

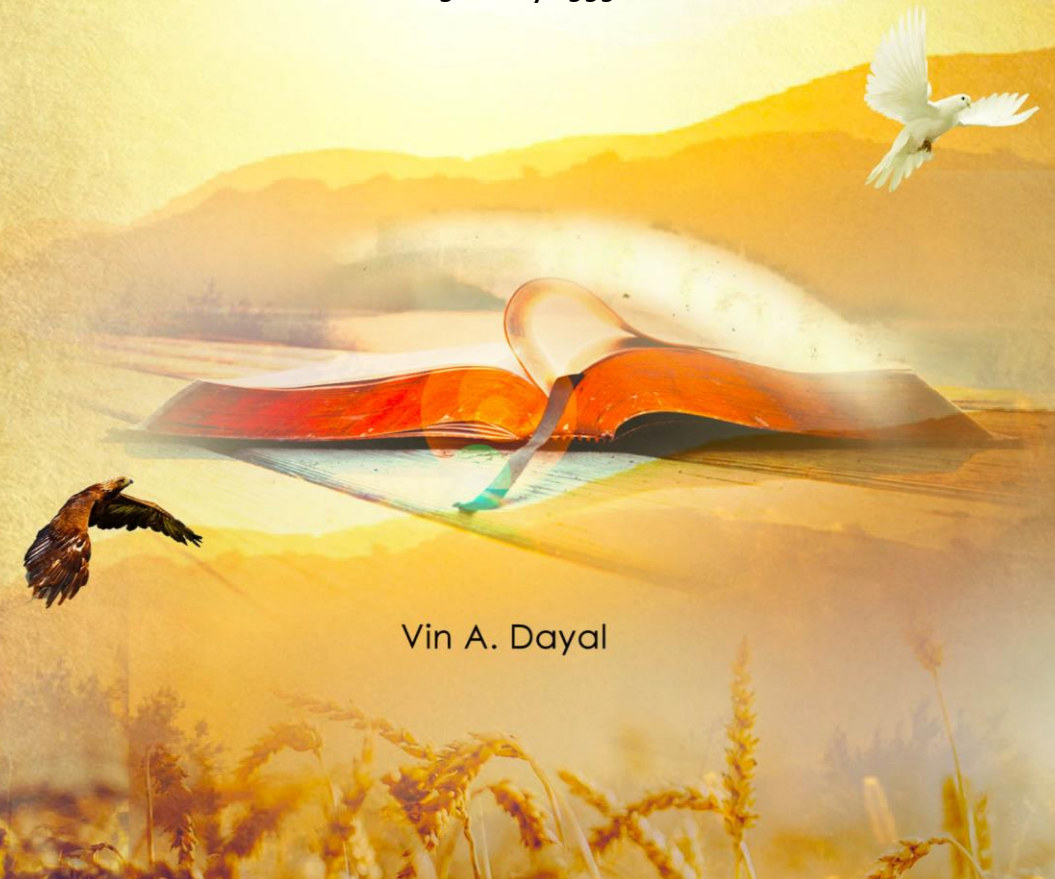
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... we can feel over us now...

... *we can feel over us now,*

Seven steps He showed...

*Seven steps He showed to God's provided place;*

*King Theophany Jesus...*

This great Melchisedec!

... *is here amongst us now,*

*To show His Bride how Rapturing Grace will be.*

CHORUS:

*Then He says, "Peace, Peace,*

*Peace unto My lovely Bride,*

*Shalom, Shalom!" for a new day has been broken;*

*From this sick and dying world*

*To God's Life...*

*To God's Life and immortality,*

*All we can hear from His Throne*

*Is "Good Morning! Good Morning! To My Bride."*

Amen. Let us just bow our heads and close our eyes as we look to Him. What a reality this is to us. It was written almost seventeen years or more ago in those early days when the Holy Spirit took that Seventh Seal and made It so real amongst us. That was the expression of our experience – it was the dawning of a new Day. Someone was among us: King Theophany Jesus, this great, mighty One Who has come to show us how Rapturing Grace will be.

And all these years after, how much more real it is to those who have walked in that Light and to those who, maybe back there were young ones, couldn't grasp; wasn't at the stage where it could be made real to them, but since then, you begin to feel that Daystar arising in your heart and the Day dawning for you in this Hour. And together, young and old are being caught up in this great Rapturing Grace that is sweeping into the hearts of the children of God.

How we desire that He will just pour out Himself afresh to us today that this can be the experience: the pressing coming of the great Light, breaking between mortal and immortality, between a dying world of corruption and a bright, new, shining Day. He said, "This is the joy that we have looked forward to. Shalom!"

'Jehovah Shalom' – *'the Lord Who is our peace'*. The God of peace Who will bruise Satan under our feet, He Who has made of twain, one, He Who has given us this great thanksgiving feast: "I will sup with you," gave us the breast and the right shoulder that we can have this great feast in this dark Hour. When it has become so dark and fear is striking so many, He can say, "Fear not, little sister, there is a Man here that can turn on the Light, peace be unto you. Be not afraid."

Almighty God, thinking of these great things that You have dealt with us down through these years, that which You have engraved in our hearts, as You said, "I will dwell in you; I will walk in you. I will write My laws in your hearts and in your minds. I will no more remember your sins and your iniquities. I will be your God and you shall be My people. This is the covenant I will make with you in those days: no one will have to say, 'Know the Lord,' for you will all know the Lord. You shall know as you were known. You will see face to face, for that which is perfect is come." Lord, we thank You for these things. When we consider, Father, these great prophecies that laid in the Book, read and pondered by many, longed for and desired that it would be made

actual in their experience, yet they did not live in that Day to see this great Headstone come with shoutings of grace.

But Father, we have seen these things and we have recognized the Day of our visitation, and the things that belongeth unto our peace, You have made known to us. And how we treasure these things, holding them dear in our hearts, knowing that the true Bride, as She nears the Headstone, She will be in His very Own image in order to be united with Him; they will be one.

We thank You, Father, that in this great Hour when this world is again falling apart, every city crumbling, every nation crumbling because they have no foundations, Lord, but Father, there is a City that has foundations, a City whose Builder and Maker is God; that which the prophets and sages longed for, that when they confessed they were pilgrims and strangers, seeing this great thing by vision, having no desire to go back to the country from which they came, they wandered destitute in sheepskin and goatskin, of whom the world was not worthy, looking for that City, Lord.

Then John saw this great thing, Father: the Lamb's Wife, the Bride. Oh God, and Father, here in all Her glory and splendor, never a people like this people, Lord – the consummation of the great revelation, the whole Mystery in the back-part of Your Mind: to restore Eve back to Her rightful position; to bring a Church back in the last days that sin cannot stand among, Lord.

As Your Prophet said, he looked for that Church, knowing that it laid in the Bible that there was going to be a glorious Church, without spot and without wrinkle – the great apostle saying that we have come to Mount Zion, Heavenly Jerusalem, City of the Living God, an innumerable company of angels, spirits of just men made perfect, where the Voice of the Blood speaketh better things, the Blood of Jesus Christ that has a Voice to It, Father, that could speak Redemption, that could speak resurrection, that could speak glorification, that

could speak pardon, that could speak healing and joy and peace, that which the blood of Abel's sacrifice could not speak.

We thank You, Lord, to know that in this Day when these things are becoming from negative to positive, becoming living realities in the hearts of the Elect, Lord, we are recognizing this and we are recognizing that we are part of this, Lord, Your great elective Love; Your great redeeming grace. What an extreme joy it is, Father, when the great Headstone Himself is settling upon the pyramid of His Bride in this great uniting time, Lord, when the two become one, Father, bone of Your bone and flesh of Your flesh, faith of Your faith and virtue of Your virtue, Life of Your Life, Spirit of Your Spirit.

We have waited years to see these things, but Father, here in these last closing hours of time, that realization is being made real in the hearts of Your Elect, Father, Your Church is moving up into a great Rapturing condition, Father, as we sit in the Presence to be ripened even to perfection, that that which we have, will be baked into reality and, Lord, there will be such a sincerity. As Your Prophet said, that's the reason, Lord, he looked for it back there and couldn't see it. He said we were only hearing the Message intellectually, there was not that sincerity, but Lord God, when we lay in the Presence of the Son, we will ripen.

And how down through these last thirty-four years or so, Lord, there is a people that has ripened, Father, that You can look and see faith of Your faith and virtue of Your virtue and knowledge of Your knowledge and Life of Your Life. Now the Spirit and the Bride say the same thing that the Spirit said in the Prophet, saying that which is already spoken in the Word, Father. It's She under Her Messenger who becomes the final Voice to this final Age. This is what You desired, Father.

Let it, Lord, flow out to every heart; every heart that is ordained to receive it, every life in which it is to be



made manifest, everyone that is to be sharing in that victory, everyone that is to display this great Glory, Lord, in this Hour, let it be that personal possession. May You grant it, Father.

Even as our hearts are open unto You, even as we wait with bated breath, in anticipations to what Your Holy Spirit will do, may we catch it by revelation, as the Spirit, Lord, will just move in our midst, breaking the Bread of Life, pouring the revelation and quickening it by Your Holy Spirit and, Lord, increasing the faith, building up the church, Lord, into such a spot, Father, that whatever we lack, whatever we have need of, whatever condition stands before us, Lord God, like it was spoken to Zerubbabel, "Let the mountain become a plain before Zerubbabel, and let him not despise the day of small things, and let him know it is not by his might or by his power, but it is by My Spirit, saith the Lord."

Oh gracious God, let this great Capstone revelation, where those Seven Voices were sealed, Father, where It is uttered forth this morning, and let It minister that grace and that election and that perfection, Lord, to the hearts of Your children, that Your Church might shine with Your Glory – this great Jerusalem that is to be built up in the last days. And let it, oh God, honor You and glorify You, Father. Grant it, we pray.

Bless all that is gathered in Your Presence today. Do the exceedingly abundantly above all we could ask or think. Lead us and direct us in the paths of service, and may Your Name be praised in the midst of Your children, for we pray and we ask all these things, in the precious, almighty Name of Jesus Christ our Lord, amen.

Amen. God richly bless you. Let's open the Bible this morning. We certainly want to make you all feel welcome, and even the strangers and the visitors within our gates. I would like to turn to the Book of Zechariah, Chapter 8. Zechariah Chapter 8, and we would read from verse 1.

You know, Zechariah was one of those restoration prophets, and we have been looking at these Books that pertain to the time of restoration.

*<sup>1</sup> Again the word of the LORD of hosts came to me, saying,*

*<sup>2</sup> Thus saith the LORD of hosts; I was jealous for Zion with [a] great jealousy, and I was jealous for her with great fury.*

*<sup>3</sup> Thus saith the LORD; I am returned unto Zion, and will dwell in the midst of Jerusalem: and Jerusalem shall be called a city of truth; and the mountain of the LORD of hosts the holy mountain.*

Truth and holiness will be in that city.

*<sup>4</sup> Thus saith the LORD of hosts; There shall yet old men and old women dwell in the streets of Jerusalem, and every man with his staff in his hand for very age.*

*<sup>5</sup> And the streets of the city shall be full of boys and girls playing in the streets [of it].*

The Holy Spirit is speaking in a metaphorical way, describing peace and security to the people, because Jerusalem, the city, is in the midst of nations that hate it. There is danger in her streets – her children can't even afford to play, the men don't even live to a full old age. But God is showing that the children will play in the streets, without any fear of war, without any fear of any attack of the enemy; without any fear of danger.

*<sup>6</sup> Thus saith the LORD of hosts; If it be marvelous in the eyes of the remnant of this people in these days, should it also be marvelous in mine eyes? saith the LORD of hosts.*

*<sup>7</sup> Thus saith the LORD of hosts; Behold, I will save my people from the east country, and from the west country;*

*<sup>8</sup> And I will bring them, and they shall dwell in the midst of Jerusalem: and they*

*shall be my people, and I will be their God,  
in truth and in righteousness.*

Now, all these are prophecies. It was God prophesying through Zechariah of what was awaiting the people who He had called out of Babylon and brought back in the land. And He was speaking of them, how His city would be called a city of Truth, there will be such peace in the city, and security.

Because remember, they were taken into captivity. Their very walls were broken down, the very enemy had captured them and taken them into a land where they were subject to the enemy, into a land of idolatry, and held captive for seven decades. But in the end, God Who had promised them: "I will bring you here again in the land where you were taken from..."

And keep that in your mind – that is the church that was taken to Babylon, that was to be restored in the last days. In the time of restoration, She is going to come back, where the Glory of the latter is going to be greater than the Glory of the former.

*<sup>9</sup> Thus saith the LORD of hosts...*

Now He was speaking to these people who had come out.

*... Let your hands be strong...*

See, after He showed them what was going to await them, He was giving them an incentive to motivate them, to inspire them. Because remember, they had let the work fall. They were discouraged. They had accepted a compromised position and they had abandoned the work. And they lost the zeal for the house of God and a coldness was settling in upon them, when God raised up Haggai and Zechariah. And so, God was showing them what was awaiting them.

In other words, "Don't you want to build the house, and I want to bring you to a place where the city will be in peace, where this place will be called the city of Truth, where I, Myself, would be living among you? Go on and

finish the work, because that is what is going to happen in the end.” See?

And why do you want to press on to perfection? Why do you want to press on out of the condition you are in? Because He promised that, brother, He is going to fill... The Dynamics shall be the refilling of the Holy Ghost. This mortal will put on immortality. There will be such a Rapturing Grace sweep over us, that, brother, this corruption will put on incorruption. And that is why there is something in you, you just don't want to stay with the foundation: “Well, we came out of Babylon. Well, we came out of denomination. Well, we believe the Prophet.” You don't just want to stay there. You want the House to be built until It is filled with God. Amen.

So, He was speaking to them:

*<sup>9</sup> Thus saith the LORD of hosts; Let your hands be strong, ye that hear in these days these words by the mouth of the prophets...*

Because Haggai and Zechariah were prophesying. Malachi also, was a later one in the time of restoration. So, He was saying, “You who are hearing the words of these restoration prophets, you who came out of Babylon, you who are restored to the land of your fathers; you who are hearing those messages telling you, ‘Go on and build up the house, let Jerusalem come back to her Glory.’”

He said:

*... ye that hear in [the] days these words...*

For these were the words they were speaking.

*... by the mouth of the prophets, [who] were in the [days] that the foundation of the house of the LORD of hosts was laid, that the temple might be built.*

Because remember, they had laid the foundation and that was when they stopped. They only got so far.

*<sup>10</sup> For before these days there was no hire for man, nor any hire for beast; neither [there was] any peace to him that went out*

*or came in because of the affliction: for I set  
all men every one against his neighbor.*

Remember, that was the chastisement for saying, “It is not time the Lord’s house should be built,” and they started to get taken up with their own houses. And He said, “You earn wages and you put it in a bag with holes.” He said, “You earn great wages and you bring it home and I blow it away.” And it was His chastisement upon them because they had let the work of God go down.

Many of them had unemployment; there was no hire for any man. Man saw children hungry, man was going into debt; man was borrowing. See? Man had oxen and different things and couldn’t get any work for it; have a tractor, have a car put up in the yard, have a maxi-taxi and you can’t get work for it or anything; it’ll break down on you. God was bringing troubles, chastisement, upon the people in that hour of restoration. And He was telling them, in the time of their affliction, it was His chastisement, but they were insensitive. We took those things in the prayer meetings – *Consider Your Ways* [[1999-0514 -Ed.](#)], Haggai 1.

*<sup>11</sup> But now I will not be unto the residue  
of this people as in the former days, saith  
the LORD...*

Now, “See, I had to chastise you.” But when Haggai came and pointed out their sins to them, what happened? The people obeyed. And the people rose up and got back involved. So, God was saying, “Now that you offer yourself willingly and cheerfully, from this day, I will bless you.” That was Haggai 2. He said, “From this day, I will bless you.” See? So, Haggai and Zechariah, you know they prophesied together. I will show you that just now.

*<sup>11</sup> [And] now I will not be unto the residue  
of this people as in the former days, saith  
the LORD of hosts.*

*12 For the seed shall be prosperous; the vine shall give [its] fruit...*

Because before the vine couldn't bring anything.

*... and the ground shall give [its] increase, and the heavens shall give their dew...*

God was saying, "Didn't you notice I held up the dew – no inspiration, no corn, no oil, no stimulation; your services were dry, your life was dry; you read the Word, you didn't get anything?" See? He said, "But now I will give increase. Now the heavens will give their dew."

*... and I will cause the remnant of this people to possess all these things.*

That was the people who were called out and brought back in the land and who were stagnated.

*13 And it shall come to pass, that as ye were a curse among the [nations], O house of Judah, and house of Israel; so will I save you, and ye shall be a blessing: fear not, but let your hands be strong.*

Can you see that that is to you? Can you see that you are at the time of restoration? Can you see the Church has been called out of Babylon? Can you see you have come back in the land of your fathers? Can you see that when the Church is stagnated and can't move into the full place where She is ordained to come to because of hindrances and obstacles and opposition, and the Word is coming and spurring Her on and showing Her: "Hold your vision before you; keep the beginning of your confidence steadfast to the end," can you see that that is you?

Then He said, "Fear not." Why do you think the work fell? The opposition. "I can't do that, okay? Well, brother, not me, okay? I am risking my life there, yes. But if I do that, I wouldn't have time for anything, okay? And brother, I have to take care of this and take care of that and take care of this and take care of the other. I don't think if the Lord wanted us to do all of that, that

would have been done already.” See, that is how the people were thinking.

The enemy switched them into that place (see?) by magnifying himself, so that he appeared so big. That was why He said, “You tell Zerubbabel, that mountain before him will become a plain” – because he was seeing it so big. He said, “Don’t despise the day of small things.”

When Zerubbabel looked at his own self and saw his weakness, his human weakness: “How could I finish this house of God?”

He said, “You tell Zerubbabel, do not despise the day of small things. I will take the weak things and confound the wise. I will take the things that are nothing and bring to nought the things that are mighty.” See? “So, it is not by your might or by your power, it will be by My Spirit, saith the Lord. It will be I that do it among you, that no flesh will glory in My Presence.”

Can we learn that lesson, friends? Can we learn that, that we will let God fight our battles? You see, when they were seeing the enemy so big, coming to take them back into Egypt, what happened? The Pillar of Fire came down and stood between them and the enemy.

In other words, God said, “Look at Me, don’t look at your problems. Look at Me!” Amen! And Moses said, “Stand still and see the salvation of the Lord. You wouldn’t have to fight in this battle; this battle is the Lord’s battle. Your enemy you see today, that makes you fear, you will not see them anymore.”

That is the place where we want to be. And that is where you as a believer... Because remember, it is the Word... If It can’t inspire you and you can’t get it from the Word, there is nowhere else you can get it, because the Word is ordained to give it to you. The Word is ordained to give it to you because the Word has your life already written in It, at every stage. And when you find your Hour, and you find the Word for your Hour,

you find the source of your strength. Amen? You find the thing to work with to defeat the enemy.

So, look how He was speaking to them. He said:

*... fear not, but let your hands be strong.*

Verse 14:

*<sup>14</sup> For thus saith the LORD of hosts; As I thought to punish you, when your fathers provoked me to wrath, saith the LORD of hosts, and I repented not:*

*<sup>15</sup> So again have I thought in these days to do [good] unto Jerusalem and to the house of Judah: fear ye not.*

“The same way that they took the Church down in Babylon at Nicaea Rome, where they forfeited their rights; took the Word, went down into Babylon and they controlled them down there, scattered into all those denominations, but I promise, at the Evening Time, at the end of the Seventh Age, when those Seven Thunders utter Their Voices and that Shout goes forth, I will gather the Bride from all denominations and bring them back again.” Are you seeing that picture? That is the picture – Seven Thunders gathering the Bride *back* to Her original place, (amen); literally turning the hearts of the children back to the faith of the fathers.

He said, “So it was in My heart to bring you back.” And this is the restoration time, friends, Elijah has come, Seven Seals have been opened, all these years: thirty-six years. So, it is not like: “I wonder what God is doing, boy.” It is: Have we missed God? Is God ahead of us? Have we dilly-dallied? Are we willing to rise up and get in step with the Holy Spirit? Are we willing to put God first? Do we see time is running out? See?

*<sup>16</sup> These are the things that ye shall do; Speak ye every man the truth to his neighbor; execute the judgment of truth and peace in your gates:*

When you see that in the Word it says, “You do that to your neighbor; you do that to your neighbor.” But if



you want to ask who your neighbor is, it is not just the person next to you either. Remember the parable of the good Samaritan, the man asked, "Who is my neighbor?"

*17 And let none of you imagine evil in your hearts against his neighbor; and love no false oath: for all these are things that I hate, saith the LORD.*

*18 And the word of the LORD of hosts came unto me, saying,*

*19 Thus saith the LORD of hosts; The fast of the fourth month, and the fast of the fifth, and the fast of the seventh, and the fast of the tenth...*

Because in Chapter 7, they were asking them about these fasts.

*... shall be to the house of Judah joy and gladness, and cheerful feasts; therefore love the truth and peace.*

In other words, "You obey the word of the prophets." See? "He will establish you, He will prosper you; your fasts will be turned into feasts of joy and gladness, and cheerful feasts.

*20 Thus saith the LORD of hosts; It shall yet come to pass, [and] there shall come [peoples], and the inhabitants of many cities:*

*21 And the inhabitants of one city shall go to another, saying, Let us go speedily to pray before the LORD, and to seek the LORD of hosts: I will go also.*

*22 Yea, many [peoples] and strong nations shall come to seek the LORD of hosts in Jerusalem, and to pray before the LORD.*

He said, "If you obey and you do this so that I can come and dwell among you, they will come from everywhere. From every city, they will come to see God among you. No matter where they are. Big nations, they will come to see you. They will come to see what is

happening among you, because it will be a city on a hill that cannot be hid." Do you know He promised that when the power of this church rises, it will pull its brethren?

*23 Thus saith the LORD of hosts; In those days it shall come to pass, that ten men shall take hold out of all languages of the nations, even shall take hold of the skirt of him that is a Jew, saying, We will go with you: for we have heard that God is with you.*

Romans 2:28-29 says, "A Jew is not a Jew outwardly; is a Jew inwardly." Galatians 6 says, "You are the Israel of God." Hebrews 12 says, "You are Heavenly Jerusalem, City of the Living God." Do you see what we are talking about?

Let us pray.

Father, take Your Word and open It to us that It will be a revelation, Lord. God, You know in my heart how I so desire to just go one step at a time with this, that even this morning You just turned it around, Father, lest it would have been too much for the people. But just in a place that they can catch it and it can sink deep down into their souls, and it can nourish them up with great faith and enlighten them and give them understanding, that Lord, we will not just be caught up superficially playing with keywords, but Father, we will see this great vision of what the Bride is through Your eyes, and it will so inspire us that we can walk into it and become one with it, that we can be the very manifestation of that which is revealed in Your Word; we can be the written epistle. Grant it, Lord; this is what we desire.

If there is one out in Babylon in some denomination and, Lord, they are hungry, they cannot be satisfied, they believe that somewhere there is a City that has foundations, and You have drawn them by Your Holy Spirit here today, let them recognize that sovereign grace has led them right in the midst of the City. Let

their eyes be anointed to see spiritual things, Lord, in the Name of Jesus Christ we pray, amen.

God bless you. You may have your seats. I would like to speak a little this morning on: **“JERUSALEM, THE CITY OF TRUTH AND HOLINESS”**. Because in verse 3, He said:

*... I am returned unto Zion, and will dwell in the midst of Jerusalem: and Jerusalem shall be called a city of truth; and the mountain of the LORD of hosts the holy mountain.*

Now, when Zechariah was speaking that in his time to those people, it was not going to be fulfilled right there with that group; it was looking further on, because the people were still going to be scattered again. Even after they rebuilt the temple, when Jesus came, He said, “Not one stone standing will remain.” And Titus came, as Daniel said: “And the people of the prince shall come and destroy the sanctuary with a great flood and there shall be desolations.”

So, in this last generation, under the Feast of Trumpets, they have gone back to Jerusalem and they are praying and they are wailing and they are hungering. And they have been trying to raise the red heifers, and they made all the garments, and they have all the plans for the temple, and they have all the instruments, and they have everything waiting just for the time, the right time when they can quickly rebuild that temple and reinstitute the temple worship and all these things. And yet it is still not that temple.

But we see that that 144,000, the Bible tells us in Revelation 14, that when John saw them, they were not on Mount Sinai, they were on Mount Zion and their Father’s Name was written in their foreheads. He had seen them: that woman bringing forth this Man Child, crossing from the moon into the sun. And she brought forth a Man Child that was to rule all nations – the Desire of all nations that was to come forth.

And so, as we look at Zechariah's prophecy here, it has been prophecies that astounded many persons who tried to understand what they mean because it is in symbols, just like Daniel's prophecies and Ezekiel's prophecies and John's prophecies in the Book of Revelation. And God had a purpose for doing it like that, because Zechariah... And maybe you could just turn a little bit so I could read one or two things with you to help present this in the way I would like to. Zechariah 1, and you can find Haggai 1. And we will read Haggai 1 first.

And I want to bring these messages because in my heart I believe that I struck something. And I just stumbled on it casually. And I started with the *Prayer Meetings*, you know, taking it out of Ezra and Haggai, and then I struck something and I brought that message on the *Fall Of Babylon And The Rise Of Jerusalem*. [[1999-0516 -Ed.](#)] And when I struck that, it took me about hundreds of different ways.

And that is why this morning, you know, I... All yesterday I was there, and I went to sleep because I just felt like, you know, it was going to be too much, and I wanted to stay in a place where I can go one step at a time with the people because I feel that there is some instruction, there is some exhortation and there are some things that are necessary for us to catch if we get into the Mystery of it.

Many times you fail to get emphasized, the instruction and the thing that is so important. And we certainly would like to blend it together, so that as much as we can enjoy and see spiritually what these things are and how it applies to us, yet the things that would help us separate and overcome and get in condition that these things can be fulfilled, it can help lead us into an experience, rather than we just sit down there and get spellbound and, you know, overwhelmed by: "Look at what is in the Word!"

So, I am trying to take this in a way that if I can bring it message by message, in a way that we can study it and we can feel it and we can try to keep it in the place where it can truly motivate us and inspire us...

And I was thinking, you know, of how God has a strange way of doing things, just when we were in the midst of even our building program there, sort of on standstill because of the commitment in Grenada and Tobago. And we have had Bro. Ellis [Bro. Ellis Joseph -Ed.], who has been one of the brothers who spearheaded the building, tied up in Grenada, so we have had that a little on a standstill. And then I have been making some trips back and forth and then came back and wasn't too well, and it sort of even set us back a little further. I was sitting down to have meetings to make our final decisions as to what we would like to do to finish it up.

However, as I was mentioning to you Friday, we are now in place of trying to just do it quickly. And just when we were in that kind of situation, it seemed the Holy Spirit, you know, took the same Word. Because we are in the midst of a similar situation in the natural realm, but God is using it to inspire something spiritual to us also.

And that is the Bible pattern, and that is what is the beautiful thing about inspiration when you walk in the Word. Because just what we are looking at here in a natural way, we can see how we are receiving the same inspiration on both levels, by the grace of God.

Now, Haggai 1, verse 1, it says... This was Haggai dating his prophecy; the time of his message. And he said:

*<sup>1</sup> In the second year of Darius the king...*

And I was telling you how that was... In the Books of Kings and Chronicles, they always dated it after the kings of Israel and the kings of Judah. But here, the times of the Gentiles had started; Israel was under Gentile dominion, and still is, and will be until the fullness of the Gentiles comes in. And now we are in

that Hour when the Bride is fixing to leave. So, during that time, it is dated here by the reign of a Gentile king.

It says:

*<sup>1</sup> In the second year of Darius the king, in the sixth month, in the first day of the month, came the word of the LORD by Haggai the prophet unto Zerubbabel the son of Shealtiel, governor of Judah, and to Joshua the son of Josedech, the high priest...*

And these were the two leaders who came out leading the first expedition when they came back to rebuild the temple. And all of that is symbolic, because Zerubbabel was a prince, and had there not been a Gentile king and Gentile dominion over Israel, he would have been king of Judah because he was of the house of David. And so, the king used him to be governor, appointed to go forth and rebuild the house, and Joshua, who was the high priest.

So, here you have the king, the priest and the prophet, which is all the Mystery of Christ, all three offices – Prophet, Priest and King, coming together in the hour of restoration when the temple is to be rebuilt to restore Jerusalem.

And let me just turn now to Zechariah. Zechariah 1:1. And this here:

*<sup>1</sup> In the eighth month, in the second year of Darius, came the word of the LORD unto Zechariah, the son of Berechiah, the son of Iddo the prophet...*

So, that means he started to prophesy just two months after Haggai, because Haggai was in the sixth month in the second year of Darius. And you know how God doesn't have two major prophets, so they were not major prophets. Like I told you, there were twelve minor prophets—what they call minor prophets, and they were like prophesying out of the inspiration of the major prophets.

You had Isaiah, you had Jeremiah, you had Ezekiel, you had Daniel, and then you had these twelve minor prophets that followed. Well, you had nine before the captivity and three after the captivity. And Haggai, Zechariah and Malachi were after the captivity. At the end of the seventh decade when they were coming out of Babylon, that is where they came in, that is where their prophecies came in. And their prophecies came in to the people that were called out by God out of Babylon and restored to the land. So if you want to understand them today, you have to find the people that are prophesying to the called-out group when the Church is called out of Babylon. See?

And in that hour, you know how... Israel going back to their homeland was, what? A type of the Feast of the Trumpets. The generation that sees Israel come back in their homeland; the exiles being returned. And what is happening to Israel naturally is happening to us spiritually because we are being rushed from all denominations back to the promised Word. That is why, the same time the six-point Star of David rose over Palestine, the very same day, the very same hour, the Angel of the Lord appeared to the Prophet in Green's Mill, Indiana, and sent him out. And when the fig tree puts forth its buds, all other trees also – Gentile nations, begin to have a revival also. Because he said, "That is connected with this over here."

So, that is just placing it to you. I am just saying these things to place the Book to you, so you don't sit down there and think of historical Jews and you don't think that somebody is trying to type out something. Because I am not trying to type out anything; the Book is open. I can read the Book, by God's grace. Ezra, the Bible says, when he preached, he took the words of the prophet and he gave sense to it, in the time of great rain. Sure.

If I don't see myself in the Word, I cannot preach it, I wouldn't know where my message is. I would be looking

for my message this morning; I would be fumbling around trying to bring some thought. But if I know where my message is in the Bible and who I am preaching to, then I know what I should say to them in their Hour. And if I see where they are at and where they are yet to come into, and if I am looking for a church that sin can't stand among, there is only one place that is promised in the entire Bible, one place that sin can't come among, that is New Jerusalem. There is none other, other than the Lamb's Wife, other than the only provided place of worship where God placed His Name, and that was Jerusalem; the only Gate. Amen. That is where God meets with the believer.

And the Prophet looked for that Church because that is the Church that was there in the Book of Acts. That is the Church that was taken into captivity in Babylon when the Nicolaitans conquered the laity, when the white horse rider went forth conquering and to conquer, when there was an invasion of error in the first Age and they broke down the walls of the Church. And that king of Babylon who came forth as a white horse rider... Because he is antichrist, false prophet and Beast, the same person. Is that right? It wasn't another person. It is that same one who went forth as a Serpent – "As the Serpent beguiled Eve, so do these come preaching another gospel"; went forth by the Serpent speaking flatteries: "You shall be as God," and to take the Kingdom. Is that right?

Look at how the king of Babylon came in the Garden of Eden. How many know Adam and Eve... And catch this, so you will understand where I am coming from. How many know Adam and Eve were a type of Christ and the Bride? How many know Adam, Eve and Eden was the Three-fold Secret in the back of God's Mind, of Christ and the Bride and the Kingdom? How many know Adam was Melchisedec – he was an eagle, lamb and lion; prophet, priest and king? How many know Eve



was that New Jerusalem; she represented that New Jerusalem? Exactly right.

And the king of Babylon came into the Garden, the Beast in the beginning, the Devil incarnate, a false anointed one, and what did he do? Brother, he laid a siege against the city. Is that right? And he began to break down her walls, her protection that she was behind. And he broke down her walls and he entered into her gates.

I hope you understand, because I want to pause there, I don't want to say it that way. And then he went in and defiled her temple. Do you get me? Are you seeing the picture? And then the man of sin now, exalted himself over the city of God as though he was God, being worshipped by a deceived church.

Because Eve thought she had gotten light, so she went to Adam with it. He planted that seed inside of there, and then what happened? Hybrid children, dead children began to come forth, who didn't know God and who couldn't worship God, and who couldn't find their name back there, and up till this day, can't find their name in Adam's genealogy.

Search it in the Book of Chronicles, search it in the Book of Luke, search it in the Book of Genesis, see if you can find Cain's name inside the genealogy. You can't find it. And men who wanted to be in the priesthood and offer sacrifice, couldn't find their name and had to be separated and cast aside. Do you get where I am coming from?

How many remember when they were coming back they couldn't talk in their language; they couldn't find their names in the Book? They tried to go and offer sacrifice and they stopped them from doing it because you can't have that kind of priest in Jerusalem. The city had fallen. The king of Babylon, the Beast in the beginning, set her temple on fire and defiled her; entered right in through her gates. And the position

that was for her Husband, he exalted himself above her Husband and took the position.

And every young girl today that has something pure, that is not yet defiled... If you are defiled, you are Babylon, you are just like Babylon – somebody broke down your walls already, somebody entered your gates; somebody has already defiled your temple. See? So, when you have something like that, you find that—we see how people have to guard themselves.

The Word is your Walls, my sisters. You better stay behind that Wall. The king of Babylon might try to encircle you, encamp round about you, might try to shake down your Walls, might try to break down your protection. Do you know why? He wants to come in your gates, he wants to enter into your temple; he wants to exalt himself. Sure.

Now, what happened in the Garden of Eden is the same thing that happened to the Alpha Bride. Is that right? I'm not saying anything strange this morning. You sit down there and you are watching me like I'm talking strange talk. I'm preaching the Message. You see, the Bible is so true, no matter where you turn. Look what that is.

So this Jerusalem, when She ends in the Bible, Her King is in the midst of Her. Her river of water is as pure as crystal; there is nothing defiled or polluted inside of There; no lie, no abomination, nothing could come inside there. She is what? The City of Truth and Holiness. No whoremonger, no fornicator, no adulterer could be in that City; they are all on the outside; blotted out. And that is why the days of Ananias and Sapphira return in Jerusalem – to make sure there is no abomination in the City.

So, you see, this Jerusalem that we are looking at and we are talking about and we are trying to bring to you here, is a revelation. In the time of restoration... And I told you to read in Ezra and Nehemiah, read Haggai, Zechariah and Malachi; just make a little

study. Get familiar by reading It because all speak of the same time. Even Daniel was the one who was praying and looking there through his window when Gabriel came at the time of the evening oblation.

Did you notice it is always at the time of the evening sacrifice? When did Elijah see the Fire of God come down and the hearts turned back? At the time of the evening sacrifice. When did Ezra offer the prayer and the people were separated from false union and came back to their original state? At the time of the evening sacrifice. When did Daniel get the mystery two years before they went out of Babylon?

Do you know, in 1961, he preached Daniel's Seventy Weeks? Do you know it's in 1963 Seven Thunders uttered Their Voices: "Come out of her, My people"; that mighty Angel came down? Sure. So, when you look and see how God laid out His Word...

And Daniel and they, we were taking there on Friday night in prayer service, and I said, "Open the window of your soul; look towards Jerusalem." While laws were being passed and evil men were trying to trap the Elect of God and trying to bring a religious persecution and trap them in the faith, brother, he was taken up with the restoration of Jerusalem. He had a window open, he had a prayer and he had a ministering angel giving him skill and understanding, (hallelujah, what a thing it is,) looking for the restoration of that city.

I think we are in the same place. Amen. Brother, they have got their legislation passed, they want to bring the Squeeze. It is designed to trap us in our religion; the way we worship. But he was courageous. He wasn't going to be in any secret thing and hide. No, no. He didn't care what was coming, brother. Amen. He knew he was linked with Omnipotence and Omniscience. Hallelujah! The same God that could reveal the king's dream and give revelation, it is the same God that could shut the mouth of lions, it is the same God that could

give him the temperance to resist the king's meat and don't defile himself; same God.

Some people only have a God that they want revelation but then they can't make stands. Then they only have knowledge, but then they don't have any power that could shut the mouth of lions, amen; stand there for their God anyhow. Amen. He had put such a great value, such a great value on what God—that fellowship with God, that relationship with God; what Jerusalem meant.

You mean to say, he knew the hour had come for a restoration of Jerusalem? Because when that mighty Angel descended from Heaven at the time of the evening sacrifice and opened up the mystery of Daniel Seventy Weeks, (amen, glory,) brother, from the fourth chapter all the way to the nineteenth, he said was connected to the last week – the whole Book of Revelation.

And when Gabriel dropped down there and began to give him skill and wisdom to understand the matter, to consider the vision, and He began to tell him, “And from the going forth of the commandment to restore and to rebuild Jerusalem. And the wall shall be rebuilt in troublous times. And unto Messiah, because the Messiah Prince is going to come when the City is rebuilt.” He was laying it out for him. Hallelujah! And brother, that meant more to him than trying to compromise. Brother, he could have opened another window and they might have thought, well, he was just sightseeing. But he opened the one that faced Jerusalem. Hallelujah! Let me look towards Jerusalem.

Brother, look at Jonah in the belly of the fish, down at the bottom of the sea. Brother, he just turned around to where he thought Jerusalem was. Hallelujah. Brother, in his darkest hour, when he was inside that fish's belly, brother, and he couldn't turn any side; there was flesh everywhere. Amen! But brother, trapped down inside of there for three days...

The Prophet said, "Where did he get that oxygen from?" He said, "How could God keep that man alive?" But something in the man's mind, he began to pray, he began to look towards Jerusalem. He said, "Which one of you this morning could be in deeper troubles than that?" And that man looked towards Jerusalem just like Daniel did, hallelujah; looked to the holy hill, looked to Mount Zion, remembering that that dedication day when that temple was completed, and the priests... Not until the priests put the Word...

The priests took the ark and they didn't drop it in the outer court and leave it; just preached a message on bobbed hair and painted faces. No, no, no. They didn't just preach a little message on excitement and shout and roll and the second court. No, sir. Brother, they packed it all the way into the innermost, (hallelujah,) and then they dropped it down in its resting place. Glory be to God!

And when the ark went on the inside of the inside, in the most Holy Place, down came the Pillar of Fire. Because God was not going to anoint a temple without any Word inside of it in that hour, and that kind of temple, brother, couldn't represent God. Amen. It is the Word anointed in you that makes you Messiah. Hallelujah. It is a vision. It is a vision that is locked up in Jerusalem.

Let me take my time and just go as I feel led to go. I just seem to get away from some of these notes here. I have some other things in my mind that just seem to come to the forefront.

Now, these prophets, when they began to preach, God raised them up... And you know how we have been laying out the background in the last few services, out of these Books that deal with the restoration to the land of the fathers. Because they were being restored to the land of the fathers. That's the Holy Ghost. That's the promised Word. That's where they were taken out of. If you go back to Jeremiah's prophecy, Jeremiah 29:10-

14, He said, "I will take you out of this land to captivity. You will go into Babylon for seventy years. But when you seek Me with all your heart, I will be found of you; I will bring you back here again." It was a promise of restoration and Redemption. It was seven decades they were going to be there.

Now, why was God doing that? Because that is what the reality was. And we have been showing that Jerusalem and Babylon, these two cities, they are put in contrast to each other in the Bible. Because Babylon starts in the beginning of the Bible, comes in the middle of the Bible, and it ends up in the end of the Bible; Jerusalem starts in the beginning of the Bible, then it comes in the middle of the Bible, and then it ends up in the end of the Bible. And when Babylon is no more, Jerusalem is still existing; It will be the only City.

Now get this now, to show you a little bit, to catch: why Jerusalem; what is it about Jerusalem. You see, God, in Scripture many times, He doesn't just use a person to reveal His Mystery; He uses a place also. Like 'Hebron', which means '*communion*', '*fellowship*', '*love*'. Abraham in that place, where he pitched his tent, then God told him from there, "You walk Abraham, throughout the length and breadth of the land and I will give you all that you see: East, West, North and South."

Then we find that Abraham, later on when Sarah died and he had to buy a burying place, he bought Hebron and he buried Sarah there. And he was buried there. And then Isaac and Rebekah were buried there. And then Jacob, down in Egypt, told them, "Put your hand on my thigh and swear you will not leave me in Egypt; you will bury me in that land." Because that place held a Mystery of Christ; of the Holy Spirit.

Then that was the very same place when Caleb came. Though he saw all those different places, he wanted Hebron for his inheritance. He said, "Give me this mountain of which the Lord spake." Then we find also, that was where God appeared to Abraham – Hebron.

Hebron also was a city of refuge, a type of Christ again – peace and security and rest. It was in Hebron, the Son of Man, the Supreme Judge of all the earth appeared to Abraham and turned His back to the tent and these things. Because Mamre is in Hebron – a place of angelic visitation, a place of Divine revelation: “Shall I hide from Abraham what I am about to do?”

Also ‘Bethlehem’, which means ‘*the house of God’s Bread*’. “Bethlehem, least of the princes of Judah, out of thee will come forth a Governor that shall rule My people.” [Micah 5:2 –Ed.] And how those Gentile women like Rahab and Ruth and Tamar and all of them were connected to Bethlehem. And how Boaz and Ruth lived out that whole Mystery of Redemption in Bethlehem.

God uses even the places on the earth because the earth is also God’s attribute that is redeemable, just like man. And man and the earth are tied together, and the same plan He uses for man, He’ll use for the earth too.

Now, Jerusalem wasn’t a place that started up sometime on earth in the Bible, you know. Before God even spoke the earth into existence, do you believe God knew every place there was going to be? [Congregation responds, “Amen.” –Ed.] Do you believe when God was creating the earth, He knew the spot He was going to come and die? Do you believe the spot was significant where He was going to die? I am saying those things for you to think because, you see, I am trying to get you away from geography. When you hear Jerusalem and you think of it naturally, oh, you think it is like a small type.

I want to carry you way back, even to show you the sages believed that Jerusalem was the center of the earth. Israel, they believed, is in the center of the earth, Jerusalem is in the center of Israel, and the temple was built in the center of Jerusalem on Mount Moriah, where God told the father of the faith, “Come, I will show you a mountain – where to offer up your son” – a Mystery of Christ, Who was going to be the Burnt Offering.

Then it unfolded into substitution, how God... Abraham said, "The Lord will provide for Himself, a ram, for a sacrifice." And God, by the Spoken Word... Not a male sheep went with a female sheep and made a ram and used it for a sacrifice, you know. This one came by creation, by the Spoken Word, (do you get what I am saying?) typing Christ, Who was going to be the Sacrifice.

And Mount Moriah laid there, and right there God reconfirmed the promise and said, "Now that I know you fear Me, your Seed shall possess the gates of the enemies. And in that Seed shall all the families of the earth be blessed," talking about Christ; confirming that that ram who died, when that Seed comes that God provides for Himself, that Seed, that Burnt Offering that was going to come, will possess the gates of all the enemies: spiritual and physical, seen and unseen. He will conquer everything, and all the families of the earth will be blessed in that Seed.

All Gentiles will come in and get the blessing through the baptism of the Holy Spirit, because Christ, through His dying, making available the Holy Spirit, brings in every Gentile and makes us a real Jew, inwardly, and makes us the Seed of Abraham and heirs according to the promise.

I'm trying to lay out a little bit of the Mystery behind this place.

Well, when the time came, from Abraham, it unfolded to David, and David was a special man. Because here now, thirty-two hundred years after—eight hundred years before Christ, thirty-two hundred years from Adam, when God promised Adam and Eve in the Garden: "The woman's Seed shall bruise the Serpent's head..."

And you know, the same Seed God promised Eve, He also promised Abraham. And first, it wasn't Isaac, because it wasn't a seed that could come by sex. Any seed that comes by sex needs salvation, because sex is



what brought the Fall. So, God had to give Abraham a Seed that was going to come out of his faith, not out of his body. Because the way to bring your seed out of your body is by sex, and that could only generate your natural life. But this Seed was going to come out of Abraham's spiritual life: what he believed about God; the revelation that he had. Are you understanding so far?

Then the time came when David came now... Well, you know how it unfolded from Abraham to Isaac to Jacob. Then Jacob said, "Okay, the scepter will not depart from Judah," and God put the promise in Judah. The Messiah was going to come through Judah; the lawgiver will come. See? "Unto Shiloh, the gathering will be, and the scepter will not depart until Shiloh comes." [Genesis 49:10 -Ed.] Then when Judah came, he had many children. But out of the house of David, then God came to one man now and made a covenant with him and said, "You, David, is going to have the Son." So, God now narrowed it down, not just to the tribe now; to the individual.

Now catch this. What are we talking about? We are talking about before there was a world, when the Lamb was slain in the Mind of God and God started to unfold the Mystery of that slain Lamb. When God killed the lamb in the Garden of Eden, was that the Mystery unfolding of the Lamb that was slain in the Mind of God? When Abraham said, "The Lord will provide for Himself a lamb," and that lamb was slain on the mountain, was that unfolding the same Mystery? Sure.

Eve brought forth Abel and Seth – a Mystery of Christ's death and resurrection. Abraham brought forth Isaac – a Mystery of the beloved Son, the Heir of all things. David brought forth Solomon – a Mystery of the Kingdom and the Throne. Every time the seed came through the natural posterity, it was unfolding a part of the Mystery, but all of that was going to be gathered up

in the real Son: Jesus Christ. It was going to be gathered up in Him.

Now, watch something. Do you know why it is important? Because the Bible ends with Jerusalem. The whole Bible ends with Jerusalem, Heavenly Jerusalem in all Her beauty. And it takes two chapters just to describe Her; just to tell you what She is. It seems like that was the foremost thing in God's whole Mind when He was El Elah Elohim way back there, because that is what He ends with: a beautiful City. The City of God, the river of Life in the midst of Her, the Tree that bears twelve manner of fruits, the foundations, the stones, Her Glory that She has, the Lamb is Her Light, the Temple that is in the midst of Her, this great thing is all described because what God ends up with was what His original thought was.

So if we want to know this God, what He did and how He did it, then we have to fellowship with what was in His thoughts. Now, it seems like all down through the Bible there are a lot of mazes, there are so many different lines it can take, but when it ends up in the end of the Book, it is a City of God, Heavenly Jerusalem, the Church, His beloved Bride, the Wife, the married Wife, of which we believe we are a part. Then if we are a part here, we were always a part back there. Then there was an earthly Jerusalem and there's a Heavenly Jerusalem.

But the first mention of Jerusalem in the Bible in Genesis 14 is when Melchizedek, King of Salem came to Abraham and gave him bread and wine; King of Righteousness and King of Peace Who had no beginning of days nor ending of life. Now, why would the first mention of Jerusalem be connected with bread and wine and Abraham who was called out of Babylon? Are we getting somewhere? Bread and wine.

I trust God helps me because if you could see it, you will understand what rebuilding Jerusalem is. You will understand that you are that Jerusalem, and you will

be able to look at your life and see the ruins that still exist, and you will look at the picture of Her, complete in all Her Glory in the Book of Revelation, and you will be able to walk right into that until you become one with it. Because that new heaven and new earth is this body when it is changed, and that theophany, that new City, when it comes down on this new earth. See?

Now watch. You are walking into it this morning. Right now you are in the Millennium, spiritually, because your body has turned Heavenly already. A law of sin is in the earth but it is subject to the Word inside of you. It is not yet the new heaven and new earth because the body hasn't changed yet. But you came through your water, you came through Blood, and you got the earnest: a baptism of Fire, but still yet not a new heaven and new earth. But under this Message, you are coming to that full, complete Redemption.

So this Jerusalem, this great thing, how God had it in His Mind, how God discovered the place, how God made it His capital, how God built His temple there... As I was saying Friday night, there was no city on the earth that ever had a building that was built by a pattern from God, to represent something in Heaven. Never. Jerusalem had that. Nobody ever built a building that God came down and lived in it. But Jerusalem had that; He made it different. God was doing that because God had a purpose for doing that.

You know, God is wonderful. God is like a patient Father, He wants to teach us. But He had to do all these things slowly, letting His thoughts out, unfolding to us what He is working to achieve, so you will understand His plan for your life, how He discovered you, how He fought for you, how He delivered you, how He is making you now His royal residence, how He is establishing His throne in you; how He has made you His dwelling place.

Jerusalem was in the hands of the Jebusites and David fought a battle. David is Christ. And David conquered it, and David took it. And then David made

it the capital. And then David desired to see God live there. And then David began to build it up to its splendor. And then he knew now, a temple was needed, and he desired to build that temple. And then he made a covenant, he said, "I will not eat..." Just let me just read a Psalm here and go through it with you in the Bible so you will see it thoroughly. Psalms 132.

You see, I want to say all of this because I'm trying to contact a place inside of you. There is something about a Jew and the natural Jerusalem. And natural Jews, they said they tried to colonize them in different parts of the world for years. Every attempt to colonize them in different parts of the world has failed, because for a Jew, there is no city outside Jerusalem. Why do you think they left all over the world and came? God said, "Though I scatter you into millions of places, I'll bring you back to that place." The same way God made the water for the fish and made the earth for the tree, He made Palestine for the Jews. That is why back in Babylon, they said, "Hey, we were like them that... We couldn't sing the song of the Lord."

Now, where is our desire to see this Alpha again? Without a desire, it could never happen. If you don't know the former Glory, if you don't know the fellowship they had with God, if you don't know the places they walked when God was among them, if you don't have a taste for that Divine Love that they had, if you don't have a measure of the revelation that they possessed, and the conviction they had where they could be beaten and rejoice and worship God, that they suffered persecution, you will never ever get back there; you won't have any desire to get back there. Because remember, there were a lot of people in the restoration time, they loved Babylon; they didn't go back to Jerusalem. Regardless they heard: "It is going back to the land of your fathers and Jerusalem is to be rebuilt," it was nothing to them. They stayed in Babylon.

It is your desire I'm trying to get a hold of. If you could see that desire, then when He says, "You have to rebuild it," there is nothing that could stop you from rebuilding, because you have the desire to see it rise. But if you don't have a desire to see it rise, and you just build it, it comes like: "Let somebody else do it, okay?" You don't want to see it.

Now watch Psalms 132 here and you will see a little of the desire here in the hearts, and we will look at different ones and see how it meant something to them. Let's look at David first because he is the one that discovered the place where the temple should be built.

This Psalm, if you notice in the Bible it is called, 'A Song of degrees'. Well, wherever you see, 'A Song of degrees'... From about Psalm 120 to 134, fifteen Psalms are called: 'Song of degrees', which were really songs of the ascent; when they were ascending into Jerusalem. And I told you on Friday, when they were going up to the city... It's built on a hill; it's a city on a hill. And when they were making their way up—like Jesus when He was coming into the city, He had to go up the mountain first and then descend into the city; The Lord, Himself, descending into Jerusalem. See? *What Is The Attraction On The Mountain?* [[1965-0725E -Ed.](#)]; that is what the Prophet was talking about.

And here when you climb and you are going up, they reach a certain part of the mountain and they look and they begin to see the city. Because all that time they knew it was there and they were climbing. And that is why the song says: *And looking over in that City* – because you get up there and you begin to look there, and as you look there, there is a burst of splendor and glory, because she was one of the most beautiful cities.

So, here are these songs that they would sing when they were going up to the feasts. Because remember, they had those three feasts in the seventh month. There were three times a year: the Feast of the Passover, Feast of Pentecost and the Feast of Tabernacles, three times

a year they had to go; every male had to go. And then in the other feasts when all the people would go up and they are ascending there, they don't just go up to Jerusalem: "Well, I'm going up to Jerusalem, boy. Are you going?" When they begin to go up there, hey, they are singing; every Jew would be singing going up there, worshipping, because they are going up to the city of the great King; they are going up to the house of God.

That is why David said, "One thing will I desire: that I will dwell in the house of the Lord. I was glad when they said unto me, 'Let us go to the house of the Lord'" – because the house of the Lord was where God's Name was; was where God lived. They knew by experience, God came in and filled that place and dwelt between the wings of cherubim over the mercy seat. Every year when they know their sins are forgiven, they would go up there and listen to the high priest coming out of that temple, they begin to shout and they would go home justified because they know that the blood was sprinkled when the high priest went in there. They went up to the house of the Lord; it meant something to them.

And that is why when you come into the house of the Lord and you know the Sacrifice, the Atonement is here, and you know the Presence of God is here, and you know the Holy Spirit, brother, the Ark of the Testimony is there and is sprinkled with Blood, and the Voice of that Blood is speaking to you, ministering the promises that the Blood purchased for you, you can't just come in the house of God and go back home anyhow.

Brother, you are coming up to church, you are singing, you are worshipping, you are happy, you come through the gates, you lift up your hands in thanksgiving, you dance, you get happy, brother, you worship; you are going back home, oh, you are rejoicing. Why? You came up with sin, you came up with heaviness and tiredness, you came up with troubles in your mind and down comes the Holy Spirit;

down comes the Word. Brother, it's like you don't know what is going on; pressure, problems, then God comes, begins to show you your end: what He is working to achieve in your life, what the promises are, how He is going to bring it to pass, it inspires you. Amen. Help me a little bit with this.

So, you notice it was something to them. David here is saying:

<sup>1</sup> *LORD...*

Not David rather, but Solomon who wrote this:

*... remember David, and all his afflictions:*

<sup>2</sup> *How he [swore] unto the LORD, and vowed unto the mighty God of Jacob;*

<sup>3</sup> *Surely I will not come into the tabernacle of my house, nor go up into my bed;*

<sup>4</sup> *I will not give sleep to mine eyes, or slumber to mine eyelids,*

<sup>5</sup> *Until I find out a place for the LORD, an habitation for the mighty God of Jacob.*

Doesn't that do something to you? If he was thinking about a house made with hands, a house with brick and stone for the Lord, and he was saying, "I'm not giving sleep to my eyes," he said, "I'm not going up to my bed until I could find a place" – the desire to see God in His dwelling place, brother, when you realize God wants to live in you in the fullness and you are unconcerned about God's dwelling, it didn't strike you when the Bible say, "Know you not you are the temple of the Living God," you don't even see anything exciting about God living in you, you find you are okay by yourself without God in your life, listen to me. If you can't understand it and it can't stimulate you, you can't see it, just knowing you can't see it should trouble you. And say, "Lord, to have You living in my life, if that is the big thing in the Bible, if that is salvation, if that is the victory, if that is the Seal of the Holy Spirit, if that is the finished work, it's the baptism of the Holy Spirit, it's the Power of God, it's the transformation, and I can't

experience that, and man was made to be Your temple, then life isn't worthwhile living for me. If I have to live, let it be by Your Life; let Your Holy Spirit be inside of me."

That's what the person... But sometimes you read the Scripture and you kind of figure out in your mind: "Well, what is so great about God living in me? I'm sleepy, man; I'm not going to stay up and wait. And pray for what? I am tired. I'm going in my bed, yes, and pull my cover over my head. If God wants to give It to me, He will give It to me." It doesn't come like that. See?

Now David, he spent time with God. When you spend time with God, you will get close to God, God will tell you about Himself; God will start to rub off on you. Do you see when you get close to people in the natural then you start to like them, after a while that likeness turns to admiration, after that admiration, it turns into a love, after that you can't stay away from them, after that you are so taken up with them you want to hear their voice, to talk to you all the time? Well, that is what happens when you spend time with God.

That is why you find, "My life is dry." Spend time with God. Get around God, hear His Voice. Put on a tape, hear God's Voice. Start to sing to Him, woo Him and bring Him close to you, because that is one of the things that will bring Him. When you start to praise Him, He comes. But people go along, you know, anyhow; look at David.

Let's drop down to verse 11.

*<sup>11</sup> The LORD hath sworn in truth unto David; he will not turn from it; Of the fruit of thy body will I set upon [my] throne.*

*<sup>12</sup> If thy children will keep my covenant and my testimony that I shall teach them, their children shall also sit upon thy throne for evermore.*

*<sup>13</sup> For the LORD hath chosen Zion; he hath desired it for his habitation.*



*14 This is my rest for ever: here will I dwell; for I have desired it.*

Now, here this was a place that David had fought in the war and conquered. This was a place that David transformed to become the capital. This was a place where David established his throne. This was a place where David wanted to build a house for God. This was a place where God led David by experience, when he saw the angel with a drawn sword. David had committed a sin.

Let me help open something else here—another one for you here. David had committed a sin by numbering the people and God said, “Three things for that sin.” He said, “Famine, pestilence or the sword.”

He said, “I would rather fall in the hands of God than in the hands of man.”

Pestilence came and he saw his whole kingdom, death started to strike. The sin of one man came upon his whole kingdom. It’s a picture like Adam: a king. And the angel had the drawn sword, and his people in his kingdom of whom he was king over were perishing. And a prophet came and began to speak to him: Gad, the seer, and he told him where to go, and to offer that sacrifice.

And he offered the burnt sacrifice; he bought the threshing-floor. And that threshing-floor was Mount Moriah, where God told Abraham, “I will show you a mountain. You don’t know which one as yet, but I will show you that one. And I want you to do this symbolic act and I’m going to come down and I will speak certain words to you there. Because later on, when I unfold the mystery from the Abrahamic covenant to the Davidic covenant, when I start to unfold more of the Three-fold Mystery, I’m going to come back to this place, in a few hundred years from now. You are going to have a seed, and that one is the one who I’m... That is the house I’m going to choose, because I’m going to be his Son.”

Because remember He was Son of Man: promised to Eve, the woman's Seed, then He was Son of Abraham: given Palestine, the royal grant, then He was Son of David: promised the Throne, and then He is Son of God: Heir of all things. God was unfolding something. But look how Jerusalem is tied up with Abraham and is tied up with David – Moriah, King of Salem, bread and wine. Bread and wine: He is called King of Righteousness and King of Peace. Well, righteousness and peace comes by the Blood of Jesus Christ.

The first time the communion is spoken of, here is Melchizedek giving to Abraham bread and wine, which when He came in flesh, in the middle of the Bible, He broke the bread and said, "This is My body. Drink this cup, this is My Blood that is to be shed." In the last days, we are going to go back to Glory, the Marriage of the Lamb, Heavenly Jerusalem. What is it? To the Wedding Supper, the communion again – "I will not drink the fruit of the vine until I drink it new with you." See, He was unfolding.

And here, this mystery of the body being broken and the Blood being shed, of Mount Moriah, this King of Salem, this first time Jerusalem was mentioned, is a Heavenly Jerusalem; last time it is mentioned in the Bible, Revelation 21 and 22, it is a Heavenly Jerusalem. But all through the Bible, in between, in the Old Testament, it was an earthly Jerusalem, unfolding this Mystery. But when it comes over in the New Testament, it begins to be applied now to the Church, to His Bride, the One taken out of His side, the One His body was broken and His Blood was shed for; it begins to be applied to them. They are being built up on the foundation of the apostles and the prophets. They are the temple of God. They are the City of God. This whole Mystery is unfolding to them.

So, come back to my original thought. That place, the geography of it: how David saw it, conquered it, transformed it into his throne, his kingdom, where his

authority went forth, the seat of his power, it was all showing how God was going to deliver a people, how God was going to raise them up, how by and through the members of them, how in Her, will be the greater works, how what is temporal will be manifested in its fullness when that time comes, how it will be a City where sin can't stand among those people, It will be a glorious Church, She will have the Glory of God, Her Light will be His very Light, He will be the Light of that City; She will be a City on a hill. It's a Mystery. Spirits of just men; lively stones, just men that build up this spiritual House, a habitation of the Spirit made perfect by this very Blood of sprinkling that will cleanse them, the Blood of Jesus Christ that speaketh better things. It's a mystery.

He is unfolding something about a people – a people that were in the back of His Mind, a place where He: God, Himself, in the center of the earth, was going to come to die, to be lifted up between the heavens and the earth to stay the plague that struck Adam's race, that king and that kingdom, by offering Himself as a sacrifice, and the angel put the sword back. And then from the tabernacle, it came to the temple. The temple could not be built until...

David found the place where the temple was to be built; he found the place by an experience. When he saw him and his kingdom under judgment, it was revealed to him: "Use that place, get sacrifice, stay the plague, I will remove your sin, and there build the temple. The temple is going to rise there." The temple was to do what? Replace the tabernacle as the earthly dwelling place.

Well, after God came in Christ and the corporal body was to be taken off the earth, God still had to have a dwelling place. So God Who was with us, was going to come in us. And God walked in that Alpha, and the same Glory, the same Shekinah Glory, after the Word was planted in them, came into them, and they took

note that these men had been with Jesus. It was God in them, walking in them. In Jerusalem, when Ananias and Sapphira rose up with sin in that Church, brother, God packed them out. Look at that Church. Look at that Glory. Look at this great thing.

Now, if God had that in the Old Testament in type, if God had that in the New Testament in the beginning of the Church, is God going to end up with something different? In the Bible, that is what He ends up with. And if we are living in the End Time and, brother, the Church is being rebuilt in this Hour, the Church is being restored, the restoration of the Bride Tree, bringing It back to Its original Glory again, then how can we stop short of those things?

Then it tells us, if we are already called out of Babylon, if we have come back to the faith of the fathers, if we are receiving messages, giving us strength to deal with our problems, to overcome our obstacles, to go forth into a perfection that is still yet ahead of us, to a full, complete Redemption, then can't we see from the Word, we are walking into something that is sure? Can't we see what we are hearing in relation to the Bible, from way before the foundation of the world, way down through the Old Testament, way down through the New Testament, what God is going to end up with in the end of the Bible? Can't we see that we are walking into something that is sure, that you are not wondering what is going to happen? Can't you see the Word of God, God said, "I have returned to Zion, I will dwell in them; She will be the City of Truth"?

Don't you know there is only one City of Truth at the end of the Seventh Age? Don't you know there is only one provided place of worship at the end of the Seventh Age? Don't you know that over a thousand denominations is the city of lies? Don't you know all of them are the city of the dead? Don't you know there is a resurrection: called out of dark denominationalism? Don't you know they didn't have the love for the Truth

and they rejected the Truth in Babylon, and they put Him outside of the city and they lifted up the father of lies as the god of this world, who has blinded their minds? Because they didn't have the love for the Truth, He gave them a strong delusion to believe the lie and be damned by it! They are cities without a foundation: a Baptist city, a Methodist city; cities without a foundation. They will not continue on. Amen.

Here they have no continuing city! But we have a continuing City. We have received a Kingdom that cannot be removed! We have a City whose Builder and Maker is God. He never built an organization. But Paul, as a wise master builder, laid the foundation. Jesus said, "Upon this rock, I will build My Church." The same Zerubbabel who laid the Foundation Stone will bring the Headstone. And the first messenger who brought the Foundation, and the last Messenger, is the same messenger; Alpha is Omega. He said, "I preached what Paul preached, I stayed with the Blueprint." Amen. It was God in the first messenger and God in the last Messenger – two prophets, to rebuild the House of God.

A glorious Church, a powerful Church in the last days. That is why it can't have any politics. That is why it can't be of man. That is why there can't be any competition. That is why there can't be any self-exalted people. That is why there can't be any rotten denominationalism. That is why there can't be anything polluted: no fornicators, no whoremongers, no hybrid children in that City. Did you know that everybody in the Bride, who is in the Bride, has to be original seed, because the Bride is Word upon Word upon Word; the Bride is Him revealed?

What brought false union? What brought false union? Do you know why Ezra didn't want any false union in Jerusalem? False union comes from Cain. The Serpent and Eve brought forth a hybrid child when her walls were broken down; when the king of Babylon entered her gates, when he defiled her temple and set it

on fire; when he exalted himself above her husband. That is why they couldn't find their names in the Book. That is why they couldn't talk in their language. They were talking denomination and the Word, mixing up the two together; a lot of the Babylonians teaching their false doctrine. Babylon's cup of the wine of her fornication is, what? False doctrine.

Every denomination is built on false doctrine. The Serpent changed the Truth into? A lie. Every denomination, they change the Truth into a lie, that is why they don't have the love for the Truth and they get a strong delusion to believe the lie and be damned by it. Jesus told those Jews, "You are of your father, the Devil; he is the father of lies." [John 8:44 -Ed.] But a lie is the Truth perverted.

Lucifer perverted the Truth and broke the unity in Heaven. Lucifer perverted the Truth and broke the unity in the Garden of Eden. Lucifer perverted the Truth, preached another gospel, another Jesus, and deceived the Alpha; took them into captivity in Babylon. Is that right?

But God promised at the end of the Seventh Decade they were coming back out. God promised they were coming to rebuild this thing again. God promised, in the last days, this Bride will be the Super Race, the Super Church, not even death will harm Her. She will be Him revealed – Jesus in Bride form, in the Bride Age, in the Bride coming. She will manifest His Name. That is the place where He placed His Name. That is His dwelling place. That is His resting place – the living tabernacle of the Living God; the Stature of a Perfect Man. That's the place. It is coming back. Her mystery is a great Mystery.

And while this great thing is being built up, there is another city built on the lie: Babylon. Babylon started when Nimrod went and built this city on the river Euphrates. Now, Babylon will be called, what? The city of truth and holiness. This is what I'm talking about.

This better be the pillar and ground of Truth. This better be the place where your robes are white and washed in the Blood. Sure. You've been robed with the Holy Ghost upon the soul; come through the Waters of separation, come to a thinking man's filter. See?

This better be the City where God is round about Her like a wall of fire. And no matter two hundred million devils try to break Her walls down and pollute Her with all seed and come in Her gates and get into Her temple and pregnate Her with the lie to bring forth more dead children... Because it is also earthly Jerusalem. It is like Hagar: bringing forth to bondage.

When Eve fell, she was like earthly Jerusalem: bringing forth to bondage, dead children, in sin and sickness with five senses. She can't bring one with faith, all come with five senses trapped in the humanistic realm. It takes God to come down there by the Holy Spirit to give revelation. It takes the New Birth to quicken them and raise them up out of that condition into the realm of revelation, into the realm of vision to walk with God, to take their amnesia away and let them know who they are – God's thoughts of you.

That's why when you read Song of Solomon and these Books and you see how God described the Bride, you almost want to say, "Lord, are all those nice words for me? That's how You see me – all those sweet, lovely names?" See, some of you are not married so you don't know when a husband comes and says, "Honey," how she feels. If he says, "Hey, you come," she doesn't like that. She says, "How did he talk to me like that?" She can't understand that. See? When he says, "Honey, you are the apple of my eye," tells her something sweet and nice, she is all excited. See?

And when we see how many different ways He described Her, it shows what She means to Him. It shows where His thoughts dwell; it shows how far His thoughts go. It shows that the description He uses, the high estimation He gives to Her, the dignity and the

respect He treats Her with, He beautifies Her with salvation. He gave up His Own character. And then somebody says, "God doesn't love me," and they are looking for some piece of bread or something. They are looking for some natural something and they feel God doesn't love them at all. Hey, open the Book and see; It is a Love Letter.

Some people live in so much war they don't even know what love is.

He says, "Cutie pie."

"Who are you calling cutie pie?"

See? They can't even accept a sweet name, a nice compliment. Have you ever seen certain families, the wife calling the husband, "Bro. So and so," and the husband says, "Sis. So and so"? That religious thing got so far and so deep, he can't even almost call her 'Honey.' See? You almost think they are in the military or something. Well, the whole thing is not military; part of it might be military but that is just a small part of it.

So, look at David. David said, "*The Lord hath chosen*," he found the place; he knew the place. Because the place was revealed to... It was David who had the revelation of where the place was, where the temple was going to be built, where God was going to live. It was David that was revealed to – 1<sup>st</sup> Chronicles 21. Then 2<sup>nd</sup> Chronicles 3:1, you see it there too. God revealed it to David; David knew the place. Oh my, quickly.

So Jerusalem, way in the back of God's Mind, way up in Glory, when the New Jerusalem existed... You say, "New Jerusalem existed in Heaven?" Sure. How could Nimrod build on earth a city on the river Euphrates to impersonate the New Jerusalem, when that is to come in the New Heaven and the New Earth, if he didn't know about the Mystery in Heaven? Do you get what I'm saying? Sure.

And that's why Nimrod in Babylon... Babylon is what? The perversion of the Truth. In Babylon, he changed the Truth into a lie and Babylon was a city of



the lie. Well, God called us out of the city of the lie to become, what? The City of the Truth. Babylon is the mother of all abominations and filthiness in the earth, the Bible says. And God called us to be, what? The mountain of His Holiness.

So, watch in the Bible how these two cities, they were in contrast to each other because Babylon was in the mind of Satan. When Satan said, "I will be like God"... When Michael was opening up the Mystery of the New Jerusalem, who She is, the Mystery of the Bride, (remember my messages on those things: *How Art Thou Fallen* [1998-0828 -Ed.] and so on,) Mount Zion, the Lamb's Wife, Lucifer began to see this great thing that was coming. All the time he didn't know that, that was a hidden Mystery.

Just like the Serpent – he stood up and looked at Adam, but he never knew there was a species to come; he thought he was right next to Adam. And all of a sudden, God's Mystery unfolded, and out came a woman standing there who was joint-heir. And the Serpent realized, all he had was a tongue. See? There was one time he was the wisest, he had the tongue. But when Adam came, he was the image: he had dominion, he had discernment; he could name the things. And then after that came, what? The Mystery of the wife.

And then, it was then the Serpent left his own habitation. It was then Lucifer said, "I will be like God. I will sit upon the congregation, in the sides of the North" – Mount Zion, the sides of the North, "the City of the great King." Satan wanted There. He said, "I will sit over the congregation. I will be as God. I will be worshipped as God," because there was not a species like that Bride. There was not a species like Eve in the Garden of Eden. She was the most beautiful thing in all of Eden. Exactly. And that's where the king of Babylon made his attack.

And that's where, in the first Age when that Bride came forth, after He died on Calvary, out of His side

came water, Blood and Spirit and the Bride came forth, then watch that Nicolaitanism, that white horse rider began to ride. Notice, the Serpent didn't go after the female chimpanzee; they didn't go after the Sadducees and Pharisees; they came after Adam's wife; they came after the Second Adam's Wife. Look at Balaam, he didn't go to Egypt and China and them; he came after Jehovah's Wife. That's the test, that's the mystery in the Bible.

And that's why this Jerusalem, She will not be defiled. She will not be defiled. God is going to have one: this Heavenly Jerusalem; those who never fell for Lucifer's lie in the beginning, those who didn't fall for the lie, back in the last days when the whole world is going to worship him like God. He will deceive the whole world, but this little group will not be deceived; She stays true to the Word.

See, you may see people as Trinidadians, but God knows that soul inside of them, brother, is part of God, that's why they catch those things in the Word. They fly high in the heavenlies and fellowship with God and bring the Mystery down. They walk in the Presence of God, that God rubs off on them and God's Secret, like Joseph's silver cup, ends up in their bag of corn. When you open your bag of corn and Joseph's cup is inside. He put it inside of there purposely, because He wants to keep you close to Him. Hallelujah! Glory. My!

So these things we have been looking at... Quickly let me just close it up now and get back to Zechariah here. See, I wanted to drop some of that history in about Jerusalem: how it was discovered, how it started off as a Heavenly City, how it unfolded through an earthly type of an earthly city with earthly walls and earthly gates, with an earthly temple built with hands, which was speaking of a greater thing; how they laid that foundation, how the king of Babylon came, broke down the walls, entered the gates, defiled the temple – all what happened in the Garden of Eden. That is why in

the last days, when you see abomination and desolation, stand in the holy place again. Why? Because he will get in the gates. He is getting ready to go to Jerusalem.

And you see the new Prime Minister, Ehud Barak, he was brought in by Rabin [Yitzhak Rabin -Ed.] who died for giving up the land when they killed him as a traitor. And then he comes to continue the work: to bring peace. And brother, it is already planned and the date is already set for next year, when the king of Babylon will go to Jerusalem, because they wooed each other.

The Bible, in Daniel 9, says they will make a covenant. And before you could have Ahab and Jezebel in a marriage, you have to have a courtship, an agreement and a marriage – three stages of a marriage. And they are going to come together for money, just like Ahab and Jezebel, to secure the kingdom – a political maneuver.

But watch that same thing. Just like Elijah shut the heaven for three and a half years, called fire out of the skies, burned up the troops and these things, the same thing is coming back. But there will be a remnant who wouldn't bow down their knees. 144,000 will come out the same way. It is all there in the Bible in type. See?

But watch and see, friends: this thing that is happening here on our side, spiritually... Because remember, what happened to them naturally—will happen to them naturally, a calling and a sealing, is happening here spiritually, the same way. Just like Ezekiel 36 rushed them out from all nations to bring them back, a national resurrection, so, there has been a resurrection out of dark denominationalism for this Bride, bringing Her from all denominations back to the promised Word. But the second prophecy put the breath in the Body, and She was a mighty marching Army, marching up to Zion, *Onward Christian Soldiers*. It is all coming back and we are in the midst of it.

And I trust that as you sit here this morning, you can realize prophecy is coming to pass, and those prophecies are being taken and being applied in the time, in the season, in the junction, as the Word opens to show to us those things lay hidden in the Bible. And here in the Books of these restoration prophets, in that hour when they were being restored to the land of their fathers, at the end of the seventh decade, when Babylon is fallen... You say, "Babylon is fallen?" Sure. Indicted, tried, found guilty, souls that are in prison now, sentenced unto death. Under the Sixth Seal, they will be cremated. Sure. No court of appeal; finished. And the same Judge Who judged them, acquitted you; you stand justified, just as you never did it. Exactly. Do you remember my message, *Two Court Trials* [[1997-0504 -Ed.](#)], on *The Trial*, how he showed man judging God, and on *The Indictment* [[1963-0707M -Ed.](#)], he showed God judging man? See?

And when man, the mind that God gave them to discharge a function, to tell good from evil and they couldn't do it, He gave them to a reprobate mind, because they chose Lucifer with their minds. With all their DD and Ph.D. and LLD and all their degrees, they turned around and they chose denomination and creed and dogma: Barabbas, a killer, and they rejected the Word, the vindicated Word, the leadership of Eternal Life, vindicated in every nation before them to prove that He is the same yesterday. And when they did that, what did God do? Give them to a reprobate mind, an insane Age – the insanity in the mind Age. When they went into an insane mind, the Mind of Christ came into the Bride; She knows what He wants done with the Word. Ooh my, my. Thank You, Jesus. Oh, it is so wonderful. It astounds you to think of it.

Do you realize what you have been hearing this morning? Can you weigh what you are hearing this morning in your heart, in soberness? Do you think that's the thoughts of a man? [Congregation responds, "No, sir." –

Ed.] It's the grace of God. I'll tell you, the Spirit of Zechariah, the Spirit of Malachi, the Spirit of Haggai is here in the tabernacle. The Spirit of Ezra and Nehemiah and Zerubbabel and Joshua is here in the tabernacle. You could put that in your pipe and smoke it, you could think what you have to think, it is up to you what you think about it; that's the Word. [Congregation rejoices -Ed.]

There will be a Jerusalem. He said, "Fear not! Be strong and build. And the thing must be done with speed; go forth and do it." You see, Haggai's message was a stern rebuke. He said, "You say it's not time. But it's time to build your panel house; it's time for you to do all these things." He said, "And look at your life: you are earning all these wages and you put it in a bag with holes. Look at you, blight took you here; look at things that happened to you over here." And he was showing them. He said, "You can't even tell what time it is." And he shook them.

And for sixteen years, when the work became standstill, because when they couldn't persevere, they folded up and they rolled over and they did like those people who went into Canaan land, they started to adjust to a halfway delivered life, and they got lukewarm and a coldness began to set in, and they began to get selfish and taken up with their own selves, God sent the prophet to interrogate them. And he said, "Consider your ways." He said, "Is it the time for that? Is it the time for this? Is it the time for this? How is it that you say it's time for that? It's time to build!" He said, "Look at all the chastisement."

He was interrogating them. God, through the prophet... Get what I'm saying. God, through the prophet, knew the conceptions, the analysis they had made of the situation, the conclusion they came to, the form of action that they adopted, and it didn't reflect faith of a called-out people restored to the land of their fathers when Babylon is fallen and Jerusalem is supposed to be risen, it didn't reflect it. And God was

so determined, He shook them and He said, "I am with you!" God, through the prophet, Haggai, said, "I am with you."

Let's turn to Haggai quickly, we are going to close it up. And we took it, how in twenty-three days, what they couldn't do for sixteen years, in twenty-three days they rose up and they went forth and they began to build that work. And while they were building that work, Zechariah came two months after Haggai, on the scene.

Now, catch the anointings. Catch the anointings here. Haggai was a stern rebuke but Zechariah was giving strong encouragement. And by showing them... And the thing was, it was the same God. The One Who rebuked them, Who cut them, was the One Who healed them. The One Who chastised them was the One Who blessed them. The One Who shook them was the One Who established them – both those anointings. Watch.

[Haggai 2:1 -Ed.]

*<sup>1</sup> In the seventh month, [verse 1] in the one and twentieth day of the month, came the word of the LORD by the prophet Haggai, saying,*

*<sup>2</sup> Speak now to Zerubbabel the son of Shealtiel...*

Haggai was speaking to him; Zechariah was speaking to him.

*... governor of Judah, and to Joshua the son of Josedech, the high priest, and to the residue of the people, saying,*

*<sup>3</sup> Who is left among you that saw this house in [its] first glory? [Question] and how do ye see it now? [Answer] is it not in your eyes in comparison [with] it as nothing?*

That was part of the discouragement, so God knew and He looked at it. These are key, key things in these Books. These Books reveal the mistakes the people made. These Books reveal the ways the enemy attacked them, paralyzed their faith, made them lukewarm, got

them taken up with the wrong things, but they also show the remedy of God, how He came to remedy the situation, and pierced that veil, contacted their faith which was dormant and reawakened them and refocused them and gave them incentive and spur them on to finish the work.

And that's why, if it did that for them at the end of the seventh decade, it is supposed to do the same thing for us at the end of the Seventh Age, when Babylon is fallen and we are restored to the land of our fathers. If they prospered under the prophesying of these prophets and were able to rise up and overcome the things that hindered them, it is supposed to do the same things for us because it was put there for that very purpose, because it was a shadow. So look at the message to Zerubbabel, Joshua and the residue of the people.

*<sup>3</sup> Who is left among you...*

He asked them. And then He said:

*... is it not in your eyes in comparison of it as nothing?*

See? That is why some of them wept too – they found it was: “Oh my, it looks nothing like in the beginning.” And they didn't really have the determination. But watch how God was speaking.

*<sup>4</sup> Yet now be strong, [Yet now be strong,]*

*O Zerubbabel, saith the LORD; and be strong,*

*O Joshua, son of Josedech, the high priest...*

Let me tell you: many times we see things and we look at circumstances and it paralyzes our faith, and we cross bridges we haven't reached as yet, and we find that sometimes, “What is the use of making all that big sacrifice,” and look for an easy route like Jonah, can't face up to the responsibility, lack the courage and the determination, there is no perseverance many times because there is no real absolute, and we fall back. But look at the words of the prophet. Look at the message. He is saying, “You look at it and you find it doesn't look

like the former thing and some of you are discouraged. But I'm saying, 'Look at it and be strong. Don't look at it and be weak. Don't look at it and stagger! Look at it and be strong!'"

You see somebody come in sick, eaten to a shadow with cancer, look at them and be strong. Tell Zerubbabel that that mountain will become a plain, tell them. He might feel weak and insufficient and he can't deal with all the circumstances, tell him don't despise the day of small things. Don't think you have to be bigger than what you are; it is not by your might, it's by My Spirit. People get so intellectual that they have to figure out everything with their minds, they have to reason out everything, and if it doesn't come according to their conclusion and their analysis, they figure God can't do it.

Like Sarah, she said, "I can't, Abraham. I tried that and that can't work; you have to go with Hagar." She said, "I am barren. For years we tried that, but that didn't work." She said, "And furthermore, the way God's going to do it, Hagar will bring the child and I will mind [take care of -Ed.] it." God said, "She will bear kings, she will bear nations!" Amen. See? Do you see how it is?

God made her look past the circumstances that she thought was impossible and made her see a God of paradox. And when she judged Him faithful, God gave Dunamis. See, she didn't know anything about Dunamis, all she knew was legal life: try hard, I pray hard, I work hard, I get up early; I do this. But Dunamis, not you. Greater is He inside of you; not you. Not your might, not your power, not him that willeth or him that runneth; God that showeth mercy. Not your flesh; God's faith inside of you. Not what your father and mother gave you; what God dropped down and deposited in your soul.

He said:

*... be strong, all ye people of the land, saith  
the LORD, and work...*



Let me say to you, Third Exodus Assembly, be strong and work.

*... for I am with you, saith the LORD of hosts:*

‘The Lord of hosts’ means ‘*the Lord of the armies*’; ‘*the Lord in battle*’. And watch Zechariah and Haggai, they were all prophesying, “Thus saith the Lord of hosts, Lord of hosts, Lord of hosts, Lord of hosts,” because they were in a time of battle and persecution. All Hell is against this City of Truth. All Hell is trying to stop this City of Truth from being built up. All Hell is trying to unite political powers and religious powers to stop this City. But this City is going up, because there are those prophets prophesying and saying, “Be strong, God is with you. Not by might nor by power, but by My Spirit, saith the Lord.”

*<sup>5</sup> According to the word that I covenanted with you when ye came out of Egypt, so my spirit remaineth among you: fear ye not.*

Every time, ‘fear not’. Do you know why? They were afraid of the nations who were putting pressure on them and it stopped the work.

*<sup>6</sup> For thus saith the LORD of hosts; Yet once, it is a little while, and I will shake the heavens, and the earth, and the sea, and the dry land;*

*<sup>7</sup> And I will shake all nations, and the desire of all nations...*

In other words, the Desire of all the *families* of the earth – ‘all nations’. In thee shall all the families of the earth be blessed. The Desire of the royal seed of Abraham from all nations shall come. Because let me tell you, to possess the gates of your enemy, to overcome and it is the Victor in you, it’s that in you, Christ in you. And that is the One... Catch it. They have to finish building the building because with the finishing of the building, the Desire of the nations is going to come.

That is why Zechariah in Zechariah 9 said, “Oh rejoice, you daughters of Jerusalem and Zion, behold your King cometh unto you.” The Prophet took that and preached *What Is The Attraction On The Mountain?* on Mount Sunset when He is descending, coming down; the Lord Himself descending into New Jerusalem, Heavenly Jerusalem; the King coming to the City that is going to be the Light of the world. Maybe you missed it. Go back and read *What Is The Attraction On The Mountain?* and see, see what you get.

[Verse 6 -Ed.]

*... Yet once, it is a little while, and...*

Paul took up that prophecy in Hebrews 12. Paul in Hebrews 12, when he said, “We have come to,” what? “Heavenly Jerusalem, City of the Living God,” he picked up that prophecy and tied it to Heavenly Jerusalem. And Bro. Branham took it and brought it to? *World Is Again Falling Apart* [1963-1127 -Ed.] – “I’ll shake all nations; I’ll shake the earth. Under the Sixth Seal, I’ll shake everything that can be shaken, I’ll shake it down. Everything that doesn’t have a foundation, I’ll shake it down, that only those things that have a foundation may remain”; what was built by the Living God. “And I’ll shake all nations.” The wise man built his house on the rock, and the foolish man built on the? Silicon chip; built on the sand and will be shaken down.

*... and I will fill this house...*

Do you get it? The Desire of nations shall come and I will fill this house. With Who? The Desire of all nations, He is Her Glory; He is Her Light. And the Redeemer shall come to Zion. [Isaiah 59:20 -Ed.] And arise and shine, your Light is come and the Glory is risen upon you and It shall be seen upon you – Isaiah 60, same thing.

*... I will fill this house with glory, saith the LORD of hosts.*

*<sup>8</sup> The silver is mine, and the gold is mine, saith the LORD of hosts.*

He says, "You are watching the house right now and you find it doesn't look like the Alpha Bride, and some of you get discouraged. You find it doesn't look like the Alpha Bride; you watch it." He said, "But be you strong, the Desire of nations, Christ Himself, the longed for... That word means '*the longed for*'. The only other time the word was used was when David said, "My flesh longeth for Thee like a man in a dry and thirsty land."

[Psalm 63:1 -Ed.]

The longed for, the first constellation in the heavens, the virgin with the Child, the Desire of all nations, He Who will come and rule all nations, the desired One, the One longed for, Revelation 10:1, 1<sup>st</sup> Thessalonians 4, the Desire of all nations has come and His Glory has lighted the earth, and He has said, "Come out of Babylon, My people. Babylon is fallen!" And He Who called us out of Babylon is the same One Who is the Light of New Jerusalem.

I trust with spiritual eyes you can see it wasn't Bro. Branham, and a man in Jeffersonville who liked to hunt and who used to wear cowboy hats, it wasn't that kind of business, but you see it was God; it was God fulfilling the prophecies of the Bible. It was One like Zerubbabel bringing back the Headstone to complete the building in the last days, it was a Super Race, it was a Church that was going to come, a glorious Church without spot and without wrinkle, a Church that will have no sin. It was going to be that Heavenly City that was built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, that groweth into a holy temple, a habitation for the Spirit of God, it was going to be that City; it was going to be the redeemed of all Ages. And the royal seed from all nations, he saw her marching, *Onward Christian Soldiers*, going up into Glory, it was going to be that One.

And if you this morning, there is something in your heart that drew you out of Babylon, something that brought you to Jerusalem, something that brought you

under the influence of this Message, something that strikes in your heart when you hear the word of Haggai and the word of Zechariah, and the word of Malachi and the word of Ezra and Nehemiah, and the word of Joshua and Zerubbabel, and something puts a strength in you and you want to rise up because you don't want to be stagnated, you don't want to stay with some halfway temple, broken down, everybody coming in your gate, pregnatng your mind with all kinds of false doctrine and false seed, today you are in the Message, tomorrow you are out of the Message, you don't even have a praise inside your city, nothing at all, you are stumbling around all that Babylonian rubbish that you haven't clean out of the city yet... See? Oh my!

But your walls are built up and the world is shut out! Because the walls say, "World, so far," and they establish the boundary and say, "Inside of here is peace, inside of here is holiness, inside of here..." She established all her boundaries and She put her walls up, and She keeps the walls. And inside of here is peace and security and assurance, because God Himself is... As the mountains are around Jerusalem, the natural one, so, spiritually, the Lord is around His people.

I can't even touch this; I can't touch it. I can't even get the surface of it off.

*<sup>9</sup> The glory of [the] latter house shall be greater than of the former...*

He says, "It's looking so in your eyes now, like it isn't even close to the first one." He said, "But you, be strong and you build. The Glory of this will be greater than that, because greater works than these shall you do." Because just like He created in Genesis... In His Own Ministry when He was here on the earth, He multiplied bread and fish, He turned water into wine. He just multiplied a creation. The water was potentially wine, He just changed it. But in this Day, he said, "Let there be," and there was, like when He created in Genesis.

He said, "I've always translated that as 'more works'. But I found out when He said, 'greater works,' what it is. And what you see manifested temporarily, will be here in its fullness, and this will be the thing, to my opinion, that will start the Rapturing Faith to the going away of the Church. This will help those poor, sick suffering ones get a hold of faith that they couldn't get a hold of, this would be the thing that would bind that mamba in a knot; this would be the thing." Not even death... She will put on immortality – we shall not all sleep. It will be greater than the Glory of the former.

Can you see that? Is that the Bible? Then, can you catch that faith of a restored Jerusalem? Has that inspired the perseverance that you lack that makes you accept the circumstances and start to adapt to it and bring the work of God to a standstill, and find yourself paralyzed and become stagnated and you can't make progress?

But in Jerusalem, brother, everyone had white robes, everyone had the Name written in their foreheads, everyone had a praise, everyone had palms in their hands because they had the victory. In Jerusalem had all who were born by incorruptible Seed, everyone in Jerusalem had a New Birth. Do you know that? They couldn't be born by anything else; they had to be born by the Truth for their Age to be part of Jerusalem because it is the City of Truth; His Name is called the Word of God. He said, "I am the Way, I am the Truth, I am the Life." And He, the Bridegroom is the Word, and the Bride, like Eve was part of Adam, is part of the Word. He is the Old Testament and She is the New Testament, and the Old Testament and the New Testament makes the whole thing. And so, She is the City of Truth. She is the Living Word made manifest. She is part of the very Mystery; that's what She is. My! Let's stand to our feet.

No wonder Ezra separated the people from false union. Because in the City of Truth there could be

nobody who is in false union, because incorruptible Seed can only come by true union. The first hybrid, the first bastard, the first illegitimate child, the first false worshipper came by the Truth being perverted into a lie, by the city walls being broken down and the king of Babylon entering in through her gates and defiling her temple. And she brought forth dead children, a race that God had to pluck up. "Every tree that My Heavenly Father hath not planted will be plucked up." [Matthew 15:13 -Ed.]

And under the ministry of Noah, God plucked it up and destroyed it in the flood. Under the Ministry of Jesus, God plucked it up. He said, "You are of your father, the Devil. In vain do you worship Me." And Titus came, brother, and slaughtered the whole thing. And in the last days, he said, "All those who have been bound in the ecumenical move will be destroyed the same way Titus destroyed the others. The same way in the days of Noah, God destroyed it, it is the same way these will be destroyed too."

But where the Word is planted, friends, where there is a real union, a holy union... That's why you have to be born of the womb of a true Church by true Seed, then you can worship God in Truth and you can worship God in Spirit, then you can be dressed right, then you can walk right. That is why he said, "Heavenly Jerusalem, Sarah, the free woman is the mother of us all." Can't even get there; can't even get close.

A City of Truth. He says, "When it's finished built, I'm so jealous of Her," He said, "I will be in the midst of Her with all My Glory." He said, "And from big nations and cities far away, they will come to you because they will hear God is with you. They will get a hold of you and they will say, 'Hey, we want what you have. Tell us, tell us about Jerusalem, tell us about her temple, tell us about the ark in the Holy of holies, tell us about the Shekinah Glory that came, tell us about the blood-sprinkled Mercy Seat, tell us about the musicians and

singers who prophesied on the harp, who sing as one voice, tell us about those who minister in their courses. Tell us about the altar of incense, tell us about the seven golden candlesticks, tell us about all these hidden mysteries in this great, glorious temple. Tell us about the streets of gold, tell us about these things.”

They longed for it, because in Babylon, there is filthiness, there is abomination, there are Bunco games, there is party, brother, there is raffle, there is bobbed hair, painted face, pants-wearing women – Babylon; woman preachers – Babylon. Not one of those could be in Jerusalem; nothing. God is building it up, friends, there is nothing like it upon the face of the earth. Her great Mystery, Her great Light, Her great Glory is all coming forth in this Hour. Think of it.

You are called unto something, my brother, my sister. Some of you out in those rooms, some of you out on the outside, this morning, if you could have seen these things and you could receive that in your heart, and you say, “Look at these things in this Book. Look at these things here...”

How many times have we read those restoration prophets? How many times have we preached from it right here in the Assembly? But look in this season, look where God is taking it, look how God is applying it, look where God is moving your soul into it, look where God is showing you the very events on the outside and on the inside, how it is all coinciding, to make the drama real to us.

Then if those things gave them the courage and they finished the work and they finished the building and they dedicated it with joy, think of what it ought to be for us, friends, think of what it ought to be for us. The same way these things are happening here spiritually, for those Jews who have gone back home, they know that something is coming for them. They know beyond a shadow of a doubt.

Because they came out of Ethiopia, they came out of Russia; scud missiles were falling, all kinds of poison gas and everything, brother, being exploded in that Gulf War, and they were coming out by the hundreds and thousands going back to Jerusalem. Children couldn't play in the streets, nothing could have happened; everybody had to be indoors. Children were wearing gas masks, little babies with gas masks were going through drills and different things. But He was saying, "I'll make Jerusalem a cup of trembling. I'll bring all nations against Her."

Just like He will bring all denominations against us. And when all nations come against Jerusalem, then He appears and then there is a great earthquake, Mount of Olives begins to cleave. But what do you think is going to happen when all denominations come against us? There will be a great earthquake too, because at the public crucifixion, in the Squeeze there, there was a great earthquake. Brother, you can go back and forth in that Word and you can see these things that we are talking about, are more real to us than we are standing here, because that Word, friends, could never pass away, could never pass away.

I want to read something for you while the musicians come and play softly. There is something, as I said, about Jerusalem, they long—the Jews long for it. Do you know why? They were part of that land. God only blesses them in that land. When Elimelech left, they died. When Abraham left, they backslid. When those Jews left, they were slaughtered in the Holocaust, ill-treated; persecuted everywhere around the world. Their blessing is back in that land.

Jacob, a prophet, could look at them and bless them exactly where they would be in the last days. Think of it. Daniel in Babylon, three times a day would open that window, though the city was in ruins, though it had no temple, yet he would pray.



Ezra came and saw them in false union: “In Jerusalem?” He wept. Nehemiah came, children couldn’t talk the language; men in false union couldn’t find their names in the Book. He said, “In Jerusalem?” He drove them out. Not in Jerusalem, they didn’t have that kind of vision of Jerusalem. They had a vision of a church without sin. They had a vision where the Glory was going to be greater than the Glory of the former. They had that vision at the end of the seventh decade.

David had a vision. He said, “What?” He said, “I can’t sleep.” He said, “I wouldn’t even eat. I will not go up to my bed” – a longing, a longing, a groaning; a travailing. The Prophet said, “Don’t you feel that travail, (it’s Evening Time,) to go back to that Eden?” Don’t you feel it? Do you see a career in Babylon? Do you see success in life in Babylon?

Do you know what I see in Babylon? I see the king of Babylon dividing the land for gain. I see the king of Babylon drunken the kings of the earth and they all are going to give their strength and power to him. I see Israel, political Israel, blind as a bat for peace and under pressure of those superpowers, is going to come into a union with Babylon. I see the mark of the Beast goes with Babylon but the Seal of God goes with Jerusalem.

I see what is coming: the system that is built on sand. The world has become Babylon, the city of the lie, being ruled over by the father of the lie, out of whose mouth come three unclean spirits like frogs who deceive all the kings of the earth, and all his false prophets with lying spirits in their mouth too, saying what the chief false prophet says, like Zedekiah and his four hundred.

And I’m seeing the King of Salem come down and out of His mouth came Seven Thunders, and He called a Bride out of Babylon to come back to Jerusalem. And I’m seeing the whole world, Babylon, is deceived. I see Babylon put Christ on the outside, and when they did

that, they were finished. I don't see anything in Babylon. Babylon is fallen; Jerusalem is risen.

And the great, glorious thing when the Book is opened, the records of Life, the two kings and the two kingdoms and the two builders of cities, one built without foundation and One built with foundation, one is a whore and One is a pure, virgin Bride. I see two cities.

And when the Book is open, I'm part of Jerusalem; I'm part of Jerusalem. The baptism of the Holy Spirit came and robed my soul; quickened my mind to the part of the Mystery in the Word that I am. I can talk the language. I'm talking the same language Paul talked and Irenaeus talked and Martin talked, talking the same language Malachi 4 talked, talking the same language that Stephen and Timothy and Titus and all of them talked; talking the same language, worshiping the Lamb in Jerusalem, while they worship the Beast in Babylon.

Build up your temple, friends, this is a work that you cannot afford to become slack with. Build up your walls until your walls are strong, until everything that is not of God is shut out on the outside. Build up that temple until it is consecrated to God, until God tabernacles Himself in that temple and fills that temple with His Glory.

There is a story about Napoleon. He was passing by a crowded synagogue one day and he heard the noise of weeping and sorrow and he was asking what it meant. And he was told that they were weeping in the synagogue for their country and their sanctuary that had been destroyed eighteen hundred years before. Those Jews wailing, weeping, crying for Jerusalem, and Napoleon said, "What is that?" He heard the painful howls and the agony like if they were almost being tortured. He said, "What is that?" They said, "Oh, that's some Jews. Their temple was destroyed eighteen

hundred years ago. Their homeland was destroyed," they said, "but they are howling, they are crying for it."

So Napoleon was so deeply moved, he said, "A people which weeps and mourns for the loss of its homeland eighteen hundred years ago... Are you getting that? In A.D. 325 at Nicaea Rome, they swapped the Word for creeds and dogmas, at the Nicene council, but God promised it was going to come back in the last days, a branch was going to come forth from the Root again.

Those Jews, they couldn't have lived eighteen hundred years ago; they were in the genes of their ancestors. But through the records that they have and the Word of God that tells them of that homeland, they know, "We were in our ancestors when they burnt that city; when they scattered us into all nations of the world. And we know, according to the Word, Zion will be restored again; Jerusalem shall rise again.

And so, the Prophet talked about Three Minutes To Midnight, how they were dancing. We have a film of it at home and they showed you those Jews dancing. I think we showed it right here in the church too, in the time with the Convention. And they danced and they sang and they shouted, and they rolled and they jumped when they came back in that homeland, even though there were enemies all around them, even though the nations were playing politics to destroy them and pressure them, to get them back out of the homeland; the British and the Arabs playing dirty politics to rob them of a homeland. And even though they started to even fight them in their homeland, yet, 1967, in the six-day war, like lightning they took that city. And those paratroopers said when they came down by that wall and their tears began to mingle with the dust, and they hugged that little piece of wall that remained and they began to cry, it was what they had of their heritage; they were connected again with the past.

You are not hugging a piece of stone, friends, you are hugging this White Rock here. You get connected with your past – a Prophet came and put this Capstone in your hand and you get a hold of this Capstone revelation and you hold it, something inside of you tells you, “I am part of that Word. There is something in me that couldn’t be satisfied in the world, something in me telling me I am going home, He has found me, that Mama Eagle came flying and He found me. I’m connected with the Unseen now; I’m going back where I came from.” Oh!

Brother, when that young boy saw the game: Rabin came with his politics to give up that land, he loaded his gun and he went down. He said, “You all were soldiers, you all fought, you all helped take this land and you are coming now and giving it back up? There are men who we buried around this city who died fighting and you are giving it up to please nations, to impress people, to get acceptance?” Some of them will die, because there is no compromise with no enemy round about. Jerusalem must go up.

When Napoleon saw that, he said, “A people which weeps and mourns for the loss of its homeland eighteen hundred years ago and does not forget... Can you forget Paul and Martin? Can you forget when they took him in the temple and they were taking him away to try him at Caesar’s court? Can you forget him with chains, and the Angel saying “Fear not; all that is with you in this boat, I give to you”? Can you forget how he came out with chains fourteen days in that water, no sun, no moon, no stars; shake that viper in the fire? Can you forget how he went into Nero’s court and stood up there? Can you forget how he stood up against Agrippa and them?

Can you forget Stephen when they stoned him and he said, “I see Jesus standing there”? Can you forget Peter, who said, “I’m not worthy to be crucified right side up”? Can you forget them? Can you forget how they

walked up to the gate Beautiful, when man used to look to the temple, and they said, “Look on us; don’t look to that temple anymore, the Glory is in *this* temple, look on us; silver and gold have I none, but such as I have give I unto you”? Can you forget?

He said, “A people who can’t forget their homeland though it was destroyed eighteen hundred years ago, who can’t forget their people,” he said, “such a people will never be destroyed; such a people can rest assured that its homeland will be returned to it.” Napoleon, he said, “What? I never saw anybody... In ten years, man forgets father and mother; twenty years, man forgets homeland; goes into another country. Daniel for sixty-eight years opened that window every day and looked towards Jerusalem and prayed three times a day. And when they threatened him with death, he opened it anyhow: “If I have to die, let me die looking for a restored Jerusalem.”

I came in this Message as a young boy. Fresh in the world looking for destiny, when the sovereign grace of Almighty God came down and moved in my life, I didn’t even know, I hadn’t even picked up *The Easter Seal* [[1965-0410 -Ed.](#)] and understood that He is here on the earth, looking for the seeds that are supposed to be hatched out at this time. I had never even read Daniel 12 yet, where He is delivering the names found written in the Book. I had never even read *The Seventh Seal* [[1963-0324E -Ed.](#)] where there is to be a calling and a sealing, which was happening to me.

It was happening to me because something inside of me was hungering for something; I became so hungry. I couldn’t live anymore. I left home. Home and bed and house lost its comfort. We started to hike around the country, started to sleep on the downstairs of people’s houses; sleep in their hammocks, sleep on a little piece of board, sleep on Gazette paper [[newspaper -Ed.](#)], looking for this Truth. Finally, when I couldn’t find it: “It’s not

in the Island, I'm going to Tibet; I think that's where it is."

"You will not be going to Tibet, you will be going to Jerusalem. You don't need to go to the Himalayan Mountains, you need to go to Mount Zion."

And brother, in Santa Cruz when the Holy Spirit came, today I understand it so clear now. And since that time, as I was saying on Friday, when that Message struck home, some of my good friends, people that I preach to here in the church, maybe ninety percent of the people in church, and like they didn't even understand me. Some just watched me, some just stood off, some of them thought I was hard, some of them thought I was too stern; some of them thought I was a certain way. I'm obsessed, I'm obsessed with this. I'm obsessed with this vision. I went around the world everywhere, preached, saw so-called great men who walked with the Prophet and everything else, but I know what I'm looking for, I'm looking for Jerusalem.

I'm looking for that Jerusalem that the Prophet was part of. He was the one measuring the City, he was the one revealing the great harlot; he was the one revealing the Lamb's Wife. He is going to be in that City. He is part of that City. He brought the Headstone of that City; he revealed Him to us. I know what the Headstone looks like. Do you know why? I saw Him in the Prophet. He said, "*Sirs, We Would See Jesus, Let Us See God* [[1959-1129 -Ed.](#)], *The Mighty God Unveiled Before Us*" [[1964-0629 -Ed.](#)], to bring Him in plain view. I saw Him. I have seen God.

It's not just some little story to me, friends. That's why day and night, I try to live in that Word, I try to stay in there like Habakkuk, stay on my watch. I'm looking for a promise. I'm looking for a promise. There is a longing for a reality, because what I have received tells me there is more. And I have never gotten satisfied with my Christian life thinking that I have it, I have never gotten satisfied, because I want to be more and

more like Jesus. I'm hungering this morning, in desperation; I'm hungering. I'm hungering for more of that reality. I'm desiring it. I want to see it. That's why I preach it, trying to convince people of it; trying to persuade you, it's right, it's true, it's the Bible, it's the Message, it's the Hour, it's the will of God, it's the plan for the Age, give up everything for it, for you will never be disappointed.

Just be strong. Do not be intimidated. Do not fall back and give up under pressure. Do not think you can't go on. You can do all things through Christ Who strengtheneth you. And though a host should encamp round about this Jerusalem, in this we will be confident, because the Lord is our Light and our Salvation. Whom shall we fear? The Lord is the strength of our lives. The gates of Hell will not prevail against this Jerusalem, the house that is built upon the rock of the revelation of Who He is. Not this time. This Bride would not fall. She is predestinated to stand. Those Jews longed for a vision of a restored Jerusalem. Let it burn into your heart today, a restored Jerusalem, see what She is.

And the Desire of all nations shall come to Her and the Lord will be in the midst of Her, and Her children will play in peace and they will not have to worry, and they will come from afar off.

Those sisters came from Argentina for many reasons. Yet one of the reasons, I was talking with them, they said, "We got the messages you preached in Chile about being robed for the Faith Civilization and being robed for the Marriage Supper and these things." They asked, "How do you know those things?" They said, "We bought a video machine and a monitor, and we work there and we play it over and over and over and over." They asked, "How do you know those things?"

I said, "That's His grace. That's just His grace."

I also heard that they had some problems with the church down there and it was something or the other and they hoped that I could help or something.

One of the brothers was telling me, he said, "You know, they need an interview." I said, "They could need what interview they want, it's not my place to meddle, because if they are part of Jerusalem, there is a watchman down there; there are people responsible for there." I don't have that ambition to solve everybody's problem. And though people have confidence in me, thinking I can do it, I want to be truthful and say, "I don't have that authority." These are my sheep here, Elect who I preach the Word to, if they have a problem, I'm responsible. If somebody else has a problem, God gives them people to see about it. If I have to deal with anybody, it will be the people God put over them. I'm not going to plow with anybody's heifer. I'm not going to try to go through the gates of anybody's city. No, sir. Let me be the light in this city if I have to be a light – Him in me be that light.

It's not about ambition, friends; I'm trying to be sincere because I know these things are true. I want to please God, I want to find favor, I want to stay in favor. Do you know why? I want it for my people. I want to get a hold of it for my people. And when we are going out of here and we have to move quickly, brother, I can have something like Moses to open a way to take them over. The same rod that lifted the oppression, is the same rod that opened a way to lead them to the promise, is the same rod that brought healing to them. God put that rod in his hand. The shepherd had a rod for his sheep.

If you could see the Word in the hand, friend, if you could recognize, then we all would unite and fear His Name; we would know that this is the place He has placed His Name.

As we bow our heads, as we close our eyes, I want to pray. And as you stand there, how much you understood today, how much struck your heart, how



much it stimulated that desire in you to be strong, to rise up, how much the vision that this is more than just a little story in the Bible; it's something so far beyond us that our puny human minds could hardly contain it. But when we feel the streams of grace bathing down, as it has, and begin to tender up in our hearts, we want to yield and surrender to our Lord Jesus Christ.

And as you stand around this building, some of you I can't even see, out in those rooms and out on the outside, but you look at me on the monitor, let's unite our hearts in faith, and let our faith be centered upon the Headstone of this City, the Lord Jesus Christ Himself, the Maker and Builder of this City, the very Husband of this married Wife, He Who has laid our foundations with fair colors.

You in your own way, you pray. And if there is a desire in your heart, you say, "Brother, I so want to be separated from Babylon and its influence and everything of Babylon that has a grip on my life. I see what God said about Babylon: it will be destroyed, it will be burned with fire and strong is the Lord that judgeth her, but I see what He said about Jerusalem. I see what He said about Jerusalem and I want to be certain. I want to be part of that great throng, the inhabitants of that City. That very City and the inhabitants are one and the same. I want to be a lively stone that builds up that spiritual house, that holy temple, that habitation for the Spirit of God. I want His Glory to so fill me. I know the Word has come into me; I have hid the Word in my heart, but now I want to see that Glory come into me, that God could tabernacle in me, that I could tabernacle Deity."

Do you want to lift your hands and say, "Remember me? Lord, You see the cry of my heart. I open the window of my soul and I look to a restored Jerusalem this morning." In the midst of all nations round about, fighting, in the midst of all the religious schemes of

wicked men to bring a persecution, we are taken up with a restored Jerusalem.

Almighty God, You see the hands, Father. You see the inhabitants, these, oh God, who have searched in the Records of Life, as it were, at the end of the Seventh Age, when they opened up the Records of Life, they took those Scrolls and began to open them, that before they could enter into any place in that City and occupy it and get involved in any service, they had to find that name, they had to declare that pedigree, they had to search them in that genealogy, they had to try them and see if they could speak the language, they had to watch what they were married into because they were elders in the gate, Father; Lord, they were determined that it will not be another Babylon. Jerusalem was going to be rebuilt until the Glory became greater than the Glory of the former.

Father, as You look down on us today, as Your great all-seeing eye searches through this audience, search in our hearts and search in our minds. And You, dear God, Who is the very Word of God that is quick and sharp and powerful, dividing asunder soul and spirit, even go between the thoughts and the intents of the heart, the very motives and the objectives, oh God, behind the thoughts. Lord, search us, oh God, and let there be nothing defiling us. And, oh God, if there is some defilement or some pollution, may You break its power and its hold, may You break its influence from around our lives, Father; may You separate us completely.

God, if we are those stones covered over by all kinds of denominational rubbish and social rubbish and rubbish of this modern day and rubbish of pleasure and sports and all kinds of Babylonian rubbish, burying up that stone of Your Word, that soul on the inside, let it be cleaned out, Father, and let that stone be raised up, let that stone be set in position, and let that stone, dear

God, take its place, Father, never to be shaken or to be moved.

Almighty God, we realize there is something, oh God, that we need to get a little deeper in, Father, when we look even in the natural realm and we see what that earthly Jerusalem means to that natural Jew, that natural Israel. And we think of, oh God, how they were persecuted, how they were hunted down, how they went from pillar to post being rejected, being assaulted everywhere, belittled and humiliated, but oh God, if it's one thing, Father, they cried and pleaded and they looked forward for that day that You would take them back to that city. Hundreds and hundreds of years passed, thousands of years, but yet, dear God, nothing could take it out of their souls, they knew that that was the city of the great King.

Lord, when we look, Lord, at many of us who say, dear God, that we are believers, that we are born from Above and our citizenship is from Above and we are citizens of that Heavenly Jerusalem, oh God, it seems that we cannot even remember what the Glory was like, Lord, in the former times, Lord, when they wrote a Book of Acts, when the God of Glory manifested the Glory of God in such a way amongst them and they came from round about; all nations were at Jerusalem. When they came down from the upper room, filled with the Glory of God, praising God and magnifying His Name and the Word went forth, Lord, three thousand souls were saved. The City was on a hill, Father; Its light was being seen round about.

On and on the acts went until it was taken to Babylon and broken down. But here we are again, Father, we are being rebuilt. May we be encouraged today, Lord, knowing that even though we don't see something close to that Glory, yet, by faith, may we hold that vision and rise up and be strong, knowing, dear God, it shall be completed and the God of Glory once again will fill it with the Glory of God.

Almighty God, bless these who have lifted their hands, Father. Make the vision real. Let it go deep, Lord. Young men and young women, all the idolatry of Babylon, all the pleasures of Babylon, all the shine and glitter of Babylon, Lord, let them see that her sins have come up into heaven and strong is the Lord Who judgeth her. Even the merchants and the great men put ashes on their heads and they wept and they cried, and they said, "Such a great city is brought to nothing in one hour." But Lord God, let their souls be freed today. Let everything, oh God, of Babylon be broken from around their lives, and let the spirit of Jerusalem come to them and raise them up, Lord, and may they rise up and march on forward to Zion, to that beautiful City of God, as they go, Lord, praising You, singing, ascending, oh God, (hallelujah!) knowing, dear God, that this is the Hour, Father, She will be seen from round about; the Lord will come suddenly to His temple and great joy and gladness will fill the City. Oh God, may that be a reality, Father, to all that is here today.

When we would leave this place, may Your peace and Your Presence go with us. Let us find a quiet place where we can sit under Your Holy Spirit's anointing, and in our meditation, Lord, of the things that You have spoken, and as we search the Scriptures and as we ponder these things in our hearts, may we find the only Divine Revealer of the Word, the blessed Holy Spirit, the Angel of the Covenant, coming back around, Lord, and quickening and teaching us further on these Truths. Let the Inside Teacher take it, Lord, and break it down and crystallize it. May it fill our souls with praise and thanksgiving and adoration unto You, Lord. Grant it, Father.

We commit everyone into Your mighty hands. We thank You for all things, Father. Lord, we lift our hands unto You. How great is our God and greatly to be praised. We bless Your wonderful Name today, Father. Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah, Lord! Hallelujah!

Worthy art Thou, Lord. Worthy art Thou. Thank You, Jesus. We praise You, we magnify You and we bless Your wonderful Name.

May You be the center of our lives, Lord. May You be the center of the revelation to us. May You be the center of all that we are and all that we do, Lord. May You be the center of this work, Father. May You bless us and strengthen us, and may we go forth and do it and finish it, Father. In the Name of Jesus Christ, we pray, amen.

Why don't you turn around and greet your brother and sister and tell them God bless them. And God bless you, you are dismissed. Bro. Bishop comes. Remember we have our *Couple's Meeting* on Wednesday.





