

### ***On the Third Day I Shall Be Perfected***

We have been talking about what God wants. He's made a promise to bring the church to His fullness. He has a purpose. He has promised that the Jewish people would see Him in His church and, seeing Him in us, they would know the Messiah. That's important. It's important to God because we see that God came through the Jewish nation. The world saw Jesus come from them. The Apostle Paul said that blindness happened to Israel until the fullness of the Gentiles was come in. In Romans 11, he tells us that we are the wild olive branch and that we were grafted into the tree. He said that God did this because He wants them to be jealous. When they see Christ in us, in the church, they will recognize Him as the Messiah.

In Luke 13, verses 31-35, it says:

*The same day there came certain of the Pharisees, saying unto him, Get thee out, and depart hence: for Herod will kill thee. 32 And he said unto them, Go ye, and tell that fox, Behold, I cast out devils, and I do cures to day and to morrow, and the third [day] I shall be perfected. 33 Nevertheless I must walk to day, and to morrow, and the [day] following: for it cannot be that a prophet perish out of Jerusalem. 34 O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, which killest the prophets, and stonest them that are sent unto thee; how often would I have gathered thy children together, as a hen [doth gather] her brood under [her] wings, and ye would not! 35 Behold, your house is left unto you desolate: and verily I say unto you, Ye shall not see me, until [the time] come when ye shall say, Blessed [is] he that cometh in the name of the Lord.*

So, He said, *Behold, I cast out devils, and I do cures to day and to morrow, and the third [day] I shall be perfected.* We know that Jesus was already perfect. The Bible says that He was tempted in all points yet without sin. He was sinless. The Bible says that though He were a Son, He learned obedience through the things He suffered. He was obedient.

After His statement in verse 32, He turned to Jerusalem, *Nevertheless I must walk to day, and to morrow, and the [day] following: for it cannot be that a prophet perish out of Jerusalem. O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, which killest the prophets, and stonest them that are sent unto thee; how often would I have gathered thy children together, as a hen [doth gather] her brood under [her] wings, and ye would not! 35 Behold, your house is left unto you desolate: and verily I say unto you, Ye shall not see me, until [the time] come when ye shall say, Blessed [is] he that cometh in the name of the Lord.*

The Bible says that a day is as a thousand years. We remember that Peter said that. In the Old Testament, we are told the same thing.

2 Peter 3:8 --

*But, beloved, be not ignorant of this one thing, that one day [is] with the Lord as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day.*

A day with the Lord is as a thousand years. From Adam to Christ was 4,000 years. If 1,000 years is as a day, and a day is as a thousand years, then there are four days from Adam to Christ. It was four days -- 4,000 years. Four is the number of revelation. Jesus came on the fourth day. So, He said, for two days I'll cast out devils and do cures, and on the third day I'll be perfected. That's true, because in the last 2,000 years, through His church, Jesus in us, He has been walking, He has been casting out devils, and He has been doing cures. On the third day, He will be finished. We know that for six days God worked and He finished all of His work, and on the seventh day He rested.

The Book of John is the only Gospel that tells us about the marriage supper. Let's go to John 2:1-10 --

*And the third day there was a marriage in Cana of Galilee; and the mother of Jesus was there: 2 And both Jesus was called, and his disciples, to the marriage. 3 And when they wanted wine, the mother of Jesus saith unto him, They have no wine. 4 Jesus saith unto her, Woman, what have I to do with thee? mine hour is not yet come. 5 His mother saith unto the servants, Whatsoever he saith unto you, do [it]. 6 And there were set there six waterpots of stone, after the manner of the purifying of the Jews, containing two or three firkins apiece. 7 Jesus saith unto them, Fill the waterpots with water. And they filled them up to the brim. 8 And he saith unto them, Draw out now, and bear unto the governor of the feast. And they bare [it]. 9 When the ruler of the feast had tasted the water that was made wine, and knew not whence it was: (but the servants which drew the water knew;) the governor of the feast called the bridegroom, 10 And saith unto him, Every man at the beginning doth set forth good wine; and when men have well drunk, then that which is worse: [but] thou hast kept the good wine until now.*

When was this wedding? On the third day. The third day from what? When you read chapter 1, it is not talking about any days. Chapter 2 starts by saying, “On the third day, there was a marriage in Cana of Galilee.” Who was called to the marriage? That tells us something important. Both Jesus and His disciples were called to the marriage. It does not tell us anything else about the bride. It just tells us that Jesus was called, and His disciples, to the marriage. Then, he tells us that the mother of Jesus was there. We know that she is Jewish. She said, “They have no more wine.” Jesus said to her, “What do I have to do with you?” She then told the men to do whatever Jesus said to, and the Bible says that there were six waterpots there, and they were for the purifying of the water. He said in verse 6, *And there were set there six waterpots of stone, after the manner of the purifying of the Jews.*

God did not say these things just to say them. John wrote these things about the Spirit. He saw Jesus as God, and his view is the Spirit view. So, he tells us that after 2,000 years, the church is still trying to purify itself with the law. Six is the number of man. We were created on the sixth day. He tells us that man is still being purified by the law. All you can do with the law is wash the outside. It can't change the way you think. That is why, in His sermon on the mount, Jesus told the people: “You've heard it said by them of old, thou shalt not kill, but I say to you, if you hate your brother without a cause, you have murdered already.” It is what is on the inside.

The precious thing is that Jesus turned it to wine. Wine is a picture of the blood. Our cleansing is not of our righteousness or cleansing under the law, but it is cleansing under the blood. The reason he used wine in that picture is because the more wine you drink, the more joy you feel. If you drink a glass of water and you're thirsty, you would feel good after you had that drink of water. You wouldn't want anymore, though, once your thirst was quenched. When you drink a glass of wine, you feel better. You feel better about yourself and everyone else, and you want another glass. Two glasses, and now you really feel better! So, you think, “I'll have another glass.” After that, you'll be acting like they did on Pentecost! On Pentecost those people were acting with joy because they had come into contact with the blood of Jesus. They didn't have to make themselves feel better. They drank of the Spirit and they wanted more of that. Once you feel the Spirit of God...I have never met anyone who felt the Spirit of God that said, “I don't want anymore of that!” Everyone says, “I want more of the Spirit!” There is joy. Where before we just washed ourselves, we now have joy.

Men talk about the wedding supper as though it is in heaven. It is not. Let's go back and look in Revelation 19. Chapter 19 starts with judgment of the false religion. God told us of the mystery, and He said that this great mystery in chapter 17 is that the harlot is religion.

## ***The Mystery of the Harlot***

Revelation 17:1-6 says:

*And there came one of the seven angels which had the seven vials, and talked with me, saying unto me, Come hither; I will shew unto thee the judgment of the great whore that sitteth upon many waters: 2 With whom the kings of the earth have committed fornication, and the inhabitants of the earth have been made drunk with the wine of her fornication. 3 So he carried me away in the spirit into the wilderness: and I saw a woman sit upon a scarlet coloured beast, full of names of blasphemy, having seven heads and ten horns. 5 And upon her forehead [was] a name written, MYSTERY, BABYLON THE GREAT, THE MOTHER OF HARLOTS AND ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH. 6 And I saw the woman drunken with the blood of the saints, and with the blood of the martyrs of Jesus: and when I saw her, I wondered with great admiration.*

He says that she looks like the church. She is arrayed in purple and scarlet. She is decked with gold and precious stones. But, in her hand she has a golden cup full of the abominations and filthiness of her fornications. It is no accident that, in Matthew 25, Jesus said that the kingdom of God is like 10 virgins. Ten virgins. The Apostle Paul told the church in Corinth, "I have espoused you as a chaste virgin unto Christ." As the minister, he gave that church nothing but the truth. Jesus is the bridegroom and He is nothing but the truth. The only other thing that could court your heart is a lie. If a lying doctrine is taught to you, you believe it. You believe it is truth. You believe it is your bridegroom, but it is not. Then, when your Bridegroom comes to you through some ministry and tells you the truth, you say, "That is not my bridegroom. I love my bridegroom. I am already in love." When Jesus came to His own people, they had already been taught false doctrines. They said, "We love what we believe." Jesus said, "If you knew Me, you would believe Me. I am the Way, I am the Truth and I am the Life." The ministers said, "He is a liar. He is a deceiver. We have Moses. We have the law. We have the big temple. He has nothing. He is a liar."

They loved their own kingdom. They loved being called 'master'. They loved being called 'teacher', 'rabbi'. They loved having people looking at them. When the people looked at Jesus, they were jealous -- like a harlot. They didn't love the people. They used them for their own pleasure. They didn't want them to go to heaven. They wanted them to make themselves happy.

Proverbs 7 tells us:

*My son, keep my words, and lay up my commandments with thee. 2 Keep my commandments, and live; and my law as the apple of thine eye. 3 Bind them upon thy fingers, write them upon the table of thine heart. 4 Say unto wisdom, Thou [art] my sister; and call understanding [thy] kinswoman: 5 That they may keep thee from the strange woman, from the stranger [which] flattereth with her words. 6 For at the window of my house I looked through my casement, 7 And beheld among the simple ones, I discerned among the youths, a young man void of understanding, 8 Passing through the street near her corner; and he went the way to her house, 9 In the twilight, in the evening, in the black and dark night: 10 And, behold, there met him a woman [with] the attire of an harlot, and subtle of heart. 11 (She [is] loud and stubborn; her feet abide not in her house: 12 Now [is she] without, now in the streets, and lieth in wait at every corner.) 13 So she caught him, and kissed him, [and] with an impudent face said unto him, 14 [I have] peace offerings with me; this day have I payed my vows. 15 Therefore came I forth to meet thee, diligently to seek thy face, and I have found thee. 16 I have decked my bed with coverings of tapestry, with carved [works], with fine linen of Egypt. 17 I have perfumed my bed with myrrh, aloes, and cinnamon. 18 Come, let us take our fill of love until the morning: let us solace ourselves with loves. 19 For the goodman [is] not at home, he is gone a long journey 20 He hath taken a bag of money with him, [and] will come home at the day appointed. 21 With her much fair speech she caused him to yield, with the flattering of her lips she forced him. 22 He goeth after her straightway, as an ox goeth to the slaughter, or as a fool to the correction of the stocks; 23 Till a dart strike through his liver; as a bird hasteth to the snare, and knoweth not that it [is] for his life. 24 Hearken unto me now therefore, O ye children, and attend to the words of my mouth. 25 Let not thine heart decline to her ways, go not astray in her paths. 26*

*For she hath cast down many wounded: yea, many strong [men] have been slain by her. 27 Her house [is] the way to hell, going down to the chambers of death.*

What she says is “Come to me. The Goodman is not home.” The true church knows where Jesus is. Is Christ on a long journey or does He live in us?

1 John 4 tells us to judge the spirits:

*Beloved, believe not every spirit, but try the spirits whether they are of God: because many false prophets are gone out into the world. 2 Hereby know ye the Spirit of God: Every spirit that confesseth that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh is of God: 3 And every spirit that confesseth not that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh is not of God: and this is that [spirit] of antichrist, whereof ye have heard that it should come; and even now already is it in the world.*

In the King James version, from the Greek, it says that “He is come in the flesh.” *Is* come, not *has* come. Some translations translate it as “has come” because they thought, “He did come.” Men think about it. They read the Greek, where it says Jesus “is come in the flesh” and they think, “Yes, He did come in the flesh.” Then, they write down that He did come. That’s not how you judge the spirits. The way to judge the spirits is to ask, “Where is Jesus now?” Satan will not tell you that Jesus is dwelling in you now. That power drives him out. That power would raise the church up to victory. The harlot woman says, “My husband is on a long journey, so now I can seek my own pleasure.” God said that He will “judge the harlot.”

In the Spanish translation, it says, “He has come.” In the King James, which is from the Greek, it says, “He is come.” The tense for this Scripture is not past tense in Greek. When John was writing this, he didn’t say the test is, “Did Jesus come?” Muslims will tell you that Jesus did come in the flesh, that He was a prophet and came in the flesh. That is not what the Spirit of God says. The Bible says that Christ came to live in me. Jesus said, “If you love Me, keep My commandments and I will come into you.” The Bible says that we are the temple of God. God comes in us now. We walk as He walked. We are His body. Whose body? His body! Amen! The church is His body and we have His Spirit, and we are growing up into Him who is the Head. Satan does not want the church to say that. Satan does not want the church to know that Christ is in us.

Jesus breathed on His disciples and said, “Receive ye the Holy Ghost. Whosoever sins you remit will be remitted. Whosoever sins you retain will be retained.” What kind of power is that? Is the church teaching that? No, because we think Jesus is in heaven. He is in me. He is in you.

A pastor once told me, “He is at the right hand of the Father.” I said, “Yes, God is a spirit. He fills heaven and earth. You can’t get outside of God.” Jesus said, “To him that overcomes will I grant to sit with Me in My throne, even as I overcame and sat with my Father in His throne.” In Romans 8, it says that we have a Spirit that is of God, and anyone who does not have the Spirit of God is none of His. If the Spirit of God dwells in you, your flesh is dead because of sin. Not should die, but is dead, because God is holy and He will only live in a holy place. When the Spirit of God comes into you, God dwells in you. All of God does not dwell in you. All of God does not dwell in me. All of God could not dwell in Jesus’ flesh. He fills heaven and earth. But, He is in us. Religion talks about how Jesus “was”, and about how, some far off day, He will come. The truth is He is the “I AM.”

Pastors, if a young couple came to you and said, “We don’t want to get married, but we’d like to live together and have children,” who would say that is okay? What would you tell them? You’d tell them “No.”

Let’s go to Romans 7:4 --

*Wherefore, my brethren, ye also are become dead to the law by the body of Christ; that ye should be married to another, [even] to him who is raised from the dead, that we should bring forth fruit unto God.*

It says that we are married to Him. We are married to Him so that we can bring fruit to God. Is He going to have children with the church and not be married? It says that we might be married. Why did He say we should marry Him? Why did He free us from the law? He said you are free from the law. You are dead to the law. You are free to marry Him. Why? To have fruit to God. Why would God do that in heaven? Why would He want the church to marry Him in heaven to have fruit? He wants fruit on the earth. He wants us to win the lost. There are no lost people in heaven. The lost are on the earth. Don't you know that when two people get married they become one flesh? What is His name?

Go with me to Revelation 19:13:

*And he [was] clothed with a vesture dipped in blood: and his name is called the Word of God.*

His name is the Word of God. What chapter is this? It is the marriage chapter. This is the marriage supper chapter. Don't you know that you are going to become one flesh with the Word of God? That's not with a lie. It's the truth. You are going to marry the Word of God. You are going to become one with the Word of God. Why would we think that's about heaven? The world needs to see the Word of God manifested in the church. The Word of God is power.

Let's look at the beginning of Chapter 19:

*And after these things I heard a great voice of much people in heaven, saying, Alleluia; Salvation, and glory, and honour, and power, unto the Lord our God: 2 For true and righteous [are] his judgments: for he hath judged the great whore, which did corrupt the earth with her fornication, and hath avenged the blood of his servants at her hand. 3 And again they said, Alleluia. And her smoke rose up for ever and ever. 4 And the four and twenty elders and the four beasts fell down and worshipped God that sat on the throne, saying, Amen; Alleluia. And a voice came out of the throne, saying, Praise our God, all ye his servants, and ye that fear him, both small and great. 6 And I heard as it were the voice of a great multitude, and as the voice of many waters, and as the voice of mighty thunderings, saying, Alleluia: for the Lord God omnipotent reigneth. 7 Let us be glad and rejoice, and give honour to him: for the marriage of the Lamb is come, and his wife hath made herself ready. 8 And to her was granted that she should be arrayed in fine linen, clean and white: for the fine linen is the righteousness of saints.*

So, we see the judgment of the false religion. The great harlot is judged first, then the church comes into this place of righteousness. He said, "Let us be glad and rejoice and give honor to Him, for the marriage of the Lamb is come." I want to ask you a question? If this is in heaven, why are we not marrying the conquering King? You are going to the marriage supper of the Lamb. You are going to marry the Lamb. We need to pay attention to who we are marrying. What happened to the Lamb? It gave its life. Is that right? He did not say you are going to marry the conquering King. Of course, Jesus is the conquering King and Jesus is the Lamb, but you are invited to marry the Lamb. You are invited to let your life be a sacrifice to give to God, and when the Word of God begins to take control, when you love Him more than you love you, when you love His Word because you know that it is Him, and He tells you to lay down your life -- giving up things you want to keep and going to places you do not want to go to -- you lay it down.

If a woman's husband says, "I am going to get a job in Mexico City," you think, "I don't want to go to Mexico City." You say, "My mom lives here. My dad lives here. I don't want to leave here and go to Mexico City." But you go, because you love him and where he is going, you are going. What if he says, "I am going to go work in Michigan in the United States." You'd ask, "Where it gets so cold that the cold feels hot? You get up in the dark and it's so cold you put on coats and you go out and the wind is blowing?" You'd still go. You'd think, "My husband has lost his mind," but you would still go because you love him more than you love you. So, we are invited to marry this precious Word that says, "Forget

yourself and bear fruit unto God.” It is precious. He tells us, “You are going to marry the Lamb, and He gave up His life.” He said, “No greater love has any man than this.”

Pastors, you know what that feels like. Some of the young men you grew up with have gone into business for themselves. They have a lot of money. They do many things, their houses are big. But you love the Lord, and sometimes you don’t have a lot of money. You know what it is like to choose Him more than the things of the world. That’s the way the Word of God leads us. We want to listen to what God says. God is very careful with money. Many, many famous people have no friends because they remember when they were not famous and they didn’t have any friends. Now that they have a lot of money, everyone wants to be their friend. In their heart, they know that they are really friends of their money, of their fame.

God doesn’t want us to love Him because He is wealthy. He showed us a lot about love with Mary. He told Mary, “Wake up, you’re going to have a baby.” She woke up, with the angel of the Lord standing in her room. He said, “You’re going to have a baby.” She said, “How can that be? I’ve never been with a man.” The angel said, “This is from the Holy Ghost, this is of God.” Mary said, “So be it unto me. I want Him in me.” She looked again, and the angel was gone.

The next morning, she went down to breakfast. Her papa was sitting at the table, her mom was at the table, and she came in with this great news, “I’m going to have a baby! I’m not married yet!” Her father spit the tortilla out! He looked at Mary. Her mother began to cry, “Oh Mary, you’ve been such a good girl.” “Oh no,” said Mary. “This is the Holy Ghost. The angel of the Lord told me.” “Oh Mary,” they cried. “You were such a good girl!” They didn’t believe her.

Mary’s parents sent her to her cousin Elizabeth, who lived far away. That’s what you did with a girl who was not married and was going to have a baby. She tried to tell them. “Mom, it’s the truth.” Her dad was furious. Joseph came. She loved Joseph. He was the most wonderful man she’d ever met. “Oh Joseph, I have the best news. I’m going to have a baby!” He got angry. He thought she was running behind him. “Joseph, don’t go. Please don’t go.” Now she cried. Do you know what she was thinking? “Why didn’t the angel tell my mother? Why didn’t I tell the angel to tell my dad, my neighbors, and, especially, Joseph? Oh, and don’t forget the High Priest!” She didn’t think her life had just gotten easy.

God let Joseph leave and then He gave him a dream. Then, the angel showed up, and said, “Joseph, marry her. Marry the little thing. It is the Holy Ghost.” “Okay, if you say so, then I’ll marry her,” agreed Joseph. So, he married her. She lived in Nazareth, but the Bible prophesied that she would have the baby in Bethlehem. She was two months pregnant. Everything was good. At three months, she was a bit more miserable. At four months, she wasn’t feeling as good. Five months, and then six months...It was getting hard to get out of bed, hard to get out of a chair. At seven months, she wasn’t feeling very well. Her back hurt her. At eight months, and she really wasn’t feeling well. Then, at nine months, she was feeling terrible. She got a letter. She opened it. It said, “You have to go to Bethlehem because of the census.” Joseph said, “Don’t worry. I’ll get a donkey, and you can sit on the donkey.” She rode to Bethlehem on that donkey, nine months pregnant! “Why didn’t God send me to Bethlehem five months ago?” she thought. That’s a good question!

All that Mary did, all that Mary endured, all of it was because of love. She loved God.

I fell in love with Jesus. After I fell in love with Him, I loved Him more than anything. I wanted money in my pocket, but I wanted Him more. He didn’t have to promise me money. He said, “I’ll never leave you or forsake you.” He never left me and He never forsook me.

One day, after a meeting in Kansas, I got into my car to leave. I lived 300 miles away. It was bitter cold, five degrees below zero. I didn’t have enough money to get home. I did not have money to buy gas. I’d had a meeting, but I didn’t take an offering. I was ready to leave to go home. I started my car. As I looked in my rearview mirror to drive backwards, one of the brothers from the church came out. He said, “Do you

have enough money to get home?" I said, "No." He said, "What were you going to do?" I said, "Somewhere between here and there, God has an answer for me." I'd rather live by faith in Him than in anything else I know.

When you live in faith for Him, you see Him do things you cannot see any other way. Several years ago, I was preparing to leave for Africa. I had written a book for the pastors in Africa. I needed \$11,000 (US) to pay for the printing. We had started the process of printing the book, and I had decided that I wanted to own the manuscript because it was revelation from the Word of God. I couldn't sell it to some publishing company because I wanted to give the books away and publishers want to sell the books. I needed \$11,000. I had a meeting planned in Lome, the capital of Togo in West Africa. Three days before I left, I needed another \$11,000 for the work I planned to do in Africa. I needed \$22,000 and I didn't have any money! My wife asked me, "What are you going to do?" I said, "Somewhere between here and there, God has an answer."

I had no more than said that when a young man drove up to my house. I had not seen him in years. I didn't even know where he lived. He brought me \$1,000. He'd come all the way from Mobile, Alabama, to see me. As I was walking him out to the car, my cell phone rang. I answered it and someone said, "I have an offering for you, but it's in Oklahoma. When are you leaving?" I said, "I'm leaving home tomorrow." They said, "Oh, well, I'll drive to Oklahoma for you, 250 miles, and get the offering for you." It was thousands of dollars. I went in and ate supper. My phone rang again and someone else had an offering. By the next morning, God had given me \$20,000 (US). I was leaving with or without all of the money. I was going to go do what God told me to do. I didn't have any way to make that kind of money, but I knew He did.

That's why He trained me by allowing me to have very little or no money. People in the church I was pastoring at the time were furious at me. They were angry that I was going to Africa. God had told me for two years to shut that church down because He was going to have me do missions work. I kept telling the church that God was shutting it down but, every Sunday, new people kept coming in. I knew better. When God tells you to shut it down, shut it down. God will take care of His people. I went to Africa. The people in the church decided that they would not send me any money. I left the church and I stopped pastoring. They were not going to help me as a missionary. They said, "If you want to be a missionary, then go." No money.

I went to Africa with no money, no job. I had a ticket to go home, but it wasn't time to go home yet. I was completely out of money. I didn't even have gas money. I didn't have food in the house. I didn't have money to buy food. God knows this is the truth. There was a Chinese restaurant there where I could eat for less than 50 cents. A pastor from Ghana came by. He said, "I want you to come and minister Sunday morning." I said, "All right." After I ministered, he took an offering. He said, "I know this brother is from the United States, and I know you think he has a lot of money, but the Bible says to give. A workman is worthy of his hire. We are going to take up an offering for him today." I was smiling. I was happy. I was already telling myself that I was going to fast. He took up an offering. It was more than \$20 (US), and it touched my heart. That is a principle of God. They did not know that I had no money that day. I bought diesel for my van and I went to lunch at the Chinese restaurant. I spent 50 cents on my rice. You can't stop a man who loves the Lamb.

The Lamb wanted to make an example one day about paying taxes and He didn't have a penny. He had to borrow a penny. He said, "Show me a penny. Whose inscription is on it?" The Lamb didn't have one of His own coins, or He would have showed it to them. I am always doing this to my buddies, the people that travel with me. I'm always telling them, "Show me a penny!"

Coffee break.

## *The Parable of the Wheat and the Tares*

We are talking about the last days and we want to know what God is telling us. So far we have seen that in the Book of Revelation, God judged the harlot and took her out of the way so that the people who were wicked, He has dealt with and then the wedding takes place.

II Peter 3:8-14:

*But, beloved, be not ignorant of this one thing, that one day [is] with the Lord as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day. 9 The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance. 10 But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night; in the which the heavens shall pass away with a great noise, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat, the earth also and the works that are therein shall be burned up. 11 [Seeing] then [that] all these things shall be dissolved, what manner [of persons] ought ye to be in [all] holy conversation and godliness, 12 Looking for and hasting unto the coming of the day of God, wherein the heavens being on fire shall be dissolved, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat? 13 Nevertheless we, according to his promise, look for new heavens and a new earth, wherein dwelleth righteousness. 14 Wherefore, beloved, seeing that ye look for such things, be diligent that ye may be found of him in peace, without spot, and blameless.*

The Bible tells us that when Jesus comes as a thief that the heavens will melt and the earth will be burned up. God is going to create a new heaven and a new earth, but this does not sound like what many Bible schools are teaching. We want to know what Jesus said.

Jesus gave us several parables. Let's look at Matthew 13:24-30 --

*Another parable put he forth unto them, saying, The kingdom of heaven is likened unto a man which sowed good seed in his field: 25 But while men slept, his enemy came and sowed tares among the wheat, and went his way. 26 But when the blade was sprung up, and brought forth fruit, then appeared the tares also. 27 So the servants of the householder came and said unto him, Sir, didst not thou sow good seed in thy field? from whence then hath it tares? 28 He said unto them, An enemy hath done this. The servants said unto him, Wilt thou then that we go and gather them up? 29 But he said, Nay; lest while ye gather up the tares, ye root up also the wheat with them. 30 Let both grow together until the harvest: and in the time of harvest I will say to the reapers, Gather ye together first the tares, and bind them in bundles to burn them: but gather the wheat into my barn.*

What did He say? Let's read Jesus' explanation of the parable.

*36 Then Jesus sent the multitude away, and went into the house: and his disciples came unto him, saying, Declare unto us the parable of the tares of the field. 37 He answered and said unto them, He that soweth the good seed is the Son of man; 38 The field is the world; the good seed are the children of the kingdom; but the tares are the children of the wicked [one]; 39 The enemy that sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the world; and the reapers are the angels. 40 As therefore the tares are gathered and burned in the fire; so shall it be in the end of this world. 41 The Son of man shall send forth his angels, and they shall gather out of his kingdom all things that offend, and them which do iniquity; 42 And shall cast them into a furnace of fire: there shall be wailing and gnashing of teeth. 43 Then shall the righteous shine forth as the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Who hath ears to hear, let him hear.*

In verse 38 and 39, Jesus said *The field is the world; the good seed are the children of the kingdom; but the tares are the children of the wicked [one]; the enemy that sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the world; and the reapers are the angels.*



That's what Peter said. When Jesus comes as a thief in the night, it's going to be the end of the world. He said, first, He will gather out the wicked. That's what John saw in the Book of Revelation. God took out the wicked first and the righteous ones were still there. So, He said, first, take out the tares, and, second, gather up the wheat. First the wicked are taken out, and then the righteous are gathered up. Who leaves first? The wicked!

Matthew 24:14-18 tells us:

*And this gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations; and then shall the end come. 15 When ye therefore shall see the abomination of desolation, spoken of by Daniel the prophet, stand in the holy place, 16 Then let them which be in Judaea flee into the mountains: 17 Let him which is on the housetop not come down to take any thing out of his house: 18 Neither let him which is in the field return back to take his clothes.*

Men teach that this is the catching up of the church, the rapture. "If you're in the field, don't come back. If you're on the housetop, don't come down." I have a question. If you are on the housetop and you see Jesus coming in the clouds, why would He have to tell you not to go down into your house to get something? If this is really about Him catching us up, why would a man on a housetop see Jesus coming in the clouds, other Christians rising up to meet Him, and then go down into his house to get stuff? What could he possibly want in his house? And, could he go even go down when Jesus was lifting him up? No! Jesus said, "Don't go down." Let's read a little further.

*19 And woe unto them that are with child, and to them that give suck in those days! 20 But pray ye that your flight be not in the winter, neither on the sabbath day:*

Here, He says, "Woe to them who give suck in those days." He didn't say 'day' but 'days', many days. Then, He tells us, "Pray that your flight is not in the winter time nor on the Sabbath day." Why would that matter? He said, "Pray that you don't have to take flight in the winter time or on the Sabbath." If this is talking about going to heaven, why would He tell us to pray? Pray that this doesn't happen – pray that you don't take flight in the winter time. Why?

Think about being in an airliner. At 35,000 feet in altitude, at about five miles up, where the airplanes fly, the outside temperature is 70 degrees below zero. Sometimes, it is 100 degrees below zero outside the airplane, just five miles up. If you are going to meet Christ in the air, why would he tell you to pray that your flight is not in the winter time when He knows that, here in Honduras, just five miles up, it is 70 degrees below zero? You can't live in temperatures that cold. He is not telling us this way about the 'winter time' because it means we're going to heaven.

*Verse 21: For then shall be great tribulation, such as was not since the beginning of the world to this time, no, nor ever shall be. 22 And except those days should be shortened, there should no flesh be saved: but for the elect's sake those days shall be shortened*

For the elect's sake, those days will be shortened. God will shorten those days for His people. Now, men teach that the elect are the Jews, but you know that is not true. Paul, writing to the Gentile churches, told the Gentiles, "Make your calling and election sure." The Bible says, "He is not a Jew that is one outwardly, but he is a Jew that is one inwardly." The Bible says that the elect will be here. Let's read further. The days will be shortened for His people. That is God's promise. "I will shorten those days for My people." No fear. God is not going to put tribulation on His people. He's not going to pour judgment on His people. That's what He tells us in Matthew 24.

*Then if any man shall say unto you, Lo, here [is] Christ, or there; believe [it] not.*

He's talking about Christians, not Jews. The Jews won't be looking for Christ. He said, if anyone tells you that Christ is over here, that you have to go to this church, or that church, don't believe them.

*24 For there shall arise false Christs, and false prophets, and shall shew great signs and wonders; insomuch that, if [it were] possible, they shall deceive the very elect.*

If it were possible...It is not possible to deceive the elect.

*27 For as the lightning cometh out of the east, and shineth even unto the west; so shall also the coming of the Son of man be. 28 For wheresoever the carcass is, there will the eagles be gathered together. 29 Immediately after the tribulation of those days shall the sun be darkened, and the moon shall not give her light, and the stars shall fall from heaven, and the powers of the heavens shall be shaken: 30 And then shall appear the sign of the Son of man in heaven: and then shall all the tribes of the earth mourn, and they shall see the Son of man coming in the clouds of heaven with power and great glory. 31 And he shall send his angels with a great sound of a trumpet, and they shall gather together his elect from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other.*

The sound of a trumpet...That's what Paul said in Thessalonians. The Lord will come with a shout, the voice of the archangel, and the sound of the trumpet. This angel's trumpet will gather His people together. We think He's talking about going to heaven, but He says that He is gathering them together into unity. I can tell you that tribulation will change the flesh. It will change people's selfishness. Tribulation makes the church different, not because God is judging us, but because we learn to lean on Him in faith. This is not what men teach. I know that. But this is what God says.

*32 Now learn a parable of the fig tree; When his branch is yet tender, and putteth forth leaves, ye know that summer [is] nigh: 33 So likewise ye, when ye shall see all these things, know that it is near, [even] at the doors. 34 Verily I say unto you, This generation shall not pass, till all these things be fulfilled. 35 Heaven and earth shall pass away, but my words shall not pass away. 36 But of that day and hour knoweth no [man], no, not the angels of heaven, but my Father only.*

My Father knows the day and hour. No man knows it. I am not a child of darkness that this day should overtake me as a thief. We read that in Thessalonians. The Bible says that God will do nothing except He first reveal it to his servants, the prophets (Amos 3:7).

*37 But as the days of Noah [were], so shall also the coming of the Son of man be. 38 For as in the days that were before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day that Noah entered into the ark, 39 And knew not until the flood came, and took them all away; so shall also the coming of the Son of man be.*

That's what He said in Revelation -- the wicked go first. The flood didn't take Noah like a thief in the night. God told him far in advance so that he could build an ark. He didn't go to heaven. He obeyed God and the tribulation didn't touch him. Jesus said, "As it was in the days of Noah." It was the wicked who left, not the righteous. Noah was still here on the earth after the flood was over. So it will be after the tribulation. The wicked did not know what was coming. They were eating and drinking. They could see the ark, because there was a man on the earth who knew God. Noah was not surprised by the rain and he was not touched by the rain. Jesus used an example of a man who knew in advance.

*39 And knew not until the flood came, and took them all away; so shall also the coming of the Son of man be. 40 Then shall two be in the field; the one shall be taken, and the other left. 41 Two [women shall be] grinding at the mill; the one shall be taken, and the other left.*

So, now He says, two will be in the field, one will be taken. Two will be grinding, one will be taken. Let's go to Luke.

In Luke 17:26-30, Jesus is answering a question.

*26 And as it was in the days of Noah, so shall it be also in the days of the Son of man. 27 They did eat, they drank, they married wives, they were given in marriage, until the day that Noah entered into the ark, and the flood came, and destroyed them all. 28 Likewise also as it was in the days of Lot; they did eat, they drank, they bought, they sold, they planted, they builded; 29 But the same day that Lot went out of Sodom it rained fire and brimstone from heaven, and destroyed [them] all. 30 Even thus shall it be in the day when the Son of man is revealed.*

He tells us again about Noah and about Lot. Lot didn't suffer the judgment of God. He left the city, he didn't go to heaven. The wicked died. The man of God was still okay and still on the earth. That's what He said in Revelation. That's what He said in Matthew 13. Jesus said, "In the end of the world, I'll send My angels and I'll tell them to take the tares out of My kingdom." His kingdom is still on earth. If His kingdom was in heaven, the wicked wouldn't still be among them. He's not talking about the Jewish people, He's talking about His kingdom. John the Baptist said, "The kingdom of God is among you." Jesus is the Kingdom. Here, in Luke, He said, "My kingdom cometh not with observation, for the kingdom of God is within you." You and I are in the kingdom of God. The kingdom of God is in us. He tells us that he separates the wicked first.

*31 In that day, he which shall be upon the housetop, and his stuff in the house, let him not come down to take it away: and he that is in the field, let him likewise not return back. 32 Remember Lot's wife.*

He reminds us that Lot's wife looked back. I do not believe that anyone heading to heaven with Jesus is going to want something out of their house! He said, remember Lot's wife. She wanted to go back to her house. Who would want stuff in their house when they are going to heaven? Who would want their TV when they are going to heaven? Their stereo? Their refrigerator? If this is when we see Jesus, what could we want in our house? Remember Lot's wife.

*33 Whosoever shall seek to save his life shall lose it; and whosoever shall lose his life shall preserve it.*

*34 I tell you, in that night there shall be two [men] in one bed; the one shall be taken, and the other shall be left. 35 Two [women] shall be grinding together; the one shall be taken, and the other left. 36 Two [men] shall be in the field; the one shall be taken, and the other left. 37 And they answered and said unto him, Where, Lord? And he said unto them, Wheresoever the body [is], thither will the eagles be gathered together.*

Now, we're talking about the wedding supper. They said, "Lord, where were these people taken? The ones who were taken first?" He calls it a body. Look at what He says in Matthew 22:1-2:

*And Jesus answered and spake unto them again by parables, and said, 2 The kingdom of heaven is like unto a certain king, which made a marriage for his son...*

A marriage supper for his Son...The church is going to marry Him. That's who the Bridegroom is. He invited His friends. He sent His servants to bid them to come and they would not come. His friends would not come.

Verse 5 says:

*But they made light of [it], and went their ways, one to his farm, another to his merchandise: 6 And the remnant took his servants, and entreated [them] spitefully, and slew [them].*

A war is breaking out, because He sends His servants with the truth. The invitation to marry Christ is an invitation to marry the Truth. When Jesus came preaching the truth, the preachers of His day decided to kill Him. Is that right? He was preaching the truth, but they believed a lie. They had the Bible, but they believed lies. When they heard the truth, they said He was a liar. So, the disciples asked Jesus, “These people who are taken out first, where will they go?”

*9 Go ye therefore into the highways, and as many as ye shall find, bid to the marriage. 10 So those servants went out into the highways, and gathered together all as many as they found, both bad and good: and the wedding was furnished with guests. 11 And when the king came in to see the guests, he saw there a man which had not on a wedding garment: 12 And he saith unto him, Friend, how camest thou in hither not having a wedding garment? And he was speechless. 13 Then said the king to the servants, Bind him hand and foot, and take him away, and cast [him] into outer darkness; there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth.*

If the marriage supper is in heaven, how could this man get there and God not know it? How would a man get to heaven and God not know it? This is the marriage supper that the King gave for His Son. His friends would not come; they were too busy. The Book of Esther tells us the same story. The Bible tells us that King Ahasuerus sent his seven servants to bring his bride. What did Vashti tell him? “I’m having a banquet of my own. I’m not coming to your banquet.” What happens? Just what He said in Matthew 22. He got rid of those who would not come, then sent out his servants and gathered the virgins. That’s who Esther was. In the Scriptures, Esther has no mother or father. She is like the church. She was raised by Mordecai and you can see why God chose her. She was just out of the hedges and byways.

Returning to the wedding supper, the king said to the man without the garment, “How did you get here?” The man was speechless. The Bible tells us, in Revelation 19, that the marriage supper is a time when we marry the Truth on the earth. Let’s go look at that. Jesus said in both parables that the wicked go out first. When the disciples asked where, He said, “Where the body is, the eagles will be gathered.”

Revelation 19:7-9:

*Let us be glad and rejoice, and give honour to him: for the marriage of the Lamb is come, and his wife hath made herself ready. 8 And to her was granted that she should be arrayed in fine linen, clean and white: for the fine linen is the righteousness of saints. 9 And he saith unto me, Write, Blessed [are] they which are called unto the marriage supper of the Lamb. And he saith unto me, These are the true sayings of God.*

Verse 10-16 is the revelation of Jesus Christ. Look at verse 17:

*And I saw an angel standing in the sun; and he cried with a loud voice, saying to all the fowls that fly in the midst of heaven, Come and gather yourselves together unto the supper of the great God;*

The fowls are gathered to the supper.

*18 That ye may eat the flesh of kings, and the flesh of captains, and the flesh of mighty men, and the flesh of horses, and of them that sit on them, and the flesh of all [men, both] free and bond, both small and great. 19 And I saw the beast, and the kings of the earth, and their armies, gathered together to make war against him that sat on the horse, and against his army.*

This is the chapter that is talking about the marriage supper of the Lamb and He tells us that He separates the wicked at the first of the chapter. Jesus said that in Matthew 13. He said, “I will send my angels and they will first gather the wicked and then they will gather the wheat.”

Zephaniah 1:7-8 tells us what Jesus is quoting in His parable in Matthew 22:

*Hold thy peace at the presence of the Lord GOD: for the day of the LORD [is] at hand: for the LORD hath prepared a sacrifice, he hath bid his guests. 8 And it shall come to pass in the day of the LORD'S sacrifice, that I will punish the princes, and the king's children, and all such as are clothed with strange apparel.*

What did Jesus say to the man at the wedding feast? “You are not arrayed in the right apparel.” In Matthew 22, Jesus said to the man, “You’ve got the wrong garment on. How did you come in here to fellowship with us?” To be part of the true church, you must come through the Door. The Door is Jesus. If you come to God through Jesus, you are covered with His blood. Just like He did with Adam, God covers you with His skin. God did not just kill the sacrifice for Adam and shed the blood. He covered Adam with its skin. That’s what the Bible tells me about what Jesus did for us. He shed His blood for me, but then He wrapped me in His flesh. His flesh is without sin! I am in Christ Jesus! You are in Christ Jesus!

If you come into the supper of truth you cannot cover yourself with your own doctrine. He is going to punish the king’s children who are arrayed in the wrong apparel.

*8 And it shall come to pass in the day of the LORD'S sacrifice, that I will punish the princes, and the king's children, and all such as are clothed with strange apparel.*

You see what He said in Matthew 24 and in Luke 17 – two will be in the field. That’s the church – the true church with truth and the false church with lies. He judged the harlot in Revelation 19. She had false apparel, He tells us that. Your doctrine cannot cover you. Doing your best will not cover you. We try to give God our best. He says, “To come in here, you must come through the Door.” If you come through Jesus, you accept His blood and you are clothed in His righteousness.

Men teach that if you do not go up in the rapture you can still be saved. You know you have heard that and you know it’s a lie. A man can die and shed his own blood to go to heaven? Is that true? Men teach that the only way to go to heaven if you don’t go through the rapture is to die a martyr’s death. That would mean that your blood opens heaven. God will NEVER tell you that your blood will open heaven’s door. Your blood will never open heaven’s door!

But, in the Bible schools, they know the Bible teaches that God’s people were here on the earth during the tribulation. They know His church is on the earth because some of them are going to be martyred. In the Book of Revelation, they were crying out. The people of His church who died rather than accept the number or the name of the beast, those people were crying out. So, in the Bible schools, they say that if the rapture has happened how could the church people still be on the earth? The Bible says these people are martyred. They would rather die than accept the number. They sound like Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego to me. They sound like Daniel to me. “I’d rather go to the lion’s den than not take my petition to God. I am going to pray.”

The Bible says God’s people are here, so men came up with this: “These are people who weren’t watching.” In Matthew 25, Jesus said the whole church was asleep. The five wise virgins were all asleep, and so were the five foolish. God sent an angel with a shout. That’s what Paul said in Thessalonians. “The Lord will come with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and the trumpet of God.”

Do you see what happens? What Jesus taught was true, but the devil twists it. “It doesn’t mean that,” he lies. Now they are teaching the church that you should be tormented with fear about being here during tribulation. You know that this is what’s happening. They are making tormenting movies that take your peace away, as though Jesus could not keep His church safe and take her through the tribulation. He will not pour out judgment on His people. The wicked will die. Jesus said, “In the end of the world, I will send my angels. The tares grew up in the kingdom. I said not to pull them out, to wait until the end. I will take out of My kingdom the wicked.”

We've heard the shout. In Matthew 25, it says: "Wake up, the Bridegroom cometh." Before He came, He sent a shout. He woke the whole church up. No one missed it because they were asleep or because they weren't watching. He sent a shout and He woke them all up. It was the oil, it was the crushing. Men who let God crush them aren't afraid of tribulation. They are not afraid of tomorrow. They have learned to trust God. They know God won't leave them.

This is why I ask for pastors and evangelists and teachers and apostles and their wives only to these seminars. I didn't come here to Choloma to have a big meeting and talk about the end times. I told you when I came that I wanted to talk things that you must pray about. You have to ask God about it. I knew there would be confusion if I had a big meeting in Choloma. People in your church would hear these things and want answers from you tomorrow. But tomorrow you might still be praying. You want the answer from God Himself, from the Teacher, the Holy Ghost. You want the answer and you may pray for a year before God shows you. Go pray. This is serious. Remember, any doctrine that says a man can shed his own blood as a way to heaven is not from God. No blood except that of Jesus Christ will open heaven's door.

## Lunch

I'd like to go back to the Book of Revelation, 20:1-6

*And I saw an angel come down from heaven, having the key of the bottomless pit and a great chain in his hand. 2 And he laid hold on the dragon, that old serpent, which is the Devil, and Satan, and bound him a thousand years, 3 And cast him into the bottomless pit, and shut him up, and set a seal upon him, that he should deceive the nations no more, till the thousand years should be fulfilled: and after that he must be loosed a little season. 4 And I saw thrones, and they sat upon them, and judgment was given unto them: and [I saw] the souls of them that were beheaded for the witness of Jesus, and for the word of God, and which had not worshipped the beast, neither his image, neither had received [his] mark upon their foreheads, or in their hands; and they lived and reigned with Christ a thousand years. 5 But the rest of the dead lived not again until the thousand years were finished. This [is] the first resurrection. 6 Blessed and holy [is] he that hath part in the first resurrection: on such the second death hath no power, but they shall be priests of God and of Christ, and shall reign with him a thousand years.*

## Q&A

**Question:** According to what has been taught, is there a rapture? Yes or no?

**Answer:** Let's say this. Is Jesus coming back for the church? Is He going to catch us up in the air? Yes. But first, He will have a church without spot or wrinkle. First, He is going to bring us into unity. Paul said, "Let no man deceive you as by spirit or letter from us, that the day of Christ is at hand." He said, "For that day shall not come until their first come a great falling away." He meant a falling away from the truth, not a falling away from church. He said there would be a great apostasy. In God's own church, many people will fall away from truth. The man of sin will be revealed. So, according to the Bible, before Jesus will return for the church, those two things will happen. We are seeing a great falling away from the truth now, but the man of sin has not been revealed yet. Men teach that the Jewish people will rebuild the temple and the Anti-Christ will enter that temple. They teach that the church will be gone. How can that be? We are His temple. The Anti-Christ cannot try to enter the temple if the church, which is His temple, is in heaven.

1 Cor. 6:19-20

*What? know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost [which is] in you, which ye have of God, and ye are not your own? 20 For ye are bought with a price: therefore glorify God in your body, and in your spirit, which are God's.*

We are His temple.

2 Cor. 6:15-16 says:

*And what concord hath Christ with Belial? or what part hath he that believeth with an infidel? 16 And what agreement hath the temple of God with idols? for ye are the temple of the living God; as God hath said, I will dwell in them, and walk in [them]; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people.*

We are His temple. If the Anti-Christ boasts that he will enter the temple, he means us. God will not allow Israel to rebuild the temple. He allowed a mosque to be built on the Temple Mount. God did that. If it was a bank, they would tear it down. If it was a government building, they would tear it down. But it is considered a holy place throughout Islam, what was once the holy mount. God knew that the Israeli people could not tear a mosque down. The God who protects Israel put something on that mount that man could not tear down. God does not bless Islam. They don't believe in Jesus being the Door. But, God allowed that mosque to be built on the ground because it doesn't matter to Him anymore. Jesus told His people, standing at the stone temple, "Tear this temple down and in three days I will build it up." Two thousand years ago, He showed us that the stone temple was a shadow of Him living in us. The carnal mind only understands carnal things. Paul said, "I want to talk to you as spiritual, but you are not able to bear it. I have to give you milk and not meat."

In Matthew 24, Jesus said, "Woe to them that are with child and to them that give suck in that day." That's because, when Christians are babies, they cannot understand spiritual things. When Jesus was crucified, He moved out of stone temples because He had you and me. He moved out and He tore the veil. He said, "This is no longer holy because I am moving out." He tore the veil because the veil signified that the holy God dwelled there. When God tore the veil, any man could see into the Holy of Holies. God was gone. The devil does not want to move into a stone building that God does not want. Men are waiting for the Anti-Christ to go into the temple after they've been raptured to heaven. The Bible says that is impossible. You are the temple. You are who the devil wants to enter into. You are the prize. You are who God loves. You are who God says is valuable. You are what the devil is after.

So, Jesus is coming back, but first He is going to come in His church, into the full stature of Himself, for His glory, because only God could bring the church to the full stature of the man Christ Jesus -- God's glory on the earth.

**The Jewish people, the people He loves, the people He has waited 2,000 years to have see Him, will see Him in the church.** In the church. It cannot be divided by doctrines and lies, so He has to purify it. We have to marry the Truth first and become one flesh with the Word of God. When we do, the world will see Him. The church world will be jealous because there won't be many important men, there won't be many big ministries. There will just be little people like you and me.

He is coming back again, but I am not a child of the night and neither are you. Anyone who tells you that you are is not paying attention to the Word of God. I'm like Noah. I don't know when the rain will start, but I know where the ark is. I know where the boat is and I'm not worried about the rain. One of these days, I'm going to see the people coming off the hedges and byways, coming in by twos, and when they start coming in, I want to know, for the hour has come. Amen.

Question: He is talking about catching away the church and Paul said that right now something is holding him back. I want to know more about the voice of the archangel. Is it the Lord or is it the archangel, because it says, "The Lord Himself will come with a shout."

**Answer:** The Holy Spirit is what is keeping things on God's timetable. God has a time when things will be ready. For instance, in the Book of Luke, Jesus said, "Jerusalem would be trodden under the foot of the Gentiles until the fullness of the Gentiles is come in." Israel became a nation again in 1948. They did not take possession of the city of Jerusalem at that time, though. They had the whole country, but not Jerusalem. Jerusalem was taken in 1967, in a war that is called the Six-Day War. God was giving us a message through that war. We're in the sixth day. As we talked about earlier, Jesus said, "Today and tomorrow I do cures..." That means, the fifth and the sixth days (as in the days of creation), I do cures, but on the seventh day (as in the seventh day, when God rested), I will be perfected." Now, He was already perfect, but He was talking about His body. The church will be perfected in the seventh day of God's timetable. The church will be finished. God will not rest until He has finished the church. We are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus. So, in 1967, in the Six-Day War, Israel took back the city of Jerusalem. God said the fullness of the Gentiles is now coming in. In Romans 11, He said, "Blindness is happened to Israel until the fullness of the Gentiles has come in."

There are two issues about the fullness of the Gentiles. When God knows it is finished, when the time is right, He will move on to the next step. So, God holds it until the time is right. Let's go look at the trumpet and the voice of the seventh angel. In the Book of Revelation, seven trumpets were given. In chapter 10, verse 1, we are talking about the trumpet and the angel. It says a "mighty angel".

*And I saw another mighty angel come down from heaven, clothed with a cloud: and a rainbow [was] upon his head, and his face [was] as it were the sun, and his feet as pillars of fire: 2 And he had in his hand a little book open: and he set his right foot upon the sea, and [his] left [foot] on the earth, 3 And cried with a loud voice, as [when] a lion roareth: and when he had cried, seven thunders uttered their voices.*

The Bible says, here is this mighty angel and he has a rainbow on his head. We know what a rainbow is. Ordinary light, when it shines through water, is broken open. When ordinary light shines down, you can look at it through a piece of glass or a CD and see how it breaks the light. In ordinary sunlight there are always the colors red, blue, yellow, and green, but your eye doesn't see it. When it shines through a water droplet, though, the prism breaks it open. Ordinary light shining in is broken down, and it streams out the other side in the colors of the rainbow. You can see the different colors then. This is a picture of revelation knowledge. Jesus said, "I am the light of the world." Paul said, "I prayed for the spirit of wisdom and revelation to break open that light." When Noah saw the rainbow, we know it was the Word of God. It was God's Word. It was God's promise. "I will never destroy the world by water," He said. It is still a promise. After every rain, the promise comes out because it is revelation. This angel saw revelation knowledge.

*4 And when the seven thunders had uttered their voices, I was about to write: and I heard a voice from heaven saying unto me, Seal up those things which the seven thunders uttered, and write them not. 5 And the angel which I saw stand upon the sea and upon the earth lifted up his hand to heaven, 6 And swore by him that liveth for ever and ever, who created heaven, and the things that therein are, and the earth, and the things that therein are, and the sea, and the things which are therein, that there should be time no longer:*

He tells us that he heard seven thunders of their voices, and he was going to write down what they said. The thunder said something you could write down. It was seven mysteries of God. He was told, "Do not write them down. They are already written in the Bible, but I am giving revelation. Do not write them down. My Spirit will reveal them later." Deuteronomy 29:29 says, "The secret things belong to God but those things which are revealed belong to us."

In verse 6, it says time shall be no longer.



*7 But in the days of the voice of the seventh angel, when he shall begin to sound, the mystery of God should be finished, as he hath declared to his servants the prophets.*

In the days of the voice. This is the seventh trumpet. This is the angel with the last trumpet. We have read about the other six, up through chapter 9. This is the seventh angel with the trumpet -- the last trumpet. We have read about the first resurrection, and now we are reading about the last trumpet. In verse 7, it says, "In the days," not seconds, not minutes, but in the **days** when he shall begin to sound...

Revelation 1:10 says:

*I was in the Spirit on the Lord's day, and heard behind me a great voice, as of a trumpet.*

A voice. A trumpet is a message. Let me give you a message. [Ron hummed "How Great Thou Art" and they began to sing it.] Do you see? You heard the sound, but you knew the message. Not everyone could hear the sound and know the message. The people of God heard the trumpet and they knew the message. Let's go back to Chapter 10.

*7 But in the days of the voice of the seventh angel, when he shall begin to sound, the mystery of God should be finished, as he hath declared to his servants the prophets.*

The mystery that has been hidden down through the ages, but is now revealed to his servants, the prophets. This is the mystery, Christ in you, the hope of glory. The mystery will be finished -- the church in the full stature of the man Christ Jesus. In the days of the voice of the seventh angel, the mystery will be finished. Oh yeah, there is a trumpet sound. There is a voice. There is a message. I have seen His will, and it is for you and I to become His body, grown up into the Head. He prayed for it. Jesus prayed for it and hell can't stop it! The devil can't stop it! Jesus gets what He wants! What do we see next?

Chapter 11, verse 1 says: *And there was given me a reed like unto a rod: and the angel stood, saying, Rise, and measure the temple of God, and the altar, and them that worship therein.*

The mystery is finished. The temple is done. Bring Me a rod. I can measure the temple because it is finished. The seventh angel sounded the trumpet and the mystery is finished; now you can measure the temple. It is real. It is together. Measure the temple. The mystery is finished during the days of that trumpet.

**Question:** Can we say that the trumpet is already sounding?

**Answer:** Yes, because we are hearing the mysteries. The trumpet is beginning to sound. We are hearing that sound. God is in the house.

I can see why God sent me to Choloma. God is going to do something in this area. That is why He invites His ministers, all of them. He is telling everyone, "I put My hand on your life. Come and hear what I have to say. I'll put My Holy Ghost inside of you. He will teach you. He will guide you into all truth." That's a message!

We have a great Teacher. See, you don't have to agree with me when I leave. I am not going to try to convince you. God sent me to bring the Word. The Holy Ghost will open the Word to you. God wants to teach us, He wants to open the Word to you. He brings us a challenge and sometimes it is not easy.

The Jewish priests would not listen, they would not humble down, so Jesus found some fisherman. The woman at the well -- five husbands, living with a man, not even married. Jesus told her, "I am the Messiah." She said, "I have found Him." She believed because she didn't have theology, or doctrine, or someone who had already taught her. He said, "I'm the Messiah," and she said, "Yes, you are!" The High

Priests said, "These people who believe in Him are deceived." They sent some Roman soldiers to go get Jesus. Those soldiers came back without Him. They said, "Where is He?" The Roman soldiers said, "Never did a man speak like this man. I have never heard a man talk like this man talks. I will not arrest that man. Not me. I won't do it. I heard Him talk." People said, "You're deceived, like the people. He's just a good talker." They said, "He casts out devils." They answered, "Yeah, He does that because He is the Prince of the devils."

We see the temple finished and, immediately, the two anointed ministries begin. The children of the church have grown up. Now they are a fighting army and they cause the world trouble. You know they do. The Bible said it was like Moses and Elijah because they could turn the water to blood. Moses did that. They could stop the rain. Elijah did that. Both of those ministries came at an hour of confusion and straightened the people out about who the true God was.

Chapter 11:15 says:

*And the seventh angel sounded; and there were great voices in heaven, saying, The kingdoms of this world are become [the kingdoms] of our Lord, and of his Christ; and he shall reign for ever and ever.*

A lot happens while the seventh angel is sounding. Look who fought the two ministries. Read the verse where the body is laying in the street.

Rev 11:8 --

*And their dead bodies [shall lie] in the street of the great city, which spiritually is called Sodom and Egypt, where also our Lord was crucified.*

Egypt is not a city, it is religion. We talked about Joseph being a picture of Jesus. He was a favorite of his father. He made his brothers jealous. His father sent him down to the brothers. The brother named Judah sold him for silver. In Greek, his name is Judas. In the Book of Genesis, it tells us the name of the man who sold Jesus! They took his coat of many colors and dipped it in blood. They took it back to the father. They said he was dead. If they had looked in the tomb, they would have said, "He is not dead. He is alive."

Joseph went to Egypt among the Gentiles, and there he became a king. First, a false church, a harlot church, said, "I want you." That's Potiphar's wife. He would not yield to her, so she grabbed his coat and she told everyone, "He wanted me. Here's his coat. He came to me." Men use the Scripture, Matthew 16:18, where Jesus said to Peter, "You are the rock. Your name is Peter, and on this rock I will build My church." It was not built on Peter, it was built on the revelation of who Jesus is. It was the revelation of Jesus Christ upon which the church was built.

There is a church that still holds His coat, like Potiphar's wife. They quote that Scripture, saying, "He wanted us," but He did not. What happened? Joseph went into the dungeon. The Bible said that the butler and the baker had dreams. Joseph was raised up. There was no food in Egypt, because seven years of great tribulation had come upon the whole world. But there was a place where there was bread. There was a man who had the bread, who could feed the whole world, but you had to go to him. Joseph had the bread. His Jewish brothers came, but they did not know that their brother was the king. So it is today. The Jewish people do not know that Jesus is their king.

Joseph asked, "Is your father alive?" They said, "Oh yes." He said, "Is there anyone else?" They said, "Oh yes. We have a little brother whose name is Benjamin." The church is a picture of Rachel, the picture of grace. Jacob loved her. He served Laban for seven years and got Leah. She is the law. God gave us the law first. Then, Jacob was angry. "I want Rachel." Everyone loves grace. Anyone would want grace. So, her father said, "I'll give her to you after your honeymoon, and you can serve me seven more years." You see, in grace, you get your salvation and then the works flow freely. Is that true? Leah had babies because she

was the law. Rachel was barren. So, Rachel took her bondservant and gave her to Jacob. The law has bondage. She had children. Leah took her servant and gave her to Jacob. Still bondage. They all had children until God opened Rachel's womb. The day that Rachel had Joseph, it was prophesied that he would have a brother who would grow up into his full stature. Same mother. Same father. No one else had a baby after that. The law was finished.

Now we see Joseph. This is what he said to his brothers, "You will not see me until I see Benjamin." When the church grows up into the full stature of the man Christ Jesus -- all truth, no division -- then, when I see Benjamin, you can come back to Me. He said, the next time you come, you must bring Benjamin to prove you have him.

Joseph took his cup and put it in Benjamin's sack. That's the marriage supper of the Lamb because when Jesus, the Lamb, was in the Garden of Gethsemane, He said to the Father, "Take this cup from Me. Nevertheless, Thy will be done." Jesus said, "Put My cup in Benjamin's sack. He'll drink from it." When God finds that church, the church that will say "Take this cup from me, nevertheless, Thy will be done," those people who say, "Yes," are marrying the Lamb. The Lamb drank the cup.

Matthew 2:12-18 says:

*And being warned of God in a dream that they should not return to Herod, they departed into their own country another way. 13 And when they were departed, behold, the angel of the Lord appeareth to Joseph in a dream, saying, Arise, and take the young child and his mother, and flee into Egypt, and be thou there until I bring thee word: for Herod will seek the young child to destroy him. 14 When he arose, he took the young child and his mother by night, and departed into Egypt: 15 And was there until the death of Herod: that it might be fulfilled which was spoken of the Lord by the prophet, saying, Out of Egypt have I called my son. 16 Then Herod, when he saw that he was mocked of the wise men, was exceeding wroth, and sent forth, and slew all the children that were in Bethlehem, and in all the coasts thereof, from two years old and under, according to the time which he had diligently enquired of the wise men. 17 Then was fulfilled that which was spoken by Jeremy the prophet, saying, 18 In Rama was there a voice heard, lamentation, and weeping, and great mourning, Rachel weeping [for] her children, and would not be comforted, because they are not*

How? How can he say the babies dying in Bethlehem is a fulfillment of Jeremiah's prophesy? Rama is a city. Bethlehem is a city. They are not the same city. They are far apart. They were never the same city. Let's say Jeremiah prophesied, "I heard Rachel weeping for her children in San Pedro Sula," and Herod sent and killed the babies in Tegucigalpa, and I said, "That's a fulfillment of the prophesy. Those babies killed in Tegucigalpa is a fulfillment of the prophesy." You would say, "How can that be? He prophesied about another city. How can it be a different place?" God is a Spirit and they that worship Him must worship Him in Spirit. God is telling us that this day would come, this day when His children would not accept grace. The early church wept, begging them, "Come to Jesus." The man who begged them the most was a man from Benjamin. Paul said, "I am of the tribe of Benjamin," and he wept and he begged them, "Come into grace." Let's go back and read Jeremiah's prophecy in Jeremiah 31:11-17.

*For the LORD hath redeemed Jacob, and ransomed him from the hand of [him that was] stronger than he. 12 Therefore they shall come and sing in the height of Zion, and shall flow together to the goodness of the LORD, for wheat, and for wine, and for oil, and for the young of the flock and of the herd: and their soul shall be as a watered garden; and they shall not sorrow any more at all. 13 Then shall the virgin rejoice in the dance, both young men and old together: for I will turn their mourning into joy, and will comfort them, and make them rejoice from their sorrow. 14 And I will satiate the soul of the priests with fatness, and my people shall be satisfied with my goodness, saith the LORD. 15 Thus saith the LORD; A voice was heard in Ramah, lamentation, [and] bitter weeping; Rachel weeping for her children refused to be comforted for her children, because they [were] not. 16 Thus saith the LORD; Refrain thy voice from weeping, and thine eyes from tears: for thy work shall be rewarded, saith the LORD; and they shall come again from the*

*land of the enemy. 17 And there is hope in thine end, saith the LORD, that thy children shall come again to their own border.*

You see, when Herod's army came over the hill, this was God's picture of His people taking the land of the enemy. They were in Israel, but they were under the liar. The liar controlled them. God came among them and the leader sent his army to kill God. Were God's people under the enemy? Oh yes. Now, let's read what God said to Rachel.

*Thus saith the LORD; A voice was heard in Ramah, lamentation, [and] bitter weeping; Rahel weeping for her children refused to be comforted for her children, because they [were] not. 16 Thus saith the LORD; Refrain thy voice from weeping, and thine eyes from tears: for thy work shall be rewarded, saith the LORD; and they shall come again from the land of the enemy. 17 And there is hope in thine end, saith the LORD, that thy children shall come again to their own border.*

...So, as God began to pour out His Word through Paul, who was a man from the tribe of Benjamin... Benjamin is from Rachel, the tribe of grace. God tells Benjamin, "You do your work, for your work shall be rewarded and they shall come again from the land of the enemy." How can then come again from the land of the enemy? He said they perished. But, in the spirit, they were blind. They were under the lies of Satan. God said that blindness happened because He was going to go to the Gentiles.

*And there is hope in thine end, saith the LORD, that thy children shall come again to their own border.*

So, God said, "I'm going to raise up a church that will drink the cup. When Jesus sees that church, He will make Himself known to the Hebrews." God is going to do it. Man is not going to do it, but God is going to do it. Jesus said, "I am going to have a church without spot or wrinkle." In Ephesians 4, He said He was going to perfect the saints, bring us to the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, to the full stature of the man Christ Jesus. Paul said, "This is the mystery that hath been hid down through the ages. Christ in you, the hope of glory." God said, "Jesus is going to be a man, He is going to be a king, a servant, and He is going to be God. The Jewish people were waiting on the God/King. They knew nothing of the revealed Christ, the Servant/Man. They got the Servant/Man. He is the King, and yes, He's God, but He didn't look like that hanging on the cross. The church today is waiting on the King/Messiah, but we ignore that He is in us and that He has promised to bring us together and raise us up to the full stature on the earth as Servant/Man, where truth and only truth, led of the Holy Ghost, is spoken.

Then, when God has finished His work on the earth, Jesus Himself will descend from heaven. The heavens will melt and the earth will burn up and you and I will be glad that we are in Him! Now, how should we live? We should live as though we could go to heaven in a minute. We should live as though Jesus could come for us right now. But, that is not the same thing as telling the church that He could come right now to take us out of here, because He said that the man of sin would be revealed first and the church would be finished. His Word is true. So, I have to tell you, live like you're ready to go now but, for the church, the days of God's glory are about to come on her.

In Egypt, where the two anointed ministries were, Joseph was there. Read me the first and the last verse of Genesis:

*In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth. Genesis 1:1*

*So Joseph died, [being] an hundred and ten years old: and they embalmed him, and he was put in a coffin in Egypt. Genesis 50:26*

God creates. All man can do is keep images. Paul said that there are people who have the image of God but they deny the power thereof. From such, turn away. Religion, Egypt, was satisfied with Joseph's image, but they didn't have His voice. Jesus said, "My sheep know My voice." Jesus tells us that we are saved by

grace. We are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus. Egypt cannot create. Genesis starts with the creation of God, but it ends with men embalming Joseph, keeping his body.

Ezekiel 16:48 says: *[As] I live, saith the Lord GOD, Sodom thy sister hath not done, she nor her daughters, as thou hast done, thou and thy daughters. 49 Behold, this was the iniquity of thy sister Sodom, pride, fulness of bread, and abundance of idleness was in her and in her daughters, neither did she strengthen the hand of the poor and needy. 50 And they were haughty, and committed abomination before me: therefore I took them away as I saw [good].*

Sodom -- fullness of bread. That sounds like one of the churches in the Book of Revelation. So, Sodom has plenty of bread, but she is proud, with an abundance of idleness. She doesn't do anything with the power she has. Jesus said, "Receive ye the Holy Ghost. Whosoever sins you remit will be remitted, and whosoever sins you retain will be retained." You and I could be busy.

What power did He give the church? He did not say, "Whoever repents...". When they tore the roof off of the house where Jesus was and lowered the lame man down, Jesus looked at him and he said nothing. Jesus said, "Your sins are forgiven." The man did not ask to be forgiven. That made everyone angry, but He told the church, "Whosoever sins you remit, I will remit them in heaven." Why aren't we doing that? Because we are babies. He also said, "Whosoever sins you retain, will be retained." Let's say you get mad at someone in church, and you tell them, "I'm going to retain your sin. I'm so mad at you." God says, "You're a baby. Don't put that in babies' hands." You can't give that power to the flesh. You'd have to have the mind of Christ, otherwise you'll be retaining everyone's sin who makes you mad. Some taxi driver will get to heaven, and God will say, "Oh no, you cut Brother Ricley off. He was driving in San Pedro Sula and you cut him off. He was so mad, he retained your sins." I don't think so! He's not going to give that power to the flesh. We would be bad! God says, "Grow up. When your flesh is gone and you have My mind, there is power against sin. Whosoever sins you remit will be remitted and whosoever sins you retain will be retained." Ananias said to Peter, "I sold my house for a certain amount..." You know the story.

So, what happened to the two anointed ministries? Religion will rise up against them. It does not say it happens in Jerusalem, it says their body shall lie in the street of that great city, which is spiritually called Egypt and Sodom, where also our Lord was crucified. It does not say Jerusalem because He wasn't killed in the church. Jerusalem is the city of peace. He was killed by the law and by the knowledge of good and evil. God said, "This is the danger of the knowledge of good and evil". With the fruit of that tree and My commandments, you would judge Me guilty. How much more will you judge yourself? If the priests of God, with the knowledge of good and evil that Adam and Eve got off the tree and the commandments, would judge God guilty of sin, how are you going to judge yourself? He said, "If you judge yourself from the knowledge of good and evil, you will always think that I don't love you. You will always think that I wouldn't put my power in you because you would judge Me guilty, too, and you will judge yourself as always guilty." He said, "Get rid of the knowledge of good and evil."

Religion will attack the two anointed ministries. It won't be the world. It won't be the people caught in bars. Not the woman caught in adultery, the religious leaders.

**Question:** [Can n man make a covenant with God?](#)

**Answer:** God told us not to even make a vow. In the New Testament, He said, "Don't say, I'm going to go to that city and live a year." Say, "Lord willing." God is in charge. He said, "You don't know what you are going to do." Be careful. Many men are teaching that we can manipulate God, that we can boss God around. Be careful. We haven't even surrendered to God yet. You know that is true. He said, "My Holy Ghost is the Teacher." We let men teach us. He said, "I'm going to give you the Holy Ghost, the Spirit of Truth to lead and guide you in all truth." We want to be careful. Men are looking for things that help us scratch our ears. We're looking for answers and we think there is a new thing to do. The thing to do is to

spend time in prayer. Go off with God, and they will lay people in your shadow. Greater things will we do because He goes to the Father. If you love Me, keep My commandments.

**Question:** Can we covenant with God for a miracle for \$20/month?

**Answer:** That is a ripoff. They are stealing your money. Jesus never charged a penny. He told His disciples, "Freely you have received, freely give." God does not need any money, He wants your heart. Obedience is better than sacrifice. But, you know, men are building new buildings, so that everyone can see how important they are, so they need more money.

**Question:** What is a sound doctrine?

**Answer:** Love God with all your heart, mind, soul, and body, and love your neighbor as you love yourself. That's sound doctrine.

**Question:** What is the risk in the prosperity doctrine? Where does it take us?

**Answer:** Now, I want you to listen to me very carefully. The men who preach prosperity, that God wants you to be rich, also teach you that Jesus died spiritually. They teach you that He sinned on the cross or He could not have died. E.W. Kenyon taught that and Kenneth Hagin taught it, and the people who went to Rama teach it. Look in their books. They tell you that Jesus sinned on the cross. That is blasphemy. They tell you He would not have died otherwise. They teach that Jesus had to go to hell for eternity. They teach that He had to go to hell and that God condensed it into three days. Hell was never the payment for sin. You know that is true. The blood had to be shed for the payment for sin. Jesus didn't have to go to hell to pay for sin. Going to hell never paid for sin. His blood paid for sin. Without the shedding of blood there is no remission of sin. Jesus shed His blood.

I have a friend who sent \$11 to a faith ministry. He said, "I want a teaching tape and a singing tape." This is true. They wrote him back and said that he didn't send them enough money. He sent \$11 (US). I bought tapes in small quantities for my church, and I paid \$.25 per tape. I could buy four tapes for \$1.00. They invested \$.50 in two tapes. That would leave them with \$10.50. They say that you cannot out give God. You can't, but they can! Did you get that? Why didn't they send him the tapes for free? Free!

I gave tapes out for fourteen years for free. I bought food and brought it to my church. Every time we had a service, anyone in my church that didn't have food could fill sacks to take home. We paid the rent of widows. We purchased cars for people who had no car. I never took up an offering. God told me to put a box in the hallway and told me to tell the people that the box is where they can give. He said, "Don't take My time to take an offering. You tell them where they can give." When there is not enough, you come to Me because I will bless you. If I am not blessing you, you find out why. It worked just like that.

You see, God didn't tell us to take offerings so that we can drive a \$ 60,000 car. In the 1970s, a prosperity minister brought two Jaguar's for \$60,000 each, and said, "God wants me to show the world that He blesses His children." I have been in villages where Christians do not eat every day. Now, you tell me why that man should have a \$60,000 car when there is a preacher on the earth who does not even own a Bible and whose children go without food sometimes? You tell me why Jesus would give one man two \$60,000 cars when little children are left hungry, and their mothers praying. That is not God.

The disciples gathered up offerings. God said, "Take an offering so there is bread in My house." Those people sold what they had so that everyone had the same thing. If I have something, then I share it with you. If you have much, then you share it with me. Then, we both have. That is the church. It is not that I take your money and I tell you that God will bless you. It's not so that you can give it to me to do as I please and God will bless you. I take your money and I buy some food for the orphans. There are orphans who beg on the streets for bread. If there is a preacher that has a \$60,000 car, I beg you to sell it and to buy

Bibles, to feed the orphans, to show the world the blessings of the love of Jesus. The world is not hungry for money. The world wants love. Money can't make you happy. God can make you happy.

I went to a conference in the U.S., a church service in an auditorium. They made me pay to come in. I paid and put my tickets in my pocket. When I got to the usher, he said, "Where are your tickets?" I said, "What if I was desperate for God, what if I hadn't been washed in the blood and there was someone in here who could tell me about it?" He said, "Do you have your ticket, or not?" I said, "I would not want to stand in a door between a man who wants God and a man who says he has God for \$5." What has happened to the church?

We preach that we are people of faith, but we charge people to come to our meetings in order to pay for the meetings. Who is our faith in? Is it in God, or in the money? I'm asking some hard questions. The world is watching the church go the wrong way. As long as men are being promised things like that it's like the lottery. "Do you want to get a little rich? Just spend a little on the lottery. You can be rich. Your dreams can come to pass. Send me your \$20. Send me your seed money. If 1,000 people send me \$20 a month, that's almost nothing to people, but it's \$20,000 a month to me. Just \$20." If I could get 1,000 people here in Honduras to send me \$20 by promising, "You'll be rich like me," do you know what? One day it will dawn on you -- I need 1,000 people to send me \$20, and then I will be rich like Brother Ricley! Am I rough enough? Am I being mean enough? I am talking about the church of Jesus Christ, who gave His life!

You be careful of anyone who says, "God will make you rich if you give to me." Do you know what? You can buy food for the widow woman next door and use your tithe money to do it. Did you know that? God can talk to you and say, "See that kid over there? The one who walks by every day on the way to school? Get him a new pair of shoes." Do you think God wouldn't bless you? Jesus said, "Give to the poor. He that gives to the poor lends to the Lord. He that gives to the rich shall come to want." It will come to nothing. Anyone in here would want to have money when they need it. I know what I'm talking about. But, God taught me to rest in Him. The church does not do that very well. Rest in Jesus.

I'm not trying to be mean, but I'm telling you that to preach that Jesus sinned and went to hell to pay the price for sin is a lie that only satan could tell. I'm telling you the truth. That kind of thing is not God.

I was in a church in Nevada, Missouri, and a woman stood up, crying. She said, "I know that I am confessing something, but I am terribly sick and I need prayer." I was there as a guest. This is what the pastor told her: "What can we do? You confessed that you are sick. We can't do anything for you. You claimed it." What does the Bible say? "Is there any sick among you? Let them pray. Is there any afflicted? Then let them call for the elders of the church. They shall anoint them with oil, and the prayer of faith will save the sick and God will raise them up."

Let me ask you a question. When Peter sank in the water, whose faith brought him up? Was it his faith or Jesus' faith? Jesus didn't say, "Oh Peter, if you don't confess your faith, you'll drown!" All Peter could say was "Blub, blub, blub." Jesus didn't say to Peter, "I can't help you. You have to have faith. Sorry bad boy, I'll see you in heaven." He didn't say that. This is what men say. Jesus grabbed him by the hand and pulled him on top of the water. When he was on top of the water, Jesus said, "Why did you doubt?" So, it wasn't Peter's faith that lifted him up.

The Apostle Paul said, *I die daily and, nevertheless, I live. Yet, not I, but Christ liveth in me, and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself for me.*

I'm not living on my own faith. I'm living on the faith of the Son of God.

It takes about two hours to go through and study what the Bible says about Jesus dying spiritually, but the Bible clearly says that Jesus was sinless. He lived without sin and He died without sin. They teach that He

could not have died unless He sinned. God prophesied that He would die. When God prophesies that you will die, you'll die. You don't need to sin to die, the prophecy will bring it to pass.

Isaiah 53:5 says, "*He was wounded for our transgressions, [he was] bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace [was] upon him; and with his stripes we are healed.*"

God said, "He will die. I am going to raise Him up and He is not going to hell." No one is sent to hell until after the second resurrection. Read the Book of Revelation. It won't happen until after the devil has been bound for 1,000 years. Hell is reserved for the devil and for his angels. No one is sent to hell until after the graves are opened. The Bible says that every man and every woman who has ever lived will be there. Then the books will be opened, then the great white throne of judgment.

There are three different words for "hell" in the Bible. [In Spanish they probably use the three different words. The translator said yes. The words are hell, gehenna, sheol.](#) In English, they do not use all of the words correctly. In the English Bible, which these men are teaching from, there is only the word "hell" used for the punishment in the afterlife. Jesus said there were three different places. We don't have time to look it all up today. If that doctrine has attacked you and the people you love in your church, turn your TV off, put their tapes in a box, put their CD's in a box, with their books, get a jug of water and go to your prayer closet.

I have another question. On the cover of one of the magazines, one of these ministers had on eyeglasses. He was reading with eyeglasses. What is that? Didn't he confess his eyes well enough? Oh, you get quiet! Is that a good question? Why would you need reading glasses if you teach other people to confess they are well? Just confess to yourself, 'I can read.' You know I'm right.

**Question:** [What time will the millennial reign start? When will the Anti-Christ reign? Will the physical temple in Israel be rebuilt?](#)

**Answer:** The millennial reign will start at about 9:30. Really – I don't know. I don't know about the Anti-Christ. I do know that the physical temple in Israel will not be rebuilt. God will not allow it. He will not allow them to go back to blood sacrifices.

## *Conclusion*

I can't tell you what a joy the presence of God in this place is! He has taught meaty things in this place. He has taught things that He has not had me talk about in any other place that I know of. What encourages me about what God has done is that He would not do it if you could not receive it. I am very encouraged! I feel like my heart is knit with your hearts. Even if I have been mean to you, it's because I love you. I'll tell you the truth and I'll tell you to pray about it. I haven't come to make you angry, but if I have, I believe it will return fruit. God is a Blessor. We will pray about coming back here because we want God to keep building on His Word.

[End of Day 4](#)

[Day 5: Praise and worship in the presence of God!](#)