospel and the plan of God for his Creation. Can we sing, "What can wash away my sin, Nothing but the Blood of Jesus." Beloved, the sin nature passed upon the human race inherited through the fall of Adam demanded the blood shed at Calvary for the remission of sins. In the face of human need, the Gospel of Jesus Christ alone could meet the need and I do not care what our past is like or what we have done even to the place of being confined in a prison, the devil cannot hold our past against us as to make us feel guilty because once we have accepted the blood of Christ as God's requirement for our sin, we are set free from the law of sin and death. Romans the eight chapter says, 'For the law of the spirit of life in Christ Jesus has set us free from the law of sin and death that we might become the righteousness (right standing with God) of God in Christ Jesus our Lord."

Beloved, this peace with God will cause a person to be able to forgive someone who has violated them or their family such as a rapist or even a murderer for they now see the real picture and that is that people without a changed nature who have not dealt with the sin problem will act like and serve their master which is Satan. Thank God for a wonderful God that predestined our birth and life for his cause and purpose. Yes, thank God for the blood of Jesus which will protect us from evil, make our life count and keep the enemy from bringing his facts against us. Beloved, the world has the peace of God but we who are saved have peace with him because we have been cleansed by the blood of God's precious lamb.

Yes, dear reader, the fellowship we lost through Adam can now be restored by accepting the sacrifice of Jesus as God's final payment for our sin. Beloved, now that we have gleaned from this study and discovered that our birth on Earth was not an accident but predestined for his divine purpose, let us fall before him in reverence and ask him to forgive our sins and transgressions.

Let us pray, Lord, we believe you sent Jesus to pay the sin debt and die in our place. We believe he died and rose again for our justification. Lord we accept your free pardon, and we ask you to create in us a clean heart and right spirit; Lord wash us in the blood of your dear Son and remove anything that we may have inherited unpleasing to you from our blood line. Dear Lord, in closing this prayer, we ask that you make our life count and with our whole heart, we pledge our allegiance to you and your kingdom. Father I pray for those that have prayed this prayer from their heart and ask that you undergird and protect them from the evil schemes of the enemy. Lord, help them acknowledge and realize that your abiding love is the one thing that we all can depend on to get us through the trials and tests that are sure to come. Lord, sometimes we understand that we may experience unexpected events in our lives that can throw us in a freeze zone without knowing what direction to take next, but help us stand firm activating our faith, for it is in those trying times, we can find rest knowing that we can depend on our God, our Father, to come on the scene to direct our path and to guide our footsteps. A-Men

# Chapter 8 PAYING THE PRICE

Saints, God is looking for a person and a people who are serious, hungry, and desperate for a mighty visitation of His holiness upon His people. He demands that our hands and hearts be clean before God and before man (Psalms. 24:3-5). We covered this in our preface in the beginning of this book. Once conditions have been met as outlined in 2 Chronicles 7:14, God will visit us with the cleansing fire that will bring hope, love, meaning, and purpose to lives that were once in bondage and sin. God looks for those who will pray, wait, and confidently expect that He will fulfill His promise.

Beloved, if we are really serious to see our God descend with cleansing fire upon us then my question would be, are we ready to expend much time in daily prayer? Let us remember that God has instructed us to humble ourselves before Him, and pray, then the Living God will hear from heaven, forgive our sin and heal our land. Chronicles 7:14 says, "If My people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and turn seek My face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land."

Saints, I remember as a young boy hearing of how a great revival in Kingsport, Tennessee shook the city and surrounding areas as God's presence could be felt everywhere. I will now share with you of the testimonies of eyewitnesses that I personally interviewed concerning this Great Awakening. The city was in turmoil as people were being killed left and right.

There was no regard for the law as most of them were also crooked. The bootleggers were basically running the town, and no one dared doublecross them. It was during this time that a concerned citizen began to go on a fast and pray for a move of God. He got so serious with his fast that he ended up in the hospital.

The doctors informed him if he continued this fast and lifestyle, they would find him dead and they did later find him dead with his head in his Bible. It was months later that Ralph Cook and Henry McCann started a revival meeting. It went on for several nights, but nothing seemed to be moving and they made a statement that they were going to close the services. It was then that a little girl began to weep and beg them not to close the meetings. In tears, she began to speak concerning all the disregard for the law and the merciless killings taking place every day ending with, "My daddy is not saved." The ministers were touched and agreed to go another night. People heard of the little girl, and many showed up the next night. As the service got started the little girl and some of her friends got out of their seats and cried on the altar for a move of God.

The next night not only did more of the young people cry on the altar but some of their parents joined them. It was not long till some of the bootleggers came to see what was going on and were brought under conviction. The power of God descended upon that place till people saw themselves naked before the eyes of a Holy God and many gave their lives to Him in this revival. The bootleggers went to their businesses that night, poured out their untaxed whiskey and placed a sign on their door {Gone out of business}.

It is said that the presence of God could tangibly be felt on the streets of that city. Those same bootleggers became preachers and worship leaders and I have had the blessed opportunity to worship in their services. Saints, just like the condition and mindset that people witnessed back then with murders happening every day in the streets, we see the decay of morals and the drifting away from God and His ways increasing as we enter into the end time attack the enemy is launching against God's people because he knows he has but a short time. We need concerned people to get serious with God and believe for a mighty, heaven-sent revival that will shake the present Church to its foundations and principals. The result will be an ushering in of a cleansing and empowering that will turn our nation around.

Saints, as we come into holiness and purity, we will be keenly aware that our present way of life today is totally unacceptable to a holy God. Our prayer should be that His Church would fall on its knees in obedience and prayer. With computers in nearly every home, our nation today is intoxicated with sex and lewd entertainment. Beloved, Christians today are deceived into thinking that as long as they pray and go through the forms of worship that they have a right to go to God when they have a need, and He will drop everything and meet their need.

Yet, He says so clearly in His word, that if there is sin in our hearts "He will not hear us" (Psalm 66:18). Psalm 66:18 reads "If I regard iniquity in my heart, the Lord will not hear me." Titus 2:11-14 says, "For the grace of God that bringeth salvation hath appeared unto all men, teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly, in this present world looking for that blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Savior Jesus Christ; Who gave Himself for us, that He might redeem us from all iniquity, and purify unto Himself a peculiar people, zealous of good works." Church, we desperately need a move of God to bring us back to a spirit of solitude, prayer, and holiness. Let's face reality, with the greed and killing we are witnessing throughout our land. Saints, we must prepare ourselves for true revival. Preparation for revival comes when we allow God to work in us to bring us to a place of repentance and a new walk of obedience to the Lord.

### Saints, we need Revival.

We must prepare and condition ourselves for true revival. True revival is not evangelism but God in His holiness doing a work among His people. True revival is not proclaiming the Gospel to those who do not know Christ but is God renewing our hearts and allowing God to be known and respected as God. Beloved, preparation for revival comes when we allow God to work in us to bring us to a place of repentance and a new walk of obedience to the Lord. If we have a desire to get to know God, we must get to know Him in His sovereignty, that He is Almighty God. We must know Him as the sovereign God, the sovereign majesty. He is the One who put the mountains in place, the One who hung the stars in space and knows them all by name.

Saints, we need to know and realize that God is the Creator of all things. We need to come to a realization that He is the God who has placed everything into existence, and nothing exists without a purpose. There is nothing that exists without Him. There will be no revival until deep within our heart and soul we know and reverence Him in this kind of way. The hope we have in our hearts is His Spirit causing us to realize our calling and destiny which was chosen for us before the foundation of the world. Our destiny is not in front of us but lies within our heart. It's the deepness within each of us calling out to all the unsearchable richness that He is. It is the ideas, dreams, and visions that seem to come out of nowhere giving us answers and guidance as we give Him all our being.

We have the blessed hope that one day; we shall bear His image and likeness. Abraham hoped against hope, and it was counted unto Him as righteousness and caused the Living God, to call him His friend. Saints, we each were chosen by this wonderful Creator to do a work in His kingdom. Let us now seek Him with all our heart for His word says, "Ask Him for rain in the Time (Essential) of the latter rain and He would make bright clouds and bring showers of blessing". Zechariah. 10:1 Zechariah 10:1 says "Ask ye of the Lord rain in the time of the latter rain, so the Lord shall make bright clouds, and give them showers of rain, to everyone grass in the field."

## Chapter 9 THE NEED FOR UNITY

Saints, we have come to a climax (contest) of the church age as we know it. Our freedoms are being taken away by liberal courts that do not recognize the God who showed Himself strong through the leaders in the founding of this republic. They are orchestrating our laws to make us a democracy where the majority rules instead of a republic that believes all men were created equal and endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable rights of Life, Liberty, and the Pursuit of Happiness.

Saints, we need more than anything to live in peace and harmony with all men. We need to conduct our lives in a spirit of love and thankfulness for what the Lord has allowed to come into our life to bless us. The scriptures teach that God is love and to have a firm base and foundation for the work of the Holy Spirit, we must have unity and love. These are the two foundational stones that must be in place for the gifts of the Spirit to operate.

The gifts of the Holy Spirit will not function without unity and love in the body of Christ. Saints, there are times when the church forgets why it exists. Even Christians seem to forget what Jesus saved them for and some tend to think that church is all about them. They think that their relationship with Jesus is totally focused on their agenda and needs. I want you to know it is not about us but about Him. The church was born in a spirit of love and unity. Each of us is chosen to fill the right place in the body of Christ. God wants us to flow in the body and fulfill His call upon our life. The problem is that some have developed pride and thought they could isolate themselves from the body and build their own kingdom. They call themselves "God's man for the hour". This causes them to be isolated from their covering and causes people to associate their gifts to the person and not the body. Beloved, God sees all of us as one body: the body of Christ. We are now entering a time of spiritual cleansing and we are all becoming the same size. There are no big I's and no little U's. in the body of Christ.

We are being conditioned now by the Holy Spirit where everyone is flowing together in the gifts. We are entering a time of unity in the body of Christ, and we are no accident.

Nobody has our DNA or our fingerprints. We each have a lot to fill in God's eternal plan and purpose. Nobody can do what you were chosen to do which leaves no place for jealousy to be found in our ranks. Saints, God needs all kinds of people to reach all the different cultures and ethnic groups in our world. We need to begin acting like Christians and start caring for one another and quit being selfish and isolated. To do this, we must have the right attitude toward God and our fellow men. There are three principals to remember to walk in that will produce lasting results.

Beloved, we are one body bound by the precious blood of the Lord Jesus Christ making us blood brothers and sisters in Christ and not doctrines or denominations:

- A. We are blood brothers and sisters in Christ.
- B. We need to realize that we are in a fight but not with each other.
- C. The enemy loves for us to fight among ourselves.

Saints, there is a cosmic war going on around us between the forces of good and the forces of evil and we that are born on this planet at birth are drawn into this war. If we are in a fight, and we are not fighting each other then we must realize that we need to fight together as one colossal body. When we do this, we will experience a spiritual strength and become a powerful force as we flow together in unity. One shall chase a thousand and two ten thousand for there is a powerful strength and force discovered as we dwell together in unity. We will see the power and love of God begin to be displayed all around us. The enemy knows this and that is why he tries to bring division.

I have always said that if a brother or sister draws a circle and leaves you out, swallow your pride and draw a bigger circle bringing them in. Church, God wants us to prosper and flow in the body as children of faith and power. He wants us to live circumspectly in this cruel world making the most out of every opportunity. When we miss an opportunity, it cannot be reclaimed. We complain about giving a little time to God's work and evangelism, but did you seem to forget that every moment is a precious gift from God. Beloved in closing let me say that God wants us to manage our time and invest it in something worthwhile. Beloved, did you know that there is strength in working together? If we look at wood burning in a fire and use something to move one of the pieces of wood away from the others, we will find that it will not have the heat by itself to keep burning. Saints, the word instructs us to assemble ourselves together and so much the more as we see the day approaching. Church, why should we be discouraged or afraid when God is our armor, and we are never alone.

Beloved, we can talk to God anytime we want and about anything we may need answers too. Saints, we need each other and the word states that one can chase a thousand and two ten thousand therefore how much more can his children accomplish in the kingdom if they come together in one mind and in one accord touching and agreeing for a mighty heaven-sent life changing revival.

## **Chapter 10**

## AWAKEN THE SLEEPING CHURCH



Dear reader, do you remember the parable in Matthew twenty-five concerning the Kingdom of God that is likened unto ten virgins which took their lamps and went forth to meet the bridegroom. To do this subject justice, I need to relate to you the reader that there were two phases to Jewish weddings. First, the bridegroom to be would visit the bride's home and observe some religious ceremonies such as pouring a glass of wine in a glass and placing it in front of her which was a gesture of a proposal in front of her family. If she drank from the cup, this was an answer that she has accepted the proposal and is now engaged to be married. Yes, beloved, she is now ready to be married to her groom later at a set date and that certain requirements would be met that would be arranged by his father.

Beloved, notice the excitement at the table as all eyes are upon her in silence to see if she will drink from the cup and the release of tensions as she takes the cup and with a smile proceeds to sip the wine. The bridegroom then leaves her but not without leaving his best friend behind to see after her needs. This best friend is a type of God's Spirit that is with us to encourage us when we are in severe trials and disappointments that tear at our soul. This best man is there to assure us that he still loves us, and we must keep ourselves pure and ready.

Saints, we must maintain a consecrated relationship with our Lord and keep ourselves working in his vineyard that we do not disappoint our groom when he comes for us. This is a type of keeping our- self unspotted from the world. After the proposal is made, the groom must go back to his father's house and begin preparing to provide a place and be able to make a good living for his new bride and in Jewish custom, the father is the one that will oversee the work and let him know when everything is in order and send him to get his bride.

#### Special note:

Most Jewish weddings were held at night and once the bride, the groom, and the guests were inside, a guard was placed at the door to keep unwanted guests out. Anyone not arriving with the wedding party was denied entrance in the event someone would want to crash the party.

Beloved, it also was not unusual for these weddings to last for days. The call would be reported that the groom had left his father's house to come get his bride, but no one would know how many places he would stop along the way to her house. When the report was received, the bridesmaids were to give the bride purification baths and make sure she was ready to meet her espoused groom at his arrival. Here in the gospel of Matthew, we find the ten virgins asleep. Ministers like to use this parable often relating to a church that is asleep in troublesome times.

Beloved, there are three classes of people that stand out in this parable, and I shall list them for your further study.

A. The Bridegroom

 B. The Five wise bridesmaids whose hearts were prepared to serve

C. The Five foolish bridesmaids whose hearts were not prepared to serve.

Beloved the lamp oil in this parable was used to light the path for the wedding party therefore it is and cannot represent the Holy Spirit nor can it represent Salvation for neither of these can be bought. The oil would represent our being a dedicated servant to our Lord and living a total surrendered life that would bring honor to his wonderful name. The bridesmaids in this parable are not the bride; they are the young unmarried virgins who are the friends of the bride. The foolish in this parable are likened to those in the church who are there for show. They find fault with everything but do not want to be a part of finding a solution to fixing the problem. They choose to honor themselves and shun their responsibilities thus ignoring the custom of being prepared to serve. These kinds of people can be found in most gatherings that call themselves a church. They may dress like professing Christians and even act like professing believers in the assembly. These people may even come and worship amongst other believers, but the difference is their hearts have not been prepared? God's Holy Spirit is the one who will help us be prepared.

Remember, He is the best man that is left behind to help us be prepared to serve. Saints, we must realize that the bottom line in this parable is that some people are not what they appear to be, and these foolish people were not willing to help serve and make a sacrifice for the Kingdom of God. Beloved, these young bridesmaids were friends of the bride, but they chose to take a chance on her wedding by taking shortcuts. They thought they could do it their way and hope all would turn out right in the end, but they soon found themselves an embarrassment to themselves and to the bride who had placed her trust in them.

Beloved, there are some in the church today who appear to be ready to meet the Lord but have never surrendered their life to Christ. They go through all the patterns of being right and being a good church member, but they have never surrendered to be a servant and serve.

Some people have gone forth attempting to build their Kingdom instead of following the command of our Lord to be a light that others may see. Because of these five foolish young maidens choosing to do it their way, the wedding party would be made to walk in less light on a dark path. Most of the church body today seems to be on rocky ground. They are like a person who has found themselves in a powerful earthquake. The buildings around them are falling, concrete and steel are being twisted to pieces and they are losing their balance. They are reeling back and forth as they try to make sense of what is taking place.

Their ability to make sound decisions is limited because of all the shock and destruction that is going on around them. My question to us today is how did we get in this lukewarm condition and what are we going to do to try and make ourselves ready to meet our Lord when he calls? The call has gone out that requires action on our part and according to this parable, God will honor those who are prepared but many are satisfied by being entertained. Saints, many churches today are not concerned about souls and changed lives but how many people they can get to help build their kingdom. God did not call us to build our kingdom but to be a light. The truth is that we are not hearing much word today, only man's ideas and programs. We have a gospel that has risen today that will allow the flesh to stay alive when God's word says that we must die daily to our agendas, desires, and self-righteousness. People are living below the standards that the atoning blood of Jesus has purchased for them. They are being led by deceptive lying spirits and they are allowing those spirits to dominate their lives.

Saints, I always strive to give a remedy in my writings especially if I expose or diagnose some problems in the church that need addressing and that I shall do. First, let us review what has brought us to the dangerous world conditions that we now live in and face every day. It was in the 60's that a newspaper came out with the headline in bold type declaring that the Living God is dead.

Beloved, it was then that the Beatles came over from England with their secular music infiltrating the hearts of our young teens. One song titled, "The Yellow Submarine" was referring to the high of experimenting with hallucinating drugs. God began to work through the Christian populace by having a songwriter come out with a song stating, (If God is dead, who is this living in my Soul) Beloved, let's look at where we are and how far the moral standards of our nation have been let down by men and women who were supposed to be watching for our souls. Because of the Luke warmness that infiltrated the church, we are living in an age of spiritual confusion and darkness. We now have people that were born in the era called the baby boomers who mostly were involved in the protest of the Vietnam War as they lived it up on college campuses with their free love and unprotected sex. Sadly, now beloved, we now have some of these same people holding offices in our government. Saints, it is no secret that we have teachers in our school system today using books that teach evolution and deny Creation.

These teachers are telling our young people that life does not mean anything that we were merely a tadpole that came out of the ocean or the offspring from a monkey. Beloved, we have denied the very God that clearly showed his protection in the founding of this republic.

The hand of God in the founding of America prompted our founding fathers such as Benjamin Franklin to make the statement "It is undeniable that a Sovereign Being is responsible for the founding of this Republic and it would do us good to remember this formidable friend." Friend, God helped establish a nation that would be a safe haven for His church to take His gospel to a lost and dying world and that he has done for two hundred plus years. George Washington was surrounded by the British when a mysterious fog set in allowing, he and his men to escape up the Delaware River and just when they got out of gun range the fog lifted to allow the British to see them escaping. Beloved, without warning, a wind arose that kept the British ships from chasing them or we would probably be flying the British flag today instead of the blessed stars and stripes.

The enemy decided that since we were a strong unified republic that was protected by a mighty power that had shown Himself strong in our founding that they would have to find a way to bring us down for our God was too strong for them to attack us. Like Daniel of old, they decided the only way to get to us would be through our morals and find a way to indoctrinate our young to the point that this Sovereign Being would have to turn his back on us and that is what they did through our music, Hollywood, and MTV. During the end of World War II, the industrial revolution set in taking mothers away from their children to make a living in the factories that were springing up throughout our land. This left our young unsupervised and allowed MTV to raise our children. Laws were passed that legalized abortions until 1.5 million babies are aborted every year. Prayer was outlawed in schools and public gatherings leading to teens shooting it out in our streets and in our schools.

Today, student rape, teen pregnancy, drug deals, muggings and shootings are the norm of the day. The Holy Bible is rejected by the secular humanistic school boards while pornography, humanism, occultism, and Satanism are the regular curriculum. Beloved, there is something wrong with this picture but what is it? We must have a Spiritual cleansing that will bring a visitation of God's power to burst forth and vanquish the darkness of sin and declare the righteousness of Jesus and His lordship as being the true light that lighteth every man that cometh into the world. God is raising up people who will spend time with Him in prayer and communion.

God's plan for this hour is for His people to turn from their worldliness, and prayer-less lives, and repent of their selfish fleshly cravings for power and positions. He desires for them to repent of their church quarrels and denominational jealousy. God desires for our pulpits to once again thunder and burn with the power and the cleansing fire of His Holy Spirit through men and women that have a made-up mind to not compromise the truth for a meal ticket.

Church, it is time to wake up to the call and task upon us and strip ourselves from the love of this world and the love of self. Yes, and turn to the Lord with our whole heart with fasting and our prayers being saturated with our tears until we hear from heaven.

Let us remember that our view of God will affect our view of our fellow man and as the word says, "How can we say we love God whom we have not seen and hate our brother whom we have seen who is made in his image. Beloved, if we really desire revival, we will have to get down to business with God. Saints, we must be prepared to accept the burden for revival as our own personal responsibility, and solemnly covenant with God upon the basis of His covenant promise (2 Chron. 7:14). The binding conditions of that agreement demand first, a *"humbling of ourselves" that we may have "clean hands and pure hearts" to be able to "stand in His holy hill"* (Psa. 24). The half-hearted prayer meetings of today are a mockery in comparison to the depth of spiritual travail in the men who, in days gone by, caused nations to be swept by the power of God.

#### The price for revival has never changed.

Saints, before floods of Holy Ghost conviction can sweep down from heaven, strong men must be broken before God and upon their faces before God, must travail in agony of prayer. To do this despite the demands of home and work, men must make time for waiting before God! Outpourings from on high must be preceded by a willingness to make time to wait upon God. Church, this will demand a confession of every sin; a turning away from all wickedness; a forsaking of every doubtful habit, an utter surrender to Christ. Revival must be the dominating desire of life. For many, it will mean the giving up of "idols" that have been cherished for years; for others it may mean a visit to the "tents" as in the days of Achan to unearth some of the things hidden there. Saints, it may be a "wedge of gold" or a "Babylonian garment" or some of the "spoils of battle" have got to go before the blessings of the Lord can come.

# One thing is very certain, to whatever the finger of God points in condemnation, that thing must go!

Saints, if a covenant-keeping God must answer and fulfill His promise, then man must completely fulfill the conditions laid down. He must humble himself and turn from his wicked ways. There had not only to be the "challenge" of "clean hands and pure hearts" but also the experience, and this could only come by personal confession of all sin and complete, unreserved surrender to Christ. Beloved, the refreshing winds of revival are waiting to be released upon the face of the Earth and God's covenant promise is a guarantee of this but before the floodgates of Heaven can be opened, we must make time to wait before God, and in that waiting there must be travailing and prevailing prayer.

Saints with all the hate and unrest we experience every day in this godless world demands that we develop the mindset to throw every bit of our energy into desperate, travailing intercession, until God hears from Heaven, and our lands are swept by the burning, cleansing flame of Holy Ghost revival!

Beloved, we may set up our man-made programs with a famous minister of choice, but until we get on our faces before God and do business with a covenant-keeping God, we shall not see or even experience a true-life changing revival. Remember beloved, revival must begin in us before we will be able to experience it in our nation. Let us keep our lamps trimmed and burning in anticipation for that hour when our savior comes after his church that hath made herself ready. **A-MEN**.

## Chapter 11 GOD-CENTERED PEOPLE

"The word states that "There is a way that seemeth right unto man, but the end thereof is death." I reflect back on my childhood as if it was yesterday hearing this preached from the pulpit of that ole Methodist church as my late grandfather's voice would penetrate my young heart that there is a path before each person that seems right, but it ends in death." - Proverbs 16:25 (KJV).

Growing up as a young teen, and like most teenagers, I was experimenting with drugs and booze. My uncontrollable lifestyle was causing me to be in and out of trouble. My dad and mom being encouraged by our family physician were making plans to send me to a psychiatrist. I knew people that had been sent to these head shrinks and they seemed like they were in their own little world. In my mind as a young teen, I was not going to see someone that listened to people's problems all day long because that alone would tend to show its toll on the human mind.

To have someone reflect on my early childhood would bring back way too many bad memories for me and from what my friends told me about their visits made me feel uncomfortable to even consider that option. I remember asking some of my friends concerning their recent sessions with a psychiatrist if they feel like they are getting the help they need? I would receive different replies, but one really got to me. One of my friends stated that before they made up their mind to see their psychiatrist, they did not want anyone looking at them or asking them simple questions. This is common in the day we live in especially with all the pressures of life we encounter daily. The human personality is deep and beyond our own imagination. These professionally trained doctors are sometimes needed to help one confront things the patient is running away from, but the real problem is a problem of the heart. Sometimes what we think is helpful isn't helpful at all because it is not dealing with the real issue and that is sin. Because of the fall of Adam, sin entered the world and separated man from his fellowship with his creator.

God says there is none good, and man's heart is deceitful and continually evil. (Jeremiah 17 verse 9). The law was given by God to reveal to man that God is Holy and perfect, and man born in sin is unable to approach him because of his sinful condition. The law diagnoses this sinful state of man and reveals that to be accepted by a perfect Creator, he must have a new heart. Under the law, an innocent lamb or dove must give up its life as a sacrifice to abstain God's judgment on sin.

Church, these animal sacrifices would only prolong God's judgment, but the sin issue must be dealt with. God sacrificed His only begotten Son to bridge the gap for man to be declared righteous in His presence. God made an Everlasting covenant with His Son when He raised Him from the dead and set Him over all things to be the head of His church which is His body. Beloved, this is where Doctor Grace comes in. God made a way through the death, burial, and resurrection of His son for man to receive a free pardon for his sin. Christ who knew no sin was made sin for us.

This is called grace. Grace consists of the everlasting covenant God made with His son that satisfied His wrath toward sin. Beloved, because of this unmerited favor from heaven, man can now accept this free pardon and get a new heart. This allows man to communicate with his creator once again. Once man receives this pardon and receives Christ in his heart, he can now live a God- centered life. Jesus declared in John 10 that He came to give life and that we can have it more abundantly, or in other words, He came and gave His life that we may have eternal life, which is a more and better life than we could ever imagine here and, in the world, to come. Jesus gave this promise as He spoke of Himself being the Good Shepherd. It is only as we seek to follow God's direction that we will bring glory to God and know the abundant life Jesus promised to give!

Beloved, the happiest people are those that know this abundant life. We no longer think of self and its selfish desires because we discovered that God has a plan for our life and is busy in and behind the scenes working to make our life prosper. The law diagnosed our sin problem but could not give us a new heart. Grace was able to make a way for us to receive a new heart but also able to introduce us to the one who donated our new heart and that is our Savior, The Lord Jesus Christ.

Christ has not only given us a new heart but now comes to live in the life of the believer fulfilling the scripture, He sent the spirit of His son into our new heart crying Abba Father causing us to be adopted into the family of God as His sons and daughters. (Galatians 4 verse 6). The Holy Spirit seals our adoption in Christ and into the family of God.

Church, this is why a huge, full grown, man will cry like a baby when they sense the presence of God's wonderful spirit. They are no longer their own but have made themselves available for the work of God that He may leave His signature through them to future generations. God-centered people read their bible and pray daily for their mind is upon seeing the kingdom of God flourish. They are not concerned about satisfying self but live a life of holiness and consecration to the Lord. They refuse to give in to the flesh and its fleshly desires but make every attempt to crucify the flesh by walking in the spirit by prayer and dedication. Godcentered people realize that this world is not their home and that because of their new heart, the world's view of life is different than theirs.

The bottom line is that because of Christ in me, the hope of glory, my heart is very sensitive. I am not my own therefore pride and jealousy have no place in my God centered life.

A God-centered person has a tender heart full of love and may sometimes show emotion by crying. This is not a weakness but the outward sign of a tender heart. Let us not be ruled or controlled by our senses but be thankful for a new tender heart that desires for others to enjoy the freedom in Christ that we sometimes take for granted. "Behold, the Lord's hand is not shortened, that it cannot save; neither His ear heavy, that it cannot hear. But your iniquities have separated between you and your God, and your sins have hide His face from you, that He will not hear... Your hands are defiled...your tongue hath muttered perverseness. None calleth for justice, nor any pleadeth for truth" (Isa. 59:1-4).

# Chapter 12 SELF-CENTERED PEOPLE

I do not know where to begin to give this chapter justice and pray for the leading and guidance of the Holy Spirit to direct my thoughts. The word states that in the last days, men will become sensual which means walking after what they can see, hear, taste, memory and feel or in other words walking after their five senses having not the spirit. I could write a whole chapter on each one of these senses especially memory because some do not read their bible but take what they heard someone else say as coming from the bible. We call these self-centered people. They are people that are concerned with satisfying their own selfish desires. They usually have no concern for the well-being of others but will use and mistreat others to get what they want. They want what they want and do not care who they must hurt to get it. They live a selfish usually unhappy life for their fleshly desires is always prompting them to get more. Sadly, to say some form of this selfish behavior can be found in some churches today.

A self-centered person usually will not have a disciplined prayer life but will want what others have without paying the price to get it. A self-centered person will usually have an attitude that will open a portal and allow an enemy spirit of deception to come in and cause them to make selfish decisions to satisfy their selfish desires. It does not bother them to cause division among others to accomplish their goals. They can easily point out a fault in the character of others, but never admit to having one in their own. It does not bother them to spread gossip and slander the name and character of another person. Matthew 12 verse 35 reads as thus, "A good man out of the good treasure of his heart bringeth forth good things, and an evil man out of the evil treasure of his heart bringeth forth evil things." Some of us will find we have not put God first in our lives but rather we have given place to personal ambition, carnal comforts, and have yielded to the demands of friends and relatives and made God second. Church let's face it, some of us have sinned directly towards God by rebelling against His known will and stopping our ears to His call to lay down our lives in His service.

Beloved, there are the hidden sins of the uncrucified that have never made Christ their Lord. The word states that man's heart is desperately evil, and God proves it in the one-thousand-year reign when Satan is loosed in a perfect environment and turns children born in that time numbered as sands of the sea against the Lordship of Christ causing God to destroy them with a fiery judgement.

Beloved, the sins and characteristics of a selfish person with an unchanged heart, (one not surrendered to God and his will) <u>are people that are self-pleasing</u>, <u>self-seeking</u>, <u>self-satisfying</u>, <u>having self-pleasing</u>, <u>self-glorifying</u>, <u>including self-confidence</u>, <u>selfish affections</u>, and <u>selfish desires all of which grieve the Holy Spirit</u> and make them unfit to answer the call of the Lord to His people in this hour. Some people tend to get angry and irritable over the least little thing and more than often are harboring an unforgiving spirit including jealousy and envy (Jas. 3:14-18). Saints, the bible speaks of people dealing with secret and presumptuous sins – but they are not hidden from God who sees all. (Psa. 19:12-13).

Beloved, there are people today dealing with sins of gossip, backbiting and tale-bearing which God hates (*Prov. 6:16-19*). People living like this tend to want the best of both worlds, but their hidden sin closes God's door of blessing and hinders the answer to their prayers, their home, their community, including their nation and the world. Beloved, <u>God</u> lists one sin as an abomination and that is someone that would spread discord with and among other brethren.

Saints, in bible days, this would cause the King's soldiers to throw a blanket over the guilty person rendering them not worthy to be in the presence of the King which usually would cost them their life.

I close this chapter with the word of God for it is the absolute truth and standard for which we shall all be judged. James 4:1-17 reads as thus, "From whence come wars and fightings among you? Come they not hence, even of your lusts that war in your members? Ye lust, and have not: ye kill, and desire to have, and cannot obtain: ye fight and war, yet ye have not because ye ask not. Ye ask, and receive not, because ye ask amiss, that ye may consume it upon your lusts. Ye adulterers and adulteresses, know ye not that the friendship of the world is enmity with God? whosoever, therefore, will be a friend of the world is the enemy of God. Do ye think that the scripture saith in vain, the spirit that dwelleth in us lusteth to envy? But he giveth more grace. Wherefore he saith, God resisteth the proud, but giveth grace unto the humble.

The word says to submit yourselves therefore to God, Resist the devil, and he will flee from you, draw nigh to God, and he will draw nigh to you. Cleanse your hands, ye sinners; and purify your hearts, ye double minded. Be afflicted, and mourn, and weep: let your laughter be turned to mourning and your joy to heaviness. Humble yourselves in the sight of the Lord and he shall lift you up. Speak not evil one of another, brethren. He that speaketh evil of his brother, and judgeth his brother, speaketh evil of the law, and judgeth the law: but if thou judge the law, thou art not a doer of the law, but a judge. There is one lawgiver, who is able to save and to destroy: who art thou that judgest another.

#### **Word Continued**

Go to now, ye that say, today or tomorrow we will go into such a city, and continue there a year, and buy and sell, and get gain: *Whereas ye know not what shall be on the morrow. For what is your life? It is even a vapour, that appeareth for a little time, and then vanisheth away.* For that ye ought to say, If the Lord will, we shall live, and do this, or that. But now ye rejoice in your boastings: all such rejoicing is evil. Therefore, to him that knoweth to do good, and doeth it not, to him it is sin. Need I say more the word says we can tell that we have passed from death unto life because we love the brethren which fulfills the royal law that we love our neighbor as thyself. "Heaven and earth shall pass away: but my words shall not pass away" (Mark 13 verse 31). In Ephesians the 5th chapter, Paul speaks of redeeming our time and managing it wisely. Too many have the mistaken idea that the building is the church. God's Son, Jesus, is not coming back for buildings but a bride that is ready. We are not here to fill up space, nor are we here to build our own kingdom. We are here to be a light to bring hope, meaning, and purpose in a life that is searching for the truth and to be released from the enemy's hold on their life. Let us labor together for this common cause that we mat fulfill the great commission and hear the words from our Lord "you have been faithful over a few things, enter into the joys of the Lord."

## Chapter 13

### DREADNESS IN TOP FRUIT IN THE BOTTOM



I began this chapter with a vision embedded deep within my mind of a tree that is dead at the top but whatever had caused the tree to die had not reached the bottom branches which are still green with life and producing fruit. Such is the picture of the church here on earth in the 21st century. I remember reading about the outpouring of God's Spirit upon this planet through such men as the Wesley Brothers and one of their converts who became a great soul winner evangelizing the whole New England Coast, Brother George Whitfield.

Church, later we discover that God used men such as Brother Seymour in the mighty 1906 Azusa Street revival that we still talk about today. This mighty move of God was followed later by Billy Sunday, William Brannon, Kathryn Kuhlman, T.L. Osbourne, A.A. Allen, R.W. Schambaugh, and many others. My question is, "what did they have that we seem to lack today and why do we not see the mighty manifestations of God's miracle working power on the scale that they enjoyed? After seeking the Lord concerning this and carefully reviewing their life and ministry, I believe I found the answer. Beloved, these men and women of God maintained a devoted prayer life and enjoyed being intimate with their Father. They viewed God as being their daddy and their best friend. They had total reverence and respect for who he is and what he did for all mankind in making a way through His Son for the gap that separated His greatest creation lost through the fall and sin of Adam to be restored with all of heavens benefits in the offering up of His Son to pay in full man's penalty for sin which is death. God raised Him from the dead.

Beloved, God established an everlasting covenant with his Son entitling all who accept his free pardon to become sons and daughters of the Most-High God. Saints, these men were fearless in their beliefs that the same God, who rolled back the Red Sea making a way for the people of God to escape the pursuing Egyptian army, is the same God that is active in His creation today. God used the faith and bravery of these great men to show Himself mighty and strong confirming their ministries and callings with great signs and wonders. Some of these miracles caused medical science to take a second look at the result of the power of prayer. Beloved, we say we have it but what is missing and my question for the church today would be where did we go wrong and where is the power the church was borne in? I believe I can answer that by using an example of a frog in a kettle of water. Beloved, if you place a frog in hot water, he will jump out but if you place something in the water for him to sit on and gradually turn up the heat, he will sit and never move till he is overcome by the heat and will die. Saints, this is the picture of the decay and complacency of the church as we see it today.

Saints, it is well known that several leading ministries were born out of the Azusa Street revival but to contain their flock, leaders started placing manmade rules and fences (doctrines) around their people to keep them from visiting other ministries. Beloved, it was not long till church standards were lowered to attract more people but what really happened was they lost sight of the purpose God saved them for and that beloved is for their life to be a light to a lost and dying world. With the standard lowered and the lack of a disciplined prayer life in the leaders, there was a vacuum opened for the false prophets to move in. Beloved, it did not take very long for people to realize that they could profit from the ministry by pretending to be operating in the spiritual gifts and receiving large offerings to build their own kingdom. This is where we are, and such is the picture of the church today. Many people today tend to seek out a church that is lax on sin that will allow them to feel comfortable instead of facing their sin and they leave church more entertained than elevated.

Many preachers today do not believe in the virgin birth which is an essential requirement to receive God's free pardon for sin. These self-centered people seek for a gospel that allows the flesh to stay alive, one that does not demand a sacrifice for man's fallen nature or in other words, they seek for a feelgood gospel. Beloved, for us to get back on the right path, there are two foundational stones that must be in place, and these are Love and Unity. Beloved, these stones must also be in place for the gifts of the Spirit to operate in the church. Beloved, the gifts of the Holy Spirit will not function without unity and love in the body of Christ, and they will not be present when we maintain our selfish attitudes. Dear reader, let's look at today's church as it is portrayed to a lost and hurting world that we might discover what is missing. First, we need to ask the question, "Why am I here?" There are times when the church forgets why it exists and Christians seem to forget what Jesus saved them for. Beloved, they tend to think that church is all about them. They think that their relationship with Jesus is totally focused on their agenda and needs. I want to re-emphasize in this study that it is not about us but about Him.

Beloved, the church was borne in power and in unity. We each are chosen to fill the right place in the body. Church, God wants us to flow in the body and fulfill His call upon our life. Beloved, the problem is that some have developed pride and thought they could isolate themselves from the body and build their own kingdom. They call themselves "God's man for the hour. This mindset causes them to be isolated from their covering and leads people to associate their gifts to the person and not the body. Church, God sees all of us as one body: the body of **Christ.** Beloved, because of the Luke warmness that infiltrated the church, we are living in an age of spiritual confusion and darkness. Saints, we now have people that were born in the era called the baby boomers who mostly were involved in the protest of the Vietnam War. The people doing most of the protests were known for living it up on college campuses with their free love and unprotected sex. We now have some of these same people holding offices in our government. We have teachers using books in our school teaching evolution and denying creation telling our young people that life does not mean anything that we were merely a tadpole that came out of the ocean or the offspring from a monkey.

Beloved, we have denied the very God that clearly showed His protection in the founding of this republic which caused such men as Benjamin Franklin to make the statement" Saints, it is undeniable that a Sovereign Being is responsible for the founding of this Republic and it would do us good to remember this formidable friend." Dear reader, God helped establish a nation that would be a safehaven for His church to take His gospel of the kingdom to a lost and dying world; and that He has done for two hundred plus years. Beloved, let us look at George Washington outnumbered and surrounded by the British, but look at God, when a mysterious fog set in allowing, he and his men to escape up the Delaware River and just when they got out of gun range the fog lifted to allow the British to see them escaping. Without warning, a wind arose that kept the British ships from chasing them or we would probably be flying the British flag today instead of the blessed stars and stripes. The enemy decided that since we were a strong unified republic that was protected by a mighty power that had shown Himself strong in our founding that they would have to find a way to bring us down for our God was too strong to attack us.

Beloved, like Daniel of old, they decided the only way to get to us would be through our morals and find a way to indoctrinate our young to the point that this Sovereign Being would have to turn His back on us. Beloved, this is what they did through our music, Hollywood, and MTV. During the end of World War II, the industrial revolution set in taking mothers away from their children to make a living in the factories that were springing up throughout our land. This left our young unsupervised and allowed MTV to raise our children. Beloved, laws were passed that legalized abortion till 1.5 million babies are aborted every year. Prayer was outlawed in schools and public gatherings leading to teens shooting it out in our streets and in our schools. Today, student rape, teen pregnancy, drug deals, muggings, and shootings are a norm of the day. The Holy Bible is rejected by the secular humanistic school boards while pornography, humanism, occultism, and Satanism are the regular curriculum. Saints, there is something wrong with this picture but what is it?

Beloved, we must have a Spiritual cleansing that will bring a visitation of God's power to burst forth and vanquish the darkness of sin and declare the righteousness of Jesus and His lordship as being the true light that lighteth every man that cometh into the world. God is raising up people who will spend time with Him in prayer and communion. Beloved, God's plan for this hour is for His people to turn from their worldliness, and prayerless lives, yes, and repent of their selfish fleshly cravings for power and positions. He desires for them to repent of their church quarrels and denominational jealousy. God wants our pulpits to once again thunder and burn with the power and the cleansing fire of His Holy Spirit. God wants to work through men and women that have a mindset to not compromise the truth for a meal ticket. It seems the church in our day has forgotten the reason why it was born and why it exists. We that are saved are the adopted sons and daughters in the family of God. We are the body of Christ on earth and consist of one colossal body. We may not attend the same houses of worship, but we are never disconnected from the body.

Church, we are to be an influence in a dark fallen world and be a light to show the way to God. Beloved, we now have young people stepping forward calling themselves Chief Apostles, Apostles, Prophets, and other titles but where did they come from and who are they accountable to? Who is to judge the word they are giving? How can they be a leader when they have had no training?

A Jezebel spirit is at work in many of these self-proclaimed people. Beloved, this spirit has deceived many of them by whispering in their ears, "I'll get it for you, and you will not have to pay the price others have paid." These people believe they are hearing from God and step forth writing their own books and making their seminar CD" s but you had better not challenge any of their teachings for they will show their true colors. They tell their followers that they get their information direct from God. This is ludicrous and is strongly condemned by the word of God.

The word says if a word is given then let two or three-judge the word to see if it lines up with the word. Ist Corinthians 14 verse 29 reads "Let the prophets speak two or three and let the others, judge." This is a no-no to these want-to-be leaders. Who are their mentors and who are they accountable to? They tell their followers that they are the only source to get their information from and some people will follow anything. This is a bad situation for the environment for the church today, but God is raising up people in this end time to make and become a difference. These people come from unethical backgrounds, and some have endured a hard upbringing. Dear God, my prayer is, bring us back to humility and cause us to not glory in any of our achievements as one that is proud but help us keep our eyes on You, the Author and Finisher of our faith. Help us to be like Daniel and pray a prayer that will shake a whole empire. Help us not to glory in anything save the cross of Jesus Christ. Beloved, the Army of God is soon to march into the face of the enemy and take back what the enemy crept in and stole from God's people.

Beloved, I am talking about those who have been hurt in churches mainly because of organizations with their strict denominational rules including unforgiving pastors who fit the category of the elder brother in the parable of the prodigal son. Church, some of these precious people have fallen into sin and been cleansed, yes, set free by the saving power of God but soon met opposition from church elders that informed them that because of their past they no longer qualify to be in ministry. Beloved, I am here as a living witness to tell you by experience that the living God has allowed some of us to get down in the mud and cellars of life to be treated worse than a human should ever be treated because he has some undesirables that we are to meet in this end time push of the Spirit of God to rescue as many as possible from the grasp of Satan. Beloved, I am stating that there are people like the woman at the well, yes, I am talking about people that have made plans for their life only to have circumstances and events crush their dreams. Beloved, these setbacks coming out of nowhere can be likened to a steering wheel sending them down a dangerous path leaving them homeless, incarcerated and even divorced.

Saints, people tend to look down at them from their high seats of judgment and human reason may say that they may have not been cleansed and are not worthy to lead but what does God say? Beloved, did not God say the publicans and the harlots would go into His Kingdom before the rulers filled with pride would get in. Let's get real, you have no way of relating to those on the streets or those who have suffered heartbreak through divorce or homeless living under a bridge unless you have been through what these men and women have had to brave. We can use an example of finding some birds that have become injured and we make every attempt to show them mercy but because we are not on their level by being a bird, they will run from us because to them we are just a big monster. Beloved, we have people today driving trucks that used to be Bishops, Pastors, Sunday School Teachers, and Church Elders. Some of these people have completed bible seminary and have had a successful ministry but because of a tragedy in their life like divorce or some other happening, they have been told by some church elder that they are no longer eligible for ministry.

Beloved, there is a problem here that needs to be addressed. There is an anointing on these withered people that is shaking the gates of hell and preachers have gone to their graves craving to experience this kind of anointing. Beloved, what did Jesus answer the woman at the well when she said Lord, I have no husband? He said, "You have rightly said that you have no husband. You have had five husbands: and he whom thou now hast is not thy husband: in that saidst thou truly." (John 4:17-18). I rest my case with a message to the church elders of this ending day of grace. Elders, you had better be prepared because the forgotten church of the hedge is on the horizon, and they might be the ones left behind, but they are God's chosen ones to usher in the soon coming of our Lord. Beloved, we are living in the age where we desperately need a spiritual house cleaning to get rid of the un-confessed sin and ungodliness in Christian leaders. I believe that the living God is getting an Army together that has been through the storms of life that have been trained and conditioned to meet the enemy on every front.

Beloved, you will be surprised to find that many of these powerful soldiers of the cross are not very well known by the religious hierarchy of our day. These men and women have had to fight for every inch of ground gained because of their past mistakes. These men and women have been through God's school of grace and have their degree. Beloved, they have not had anything given to them, but they have qualified for it through their training in the field. Yes, our undesirables who make up the forgotten church of the hedge will be the worship leaders and the leaders of clergy in this last push by the Spirit of God to rescue as many as possible from Satan's rebellion. Saints, there is a lost and hungry world out there that is looking for answers and we have them. We have been through the tests of life and gained strength from our battles. Saints, we are now entering a time of spiritual cleansing and we are all becoming the same size. There are no big I's and no little U's in the Kingdom of God. We are being conditioned now by the Holy Spirit where everyone is flowing together in the gifts. Saints, let us labor together for the common cause and let it be the real.

More people have been brought into the church by the kindness of real Christian love than by all the theological arguments in the world, and more people have been driven from the church by the hardness and ugliness of so-called Christianity than by all the doubts in the world. John 13:35 reads "By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another."

#### **The Foundation Stone of Love**

Beloved, the visitors in church may not be able to explain it or define it, but they know when LOVE is there and when it is not. It would not hurt us one bit to back off the hammer and let another driver enter from an exit ramp for what are we to gain by placing him and others in harm's way? God help us to work together and bring love and unity back into this great industry and especially the church! We are entering a time of unity in the body of Christ. Beloved, we are no accident, and we did not come from a tree or crawl out of the ocean. Nobody has our DNA or our fingerprints.

Beloved, we each have a lot to fill in God's eternal plan and purpose. Nobody else can do what we were chosen to do, there is no room for jealousy to be in our ranks. God needs all kinds of people to reach all the different cultures and ethnic groups in our world. We need to start caring for one another and quit being selfish and isolated. We must have the right attitude toward God and our fellow men. We the body of Christ are bound by the precious blood of the Lord Jesus Christ and not doctrines or denominations. Saints, we make up the body of Christ and are blood brothers and sisters in Christ. Saints, we need to realize that we are in a fight between good and evil. There is an enemy who is bent on our destruction. The enemy loves for us to fight among ourselves. If we are in a fight, and we are not fighting each other then we must realize that we need to fight together as one colossal body. Saints, when we align ourselves to fight together, we will experience a spiritual strength and become a powerful force to be reckoned with as we flow together in unity. Beloved, let me tell you that there is a powerful strength and force found when we come and unite together in unity.

Beloved, as we flow together in unity, we will see the power and love of God begin to spread all around us. I know I already used this in this study but for some reason the Spirit of God is directing me to reemphasize it again. The enemy knows this and that is why he tries to bring division. I have always said that if a brother or sister draws a circle and leaves you out, swallow your pride and draw a bigger circle bringing them in. God wants us to prosper and flow in the body as children of faith and power. He wants us to live circumspectly in this cruel world making the most out of every opportunity. When we miss an opportunity, it cannot be reclaimed. Every moment is a precious gift from God. God wants us to manage our time and invest it in something worthwhile. Saints, did you know that there is strength in working together? In Ephesians the 5th chapter, Paul speaks of redeeming our time and managing it wisely. Too many have the mistaken idea that the building is the church. Beloved, God's Son Jesus is not coming back for buildings, but for a bride that hath made herself ready.

Beloved, we are not here to fill up space, nor are we here to build our own kingdom but are here to be an influence in a fallen world that is full of confusion and hate. We are to be an influence but not let the world system influence us. We find in Jude verses 20, 21, 22 & 23 20. (But ye beloved, building up yourselves on your most faith, praying in the Holy Ghost) 21. (Keep yourselves in the love of God, looking for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ unto eternal life.) 22. (And of some have compassion, making a difference and others save with fear pulling them out of the fire; hating even the garment spotted by the flesh.) Saints, it would be like a young boy throwing star fish back into the ocean when hundreds are scattering the beach. Someone would say, "you can't make a difference for there are hundreds washed upon this beach." The young boy would reply, "it will make a big difference in the ones I am throwing back."

## Chapter 14 DON'T CHASE THE DOVE AWAY



This book would not be complete if I did not expound upon some things that can not only interrupt the flow of God's Spirit in a service but also hinder us in our Christian walk as children of the most-high God. First let me explain why I was led of the Lord to use the dove in the title of this chapter as a reference to God's Spirit and God's abiding presence. I have taken the liberty to provide you with several references concerning the dove as used in the holy scriptures, and we all remember it was the bird sent out by Noah to see if the water had receded from the Earth.

*Genesis 8:8-12* - Then he sent forth a dove from him, to see if the waters had subsided from the face of the ground. But the dove found no place to set her foot, and she returned to him to the ark, for the waters were still on the face of the whole earth. So, he put out his hand and took her and brought her into the ark with him. He waited another seven days, and again he sent forth the dove out of the ark. And the dove came back to him in the evening, and behold, in her mouth was a freshly plucked olive leaf. So, Noah knew that the waters had subsided from the earth.

Beloved, the dove is recognized as a symbol of purity. Many times, the dove can be found pictured carrying the olive leaf as a symbol of peace, and purity. In God's word, we find the dove being used as a symbol of purity. Beloved, <u>the words listed below help define</u> the word purity and are as follows?

{morality · goodness · righteousness · rectitude · saintliness piety · honor · honesty · integrity · uprightness · decency worthiness · ethicality · blamelessness · guiltlessness · innocence · chastity · sinlessness · spotlessness}

The dove can be found in the book of Luke to describe the Holy Spirit coming upon Jesus when he was baptized by the Apostle John in the Jordan river with a voice speaking out of Heaven, "This is my beloved Son in whom I am well pleased." **Luke 3:22** And the Holy Ghost descended in a bodily shape like a dove upon him, and a voice came from heaven, which said, thou art my beloved Son; in thee I am well pleased. According to Easton's Bible Dictionary the Dove and turtledoves were the only birds that could be offered in sacrifice, as they were considered to be clean which according to the Old Testament or Mosaic law which was handed down from God himself, could be sold and offered for sacrifice. (Genesis 15:9) (Leviticus 5:7; 12:6) Luke 2:24). The dove was the harbinger of peace to Noah (Genesis 8:8 Genesis 8:10). It is often mentioned as the emblem of purity (Psalms 68:13). It is a symbol of the Holy Spirit (Genesis 1:2; Matthew 3:16; Mark 1:10; Luke 3:22; John 1:32 ); also of tender and devoted affection (Cant 1:15 ;2:14 ). David in his distress wished that he had the wings of a dove, that he might fly away and be at rest (Psalms 55:6-8). There is a species of dove found at Damascus "whose feathers, all except the wings, are literally as yellow as gold" (68:13).

Beloved, it is no secret that through the pages of Church history, God has allowed his Holy Spirit to empower and use people of God in mighty services where miracles and healings occurred that caused medical doctors to stand in awe. Church, I have great respect for these patriarchs of our faith who paved the way for us to read about their life experiences with the God of the bible and develop within our own hearts a hunger to experience God's presence in our own life.

These powerful men and women of God allowed the Lord to use them to leave his signature through them to future generations including us today. They left behind some profound revelations and eyewitnesses who themselves have experienced a oneon-one covenant relationship with the Living God of the bible. These patriarchs all agreed that He is the same today as He was in bible days, and he desires to be found. The lives lived by these saints, is a treasured map that leads to a treasure buried in a remote hidden place just waiting for someone to find it and claim it. I am praying that as you read this book that you will explore the depths of God's Spirit in such a way that you will never be satisfied with church in the norm like we have in many settings today. I will now try by the Spirit of God to expound on the strategy and tools of the enemy that can and will hinder the flow of God's spirit in our lives and ministry. Before I expound upon these dangerous schemes of the enemy, let me post for you some scriptures that I think will give us clarity concerning how God feels when we grieve or insult his Holy Spirit.

#### Ephesians 4:30 King James Version (KJV)

### <sup>30</sup> And grieve not the Holy Spirit of God, whereby ye are sealed unto the day of redemption.

*Isaiah 63:10* But they rebelled, and vexed his Holy Spirit: therefore, he was turned to be their enemy, and he fought against them. I was able to find what I believe is a good outline concerning God's Spirit and how we can grieve or insult his Spirit by (gotquestions.org) and I placed them below for us to glean from. Beloved, this study will help understand where I am going in this chapter concerning the sins of the flesh that will hinder the flow of God's Spirit in our life and ministry. What does it mean to grieve & quench the Holy Spirit and why did God say that if we do, we can become his enemy? God has a plan to rescue as many as possible from Satan's camp and gather unto himself a people that he would call his family. Beloved, God foreknew who would choose his plan and he also knew that the majority would reject it and be lost forever.

Saints, we were predestined to become his sons and daughters at the cross. He approaches us with the preaching of the cross which encourages us to accept Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord. Our accepting Jesus is the first step in his plan that was predestined for us before the foundation of the world. God demonstrated a desire to save people by his Love, his Grace, and his workmanship in our doing good works to glorify his name in the Earth. We must understand that God's divine plan for us is in the Spirit and his Holy Spirit is in us enforcing this plan as Spiritual law. God's Spirit is the enforcer of Spiritual law. He will take charge and control of the circumstances that surround us and cause natural law to be for or against us. He represents us in Heaven, and we need his classroom. His great reservoir of wisdom and council resides within our spirit just waiting to be released. Saints, we must come to the realization that who we are in the body of Christ, is more important than what we can do and accomplish on our own.

Saints, we may read God's word, but we will not find a book with our name on it however, our purpose and calling can be revealed through the personal inward work of the Blessed Holy Spirit. He knows our purpose and calling for he was in the Father's presence when our life was planned. Beloved, we must realize that God knows us, and we are important to him. WE must also realize that life matters because God loves us. Dear reader, there is no room for depression and loneliness if we understand that God loved us enough to send his son to die in our place that we through faith might become the sons of God and be adopted into his royal family and become an heir with God and joint heirs with Jesus Christ. Church, it is time to come to a life of holiness and walk in the light of God's word. We need to speak his word out loud into the atmosphere that his promises and benefits are working in us. God watches over his word to fulfill it. Listen dear reader, if God cares about the sparrows and knows when one dies, then he cares about you. God cares for the spouses who have lost their partner in life. He cares about the mother who has a son on death roll.

Beloved. God cares about those incarcerated and serving their sentence for their crimes against society and he cares for those who feel that they are all alone. I will now make a humble attempt to expound in the next chapter on the two sins of the flesh that will hinder the flow of God's Spirit in our life and ministry but first let me say this; **People are** important to God, and he does not want us living in bondage but in the power and victory of the cross. Beloved, I will now attempt to explain why we are unique and special to him. Dear reader you are not a mistake but were created to fulfill and accomplish something significant and make a difference in your generation. Out of all the thousands of sperm that was released, God allow you to make it and become a person. You were allowed to experience life because you have a divine purpose for being on this planet. You were created to accomplish something special that no other person on Earth can accomplish, that God may leave his signature through your life. God placed the plans for our life within us when we were born and that is why we are to delight our self in him that he may bring these hidden desires into a reality.

Beloved, every person born on this planet was created to stand out as a unique person. Beloved, they may be from a different culture or nation, but they have a divine purpose. They may be a dictator ruling with an iron fist, but they have a divine purpose. They may be a murderer, a rapist or may be mixed up in their gender but they have a divine purpose and if we view them as to who they are or what they have done then we have failed to see how God sees them. Beloved, we may have been the very one that God would use to help them discover that they are loved with an unconditional love by their creator. Beloved, God allowed them to make the egg and become a person experiencing life because he has a unique plan for their existence on this planet. Saints, the Sin of mankind was dealt a mighty blow by our Savior at the cross. God raised him up for our justification that we could come into his holy presence as one who had no sin. Beloved, we are declared righteous through the blood of Jesus. Beloved, we need to start living as one that knows God from the free pardon of sin and put the devil where he belongs and that is under our feet. Friends: we must never give the devil an inch in our lives. He will lure us to take the bait like an angler trying to catch a fish.

Saints, the devil may make it look appealing but remember, if we do take the bait, it will have consequences and place us in bondage. Beloved, it is time to come to God and come out of irons. I would like to close this chapter with an important question that will help regain our focus and become better Christians. Beloved, what is the source of strength and stability in your life? Dear friend let me say boldly from my years of experience in the gospel ministry that if your trust is placed in anything but the Lord and working to enrich his kingdom then you are beloved, walking on unsteady ground. 1Corinthians 3 verse 11 says "For other foundation can no man lay than that is laid, which is Jesus Christ." The next verses speak of every man's work being tried by fire and if any man's work abide which he hath built thereupon, he shall receive a reward. Church, I know I want to hear my master say "Well done thou good and faithful servant, what about you?

## Chapter 15 THE SINS OF PRIDE AND RACISM

Church, there are two sins of the flesh that will hinder the flow of God's spirit and power in our life, and they are <u>Pride and Racism</u>. Beloved, before we go any farther in this chapter, let me please ask you some questions that will set the atmosphere for this important study.

- Did you have anything to do with what era in history you would be born?
- 2. Did you have any say as to what gender you would be and who your parents would be?
- 3. Did you have anything to do or say concerning what nationality or what race you would be born into?
- 4. Did you have anything to do or say concerning the gifts that would be placed within you at birth?

This dear reader is why God hates a proud look because as you discovered earlier in this study that out of the billions of people on this planet, "no one is like you." No one has your brain waves, your DNA, your fingerprints and your gifts that is why we have no right to place our self as being superior to another person here and abroad. I want to place the definition of pride for us to view and see if any of these traits identify in us and if they do then we need to quickly repent before God and ask him to cleanse us with his blood according to John 1 v9.

**Pride-** is an inwardly directed emotion that carries two antithetical meanings. With a negative connotation pride refers to a foolishly and irrationally corrupt sense of one's personal value, status or accomplishments, used synonymously with hubris. With a positive connotation, pride refers to a humble and content sense of attachment toward one's own or another's choices and actions, or toward a whole group of people, and is a product of praise, independent self-reflection, and a fulfilled feeling of belonging.

In Judaism, pride is called the root of all evil. In Christianity, pride is the original and most serious of the seven deadly sins, the father of all sins. Philosophers and social psychologists have noted that pride is a complex secondary emotion which requires the development of a sense of self and the mastery of relevant conceptual distinctions (e.g. that pride is distinct from happiness and joy) through languagebased interaction with others<sup>[2]</sup> Some social psychologists identify the nonverbal expression of pride means of sending а functional. as а automatically perceived signal of high social status.<sup>[3]</sup> In contrast, pride could also be defined as a lowly disagreement with the truth. One definition of pride in the former sense comes from St. Augustine: "the love of one's own excellence".<sup>[4]</sup> A similar definition comes from Meher Baba: "Pride is the specific feeling through which egoism manifests."<sup>[5]</sup>

<u>Dear reader, if you have read this chapter and</u> <u>meditated on its truths, you are on your way to a</u> <u>revival within your soul that will surely not be able to</u> <u>be contained.</u> Let me now expound upon the scheme the enemy of our soul is using to divide our churches including our Nation and that sin is **Racism.** I want to also state that this is not something we are born with but is a hellish taught behavior that has no place in the body of Christ.

The Azusa Street revival in 1906 that touched the world was started when some white people in Los Angeles was praying for a move of God. The Lord heard their prayer and directed a black man by the name of with a patch over one eye to their residence late at night. The black people were under a curfew and were forbidden to be out at that time of the night. There was knock at their door and there stood a black man. When they asked what he wanted, he replied, you been praying for revival and God directed me to come here. The Azusa Street Revival was a historic Pentecostal revival meeting that took place in Los Angeles, California and is the origin of the Pentecostal movement. It was led by William J. Seymour, an African American preacher. It began with a meeting on April 9, 1906 and continued until roughly 1915.

The Azusa Street Revival was led by William J. Seymour, an African American preacher. This mighty revival was characterized by spiritual experiences accompanied with testimonies of physical healing miracles, worship services and speaking in tongues. The participants were criticized by the secular media and Christian theologians for behaviors considered to be outrageous and unorthodox, especially at the time.

Today, the revival is considered by historians to be the primary catalyst for the spread of Pentecostalism in the 20th century. Near the end of this great outpouring of God's Spirit, the white people began to complain about the worship of whites and blacks together. The persecution became so great that the Azusa Street mission was deserted by the whites and became a mostly black church. The fires of revival that swept the world had been hindered as racism once again grieved the flow of God's Spirit.

Dear reader, how can we as a people that had no say as to when we would be born, what gender we would be or even what race God would allow us to be born into, think that we frail human beings being dependent upon God for our next breath, can believe that we or our race of people can be superior to another? Beloved, God is the one that carefully chose and planned when, where, and what race we would be born into that we may experience life to fulfill his divine purpose on Earth. Beloved, one day all of us will stand in front of him the giver of life, and give an account of the life we lived whether it be good or bad. Beloved, the enemy's plan is to divide and conquer as holds true the old saying "United we stand and Divided we Fall?" Saints, I could write many chapters on this subject but even the late A. A. Allen and my Apostle Don Stewart suffered persecution. Apostle **Don Stewart** grew up with and was mentored by the late A. A. Allen. Later, Don began preaching in some of Allen's meetings here and abroad. Both of these brave men encountered protests and faced courts for having mixed multitudes in their services.

Church, thank God for these two great men of God who saw all men and women as human beings made in the image and likeness of almighty God with a divine purpose for their life on this planet. Dear reader, I think you can agree with me that this world and especially this Nation desperately needs a move of God to bring a correction and a reverential fear upon us. Beloved, I am talking about the cleansing fire of God that would cause us to put aside our differences and come together in unity of the faith for in psalms 133 God spoke volumes concerning unity among the believers. King James Version (KJV)

Psalms 133 Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity! <sup>2</sup>It is like the precious ointment upon the head that ran down upon the beard even Aaron's beard: that went down to the skirts of his garments. <sup>3</sup>As the dew of Hermon, and as the dew that descended upon the mountains of Zion: for there the LORD commanded the blessing, even life for evermore. Church, Pride and Racism are hindering blocks to a true revival and there is no room for it to exist in the life of a true Christian therefore churches and religious organizations that send their missionaries into other countries and rejoice over their pictures being took with other races but refuse to allow other races to attend their church are not of God and are caught up in pride and religious bigotry.

Racism is a taught behavior and God will have No part of it for Proverbs the 6<sup>th</sup> chapter states that God hates a proud look. My question again is how one can claim to know God and be a part of something that God hates with a passion. Dear reader, until we see people the way God sees them and realize if they miss heaven, that their soul will be a part of God that he can never get back, beloved, we will be missing the chance to experience the fires of a life changing revival where lives can be changed for eternity. Beloved, let us contend for the faith and agree on the virgin birth, the death, burial and the resurrection of our Lord and Savior who gave his life for all races, creeds, and people that they may be rescued from the rebellion of Satan and be adopted into the family of God.

**Racism** (**Wikipedia**)- Is the belief in the superiority of one race over another, resulting in discrimination and prejudice towards people based on their race or ethnicity. Today, the use of the term "racism" does not easily fall under a single definition.

The ideology underlying racist practices often includes the idea that humans can be subdivided into distinct groups that are different due to their social behavior and their innate capacities as well as the idea that they can be ranked as inferior or superior.

The Holocaust which led to the genocide of many millions of people was based on an ideology of racial hierarchy and is a well-known historical example of institutionalized racism including the apartheid regime in South Africa, as well as slavery and segregation in the United States.

Beloved, Racism was also an aspect of the social organization of many colonial states and empires. While the concepts of race and ethnicity are separate in contemporary social science, the two terms have a long history of equivalence in both popular usage and older social science literature.

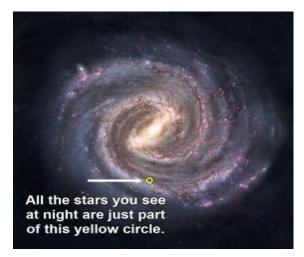
"Ethnicity" is often used in a sense close to one traditionally attributed to "race": the division of human groups based on qualities assumed to be essential or innate to the group (shared ancestry or Saints. shared behavior). racism. and racial discrimination are often used to describe discrimination on an ethnic or cultural basis. Church. let us not get caught up in the religious system we have today and let us strive to treat all men with love. respect and honor. I assure you beloved that this will get God's attention and he will send the dove of his Spirit into our life and ministry. Dear Lord, I ask you to use this book to awaken our inner man and bring us to unity and harmony that will bring a move of God that will bring deliverance and healing to our nation. God, please bring us to a place of brokenness over our sin. Lord, we have come to realize through this study and through your word that there will be no revival until we see our goal as the pursuit of Jesus, and we see ourselves in the light of the image of Christ. Lord, may we with this revelation, fall on our faces and say, "O God, I cannot go this way anymore.

Saints, help me cry out from the bottom of my heart, dear Lord, I cannot think these thoughts, I cannot feel these feelings, I cannot flirt around with this sin," and dear Lord, I repent before you and ask that you remove my transgressions from me.

Dear Lord, I ask that you remove any sin off my blood line. Lord if I have inherited anything that does not glorify you, take it from me, my family, my children, and my children's children. Satan, I detest you and do not want anything you have to offer, and you now have no grounds against me. Lord, according to Psalms 103 I remind you of your word that says, "as far as the east is from the west, so far hath he removed our transgressions from us!"

Dear Lord, bend me and cleanse me with fresh fire and send us a soul cleansing, life changing revival in our heart and in our country. Lord, we thank you for hearing us and we ask this in Jesus mighty name. <u>A-MEN.</u>

# Chapter 16 THE FIFTH DIMENSION



Saints, I do not know where to begin with this chapter as it will be beyond anyone believing it could occur. I titled this chapter the fifth dimension because I believe it is the time and the season for the supernatural. The Wikipedia states that "the fifth dimension is a space with 5 dimensions, or the fourth dimension of time used in relativity physics." Einstein taught on time and physics. It has to do with us becoming aware that God placed no limits or boundaries concerning how far we may go in the Spirit.

Saints, did you know the prophet Ezekiel in in chapter 47 verse 5 speaks of the depths of the Spirit as being a river that no man can pass over. Church, God is not bound or confined by the laws that govern this planet and sometimes He allows His greatest creation to cross into a spiritual realm where the Spiritual law will override the natural law. Beloved, t is as though time sometimes seems as if it is standing still and the laws and elements set in place to govern this planet must give way to God and His word operating through His chosen vessel in this realm. Beloved, I speaking about supernatural events and am happenings that I have witnessed in my own life and ministry. It all started when I was barely ten years old as I was attempting to read my Bible in the place that my late grandfather had used in his sermon at the Methodist church where is was pastor. I was reading in the book of Revelation concerning the city that sits upon the seven mountains. I had no sooner read it that a voice spoke out in the room and spoke. "That is Rome Italy?" Beloved, I became frightened not knowing who or what was in the room with me.

Saints, I started paying more attention to my granddad's sermons and developed a keen interest in God's word. I wanted to learn more about a Creator that was so interested in me. I would steal away by myself and ask Him to reveal Himself to me and tell Him that I wanted to meet him. It was not long till I had an encounter that scared me so bad I gave up on wanting to meet Him. One night in my room I had my Bible open, and it was as if a man was wetting his finger to turn the pages and they started turning like this without anyone near the Bible. I became frightened and begged the unseen fingers to stop and it did for a long time. Later in my adult years, God began to use me in healing and the supernatural. Beloved, I remember one occasion somewhere in the mountains of Virginia this unseen hand showing up again. A local pastor there and his son in law had asked me to accompany them to an old run-down church in the mountains to pray. Beloved, the church was not in good shape, and I noticed a hornet's nest on the church corner. During this time, I was praying up to four and five hours a night while driving my eighteen-wheeler.

Beloved, this hornets' nest was about eye level, and I knew the son-in-law needed an encounter with God. I felt led to walk over and look at these creatures of God sitting on their nest. I walked over and looked at them up close and they never offered to move. I felt led to pray and we dropped to our knees in prayer. I remember quoting some scripture from the ground and by the time we stood on our feet the wind had increased in intensity. I begin to relate to these ministers how God had turned the pages in my Bible several times in my life and wondered if He would do it in front of them. Suddenly, the wind began to turn the pages in my Bible but what really got my attention is that when they stopped turning, they had stopped on the scriptures that I had quoted while in prayer.

Saints, I do not believe this book would hold all the stories and occasions God has used me in the other realm. Beloved, I remember an occasion where an eye doctor had informed me that all his test results point to the fact that Glaucoma had started to take root in my eyes.

Saints, I got mad and preached out of his office even ending up in his waiting room saying, "No doctor, that is only a delusion, and that mess does not exist in my body because I do not live or operate in the fallen kingdom that Satan dwells in through the fall of Adam. Church, I went on to preach that I live and operate in the established kingdom of God claiming the victory of the covenant God made with His Son. The good doctor asked me to calm down and show up the next morning at his other office located in the hospital and he would run the same tests there, but he also informed me he thought it was a waste of time and money. Saints, I made a few phone calls but knowing and reflecting on the mighty miracle services where the presence of God moved to do mighty healings. I showed up the next morning and allowed the doctor to run his tests. At the conclusion of his findings, the good young doctor came in and sit beside me and said, "I don't understand but what was showing up yesterday is not there. today." Saints, what if I had allowed the results of the first test to influence my thinking? The enemy would have had a field day with me diminishing my faith but again, I am not moved by what I see but by what the Spirit of God has to say within me through His word.

Beloved. I have suffered some tremendous losses and endured many trials even losing my earthly father and later my own mother who was killed in an automobile accident. It was during this time beloved that I was involved in an accident while driving my eighteen-wheeler with a young mother deciding to use the side of my trailer to end her life. Beloved, this and many more trials including divorce came my way all within three years' time but let me tell you that God was right by my side through it all. He later brought me out with an anointing and an unshakable faith. I did not want to place this in this book, but we just need to hold on to our faith and not allow the pressures of life on the outside to get on the inside. It was during this time that alarms would be activated if I showed up after hours in businesses, including several Walmart's located in different cities. One time when I was a young preacher, one of my old mentors had died and I often would visit his grave in a lonely countryside to be alone with God. Beloved, I remember on one occasion that I was disturbed about some things and visited this man of God's grave.

Beloved, the grave was located on a hillside a good distance from a nearby church. I crossed the field and entered the bottom of the graveyard and decided to pray. I began to relate to God how this man had been used by Him to touch my life and that I missed him terribly. Suddenly, I heard a noise in the nearby woods and a small twisting wind tunnel was making its way out of the woods bringing leaves and twisting them in a circle. Beloved, as if guided by an unseen hand, the wind tunnel made its way across the graveyard and stopped on top of the man of God's grave. It stayed there for a few minutes, and I felt the urge to open my Bible. Beloved, my bible opened to Paul speaking in 2 Corinthians chapter 12 verses 2 and 3 concerning a man being called up into the third heaven. God was informing me that this man of God was with Him, and I had all I need to finish my course. I remember another incident that took place at a tent revival in Virginia that got my attention. The Lord had a small twister appear in front of my pulpit twisting papers from songs and bibles in a circle scaring me and those attending the service out of our wits.

Beloved, the Lord knew there was a man in the congregation that had plans to kill and burn down the house of one of the worshipers there. This supernatural occurrence caused this man to run to these people begging their forgiveness. I will share two more supernatural happenings and one I do not expect you to believe, but God as my witness, every word in this book is true. I had suffered severe trials and was at the Flying J truck stop in Oklahoma City doing my laundry when I noticed a heavy-set woman in the laundry room on her laptop. I was taking my clothes out of the dryer when this woman left the room leaving her purse and laptop there with me. When she returned, I begin to make conversation with her and point out how she could be without a laptop and purse if I had not been in the room. She showed no expression as I begin to inform her that I was a minister, and she should not make foolish mistakes like that. Beloved, with a smile, she informed me that God had told her who I was and that she was a chaplain at the local prison.

Beloved, I walked into the nearby TV room which was vacant and sat in one of the chairs, when suddenly, my phone came on in my shirt pocket all by itself then suddenly the electricity in the building went off and came back on. Beloved, I took my phone out and noticed it was charging by itself. I stood up to show the chaplain and it stopped. I sit back down, and it started again until it got to where it would not only do it in my truck, but it would do it if I was in the same building. This went on for a little over a month and was witnessed by over fifty people from coast to coast. Beloved, I once had the thought that maybe the government had something to do with it but knowing and experiencing God like I have, I soon dismissed that thought. I remember visiting my mother-in-law that was a powerful pastor and asked her to witness the phone charging itself. I made it a point to remove the battery then insert it in front of her and it came on saying phone was off but charging. She began to praise God in front of her husband and Son shouting, I know it is the end time now and Jesus is soon coming to get his children.

Dearly beloved, do not limit God because he can do more that we can even ask and think because he spoke everything seen and unseen into existence. This next story may be too much for some, but it happened, and I think about it even today with all the new viruses appearing etc. Later, maybe a month later, I dropped the phone that had been charging itself and broke the face in three places. I remember taking a little screwdriver used for tightening the screw in glasses and sticking it through the holes that the fall had made in the phone. I also remember that my load was taking me through Oklahoma City, and I wanted to take the broken miracle phone inside the truck stop and reflect on the day it all started with the overweight chaplain. Saints, I was already nearing the exit and decided to reach down and pick up the phone. As I reached for the phone, I noticed that there was something different about the feel of the face. It did not have sharp edges and I am puzzled to this day that this phone had a brand-new face. All I can say is God is God and He is the Supreme Majesty who created all things with His word. I don't understand this, but I will say it has strengthened my faith.

Beloved, it strengthened my faith to not fear anything seen or unseen and trust Him who has all power to finish the work He started within me and bring me to a good end. Dear reader, are you still hungry for more of God and do you wish to have a living relationship with him in the here and now?

Dear reader, are you like me and in your divine moments with the Lord can you say, "Lord I want to know you in the power of your resurrection?"

Beloved, I don't want to get to Heaven and discover that I could have experienced more in this life that could be used to set people free from all the bondages and schemes of the enemy. Beloved, is this your desire and prayer too, then may I ask you to stop and ask yourself an important question?

Beloved, what is the **source of strength and stability in your life**, if it is anything but the Lord, then you are walking on unsteady ground.

- 1. The Lord never changes.
- The LORD is the Everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the Earth.
- He will not grow tired or weary, and His ways are higher than ours.
- 4. He gives strength to the weary and increases the power of the weak.

Beloved, it is an established fact that even youths grow tired and weary, and young men stumble and fall, but those who hope in the LORD will renew (exchange) their strength for his. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary; they will walk and not faint as warriors in their Christian walk. Beloved, one does not need a physic or horoscope to predict their future, all they need do is delight themselves in the Lord and look at what lies within. Our future is not ahead of us as some would think but it was placed within us at birth. Sometimes, God allows us to suffer and be put in a no-win situation that we are unable to conquer. This is better equipping us to comfort others and put our trust more in Him. Beloved, I have found that when I have come out of a severe trial, that I will have more of the anointing of God on my life and ministry. Dear reader, I had most of my supernatural experiences with God even being allowed to meet His Angels on the road while enduring some of the greatest hardships and trials that life can offer. From experience I can say we should learn from the test and remember, greater is He that is within you than He that is in the world. Saints, we are anointed to go through the trial before hand because

Beloved, God has anointed us for the position before He places us in it. He is not going to place you in the situation then anoint you when you get in it for you have been prepared and anointed for the position before you arrived. You, dear Saint, will be the one with new ideas and able to solve problems that will arise because of the one that lives within you. I am talking about the one that knows the end from the beginning. The enemy of our soul does not realize that the more he is allowed to test you, the more power you are going to have with God when God's grace brings you out on the other side.

Beloved, there is no such thing as skipping over the mountains tops without going through a valley. Saints, what I am trying to say is that the valley experience is like doing your regular exercises which strengthen the muscles. Beloved, are you ready to walk with and experience the God of the bible like never then beloved, what are you waiting on? Church, pray that you will be counted worthy to be a faithful soldier of the cross of Jesus Christ? Church, are you now ready to flex your muscles and experience more of God? Beloved, endure hardness as a good soldier and when life gives you a lemon, make lemonade and remember, God is a God that is more than enough. Beloved, Stretch your faith and sow in the fifth dimension. Jesus has left us with talents and abilities that he expects us to do something with. He expects us to use those precious gifts to multiply the Kingdom. Beloved, we that make up the body of Christ on the Earth, are to pray for, esteem and edify our fellow brothers and sisters in Christ. One great thing about our God is that he has not left us without a comforter and guide. Beloved, Jesus did not leave us with the Great Commission helpless to carry it out.

Beloved, God has given talents and gifts that can be used to accomplish the task we have been commanded to do. Saints, we must realize that our ministry is legitimate only if it reflects and represents Christ in all His offices. It must reflect on His name and eternal redemptive purposes in ministering to the lost, broken, and oppressed peoples of the world. If we are going to have a life-changing revival in our time, we are going to have to place our emphasis on the Lordship and person of the Lord Jesus Christ. Our prayer should be that God would place the zeal of His missionary spirit deep within our hearts. Our first and foremost ministry in what we are called to do in this hurting world should be our worship to the Living God. We gain a great deal of whom we are and the bond that holds us together through the way we worship. Beloved, worship moves us past this earthly realm which consists of time and space and allows us to enter the eternal realm where God is. There we discover God's purposes of reconciliation to a lost and hurting world.

Throughout the history of Christianity, God has always had a people seeking for more of Him and His word. These precious pilgrims have pushed to get behind the veil and explore the meaning of spirit baptism and spiritual gifts. God has chosen His church as the vehicle to extend His Kingdom in the earth. Beloved, if we are to see a much-needed move of God especially in this end time, we are going to have to get real with a real God. God's highest revelation is in His son Jesus Christ. He is the express image of the invisible God. He is the radiance of God's glory and being. I started to title this chapter "the pursuit of purity or holiness."

Saints, we must realize that revival and the pursuit of holiness go hand in hand. When we conduct a thorough study of revival and church history, we discover that God always brings to light the hidden sin in the life of the believer. God must bring us to the place of brokenness over our sin. Beloved, there will be no revival until we make our goal the pursuit of Jesus, and we see ourselves in the light of His image. Today, we see the decay of morals in our weakening society and the drifting away from God and His word. Beloved, no serious Christian should ever question the need for a mighty, heaven-sent soulsearching revival that will shake the present Church to its foundations.

Beloved, the result will be an ushering in of a spiritual cleansing and empowering that will turn our nation around so that our present way of life will be seen as totally unacceptable to a Holy God. Beloved, when the true cleansing fire of God falls, it will strip away anything unholy and those pretending to be something they are not. It will unmask the false, expose worked up flesh and enthrone Jesus as Lord and King. **A-MEN**.

## Chapter 17 THE MISSION AHEAD



2 Chronicles 7:14 reads as thus, "If My people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves, and pray, and seek My face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land."

Saints, the world is looking for something that is life changing and something that can be seen. The world knows that things such as our economy and weather patterns are out of sync. Without true sold-out Christians, the world is void of information about God's expectations of us as His followers, and of His agape love. It seems today that God's people are asleep in their pews with their religious traditions and lethargy. The word of God states that ''*Righteousness exalts a nation, but sin is a disgrace to any people.*'' The church leadership should be held accountable for any misinterpretations of God's word and not make excuses when they fall.

Church, God is looking for His people to have and maintain an intimate relationship with him. A lot of preachers today are teaching, but they are not reaching souls. God's people understand that by humbling themselves in prayer and devotion, they are denying themselves as they humbly take up their cross and follow righteousness. This humbling would involve spending time in God's word. Beloved, God will bring revival to us and for us when we obey His voice and not be distracted by other voices that are misleading and seductive. Beloved, the enemy of our souls will tremble if we make up our mind to position ourselves for revival and get serious about doing God's business. Church, Satan will fight on every front to prevent us from touching the throne room of God with our prayers. Saints, we have discovered in this study that there is a price to pay to experience a true move of God. Beloved, we offer ourselves as a living sacrifice, and we are that sacrifice. Beloved, God's promises hold true, and he is not reluctant to hold back any good thing from us. Saints, the holy move of God will cost us long hours and sleepless nights.

Beloved, let us strive to get into a spirit of prayer as He burdens our hearts for dying souls. Saints, victory comes as we begin to obey the prompting of God's spirit and allow the Holy Spirit to direct our lives and ministry.

#### Church, it is time for the final revival!

Beloved, the next heaven-sent revival will defy science and medicine because the time has come where the medicinal has lost its power to heal us. I once wrote a journal entitled "Dwelling in the Secret Place." Beloved, when we abide in the secret place with God, we are hidden from the enemy and the enemy cannot touch us. Beloved, there is a place in God where the forces of darkness cannot prevail against us. Church, it is in this secret place that we find that we can pray effectively in the power of the Holy Spirit without fear because "God has not given us a spirit of fear but of power, of love and a sound mind."

Beloved, God's word teaches that we can overcome the works of darkness through the abiding and indwelling presence of Christ within us. Beloved, God gives us an indwelling strength to meet every challenge that may befall us. Saints, remember to keep prayer alive in your hearts because prayer will command the forces of hell to stand still.

Saints, I had an interesting phone call this morning August 6, 2021, concerning the future of America. The caller said "Jerry, they are working to close our nation down and bring in their one world order." I calmly replied to the minister that I do not wish to think this way for we are no different now than we were when the Wesley brothers arrived on the scene in England. Beloved, prayer, consecration, and dedication caused the Lord to use these two men in the seventeenth century to start a sin awakening revival that changed the course of history. The great reformer George Whitfield that was used of God to evangelize the entire northeast coast was birthed out of their ministry.

Beloved, we find in Ezekiel 22:30 that God is looking for and needs someone to stand in the gap for the land that he would not destroy it and he found none. We need some gap people that will not take no for an answer.

Beloved, God looked for someone among the people who would build up the wall and stand before him in the gap on behalf of the land so he would not have to destroy it, but he found none. The "gap" here represents the danger and impending judgement facing Jerusalem. God's wrath is about to break through in judgment on the sinful city. God found no one who would, in righteousness, intercede on behalf of the city. Beloved, if someone had been willing to "stand in the gap," the destruction of Jerusalem could have been avoided and since no one was available or willing to defend the breach and rebuild the wall, judgment fell. In closing we can go to John the 19<sup>th</sup> chapter and find Pilot declaring to the angry mob, "behold the man." The Apostle John included this by inspiration of the Holy Ghost to show us that in referring to Jesus, God provided the man to stand in the gap the man Christ Jesus. A-men.



WILD BIRDS TAMED BY THE HOLY GHOST

# Are You Hungry for More? Introduction to the Fifth Dimension



**ROWDY CHUA HULSE The Jesus Trucker Dog** (*With Daddy Jerry Hulse*)

Hi everyone, my name is Rowdy, and I am a Jesus Trucker Dog. I have been in all 48 States with my dad, and he takes good care of me. My dad prays a lot and sometimes a powerful presence shows up when he is praying. My dad calls it a visitation from Heaven, and it makes my hair stand up on my back. Hey guys, did you know on one occasion, my eyes even changed from brown to blue and on another occasion, they turned brown to green? I need my time with my dad but sometimes he is on a line preaching or writing a book. I don't know what that presence is, but I know when it shows up, it requires his time especially when he is writing on one of his books. He lets me read the bible with him but usually, I like to lick the pages because if it is that important to him then it must be good for me. We pray together and we love each other but when he is through with everything, I got to have me some daddy time.



**My Eyes Changed Colors** 

People, in this photo my dad was getting a visitation from the Lord, and you can tell something is up from the expression on my face. It feels like all kinds of electricity is surging through our body.

Dear ones, when this supernatural occurrence is taking place, my dad usually gets excited and mutters a language that I cannot understand.



In this photo one of my eyes turned green. This really touched my dad and shows the Lord's sense of humor. Instead of having blue eyes like in the other visitation, but in this one, we were in our truck and one of my eyes changed to green. Dear reader, this is not photo shop, but real pictures taken from our many encounters with Father God. Beloved, I would be scared to death to even think of attempting to alter or photo shop something this sacred.



This photo was taken in a 60-mph windstorm, just before the virus hit. The place was on us 120 just west of Thermopolis, Wyoming. My phone was in a cradle on the dash, and I was doing everything possible to find a safe place to park. Beloved, 40 mph wind gusts will flip a big rig in a hurry. I was praying Lord please send your Angels to hold me on the road.

Well, saints we all know the Lord was not a white Anglo Saxon but was of Jewish descent which would cause him to be born with brown skin. If you look closely, you will see a big brown hand holding my seat. This beloved, gave me more courage to fly across the world and be an International Missionary. Beloved, for many years, I was afraid to fly. In fact, above three years ago on my way to the Philippines to be a guest speaker for Apostle Don Stewart's Anniversary, I got lost in Atlanta airport and had go through the scanners again. As I went through holding my hands over my head, the anointing in my body lit them up. The TSA agents were laughing and pointing the red fireball in my hand out to me. Beloved, I discovered that they were ministers and they eagerly led me back to my gate asking for prayer and some of my books. In closing, after a long 12-hour flight, I arrived safely in Manila, Philippines. People, I made it through a long line and through customs only to be asked by my girlfriend which I had never seen, "Jerry, do you always wear your shoes on the wrong foot?" Beloved in closing it was embarrassing but we got through it.

#### Chapter 18

#### **CONDITIONS OF REVIVAL COVENANT**

Saints, I found this chapter in some of my old notes and wish to print it for you just the way I wrote it several years ago, but it sums up this whole book and I think it speaks volumes. I wish I could say that I wrote it, but it is an awesome piece of study that deserves to be heard!

From the booklet, "When God Stepped down from Heaven." Humbling: "If My people...shall humble themselves ... " Beloved, a true Heaven-sent revival will consist of our humbling before God, before others, and before self. Included in this process will be deep, honest, heart-searching, heartconfession, turning from sin, forsaking of habits, restitution for wrong doings. and complete rededication to God and His work. Praying: "and pray..." By absolute faith in the certainty of God keeping His promise; travailing before God in earnest prayer, even declaring before Him His covenant promise, until He hears from heaven!

Beloved, this kind of praying will not depend upon the amount of support received from others who join you, and neither will it be influenced by those who refuse to join you. Church the foundational basis for this powerful move of God will be the solid fact of God's covenant promise that – if WE will...then HE will hear from heaven!

## Turning: "and turn from their wicked ways..."

Before there can be rededication, there must be renunciation! To have "clean hands and a pure heart" (Psa. 24:4) there must be a "turning away" from anything that could contaminate spiritual life. God is in His holy temple; to approach Him we must needs stand upon holy ground – to do this we must be holy people. It is here where the real heart-searching must take place, for there are many things that represent "wicked ways" in the eyes of God that are perhaps held very lightly in our estimation.

Achan's sin is a very easy one to fall into – the "shekels of silver" and "wedge of gold," the "Babylonian garment" make strong appeals to the "flesh," and it is often a very easy step to yield to these desires and bring them into the "tent" and then cover them up by making excuses to our own conscience (see Joshua, chapter 7). We may cover things up from the eyes of our fellow men, but nothing is hidden from God; and the blessing of God may well depend on not only a clean life, but a clean dwelling place. There may be contaminating "idols" in the home that will have to go before we have completely "turned from our wicked ways." Saints, are we prepared to do that? Are we prepared to wait before God in honest heart-searching until He has revealed every "wickedness" that would hinder, and then and determinedly by the grace of God turn from them, whatever the sacrifice might entail? Then, and then only, shall we stand upon covenant ground, and hear the mighty God of Bible days not only declare: "Call unto Me, and I will answer thee, and shew thee great and mighty things" (Jer. 33:3) –

But we shall also see Him move into action in the greatest spiritual awakening that our land has ever experienced.

We close by quoting these challenging words: "We may organize, we may plan, but until we get on our faces before God and do business with a covenant keeping God, we shall not see revival.

Beloved, we can have our conferences, conventions, and speak of our wonderful times, but what we want and what we need is a fresh manifestation of the mighty power of God that will bring men down in deep conviction to seek the Savior."

#### MY CONCLUSION



Saints, the time for revival is now and we must not miss this great opportunity before us to witness our King rise from His place and bring some order and correction to a society that has lost control of their senses and morals. Let us now begin to lay aside some meals and get our spirit strong that we may be able to do warfare in the spirit realm. Remember, if we feed the flesh, the flesh will get strong and override our spirit but if we deny our flesh, and feed our spirit man daily from God's word, then our spirit man will be the stronger one and we can begin to see things change around us for our good. God has a plan to rescue as many as possible from Satan's camp and gather unto Himself a people that He would call His family. He foreknew who would choose His plan and He also knew that the majority would reject it and be lost forever.

Beloved, we were predestined to become His sons and daughters at the cross. He approaches us with the preaching of the cross which encourages us to accept Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord. Our accepting Jesus is the first step in His plan that was predestined for us before the foundation of the world. God demonstrated a desire to save people by His Love, His Grace, and His workmanship in our doing good works to glorify His name in the Earth.

Beloved, we must understand that God's divine plan for us is of the Spirit and His Holy Spirit is in us enforcing this plan as Spiritual law. His Spirit is the enforcer of Spiritual law. He will take charge and control of the circumstances that surround us and cause natural law to be for or against us. He represents us in Heaven, and we need His classroom. His great reservoir of wisdom and council resides within our spirit just waiting to be released. Beloved, we will not find a book with our name on it but our purpose and calling can be revealed through the personal inward work of the Blessed Holy Spirit. Beloved, He knows our purpose and calling for He was in the Father's presence when our life was planned.

Saints do not place boundaries and limits on God for He is above anything we can imagine with our infinite minds and is able to work behind the scenes to fulfill His purpose on Earth. God has a plan, and he can work with and through whomever he chooses to bring his desire to pass. The word speaks in Revelation concerning the last judgement books will be opened. We also hear the prophecy of Jesus speaking in Hebrews 10 verse 7 of "Then I said I, Lo I come (in the volume of the book it is written of me) to do thy will Oh God.

Beloved, let us together fall on our face before him and say here I am Lord, make my life count and Lord fulfill in my life and ministry what was written in the books before the foundation of the world. Beloved, we must come to realize and accept the fact that God had a plan for us as leaders before we were born, and all our life experiences have been a training ground to fulfill this plan in making us the leaders that will make a difference in our culture and leave a legacy behind for future generations.

Beloved, when we come to the end of this life's journey, we should be so empty from pouring into the life of others that we have nothing left to give and that is one reason my favorite scripture in God's word is Psalms 19 verse 14 "let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in thy sight O Lord my strength and my redeemer."

In Jesus mighty name A-MEN.

### **MINISTER'S TESTIMONY**

## **A MIRACLE FROM GOD**



**SCOTT BATES & DEBBY BATES** ("Don't tithe on what you make, but tithe on what you want to make")

As a musician. I have been blessed to do over 4,600 concerts and have opened for many top groups in the industry. I used to play gospel music back in the 80's and received many awards plus songs on the charts, but as young kids, we didn't know what we wanted and started playing country music. Thankfully, God continued to watch over and bless me. In 2014, I was inducted into the Michigan Country Music Hall of Fame and in 2017, the group I played with won America's Got Talent in the Milwaukee, first place video producers' choice.

In 2018, I was inducted into the Michigan Country Music Hall of Fame with the group I traveled with and received the Lifetime Achievement Award.

In 2019, we won the International Josie Awards in Dollywood, and the list goes on, but without warning, tragedy struck. I fell ill and was diagnosed with bone and prostate cancer which caused me to face heart surgery this year. With my career starting to look bleak, God showed up in my nightmare and gave me another chance to get it right.

With his love burning in my heart, I've made the decision to go back into the ministry of music for his honor and glory. God has blessed me with many talents, and I believe I need to start using those talents for His kingdom and purpose.

My beautiful wife Debby is so happy after witnessing my miracle, that she is excited to venture in ministry with me and testify to the healing power of consecrated prayer.

#### Here's about the miracle...

On September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021, two doctors approached me and my wife with some grim news. "Sir, we found two abnormal veins or arteries in your heart that are possibly clogged, and we have to go in and do surgery to put stents in them". One doctor called it and I quote "an abnormal heart."

Later, two more doctors came in and told me, "Yes, you do have an abnormal heart and we're going in and if we find more than two valves clogged up, we're going to have to open your heart and do open heart surgery to repair the rest of the valves or arteries." Later one final doctor came in and repeated what the other doctor said. My surgery was set for between 2:30pm and 3:30pm. Now I'm scared to death because of possible open-heart surgery. They came in around 2:40pm bypassing me and leaving me in the dark.

To make a long story short, one hour later, I still don't know what's going on? The doctors go speak with my wife and daughter in the waiting room informing them that they could not find anything wrong with my heart. Now let me tell you something peeps, everybody in the world was praying for me. The doctors called it a false positive but we that know God know better.

My wife Debby and I call it <u>A Miracle from</u> <u>God.</u> People, a weird thing happened that day before I went down to surgery, <u>I turned on Facebook and a</u> <u>video came on of a Truck Driver- Preacher named</u> <u>Jerry N Tintin Hulse (they call Guardian Angel.)</u>

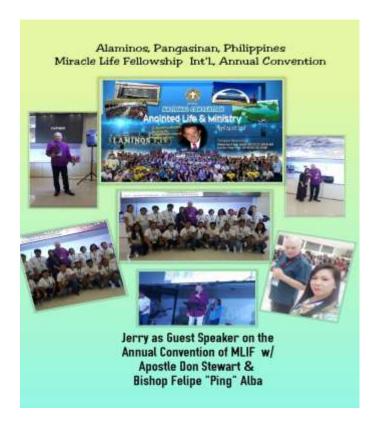
<u>I texted him and he texted me back asking</u> <u>me to call him for prayer. As this trucker prayed,</u> <u>he approached what he called the courts of Heaven</u> <u>and prayed the living devil out of me and said,</u> *"you will have no blocked arteries, and everything* <u>will be fine don't worry about it".</u> People, this is truly a miracle!!!Thank you everybody from the bottom of my heart, no pun intended. People, Prayer works and I'm living proof of it, <u>this is a miracle.</u> At one point the doctors were talking about the two blocked arteries to maybe four or five to open heart surgery, to finding nothing. Yes, this is truly a miracle from God. God has been so good to us. We used to tithe under 10%. But when we stated to tithe 10% and more, is when God started blessing us financially. We started finding money, also Debby received bonuses from her work and just this week alone, we were blessed with \$1,800.00 that people sent to us in the mail.

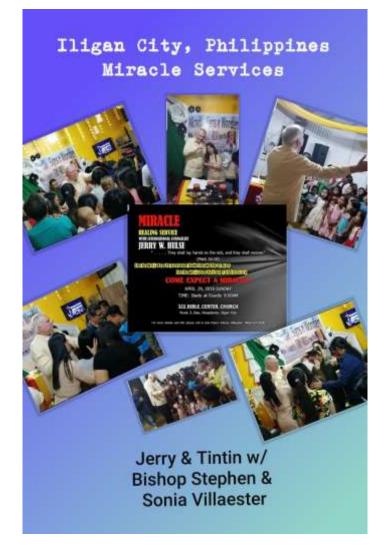
God is so good, and our bills are being paid on time for the first time in years. - **SCOTT & DEBBY BATES** 

## MINISTRY ACTIVITIES

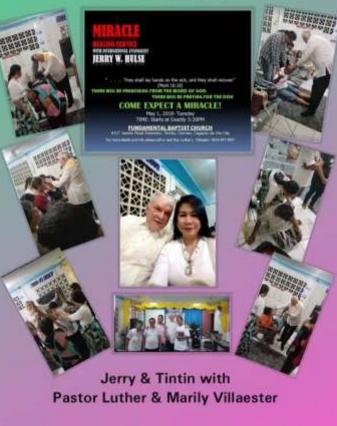
## **Miracle Services, Signs and Wonders**

Here are few commitments and engagements of Evangelist Jerry Hulse last 2018 in the Philippines, namely four cities in the Mindanao area: (1) Alaminos, Pangasinan, (2) Iligan City, (3) Cagayan De Oro, and (4) Masbate City.





# Cagayan De Oro, Philippines Miracle Services



#### Masbate City, Philippines Miracle Services & Church Fellowship



### **MY CLOSING PRAYER**

Father God we come before you in Jesus Name and ask You to give us the Grace of good judgment to keep on making good decisions for we realize that it is a Kingdom Principle. Lord help us to be all we can be for the up-building of Thy Kingdom and give us a life changing revival in our soul, our communities, and our Nation! Dear Lord help us realize that if we have a calling on our life, it is because you choose people that are incapable of producing life qualities on their own that will be acceptable in your sight, but it is possible for You to do it through us when we give You preeminence in our life. Lord, we thank you for loving us and Lord we ask a special touch upon all that will read this book that Your honor & glory be manifested in this work. May Your countenance smile through it: to strengthen the redeemed, and to add souls to Your Kingdom.

LORD, I ask that Your hand be upon it and may Your HOLY SPIRIT'S presence anoint this work. Father, I ask you, to charge Your ministering angels as posted guards, removing any hindrances that would come against this work. God, I pray You use this work to show the people that You are the unchanging God, in Jesus' mighty name I pray, **A-MEN**.

### **ABOUT THE AUTHOR**

Visionary Evangelist JERRY W. HULSE, is known throughout the world as the Truck Driver Preacher "*The Guardian Angel.* "The Lord has used Jerry to be both Founder and President of Withered Hand Ministries Inc. Withered Hand is a non-profit **501c3 ministry** chartered in the state of Tennessee." Jerry is the Co-Founder and Chairman of the Board with **Withered Hand Ministries Philippines; Inc.** Evangelist Jerry preaches and teaches the word of the gospel of Jesus Christ to a broad audience of people from all walks of life. Jerry is a Christian Author of many Inspirational and Spiritual books. His books have been freely distributed throughout many inner cities in the USA and can be found in many countries throughout the free world.

Being a Christian Man, Jerry strives to look pass the faults of others and see people with a real need in their life. Jerry both encourages and teaches many he has been blessed to meet how to put their treasured testimonies in a journal including writing their own Christian books. Jerry Hulse recently retired from a 43-year trucking career with 12.5 of those years being with Crete Carrier Corporation based out of Lincoln, Nebraska. Jerry began his career with Crete starting on September 09, 2008 and lasted till March 26, 2021. According to Jerry, <u>Crete has proven to be one of the best all-around trucking companies in America. Jerry</u> is a Trucker with 40+ years over the road experience with a clean safety record.

Jerry strives to be a Man of honesty and Integrity. Jerry strives to live a life that will help make a difference in his environment and community. Jerry has formerly ministered and been successful in Radio and TV ministry which caused him to be known throughout the trucking industry by his CB handle "Guardian Angel" including evangelizing and conducting street ministry in the inner cities. Evangelist Jerry is the original founder of "The Call-In Church Ministries" (*www.thecallinchurch.com*) which is a conference call in line for truckers to meet and have fellowship by phone. Jerry Hulse is an Evangelist that is known to operate in an Apostolic and Prophetic anointing for the kingdom of God. Evangelist Jerry is a recognized chaplain with the Association of Christian Truckers which is an outreach restoration ministry that is geared toward truckers. (*www.acti70.org.*)

Jerry maintains a working relationship with ACT Board Representative Mark Hewitt and regularly speaks with him concerning the aspects of the ministry and their Christian retreat center known as The Road Angel that is located in Brownstown, Illinois. The Road Angel is an on-sight oasis for truckers located on I70 exit 68 between St. Louis and Effingham, Illinois.

Over the years, God has used Jerry to found Guardian Angel Ministries, including the Full Gospel Baptist Association in Bristol, Tennessee.

Jerry successfully In the past, hosted numerous Gospel Radio and TV Shows including: "Two More for Jesus", Johnston City, TN. "Live with Guardian Angel", including successful radio and TV in Church Hill, Tennessee. In the early 1990's, Jerry was featured on radio in Rural Retreat Virginia, Big Tazewell Virginia, Stone Gap, Virginia, and other radio stations Lafayette, Alabama throughout the nation.

Jerry, being a veteran truck driver, has been used of God to make a powerful impact in the trucking community here and abroad with his zeal to win the lost. The CB handle that Jerry uses is "Guardian Angel" and while he travels the road, God is known to use him to perform miracles and lives have been positively affected by the demonstration of the power of God being shown through him.

The non-traditional aspect of his ministry allows him to go into places and retrieve those, who otherwise may be out of reach of other ministries. In this end-time push of the spirit, God is using his warriors, such as Jerry W, Hulse to make an impact throughout the world. His inspirational books have been used of God to touch many and can be found in many countries throughout the world. Jerry W. Hulse is the Co-Founder of Withered Hand Ministries Philippines, Inc. that is based in the Philippines.

Recently in 2017, God made a way for Jerry to be recognized by Don Stewart Ministries and Miracle Life Ministries with Bishop Felipe "Ping" and Nida Alba which helped open doors of opportunity for him in the Philippines. Withered Hand Ministries, Inc. has received many reports from well-known ministers stating that they were greatly touched while reading one of Evangelist Jerry's books. The staff at Withered Hand Ministries, Inc. has created a special page on their website where some of Jerry's books can be downloaded for free and to God be the Glory for every life touched and changed. **A-Men** *www.witheredhand.org.* 

The ministry has invested in a church ministry app through Withered Hand Ministries, Inc. The app was special made for The Call in Church Ministries and we are working with Google to have our app placed on play-store and apple. The app will redirect those that download it to the call-in church webpage and Jerry's personal blog page including his you-tube videos. The QR code for this app can be found in the front pages of this book.

Thank you, dear reader, for taking time out of your busy schedule to read and study this anointed book on the **Spiritual Understanding of the Tithe** and we hope it blesses you as much as it has us. We ask that you keep us uplifted in your prayers and we shall do the same for you and your precious family.

### **OUR ONLINE RADIO PROGRAM**



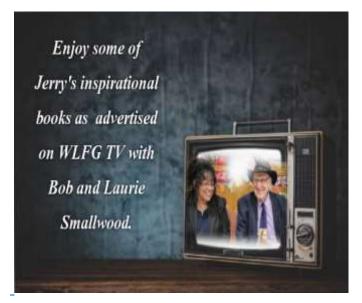
### **Rhema Gospel Express**

Our pre-recorded weekly program is live at 3pm Central and 4pm Eastern Time. You can listen in by downloading the app from play store for the **United Gospel Network**. Give it time to open and scroll through the listed stations and open the tab for Rhema Gospel Express. Most of our programs are recorded live on Fridays at 7pm Eastern on The Call in Church Conference line. www.thecallinchurch.com

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### **MESSAGES/ ENDORSEMENTS**

Evangelist Jerry's books are very popular and in high demand by Bob and Laurie Smallwood from viewers watching their TV program on Living Faith TV in Abingdon, Virginia "Picken time with Bob."



#### **BOB AND LAURIE SMALLWOOD**

## A SPECIAL INVITATION

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Check out the services by pasting the link provided into your browser and get some spiritual help in a dark hour.



## **PASTOR/CHAPLAIN MARK HEWITT** Association of Christian Truckers' Director

"I have known Evangelist Jerry W. Hulse (Guardian Angel) since 1995. God allowed Jerry and I to minister together many times and recently, I had him share as a guest minister at our ACT Jamboree in Illinois. I can tell you that Jerry is a man of God filled with the Holy Spirit and POWER! Jerry is a dear brother, and we talk often, (Iron Sharpens Iron) to build one another up in the faith. Carefully read this book again and again and you will be blessed to receive what it takes to be all that you can be for the Kingdom of God."



The Association of Christian Truckers is a restoration ministry that is in need of Volunteers to come on board that share our vision. If you would like to be with a ministry that is reaching out to our trucking professionals get in contact with Pastor Mark Hewitt today. Whether it is for a few hours, day's weeks, or years, we are looking for believers that are called to become involved in a ministry that is making a difference.

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### SHELDON LIVESAY Director of ONE ACCORD MNISTRY 423-921-8044 office; 423-923-0864 cell

"I have read and agree with everything in this book. I have followed both the history of revival and current revival efforts for the last 50 years. Evangelist Jerry and I have talked about what the next move of God will look like, we agree that God will incorporate his gifts, like healings, to be an important part. We have a lost and dying world that is looking for God to demonstrate to the masses that He is real, and His message of love and salvation has never changed. Paul says this doesn't come through the words of just man's wisdom, but the demonstration of His power showing the world He is everything the book advertises. I believe in this outpouring; however, God will do it in such a way to bring unity and acceptance among all believers. In our region, many churches are seeing salvations and baptizing literally every service. In this book Jerry encourages you to join us in our fervent cry to keep this momentum up until the explosion comes that spreads it nationwide."



## DR. BILL SAWYER PhD, MBA Missionary Evangelist

"Brother Jerry ministered with and alongside me in the Philippines. I assure you - he loves God, preaches with authority & anointing, and lives what he preaches. I know you will be blessed by this book!"



## Pastor CALVIN & Apostle VERONICA MOORE Word of Fire Tabernacle Church Los Angeles, California

"Apostle Veronica and I met Evangelist Jerry three years ago at a Don Stewart workshop in Phoenix, Arizona. There was such an anointing on Jerry that caused us to want to know more about him and we are glad we did. That divine encounter has developed into a beautiful friendship. We count it a blessing to be asked to read and comment on this anointed book dealing with the preparation for life changing revival. We are proud to say that Evangelist Jerry is an anointed man of God with the pen of a ready writer as he takes us into the importance and power of maintaining a close relationship with the Lord through a devoted life of consecrated prayer."

## <u>Congratulations to the Browder's</u> <u>Number 1 Hit: You're Not in This Alone!</u>



### **Tommy Browder**

"Jerry thanks for praying for me at Health South in Kingsport, Tennessee 21 years ago. You didn't know it, but I was at deaths door and JESUS CHRIST brought me back and I'm still going PRAISE HIS NAME." I just turned 70 and the latest doctor repot was that I have the heart of an 18-year-old.

### Matthew Browder

"Jerry Hulse prophesied over me years ago how God was going to use me. It's happened and happening! He has been an encouragement to me and my family. I believe he has a heart for God, his people and God's ministry!"



### PROPHETESS KAREN JAGUAR

"Evangelist Jerry Hulse walks in a powerful anointing of God with signs and wonders following him with strong revelations. Buckle your seatbelt, open your spiritual ears and hear what the Lord is saying to the church (you) in 2021 Revelations 2:29 KJV"



# MINISTER MARK CROUCH Fromer Manager Trinity Broadcasting Station With WCLJ-TV42 at Bllomington & Indianapolis

"I've been friends with Jerry Hulse now for many years. I've also known Jerry to be a devout man of God all those years. Whenever we see each other, our conversation will always center on Jesus and what He has been showing Jerry recently. I've never known anyone who represents our Lord Jesus Christ better than Jerry Hulse. I'm happy to endorse Jerry as a true friend, minister, and man of God. May God Bless you, and may God Bless America".



#### CHIEF APOSTLE DAVID A. MUNGO- PhD

#### Founder/CEO/ President at INTENSIVE CARE MINISTRIES, INTERNATIONAL Founder/Presiding Episcopate at THE GUIDING LIGHT INTERNATIONAL CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP, INC.

"Thank God for a man that knows that you have to have a heart-felt desire for revival in order to have revival. It's a book that's written from the heart to the heart. Treasure each nugget, follow its lead, and revival is guaranteed. Be blessed."



# <u>T. GLEN MOODY, PhD</u> I Love Bookstore & Teas Fort Henry Mall, Kingsport, Tennessee

"I have known Brother Jerry Hulse for many years, and he is the Evangelist on 18 wheels. He shares the Gospel with people in all kinds of life situations all over the U.S. and the world. You can find his inspirational books here in my store."



# JAMAL SEYMOUR GodzMessenger CEO Fir*E*scape Music

"This book is a God divine voice of God's tool to edify, instruct and teach the people of God. It's a must eat so get your aprons, knife, fork, spoons, milk. Let us all eat!" Jerry, God is going to get the glory out of your ministry. Fast, pray and study the word and function how you do. To God be the Glory. Remember, I told you a long time ago, when you wanted to give up, that there were more books in you!



# ELDER JAMES & KAY LOCKHART KROVFM RADIO (<u>KROVFM.COM</u>) & RHEMA GOSPEL EXPRESS 210-884-744

"Let it be known that Brother Jerry W. Hulse is one man we can really thank God for. I personally have known him for about 3 years. I have found him to be a man of faith and he lives his life by faith. If I had to pick someone to be on my team, I would surely pick Brother Jerry Hulse." Congratulations my friend.



## **EVANGELIST BARBARA PITTMAN** Jesus in the Morning Radio Show

"I am writing this correspondence to endorse Evangelist Jerry W. Hulse as a Preacher and Author. Evangelist Jerry has been a guest on Jesus in the Morning radio talk show, which broadcasts internationally every week. The listener's response was great. I support Evangelist Jerry W. Hulse by sharing his anointed works as an Author and Evangelist."



## DR. ARLEEN A. FULLER

(Goodwill Ambassador, Humanitarian, Master Life Coach, Reporter, Entrepreneur, Radio/TV Network)

CEO at Arleen Fuller Entertainment Worldwide, Inc.

CEO at Miracle Deliverance Field Prayer Center Goodwill Ambassador at Kingdom Ambassadors Global Institute, Inc.

CEO at It'samay Coaching and Consulting CEO/ Holistic Health Coach at Transformed to Your Fuller Life "Evangelist Jerry Hulse has been writing books for over 30 years. He has traveled and done revival all over the world proclaiming the Good News. I have known him to be a Man of God, who knows the Word of God and knows how to teach others so that their faith will be increased. God has commissioned him for the End-Time Harvest of Soul, to empower and equip the field workers. I am proud to have him receiving his honorary doctorate degree in my ministry.

We need revival to break out all over the world. It is time for the Remnant of God to connect with one another and build a strong team to annihilate the enemy."- DR. ARLEEN A. FULLER



"I met Jerry W. Hulse in 1994 after singing a song I wrote about him in Illinois called "18 Wheels and Jesus". This recording can be found on YouTube. One of Jerry's friends was at that event and ran to call him about a singer writing a song about him. Jerry lived five miles from me in Tennessee, but I had to go to Illinois to get introduced to him. I heard about his ministry from an 18-Wheeler through a radio & TV personality Bob Smallwood. Lately in 2021 I have been out of work with nerve damage in my hand and arm. Jerry came by ministered to me and my hand regained mobility.

Later around 3am, the scar tissue that was pressing on the nerves in my elbow is gone. God woke me up a short while ago around 3am and I rubbed my elbow, no pain, no thickness, nothing but a normal feeling elbow. I woke Leila up to make sure I wasn't dreaming, and she agreed. Much praising in this house this morning for his goodness. I can put my arm on my chair with no pain nor nerve trouble. This is different from the hand movement. Yes, I'm thanking him even though it doesn't feel like thanks is enough it's what I can do. My inward spirit and soul rejoices and shouts his praise. Here is one of your first healing miracles in this new direction God is taking you. Jesus thank you for Jerry and Tintin for their faithfulness prayers and Godly love toward me and my family. GOD BLESS YOU TWO!! Just had to tell you. Love in Christ. You're welcome to share this story with others if it will help someone. -TONY and LEILA MALONE.



CLIFF BROWN VISION- Gospel Rapper Real Street Ministries, Inc. Fresno, California https://realstreetministries.com/

I met brother Jerry Hulse docking his truck at our warehouse at work. We both shared we were in ministry, He told me about his Truck Ministry, and I told him I'm also ministered through rap and, we been friends ever since. God has blessed this brother with his ministry, and he is what he says he is, a Mighty Man of God. Many blessings brother, may God continue to use you to reach people for the Kingdom. Be blessed.

#### AFFILIATED MINISTRY



## THE END TIME ASIAN MINISTRY WITH VISION AND PURPOSE

Withered Hand Ministries Philippines, Inc.

was birthed from a vision God gave our Co-Founder Jerry W. Hulse in the early nineties. In the vision, God informed Jerry that he had plans in the future for International Ministries to rise through his ministry. Withered Hand Ministries Philippines, Inc is a registered life changing ministry that is making a difference throughout the world. Our leaders are filled with purpose and vision to be an influence in an ever changing world. Dear reader, we have prayed that God will send people like you to this ministry, and we are thankful that He has answered our prayers.

#### **OUR VISION**

Our vision is to acknowledge those who according to today's church may have sinned, fallen away, then later repented and come back in fellowship with the Lord. We believe that they still may have a calling on their life and are capable of being used in the Lord's work. I feel a stirring in my spirit that God is going to use the International Ministry in a mighty way, and I get chills just thinking about the opportunity afforded to me that will allow me to use the gifts the Lord placed in me. I never dreamed that God would entrust me to be a leader in a well-known ministry not in a lifetime but that is why he is the Creator, and I am His Child. I am also thankful that God brought Evangelist Jerry W. Hulse in my life. Words cannot describe the joy and motivation this true Man of God has brought to me. This has been like a dream to me, and I am eager to see where the Lord will take us.

I love all of you and covet your prayers as I embark on this exciting journey. I want to personally thank again my home covering Withered Hand Ministries Inc. for believing in me and seeing the call of God upon my life. I would like to congratulate my Man of God, my mentor, my best friend and my husband in one, for this great work of art, his "masterpiece and life." He invested a lot of effort and time on this book which describes his whole dedication upon his calling. All the experiences (bad or good) made him what he is and where he is right now. There are several things in my life that I am grateful for. I have never been that expressive when it came to saying thank you, so today I am taking this opportunity to say "Thank you God" for bringing Jerry in my life. "Thank you, God," for using this Man of God, your "Chosen One" who is very gifted and anointed and continue using him in Miracles, Healing and Wonders as he stepped up in full ministry after 43 years in trucking industry. He is like a walking encyclopedia of spiritual thoughts. His works and talents are impressive and incomparable.

I never thought I would ever fall in love with this Man of God, but I did. I believed with all the cultural differences we would face a lot of hindrance getting married, but we didn't. He always made things easy for me in all aspects. Thank you for giving me your name despite of the pandemic that the world is facing. To all friends, families, and constituents in ministry here and abroad, thank you for your support and inspirational messages. To God be the Glory!

Dear reader, if God has used this book to touch and enrich your life, please get in touch with us and please look the book up on Amazon and give us a good review. Remember most of our books can be read and downloaded for free from our website

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