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THE **TIMES**

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Foreword

All saints who have been part of the process of birthing this Kingdom Culture resource are acknowledged in both the imprint page as well as the postscript. To Elohim is all the glory for release of His Grace, in 21 years, to apprehend His Heart and download same for distribution to the Kingdom Church!

Use of Hebraic Names of the Most High

Yahweh, Elohim, Yeshua. During our walk with the Lord, we discovered by leading of Holy Spirit how fundamentally flawed was the intrusion of Rome into the gospel from 4th Century AD. Replacement Theology led Rome to take away all Hebraic/Jewish connections as root of what is now called the Christian Faith. What He has led us to do is to call our Father by the Name He revealed Himself to Israel which is Yahweh. In the same way, rather than call our Creator by the generic title God, we find it more appropriate to call Him by the Hebraic Name He revealed to humanity through Moses which is Elohim. The Name, Elohim properly conveys His Unity in Plurality as Father, Son, and Holy Spirit! We also call our King the Name His Father gave Him, Yeshua as well as the Anglicized translation, Jesus derived from the Greek translation, Ioseus.

We do this as led by Holy Spirit, not as part of the so-called sacred Names movement. Neither do we subscribe to the legalistic methods of Judaizers intent on dragging saints into the dead works and rituals of Judaism. We do not condemn or malign those who have not yet caught this depth of revelation. Please feel free to call the Most High by what He reveals to you and what you are comfortable with.

Preface for the Kingdom Culture Series

We have tarried before the Lord for some time to receive a rhema concerning how to introduce the books in the series you are about to read. He directed us to share a little bit of how He ordered our steps over a 21-year period between 1996-2017. In 1996, the Lord called us out of denominationalism to serve His Body and Kingdom. As we resigned from a Pastoral calling and began to serve Him and the Body in a community in Africa (Owerri, Imo State of Nigeria), we held on to one critical vision He released beginning August 1996. At that time, we joined other saints to lament the sad state of Africa on almost all fronts of life. It was surreal to hear the Lord comfort us by saying He had appointed His Church in Africa as instrument of a quick work: Rescuing His Kingdom program in the earth realm from corruption in preparation for the return of King Yeshua, Jesus.

In August 2006, He directed us to relocate to London which as centre of the world would make our Acts 1:8 assignment more impactful on a global scale. Looking back, because we did not see it then, it is significant that it was 100 years after Azusa Street Revival that the Lord in 2006 birthed Global School of Ministry as a catalyst of Reformation, Restoration, and Revival. Again, we did not see clearly then how extensively it was to be used to rediscover Truths which were missed out by Martin Luther in the Protestant Reformation of 1517.

Interestingly, the Lord used various means to make it clear what He was about to do was not raise a man or woman, like Martin Luther was raised prominently and publicly. But rather activate a company of saints worldwide with understanding of Him and the Church. A company of saints who embrace His Kingdom pattern and take their place as His sons who would do all His will. In this regard, the Lord made it clear the election of His Church in Africa was not for the purpose of building an 'African Cultural Church'. The wider and more strategic scope was to use it to use His remnant 'out

of the seed of Ham' to impact and connect His seed out of Shem and Japheth to constitute the fourth race which is the Elect Remnant or 'one new man' spoken of by Apostle Paul.

In other words, the focus of the Lord was simply to use the Global School of Ministry project to activate His elect remnant to walk in unity of the Faith. And, be empowered to represent Him and the Kingdom right where they are in various corners of the world where He preserved them from the claws of Babylon. It was then Holy Spirit provided illumination of this anchor scripture:

Romans 11:5 (KJV) 5 Even so then at this present time also there is a remnant according to the election of grace.

There is a simple, yet grand key to understand the fundamental difference between the Martin Luther Protestant Reformation and the Kingdom Culture project. The Reformation of Martin Luther was designed to 'Protest' some of the dogma and practices of the Roman Catholic Church when he received revelation of their unbiblical origins.

The Kingdom Culture project, on the other hand, is designed to take the Church back to what it was before the Roman Empire embraced the larger wing of the Church which was tired of persecution and martyrdom in the 4th Century. In other words, through the Kingdom Culture project, the Omega or End Time Church will be a logical conclusion of what had started in the Alpha or First Century Church.

Unlike other reformation projects before it, Kingdom Culture, through the Global School of Ministry and annual Master Class series of the Global Advanced Mentorship Program have two simple keys: Get the Church back into the 'School' Paradigm where Study of the Word is central to both congregational and general ministry. Second, to challenge all saints to receive the Four-dimensional work of Holy Spirit: He Is the Seal of redemption; He uses the Word to Transform Life of Believers from inside out, He Unites saints to live as one indivisible Body of Yeshua notwithstanding their locations or

sects; He releases Power through which saints are able to demonstrate the awesome powers of the Risen Yeshua, Jesus!

These are accomplished when leaders and saints sincerely and diligently embrace the ministry of Holy Spirit and the Word through the T>T>E>A>R process. It is one where leaders are used by Holy Spirit to:

Teach saints the whole counsel of Holy Scriptures

Train saints to discover and take their places as effective members of the Body of Yeshua

Equip saints with what it takes to walk in victory through mentorship and support

Activate the Gifts and callings of Holy Spirit which may lie dormant in them

Release the saints into productive ministry. This may be by public ordination or Commissioning during ministry events.

500 years after the Protestant Reformation of 1517, the Lord Yeshua, Jesus is activating throughout the earth realm this framework. The framework through which Holy Spirit will undertake training of Reformers who will receive proper understanding of the Pauline Epistles and Master Plan of the true Kingdom Church contained therein, and build individual lives, ministries and congregations accordingly. This Kingdom Culture project involves release of 40 books on dedicated websites where all saints worldwide who desire to discover, pursue and fulfil their callings as the Royal Priesthood after the order of Melchizedeck can find the teaching resources to train in the comfort of their own homes. On the other hand, these 40 books will put in the hands of the great company of elect ministers across the world who know the flock is not theirs but Yeshua's. These books are tools with which to systematically transform the operating systems of the ministries committed to their trust from 'Theatres' to 'Schools'. These books collectively make up the curriculum with which to launch their own Global School of Ministry project.

The curriculum will ensure every two or three years, fresh sets of fit for-purpose ministers of the gospel who will serve the Lord with all their hearts are produced. All 40 books on

the websites constitute what it takes to root out the leaven of Babylon derived from our various experiences with Christian Religion. They therefore constitute what we need to embrace and walk in true Kingdom Culture. It is through ministry of the Word that the Church will be prepared and made ready for return of her Groom:

Ephesians 5:25-27 (KJV) 25 Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ also loved the church, and gave himself for it; 26 that he might sanctify and cleanse it with the washing of water by the word, 27 That he might present it to himself a glorious church, not having spot, or wrinkle, or any such thing; but that it should be holy and without blemish.

Please intentionally study this and the other resources in the series prayerfully under unction of Holy Spirit with your Bible to confirm all the points made. As you train, necessity is upon you to make your vessel available for Holy Spirit to use to transmit these empowering truths to other saints who yearn for empowerment!

Psalms 68:11 (KJV) 11 The Lord gave the word: great was the company of those that published it.

2 Timothy 2:2 (KJV) 2 And the things that thou hast heard of me among many witnesses, the same commit thou to faithful men, who shall be able to teach others also.

May Elohim, our heavenly Father make you the instrument of His Grace He designed you to be!

Chapter 1 Fifteen Prologue

This part of the study on Dispensations, Seasons and Times offers a holistic approach to exposition and understanding of Biblical Prophecies concerning the End Times.

Prologue

The invasion by Babylon of the Church has produced an outcome: the incidence of a vast majority of Christians who are oblivious of the End Times. This is partially attributed to the fact

- i. Most so-called authorities on the end times veered into date setting such as the Jehovah Witnesses and late Harold Camping which brought odium and suspicion to the topic
- ii. Most ministers of the gospel have steered away from teachings on the End Times either because they are busy seeking wealth or are afraid to be branded as alarmists. There are those who love the Lord to the degree that they steer clear of the subject matter.

The outcome of this situation is tragic: saints march into the depth of the end times blindfolded by Ignorance!

Matthew 15:14 (KJV) 14 Let them alone: they be blind leaders of the blind. And if the blind lead the blind, both shall fall into the ditch

- iii. Because of lack of adequate spiritual preparation, most saints tend to be anxious, agitated, fearful and worried when they hear passionate teachings of the End Times

Because of ignorance, they are not able to see or understand the signs and even care less what unfolding global and local events mean. This ought not to be so!

A. Introduction

Some researchers estimate that teachings, preachings and declarations concerning End of the Age take up nearly a third of the entire New Testament texts. Studying to show ourselves

approved concerning the certain future is not an option unless we want to emulate the Pharisees and Sadducees.

Matthew 16:1-4 (KJV) 1 The Pharisees also with the Sadducees came, and tempting desired him that he would shew them a sign from heaven. 2 He answered and said unto them, When it is evening, ye say, It will be fair weather: for the sky is red. 3 And in the morning, It will be foul weather to day: for the sky is red and lowering. O ye hypocrites, ye can discern the face of the sky; but can ye not discern the signs of the times? 4 A wicked and adulterous generation seeketh after a sign; and there shall no sign be given unto it, but the sign of the prophet Jonas. And he left them, and departed.

This course will plug the gaping hole. We will trust Holy Spirit Who teaches all things to bring forth the depth of revelation in the Word on the subject matter and reveal to us the meanings of unfolding global events so that that day shall not overtake us like a thief as it would to those outside the Commonwealth or those who are careless with their Faith.

1 Thessalonians 5:1-5 (KJV) 1 But of the times and the seasons, brethren, ye have no need that I write unto you. 2 For yourselves know perfectly that the day of the Lord so cometh as a thief in the night. 3 For when they shall say, Peace and safety; then sudden destruction cometh upon them, as travail upon a woman with child; and they shall not escape. 4 But ye, brethren, are not in darkness, that that day should overtake you as a thief. 5 Ye are all the children of light, and the children of the day: we are not of the night, nor of darkness.

B. Divine Assurance and Security of the Remnant

One of the most precious gifts we receive from our heavenly Father is His Peace which passes all understanding, even in the midst of storms of the end times!

Romans 5:1 (KJV) 1 Therefore being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ:

Romans 14:17 (KJV) 17 For the kingdom of God is not meat and drink; but righteousness, and peace, and joy in the Holy Ghost.

Assurance of Peace

John 14:1-3, 27-28 (KJV) 1 Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in me. 2 In my Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. 3 And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also.

27 Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid. 28 Ye have heard how I said unto you, I go away, and come again unto you. If ye loved me, ye would rejoice, because I said, I go unto the Father: for my Father is greater than I.

John 16:33 (KJV) 33 These things I have spoken unto you, that in me ye might have peace. In the world ye shall have tribulation: but be of good cheer; I have overcome the world.

Philippians 4:7, 9 (KJV) 7 And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.

9 Those things, which ye have both learned, and received, and heard, and seen in me, do: and the God of peace shall be with you.

Colossians 3:15 (KJV) 15 And let the peace of God rule in your hearts, to the which also ye are called in one body; and be ye thankful.

2 Thessalonians 3:16 (KJV) 16 Now the Lord of peace himself give you peace always by all means. The Lord be with you all.

Hebrews 13:20-21 (KJV) 20 Now the God of peace, that brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the

everlasting covenant, 21 Make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is wellpleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ; to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

C. Our part in maintaining His Peace:

1. Emulate Yeshua, Jesus to love righteousness and hate iniquity.

With this disposition, grace is released for us to abstain from all appearance of evil as He fills us with His Holiness.

Hebrews 1:9 (KJV) 9 Thou hast loved righteousness, and hated iniquity; therefore God, even thy God, hath anointed thee with the oil of gladness above thy fellows.

1 Thessalonians 5:22 (KJV) 22 Abstain from all appearance of evil.

2. Live in love.

Ephesians 5:1-2 (KJV) 1 Be ye therefore followers of God, as dear children; 2 And walk in love, as Christ also hath loved us, and hath given himself for us an offering and a sacrifice to God for a sweet smelling savour.

2.1. Love Elohim with all your heart, mind and might and the brethren as yourself.

Matthew 22:37-40 (KJV) 37 Jesus said unto him, Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. 38 This is the first and great commandment. 39 And the second is like unto it, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. 40 On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.

John 13:34-35 (KJV) 34 A new commandment I give unto you, That ye love one another; as I have loved you, that ye also love one another. 35 By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another.

2.2. Do good to all humans – without discrimination, starting with fellow saints, irrespective of their denominations

Galatians 6:9-10 (KJV) 9 And let us not be weary in well doing: for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not. 10 As we have therefore opportunity, let us do good unto all men, especially unto them who are of the household of faith.

- 2.3. Occupy our allotments** – utilise all the gifts and callings vested in us with all His Grace in us to be focused on and productive in Kingdom Business that is committed to our trust

Luke 19:11-13 (KJV) 11 And as they heard these things, he added and spake a parable, because he was nigh to Jerusalem, and because they thought that the kingdom of God should immediately appear. 12 He said therefore, A certain nobleman went into a far country to receive for himself a kingdom, and to return. 13 And he called his ten servants, and delivered them ten pounds, and said unto them, Occupy till I come.

Matthew 6:33-34 (KJV) 33 But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you. 34 Take therefore no thought for the morrow: for the morrow shall take thought for the things of itself. Sufficient unto the day is the evil thereof.

Seeking first the Kingdom includes:

- 3.1.** Deliberately giving space in the heart for Yeshua to be Sovereign indeed. Refuse to engage in anything until the leading or confirmation of Holy Spirit is clearly known

Romans 8:14 (KJV) 14 For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God.

- 3.2.** The primary Kingdom Business of being witnesses to those within our spheres of influence so that they can see us, be convicted of our better lifestyles, hear the message of salvation and be saved or have no excuse on the last day if they reject it.

2 Corinthians 5:17-19 (KJV) 17 Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new. 18 And all things are of God, who hath reconciled us to himself by Jesus Christ, and hath given to us the ministry of reconciliation; 19 To wit, that God was in Christ, reconciling the world unto himself, not imputing their trespasses unto them; and hath committed unto us the word of reconciliation.

The same passion and singleness of eye with which Yeshua engaged with the business of seeking and saving the lost is what we are called to walk in Luke 19:10.

3.3. Engagement with the process of ensuring that those who are saved are challenged to become disciples of Yeshua. Those who are disciples are further challenged to mature into a state of being sons of Elohim in the earth realm. Be also involved in the process that will ensure that saints are Trained, Equipped, Activated and Released to function as the Royal Priesthood after the Order of Melchizedek.

1 Peter 2:9 (KJV) 9 But ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should shew forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvellous light;

3.4. Impacting our environments, all persons and things within our spheres of influence need to be impacted with practical demonstration of the loving life of our King, His compassion and pattern of His Kingdom to the degree that our engagement ensures a catalytic transformation of them from inside out.

Saints need to demonstrate His mercy and compassion towards all humans especially those who are suffering; are on the margins of society and the most vulnerable.

Matthew 25:31-40 (KJV) 31 When the Son of man shall come in his glory, and all the holy angels with him, then shall he sit upon the throne of his glory: 32 And

before him shall be gathered all nations: and he shall separate them one from another, as a shepherd divideth his sheep from the goats: 33 And he shall set the sheep on his right hand, but the goats on the left. 34 Then shall the King say unto them on his right hand, Come, ye blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world: 35 For I was an hungred, and ye gave me meat: I was thirsty, and ye gave me drink: I was a stranger, and ye took me in: 36 Naked, and ye clothed me: I was sick, and ye visited me: I was in prison, and ye came unto me. 37 Then shall the righteous answer him, saying, Lord, when saw we thee an hungred, and fed thee? or thirsty, and gave thee drink? 38 When saw we thee a stranger, and took thee in? or naked, and clothed thee? 39 Or when saw we thee sick, or in prison, and came unto thee? 40 And the King shall answer and say unto them, Verily I say unto you, Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me.

- 3.5.** Be intentionally separated and deliberately unspotted by the world and its cancerous spirit.

1 John 2:15-17 (KJV) 15 Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him. 16 For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world. 17 And the world passeth away, and the lust thereof: but he that doeth the will of God abideth for ever.

James 4:4-6 (KJV) 4 Ye adulterers and adulteresses, know ye not that the friendship of the world is enmity with God? whosoever therefore will be a friend of the world is the enemy of God. 5 Do ye think that the scripture saith in vain, The spirit that dwelleth in us lusteth to envy? 6 But he giveth more grace. Wherefore

he saith, God resisteth the proud, but giveth grace unto the humble.

James 1:27 (KJV) 27 Pure religion and undefiled before God and the Father is this, To visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction, and to keep himself unspotted from the world.

3.6. Seek peace and walk in it, avoiding strife, tension and quarrels. These can distract

2 Timothy 2:22 (KJV) 22 Flee also youthful lusts: but follow righteousness, faith, charity, peace, with them that call on the Lord out of a pure heart.

Hebrews 12:14 (KJV) 14 Follow peace with all men, and holiness, without which no man shall see the Lord:

James 3:16-18 (KJV) 16 For where envying and strife is, there is confusion and every evil work. 17 But the wisdom that is from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, and easy to be intreated, full of mercy and good fruits, without partiality, and without hypocrisy. 18 And the fruit of righteousness is sown in peace of them that make peace.

1 Peter 3:10-12 (KJV) 10 For he that will love life, and see good days, let him refrain his tongue from evil, and his lips that they speak no guile: 11 Let him eschew evil, and do good; let him seek peace, and ensue it. 12 For the eyes of the Lord are over the righteous, and his ears are open unto their prayers: but the face of the Lord is against them that do evil.

D. Assurance of entire sanctification which preserves us by His Grace, till the end

Saints, His Grace is sufficient for us to walk in these realities of Kingdom life! He never leaves us to face the uncertainties of life in the earth realm with our own devices! He loves us and is for us! It is therefore critical that we do not approach the End times in our own strength or in fear, Otherwise religiosity and dead works will be prevalent. We need to surrender to His dealings and enter His rest so that

He can perfect us to live lives that are well pleasing in His sight.

Hebrews 4:9-11 (KJV) 9 There remaineth therefore a rest to the people of God. 10 For he that is entered into his rest, he also hath ceased from his own works, as God did from his. 11 Let us labour therefore to enter into that rest, lest any man fall after the same example of unbelief.

1 Thessalonians 5:23-24 (KJV) 23 And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly; and I pray God your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. 24 Faithful is he that calleth you, who also will do it.

He Who graciously blessed us with New Life in Yeshua has undertaken to preserve us from the destruction that will come upon the world.

1 Thessalonians 5:4-11 (KJV) 4 But ye, brethren, are not in darkness, that that day should overtake you as a thief. 5 Ye are all the children of light, and the children of the day: we are not of the night, nor of darkness. 6 Therefore let us not sleep, as do others; but let us watch and be sober. 7 For they that sleep sleep in the night; and they that be drunken are drunken in the night. 8 But let us, who are of the day, be sober, putting on the breastplate of faith and love; and for an helmet, the hope of salvation. 9 For God hath not appointed us to wrath, but to obtain salvation by our Lord Jesus Christ, 10 Who died for us, that, whether we wake or sleep, we should live together with him. 11 Wherefore comfort yourselves together, and edify one another, even as also ye do.

Romans 5:9 (KJV) 9 Much more then, being now justified by his blood, we shall be saved from wrath through him.

Assignment

- (1). Please discuss 3 promises of Divine Assurance to the Remnant which ministered most to you.
- (2). Kindly share 4 things saints can do to maintain the Peace we receive as a gift from Yahweh

Chapter 2 4 Imperatives + Strengthening the Divine Firewall through Faith Actions

In Chapter 1, we received strong assurance that the Lord sanctifies His elect so that they can live holy unto Him and thus be preserved as His peculiar treasure in the earth realm. We also saw the fivefold response of the elect to His goodness. In this chapter, we will make further progress. The Lord witnesses expressly that the key to be ready for His return lies in the lifestyle of the elect.

A. Four Imperatives concerning the End Times

There are four imperatives the elect must constantly bear in mind concerning the End Times

#.1. No one, no matter how anointed knows the Day and Time of return of the King

Matthew 24:36 (KJV) 36 But of that day and hour knoweth no man, no, not the angels of heaven, but my Father only.

To be swept away by speculations of dates or be disillusioned when such dates are proved false is to set oneself up to deception!

Matthew 24:4-5 (KJV) 4 And Jesus answered and said unto them, Take heed that no man deceive you. 5 For many shall come in my name, saying, I am Christ; and shall deceive many.

#.2. But it has pleased Elohim to provide clear markers in His Word as a Compass for those appointed to Salvation not to miss an understanding of the Times.

A careful reading of Matthew 24 shows that what will signify imminence of the return of Yeshua is spelt out as well as in other scriptures which when illuminated by Holy Spirit and properly cross referenced will indicate how the End Times will unfold.

1 Thessalonians 5:1-5 (KJV) 1 But of the times and the seasons, brethren, ye have no need that I write unto you. 2 For yourselves know perfectly that the day of the

Lord so cometh as a thief in the night. 3 For when they shall say, Peace and safety; then sudden destruction cometh upon them, as travail upon a woman with child; and they shall not escape. 4 But ye, brethren, are not in darkness, that that day should overtake you as a thief. 5 Ye are all the children of light, and the children of the day: we are not of the night, nor of darkness.

2 Thessalonians 2:1-7 (KJV) 1 Now we beseech you, brethren, by the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, and by our gathering together unto him, 2 That ye be not soon shaken in mind, or be troubled, neither by spirit, nor by word, nor by letter as from us, as that the day of Christ is at hand. 3 Let no man deceive you by any means: for that day shall not come, except there come a falling away first, and that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition; 4 Who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called God, or that is worshipped; so that he as God sitteth in the temple of God, shewing himself that he is God. 5 Remember ye not, that, when I was yet with you, I told you these things? 6 And now ye know what with holdeth that he might be revealed in his time. 7 For the mystery of iniquity doth already work: only he who now letteth will let, until he be taken out of the way.

Note: When we see the feverish preparations for building the Third Temple by the Temple Institute including how by DNA testing, Priests and Levites from the tribe of Levi have been selected; how the vestments they will wear according to Old Testament instructions have been prepared; preparation of pure Olive Oil for the Menorah as well as practices of slaying animals for sacrifice and the quest for a Red Heifer whose ash will be used for dedicating the Temple; we must detach ourselves from the pro and anti-Israeli lobby but rather as Kingdom citizens ask Holy Spirit whether the anti-Messiah or anti-Christ who will defile the Temple is about to emerge!

#.3. As a Just and Faithful Elohim, the Lord guarantees to uphold His Elect Who give Him right of way.

Jude 1:24-25 (KJV) 24 Now unto him that is able to keep you from falling, and to present you faultless before the presence of his glory with exceeding joy, 25 To the only wise God our Saviour, be glory and majesty, dominion and power, both now and ever. Amen.

Revelation 3:7, 10-13 (KJV) 7 And to the angel of the church in Philadelphia write; These things saith he that is holy, he that is true, he that hath the key of David, he that openeth, and no man shutteth; and shutteth, and no man openeth;...

10 Because thou hast kept the word of my patience, I also will keep thee from the hour of temptation, which shall come upon all the world, to try them that dwell upon the earth. 11 Behold, I come quickly: hold that fast which thou hast, that no man take thy crown. 12 Him that overcometh will I make a pillar in the temple of my God, and he shall go no more out: and I will write upon him the name of my God, and the name of the city of my God, which is new Jerusalem, which cometh down out of heaven from my God: and I will write upon him my new name. 13 He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches.

#.4. No matter what the elect go through, His Grace is sufficient for the earthly Pilgrimage

2 Corinthians 12:9 (KJV) 9 And he said unto me, My grace is sufficient for thee: for my strength is made perfect in weakness. Most gladly therefore will I rather glory in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me.

B. Faith Actions by the Elect

Making it to the End is a journey which calls for a number of proactive Faith actions. Let us examine 9 of them in this chapter.

1. It is by Faith. Ultimate redemption which began by faith is concluded by Faith! Those who walk by faith will not be easily distracted by the report of their five senses! Those who walk by faith rest in the Word and trust Elohim implicitly and explicitly to fulfil His Word!
2. Making it to the end also involves a cast iron determination which enables us to overcome temptations and distraction. The journey is not for those who can give in to every distraction or succumb to temptations but rather for those who are focused and determined to see Him in glory.

In writing to the 7 churches of Asia Minor, Yeshua repeatedly encouraged them to 'overcome'!

Revelation 2:7, 11 (KJV) 7 He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches; To him that overcometh will I give to eat of the tree of life, which is in the midst of the paradise of God.

11 He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches; He that overcometh shall not be hurt of the second death.

Revelation 2:17, 26-29 (KJV) 17 He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches; To him that overcometh will I give to eat of the hidden manna, and will give him a white stone, and in the

26 And he that overcometh, and keepeth my works unto the end, to him will I give power over the nations: 27 And he shall rule them with a rod of iron; as the vessels of a potter shall they be broken to shivers: even as I received of my Father. 28 And I will give him the morning star. 29 He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches.

Revelation 3:5-6 (KJV) 5 He that overcometh, the same shall be clothed in white raiment; and I will not blot out his name out of the book of life, but I will confess his name before my Father, and before his angels. 6 He

that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches.

12 Him that overcometh will I make a pillar in the temple of my God, and he shall go no more out: and I will write upon him the name of my God, and the name of the city of my God, which is new Jerusalem, which cometh down out of heaven from my God: and I will write upon him my new name. 13 He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches.

Revelation 3:21-22 (KJV) 21 To him that overcometh will I grant to sit with me in my throne, even as I also overcame, and am set down with my Father in his throne. 22 He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches.

3. They will be known by the choices they make. Having faith and being determined will be tested by the kind of opportunities that rear up. The choices that are made in the Heart as processed in the Mind will determine the walk of the saint.

In the case of Joseph, son of Jacob, the opportunity was overt: an invitation to enjoy the pleasures of sin for a moment as Genesis 39:1-20 showed. In the case of Daniel, the opportunity was more subtle: to eat food fit for kings. He chose proactively to abstain and by so doing, signified that he too was looking for the City Whose builder was Elohim.

Daniel 1:8 (KJV) 8 But Daniel purposed in his heart that he would not defile himself with the portion of the king's meat, nor with the wine which he drank: therefore he requested of the prince of the eunuchs that he might not defile himself.

In the contemporary era, the choices we make concerning who to marry; the job to do or business to engage in; those to be admitted into our inner circle whose lives, words and attitudes influence our lives will matter in the issue of eternity < are our choices by the will of Elohim as led by Holy Spirit or by the five carnal senses/flesh?>.

Matthew 16:26 (KJV) 26 For what is a man profited, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul? or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul?

4. Our attitude to the Cross. As the elect, we have a standing invitation to take up our cross, die thereon so that Yeshua can reign in and through us. This is the place of great safety – when our lives are propelled forward by Him, not our flesh!

Matthew 16:24-25 (KJV) 24 Then said Jesus unto his disciples, If any man will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow me. 25 For whosoever will save his life shall lose it: and whosoever will lose his life for my sake shall find it.

Paul shared with us by Holy Spirit, three truths about beauty of the Cross:

- i. That is where we die so that the real spiritual life in which Holy Spirit leads our spirit-man becomes a reality

Galatians 2:20 (KJV) 20 I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself for me.

- ii. The Cross is not a one-off affair at the point of salvation or on the day of sanctification! It is to be a lifelong affair of allowing His choice to overrule our preferences; of allowing His will to be so supreme that ours do not count!

1 Corinthians 15:31 (KJV) 31 I protest by your rejoicing which I have in Christ Jesus our Lord, I die daily.

- iii. When we give space to the Cross, there is nothing to boast in! With self, ego and need for prominence impaled on the Cross, the only thing we can glory in is the Lord Who leads us.

Galatians 6:14 (KJV) 14 But God forbid that I should glory, save in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom the world is crucified unto me, and I unto the world.

It is this situation which makes Grace such an outstanding proposition. When self is dead at the Cross, the Grace to handle all situations and potential crosses becomes like eating a piece of cake!

2 Corinthians 12:7-10 (KJV) 7 And lest I should be exalted above measure through the abundance of the revelations, there was given to me a thorn in the flesh, the messenger of Satan to buffet me, lest I should be exalted above measure. 8 For this thing I besought the Lord thrice, that it might depart from me. 9 And he said unto me, My grace is sufficient for thee: for my strength is made perfect in weakness. Most gladly therefore will I rather glory in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me. 10 Therefore I take pleasure in infirmities, in reproaches, in necessities, in persecutions, in distresses for Christ's sake: for when I am weak, then am I strong.

In other words, the absence of grace to handle potential or actual crosses is indicative of a piece of flesh which needs only one thing: death, rather than life! It is doubtful if anyone who understands and walks in this reality will miss the King at His appearance.

5. The grace to earnestly expect or look forward to meet with Him! With a thousand and one things screaming for our attention, it will take the Grace of Elohim to make this paradigm shift of faith to yearn for the King in a solid way. For those who make the shift, the End Times becomes an existential reality, not fueled by the hype of star gazers but the reality that He is the end of our Faith!

Hebrews 9:28 (KJV) 28 So Christ was once offered to bear the sins of many; and unto them that look for him

shall he appear the second time without sin unto salvation.

6. The reality that to Watch and Pray concerning His return is a safe spiritual habit! In this, the parable of the Virgins given by Yeshua illustrates how highly heaven deems this lifestyle

Matthew 25:1-13 (KJV) 1 Then shall the kingdom of heaven be likened unto ten virgins, which took their lamps, and went forth to meet the bridegroom. 2 And five of them were wise, and five were foolish. 3 They that were foolish took their lamps, and took no oil with them: 4 But the wise took oil in their vessels with their lamps. 5 While the bridegroom tarried, they all slumbered and slept. 6 And at midnight there was a cry made, Behold, the bridegroom cometh; go ye out to meet him. 7 Then all those virgins arose, and trimmed their lamps. 8 And the foolish said unto the wise, Give us of your oil; for our lamps are gone out. 9 But the wise answered, saying, Not so; lest there be not enough for us and you: but go ye rather to them that sell, and buy for yourselves. 10 And while they went to buy, the bridegroom came; and they that were ready went in with him to the marriage: and the door was shut. 11 Afterward came also the other virgins, saying, Lord, Lord, open to us. 12 But he answered and said, Verily I say unto you, I know you not. 13 Watch therefore, for ye know neither the day nor the hour wherein the Son of man cometh.

7. The remnant appointed to Salvation will see the Word as their reliable compass of eternal life.

They will therefore study it diligently to receive it and let it be made flesh.

2 Tim 2:15 (KJV) 15 Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.

No matter how anointed preachers and teachers are, the remnant needs to cross check their words with The Word just like the Bereans did to Paul and which we earnestly desire every one studying this course should do!

Acts 17:10-12 (KJV) 10 And the brethren immediately sent away Paul and Silas by night unto Berea: who coming thither went into the synagogue of the Jews. 11 These were more noble than those in Thessalonica, in that they received the word with all readiness of mind, and searched the scriptures daily, whether those things were so. 12 Therefore many of them believed; also of honourable women which were Greeks, and of men, not a few.

They realise that scriptures are a whole document that cannot be cherry picked or interpreted to suit idols we may consciously or unconsciously have.

2 Peter 1:19-21 (KJV) 19 We have also a more sure word of prophecy; whereunto ye do well that ye take heed, as unto a light that shineth in a dark place, until the day dawn, and the day star arise in your hearts: 20 Knowing this first, that no prophecy of the scripture is of any private interpretation. 21 For the prophecy came not in old time by the will of man: but holy men of God spake as they were moved by the Holy Ghost.

8. Those who endure till the end tap into the mystery of fellowship in unity. When we are properly aligned and tapping into the grace of Elohim in each other, all of us are built up by what every joint supplies. Satan knows this truth and hence targets unity of the Body.

Hebrews 10:24-25 (KJV) 24 And let us consider one another to provoke unto love and to good works: 25 Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another: and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching.

Ephesians 4:1-5, 13-16 (KJV) 1 I therefore, the prisoner of the Lord, beseech you that ye walk worthy

of the vocation wherewith ye are called, 2 With all lowliness and meekness, with longsuffering, forbearing one another in love; 3 Endeavouring to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. 4 There is one body, and one Spirit, even as ye are called in one hope of your calling; 5 One Lord, one faith, one baptism, 6 One God and Father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in you all

13 Till we all come in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ: 14 That we henceforth be no more children, tossed to and fro, and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the sleight of men, and cunning craftiness, whereby they lie in wait to deceive; 15 But speaking the truth in love, may grow up into him in all things, which is the head, even Christ: 16 From whom the whole body fitly joined together and compacted by that which every joint supplieth, according to the effectual working in the measure of every part, maketh increase of the body unto the edifying of itself in love.

9. Consciousness of eternity therefore is a default setting of hearts and minds of the elect! Those who live as described in points 1-8 above here will understand the signs, times and seasons concerning return of the King and will not be taken by surprise! Interestingly, the uniform testimony of the Old and New Covenants clearly indicate that Elohim designed His remnant in such a way that consciousness of eternal life with Him is the default setting of their hearts and minds!

A careful look at Hebrews 11 reveals that Old Testament saints lived in the consciousness of eternity. All the disciples of Yeshua except John sealed their testimonies in blood and were unfazed. They knew the end and did not mind the price required. Peter and Paul captured this attitude to death best:

2 Peter 1:13-15 (KJV) 13 Yea, I think it meet, as long as I am in this tabernacle, to stir you up by putting you in remembrance; 14 Knowing that shortly I must put off this my tabernacle, even as our Lord Jesus Christ hath shewed me. 15 Moreover I will endeavour that ye may be able after my decease to have these things always in remembrance.

2 Timothy 4:6-8 (KJV) 6 For I am now ready to be offered, and the time of my departure is at hand. 7 I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith: 8 Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day: and not to me only, but unto all them also that love his appearing.

Death loses its hold on all whose lives are lost in Him!

Hebrews 2:14 (KJV) 14 Forasmuch then as the children are partakers of flesh and blood, he also himself likewise took part of the same; that through death he might destroy him that had the power of death, that is, the devil;

One-way false teachers, preachers and prophets are easily identified by their general tendency to deride discussion of the End Times.

2 Peter 3:1-10 (KJV) 1 This second epistle, beloved, I now write unto you; in both which I stir up your pure minds by way of remembrance: 2 That ye may be mindful of the words which were spoken before by the holy prophets, and of the commandment of us the apostles of the Lord and Saviour: 3 Knowing this first, that there shall come in the last days scoffers, walking after their own lusts, 4 And saying, Where is the promise of his coming? for since the fathers fell asleep, all things continue as they were from the beginning of the creation. 5 For this they willingly are ignorant of, that by the word of God the heavens were of old, and the earth standing out of the water and in the water: 6

Whereby the world that then was, being overflowed with water, perished: 7 But the heavens and the earth, which are now, by the same word are kept in store, reserved unto fire against the day of judgment and perdition of ungodly men. 8 But, beloved, be not ignorant of this one thing, that one day is with the Lord as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day. 9 The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to usward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance. 10 But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night; in the which the heavens shall pass away with a great noise, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat, the earth also and the works that are therein shall be burned up.

Assignment:

- (1). Briefly discuss the four imperatives concerning the End Times.
- (2). Briefly summarise at least 6 of the 9 things the elect are required to do in order to be in a state of permanent readiness for their King.

Chapter 3 The Single Thread holding End Time Prophecies Together

Understanding the Single Thread which holds together ALL prophecies concerning the End Times - from Genesis to Revelation! After laying the foundation of this course with the first two chapters, we will use materials from two sources released previously to expound on the subject matter.

These are:

- i. The 2015 Compass and
- ii. Biblical Prophecies on the End Times.

There are many prophecies concerning End of the age in the Holy Scriptures. Unfortunately, many commentaries on the subject matter have deficiencies that are clearly toxic. These include:

1. Some commentaries offer what amounts to a maze of information which leaves many more confused.
2. Most display the absence of a comprehensive Word-based Compass type narrative which traces events from Genesis to Revelation from which you can find your bearing, no matter your location or personal circumstance.
3. In addition, many bible scholars confuse saints when they interpret biblical prophecies concerning the end times not with hearts open for Holy Spirit to clarify but rather to reinforce their various denominational dogma. In other words, prophecies are basically 'captured' to fit into a particular theological or denominational point of view.
4. This dangerous tendency has the net effect of making saints from other denominations adopt and cling to wildly differing and even opposite interpretations of the same Holy Scriptures.

The result of these tendencies is that many saints relapse into religion and religiosity, hoping for the best as they stumble along. This approach is unhealthy and fraught with

risks that cannot be mitigated by mere wishes that it may be well. In offering you what we received from the Lord, we urge you to do two profitable things:

- first is study the Word yourself and
- secondly, inquire of Holy Spirit what is the mind of the Father on any issues raised in this course of study which are not clear to you and He Who is the best teacher will gladly respond! If you need to ask questions for clarification, please feel free to do so.

Pin-pointing the Golden Thread linking all Prophecies

What is that Golden Thread? The Fulcrum of End Time Prophecies is restoration of the Kingdom of Elohim lost by Adam and Eve in Eden! Why is it so critical? Over the past several years, Yahweh, our Elohim has been painstakingly taking us by the Spirit through His Word to the point of pin pointing a definite fulcrum or compass of prophecy of common interest and import to both the Gentile-predominated Church; Hebrews as an elect people and the elect nation of Israel. That fulcrum is restoration of the Kingdom that was lost through the dis-obedience of Adam and Eve in the Garden of Eden!

To understand this foundational compass and to receive Light concerning how it is the Golden Thread which sticks together all prophecies concerning End of the Age into one organic whole is to walk in sure footedness! Once this compass takes its rightful place in the heart of any true saint, all biblical prophecies will fall into place as pieces of a puzzle that come together to create a beautiful picture in a mosaic which may be meaningless to the unlearned! It then becomes obvious that Biblical Prophecies ought to be known and understood in the context of the determinate counsel of Elohim. That way, they are embraced as light which shines in the darkness of human civilization.

Let us take a forensic approach to understanding the issues. When we understand the beauty and glory of the world to come when Elohim will reward all who walked in obedience, the things of this world will grow strangely dim! No one who

catches a glimpse of the Manifest Kingdom to come will clutch at this fleeing world system.

Kingdom Established

In order to understand end of the age and prophecies leading thereto, we need to first understand the beginning fully documented for us in the books of Genesis chapters 1, 2, 3. Genesis Chapter 1 can better be understood in the context of the Kingdom of Heaven being extended to the earth realm by the creative work of Elohim. In the exercise of His free will and perfect timing, Elohim created mankind in His Own image and likeness to manage this realm of His domain on His behalf.

Genesis 1:26-30 (KJV) 26 And God said, Let us make man in our image, after our likeness: and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth. 27 So God created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them. 28 And God blessed them, and God said unto them, Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth, and subdue it: and have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over every living thing that moveth upon the earth. 29 And God said, Behold, I have given you every herb bearing seed, which is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree, in the which is the fruit of a tree yielding seed; to you it shall be for meat. 30 And to every beast of the earth, and to every fowl of the air, and to every thing that creepeth upon the earth, wherein there is life, I have given every green herb for meat: and it was so.

This passage which Religion is unable to grasp its full import clearly defines the mandate of Adam and Eve as Ambassadors of Elohim and the Kingdom of Heaven in the earth realm!

In other words, Elohim, ruler of the Kingdom of heaven, created the earth realm as part of His vast domain. He went

on to bring into being by a creative process different from all other beings and objects in the earth realm, a peculiar type of creature: mankind to rule on His behalf! Whereas He spoke other things into being, Elohim scooped the earth, moulded the human shape and breathed His Spirit which activated a life centred on Himself.

Genesis 2:7 (KJV) 7 And the Lord God formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living soul.

In Adam and Eve, He vested certain qualities of His to enable them rule or be keepers of the earth realm on His behalf! A proper understanding of the first chapter of Genesis will clearly establish a Kingdom, rather than religious/dogma narrative of creation. This is confirmed by the clear presence of these five features that are critical components of all kingdoms in Genesis chapters 1-2:

1. **A King** – Elohim Who has authority and power to create who and what He wants.

Genesis 1:1 (KJV) 1 In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth.

2. **A Domain** – the sphere of influence which authority of the King covers. In this case, Heaven and Earth
3. **A Dominion:** All things created to function in the first and second heavens, on earth, under the earth and in the waters are all part of the dominion of Elohim, subject to His Supreme will.
4. **Ambassadors and Kingdom Mandate.** Mankind was created to represent Elohim and the Kingdom of heaven in the earth realm with a mandate to exercise dominion over all other created things – both animate and inanimate. Creation is subject to the direct authority of Elohim, the Creator as well as to His delegated authority and ambassador of the Kingdom of heaven in the earth realm, mankind.

Mankind had a loaded mandate! To not just exist or live but to with added responsibility to 'dress and keep' (manage the earth realm on behalf of Elohim)!

Genesis 2:15 (KJV) 15 And the Lord God took the man, and put him into the garden of Eden to dress it and to keep it.

In effect, Elohim did something absolutely mind blowing! He created Heaven and kept it for Himself then went on to create the earth realm as part of His domain assigned to humankind to take care on His behalf!

Psalms 115:16 (KJV) 16 The heaven, even the heavens, are the Lord's: but the earth hath he given to the children of men.

One of the most striking realities of life in the earth realm is that unsaved humans seem to have understood and run with the dominion mandate much more than saints largely because the religion is very debilitating! It is in the exercise of the dominion mandate that humans have tamed wild beasts, serpents, gone to other planets and to depths of the oceans, pushing the frontiers of civilization, even to the unfortunate dimension of abusing it in the process. They have also created all the great inventions of science and technology which dazzle the natural senses!

5. Constitution. Every Kingdom has rules made to keep the domain and dominion in harmony and balance. Without the rules outlined in a Constitution, there will be chaos and disorder. A Constitution spells out elements of life and living which constitute culture of the Kingdom. It also spells out obligations of the King to the people; and that of citizens to the King and Kingdom. It shows rewards for obedience and punishment for disobedience. In the same way, Elohim put a basic constitution in place to guide Adam and Eve so that they could continue to enjoy His unbounded benefice.

Genesis 2:16-17 (KJV) 16 And the Lord God commanded the man, saying, Of every tree of the garden thou mayest freely eat: 17 But of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, thou shalt not eat of it: for in the day that thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely die.

Christian religion whose roots are in Rome begins with a foundational limitation of acknowledging both creation and time it took to create all things. However, the critical factor that it did not grasp or prevented from understanding was the context in which the earth was created, and the huge mandate Elohim vested in mankind represented by Adam and Eve as outlined in this chapter. Because the predominant proportion of Christianity has been influenced by the limitations of Rome regarding understanding and application of the Kingdom, many Christians have inherited a religious narrative of Genesis which prevents their apprehension of the full picture of the dealings of Elohim with humanity.

Kingdom outcomes

As long as Adam and Eve kept that basic rule, they lived in bliss! In the earthly domain of the Kingdom of heaven, they had no need to work because all they could ever want was already provided for. Their lives were like that of Elohim – immortal. Sickness, diseases, poverty and all physical and emotional dysfunction had no chance of manifestation. Toiling to secure what to eat was totally out of the question. All animals and birds were subject to Adam and Eve and had no tendency to be destructive. This Kingdom was indeed like heaven on earth.

Kingdom Lost!

Rules or Constitution of Kingdoms are to be kept. Breach often attracts requisite punishment. Whether one was tempted by a third party or deliberately flouted rules of a King in a way which challenges his authority is sedition. In the case of Adam and Eve, they committed the grave sin of sedition when they allowed an intruder who in this case was Satan, to seduce them to disobey Elohim. With this disobedience, they

lost their state of innocence, became sin conscious and sin driven and could no longer enjoy the Presence of their Creator!

Genesis 3:1-8 (KJV) 1 Now the serpent was more subtil than any beast of the field which the Lord God had made. And he said unto the woman, Yea, hath God said, Ye shall not eat of every tree of the garden? 2 And the woman said unto the serpent, We may eat of the fruit of the trees of the garden: 3 But of the fruit of the tree which is in the midst of the garden, God hath said, Ye shall not eat of it, neither shall ye touch it, lest ye die. 4 And the serpent said unto the woman, Ye shall not surely die: 5 For God doth know that in the day ye eat thereof, then your eyes shall be opened, and ye shall be as gods, knowing good and evil. 6 And when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was pleasant to the eyes, and a tree to be desired to make one wise, she took of the fruit thereof, and did eat, and gave also unto her husband with her; and he did eat. 7 And the eyes of them both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together, and made themselves aprons. 8 And they heard the voice of the Lord God walking in the garden in the cool of the day: and Adam and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the Lord God amongst the trees of the garden.

Please read also Genesis 3:9-13 for additional details.

Core effects of loss of the Kingdom: Separation, Mortality and Curse of Labour

They lost not just the Kingdom but all the things that made it special: immortality was replaced with mortality (ability to die); Perfect Health was replaced with a body with capacity to be degraded and fall sick. To worsen matters, where they lived entirely by the benefice of Elohim as their personal, all sufficient Father who provided all they needed, they were now to labour and to sweat it out in order to obtain what to eat from an accursed earth! Their changed nature and circumstances

was a piteous down fall from their former estate in Eden from which they were chased out!

Genesis 3:16-19 (KJV) 16 Unto the woman he said, I will greatly multiply thy sorrow and thy conception; in sorrow thou shalt bring forth children; and thy desire shall be to thy husband, and he shall rule over thee. 17 And unto Adam he said, Because thou hast hearkened unto the voice of thy wife, and hast eaten of the tree, of which I commanded thee, saying, Thou shalt not eat of it: cursed is the ground for thy sake; in sorrow shalt thou eat of it all the days of thy life; 18 Thorns also and thistles shall it bring forth to thee; and thou shalt eat the herb of the field; 19 In the sweat of thy face shalt thou eat bread, till thou return unto the ground; for out of it wast thou taken: for dust thou art, and unto dust shalt thou return.

Not only was the earth accursed for their sake, Adam and Eve lost the privilege of access to The Garden of Eden.

Genesis 3:22-24 (KJV) 22 And the Lord God said, Behold, the man is become as one of us, to know good and evil: and now, lest he put forth his hand, and take also of the tree of life, and eat, and live for ever: 23 Therefore the Lord God sent him forth from the garden of Eden, to till the ground from whence he was taken. 24 So he drove out the man; and he placed at the east of the garden of Eden Cherubims, and a flaming sword which turned every way, to keep the way of the tree of life.

A Critical truth to reflect on

The dominion mandate, first conferred on Adam and Eve, did not end with them but is a principal reason for which humans exist and the reason for which procreation was wired into the human nature! As noted before, it is sad that the unbelieving world believes this mandate, takes it seriously and hence has subdued creation successfully. Unfortunately because saints are not taught this foundational truth, many

pass through this world during the time allotted without being effective partners with Elohim of His original, unchanging mandate. Consequently, few saints attain optimum fulfilment in their lifetime and fewer still contextualise the gospel properly towards become true instruments of the determinate counsel of Elohim.

Unfortunately, among the few who receive the light of this dominion mandate, the greater number fell victim to a trick of Satan which caused them to negate the centrality of Yeshua, Jesus in restoration of this dominion mandate through the strange fire of a brother who taught his followers to preach the Kingdom and not Yeshua, Jesus. In the process, those who believed this lie sought to be on their own what they can only be in the context of their allegiance to Yeshua, Jesus as sovereign ruler of their lives. Furthermore, they fell for another satanic trick: thinking of restoration of the full phase of the Kingdom as something that has been fully accomplished already. The Word shows that restoration of the Lost Kingdom in the earth realm is a two-part process.

- i. The first part of the business of recovering the kingdom Adam and Eve lost was at Calvary Cross when Yeshua paid the price for redemption of humankind from the grip of Satan by crushing his head as prophesied.

Genesis 3:15 (KJV) 15 And I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and her seed; it shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise his heel.

He Who will rule the world first came as a Lamb – a Baby planted in the womb of Mary by Holy Spirit and brought forth in the fullness of time to reconcile lost humanity back to their heavenly Father.

Luke 1:35 (KJV) 35 And the angel answered and said unto her, The Holy Ghost shall come upon thee, and the power of the Highest shall overshadow thee: therefore also that holy thing which shall be born of thee shall be called the Son of God.

Galatians 4:4-5 (KJV) 4 But when the fulness of the time was come, God sent forth his Son, made of a woman, made under the law, 5 To redeem them that were under the law, that we might receive the adoption of sons.

What Calvary accomplished was liberation of those who believe – a tiny fraction of humanity from the clutches of Satan!

John 1:12 (KJV) 12 But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name:

Hebrews 2:14-15 (KJV) 14 Forasmuch then as the children are partakers of flesh and blood, he also himself likewise took part of the same; that through death he might destroy him that had the power of death, that is, the devil; 15 And deliver them who through fear of death were all their lifetime subject to bondage.

The vast majority on earth are still under the yoke of Satan, seemingly ‘enjoying’ dominance in partisan politics, the economy, banking, finance and indeed all sectors of society! The current world system seems stacked in their favour, but it is only for a season – until King Yeshua returns. They have no interest in the gospel and in some case seem to antagonize saints. Satan had the boldness to offer Yeshua the kingdoms of the world because they were in his legal possession through the sin of Adam and Eve! Yeshua confirmed this reality.

Matthew 4:8 (KJV) 8 Again, the devil taketh him up into an exceeding high mountain, and sheweth him all the kingdoms of the world, and the glory of them; 9 And saith unto him, All these things will I give thee, if thou wilt fall down and worship me.

John 14:30 (KJV) 30 Hereafter I will not talk much with you: for the prince of this world cometh, and hath nothing in me.

2 Corinthians 4:3-4 (KJV) 3 But if our gospel be hid, it is hid to them that are lost: 4 In whom the god of this world hath blinded the minds of them which believe not, lest the light of the glorious gospel of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine unto them.

1 John 5:19 (KJV) 19 And we know that we are of God, and the whole world lieth in wickedness.

- ii. The second part of fulfilment concerning recovery of the Kingdom lost by Adam and Eve is still in the future when King Yeshua returns! Then the kingdoms of this world will become part of that single, indivisible Kingdom of Elohim fully recovered from where it fell!

Revelation 11:15 (KJV) 15 And the seventh angel sounded; and there were great voices in heaven, saying, The kingdoms of this world are become the kingdoms of our Lord, and of his Christ; and he shall reign for ever and ever.

The Omega Church will come into this understanding so much that saints will take responsibility to partner with Elohim as mid-wives of His determinate counsel in the earth realm in the present time. Saints will understand and walk in the dominion mandate operating with extreme creativity and ability to proffer solutions to real life issues by the wisdom which Holy Spirit provides. At the same time, the Omega Church will engage in a full-dress rehearsal for the time to come when they shall function as Priests and Kings over the peoples and nations of the earth realm when Yeshua returns. His return is the blessed Hope of true saints because His Sovereign physical rule over all the world from Jerusalem is manifestation of the Kingdom lost in Adam and Eve!

King Yeshua will not rule the world alone. He will have the elect rule various sub domains of lands and peoples and report to Him in Jerusalem! These co-heirs are saints that ran with His mandate lay down their lives and invest all that is in them to occupy their allotments while on this side of eternity!

Romans 8:16-19 (KJV) 16 The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God: 17 And if children, then heirs; heirs of God, and jointheirs with Christ; if so be that we suffer with him, that we may be also glorified together. 18 For I reckon that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us. 19 For the earnest expectation of the creature waiteth for the manifestation of the sons of God.

Revelation 1:5-6 (KJV) 5 And from Jesus Christ, who is the faithful witness, and the first begotten of the dead, and the prince of the kings of the earth. Unto him that loved us, and washed us from our sins in his own blood,⁶ And hath made us kings and priests unto God and his Father; to him be glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen.

Revelation 5:9-10 (KJV) 9 And they sung a new song, saying, Thou art worthy to take the book, and to open the seals thereof: for thou wast slain, and hast redeemed us to God by thy blood out of every kindred, and tongue, and people, and nation; 10 And hast made us unto our God kings and priests: and we shall reign on the earth.

Revelation 20:1-6 (KJV) 1 And I saw an angel come down from heaven, having the key of the bottomless pit and a great chain in his hand. 2 And he laid hold on the dragon, that old serpent, which is the Devil, and Satan, and bound him a thousand years, 3 And cast him into the bottomless pit, and shut him up, and set a seal upon him, that he should deceive the nations no more, till the thousand years should be fulfilled: and after that he must be loosed a little season. 4 And I saw thrones, and they sat upon them, and judgment was given unto them: and I saw the souls of them that were beheaded for the witness of Jesus, and for the word of God, and which had not worshipped the beast, neither his image,

neither had received his mark upon their foreheads, or in their hands; and they lived and reigned with Christ a thousand years. 5 But the rest of the dead lived not again until the thousand years were finished. This is the first resurrection. 6 Blessed and holy is he that hath part in the first resurrection: on such the second death hath no power, but they shall be priests of God and of Christ, and shall reign with him a thousand years.

In the Omega Church, saints are not going to be hooked on what they do inside four walls of buildings on certain days of the week. They will not be ensnared by denominational labels which divide them and dissipate their strength in Babylonian competitiveness of who is more anointed or powerful. They will discover again and run with the Kingdom concept of organic unity in Ephesians 4:1-6, 15-16. They will tap into the grace of Elohim in all so that by what every joint supplies, the Body makes increase of itself in love. The inherent power of unity and blessings thereof according to John 17:20-24; Matthew 18:19-20 and Psalm 133 will be unleashed. With this paradigm, the remnant will not chase after material stuff! Rather, as they embrace and live by the word of the King, keeping His commandments and seeking first His Kingdom, they will come to a place where all things are added to them (Matthew 6:25-34) and signs and wonders begin to manifest as normal kingdom experiences (Mark 16:15-20).

Assignment

- (1). What is the single thread which holds together?
- (2). How important is it to you to receive a single integrated view of the End Times as presented from Genesis to Revelation?

Chapter 4 The Promise and Timing of Restoration of the Kingdom

It is critically important that saints read the Word with open hearts in order to see wondrous things therein as revealed by Holy Spirit, our Great Teacher Who makes even the most 'difficult' scripture plain! The core aftermath of the Fall were these two things:

1. **Punishment on Adam and Eve** for the poor choices they made to obey Satan rather than Him.

For inclining their will to the adversary, they were to die spiritually or be separated from the Presence and Nature of Elohim. The nature of Satan which is sin and his attributes of evil became imputed into humankind. With that nature, the door was opened to disease, suffering, pain, sweating to eke out a living and a lifestyle marked by striving to obtain!

Romans 6:16 (KJV) 16 Know ye not, that to whom ye yield yourselves servants to obey, his servants ye are to whom ye obey; whether of sin unto death, or of obedience unto righteousness?

2. **Prophecy of Restoration.** The ever merciful and beneficent Elohim did not retain His anger at the sin of Adam and Eve forever.

He provided a way of escape which will lead to restoration of the Kingdom lost by Adam and Eve in Eden. That promise of restoration was vested in only One Person called Seed of the Woman Who would obtain legal and spiritual victory over Satan!

Genesis 3:15 (KJV) 15 And I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and her seed; it shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise his heel.

Restoration of the Kingdom and the Law of Process

Many have stumbled at this issue of restoration of the Kingdom. Why did Elohim not restore it immediately Adam

and Eve fell? The Word does not answer the question explicitly. However, we can deduce a few things:

1. The Law of Process was ordained to take effect. In this regard, let us note that Elohim could have created all things in a flash of a moment, but He did not. He rather took five days to create an eco-system that could sustain mankind before specially creating Adam and Eve. In the same way, redemption would have happened immediately when Adam and Eve sinned. But again, that was not His preferred approach. There is no doubt that an eternal purpose in His mind but hidden from natural minds concerning His creation whose minds are finite. The Law of process therefore ensured that each generation could fully comprehend what was due for release by special revelation. Because He Is Who He Is, none of His creatures can validly question His judgments! (1 Corinthians 2:16)
- 1.1. Even in the matter of the Seed of the woman, Yeshua Ha Mashiach, Jesus the Messiah, it would have been sufficient for Him to come down from heaven riding on chariots of fire with angels to subdue the Roman Empire which oppressed the Jews, liberate Israel and re-establish the Lost Kingdom. This physical approach of a conquering Messiah was the natural expectation of Israel. This was also why Hebrews rejected Yeshua – because there was no way the natural man could comprehend the mystery of the Incarnation (1 Corinthians 2:14)
- 1.2. In the same way that Israel stumbled over the Incarnation, some saints who believed and taught the message of the Kingdom stumbled so badly by not realizing that by Divine fiat, restoration of the full dominion mandate and Kingdom rule of the redeemed has a two-part fulfilment process:
 - a. **The Present** – when the King rules hearts of the redeemed and His Kingdom is within them affecting

their lifestyle and giving them a measure of His Authority in the world with signs and wonders following their lives and ministries.

- b. The time to come when Yeshua will physically return to reign and rule over all the earth; all evil will be taken out of the way and the saints will co-rule with Him as joint heirs of the Kingdom.

Romans 8:16-25 (KJV) 16 The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God: 17 And if children, then heirs; heirs of God, and jointheirs with Christ; if so be that we suffer with him, that we may be also glorified together. 18 For I reckon that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us. 19 For the earnest expectation of the creature waiteth for the manifestation of the sons of God. 20 For the creature was made subject to vanity, not willingly, but by reason of him who hath subjected the same in hope, 21 Because the creature itself also shall be delivered from the bondage of corruption into the glorious liberty of the children of God. 22 For we know that the whole creation groaneth and travaileth in pain together until now. 23 And not only they, but ourselves also, which have the firstfruits of the Spirit, even we ourselves groan within ourselves, waiting for the adoption, to wit, the redemption of our body. 24 For we are saved by hope: but hope that is seen is not hope: for what a man seeth, why doth he yet hope for? 25 But if we hope for that we see not, then do we with patience wait for it.

This second dimension of the Kingdom – called the Manifest or Physical phase cannot be accessed in this mortal, perishable body. It is either by death – before He returns in which case a celestial imperishable body will be given on the Day of Days or by the sudden, immediate change whereby those alive are transformed in a moment of time and given imperishable

bodies with which they will live forever and rule with Him in the physical Kingdom called the Millennial reign.

1 Corinthians 15:50-54 (KJV) 50 Now this I say, brethren, that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God; neither doth corruption inherit incorruption. 51 Behold, I shew you a mystery; We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed, 52 In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed. 53 For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality. 54 So when this corruptible shall have put on incorruption, and this mortal shall have put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written, Death is swallowed up in victory.

Even saints who will be killed during the Great Tribulation for holding on till the end will have the opportunity to reign with King Yeshua, just like those raptured before trouble starts!

Revelation 20:4 (KJV) 4 And I saw thrones, and they sat upon them, and judgment was given unto them: and I saw the souls of them that were beheaded for the witness of Jesus, and for the word of God, and which had not worshipped the beast, neither his image, neither had received his mark upon their foreheads, or in their hands; and they lived and reigned with Christ a thousand years.

The Kingdom was the Great Hope of Israel!

In a real sense, a remnant in Israel of all generations had this revelation that what Adam lost in the Garden would be restored one day with Jerusalem and Israel becoming centrepiece of that Divine act. It was to this end that Abraham was elected to be the beginning of a new race, called out of Ur of the Chaldeans and strategically directed to migrate into the land that would serve that purpose. He was to be the father of a people through whom the Seed of the Woman would manifest

in due season: the Hebrews, generally called Jews (probably because the Tribe of Judah became most prominent and did not lose its identity when the dispersal occurred).

In the golden reign of King David and later Solomon, they had flashes of insight into how Jerusalem would be the delight of all nations. Of this Jerusalem, not many remember that it was the very city chosen by Divinity before the Patriarch Abraham was born, being centre of operation of Melchizedek Who we are told in the Book of Hebrews was a Christophany or bodily appearance of the Yeshua! (Genesis 14:18-20 and Hebrews 7:1-10). In this regard, of all the first disciples (all but one, Simon the Canaanite) were Hebrews and part of this remnant. Two times, they confronted Yeshua with expectations of imminence of restoration of the Kingdom. In each of them, Yeshua, Jesus clearly outlined principles which showed the mind of the Father on the issue of timing of the restoration of the Kingdom and what should be priority of saints in the interregnum of time.

Luke 19:11-15 (KJV) 11 And as they heard these things, he added and spake a parable, because he was nigh to Jerusalem, and because they thought that the kingdom of God should immediately appear. 12 He said therefore, A certain nobleman went into a far country to receive for himself a kingdom, and to return. 13 And he called his ten servants, and delivered them ten pounds, and said unto them, Occupy till I come. 14 But his citizens hated him, and sent a message after him, saying, We will not have this man to reign over us. 15 And it came to pass, that when he was returned, having received the kingdom, then he commanded these servants to be called unto him, to whom he had given the money, that he might know how much every man had gained by trading.

After His death and resurrection, the disciples again confronted Yeshua, Jesus with the question of timing of restoration of the Kingdom.

Acts 1:6-11 (KJV) 6 When they therefore were come together, they asked of him, saying, Lord, wilt thou at this time restore again the kingdom to Israel? 7 And he said unto them, It is not for you to know the times or the seasons, which the Father hath put in his own power. 8 But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth. 9 And when he had spoken these things, while they beheld, he was taken up; and a cloud received him out of their sight. 10 And while they looked stedfastly toward heaven as he went up, behold, two men stood by them in white apparel; 11 Which also said, Ye men of Galilee, why stand ye gazing up into heaven? this same Jesus, which is taken up from you into heaven, shall so come in like manner as ye have seen him go into heaven.

The predominant mass of Biblical Prophecies can therefore be neatly divided into three broad tracks:

1. Prophecies that lead to Incarnation of Yeshua Ha Mashiach to proclaim the Kingdom that will be restored.

At His Incarnation, the Kingdom was not to be restored. During a span of 3 and half years, He was to lay out its constitution which will determine its culture and then seal the deal with His death on the Cross so that the price would be paid for the original sin of Adam and Eve to be atoned. Those who truly receive the free gift of salvation offered by Yahweh in Him by Grace through faith would prove it by their submission to His sovereignty so that by His Grace, they will live in a way pleasing unto the Father. Those who remain faithful to the end will either through death or the rapture be assured of participation in the Kingdom to be restored at His second coming (1 Corinthians 15:50-58; 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18; 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11). In this regard, the hundreds of prophecies concerning the Messiah from Genesis 3:15 till

Malachi are worthy of note including such prophecies as this one granted to Isaiah:

Isaiah 7:14-15 (KJV) 14 Therefore the Lord himself shall give you a sign; Behold, a virgin shall conceive, and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel. 15 Butter and honey shall he eat, that he may know to refuse the evil, and choose the good.

2. Prophecies which clearly indicate His Second coming as the decorated Lion of the Tribe of Judah or King of Kings in Majesty

In this state, He will vanquish armies of the world and reign bodily (not spiritually) from Jerusalem as His capital city. This includes these scriptures:

Psalms 2:1-12 (KJV) 1 Why do the heathen rage, and the people imagine a vain thing? 2 The kings of the earth set themselves, and the rulers take counsel together, against the Lord, and against his anointed, saying, 3 Let us break their bands asunder, and cast away their cords from us. 4 He that sitteth in the heavens shall laugh: the Lord shall have them in derision. 5 Then shall he speak unto them in his wrath, and vex them in his sore displeasure. 6 Yet have I set my king upon my holy hill of Zion. 7 I will declare the decree: the Lord hath said unto me, Thou art my Son; this day have I begotten thee. 8 Ask of me, and I shall give thee the heathen for thine inheritance, and the uttermost parts of the earth for thy possession. 9 Thou shalt break them with a rod of iron; thou shalt dash them in pieces like a potter's vessel. 10 Be wise now therefore, O ye kings: be instructed, ye judges of the earth. 11 Serve the Lord with fear, and rejoice with trembling. 12 Kiss the Son, lest he be angry, and ye perish from the way, when his wrath is kindled but a little. Blessed are all they that put their trust in him.

Revelation 16:15-21 (KJV) 15 Behold, I come as a thief. Blessed is he that watcheth, and keepeth his

garments, lest he walk naked, and they see his shame. 16 And he gathered them together into a place called in the Hebrew tongue Armageddon. 17 And the seventh angel poured out his vial into the air; and there came a great voice out of the temple of heaven, from the throne, saying, It is done. 18 And there were voices, and thunders, and lightnings; and there was a great earthquake, such as was not since men were upon the earth, so mighty an earthquake, and so great. 19 And the great city was divided into three parts, and the cities of the nations fell: and great Babylon came in remembrance before God, to give unto her the cup of the wine of the fierceness of his wrath. 20 And every island fled away, and the mountains were not found. 21 And there fell upon men a great hail out of heaven, every stone about the weight of a talent: and men blasphemed God because of the plague of the hail; for the plague thereof was exceeding great.

Revelation 19:11-21 (KJV) 11 And I saw heaven opened, and behold a white horse; and he that sat upon him was called Faithful and True, and in righteousness he doth judge and make war. 12 His eyes were as a flame of fire, and on his head were many crowns; and he had a name written, that no man knew, but he himself. 13 And he was clothed with a vesture dipped in blood: and his name is called The Word of God. 14 And the armies which were in heaven followed him upon white horses, clothed in fine linen, white and clean. 15 And out of his mouth goeth a sharp sword, that with it he should smite the nations: and he shall rule them with a rod of iron: and he treadeth the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God. 16 And he hath on his vesture and on his thigh a name written, King Of Kings, And Lord Of Lords. 17 And I saw an angel standing in the sun; and he cried with a loud voice, saying to all the fowls that fly in the midst of heaven,

Come and gather yourselves together unto the supper of the great God; 18 That ye may eat the flesh of kings, and the flesh of captains, and the flesh of mighty men, and the flesh of horses, and of them that sit on them, and the flesh of all men, both free and bond, both small and great. 19 And I saw the beast, and the kings of the earth, and their armies, gathered together to make war against him that sat on the horse, and against his army. 20 And the beast was taken, and with him the false prophet that wrought miracles before him, with which he deceived them that had received the mark of the beast, and them that worshipped his image. These both were cast alive into a lake of fire burning with brimstone. 21 And the remnant were slain with the sword of him that sat upon the horse, which sword proceeded out of his mouth: and all the fowls were filled with their flesh.

3. Prophecies which spoke of both His first and second comings. These include Psalms 118: 22-27; Isaiah 9:67; 1saiah 40:3-5; Isaiah 42:1-4; Zechariah 9:9-10; Zechariah 13:7-9; Malachi 3:1-3; Micah 5:2-5.

Only those who are truly inspired by Holy Spirit can rightly divide the Word to understand the dual application of some scriptures to both phases such as this one:

Isaiah 9:6-7 (KJV) 6 For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace. 7 Of the increase of his government and peace there shall be no end, upon the throne of David, and upon his kingdom, to order it, and to establish it with judgment and with justice from henceforth even for ever. The zeal of the Lord of hosts will perform this.

Between the two phases of the Incarnation and Full Restoration of the Kingdom, two principal things need to happen:

- 1. The Kingdom Church Age** – This is a period of time whose length is not known by humans when the Ekklesia or those called out of the world would in the strength and power of Holy Spirit be used to proclaim the good news that the price had been paid in full for the Kingdom to be restored by the incarnation, life and death of Yeshua as Sin offering! By making disciples of all men, the Church is being used to recruit citizens of the coming Kingdom and whenever their numbers are complete, nothing more is needful than for the King to return!

Matthew 24:14 (KJV) 14 And this gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations; and then shall the end come.

The Full Mandate of the Church Age

Many speak as if we have the liberty to pick and choose which components of mandate of the Church, a ministry, congregation or denomination can choose and run with. Nothing can be further from the truth!

- 1.1.** It is to go and make disciples of the nations! Sinners are to be reconciled to the Father by the effective preaching of the gospel in the power of Holy Spirit by all saints as 2 Corinthians 5:17-21 says. As they respond and are saved, they need to be challenged through the ministry of the word and personal care to abandon the worldly ways they grew up in and rather embrace culture of the Kingdom. This comes about as they submit their hearts to the Sovereign rule of King Yeshua, Jesus and allow their minds to be renewed by the washing of water of the word (Matthew 28:18-20; Mark 16:15-20). These things will make them transit from being believers to become disciples of the Lord.

- 1.2. The mandate also includes systematic training of all saints to discover and fulfil their ministries as part of the Royal priesthood patterned after the order of Melchizedek rather than the religious order of Aaron/Levi (1 Peter 2:9-10).
- 1.3. The Kingdom Church is to represent King Yeshua as living Ambassadors resident in embassies of His wherever planted. Individually and collectively, the Church becomes the Salt of the earth which preserves from corruption, releasing the sweet fragrance of redemptive purpose of the people group or community. It beams the bright light of King Yeshua which dispels darkness within the community (Matthew 5:13-16). The Kingdom Church has no place for an isolationist pose. Rather, it understands that the High Priestly Prayer of King Yeshua, Jesus in John 17 is a call to be separate from worldly culture in order to engage with it in an Ambassadorial or 'Sent' context. The Omega Church will be intensely concerned with issues which assail a community. If there are homeless people, it will reach out to them demonstrating the love of King Yeshua. If there are prostitutes or any class of vulnerable people, it will do likewise (Matthew 25:31-46; 1 Peter 2 11-12) but descent.
- 1.4. To be able to function effectively as Ambassadors of the King of Kings, He vested the Kingdom Church with Power of Holy Spirit and Authority of His Name. When utilized in Love, Holiness, Unity, Faith and in service, these two become effective Ambassadorial credentials which announce where it is coming from! (Acts 1:8) Et De De life Because of the enormous powers of Divinity granted the Church by the power of Holy Spirit and authority of the name of Yeshua, the world is to be impacted so much so that the sick are healed, the oppressed delivered and miraculous interventions upset the calculations of nature by the active presence of saints. Individual saints are to so demonstrate the powers of the

age to come to the extent that both religious folks and unbelievers have no option than to bow and acknowledge that Yeshua is truly Lord.

2. **Conclusion of the Church Age** - will occur with a dramatic separation of those who embraced the Salvation of Yahweh in Yeshua from those who rejected it! This event – called ‘Rapture’ or catching away of saints is one which Satan has sought to use to confuse and divide the Church! Trying to fit scripture into pre-conceived denominational dogma will always produce confusion. But taking the word as it is, comparing scripture with scripture will reveal the clear mind of Yahweh!

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 (KJV) 13 But I would not have you to be ignorant, brethren, concerning them which are asleep, that ye sorrow not, even as others which have no hope. 14 For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so them also which sleep in Jesus will God bring with him. 15 For this we say unto you by the word of the Lord, that we which are alive and remain unto the coming of the Lord shall not prevent them which are asleep. 16 For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first: 17 Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord. 18 Wherefore comfort one another with these words.

Take note that the ‘catching away’ of saints in this dramatic world-wide event, which can happen any moment, involves a separation of the truly righteous in Yeshua from those who are not in Him as well as professing Christians whose lives do not bear witness that the King rules their hearts. These are those who will be like the Foolish Virgins of Matthew 25:1-13. The separation is based on the reality that Yahweh has not

appointed His people to eternal damnation or wrath but rather to receive the end of their faith!

1 Thessalonians 5:1-11 (KJV) 1 But of the times and the seasons, brethren, ye have no need that I write unto you. 2 For yourselves know perfectly that the day of the Lord so cometh as a thief in the night. 3 For when they shall say, Peace and safety; then sudden destruction cometh upon them, as travail upon a woman with child; and they shall not escape. 4 But ye, brethren, are not in darkness, that that day should overtake you as a thief. 5 Ye are all the children of light, and the children of the day: we are not of the night, nor of darkness. 6 Therefore let us not sleep, as do others; but let us watch and be sober. 7 For they that sleep sleep in the night; and they that be drunken are drunken in the night. 8 But let us, who are of the day, be sober, putting on the breastplate of faith and love; and for an helmet, the hope of salvation. 9 For God hath not appointed us to wrath, but to obtain salvation by our Lord Jesus Christ, 10 Who died for us, that, whether we wake or sleep, we should live together with him. 11 Wherefore comfort yourselves together, and edify one another, even as also ye do.

The uniform testimony of Scriptures reveals that the rapture will take place suddenly, without notice, any time appointed by the Father! Once it take place, a sequence of events will happen in rapid succession to lead to the physical return of the King of Kings, Yeshua with the saints raptured earlier to restore the Kingdom in the earth realm for 1000 years before time is swallowed up in endless eternity!

Jude:14-16 (KJV) 14 And Enoch also, the seventh from Adam, prophesied of these, saying, Behold, the Lord cometh with ten thousands of his saints, 15 To execute judgment upon all, and to convince all that are ungodly among them of all their ungodly deeds which they have ungodly committed, and of all their hard speeches

which ungodly sinners have spoken against him. 16 These are murmurers, complainers, walking after their own lusts; and their mouth speaketh great swelling words, having men's persons in admiration because of advantage.

Saints, dwell in the Word under unction of Holy Spirit and be ever watchful, ready and engaged in the Kingdom mandate committed to your trust! Do not get caught up in quarrels and arguments of religious folks about Pre; Mid or Post Rapture sequence! The key thing, after all is to be ready, 24/7 for that that Day of Days.

Assignments

- (1). Mention the two aftermaths of the Fall of Adam and Eve.
- (2). What is the Law of Process and how did it apply to the process leading to restoration of the Kingdom lost by sins of Adam and Eve?
- (3). What new insight have you gained from this chapter concerning Biblical Prophecies concerning the End Times?

Chapter 5 Beginning of End Times + 4 Tracks of Prophecy

Proper Understanding of when the End Times began; how Babylon sought to subvert the Divine Purpose and Timing and implication of Times of the Gentiles for saints. Permit us to state a critical truth which all those interested in understanding the End times should always remember: the day Yeshua was incarnated in the earth realm, thus fulfilling the first part of the prophecy of the Seed of the Woman is the real beginning of the End Times! That day in which the Kingdom of Heaven surreptitiously invaded the earth realm to plant the solution to sin in the womb of a woman was a significant milestone in world history since Adam and Eve fell. Whereas the first phase of crushing the head of Satan was covert, the second part shall be overt: armies of Satan will be vanquished at the Battle of Armageddon in Revelation Chapter 19 while he himself will be bound and set aside from the earth realm so that the Kingdom will be fully restored right here in the earth realm, not in heaven!

Revelation 20:1-6 (KJV) 1 And I saw an angel come down from heaven, having the key of the bottomless pit and a great chain in his hand. 2 And he laid hold on the dragon, that old serpent, which is the Devil, and Satan, and bound him a thousand years, 3 And cast him into the bottomless pit, and shut him up, and set a seal upon him, that he should deceive the nations no more, till the thousand years should be fulfilled: and after that he must be loosed a little season. 4 And I saw thrones, and they sat upon them, and judgment was given unto them: and I saw the souls of them that were beheaded for the witness of Jesus, and for the word of God, and which had not worshipped the beast, neither his image, neither had received his mark upon their foreheads, or in their hands; and they lived and reigned with Christ a thousand years. 5 But the rest of the dead lived not

again until the thousand years were finished. This is the first resurrection. 6 Blessed and holy is he that hath part in the first resurrection: on such the second death hath no power, but they shall be priests of God and of Christ, and shall reign with him a thousand years.

For purpose of clarity so that we can understand the sequence of Biblical history better, it is also important to stress that the Incarnation of Yeshua was but one in a five sequence event which gave He Who would in due course rule the entire earth realm as King, the legal authority therein according to the ordinance in this scripture:

Psalms 115:16 (KJV) 16 The heaven, even the heavens, are the Lord's: but the earth hath he given to the children of men.

That five-part sequence stands as follows:

1. Incarnation to be the Lamb of Elohim as planted in the womb of Mary to be Seed of the Woman by Holy Spirit. Thousands of years after the Promise in Genesis 3:15, this happened in Israel during the reign of Emperor Augustus Caesar in the fullness of time (Luke 1:29-35; Luke 2:1-14; Galatians 4:4-5). This phase has already happened.
2. His endowment with fullness of Holy Spirit to function with power of Divinity in the earth realm – happened at the Baptism of John at age 30 (John 1: 29-34; John 3:34). With this power, the King demonstrated the Kingdom in proclamation, deep teaching, signs, wonders, miracles, healings, binding and casting out evil spirits.

Luke 11:20 (KJV) 20 But if I with the finger of God cast out devils, no doubt the kingdom of God is come upon you.

3. His vicarious death at the Cross of Calvary to pay the full price for our sins. That He accomplished the task was validated by two witnesses:
 - He said 'It is finished' in John 19:30

- The Father indicated acceptance of His Blood sacrifice by raising Him from the dead the third day.

Romans 1:4 (KJV) 4 And declared to be the Son of God with power, according to the spirit of holiness, by the resurrection from the dead:

4. He ascended into Heaven where He sits at the right hand of the Father – waiting for that Day appointed for Him to return and restore the Kingdom in the earth realm

Acts 1:9 (KJV) 9 And when he had spoken these things, while they beheld, he was taken up; and a cloud received him out of their sight.

5. What now remains to complete the process is the day He will return bodily to restore in its fullness, the Kingdom that Adam and Eve lost in Eden! His return will be so clear that nobody will be in any doubt!

Acts 1:10-11 (KJV) 10 And while they looked stedfastly toward heaven as he went up, behold, two men stood by them in white apparel; 11 Which also said, Ye men of Galilee, why stand ye gazing up into heaven? this same Jesus, which is taken up from you into heaven, shall so come in like manner as ye have seen him go into heaven.

Matthew 24:27-30 (KJV) 27 For as the lightning cometh out of the east, and shineth even unto the west; so shall also the coming of the Son of man be. 28 For wheresoever the carcase is, there will the eagles be gathered together. 29 Immediately after the tribulation of those days shall the sun be darkened, and the moon shall not give her light, and the stars shall fall from heaven, and the powers of the heavens shall be shaken: 30 And then shall appear the sign of the Son of man in heaven: and then shall all the tribes of the earth mourn, and they shall see the Son of man coming in the clouds of heaven with power and great glory.

From the day He ascended bodily to heaven till the day He returns bodily is the period of time given to the redeemed to

live the Kingdom Life, recognizing we are all one Body in Him and His Dominion in the earth realm as said in Ephesians 4:1-16. We are not live and function as denominational church folks or members of religious corporations tearing ourselves apart in competition and unhealthy rivalry but as His One Kingdom Church!

B. Babylon and subversion of the Redemptive Purpose; confusion from understanding of the times

The Babylonian organizational model of church filled with strife, politicking and impure relationships was injected into the organised Church to subvert the appointed redemptive purpose! The other plan of Babylon which initially manifested in change of the Hebraic calendar in favour of a Roman themed one was also to subvert understanding of the times in such a way that most Christians would be ignorant of end of the age which would then suddenly come upon them, unawares. Sadly to say, both were fully achieved. The Kingdom Church is not organisational but rather organic. It is a living organism which defies human logic. The remnant, who comprise saints out of all races, tribes, tongues and geographical locations are those who were redeemed by the Blood of Yeshua, justified by His Grace and adopted as sons of Elohim in the earth realm.

Our congregations should be nothing more than tributaries of the same River: Kingdom communities where there will be love flowing as sharing, caring and accountability. During this period, saints who are empowered to become sons of Elohim take responsibility for care of the estate of their Father until the day King Yeshua returns! (Hebrew 2:9-14) By making reconciliation of the lost a cornerstone of Kingdom Church business, we are simply partnering with King Yeshua to ensure that all those elected as citizens of the Kingdom are provided a bridge to come in. When the last of them is brought in, the King will return to set up the manifest phase of the Kingdom in the earth realm.

Matthew 24:14 (KJV) 14 And this gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations; and then shall the end come.

Matthew 28:18-20 (KJV) 18 And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth. 19 Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: 20 Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen.

Israel, Hebrews and Biblical Prophecies concerning the End

To walk in fullness of light concerning how two prophecies intersect: Restoration of the manifest Kingdom plus the incarnation, life, teachings, ministry, death, resurrection, ascension and return of Yeshua to rule and reign in the restored Kingdom of Elohim in the earth realm is the greatest revelation any one can walk in! Weaving prophetic flow into one big Torchlight showing the way in the midst of gross darkness of religious obfuscation is what this particular provides. The divine idea is for the elect remnant to proactively engage with the unfolding events of this generation, discerning them while others are amazed, confused or fearful.

Four broad tracks of Prophecy that should always be considered.

In addition to the golden thread and keys previously shared, another way to fully comprehend the events of the end times is to realize that all the prophecies are programmed to run on four broad tracks, namely:

1. Prophecies concerning Israel as a nation and the Hebrews as a people.
2. Prophecies concerning the Kingdom Agency on earth – the Church.

3. Prophecies concerning the apostate church system foisted on the world by Satan and humans who see 'church' as avenue to accumulate power over others, make money and be influential in society.
4. Prophecies of Times of the Gentiles (sinners) – when they will grow in power, lead the world and possibly afflict Israel and the elect Hebraic people as well as true saints all over the world.

Diligent students of the Bible who are watchful and prayerful will have no difficulty discerning how already fulfilled prophecies fit into these tracks. With the help of Holy Spirit, the elect will be able to discern on which tracks unfolding prophecies are running. In some cases, fulfilled or unfolding prophecies involve a combination of two, three or all four tracks.

Track #1: Fulfilled prophecies concerning Israel and Hebrews as a people

In a clear, uncomplicated manner, Elohim elected Israel as the hand piece of His prophetic clock in the earth realm. No other people group had this extraordinary privilege where Elohim, finding nothing else to swear by, swore by Himself to bless His friend Abraham and his off springs.

Genesis 12:1-3, 7 (KJV) 1 Now the Lord had said unto Abram, Get thee out of thy country, and from thy kindred, and from thy father's house, unto a land that I will shew thee: 2 And I will make of thee a great nation, and I will bless thee, and make thy name great; and thou shalt be a blessing: 3 And I will bless them that bless thee, and curse him that curseth thee: and in thee shall all families of the earth be blessed.

7 And the Lord appeared unto Abram, and said, Unto thy seed will I give this land: and there builded he an altar unto the Lord, who appeared unto him.

Over 430 years later, Elohim expanded the prophetic blessing in a profound way: The Hebrews would be His peculiar treasure and Kingdom of priests throughout the earth realm!

Exodus 19:3-6 (KJV) 3 And Moses went up unto God, and the Lord called unto him out of the mountain, saying, Thus shalt thou say to the house of Jacob, and tell the children of Israel; 4 Ye have seen what I did unto the Egyptians, and how I bare you on eagles' wings, and brought you unto myself. 5 Now therefore, if ye will obey my voice indeed, and keep my covenant, then ye shall be a peculiar treasure unto me above all people: for all the earth is mine: 6 And ye shall be unto me a kingdom of priests, and an holy nation. These are the words which thou shalt speak unto the children of Israel.

Positive effects of this promise

This promise has had profound effect on the destiny of Israel and Hebrews as a people. It has brought them:

1. Inexplicable blessings and prosperity even in the midst of adversity.
2. Great security in Elohim and His promises which have never failed. It is only when He punishes them for their sins that Gentiles are allowed to afflict them.
3. Oracles of Yahweh by which the base and fallen nature of humanity was kept in check through the Torah.
4. It is through this race that the Seed of the Woman, Yeshua was manifested as stated in Galatians 3:13-16. His Incarnation and Sacrifice on the Cross became the only pathway for the emergence of the One new man of Elohim who would be neither Hebrew nor Gentile but rather His sons in the earth realm as expounded in Ephesians 2:1-24.
5. The Hebrews, also known as Jews, produced all but one of the twelve disciples of Yeshua, most of the first fruits of Pentecost and those who preached the gospel of the Kingdom to the then known world.

Negative effect of this promise

From the day Yahweh made the promise to Abraham, all hell has literally been let loose. The results are this:

1. Satan sees the Hebraic race as mortal enemies to be destroyed at all costs.
2. Consequently, he stirs the jealousy and anger of the Gentiles to hate both the nation of Israel and Hebrews in a way that is clearly abnormal
3. Jerusalem, capital of the Hebraic nation has been projected to Gentiles as a prize that must be possessed. Consequently, all world rulers and empires do not regard themselves actualized until they directly or indirectly rule Jerusalem.

Track #2 and #3: The Church Age – this was summarized in the previous chapter

Track #.4: The Times of Gentiles – This is an ongoing dispensation running at same time as Church age.

This explains most world affairs and why Gentile nations have been ‘ruling’ the world. In the course of history, Israel had suffered captivity to both kingdoms of Egypt and Assyria. The repeated failure of the people and nation to live on the narrow road of being a peculiar treasure to Yahweh occasioned harsh judgement. Most times, that judgement was a scattering of Hebrews to various parts of the world, under Gentile rulers who would treat them badly. In the next chapter, we will examine the times of the Gentiles in a greater measure.

Why saints suffer needlessly when they behave as if the Kingdom is already established

The reason many saints are suffering needlessly, carrying crosses not given to them by the Lord is that they fail to understand that the Kingdom has not yet come. We are the called out of the Lord living amongst a dark, gentile themed world in which the rules are stacked in favour of iniquity and rebellion against the Laws of Elohim.

Philippians 2:14-16 (KJV) 14 Do all things without murmurings and disputings: 15 That ye may be blameless and harmless, the sons of God, without rebuke, in the midst of a crooked and perverse nation,

among whom ye shine as lights in the world; 16 Holding forth the word of life; that I may rejoice in the day of Christ, that I have not run in vain, neither laboured in vain.

1 Peter 2:9-12 (KJV) 9 But ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should shew forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvellous light; 10 Which in time past were not a people, but are now the people of God: which had not obtained mercy, but now have obtained mercy. 11 Dearly beloved, I beseech you as strangers and pilgrims, abstain from fleshly lusts, which war against the soul; 12 Having your conversation honest among the Gentiles: that, whereas they speak against you as evildoers, they may by your good works, which they shall behold, glorify God in the day of visitation.

Yeshua was born during Gentile rule of the world (Roman) and knew of the times of the Gentiles.

Luke 21:24 (KJV) 24 And they shall fall by the edge of the sword, and shall be led away captive into all nations: and Jerusalem shall be trodden down of the Gentiles, until the times of the Gentiles be fulfilled.

Let us not forget that it was Gentiles (Rome) who condemned Yeshua to death and crucified Him. Yeshua was fully aware that His saints would need to co-habit the same earth realm with Sinners (Gentiles). The solution, from a Kingdom point of view was not for people to be translated into the heavenly realm when they are saved. He did not ask His Father to take saints out of the world but rather to preserve us from the corruption therein:

John 17:9-20 (KJV) 9 I pray for them: I pray not for the world, but for them which thou hast given me; for they are thine. 10 And all mine are thine, and thine are mine; and I am glorified in them. 11 And now I am no more in the world, but these are in the world, and I come

to thee. Holy Father, keep through thine own name those whom thou hast given me, that they may be one, as we are. 12 While I was with them in the world, I kept them in thy name: those that thou gavest me I have kept, and none of them is lost, but the son of perdition; that the scripture might be fulfilled. 13 And now come I to thee; and these things I speak in the world, that they might have my joy fulfilled in themselves. 14 I have given them thy word; and the world hath hated them, because they are not of the world, even as I am not of the world. 15 I pray not that thou shouldest take them out of the world, but that thou shouldest keep them from the evil. 16 They are not of the world, even as I am not of the world. 17 Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth. 18 As thou hast sent me into the world, even so have I also sent them into the world. 19 And for their sakes I sanctify myself, that they also might be sanctified through the truth. 20 Neither pray I for these alone, but for them also which shall believe on me through their word;

He also advised us to walk in wisdom with the systems and persons of the world! He has not asked us to establish His Kingdom by physical means or to fight with the powers that be where He planted us. He rather asked us to be wise and allow Holy Spirit to navigate us forward, not our emotions or thoughts. He has given us grace to know which jobs or business we cannot do in good conscience and to resign, where need be rather than give the gospel a bad name. In due course, He will vindicate us.

Matthew 10:16 (KJV) 16 Behold, I send you forth as sheep in the midst of wolves: be ye therefore wise as serpents, and harmless as doves.

Understanding and walking in these truths will keep us on the straight and narrow way till the end!

Assignment

(1). What is the real beginning of the End Times?

- (2). Kindly provide the 4 broad tracks of Prophecy in the Bible.
- (3). How has Satan as well as Gentile nations responded to the Election of Israel and Promises of Elohim?

Chapter 6 Times of the Gentiles (1)

In the course of history, Israel had suffered captivity to both Egypt and Assyria. The repeated failure of the people and nation to live on the narrow road of being a peculiar treasure to Yahweh occasioned a harsh judgement. That judgement was a scattering of the people to various parts of the world, under Gentile rulers who would treat them badly until the fullness of time when those dispersed would be gathered again for Israel to live, not just as a Sovereign nation but to also be delight of the nations. It pleased Elohim to use a Gentile ruler, Nebuchadnezzar to reveal to Israel and humanity how their phases of captivity to Gentiles will pan out. The Book of Daniel is truly the most outstanding fulcrum from where various prophecies and revelations concerning Times of the Gentiles are located. In it are a description of nations and kingdoms – past and present - who would impact Israel and subsequently His Church. Revelations in the book of Daniel were fulfilled with pinpoint precision so much that we can with great safety know that the remaining prophecies will also be fulfilled in due course. For Israel as a nation and Hebrews as a people, rejection of Yeshua Ha Mashiach by their religious leaders meant that the situation of Gentile over lordship in one form or the other would remain in various forms until He returns in glory to deliver them from the final Gentile ruler, the Anti-Messiah or anti-Christ and restore the Kingdom with Jerusalem as capital.

The things of Elohim are mysterious! It is interesting that He chose to reveal a panorama of Empires and Kingdoms which will rule the world to Nebuchadnezzar, a heathen King. It is also significant that the natural mind of the monarch could not comprehend the dream and there was need for one who had access to the spiritual realm to step in. The failure of all the astrologers and magicians of Babylon to help Nebuchadnezzar is instructive.

Daniel 2:1-30 (KJV) 1 And in the second year of the reign of Nebuchadnezzar Nebuchadnezzar dreamed dreams, wherewith his spirit was troubled, and his sleep brake from him. 2 Then the king commanded to call the magicians, and the astrologers, and the sorcerers, and the Chaldeans, for to shew the king his dreams. So they came and stood before the king. 3 And the king said unto them, I have dreamed a dream, and my spirit was troubled to know the dream. 4 Then spake the Chaldeans to the king in Syriack, O king, live for ever: tell thy servants the dream, and we will shew the interpretation. 5 The king answered and said to the Chaldeans, The thing is gone from me: if ye will not make known unto me the dream, with the interpretation thereof, ye shall be cut in pieces, and your houses shall be made a dunghill. 6 But if ye shew the dream, and the interpretation thereof, ye shall receive of me gifts and rewards and great honour: therefore shew me the dream, and the interpretation thereof. 7 They answered again and said, Let the king tell his servants the dream, and we will shew the interpretation of it. 8 The king answered and said, I know of certainty that ye would gain the time, because ye see the thing is gone from me. 9 But if ye will not make known unto me the dream, there is but one decree for you: for ye have prepared lying and corrupt words to speak before me, till the time be changed: therefore tell me the dream, and I shall know that ye can shew me the interpretation thereof. 10 The Chaldeans answered before the king, and said, There is not a man upon the earth that can shew the king's matter: therefore there is no king, lord, nor ruler, that asked such things at any magician, or astrologer, or Chaldean. 11 And it is a rare thing that the king requireth, and there is none other that can shew it before the king, except the gods, whose dwelling is not with flesh. 12 For this cause the king

was angry and very furious, and commanded to destroy all the wise men of Babylon. 13 And the decree went forth that the wise men should be slain; and they sought Daniel and his fellows to be slain. 14 Then Daniel answered with counsel and wisdom to Arioch the captain of the king's guard, which was gone forth to slay the wise men of Babylon: 15 He answered and said to Arioch the king's captain, Why is the decree so hasty from the king? Then Arioch made the thing known to Daniel. 16 Then Daniel went in, and desired of the king that he would give him time, and that he would shew the king the interpretation. 17 Then Daniel went to his house, and made the thing known to Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah, his companions: 18 That they would desire mercies of the God of heaven concerning this secret; that Daniel and his fellows should not perish with the rest of the wise men of Babylon. 19 Then was the secret revealed unto Daniel in a night vision. Then Daniel blessed the God of heaven. 20 Daniel answered and said, Blessed be the name of God for ever and ever: for wisdom and might are his: 21 And he changeth the times and the seasons: he removeth kings, and setteth up kings: he giveth wisdom unto the wise, and knowledge to them that know understanding: 22 He revealeth the deep and secret things: he knoweth what is in the darkness, and the light dwelleth with him. 23 I thank thee, and praise thee, O thou God of my fathers, who hast given me wisdom and might, and hast made known unto me now what we desired of thee: for thou hast now made known unto us the king's matter. 24 Therefore Daniel went in unto Arioch, whom the king had ordained to destroy the wise men of Babylon: he went and said thus unto him; Destroy not the wise men of Babylon: bring me in before the king, and I will shew unto the king the interpretation. 25 Then Arioch brought in Daniel before the king in haste, and said

thus unto him, I have found a man of the captives of Judah, that will make known unto the king the interpretation. 26 The king answered and said to Daniel, whose name was Belteshazzar, Art thou able to make known unto me the dream which I have seen, and the interpretation thereof? 27 Daniel answered in the presence of the king, and said, The secret which the king hath demanded cannot the wise men, the astrologers, the magicians, the soothsayers, shew unto the king; 28 But there is a God in heaven that revealeth secrets, and maketh known to the king Nebuchadnezzar what shall be in the latter days. Thy dream, and the visions of thy head upon thy bed, are these; 29 As for thee, O king, thy thoughts came into thy mind upon thy bed, what should come to pass hereafter: and he that revealeth secrets maketh known to thee what shall come to pass. 30 But as for me, this secret is not revealed to me for any wisdom that I have more than any living, but for their sakes that shall make known the interpretation to the king, and that thou mightest know the thoughts of thy heart.

1 Corinthians 2:14 (KJV) 14 But the natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God: for they are foolishness unto him: neither can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned.

It had to take a spiritual man indeed who had access to the mind of Elohim to comprehend what heaven had shown Nebuchadnezzar. It can be safely said therefore that in Daniel and through Him, Yahweh found a pure vessel through who He released a panoramic view of world history from his days till end of the age that is soon to be upon our generation by correct interpretation of the dream of Nebuchadnezzar.

Daniel 2:31-45 (KJV) 31 Thou, O king, sawest, and behold a great image. This great image, whose brightness was excellent, stood before thee; and the form thereof was terrible. 32 This image's head was of

fine gold, his breast and his arms of silver, his belly and his thighs of brass, 33 His legs of iron, his feet part of iron and part of clay. 34 Thou sawest till that a stone was cut out without hands, which smote the image upon his feet that were of iron and clay, and brake them to pieces. 35 Then was the iron, the clay, the brass, the silver, and the gold, broken to pieces together, and became like the chaff of the summer threshingfloors; and the wind carried them away, that no place was found for them: and the stone that smote the image became a great mountain, and filled the whole earth. 36 This is the dream; and we will tell the interpretation thereof before the king. 37 Thou, O king, art a king of kings: for the God of heaven hath given thee a kingdom, power, and strength, and glory. 38 And wheresoever the children of men dwell, the beasts of the field and the fowls of the heaven hath he given into thine hand, and hath made thee ruler over them all. Thou art this head of gold. 39 And after thee shall arise another kingdom inferior to thee, and another third kingdom of brass, which shall bear rule over all the earth. 40 And the fourth kingdom shall be strong as iron: forasmuch as iron breaketh in pieces and subdueth all things: and as iron that breaketh all these, shall it break in pieces and bruise. 41 And whereas thou sawest the feet and toes, part of potters' clay, and part of iron, the kingdom shall be divided; but there shall be in it of the strength of the iron, forasmuch as thou sawest the iron mixed with miry clay. 42 And as the toes of the feet were part of iron, and part of clay, so the kingdom shall be partly strong, and partly broken. 43 And whereas thou sawest iron mixed with miry clay, they shall mingle themselves with the seed of men: but they shall not cleave one to another, even as iron is not mixed with clay. 44 And in the days of these kings shall the God of heaven set up a kingdom, which shall never be destroyed: and the

kingdom shall not be left to other people, but it shall break in pieces and consume all these kingdoms, and it shall stand for ever. 45 Forasmuch as thou sawest that the stone was cut out of the mountain without hands, and that it brake in pieces the iron, the brass, the clay, the silver, and the gold; the great God hath made known to the king what shall come to pass hereafter: and the dream is certain, and the interpretation thereof sure.

Let us now outline what has been fulfilled concerning the various Gentile nations which ruled Israel in history – after Egypt and Assyria. Thereafter, we will outline prophecies that will be unfolding at end of the age. True to the interpretation that Daniel gave to the dream of King Nebuchadnezzar in Daniel 2:36-45, and collateral visions Yahweh also gave him in Chapters 7 and 8, here is how history unfolded since then.

Panoramic Overview of world empires and Kingdoms over the past 2,600 years

True to the dream of Nebuchadnezzar interpreted by Daniel, here is an accurate overview of the past 2,600 years in world history:

1. From 606 BC, Babylon – Head of Gold – ruled the world and Israel till 539 BC, totaling 67 years.

Babylon was largely homogeneous, made up predominantly of Chaldeans of modern-day Iraq area. Nebuchadnezzar was the leading light of the Babylonian empire.

2. From 539 BC, Medo-Persia – Chest and Arms of Silver – ruled the world and Israel till 331 BC, total of 208 years. Two main people groups, the Medes and Persians of the area around modern day Iran. Its leading lights were, among others, Darius and Cyrus.

3. From 331 BC, Greco-Macedonian empire – Belly and Thighs of Bronze – ruled the world and Israel till 146 BC, a total of 185 years. It was made up of the people of Greece and Macedonia in Southern Europe. Its leading light was Alexander the Great, son of Phillip of

Macedon who conquered the world up to India before he died at youthful age of 33.

The pin-point accuracy of what was revealed through Daniel several years before some of the empires were manifested in the earth realm: Medo-Persia, Greco-Macedonian and Roman empires still marvel students of history. If you read Daniel Chapter 7, 8, 10 and 11, you cannot but marvel at how history bore out the words uttered through Daniel by the Most High. The fact that the life of Alexander the Great would be cut short and that he would be succeeded by four of his generals were almost graphic. The fact of the rivalry of two of those Kingdoms which his generals established – Egypt ruled by Ptolemy I Soter (323-285 BC) and his heirs and the Seleucid Kingdom ruled by Seleucus Nicator (311-280 BC) and his heirs was a major fact of life of their time.

How one of the rulers of the Seleucid Kingdom, Antiochus Epiphanes IV would become an enemy of the Most High and hater of Jews to the degree of defiling the Temple at Jerusalem with a sow (that is a pig which is an unclean animal) and an Idol of the Greek god, Zeus was prophesied in Daniel Chapter 8; 23-25 and Chapter 11:21-45 to fore shadow what is yet to come in the last days.

4. From 146 BC, Rome – Legs of Iron - which crushed out all other things before it – ruled the world and Israel till 476 AD, a total of 622 years. The first Emperor of Rome was Augustus after whom the Roman Senate named the 8th month of the year, August. It was during his tenure as Caesar that the Kingdom of heaven invaded the earth realm with the Incarnation of Yeshua, Jesus. Note that Rome was described as the ‘Legs of Iron’. This speaks of the two parts of Roman strength which stamped out Kingdoms before it and totally re-defined the world:

4.1. The Political, Administrative and Military Juggernaut. Roman soldiers were so courageous and powerful that they smarmed and overran all targets defined by their

Generals with singleness of eye. They proceeded to set up administrative systems of government to rule those they conquered. In this way, Pax Romana or the Peace of Rome was spread across the then known world.

4.2. The Roman Church. It was in Rome that one of the greatest deeds on earth was done: union of Political Rome and the larger wing of Church of Yeshua which was then about 300 years on earth and had suffered untold persecution from Political Rome. By that union, the Alpha Church was effectively stopped, and the true remnant was driven underground. What was presented to the world, The Roman Church began to re-define the gospel to create Christendom or Christian Religion. To validate the Empire, this new religion promoted Replacement theology by which the Hebraic Roots of the gospel were systematically taken away and replaced with Roman themes.

The Hebraic calendar which contained a fairly accurate reading of times and seasons was replaced first with the Julian and later the Gregorian Calendar which promoted allegiance to Roman pantheons, including Emperor adulation. For instance, July was named in honour of Julius Caesar while August was named in honour of Augustus Caesar (formerly Octavian). The month of September simply honours the concept of Seven whereas in the Old Hebraic calendar this season up to 13th is part of Elul, the month which calls for repentance and preparing the heart for encounter with the Lord.

5. Daniel 2:33-35; 41-45: Profile of the Final Empire before King Yeshua, Jesus returns.

True to the prophecies of Daniel in Chapters 2 and 7, Rome re-defined the world so permanently that the last empire before Jesus will be basically its offspring, having a great measure of its DNA but mixed with peoples of various races and tribes to create an inchoate entity that is yet the dominant reality in the earth realm. The Last Empire to rule the world

before Yeshua, Jesus returns is what has been shaping since fall of Rome in AD 476. That empire has been particularly taking shape since the Azusa Street Revival, our marker for beginning of end of the age.

Let us be reminded of what was described of that empire in the dream of Nebuchadnezzar including the fact that it is during that era that the end will come:

Daniel 2:33-35 (KJV) 33 (b) his feet part of iron and part of clay. 34 Thou sawest till that a stone was cut out without hands, which smote the image upon his feet that were of iron and clay, and brake them to pieces. 35 Then was the iron, the clay, the brass, the silver, and the gold, broken to pieces together, and became like the chaff of the summer threshing floors; and the wind carried them away, that no place was found for them: and the stone that smote the image became a great mountain, and filled the whole earth.

Here is the interpretation that Daniel gave of the dream indicating the nature of the last world empire

Daniel 2:41-45 (KJV) 41 And whereas thou sawest the feet and toes, part of potters' clay, and part of iron, the kingdom shall be divided; but there shall be in it of the strength of the iron, forasmuch as thou sawest the iron mixed with miry clay. 42 And as the toes of the feet were part of iron, and part of clay, so the kingdom shall be partly strong, and partly broken. 43 And whereas thou sawest iron mixed with miry clay, they shall mingle themselves with the seed of men: but they shall not cleave one to another, even as iron is not mixed with clay. 44 And in the days of these kings shall the God of heaven set up a kingdom, which shall never be destroyed: and the kingdom shall not be left to other people, but it shall break in pieces and consume all these kingdoms, and it shall stand for ever. 45 Forasmuch as thou sawest that the stone was cut out of the mountain without hands, and that it brake in pieces

the iron, the brass, the clay, the silver, and the gold; the great God hath made known to the king what shall come to pass hereafter: and the dream is certain, and the interpretation thereof sure.

If our loving, caring Father was so gracious to give a sneak peek into the future, stretching across over two thousand, six hundred years, the least we owe ourselves is to mine the depths of His Word to locate what is in it for us so that the Day of the Lord will not overtake us as a thief, like it will do to those outside Yeshua. We will therefore posture before Him to gain deep insights into how the successor(s) of Rome unraveled into what is now the end of the age. That is why we need to press on to understand the nature and structure of the successor empire to Rome.

Between Rome as an Empire which ruled the world for 622 years until it fell in AD476 (the Eastern part known as the Byzantine Empire whose capital was Constantinople survived in various forms for about 1000 years until it fell to the Ottoman Turks) and today, there were various powers that rose in various parts of the world with varying degrees of Roman DNA. Because the long march of history has overtaken them, we will not focus much on the past as we shall on the present and future implications of the Prophecies given through Daniel of how the end of the age will manifest. Get ready to comprehend that which is one of the Golden Keys to understand the End of the Age!

1 Corinthians 2:7-13 (KJV) 7 But we speak the wisdom of God in a mystery, even the hidden wisdom, which God ordained before the world unto our glory:8 Which none of the princes of this world knew: for had they known it, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. 9 But as it is written, Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love him. 10 But God hath revealed them unto us by his Spirit: for the Spirit searcheth all things, yea, the deep

things of God. 11 For what man knoweth the things of a man, save the spirit of man which is in him? even so the things of God knoweth no man, but the Spirit of God. 12 Now we have received, not the spirit of the world, but the spirit which is of God; that we might know the things that are freely given to us of God. 13 Which things also we speak, not in the words which man's wisdom teacheth, but which the Holy Ghost teacheth; comparing spiritual things with spiritual.

1 Thessalonians 5:4 (KJV) 4 But ye, brethren, are not in darkness, that that day should overtake you as a thief.

Assignment

(1). Briefly state the political identities described in Daniel Chapter 2 as the Head of Gold; Chest and Arms of Silver; Belly and Thighs of Bronze and Legs of Iron. What nations/empires were described in those ways?

(2) What are the two legs of Iron of Rome?

Chapter 7 The Candidates for Feet of Iron and Clay: The United Nations

The Times of The Gentiles - 3: The Candidates for Feet of Iron and Clay #1: United Nations System

What Holy Spirit is doing through this course is to reveal to us in a systematic way the Biblical Prophecies concerning end of the age. The plan of Elohim in giving the prophecies is to provide enough evidence for His remnant in the final dispensation of life in the earth realm before Yeshua returns to discern the times through watching the unfolding of what was written and praying in order to escape the wrath to come. As said variously in this course, Prophecy projects the things that will inevitably be while History is simply a record or evidence of what was written. When we understand this principle, current affairs will be seen for what it is: the fulfilment of things prophesied in the past. For us who live at end of the age.

Matthew 26:41(KJV) 41 Watch and pray, that ye enter not into temptation: the spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak.

Mark 13:33 (KJV) 33 Take ye heed, watch and pray: for ye know not when the time is.

Mark 14:38 (KJV) 38 Watch ye and pray, lest ye enter into temptation. The spirit truly is ready, but the flesh is weak.

Luke 21:36 (KJV) 36 Watch ye therefore, and pray always, that ye may be accounted worthy to escape all these things that shall come to pass, and to stand before the Son of man.

Ephesians 6:18 (KJV) 18 Praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, and watching thereunto with all perseverance and supplication for all saints;

Colossians 4:2 (KJV) 2 Continue in prayer, and watch in the same with thanksgiving;

1 Peter 4:7 (KJV) 7 But the end of all things is at hand: be ye therefore sober, and watch unto prayer.

From the previous chapter, we can see that from the Days of Daniel, five world empires were ordained to manifest in the earth realm. The first was Babylon, followed by Medo-Persia. Thereafter was the Greco-Macedonian empire followed by the Roman empire. To walk in full understanding of the times one of the greatest pointers will be to discern the entity described as 'Feet of Iron mixed with miry Clay. Since fall of Rome in AD 476 (and collapse of the Eastern wing, the Byzantine empire 1000 years later) the generation which will witness fulfilment of the great prophecies of the End Times in both the Old and New Testament texts will simply be those who will be in the earth realm when an entity that matches the profile of in Daniel 2:41-45. That last Empire to rule the world before Yeshua, Jesus returns is what has been taking shape in the earth realm. That empire has been particularly taking shape from the time after the Azusa Street revival of 1906. Let us be reminded of what was described of that empire in the dream of Nebuchadnezzar including the fact that it is during that era that the end will come:

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strength of the iron, forasmuch as thou sawest the iron mixed with miry clay. 42 And as the toes of the feet were part of iron, and part of clay, so the kingdom shall be partly strong, and partly broken. 43 And whereas thou sawest iron mixed with miry clay, they shall mingle themselves with the seed of men: but they shall not cleave one to another, even as iron is not mixed with clay. 44 And in the days of these kings shall the God of heaven set up a kingdom, which shall never be destroyed: and the kingdom shall not be left to other people, but it shall break in pieces and consume all these kingdoms, and it shall stand for ever. 45 Forasmuch as thou sawest that the stone was cut out of the mountain without hands, and that it brake in pieces the iron, the brass, the clay, the silver, and the gold; the great God hath made known to the king what shall come to pass hereafter: and the dream is certain, and the interpretation thereof sure.

Why we must be interested in knowing the Times

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Daniel 2:44 makes a strong case of why we should be interested in fulfilment of end time prophecies: we are the people in whose generation the fullness of Scripture seems to be coming together! We cannot afford to walk blindfolded like other natural people or religious folks for whom it is already written that the end will come unawares! Daniel 2:41-45 is clear that the ultimate phase of the Kingdom will be established on earth at a certain time in history 'in the days of those Kings'. Further clarity of those days when no single homogeneous empire will be predominant but rather one featuring opposing strengths and values is also given in the

moral characteristics of that peculiar 'Kingdom' which would succeed Rome (Daniel 7:19):

Daniel 7:19-27 (KJV) 19 Then I would know the truth of the fourth beast, which was diverse from all the others, exceeding dreadful, whose teeth were of iron, and his nails of brass; which devoured, brake in pieces, and stamped the residue with his feet; 20 And of the ten horns that were in his head, and of the other which came up, and before whom three fell; even of that horn that had eyes, and a mouth that spake very great things, whose look was more stout than his fellows. 21 I beheld, and the same horn made war with the saints, and prevailed against them; 22 Until the Ancient of days came, and judgment was given to the saints of the most High; and the time came that the saints possessed the kingdom. 23 Thus he said, The fourth beast shall be the fourth kingdom upon earth, which shall be diverse from all kingdoms, and shall devour the whole earth, and shall tread it down, and break it in pieces. 24 And the ten horns out of this kingdom are ten kings that shall arise: and another shall rise after them; and he shall be diverse from the first, and he shall subdue three kings. 25 And he shall speak great words against the most High, and shall wear out the saints of the most High, and think to change times and laws: and they shall be given into his hand until a time and times and the dividing of time. 26 But the judgment shall sit, and they shall take away his dominion, to consume and to destroy it unto the end. 27 And the kingdom and dominion, and the greatness of the kingdom under the whole heaven, shall be given to the people of the saints of the most High, whose kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and all dominions shall serve and obey him.

So many things that will happen in future are introduced in Daniel 7 above. These include: The nature of the successor to Rome (V.20a; V.24a) and an introduction to the Anti-Christ to

come (Verse 20b, 21; V24b, 25). We shall cover these in full, in due course, by the Grace of Yahweh. Let us proceed to examine entities and nations on earth with the characteristics mentioned in the Daniel chapters 2: 33-45 and Daniel 7:19-27 passages.

Potential Candidate #.1: The United Nations

The 20th Century bequeathed to humanity, two acts of extreme savagery of horrific proportions whose epicentre was in Europe and later extended world-wide because they were harbingers of a new era, the end game of the human age! The first was World War I, fought between 1914-1918 where about 13.5 million people died, and 44 million military personnel and civilians were wounded. The second was World War II fought between 1939 – 1945 where an estimated 60 -73 million people (soldiers and civilians) were killed and about 80 - 100 million were wounded. These two events combined to activate in world leaders a desire to have a supra organization to reign in on their atavistic tendencies, curb war, resolve conflicts and create an enabling environment for humanity to enjoy peace and advance civilization. Note that these intentions were noble and commendable, from a human point of view. Despite the opinion of sceptics, the United Nations was activated in 1945 at end of World War II. It has gone on to do an extraordinary work of meeting the core objectives it set out, unlike the League of Nations before it.

Interestingly, though the Western world (which was ostensibly Christian) played a major role in formation of the United Nations, the entire principle of the United Nations had no bearing with Judeo-Christian values. Rather what has been prominent in it is a type of secular humanism which is grounded in respect for fundamental human rights. For this reason, the system has provided a fertile ground for all religious expressions to thrive while Christian worldviews seem to be increasingly marginalised. Most nations of the earth – about 193 out of about 220 - are part of the United Nations. On one level, through the General Assembly which

convenes once each year, each member of the UN has equal standing, notwithstanding the population, land mass, economic and social standing or political systems. There are Capitalist, Socialist and Communist nations. There are also Democracies, Republican systems and Monarchies. There are strong and weak nations all bound together by the same human Charter.

In a real sense, the United Nations system perfectly fits the profile of Daniel 2 as a 'kingdom' of Iron and Clay mixture without much coherence. Interestingly the United Nations vests its ultimate powers in a body called the Security Council. In its wisdom which fits into Biblical Prophecy, there are five 'permanent' members of the Security Council with 'veto' power. If any one of them disagrees with any policy or proposed action, it is as good as dead. Significantly, what was perhaps the most important assignment of the United Nations after its formation came in 1948, just three years after it came into being. It was to throw its weight behind the British push for creation of the Modern State of Israel. The fulfilment of several prophecies concerning the return of Hebrews to their homeland ties in with events which will precede the return of Yeshua Ha Mashiach, Jesus the Messiah. Just as it played this role in helping to birth Israel as a modern nation, the United Nations may also play a central or supporting role in fulfilment of some critical prophecies tied to events that will precede the return of King Yeshua Ha Mashiach. These include:

1. Creating enabling environment for the Gentiles to fulfil their times.

Luke 21:24 (KJV) 24 And they shall fall by the edge of the sword, and shall be led away captive into all nations: and Jerusalem shall be trodden down of the Gentiles, until the times of the Gentiles be fulfilled.

2. Facilitation of the events whereby Gentile armies will surround Jerusalem.

Within the United Nations, there is strong anticipation that the progress achieved in granting Palestine Observer status in 2012 will culminate in future with the creation of a full Nation (this framework may not necessarily be real). The status of Jerusalem will most likely be decided by the United Nations which has the capacity and inclination to effect its will. Two options which Israel opposes are:

- either to divide Jerusalem into two with one part for Israel and the other part as capital of Palestine or
- the United Nations will run the city as an International territory. A United Nations force of Gentile people may therefore be required to give effect to this solution.

Within the past few years, the United Nations, largely because it is a Gentile dominated entity has been perceived in Israel and by Hebrews world-wide as pro-Palestinian.

It is interesting to note how the Five Permanent Members of the Security Council and Germany (P5+1) negotiated the Joint Nuclear Agreement with Iran which Israel lobbied unsuccessfully to derail. The way America, United Kingdom, France, Russia and China set aside their differences of ideology, foreign policy objectives and military interests to work together with Germany to craft what many hail as a historic agreement to deter Iran from acquiring nuclear power within next 15 years (though others insist that the outcome will be the opposite) is something that the Elect should understand as a significant milestone towards end of the age.

We take note that the administration of President Trump has cancelled this agreement. From what we have seen so far, the United Nations which was birthed in the 20th Century regarded by many as the beginning of the end of the age, is one of the most significant human developments since the collapse of Rome in AD 476. Please take note that this knowledge is not for anyone to demonise the UN which is doing a great work on earth keeping the peace and fostering human development among other laudable projects. We simply want to be like the

children of Issachar who know the times and seasons and what we ought to do!

1 Chronicles 12:32 (KJV) 32 And of the children of Issachar, which were men that had understanding of the times, to know what Israel ought to do; the heads of them were two hundred; and all their brethren were at their commandment.

Romans 13:11-12 (KJV) 11 And that, knowing the time, that now it is high time to awake out of sleep: for now is our salvation nearer than when we believed. 12 The night is far spent, the day is at hand: let us therefore cast off the works of darkness, and let us put on the armour of light.

Assignment

(1) Why must we take history and current affairs seriously as Bible based saints?

(2) Briefly indicate how the United Nations fits into description of the Feet of Clay and Iron in Daniel chapter 2.

Chapter 8 The European Union as Potential Candidate for Feet of Iron & Clay in Daniel

Potential Candidate #.2: The European Union

In receiving these revelations, the Lord wants us to live like the children of Issachar who knew the times and seasons and what ought to be done! Let us begin this lesson by reflecting on these scriptures again:

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Let us remember the profile of the kingdom or entity which will exercise global influence at the time King Yahshua will return as described in Daniel 2:

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The features described above fit not just the United Nations but also another potential candidate which the European Union. This is not a 'thus said the Lord' issue but rather one that is based on using the Scriptures to interpret history and current affairs.

But let us issue a caveat: let no one begin to use the facts before us here to abuse that wonderful creation of wise men which has substantially taken away the famed warlike tendencies of various European nationalities! Abba just wants to supply us sufficient light so that we will not walk blind folded into the times that are about to be! In the end, the European Union may have nothing to do with the End Times or may be a marginal player. It is safe however to keep it in view because several trends suggest that there will be a resurrected 'world power' from the territory of the Old Roman

Empire. After the collapse of the Roman Empire (Western half in AD476 as Eastern half based in Constantinople lasted for about 1000 more years), Europe filled the void through these nations and their impact on world affairs:

- Britain gave the world a language, social, political and economic system bequeathed from Rome and ruled about 2/3rds of the earth through the Commonwealth of nations.
- France gave the world another global language, French and ran a global empire.
- Spain gave the world another global language, Espanol, ruled South America and other nations.
- To varying degrees, Portugal, Italy, Germany did likewise within their spheres of influence.

Most historians conveniently ignore Europe but rather focus on the Othman Empire and Islamic conquest of Europe up to Spain. It is when you put the pieces together that the European influence over the world becomes clearer.

Not many remember that Europeans with their daring spirit launched out across Oceans, subdued indigenious people of North America and took it over. They did likewise in South America, Australia and New Zealand! The result today is that of all the developed economies, these major ones are European or have their roots in Europe: United Kingdom, France, Germany, Italy, Norway, Switzerland, Sweden, United States, Canada, Mexico, Brazil, Australia, New Zealand. Up to the 1970's many people had assumed Europe was dead. In America, it was derisively called the 'Old Continent'. The picturesque buildings of Victorian England and those on the Continental mainland were popular in picture books across the world. The humiliation Germany suffered by the sheer savagery of the Nazis who executed the most barbaric act of genocide in history, the Holocaust and total collapse of Adolf Hitler's Third Reich meant that Germany would live under the protectorate of America for a long time.

After World War II, the angst among European leaders was real. What riled them was how a continent that was supposed to comprise the most sophisticated set of Homo Sapiens could engage in such wanton waste of lives, property and dignity in the World War I (1914 – 1918) and World War II (1939-1945). Before then, the continent was one huge killing field as ethnic warlords carved out territories to feed their king-sized egos. Unknown to the world, the series of Summits, meetings and Treaties European leaders engaged in after World War II were about to produce fruit. Europe was undergoing a metamorphosis that few could discern. Today, that outcome is the huge European Union head quartered in Brussels, capital of Belgium. The European Union with its Parliament, Council and Commission, is truly a study of ‘Unity in Diversity’.

Through their famed work ethic and ruggedness, the German economy has resurrected again and holds the aces in the EU! It is true that full integration into a United States of Europe has not happened yet. But many observers say it is no longer a question of ‘how’ but rather of ‘when’. The Russian annexation of Crimea and destabilization of Ukraine has given European leaders food for thought and provided a much needed reason why their nations must stick together! In recent time, President Emmanuel Macron of France has emerged as champion for the creation of a pan European Military, in spite of reservations of the United States. Let us use the eyes of biblical prophecy to see what the EU says of itself in the EU motto: "United in diversity". It signifies how Europeans have come together, in the form of the EU, to work for peace and prosperity, while at the same time being enriched by the continents many different cultures, traditions and languages.

There are a number of things about the European Union which recommend it as a potential candidate for the 5th Kingdom in Daniel 2. We shall examine them briefly.

1. It occupies territory that fits most into the base of the Old Roman Empire and in that sense can rightly be said to arise out of its ashes, just like a Phoenix.

2. The concept of a united Europe acquired momentum arising from the Treaty of Rome which created the European Economic Community in 1957, a highly significant prophetic season indeed which saw two World Wars, birth of United Nations and modern State of Israel.
3. It is in Europe that Christendom was created to replace the Gospel of the Kingdom and it was also here that the Replacement Theology was birthed. Roman Catholicism which is based on Union of State and Christian Religion was founded in Europe, is based in the continent and grew to become a religious behemoth: with 1.2 billion adherents, it is the largest and most pervasive Religious organisations in the world. It is estimated that one in Five Americans is Roman Catholic for instance. In Latin America, the ratio is higher as well as most parts of Africa.
4. It was within Italy, part of Europe, that the wonder that is The Church of Rome got the fullness of status as a State entity through the Lateran Treaty of 1929 in the highly prophetic 20th Century! This conferred The Vatican with its own sovereignty, instruments of State including diplomatic relations with the nations of the earth. It is thus an independent State within the State with the Pope not just a religious leader but one with constitutional power as a Head of State, enjoying full diplomatic immunity! That way, the uniqueness of the Church of Rome was permanently cemented as part and parcel of the world system and its moral compass, in a sense.
5. Both Catholic and Protestant nations of Europe see the Pope as Moral and Spiritual leader of the Continent. This excites the feeling that both Religious groups will re-unite with time. Pope Francis has launched a highly successful outreach to Evangelicals, Pentecostals and Charismatics which has started bearing fruit. A few

years ago, the leader of the largest Pentecostal congregation in Sweden after 30 years of ministry, converted to Roman Catholicism. Let us not forget that Europe is also 'Mother' of the Protestant variant of Christianity and therefore its off-springs. From Lutheran to Anglican; from Evangelical to Pentecostal and Charismatic Movements, their umbilical cords can be traced all the way to Europe.

6. The European Union, in its composition, comprises nations with varying degrees of political, economic and military strength. There are the prosperous nations like Germany, United Kingdom and France as well as many weaker ones that are struggling economically and politically. Remember that the EU motto celebrates "different cultures, traditions and languages."
7. The EU has moved from passive to an aggressive growth in size and power to become one of the largest trading blocs and economic powerhouse in the world. The fact of birthing and sustaining a single Currency, the Euro, is significant.
8. The EU is able to muster one of the greatest armies in the world, if the need arises. Here is a summary of the military might of its constituent nations: Active duty personnel: 1,695,122 Reserve forces: 2,852,500; Paramilitary: 798,700.
9. The EU both corporately and as an aggregation of the tendencies and capacities of some of its member nations has become a major player in the Middle East. Billions of Euros are poured into the West Bank and Gaza to build capacity and infrastructure to make the future Palestinian State viable.
10. Two members of the EU: United Kingdom and France are among the 5 permanent members of the United Nations Security Council. Working with the United Nations, the US, China and Russia, the EU has the capacity to arm twist Israel.

11. Many Hebrews believe that waves of anti-Semitism seen in this continent in the past such as in Germany are alive today. They also believe there is a narrative in the European Press which clearly favours the Palestinian cause and casts Israel as an aggressor. Even now, there is a movement to label Israel as an Apartheid state, The BDS movement (Boycott, Divest & Sanction), has great strength in Europe.
12. It is very significant that Europe, more than any other continent, was a key player in formation of both United States and the United Nations, the other two candidates for the feet of iron and clay.
13. A culture of anti-Semitism has manifested in attempts to embarrass the nation of Israel on the international scene: in 2015, a petition in the United Kingdom Parliament website seeking arrest of Prime Minister Binyamin Netanyahu for war crimes against Gaza and Palestinians had attracted over 100,000 signatures of support. Former Justice Minister Tipzi Livni could not visit London for a long time because of a similar campaign until it was lifted.
14. A careful examination of histories of nations in the world will reveal that with exception of Russia and China, perhaps as much as 75 percent may have an umbilical cord that can be traced to Europe either by colonization; conquest or simply cultural dominance via Language and systems.
15. Europe thus inherited the two features of the Roman Empire – the Legs of Iron: Its Military and Cultural strength and its Religious Strength.

A careful examination of this scripture will reveal that most of the features attributed to the successor kingdom to Rome show tendencies that can be attributed to the history of Europe and the various powers which have risen at one time or the other such as Greece; Spain; Portugal; France; Britain; Italy; Belgium; Germany.

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Downside: The EU project has not grown at the pace most Bible scholars predicted. It has also not contracted into 10 Super nations as some predicted based on Daniel 7: 24. Moreover, the move towards integration (which would have made it a United States of Europe) has not happened as many had expected. The result is that The EU is an extraordinary maze of agencies many may get lost trying to locate who has what power!

Assignment

- (1). Briefly discuss how the European Union also fits the description in the Prophecy in Daniel Chapter 2.
- (2). Please share any personal insight you gained from this chapter

Chapter 9 USA as possible Feet of Iron & Clay Part 1

United States of America as Potential Candidate #.3 for the Feet of Iron mixed with Clay

Let us see again what Holy Spirit said through the lips of Paul the apostle concerning how we should be in a state of watchfulness and readiness.

1 Thessalonians 5:1-11 (KJV) 1 But of the times and the seasons, brethren, ye have no need that I write unto you. 2 For yourselves know perfectly that the day of the Lord so cometh as a thief in the night. 3 For when they shall say, Peace and safety; then sudden destruction cometh upon them, as travail upon a woman with child; and they shall not escape. 4 But ye, brethren, are not in darkness, that that day should overtake you as a thief. 5 Ye are all the children of light, and the children of the day: we are not of the night, nor of darkness. 6 Therefore let us not sleep, as do others; but let us watch and be sober. 7 For they that sleep sleep in the night; and they that be drunken are drunken in the night. 8 But let us, who are of the day, be sober, putting on the breastplate of faith and love; and for an helmet, the hope of salvation. 9 For God hath not appointed us to wrath, but to obtain salvation by our Lord Jesus Christ, 10 Who died for us, that, whether we wake or sleep, we should live together with him. 11 Wherefore comfort yourselves together, and edify one another, even as also ye do.

Let us continue our prophetic examination to locate the last of the potential 'kingdom' which will mark end of the Times of Gentiles. The reason why it is important to discern this kingdom is that it will enable us to know how close we are to the return of King Yeshua! From a practical point of view, gaining an understanding of this entity will provide insight into how its policies and programs directly or indirectly

impact Israel and connect with what has been written already. Let us be reminded that there is a clear prophecy that the Gentile dispensation, which began with Babylon in 606 BC has an expiration date!

Luke 21:24 (KJV) 24 And they shall fall by the edge of the sword, and shall be led away captive into all nations: and Jerusalem shall be trodden down of the Gentiles, until the times of the Gentiles be fulfilled.

We considered in the previous lesson how two entities: United Nations and European Union - the major world powers dominated by Gentiles - whose profiles fit the description of feet and toes of Iron and Clay in Daniel 2. **Daniel 2:33-35 (KJV)** 33 (b) his feet part of iron and part of clay. 34 Thou sawest till that a stone was cut out without hands, which smote the image upon his feet that were of iron and clay, and brake them to pieces. 35 Then was the iron, the clay, the brass, the silver, and the gold, broken to pieces together, and became like the chaff of the summer threshing floors; and the wind carried them away, that no place was found for them: and the stone that smote the image became a great mountain, and filled the whole earth.

As said in the previous chapter, here is the interpretation that Daniel gave of the dream indicating the nature of the last world empire.

Daniel 2:41-45 (KJV) 41 And whereas thou sawest the feet and toes, part of potters' clay, and part of iron, the kingdom shall be divided; but there shall be in it of the strength of the iron, forasmuch as thou sawest the iron mixed with miry clay. 42 And as the toes of the feet were part of iron, and part of clay, so the kingdom shall be partly strong, and partly broken. 43 And whereas thou sawest iron mixed with miry clay, they shall mingle themselves with the seed of men: but they shall not cleave one to another, even as iron is not mixed with clay. 44 And in the days of these kings shall the God of

heaven set up a kingdom, which shall never be destroyed: and the kingdom shall not be left to other people, but it shall break in pieces and consume all these kingdoms, and it shall stand for ever.⁴⁵ Forasmuch as thou sawest that the stone was cut out of the mountain without hands, and that it brake in pieces the iron, the brass, the clay, the silver, and the gold; the great God hath made known to the king what shall come to pass hereafter: and the dream is certain, and the interpretation thereof sure.

The features described above fit not just the United Nations and the European Union but also another potential candidate which is the United States of America. This is not a 'thus said the Lord' issue but rather one that is based on using the Scriptures to interpret history and current affairs. This was the case with Daniel who responded to revelation by going into intercession for his people.

Daniel 9:1-3 (KJV) 1 In the first year of Darius the son of Ahasuerus, of the seed of the Medes, which was made king over the realm of the Chaldeans; 2 In the first year of his reign I Daniel understood by books the number of the years, whereof the word of the Lord came to Jeremiah the prophet, that he would accomplish seventy years in the desolations of Jerusalem. 3 And I set my face unto the Lord God, to seek by prayer and supplications, with fasting, and sackcloth, and ashes:

The information to be shared in this portion of our study is not for the purpose of being manipulated to serve pre-conceived political, ideological or racial agendas. They are rather released to awake the elect remnant out of sleep; to call the true Kingdom Church to arise and align in order to advance into the end times which is upon us with certainty. The way all things about the end times are coming together before a single generation is truly a prophetic sign-post that the end of all things is at hand!

Candidate #3 ‘Empire’/‘Kingdom’: The United States of America

In the previous chapters, we began to examine which entity is likely to fit into the prophecy of Daniel as the feet of Iron and Clay that will be a dominant power on earth before Yeshua, Jesus would return to rule and reign using the profile outlined in Daniel 2:41-45. We looked at the United Nations and Europe and saw various features of them which fit into the stated profile. Now we turn our attention into the third candidate, which in this case is a nation that even its citizens despise and write off as ‘finished’. That is the United States of America. One of the things that strike you about America is the wide degree of ignorance of most citizens concerning its prophetic significance. The nation is so extremely polarised that those who think it is no longer working as it should have written its Obituary, albeit prematurely.

You cannot spend a day or two with many Evangelical leaders in America without catching the cold of the extreme displeasure with their own nation. Five major things have caused Religious leaders to lose faith and hope in their own nation, namely:

1. Growing Secularization which further decreases extent of space The Church operates in;
2. The aggressive advancement of liberal causes including Abortion Rights; Same Sex Marriage; Right of women and a new culture where individualism has replaced community values;
3. The increasing reality of Government and State intervention in almost all spheres of life from the Financial to Auto industries and Obamacare which the Evangelical Community hates with passion.
4. The end of the special bond between America and Israel under President Obama which guaranteed security of the latter at all costs.
5. Potential loss of Second Amendment Rights through a growing anti-Gun rights sentiment which has arisen in

the wake of public massacres like Columbine, Virginia Tech; Aurora, Sandy Hook.

Unfortunately, this dissatisfaction with the direction of America came to a head during the tenure of an African American, President Barack Obama. For this reason, many tended to frame most of conversations in the public space in terms that are extremely racial. For some Evangelicals, this ‘fellow has come to destroy our beloved country’ became a kind of rallying cry. The assumption is that what has been happening in America would not have happened if more godly leaders were in office. This sentiment flies in the face of reality that many American Presidents – Republican as well as Democratic have essentially pursued a consistent policy that is producing the outcomes we see today. President George Bush, one of the most religious of modern Presidents laid in large measure the foundation of what President Obama was doing in his own time –directly or by default!

In the months leading to the 2012 Presidential Elections, majority of Evangelical leaders – Apostles, Prophets and ministers of all shades worked themselves and their congregations into frenzy and believed that they had accurate revelation that the ‘scourge of Barack Obama’ had ended. Pulpits were polluted with extreme vitriolic and partisanship. Unfortunately for Evangelical leaders, they were not reading right the signals from both heaven and earth! Many Evangelicals were shell shocked with reelection of President Obama in that election because they were not reading right the clear signals from heaven concerning how America was transiting to a mixed multitude nation. The demographics of America had changed in just 5070 years due to immigration, birth rate and political inclinations of various ethnic groups and other factors so much so that it was impossible for any Presidential Candidate to win a Presidential Elections in the new America based on votes of one racial group alone. From a strategic point of view, this demographic shift was not a

happenstance, but one programmed to deliver a prophetic future in the nation!

As the earth was speaking, heaven was also speaking: the new nation that was emerging was not really new! This new nation was simply the culmination of the manifest destiny of America as an agglomeration of peoples of diverse cultures, religions, ideologies only bound together by a national Idol called 'pursuit of the American Dream'. To further cement the reality that America would fit into the profile of the feet of Iron and Clay, the Evangelical community found a champion in a very unlikely front man: Donald Trump. As is common knowledge, everything about his life – multiple marriages, former Playboy image and swash buckling lifestyle and world view including ideological inclinations of candidates for Political office he supported in the past would have made him the last person to be endorsed by the Church.

But without any shadow of doubt and contrary to liberal opposition, President Donald Trump is on what can be termed a 'prophetic' assignment! That assignment, when properly understood, will shift the focus non End time saints away from 'who' in order to understand the 'what' of his assignment. That 'what' is to finally, it appears, to deliver the profile of Daniel 2 concerning the 'Feet of Iron and Clay'. From a prophetic viewpoint therefore, President Obama was the fore runner who prepared the way for President Trump! The extreme left ward swing that #.44 took America was the very basis of activating in the American Church the existential crises it faced in 8 years which made it open to embrace the strong man who #.45 was projected to be. Ever since November 2016, the Trump Presidency has delivered this prophetic mandate with singleness of purpose. When you add to this the resolute pursuit of his 'Make America Great Again'/'America First' policy (often at expense of disrupting norms developed since end of World War II and 'cast iron' commitment to Israel, what emerges is a picture of a man on assignment that the

vast majority will not understand because of carnal analysis by both his supporters and detractors.

This is the more reason why detachment from the toxic grip of partisan politics of both the right and left; Conservatives and Liberals; Republican and Democratic is called for by the elect! This is certainly not the time to jump onto the ship whose direction may well be the unknown! Since 2002, Yahweh had been taking us across the length and breadth of America. It started with Greyhound Bus trips traversing this eponymous super nation to share with ministers the vision of intimate relationship with our heavenly Father and one another across denominational divides. From city to city, community to community, State to State, Yahweh began the process of showing us things history book and posturing by preachers from their bully pulpits did not reveal.

With further rail and air travels, we were in a position to see some strategic movements in the realm of the Spirit! We saw and heard the divisive rhetoric by preachers along racial lines and sensed the dangers ahead. By 2009, Yahweh had us reach out to as many intercessors as we could connect with to raise altars of prayer dedicated to stand in the gap for America, like never before. The Father showed us a reality that as it stands, no external force or nation can destroy America but rather, the real danger was that of implosion arising from extreme hatred and dislike based on racial, ideological, gender and economic classes. In this sin, the Church in America was playing a leading role where bully pulpits were used to fire saints up to hate their political leaders at all levels and despise authority!

Based on additional burden suggesting that there was more to America than met the eye, Yahweh led us to convene the America, Wake Up! Prayer and spiritual warfare series starting with the first in Washington DC in 2010. Yahweh was showing us the foundations of America, the structures that were not of Him but allowed to be built and potentially drive the end game of the human race. Before then, Yahweh

strongly laid in our hearts that most National Prophets of America had in ignorance; lust for power, money, prominence and due to pride, fallen victims of lying spirits which had deceived Protestant leaders from the earliest days of the nation till this time. The deception was so strong that people had literally believed it. Following that foundational error, Yahweh was saying something significant: when you believe a lie as truth, even truth that you come to know later may be polluted by the foundation of error!

Foundational Errors

Let us examine two critical foundational errors that have combined to deceive many:

Error #1: America has a heritage of righteousness.

This foundational error flies in the face of both secular history and the reality of life. Let us trust Holy Spirit to debunk this error right away. The truth is that there is no single nation on earth today that was established on a foundation that is decidedly ‘ungodly’ on the scale of America! Let us go down the lane of history and get the facts right:

- 1.1. There were original inhabitants on the land of what is now America called ‘Native Americans’. They were systematically deceived, decimated and despoiled by settlers and colonists from Europe.
- 1.2. To worsen matters, these great acts of cruelty were done ‘in the Name of God!’ They also operated on the premise that ‘Might is right’, the basis of colonialism. The explorers and colonists came from supposedly ‘Christian’ European nations with the beneficence and authority of ‘Christian’ rulers! With the Bible in one hand and the sword in the other, they systematically destroyed peoples and civilizations in North and South America.

Spiritual Response to the above truth: Nobody can undo what was done centuries ago. But we can stand on a higher moral stature by refusing to repeat those lies. Furthermore, we can devote ourselves to intercession and support causes which

seek restitution in the form of a new deal for the Native American peoples who have been permanently disposed of the wealth which Elohim blessed them with.

Error #2: America is a Christian Nation.

What heaven revealed of this error is so strong that whoever is not delivered of it cannot grasp any real truth about the destiny of America! Series of insights we received reveal that contrary to the claim that America was founded as a Christian nation, it was actually founded as a 'Tolerant' nation! Take note of these facts:

2.1. There was clearly a spirit of Tolerance and Accommodation evidenced by spiritual background of Founding Fathers. Framers of the Constitution were well known personalities among their peers. Some were solid Christians. Others were leaders of various Occult houses; Freemasons and the Illuminati with roots in Europe. They embraced and accommodated each other in a spirit of tolerance. They were united in two core objectives:

- to create a land of extreme opportunities where all Americans, no matter their background or professions of faith, could pursue and attain the American Dream. The nation was to be the ultimate 'El Dorado' for humanity.
- to create a Republic of free men with minimalist government. The second ideal, derived from nasty experiences of themselves, their parents and grandparents with European absolute Monarchs, was to create a Republic of Free humans who would enjoy near absolute liberty! That was why a minimalist Federal Government was preferred.

2.2. There was non-endorsement of Jesus in Whose Name alone Salvation is found! The critical issue that determines who is a Christian is not belief in a generic 'God' but embrace of the Salvation in only one personality, Yeshua Ha Mashiach, Jesus the

Messiah! While framers of the Constitution made several references to a Supreme Being, they had not a single mention of Yeshua, Jesus as the God to whom the nation was dedicated. That is indeed interesting, indeed!

Let us close this lesson with a statement of fact: among all nations, America has possibly the largest stock of the remnant. Some of the most vibrant Kingdom communities are found in the nation as well as some of the most prominent Apostles and Prophets of this age. Knowledge of these prophetic possibilities will forearm the saints with the capacity to watch, pray and occupy until the King returns.

Assignment

- (1) What are the two errors concerning the foundation of America?
- (2). Please mention at least 3 things which suggest that America may well turn out to be the 'Kingdom of Iron and Clay'.
- (3). In what way has these lessons on the UN; EU and now America helped you to understand the nature of the world at the time Yeshua will return again?

Chapter 10 The USA as possible Feet of Iron & Clay (Part 2)

As Kingdom Intercessors, we are to behave like Daniel. While other Israelites were enjoying their time of captivity in Babylon; when time for Yahweh to turn things around came, he discovered by studying Scripture that the prophecy of Jeremiah firmly located that the exile would end after 70 years! When this was settled in his heart, Daniel began to stand in the gap for his people, interceding with earnestness, with fasting and importunity until a breakthrough came. Daniel Chapter 9 chronicles this turning point in history because a single remnant dared to know the mind of Yahweh and pray accordingly. Yahweh went beyond the immediate and granted deeper and wider revelation stretching to the Incarnation and death of Yeshua, Jesus as well as the end of the age that is soon to be with the rise of the Anti-Christ (Daniel 9: 21-27).

From Daniel Chapter 2 verses 33b and 41-43, we learn without equivocation that when Yeshua, Jesus will return to the earth, there will be a prevailing or ruling 'Kingdom' or 'Empire' on earth. This empire would not look like anything before it. It will not be a homogeneous cultural entity like Babylon, made up of the Chaldeans. It will not be like the Medo-Persian Empire comprising the Medes and the Persians. It will also not be like the Greco-Macedonian Empire where the Macedonians, a people of Greek stock ruled the world. It will also not be like the Roman Empire where a distinct people group in the area of Modern Italy rose to rule the world for 622 years.

The Main Thing: locating a functioning Governing Entity with characteristics that fit into Daniel 2:33, 41-43.

From the whole counsel of the Most High, this empire or kingdom may have these defining features which normally translate into failure yet will be successful enough to rule the

world directly or by default, something that fits into the American dispensation we began to examine in lesson 9. Let us consider the features of the feet of Iron and Clay which apply to United States of America:

1. It will be an offshoot and inheritor of the vestiges of the Old Roman Empire.

The feet normally follow the leg in a downward digression of body parts. Since Rome (Feet of Iron) was located in Europe, its successor, the Feet of Iron and Clay is projected to have a strong European content in its foundation. This is true of America with the European content still very prominent. America is prophetically speaking, the son of Europe whose DNA is strong till today. Take note that not just Great Britain but other European Nations such as France, Italy, Germany, Poland, Spain, Ireland, and Netherlands were great stake holders in the American Enterprise. Today, people of European descent account for over 55 percent of the populace.

2. It will be a melting pot for peoples of various races, ethnic nationalities; political, economic and social persuasions.

Apart from the predominant European descendants and original Native Americans, the need for cheap slave labor paved the way for the African American community to emerge as an outcome of the Slave Trade. The need for railways paved the way for the Chinese community. The quest for better life brought peoples of almost all nationalities of the world who came (and are still coming) to pursue the American Dream.

3. It will experience bitter internal wrangling, pitting various factions against each other.

The extent of bitter rivalry of the various factions and races that make up America today is frightening. Racial tension is as high as ideological strife between Conservatives and Liberals who slug it out daily on both mainstream media, cable and internet/social media. Extreme tensions run riot!

4. It will rule Israel (perhaps indirectly), guaranteeing its safety.

At end of the age, Israel will look away from Yahweh and be beholden to this empire. Truth is that America is literarily speaking the core 'guarantor' of security of Israel. This claim to a role that belongs to Yahweh alone is fostered by Christian religious leaders who have turned the art of lobbying for Israel into a major component of why they exist. In so doing, an idolatry of epic proportions is occurring with Yahweh pushed aside in favour of USA and whoever sits at the White House at any given time! The fact that Israel would need an appeasement from a world ruler at end of the age raises an important possibility when one examines the way relations between these two strategic allies soured in recent years and how it is now at its highest level.

5. A Liberal Icon.

More than a nation or people, it will also be an influence seeped in liberal notions of life that will have global appeal which people of various age groups, gender and religions will subscribe to. In many regards, some fear that in spite of the resounding Republican control of Congress, the excessive powers of the Executive Presidency as enshrined in the Constitution meant that under President Barack Obama, America may have perhaps permanently turned the liberal bend and it may not really go back to life before year 2008. The Supreme Court endorsement of same sex marriage and upholding of Obamacare proves the point that liberal values had the upper hand in contemporary America. What Republican attempts under President Trump to reverse the trend will end in deepening the divisions.

6. It will be chief catalyst of its own brand of 'Peace'.

Just as Pax Romana (Peace of Rome) was a key attribute of life in the days of Rome, this empire will impose peace, stability and a preferred way of life on the nations of the earth. To that extent, this empire will have a strong military-industrial complex and armed forces able to back up its will and the economic financial clout to make life uncomfortable for peoples and nations which step out of line. Events of the

recent past activated by Russian annexation of Crimea and destabilization of Ukraine on the one hand and the attempt of Islamic State to foist a Caliphate on the Middle East gave America two vital ammunitions with which it has been strengthened to lead the world to have 'Peace'. Take note of how the Russian economy is reeling because of limited sanctions imposed by America and how FIFA, the world governing body for Football reeled under the weight of US Justice department interdiction.

7. To the extent of what is outlined in 1 – 6 above, many people, including Spirit-filled saints and Senior Ministers may not be able to 'see', 'hear' or 'know' what is unfolding because they will be caught up with racial, ethnic, gender and cultural mindsets that war against Mind of the King and His Kingdom.

Debunking the first Lie that the America Church bought into

'USA was established as a 'Christian' nation. That lie is easily debunked through three clear truths.

1. A Curious Mixed Multitude Religious Foundation

The events leading to the emergence of America in 1776 have their roots in the convergence of interests of two broad groups:

- 1.1. Those inspired by the need of unrestricted space to worship God. These people had their roots in the Pilgrims, Puritans and Quakers who sought a land where they could worship freely without restrictions put by the State. Europe had stifled their ability to worship freely because of the State Church system. They migrated to America for that main purpose. Separation of Church from State was something they desired strongly. In effect, the country was to be ruled without direct influence from the Church!

Here is how Wikipedia described a major error which gripped some Protestant Ministers who were actively involved in the Revolution which led to birthing the nation:

“The Revolution strengthened millennialist strains in American theology. At the beginning of the war some ministers were persuaded that, with God's help, America might become "the principal Seat of the glorious Kingdom which Christ shall erect upon Earth in the latter Days." Victory over the British was taken as a sign of God's partiality for America and stimulated an outpouring of millennialist expectations—the conviction that Christ would rule on earth for 1,000 years. This attitude combined with a groundswell of secular optimism about the future of America helped to create the buoyant mood of the new nation that became so evident after Jefferson assumed the presidency in 1801.” They were equating founding of America with the Millennial reign of Yeshua!

Let us take note that this Millennialist sentiment was based on ‘replacement theology’ because Jerusalem in Israel is the appointed Seat of King Yeshua, Jesus when He rules the earth realm!

1.2. Those who sought an Eldorado or ultimate Land of Promise which would be the highest ideal of the human heart on earth. This land was to be so blessed that humans would have no need for heaven so to say.

Those people who had their roots in the various occult houses of Europe had a vested interest in emergence of a nation where the Church would not play any role in State affairs

2. Unique truth that the references to ‘God’ and ‘Supreme Being’ etc in the Constitution were deliberate acts of obfuscation designed to mean different things for various people. The Constitution could have clearly established that Jesus was Lord of the new nation but that was not done. The ‘God’ that representatives of the occult spoke about was clearly not Elohim! Unfortunately, they successfully pulled a wool on the eyes of their religious counterparts

who apparently did not heed the command of Yeshua to be 'wise as serpents' and to 'watch and pray'.

- 3. Reality of the First Amendment.** For those who insist America was established as a Christian nation, it is needful to say that the intent and letters of the First Amendment makes it clear that this was not the case. The First Amendment would have been totally unnecessary if it was a Christian nation that was birthed! Wikipedia notes: "The first amendment to the US Constitution states "Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof" The two parts, known as the "establishment clause" and the "free exercise clause" respectively, form the textual basis for the Supreme Court's interpretations of the "separation of church and state" doctrine.

On August 15, 1789 Madison said, "he apprehended the meaning of the words to be, that Congress should not establish a religion, and enforce the legal observation of it by law, nor compel men to worship God in any manner contrary to their conscience..."[67]. To this end all states in the Union disestablished religion by 1833 with Massachusetts as the last state to do so. This ended the practice of allocating taxes to churches."

- 4. Reality of the Religious Test exclusion clause.**

Let us furthermore note that to prove clearly that the new nation was not a Christian one, it was clearly decided by the founding Fathers to ensure that nothing was put in place to empower Christians to the detriment of non-believers! Wikipedia again notes: Article Six of the United States Constitution provides that "no religious Test shall ever be required as a Qualification to any Office or public Trust under the United States". Prior to the inclusion of the Bill of Rights, this was the only mention of religious freedom in the Constitution.

5. Erection of National Monuments themed after Ancient Rome, Greece and honouring various Masonic orders.

An examination of all the major national structures and monuments – including the White House; Capitol; Supreme Court reveal traces of Roman influence (Legs of Iron). Students of History will remember that Rome did not stamp out the culture and style of the preceding Greco-Macedonian Empire. It rather absorbed Greek language, literature and culture and used them to foster its global dominance. Greco-Roman art and culture is alive and well not just in DC but also all state capitals of USA! In the same way some major national treasures such as the design of Washington DC clearly project Masonic patterns. The Washington Monument originally planned to be like the Arch of Triumph in Paris to honour the well-loved first President turned out to be an Obelisk or Phalus which suggests projection of immorality over the land.

The conclusion is clear: the early Church did not walk in discernment and rather allowed itself to be hoodwinked to believe it had secured something (a Christian nation) when the contrary was the case. This is the root of the negation of the 'Go Ye' principle enunciated by Yeshua for His Church. The American Church went the way of Europe to make it a 'Come Here' paradigm which fostered competition for 'Church membership'. Today, the chicken has come home to roost: various religions are well represented at all levels of governance. They are all protected by the First Amendment and Article Six of the Constitution. It makes sense to stop fighting a wrongheaded war over the religious identity of the nation. The Church should rather concentrate on manifestation of the Person and Message of King Yeshua and His lifeline for all to be saved. Preaching and demonstrating the gospel of the King is the urgent need of the hour, not political posturing for or against the President, Governors and duly elected leaders.

What knowing the Final Empire has got to do with the End Times

If we gain an insight into what the Kingdom Daniel 2 describes as the world power which will rule on earth during the time King Yeshua will return to vanquish and rule, it will give us enhanced ability to beware of getting sucked into its culture, systems and patterns in whatever we do. This is a place of safety to be.

Why Intercessors need to know and pray based on TRUTH, not error

In the foundation upon which America was built, these are truths which true intercessors must know so that they can be moved with deep penitence to first purge themselves and their lineages by the Blood of the Lamb and secondly have the moral basis of solid truth to stand upon to intercede earnestly for the nation. Intercession cannot be made based on a lie, assumption or presumption! These scriptures are essential for us to understand why we need to deal with foundations of the nation based on TRUTH, not a lie:

Psalms 66:18 (KJV) 18 If I regard iniquity in my heart, the Lord will not hear me:

Proverbs 28:13 (KJV) 13 He that covereth his sins shall not prosper: but whoso confesseth and forsaketh them shall have mercy.

The Lord is looking for intercessors who will bear burdens of the nation before Him in brokenness and repentance, not in falsehood.

2 Chronicles 7:13-14 (KJV) 13 If I shut up heaven that there be no rain, or if I command the locusts to devour the land, or if I send pestilence among my people; 14 If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land.

Danger of clutching to a lie: bitterness, anger, hatred and offence will clog the heart!

For all saints who were fed on the lie that America is a Christian nation, the things Holy Spirit has revealed and may be revealing can be difficult to grasp. But the way forward is not to clutch at a lie but to allow the piercing power of truth to have its way in our hearts and minds so that we can respond to reality as citizens of the Kingdom of heaven, not as natural people. For saints who have been programmed to hate their own nation and its leaders because they are not following Judeo-Christian values or have permitted iniquity to be publicly celebrated, the Lord repeatedly asserts that it a fleshly response to the lie that America was a Christian nation in the first place.

The nation was not, has never been and is not likely to ever be one! The sins of the nation are no doubt great – just as those of other nations in the earth realm. Yet, the Lord requires this of all true saints and leaders who teach otherwise will stand before Him to answer on the last day:

1 Timothy 2:1-3 (KJV) 1 I exhort therefore, that, first of all, supplications, prayers, intercessions, and giving of thanks, be made for all men; 2 For kings, and for all that are in authority; that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and honesty. 3 For this is good and acceptable in the sight of God our Saviour;

Those who have been programmed to hate America because of the great evils that now cover the land, let them prayerfully read all of Ezekiel chapter 22 and see that Israel was once like that and is possibly so today. Yet, in spite of the national evil, see the response of Elohim:

Ezekiel 22:30 (KJV) 30 And I sought for a man among them, that should make up the hedge, and stand in the gap before me for the land, that I should not destroy it: but I found none.

The nations of this world have a period of Grace when individuals can embrace the Grace of He Who sits on the

Throne of Grace. A Day is coming when that Throne will be that of Judgement – when peoples and nations will stand before Him to account for what they did with His Grace and Mercy. Until Yeshua returns, nations will progressively slide into evil. The work of the remnant is not to use our tongues to pronounce judgement but rather to plead for mercy! To stand in the gap is something that the remnant are called to do, even as individuals with real burden!

Jeremiah 5:1 (KJV) 1 Run ye to and fro through the streets of Jerusalem, and see now, and know, and seek in the broad places thereof, if ye can find a man, if there be any that executeth judgment, that seeketh the truth; and I will pardon it.

We know in part and communicate in part!

At this stage of our discourse on the possibility of the United States of America fitting into the profile of the last empire before Yeshua returns as per Daniel 2:41-43 we need to announce our humanity! It is possible that the reality of the end may turn out to see emergence of a seemingly complex alignment of forces and Kingdoms whereby the United Nations, Europe and America will be in cahoots to deliver what they think is best for humanity which may well be the outworking of a divine plan for the End Times which they do not realise! Let us take note that there is a limit to what Yahweh may reveal to a vessel or vessels at a time. We therefore see in part and know in part until the day when perfection comes by our translation into the realm of glory!

We therefore speak within the limit of the revelation we have received and submit it to you, the remnant, to prayerfully consider and hear from Holy Spirit. If these series of messages resonate in your heart, do not go the way of the flesh and be afraid! Knowledge of these things should rather serve as an early warning Shofar (Trumpet) blast so that lives can be fixed at the altar of brokenness. Thereafter, two things need to be done. In the first place, we must live like the wise Virgins of Matthew 25:1-13, watching and praying. Secondly, we should

take to heart the command of King Yeshua, Jesus instructing the remnant to 'Occupy, till I come' (Luke 19:11-13-27).

Assignment

- (1). Outline why America is not a Christian nation.
- (2) What are the dangers of being angry with the nation and its leaders based on sinful choices they make?

Chapter 11 USA as possible 'Feet of Iron & Clay' Part 3

Divided we Stand: understanding the Prophetic significance of the weak internal composition of the Last Super Power

We need to emphasise of what this 3-part study of United States of America is simply to make sense of the state of the nation and situate same within the ambit of biblical prophecy. This approach calls for:

- i. Purity of heart and motives by all who will be used of the Lord to share them as well as those who will hear and receive
- ii. There needs to be detachment from the mess of extreme divisiveness that has enveloped America.
- iii. This detachment from both camps – Conservatives and Liberals; Republican and Democratic worldviews; White Majority and Ethnic Minority perspectives is the key to walk in Kingdom realities rooted in the Truth of the End Time prophecies found in the Holy Scriptures
- iv. These revelations are not to be used for bashing 'other people' because that would negate the purity and potency of what Elohim is saying in the Now.
- v. The core purpose of these studies is to draw attention of the elect remnant of Elohim: His One New Man in Yeshua – the Omega Church made up of saints called out of the races, tribes, ethnic groups of the earth realm – to the reality that we are now truly at end of the age! (1 Chronicles 12:32)
- vi. Knowing that we are at end of the age will have the net effect of motivating the remnant to make necessary adjustments; be watchful, prayerful and give Elohim our best in the Kingdom business of occupying our allotments before He returns (Matthew 25:1-13; 14-30; Luke 19:11-27).

- vii. Any interpretation or use of these teachings outside the framework here will be disingenuous and self-defeating!

Having said that, let us then remind ourselves that what we are doing in this part of the study is simple: locate which entity will be dominant in the earth realm at end of the age! The emphasis is on an entity of a peculiar mix of people groups. Once we can gain this understanding, we are on safe ground! We considered in the previous chapter major world powers dominated by Gentiles - whose profiles fit the description of feet and toes of Iron and Clay in Daniel 2 that would be the prevailing power in the world at the time when Yeshua, Jesus would return.

In the past two chapters, we began to examine how a generally ignored nation, the United States of America fits perfectly into the profile in Daniel 2:33-35 and verses 41-45.

Daniel 2:33-35 (KJV) 33 (b) his feet part of iron and part of clay. 34 Thou sawest till that a stone was cut out without hands, which smote the image upon his feet that were of iron and clay, and brake them to pieces. 35 Then was the iron, the clay, the brass, the silver, and the gold, broken to pieces together, and became like the chaff of the summer threshing floors; and the wind carried them away, that no place was found for them: and the stone that smote the image became a great mountain, and filled the whole earth.

As said in the previous lesson, here is the interpretation that Daniel gave of the dream indicating the nature of the last world empire.

Daniel 2:41-45 (KJV) 41 And whereas thou sawest the feet and toes, part of potters' clay, and part of iron, the kingdom shall be divided; but there shall be in it of the strength of the iron, forasmuch as thou sawest the iron mixed with miry clay. 42 And as the toes of the feet were part of iron, and part of clay, so the kingdom shall be partly strong, and partly broken. 43 And whereas thou

sawest iron mixed with miry clay, they shall mingle themselves with the seed of men: but they shall not cleave one to another, even as iron is not mixed with clay. 44 And in the days of these kings shall the God of heaven set up a kingdom, which shall never be destroyed: and the kingdom shall not be left to other people, but it shall break in pieces and consume all these kingdoms, and it shall stand for ever.45 Forasmuch as thou sawest that the stone was cut out of the mountain without hands, and that it brake in pieces the iron, the brass, the clay, the silver, and the gold; the great God hath made known to the king what shall come to pass hereafter: and the dream is certain, and the interpretation thereof sure.

The features described above fit not just the United Nations and the European Union but also another potential candidate which is the United States of America. This is not a ‘thus said the Lord’ issue but rather one that is based on using the Scriptures to interpret history and current affairs. This was the case with Daniel who responded to revelation by going into intercession for his people.

Daniel 9:1-3 (KJV) 1 In the first year of Darius the son of Ahasuerus, of the seed of the Medes, which was made king over the realm of the Chaldeans; 2 In the first year of his reign I Daniel understood by books the number of the years, whereof the word of the Lord came to Jeremiah the prophet, that he would accomplish seventy years in the desolations of Jerusalem. 3 And I set my face unto the Lord God, to seek by prayer and supplications, with fasting, and sackcloth, and ashes:

It is safe to repeat what we shared before: the information in this portion of our study is not for the purpose of being manipulated to serve pre-conceived political, ideological or racial agendas. They are rather released to awake the elect remnant out of sleep; to call the true Kingdom Church to arise and align in order to advance into the end times which is upon

us with certainty. The way all things about the end times are coming together before a single generation is truly a prophetic signpost that the end of all things is at hand!

Unfortunate reality: National Prophets are on wild goose chase while nations veers to end of the age

From the earliest days till Yeshua returns, one of the main assignments of those chosen to for the Office of Prophet is the ability to detach from soul ties with temporal rulers, hear warning signals from heaven and sound the Trumpet for people to escape enemy invasion. The prevailing view that has many Prophets in America possibly off track is the perception that events of the End Times centre mainly on Europe where both the Anti-Christ and False Prophet are projected by certain theological school of thought to rise. In so doing, there is a diversion from reality that may prove deadly. Prophets are not supposed to get mixed up with partisan politics and ideological battles. They are now chief proponents of the 7 Mountain movement which is leading people away from understanding the times and the Biblical concept of Kingdom in favour of the dominionist worldview which creates an alternate Kingdom narrative. We are not to mingle with various worldviews of life because the true gospel of the Kingdom is our mandate!

Matthew 24:14 (KJV) 14 And this gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations; and then shall the end come.

It is one in which sinners are invited, under unction of Holy Spirit to embrace first, Salvation by Grace. As they are saved, they are called to press into a state of dying to self so that Yeshua is enthroned in their hearts. That way, they enthrone Him as Sovereign ruler of their lives to determine what to do, when and how

The Kingdom Within becomes a reality when saints submit to Sovereign rule of Yeshua. Dead to Self, their vessels are totally consecrated to Elohim for His will to be done. Kingdom

Nation is reality that all those who are chosen in Yeshua are to live as one holy nation of kings and priests in Him.

1 Peter 2:9-10 (KJV) 9 But ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should shew forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvellous light; 10 Which in time past were not a people, but are now the people of God: which had not obtained mercy, but now have obtained mercy.

The Manifest Kingdom is the evident phase that will be a physical reality when Yeshua returns to rule and reign for 1000 years. As co-heirs, that is when saints will rule as Priests and Kings with Him.

Revelation 1:6 (KJV) 6 And hath made us kings and priests unto God and his Father; to him be glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen.

Revelation 2:9-10 (KJV) 9 And they sung a new song, saying, Thou art worthy to take the book, and to open the seals thereof: for thou wast slain, and hast redeemed us to God by thy blood out of every kindred, and tongue, and people, and nation; 10 And hast made us unto our God kings and priests: and we shall reign on the earth.

The intention of certain Christian groups to encourage saints to occupy their allotments and stop running away from the public sphere was a good thing to do. But the ground norm of theology of dominionalism and the 7 Mountain strain a radical veering away from the biblical narrative of the Kingdom in favour of an opposite worldview where saints do whatever it takes to seize power and impose 'kingdom principles' on all the Mountains of Society. Littered all over the Mountains of society are carcasses of once fervent saints whose ambitions (not the will of Elohim) steered away from steadfastness in Yeshua. The outcome is that many adherents of that theology do not emphasise the reality of return of the Lord and its imminence! With that forgetfulness is a systemic

inability to preach and teach about the manifest Kingdom. Rather vigorous embrace of partisan politics and championing of Conservative values seem to displace conversations and consciousness of the Second Coming of Yeshua, Jesus.

Isaiah 42:19 (KJV) 19 Who is blind, but my servant? or deaf, as my messenger that I sent? who is blind as he that is perfect, and blind as the Lord's servant?

Matthew 15:14 (KJV) 14 Let them alone: they be blind leaders of the blind. And if the blind lead the blind, both shall fall into the ditch.

The existential crises of demographic shifts

Beyond the hype and noise of partisan politics and the intensity of the ideological divide, there is an existential crisis brewing in the United States of America. It is the crises of demographic shifts! This is perhaps the one fight that its gladiators are too shy to admit. Until you read between the lines of various reports, there will be no understanding. Of the three ultra Super powers in the world today, Russia and China have fairly homogeneous racial groups (with internal ethnicities). The other two powers right after them, United Kingdom and France also have dominant racial homogeneities (though immigration is bringing some levels of diversity). Let us also take note that Russia, China, United Kingdom and France are all ancient nations which have simply come from the distant past into the modern future. Of all of them, it is the United States that is essentially a young nation, founded officially on Fourth of July 1776 with the Declaration of Independence.

It is needful to remember that America is an immigrant nation. Before the nation came into being in its present form, there was an indigenous population of various people groups that are now called Native Americans. Before 1607 when Jamestown was established by the English in Virginia and 1620 when the Pilgrim Fathers established the Plymouth settlement in Massachusetts, various Native American Tribes flourished across America from as far north as Michigan to as

far south as Florida. The European infusion of immigrants introduced the first layer of the Iron and Clay analogy. Because the European immigrants decimated the Native population and corralled them into settlements, this picture was blurred,

Because its lingua Franca is essentially English, most people tend to forget that the foundation of America was a mixed multitude in terms of the various nationalities represented in the new nation (Feet of Iron and Clay). From the days of Amerigo Vespucci and Christopher Columbus, nationals of various European countries emigrated to the New World to the degree that what is now America was a joint emigration settlement of the English, Dutch (Hudson River/New York); French (Louisiana); Spanish (Texas, New Mexico, California, Nevada) and German. It is estimated by Wikipedia that between 1880 and 1924, more than 4 million Italians emigrated to the USA largely to escape poverty. During the same period over 4.5 million Irish emigrated to America largely to escape poverty.

Changing Demographics

Due to urbanisation, pursuit of career, low birth rate and abandonment of Kingdom principles of life, the European population – which drove the massive growth of the nation since the days before Independence in 1776 and thereafter till today – is in danger of decline. With that decline, many people of Caucasian origin fear that the nation will lose its preeminence and possibly atrophy. In the light of this conversation concerning the Feet of Iron and Clay, this Wikipedia entry is worthy of spiritual insight and analysis:

“The United States is the third most populous country in the world with an estimated population of 328,953,020 as of November 8, 2018.[1][3] It is highly urbanized, with 82.3% of the population residing in cities and suburbs.[2] Large urban clusters are spread throughout the eastern half of the United States (particularly the Great Lakes area, northeast, east, and

southeast) and the western tier states; mountainous areas, principally the Rocky Mountains and Appalachian chain, deserts in the southwest, the dense boreal forests in the extreme north, and the central prairie states are less densely populated; Alaska's population is concentrated along its southern coast - with particular emphasis on the city of Anchorage - and Hawaii's is centered on the island of Oahu.[2] California and Texas are the most populous states, as the mean center of U.S. population has consistently shifted westward and southward.[4][5] New York City is the most populous city in the United States.[6]

The United States Census Bureau shows a population increase of 0.75% for the twelve-month period ending in July 2012. Though high by industrialized country standards, this is below the world average annual rate of 1.1%.[7] The total fertility rate in the United States estimated for 2016 is 1.82 children per woman,[8][9] which is below the replacement fertility rate of approximately 2.1. The American population almost quadrupled during the 20th century—at a growth rate of about 1.3% a year—from about 76 million in 1900 to 281 million in 2000. It is estimated to have reached the 200 million mark in 1967, and the 300 million mark on October 17, 2006.[10][11] Population growth is fastest among minorities as a whole, and according to the Census Bureau's estimation for 2012, 50.4% of American children under the age of 1 belonged to racial and ethnic minority groups.[12]

White people constitute the majority of the U.S. population, with a total of about 245,532,000 or 77.7% of the population as of 2013. Non-Hispanic whites make up 62.6% of the country's population. The non-Hispanic white population of the US is expected to fall below 50% by 2045.[13] It has also been hypothesized in the

Huffington Post that the Hispanic population of the United States citizenry will become the majority ethnic group by 2060.[14] According to Pew Research Center study released in 2018, by 2040, Islam will surpass Judaism to become the second largest religion in the US due to higher immigration and birth rates.[15] Hispanic and Latino Americans accounted for 48% of the national population growth of 2.9 million between July 1, 2005, and July 1, 2006.[16] Immigrants and their U.S.-born descendants are expected to provide most of the U.S. population gains in the decades ahead.[17]

The Census Bureau projects a U.S. population of 417 million in 2060, a 38% increase from 2007 (301.3 million),[18] and the United Nations estimates the U.S. population will be 402 million in 2050, an increase of 32% from 2007.[19] In an official census report, it was reported that 54.4% (2,150,926 out of 3,953,593) of births in 2010 were non-Hispanic white. This represents an increase of 0.3% compared to the previous year, which was 54.1%” Proposed by Irish immigrants in 1986, the Visa lottery system has been responsible for 50,000 immigrants added to the nation each year. Coupled with chain migration (through family members of lawful residents and presence of diplomatic personnel from the UN and other nations, a situation has arisen whereby almost all tribes of the human family find space under the US sun.

The strong Roman Influence

The Feet of the world empire that will rule the earth when Yeshua would return to rule the earth is projected to comprise ‘Iron and Clay’ elements. The implication that it would have elements of Roman influence is clearly implied in Daniel 2:33-45. The Roman dominance in architecture of public buildings and national monuments is unmistakable (including Greek influence). From the White House to the Capitol; from the

Supreme Court to other national monuments, you would see Rome projected!

Equally significant is the fact that a nation which proceeded out of the belly of England chose Latin as the predominant language of making profound declarations that affect the nation. The unofficial Motto of the United States In the Latin phrase E pluribus unum (Latin for “Out of many, one”). This appears on the Great Seal of the Republic Annuit Coeptis (Latin for ‘he approves the undertaking). In the light of revelations in this course, the question of who the ‘he’ was referring to is apposite. The third phrase is even more telling: Novus Ordo Seclorum (Latin for “New Order of the ages”).

A Peculiar World Power like none before it.

Up to the period after the Azusa Street Revival, America was essentially an insular nation which minded its own business. It was World War 1 which projected German intransigence and sympathy with the English and French Allied powers which activated its emergence on the World stage. Barely 142 years old, the emergent global power was not like others before it in terms of colonising other nations. American dominance of the world followed another script. Let us endeavour to sketch out the profile.

1. **Military Might** – From the day America joined the Allied Powers, it projected military might on a scale well beyond the pay grade of European powers. It wasted no time to attain the status of World #.1 military superpower

Let us consider these statistics:

- Military Might by armed branches – 2,083,100
- Total Active Duty – 1,281,900
- Total Reserves – 801,200
- Paramilitary – 11, 035
- Infantry – 777,534
- Marines – 290,082
- Airforce – 524,130
- Navy – 419,037

2. Economic Power

- Industrial Might – 2nd largest GDP, at \$19.39 trillion in 2017
- Trade and Business – \$2.3 trillion in exports and \$2.9 trillion in imports of both goods and services

3. Soft Power – Cultural Influence

America rules the world through its strong cultural influence which sets the standard for others to follow.

- Arrowhead of representative democracy – ‘Leader of the free world’
- Western Culture is really American Culture
- Hollywood – Largest film market, with a \$10.4 billion gross box office revenue
- American Media drives the global news market– CNN, Fox, MSNBC, NBC, New York Times, Washington Post
- Silicon Valley rules the world – from Computing and Software such as Apple; Android, Artificial Intelligence

The 20th and 21st Centuries can rightly be termed an America world. Whether in Fashion, invention or perfection of most modern products. Despite these, the nation is bitterly divided. It seems to be a case of Divided States of America where Red and Blue States seem to be from other nations; where Conservatives and Liberals seem to be locked in a bitter unending moral equivalent of a Civil War. That low-level crises may well blow up towards new heights of tension when the new Congress (House of Representatives) which flipped in the November 2018 Mid Term elections flipped from Republican to Democratic. Yes, Major Prophets seem oblivious and are rather part of the problem, not the solution.

Assignment

(1). Please share 7 major lessons you learnt from this chapter

Chapter 12 Section C: Fulfilled Prophecies (1)

Fulfilled Biblical Prophecies concerning the End Times

Let us now lay out some explicit biblical prophecies which have already been fulfilled. We take no original credit for this exposition because several faithful Bible scholars and ministries have articulated various aspects of these realities over the past Century. Let us also note that because Israel is the hand of the Prophetic clock of Yahweh on earth, it is essential that saints watch and pray as things unfold in this unique nation that was set apart from all others! This section of our study is culled from the 2014 Compass of the Global Strategic Spiritual Estimates delivered at Open Gates Conference, London and has been duly updated.

#.1. The Outpouring of Holy Spirit in a universal sense

Elohim does nothing in the earth realm without the work of His Holy Spirit! In both the Old Covenant and New Testament texts, one single event that was prophesied as a Marker of End of the age is the outpouring of Holy Spirit.

Joel 2:28-29 (KJV) 28 And it shall come to pass afterward, that I will pour out my spirit upon all flesh; and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, your young men shall see visions: 29 And also upon the servants and upon the handmaids in those days will I pour out my spirit.

Acts 2:14-18 (KJV) 14 But Peter, standing up with the eleven, lifted up his voice, and said unto them, Ye men of Judaea, and all ye that dwell at Jerusalem, be this known unto you, and hearken to my words: 15 For these are not drunken, as ye suppose, seeing it is but the third hour of the day. 16 But this is that which was spoken by the prophet Joel; 17 And it shall come to pass in the last days, saith God, I will pour out of my Spirit upon all flesh: and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams: 18 And on my

servants and on my handmaidens I will pour out in those days of my Spirit; and they shall prophesy:

Take particular note of this Prophetic utterance by Peter signifying a future out pouring:

Acts 2:38-39 (KJV) 38 Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost. 39 For the promise is unto you, and to your children, and to all that are afar off, even as many as the Lord our God shall call.

Let us not forget that right from the first page of the Holy Scriptures, Holy Spirit played a key role in giving effect to the decision of Elohim to extend the Kingdom of heaven into the earth realm:

Genesis 1:1-3 (KJV) 1 In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth. 2 And the earth was without form, and void; and darkness was upon the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters. 3 And God said, Let there be light: and there was light.

Why was outpouring of Holy Spirit necessary before end of the age?

From the 4th Century and stretching across till the 16th human Governments had literarily speaking, ejected Yeshua, Jesus from His hallowed position as Groom and Head of His Church!! Starting from Rome between the 'conversion of Emperor Constantine, the edict of Milan he signed with Emperor Licinus of the Eastern half of the empire and 381 AD when Emperor Theodosius finally sealed the deal, the union of the Roman Empire and larger wing of the Church (which was weary with persecution and non-return of Yeshua) was effected. The Church descended into the age where Holy Spirit was literally speaking a non-issue in the organised Church. The Dark Ages of the Church had set in as men engaged in various dead works in the name of Christian Religion. Both His Light, Inspiration and Power were shut down while this

strange religious system was consolidated with human governments as patrons.

The Reformation flagged off by Martin Luther on October 31, 1517 did not dramatically alter this new reality of a new 'husband for the church'. Starting from Germany and across Europe, the powerful Emperors, Kings, Dukes and Princes more or less became either constitutional heads of their 'national churches' or patrons who influenced both directions and decisions of the churches they had influence over. In both the Roman Catholic and Protestant versions of Christianity, the emphasis was not on the will of Elohim performed in the strength and power of His Holy Spirit. Rather, the emphasis was on building better and bigger Churches which the laity flocked into on 'holy days' to experience a 'theatre themed performance' by the tiny professional male-dominated clergy who stood as mediators between a holy God and unholy people. True enough, at various times, Elohim laid hold of various persons and used them to stir up His Spirit within those who believed: John Knox, John and Charles Wesley, Smith Wigglesworth. But the truth was that their impact was either localised or easily diverted into building of denominations rather than preaching the gospel of the Kingdom.

Azusa Street: Beginning of the End

At Azusa Street on April 12, 1906, both the prophecies by Joel and Peter referenced earlier in this chapter were fulfilled. Because of racial sentiments, most Bible Scholars have been unable to establish the full uniqueness of Azusa Street. The reason is simple: it takes specific revelation granted by Elohim to comprehend the reality that it was here that Elohim made space for the mantle for a critical Dispensation in the gospel to be released on the redeemed out of Ham, in this case William Seymour, a preacher who came to Los Angeles with a visage (one bad eye and scarred face) reprehensible to many. It was this unlikely offspring of Ham that Elohim chose to be instrumental in activating a revival which affected the whole world.

Significance of Azusa Street in the spiritual sphere

It is noteworthy that before Azusa Street, there had been various vessels Elohim poured out His Spirit on, including the pre-eminent preacher of the time, Charles F. Parham and others who experienced the Tophoka Outpouring of 1901. There had been outpourings of Holy Spirit in Wales, Hebrides and in several cities and nations but non impacted the world in the way Azusa Street did. It was not until William Seymour received the blessing however that the Pentecostal Movement exploded and became a global phenomenon.

Significance of Azusa Street in the 'secular sphere'

The Azusa Street revival was in a sense a fulfilment of what Peter declared in Acts 2: 16-21. In a sense, such an event was to be the beginning of the end times in a way that can only be fully appreciated when these things that followed are understood and appreciated.

1914. World War I or the Great War (Wars and Rumours of wars on a global scale)

1917. The Boleshevik Revolution which turned Russia from a Monarchy to the mother of Communism

1917. Jerusalem was recaptured by British Soldiers led by General Allenby

1919. April 6. United States which had run an insular foreign policy finally emerged on the world scene as a Man Child with a Big voice and a Big stick

1929. The Wall Street Crash and the Great Depression

1939-1945. World War II

1945. Birth of the United Nations, one of the potential Feet of Iron mixed with Clay

1948. Israel is re-born on May 14 after over 1,640 years of living scattered over the face of the earth.

1950. The Schuman Declaration followed by European Declaration (1951) and Treaty of Rome which established the European Economic Community in 1958) were all precursors to the formal birth of the European Union in 1992. The EU is also one of the 3 potential candidates of the Feet of Iron mixed

with Clay. Azusa Street in effect flagged off a series of high impact events of global significance. These include Wars and Rumours of Wars; Earthquakes and several Natural Phenomena which all were signs of the End Times.

#1. Emergence of the Feet of Iron and Clay Empire

In the dream that Nebuchadnezzar had which Daniel interpreted, it was explicitly revealed that a certain kind of empire without cohesion would be the prevailing power on earth when the Messiah would come from heaven to set up the Kingdom:

Daniel 2:33-35, 41-45 (KJV) 33 His legs of iron, his feet part of iron and part of clay. 34 Thou sawest till that a stone was cut out without hands, which smote the image upon his feet that were of iron and clay, and brake them to pieces. 35 Then was the iron, the clay, the brass, the silver, and the gold, broken to pieces together, and became like the chaff of the summer threshing floors; and the wind carried them away, that no place was found for them: and the stone that smote the image became a great mountain, and filled the whole earth.

41 And whereas thou sawest the feet and toes, part of potters' clay, and part of iron, the kingdom shall be divided; but there shall be in it of the strength of the iron, forasmuch as thou sawest the iron mixed with miry clay. 42 And as the toes of the feet were part of iron, and part of clay, so the kingdom shall be partly strong, and partly broken. 43 And whereas thou sawest iron mixed with miry clay, they shall mingle themselves with the seed of men: but they shall not cleave one to another, even as iron is not mixed with clay. 44 And in the days of these kings shall the God of heaven set up a kingdom, which shall never be destroyed: and the kingdom shall not be left to other people, but it shall break in pieces and consume all these kingdoms, and it shall stand for ever. 45 Forasmuch as thou sawest that

the stone was cut out of the mountain without hands, and that it brake in pieces the iron, the brass, the clay, the silver, and the gold; the great God hath made known to the king what shall come to pass hereafter: and the dream is certain, and the interpretation thereof sure.

As was extensively noted in the previous parts of this presentation, the United Nations, European Union and United States fit neatly into profile of the last kingdom on earth when King Yeshua will return to restore the Kingdom. Whether the final form of the world power will be any, some or all of them combined is something we have no final word. He Who knows all things will yet unfold more to saints who are watching, praying and are occupying for the King. Whatever final shape this kingdom will take, it may produce the anti-Christ and be chief instigator of the final torment Hebrews and Israel will face on this side of eternity which will occasion return of Yeshua, Jesus to save His people from annihilation.

Assignment

(1). In what ways did the Azusa Street Revival differ from all others?

Chapter 13 Fulfilled Prophecies concerning Ingathering of Israel

Fulfilled and unfolding prophecies concerning Israel and Hebrews as a people

In a clear, uncomplicated manner, Elohim elected Israel as the hand piece of His prophetic clock in the earth realm. To understand the End Times, the starting point is to understand how Israel is ordained to be right in the middle of things in the earth realm. No other people group has had this extraordinary privilege where Elohim, finding nothing else to swear by, swore by Himself to bless His friend Abraham and his off springs.

Genesis 12:1-3, 7 (KJV) 1 Now the Lord had said unto Abram, Get thee out of thy country, and from thy kindred, and from thy father's house, unto a land that I will shew thee: 2 And I will make of thee a great nation, and I will bless thee, and make thy name great; and thou shalt be a blessing: 3 And I will bless them that bless thee, and curse him that curseth thee: and in thee shall all families of the earth be blessed.

7 And the Lord appeared unto Abram, and said, Unto thy seed will I give this land: and there builded he an altar unto the Lord, who appeared unto him.

Over 430 years later, Elohim expanded the prophetic blessing in a profound way: The Hebrews would be His peculiar treasure and Kingdom of priests throughout the earth realm!

Exodus 19:3-6 (KJV) 3 And Moses went up unto God, and the Lord called unto him out of the mountain, saying, Thus shalt thou say to the house of Jacob, and tell the children of Israel; 4 Ye have seen what I did unto the Egyptians, and how I bare you on eagles' wings, and brought you unto myself. 5 Now therefore, if ye will obey my voice indeed, and keep my covenant, then ye shall be a peculiar treasure unto me above all people: for all

the earth is mine: 6 And ye shall be unto me a kingdom of priests, and an holy nation. These are the words which thou shalt speak unto the children of Israel.

1. Return of Hebrews to their own Homeland from where they will never be uprooted again.

In the course of history, Israel has suffered domination, colonialism and captivity to these empires: Egypt and Assyria. As indicated in Daniel 2, the world and Israel suffered subjugation by Babylon, Medo-Persia, Greco-Macedonia and Rome. During this period, the only time when Judah functioned as a Sovereign entity was the 108 years of the Hasmonean dynasty. This followed the victory of the Maccabean guerrillas over the superior armies of Antiochus IV Epiphanes who was the first anti-Christ figure. Some of the persecutions like that of the Romans was so intense that Hebrews were branded as terrorists and trouble-makers who were expelled from the city of Rome! Their religion was decimated with the destruction of the Temple in AD 70 by the armies of General Titus.

In this state, Israel became 'lost' as a nation as Hebrews scattered world-wide, making the best out of captivity by prospering in various nations to the envy and cyclical persecution of them as a people. In their wanderings among the nations, a number of strategic prophecies were waiting to be fulfilled, chief among them being the day Israel will become not just a nation again but also one whose security would be personally guaranteed by Elohim. This new Israel would subsist as a nation, in spite of all attempts of the Gentiles to destroy it until the day Yeshua Ha Mashiach Who they rejected returns in glory to restore the Blessed Kingdom of Elohim in the earth realm with Jerusalem as His capital city! In effect, one of the signs of the End of the age was to be the return of Jews to Israel to live in a sovereign nation as their homeland where some of the critical signposts of the return of the King would emanate from.

Amos 9:11-15 (KJV) 11 In that day will I raise up the tabernacle of David that is fallen, and close up the breaches thereof; and I will raise up his ruins, and I will build it as in the days of old: 12 That they may possess the remnant of Edom, and of all the heathen, which are called by my name, saith the Lord that doeth this. 13 Behold, the days come, saith the Lord, that the plowman shall overtake the reaper, and the treader of grapes him that soweth seed; and the mountains shall drop sweet wine, and all the hills shall melt. 14 And I will bring again the captivity of my people of Israel, and they shall build the waste cities, and inhabit them; and they shall plant vineyards, and drink the wine thereof; they shall also make gardens, and eat the fruit of them. 15 And I will plant them upon their land, and they shall no more be pulled up out of their land which I have given them, saith the Lord thy God.

Ezekiel 37:1-14 (KJV) 1 The hand of the Lord was upon me, and carried me out in the spirit of the Lord, and set me down in the midst of the valley which was full of bones, 2 And caused me to pass by them round about: and, behold, there were very many in the open valley; and, lo, they were very dry. 3 And he said unto me, Son of man, can these bones live? And I answered, O Lord God, thou knowest. 4 Again he said unto me, Prophecy upon these bones, and say unto them, O ye dry bones, hear the word of the Lord. 5 Thus saith the Lord God unto these bones; Behold, I will cause breath to enter into you, and ye shall live: 6 And I will lay sinews upon you, and will bring up flesh upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and ye shall live; and ye shall know that I am the Lord. 7 So I prophesied as I was commanded: and as I prophesied, there was a noise, and behold a shaking, and the bones came together, bone to his bone. 8 And when I beheld, lo, the sinews and the flesh came up upon them, and the

skin covered them above: but there was no breath in them. 9 Then said he unto me, Prophecy unto the wind, prophecy, son of man, and say to the wind, Thus saith the Lord God; Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live. 10 So I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood up upon their feet, an exceeding great army. 11 Then he said unto me, Son of man, these bones are the whole house of Israel: behold, they say, Our bones are dried, and our hope is lost: we are cut off for our parts. 12 Therefore prophecy and say unto them, Thus saith the Lord God; Behold, O my people, I will open your graves, and cause you to come up out of your graves, and bring you into the land of Israel. 13 And ye shall know that I am the Lord, when I have opened your graves, O my people, and brought you up out of your graves, 14 And shall put my spirit in you, and ye shall live, and I shall place you in your own land: then shall ye know that I the Lord have spoken it, and performed it, saith the Lord.

The 20th Century

Looking back at the 20th century, it is obvious that it was to be one of the most significant seasons for fulfilment of Biblical prophecies concerning the end times generally and one in which Israel was to become a clear signpost. The Azusa Street revival took place in 1906 (an event of extreme prophetic significance which fitted into the prophecy of Peter after the first Pentecost in Acts 2:38-39; Acts 3:19-21). This was followed by World War I, which marked beginning of fulfilment of another prophecy about wars and rumours of wars (Matthew 24:6). Thereafter, a number of things happened by the Finger of Elohim which led to fulfilment of prophecy! Prophecy was decisively proved as history written in advance! These include:

- The dramatic nature of the capture of Jerusalem from the Othman Turks by British forces led by General Allenby in December 1917;
- the strategic value of the Balfour Declaration in 1919;
- With the deft diplomacy of Britain which exercised at the League of Nations and later UN mandate over Transjordan and with active cooperation from the United States, the nation of Israel was reborn on May 1948 after nearly two millennia in captivity to the Babylon, Medo-Persian; Greco-Macedonian, the Seleucid and Roman Empires was in fulfilment of this prophecy:

Isaiah 66:7-9 (KJV) 7 Before she travailed, she brought forth; before her pain came, she was delivered of a man child. 8 Who hath heard such a thing? who hath seen such things? Shall the earth be made to bring forth in one day? or shall a nation be born at once? for as soon as Zion travailed, she brought forth her children. 9 Shall I bring to the birth, and not cause to bring forth? saith the Lord: shall I cause to bring forth, and shut the womb? saith thy God.

2. Restoration of the Pure Hebrew Language

With the dispersal of Hebrews and their being forced to assimilate the cultures and languages of their oppressors, their national language, Hebrew was among the 'dead' languages of the world (extinct). Since Israel was reborn in 1948, by a miracle of Yahweh and diligence of Zionists, the language is alive and used world-wide and is lingua franca of the nation of Israel.

Zephaniah 3:9 (KJV) 9 For then will I turn to the people a pure language, that they may all call upon the name of the Lord, to serve him with one consent.

3. Return of Jews from the North land – Russia and world-wide

Jeremiah 23:7-8 (KJV) 7 Therefore, behold, the days come, saith the Lord, that they shall no more say, The

Lord liveth, which brought up the children of Israel out of the land of Egypt; 8 But, The Lord liveth, which brought up and which led the seed of the house of Israel out of the north country, and from all countries whither I had driven them; and they shall dwell in their own land.

This prophetic sign was fulfilled with the mass Exodus of Hebrews from the 70's through the 90's. Beyond Russia, a large number of Hebrews worldwide annually opt for Aliyah or return to the homeland from even the wealthy nations like the United States and Europe.

4. Return of Ethiopian Jews

Even the airlifting of Ethiopian Jews back to Israel in Operation Moses(15,000 in 1984) and Operation Solomon (20,000 in 1991) were all part of prophecy counting down to end of the age.

Zephaniah 3:10 (KJV) 10 From beyond the rivers of Ethiopia my suppliants, even the daughter of my dispersed, shall bring mine offering.

5. The final Temple Project

A key marker of prophecy for the end times reveals that the anti-Christ will defile a Temple in Jerusalem in the middle of a seven-year period. Right now, no such Temple is available in Israel. In AD 70 General Titus utterly destroyed the Second Temple rebuilt and expensively decorated by King Herod. To make it literarily impossible for this final temple to be, the Muslim Caliph Umar built the Third Holiest Mosque of Islam, the Dome on the Rock on top of many generally believed to be the Temple Mount. From a human point of view, these prophecies about a Temple in that location seemed impossible:

Daniel 7:20-27 (KJV) 20 And of the ten horns that were in his head, and of the other which came up, and before whom three fell; even of that horn that had eyes, and a mouth that spake very great things, whose look was more stout than his fellows. 21 I beheld, and the same horn made war with the saints, and prevailed

against them; 22 Until the Ancient of days came, and judgment was given to the saints of the most High; and the time came that the saints possessed the kingdom. 23 Thus he said, The fourth beast shall be the fourth kingdom upon earth, which shall be diverse from all kingdoms, and shall devour the whole earth, and shall tread it down, and break it in pieces. 24 And the ten horns out of this kingdom are ten kings that shall arise: and another shall rise after them; and he shall be diverse from the first, and he shall subdue three kings. 25 And he shall speak great words against the most High, and shall wear out the saints of the most High, and think to change times and laws: and they shall be given into his hand until a time and times and the dividing of time. 26 But the judgment shall sit, and they shall take away his dominion, to consume and to destroy it unto the end. 27 And the kingdom and dominion, and the greatness of the kingdom under the whole heaven, shall be given to the people of the saints of the most High, whose kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and all dominions shall serve and obey him.

Daniel 9:27 (KJV) 27 And he shall confirm the covenant with many for one week: and in the midst of the week he shall cause the sacrifice and the oblation to cease, and for the overspreading of abominations he shall make it desolate, even until the consummation, and that determined shall be poured upon the desolate.

Matthew 24:15 (KJV) 15 When ye therefore shall see the abomination of desolation, spoken of by Daniel the prophet, stand in the holy place, (whoso readeth, let him understand:)

2 Thessalonians 2:3-10 (KJV) 3 Let no man deceive you by any means: for that day shall not come, except there come a falling away first, and that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition; 4 Who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called God, or that is

worshipped; so that he as God sitteth in the temple of God, shewing himself that he is God. 5 Remember ye not, that, when I was yet with you, I told you these things? 6 And now ye know what withholdeth that he might be revealed in his time. 7 For the mystery of iniquity doth already work: only he who now letteth will let, until he be taken out of the way. 8 And then shall that Wicked be revealed, whom the Lord shall consume with the spirit of his mouth, and shall destroy with the brightness of his coming: 9 Even him, whose coming is after the working of Satan with all power and signs and lying wonders, 10 And with all deceivableness of unrighteousness in them that perish; because they received not the love of the truth, that they might be saved.

As these prophecies reveal the need for the Temple will arise possibly after rapture of the Church and ascendancy of the Anti-Christ. Because of Israeli expertise in Construction, Technology and the emphasis on pre-fabrication of components, such a massive undertaking can be accomplished within that time frame.

Within Israel, certain critical developments that are precursors to the rebuilding of the Temple where the abomination which makes desolate will occur are taking place with speed:

- 5.1.** Contender Ministries reported that some archaeologists believe the Temple Mount is actually 340 feet south of the Dome on the Rock. From their postulation, the Islamic Mosque is actually located in the Court of the Gentiles! In any case, no one as yet knows how the final status negotiations between Israel and Palestine will affect possible demarcation of Jerusalem; neither do we know if the United Nations may partition Jerusalem between Hebrews and Arabs or even permission for Judaism to have its Temple sharing same grounds as the Mosque as

a symbol of peace between two enemies and their separate religions!

- 5.2. No one should discount the possibility that a new Temple may not necessarily be rebuilt on the site where the Dome on the Rock stands.
- 5.3. A Temple Institute has been fully activated. Here, all preparations are in full gear for restoration of the Levitical priesthood. People whose genealogies were traced to the tribe of Levi have been identified through DNA testing, selected and have received full training in the Levitical Priesthood. Even a High Priest has been enthroned. Vestments for priests and Levites are being prepared. Through study of the Torah and Traditions, the rites of the priesthood are being studied and tested including method of animal sacrifices! Kosher grade Anointing oil for the Menorah which will illuminate the Holiest of Holies has been produced.
- 5.4. Availability of a Red Heifer for the first time in nearly 2000 years.

According to the Book of Numbers, the item of sacrifice required in purification rites inside the Temple is a red heifer. For the first time in nearly 2000 years, a Red Heifer is believed to be finally available.

Numbers 19:2-7 (KJV) 2 This is the ordinance of the law which the Lord hath commanded, saying, Speak unto the children of Israel, that they bring thee a red heifer without spot, wherein is no blemish, and upon which never came yoke: 3 And ye shall give her unto Eleazar the priest, that he may bring her forth without the camp, and one shall slay her before his face: 4 And Eleazar the priest shall take of her blood with his finger, and sprinkle of her blood directly before the tabernacle of the congregation seven times: 5 And one shall burn the heifer in his sight; her skin, and her flesh, and her blood, with her dung, shall he burn: 6 And the priest shall take cedar wood, and hyssop, and scarlet, and cast

it into the midst of the burning of the heifer. 7 Then the priest shall wash his clothes , and he shall bathe his flesh in water, and afterward he shall come into the camp, and the priest shall be unclean until the even.

- 5.5** Israel shall have a soured relationship with a world power that they need to make peace within the end times. (Unfulfilled but the conditions for manifestation are in place!) The temple that is being assembled for building will not be for the benefit of Yahweh for Whom all sacrifices ceased with the Ultimate Blood sacrifice of Yeshua. That temple is what the global personality, the anti-Christ will defile in the abomination of desolation as both Daniel 9 and Matthew 24 reveal.

Of this world power, we know from Prophecies in Daniel that he will proceed from the rump of the Old Roman Empire (possibly with a strong European root/genealogy) just like the first anti-Christ figure, Antiochus IV Epiphannes proceeded from the rump of the Greco-Macedonian empire (the Seleucid kingdom). Nobody has been able to say particularly whether this world ruler will emerge from USA; EU or the UN.

6. Israel and Hebrews are hated of all Gentiles who will seek to conspire to blot it out!

To a large extent, this has been the lot of Israel over the centuries and millennia. The recovery of Israel as a nation in 1948 and Jerusalem as its capital after the 6 days war in 1967 were part of the fulfilment of a prophecy whose final chapter is in the days ahead when the Gentiles will mass against Israel to finish the job.

Luke 21:24 (KJV) 24 And they shall fall by the edge of the sword, and shall be led away captive into all nations: and Jerusalem shall be trodden down of the Gentiles, until the times of the Gentiles be fulfilled.

Among others, these are factors driving anti-Semitism world-wide:

- 6.1.** Jealousy and Envy over their successes as a people and nation

- 6.2.** As the world tends towards secular humanism and liberal values overtake Judeo Christian ethos, sympathy for Israel in world affairs continues to be eroded and may evaporate. The affinity of nations and peoples will be lost and replaced with hostility.
- 6.3.** The tide will turn against Israel in the protracted Israeli-Palestinian crises. World public opinion is now swayed against Israel as satellite TV, cable and social media focus not on the attacks against the nation, but what is perceived as its heavy-handed retaliatory strikes. The images of collateral damages involving civilian casualties, especially children and such soft assets as schools and hospitals has been causing massive revulsion.
- 6.4.** With Palestinian accession to the International Criminal Court April 1, 2015 and possible pursuit of indictment of Israeli Generals, soldiers, politicians and national leaders, another dangerous front against the nation opened in the war by Gentile nations.
- 6.5.** The increasingly liberal-tilted media will continue to spin anti-Israeli rhetoric without necessarily meaning to.
- 6.6.** The consequent isolation of Israel which is surrounded by hostile neighbours who are sworn to its destruction will create a climate of insecurity:
 - Lebanon is virtually controlled by Hezbollah. Across the Mediterranean is a new fiercely Islamic Turkey led by President Edrojan, totally different from the secular nation it was a few years ago.
 - An imploding Syria is infested with Iranian elements, Islamic State, Hezbollah and a rump of Assad's Alawite forces;
 - Jordan has been under pressure to disconnect from Israel;
 - Iraq for many years has under the sway of Iran
 - The Islamic Republic of Iran is believed to be covertly pursuing nuclear capability with passion amidst public

declarations which deny Israel the right to exist as a nation.

- The highly volatile Gaza city with a network of terror tunnels below the surface is now seen by many as an existential threat to Israel.
- It is by Divine providence that Egypt to the south is now quiet with the 2014 overthrow of the government of former President Morsi of the Muslim Brotherhood and ascension of General Al Sisi as President.
- It is with divine providence that Saudi Arabia - the oil rich home of Wahabbism and the Sunni sect in Islam has an aged leader, King Salman whose son Mohammed Bin Salman exercises much domestic and foreign policy power.
- With a new President with possibly the most pro-Israeli policies and personnel in the person of President Donald Trump, a new phase of excellent relationship and security seems to have opened.
- With the brutal murder of Washington Post writer Jamal Khashoggi and President Trump's insistence to protect his relationship with Saudi Arabia, a whole new dynamic has come into the mix: America is now protector of both Israel and the House of Saud. With the strong influence Saudi Arabia has over the Islamic world, the real possibility of a Peace treaty between Israel and the Palestinians is now upgraded to A+ level.

Assignment

(1). Please explain at least 4 of the developments concerning Israel as a nation which fulfilled Biblical Prophecy concerning the End Times.

(2). Why is Israel seemingly in a perpetual state of animosity with its neighbours?

Chapter 14 Fulfilled Biblical Prophecies and those unfolding in this generation - Part B

In the daily grind of life, there is a strong tendency for many people to be distracted. The need to earn money to sponsor preferred lifestyles will induce a state of life in which Biblical prophecies may not be discerned when they are unfolding. The result is that as with the world, so shall it be with those who may be in the physical Church but are not watchful and prayerful who allow backslidden Prophets to confuse their mindsets.

2 Peter 3: 3-4 (KJV) 3 Knowing this first, that there shall come in the last days scoffers, walking after their own lusts, 4 And saying, Where is the promise of his coming? for since the fathers fell asleep, all things continue as they were from the beginning of the creation.

Let the remnant be fully persuaded that if we have robust relationships with Elohim based on the sovereign rule of Yeshua and intimate communion with Holy Spirit, the Word will come alive and we shall know how seemingly ordinary developments across the world are truly manifestations of prophecies in the Holy Scriptures. In this way, that Day shall not overtake us as a thief as it will do to others.

1 Thessalonians 5:1-9 (KJV) 1 But of the times and the seasons, brethren, ye have no need that I write unto you. 2 For yourselves know perfectly that the day of the Lord so cometh as a thief in the night. 3 For when they shall say, Peace and safety; then sudden destruction cometh upon them, as travail upon a woman with child; and they shall not escape. 4 But ye, brethren, are not in darkness, that that day should overtake you as a thief. 5 Ye are all the children of light, and the children of the day: we are not of the night, nor of darkness. 6 Therefore let us not sleep, as do others; but let us watch and be sober. 7 For they that sleep sleep in the night;

and they that be drunken are drunken in the night. 8 But let us, who are of the day, be sober, putting on the breastplate of faith and love; and for an helmet, the hope of salvation. 9 For God hath not appointed us to wrath, but to obtain salvation by our Lord Jesus Christ, When we are truly awake, Holy Spirit will show us how seemingly isolated and insignificant developments are actual manifestations of fulfilled biblical prophecies. Let us continue to stay awake as we examine some of them.

#2. The Resurrection of Russia as a world Power and its revived vibrant Foreign Policy.

When the Soviet Union collapsed in 1991, it appeared the Superpower status it attained was compromised. By the time first elected President of Russia Boris Yeltsin presided over an economic liberalization programme, the social and economic superstructure was affected by massive capital flight and resultant poverty. To many, Russia was finished. Something strange happened when President Boris abruptly resigned and handed over power to his then newly appointed Prime Minister, former KGB (Spy) Chief Vladimir Putin on December 31, 1999. Putin went on to win the 2000 Presidential election. What has happened since then is nothing short of supernatural! Within 18 years, Russia has fully regained its Super Power role. Russia played a key role in five major geopolitical decisions and projects affecting Israel:

- Russia is now the de-facto power in Syria, the northern neighbour of Israel. Its entry into the Syrian Civil war decisively turned the tide in strengthening the hand of President Bashir Al Assad. Negotiations between Russia, EU, US and UN which lead to destruction of the Chemical weapons stockpiled by the Government of Syria.
- Negotiations between the P5+1 nations and Iran concerning its nuclear programme, in spite of Israeli objections. (P5+1 means 5 Permanent members of the

Security Council USA, UK, France, Russia, China plus Germany).

- It is a major supplier of arms directly or indirectly to most Arab and Palestinian groups opposed to Israel including Syria, Hezbollah and Hamas.
- Among the neighbours of Israel, Russia today has direct or indirect leverage on Syria; Lebanon and Gaza. Through possible trade off with Iran, Russia can influence direction of Iraq whose borders are not far from Israel
- Russia played it most strategic hand in its brazen interference with the 2016 US Presidential elections. Its expectations of pro-Russian policies in America have not materialized but the deed is already done and what is perhaps the most staunch ally of Israel in the World is now in place in the form of the Trump administration.

With 17.05 million square kilometers brimming with energy and mineral resources, Russia is the largest country on earth and world's 9th most populous (143million people). It is appropriately cited as part of Eurasia because it straddles nine time zones in Europe and Asia. It also shares a border with North America. The robust foreign policies of the Vladimir Putin government executed by its Foreign Minister Sergey Lavlov has led to massive direct and indirect investments in some African nations.

That these things have led to a resurrected Russian full of power fits into what scripture paints of this nation and a confederation it will lead against Israel in the last day – including Turkey whose President, Recep Erdogan has resurrected its fortunes to become a midlevel world power. The transitions of Turkey from a secular bastion to an Islamic republic has baffled many people. When prophecy comes to play, there is no confusion at all.

Ezekiel 38:1-8 (KJV) 1 And the word of the Lord came unto me, saying, 2 Son of man, set thy face against Gog, the land of Magog, the chief prince of Meshech and

Tubal, and prophesy against him, 3 And say, Thus saith the Lord God; Behold, I am against thee, O Gog, the chief prince of Meshech and Tubal: 4 And I will turn thee back, and put hooks into thy jaws, and I will bring thee forth, and all thine army, horses and horsemen, all of them clothed with all sorts of armour, even a great company with bucklers and shields, all of them handling swords: 5 Persia, Ethiopia, and Libya with them; all of them with shield and helmet: 6 Gomer, and all his bands; the house of Togarmah of the north quarters, and all his bands: and many people with thee. 7 Be thou prepared, and prepare for thyself, thou, and all thy company that are assembled unto thee, and be thou a guard unto them. 8 After many days thou shalt be visited: in the latter years thou shalt come into the land that is brought back from the sword, and is gathered out of many people, against the mountains of Israel, which have been always waste: but it is brought forth out of the nations, and they shall dwell safely all of them.

In 2014, Russia began a series of geo-political maneuvers to establish itself as a nation to watch:

- It invaded and annexed Crimea and thereby forcibly re-drew the map of Europe on the basis that might is right.
- It has been engaged in an undeclared war with the nation of Ukraine for daring to get outside its political, economic and social loop. With this development, Prophecy watchers sense that the Russia which will play a robust role in events counting down to the end of the age has emerged!

Among the powerful men on earth today, President Vladimir Putin ranks among the top 3 (Vladimir Putin; Donald Trump & Xi Jing Ping). He has at his disposal one of the largest military forces in the world which is highly motivated to advance Russian interests.

#3. Rise of China and its vast Military that can produce the 200 million army.

We are to take the Word of our Father in the Bible with seriousness and discern how they apply to our generation. In the Book of Revelation, there is information which puzzled Bible scholars over the years. It is the existence of a 200 million man army which will march across the Euphrates to execute wrath on the earth.

Revelation 9:13-16 (KJV) 13 And the sixth angel sounded, and I heard a voice from the four horns of the golden altar which is before God, 14 Saying to the sixth angel which had the trumpet, Loose the four angels which are bound in the great river Euphrates. 15 And the four angels were loosed, which were prepared for an hour, and a day, and a month, and a year, for to slay the third part of men. 16 And the number of the army of the horsemen were two hundred thousand thousand: and I heard the number of them.

The army described here may well be supernatural beings. But from a practical point of view, it should be noted that China today is the only nation on earth which can field 200 million soldiers out of a population of 1.3 billion people! With massive investments powered by rapid growth, the Chinese defence industry is today a behemoth, producing weapons that dazzle! Having sucked in the wealth of the Western world through outsourced industrial production and acquisition of precious minerals, China has great wealth it has invested to produce one of the most dazzling Military-Industrial complexes with weaponry to back up its global commercial clout. Its aggressive actions in the South China sea reflect this reality.

From building a new canal in Nicaragua which will compete with the American influenced Panama Canal to building Air ports, Sea Ports and strategic investments in agriculture and acquiring mineral concessions in the Third World, China has effectively displaced the West in many parts of the world.

Further to what we have examined so far, there are more biblical prophecies which are either unfolding or have been fulfilled in this generation. The idea is not to panic but to rejoice in the Lord Who has left us clear signs to know end of the age and to prepare accordingly by His Grace.

#4. Rejection of Judeo-Christian values and deconstruction of morality

For nearly two millennia, the Christian gospel message acted as Salt and Light which catalysed a moral climate based on Judeo-Christian values and ethics. With the last 50 years, the world came around to a state of rejecting those same Judeo-Christian values which constituted the moral fibre of nations. Even in Western nations, the predominant preference in the current era is for moral life to be personal, private and therefore subjective. In this setting even courts have interpreted provisions of liberty in national constitutions as one where citizens should live as they please. With this development, the prophecy of King Yeshua that life on earth when He returns will be like the days of Noah when people were distracted with pleasures of life has been proved true.

Matthew 24:37-39 (KJV) 37 But as the days of Noah were, so shall also the coming of the Son of man be. 38 For as in the days that were before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day that Noe entered into the ark, 39 And knew not until the flood came, and took them all away; so shall also the coming of the Son of man be.

Luke 17:26-28 (KJV) 26 And as it was in the days of Noe, so shall it be also in the days of the Son of man. 27 They did eat, they drank, they married wives, they were given in marriage, until the day that Noah entered into the ark, and the flood came, and destroyed them all. 28 Likewise also as it was in the days of Lot; they did eat, they drank, they bought, they sold, they planted, they builded;

1 Timothy 4:1-2 (KJV) 1 Now the Spirit speaketh expressly, that in the latter times some shall depart from the faith, giving heed to seducing spirits, and doctrines of devils; 2 Speaking lies in hypocrisy; having their conscience seared with a hot iron;

2 Timothy 3:1-5 (KJV) 1 This know also, that in the last days perilous times shall come. 2 For men shall be lovers of their own selves, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy, 3 Without natural affection, trucebreakers, false accusers, incontinent, fierce, despisers of those that are good, 4 Traitors, heady, highminded, lovers of pleasures more than lovers of God; 5 Having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof: from such turn away.

#5. Accelerated preparation for the Cashless Economy of Ultimate Control of people

In Genesis 10:8-10, Nimrod was described as a 'mighty hunter' before the Lord. He was not a hunter of animals but the soul of humans who he controlled away from Elohim to do his bidding. He inspired humans to disobey the command to increase, multiply and fill the earth (Genesis 1:26-29) and rather sought to build Babel and reach to where the Most High was. The same principle is at work as humans are feverishly labouring to create a New World Order. In this new world order advanced by powerful shadowy movements and organizations, certain basic infrastructures are being put in place systematically. These include:

5.1. The Post Privacy world/Surveillance Systems – Privacy which has been taken for granted as part of fundamental human rights has gradually given way to a world where there is none. The capacity to snoop on all things said and done by citizens is now in active deployment by many Governments. The need to secure nations against external threats will increase the case for effective surveillance systems. The revelations of Edward Snowden on the US National Security Agency

reveals that the system is far more advanced than imagined. Even great nations like Germany and France have been shocked at the capacity of America to know virtually all things about their leaders and national institutions!

5.2. The Welfare State – This system was first perfected in Egypt under Pharaoh, in the days of Joseph. When Governments provide all the needs of the citizens, it basically owns them. If Government owns them, the paradigm of relationship shifts from servant to master with whoever sits on top of the pyramid as the ultimate owner of all citizens! An increasing number of people in advanced nations are ‘owned’ by their governments and they are subject to institutions of state more than to Elohim!

5.3. Advances in Biometrics; RFIDS and VeriChip. - In different parts of the world, the need for security and also a cashless economy is driving a process which has led to development of Radio Frequency

Identification Devices. These devices can store all vital data of people in a tiny chip which can be implanted under the skin. It is possible to have blood group information; financial records, police records and indeed all relevant things to enable positive identification. In an emergent new world order advanced by powerful shadowy movements and organizations, certain basic infrastructures are being put in place systematically. Let us never forget that Scripture is prophecy and prophecy is history written in advance. The world including many saints who are not watchful or who are ignorant of what the Word says about these unfolding technologies will hail them as the march of civilization.

The world and sleeping saints will embrace these technologies as vital steps toward a cashless economy which will boost security. Let this truth of where the world is heading in terms of Economics and Technology challenge you to watch and pray:

Revelation 13:16-18 (KJV) 16 And he causeth all, both small and great, rich and poor, free and bond, to receive a mark in their right hand, or in their foreheads 17 And that no man might buy or sell, save he that had the mark, or the name of the beast, or the number of his name. 18 Here is wisdom. Let him that hath understanding count the number of the beast: for it is the number of a man; and his number is Six hundred threescore and six.

Revelation 14:9-11 (KJV) 9 And the third angel followed them, saying with a loud voice, If any man worship the beast and his image, and receive his mark in his forehead, or in his hand, 10 The same shall drink of the wine of the wrath of God, which is poured out without mixture into the cup of his indignation; and he shall be tormented with fire and brimstone in the presence of the holy angels, and in the presence of the Lamb: 11 And the smoke of their torment ascendeth up for ever and ever: and they have no rest day nor night, who worship the beast and his image, and whosoever receiveth the mark of his name.

The Mark of the Beast is now a feasible project, meaning that all things that the anti-Christ will use to control and lead people to eternal perdition are now a reality. Time is indeed short! Let us take note of this post by Pastor Runner of Texas in order to understand how practical needs of modern man may drive fulfilment/emergence of some things prophesied to manifest in the end times:

Sweden based office plants RFID chips under skin in hand! By ANDREW GRIFFIN Friday 30 January 2015. A new Swedish office block is implanting the workers inside of it with computer chips under their skin, rather than issuing them with ID cards. The small radio-frequency identification (RFID) chips are pushed under the skin in the hand, and can then be used to open doors or use the photocopier. The chips have been

offered to the 400 people that have signed up to the Epicenter hi-tech office block in Sweden. That now includes the BBC's technology reporter Rory Cellan-Jones, who said that when a tattooist put it in there "was a moment of pain - not much worse than any injection - and then he stuck a plaster over my hand". Those behind the chips hope that they will eventually become common enough to be used to pay for sandwiches in the canteen, or even replace passwords and PINs to get into computers. They can also be programmed to hold contact information and communicate with smartphone apps. All workers at the office are being offered to have the chips implanted. It is done by a Sweden-based biohacking group, which hopes that implanting the technology will lead people to think about how it might be used for even more dystopian purposes. "Hannes Sjoblad, who is chief disruption officer at the office development, told the BBC: "We want to be able to understand this technology before big corporates and big government come to us and say everyone should get chipped — the tax authority chip, the Google or Facebook chip." Sjoblad has his electronic business card built into the chip, which others can then access using their smartphones. The whole office will be internet-enabled — its building management will be run through *Microsoft's "internet of things" technology. That will tell facilities management when a plant needs watering or a meeting room needs emptying, all through connected appliances and sensors." Epicenter is a "members-only workplace collective and innovation hub", which promises to pioneer new ways of working. It has been built by Swedish property company AMF Fastigheter, and has members including Microsoft." First posted by Pastor Jerry Brunner, Garland, Texas

Since then, this micro-chip identification system is gradually being accepted as ultimate solution to security and convenience needs of humankind.

#6. Travel becomes a lifestyle and there will be Revolutionary advances in knowledge.

Daniel 12:4 (KJV) 4 But thou, O Daniel, shut up the words, and seal the book, even to the time of the end: many shall run to and fro, and knowledge shall be increased.

This twin prophecy has been fulfilled to the letter! Visit any airport in any season and you will understand that travel has become a lifestyle of ‘going to and fro’! Advances in human and electronic intelligence including Computer Science and Technology have crossed borders of ethics in Medicine and Biotechnology. Man is well on the way to creating human life. Artificial Intelligence and Robotics has also approached the zenith of human engineering. Search Engines like Google, Bing and online libraries such as Wikipedia have liberalised access to information from the simple to the complex in a matter of seconds and minutes. We are now in the ‘increased knowledge’ face of life!

#7. The Marriage Institution will come under the final assault began by Babylon.

1 Timothy 4:1, 3b (KJV) 1 Now the Spirit speaketh expressly, that in the latter times some shall depart from the faith, giving heed to seducing spirits, and doctrines of devils;

3 Forbidding to marry, and commanding to abstain from meats, which God hath created to be received with thanksgiving of them which believe and know the truth.

After hundreds of years of instituting an order of priesthood after the Levitical (Aaronic) order which sustained its replacement theology, the Babylonian religious system thought up a great idea of making the Priesthood celibate. This decision had nothing to do with righteous living but rather to ensure unbridled loyalty of its priests and prevent

them from having families that will stake claims to ecclesiastical properties after their death. That 'smart' idea of an imposed celibacy has been proved to be nothing more than shambles. With the spate of pedophile cases world-wide and extreme promiscuousness which did not distinguish between single and married women, it has been proved without doubt that celibacy is not something to be imposed on people as a condition to serve in ministry. Paul the Apostle who chose celibacy knew it as a price to be paid for fulfilment in his peculiar dispensation of the gospel. Many religious orders, including Protestant cults have followed Babylon to demonise the marriage institution. In so doing, they play into the hands of Satan who hates Marriage because it reminds Him of the Bride price Yeshua paid at the Cross to restore lost humanity to the Father.

Wider applications...

In these last days, Divorce, Separation of hitherto loving couples due to irreconcilable differences and intrusion of in-laws will make the marriage institution look ugly. With cohabitation on the increase and many young people seeing poor examples in their multiple and absentee parents and Pastors, they will grow up with distorted views of marriage. Various distortions of marriage driven by lust of the flesh and desire to gratify the self-nature will continue to come against this institution. Same sex marriages will break through many ecclesiastical barriers of mainline Protestant denominations and gain traction in ballot boxes and before courts of many Western societies previously regarded as 'Christian strongholds'. Technically therefore, many will embrace a situation where marriage in the Kingdom and traditional sense will be 'forbidden'. The bastardization of marriage has given rise to this scenario Yeshua painted in the Olivet Prophecy:

Matthew 24:37-39 (KJV) 37 But as the days of Noah were, so shall also the coming of the Son of man be. 38 For as in the days that were before the flood they were

eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day that Noe entered into the ark, 39 And knew not until the flood came, and took them all away; so shall also the coming of the Son of man be.

In this setting, saints need to take note that about 2000 years ago, Holy Spirit used Paul to describe how human beings will re-define human sexuality.

Romans 1:21-32 (KJV) 21 Because that, when they knew God, they glorified him not as God, neither were thankful; but became vain in their imaginations, and their foolish heart was darkened. 22 Professing themselves to be wise, they became fools, 23 And changed the glory of the uncorruptible God into an image made like to corruptible man, and to birds, and fourfooted beasts, and creeping things. 24 Wherefore God also gave them up to uncleanness through the lusts of their own hearts, to dishonour their own bodies between themselves: 25 Who changed the truth of God into a lie, and worshipped and served the creature more than the Creator, who is blessed for ever. Amen. 26 For this cause God gave them up unto vile affections: for even their women did change the natural use into that which is against nature: 27 And likewise also the men, leaving the natural use of the woman, burned in their lust one toward another; men with men working that which is unseemly, and receiving in themselves that recompence of their error which was meet. 28 And even as they did not like to retain God in their knowledge, God gave them over to a reprobate mind, to do those things which are not convenient; 29 Being filled with all unrighteousness, fornication, wickedness, covetousness, maliciousness; full of envy, murder, debate, deceit, malignity; whisperers, 30 Backbiters, haters of God, despiteful, proud, boasters, inventors of evil things, disobedient to parents, 31 Without understanding, covenant breakers, without natural

affection, implacable, unmerciful: 32 Who knowing the judgment of God, that they which commit such things are worthy of death, not only do the same, but have pleasure in them that do them.

Knowing this truth will deliver us from fighting those who embrace this lifestyle with flesh and blood! The choices they make will lead to perdition. Our focus should be to love individuals and people who choose to live such lives while hating their sin. True love will drive the remnant to intercession and wise deployment of spiritual warfare. The popular approach of the Conservative movement to attack such people, curse them and spoil for verbal fights does not honour Elohim and actually hardens people. In any case, it is hypocritical for preachers to single out their sins for demonization while tolerating or keeping a blind eye to other sins which 'normal people' and 'normal ministers' commit. Let us remember that the scope of sins which can keep people out of the future state of the Kingdom is broad and includes sins that are winked at by Pharisees on pulpits.

1 Corinthians 6:9-10 (KJV) 9 Know ye not that the unrighteous shall not inherit the kingdom of God? Be not deceived: neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor abusers of themselves with mankind, 10 Nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners, shall inherit the kingdom of God.

Galatians 5:19-21 (KJV) 19 Now the works of the flesh are manifest, which are these; Adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lasciviousness, 20 Idolatry, witchcraft, hatred, variance, emulations, wrath, strife, seditions, heresies, 21 Envyings, murders, drunkenness, revellings, and such like: of the which I tell you before, as I have also told you in time past, that they which do such things shall not inherit the kingdom of God.

Revelation 21:7-8, 27 (KJV) 7 He that overcometh shall inherit all things; and I will be his God, and he

shall be my son. 8 But the fearful, and unbelieving, and the abominable, and murderers, and whoremongers, and sorcerers, and idolaters, and all liars, shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone: which is the second death

27 And there shall in no wise enter into it any thing that defileth, neither whatsoever worketh abomination, or maketh a lie: but they which are written in the Lamb's book of life.

Revelation 22:10-15, 18-19 (KJV) 10 And he saith unto me, Seal not the sayings of the prophecy of this book: for the time is at hand. 11 He that is unjust, let him be unjust still: and he which is filthy, let him be filthy still: and he that is righteous, let him be righteous still: and he that is holy, let him be holy still. 12 And, behold, I come quickly; and my reward is with me, to give every man according as his work shall be. 13 I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end, the first and the last. 14 Blessed are they that do his commandments, that they may have right to the tree of life, and may enter in through the gates into the city. 15 For without are dogs, and sorcerers, and whoremongers, and murderers, and idolaters, and whosoever loveth and maketh a lie

18 For I testify unto every man that heareth the words of the prophecy of this book, If any man shall add unto these things, God shall add unto him the plagues that are written in this book: 19 And if any man shall take away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God shall take away his part out of the book of life, and out of the holy city, and from the things which are written in this book.

Instead of engaging in verbal fights with those who miss the mark, the remnant should first make our marriages the epitome of heaven on earth; then prayerfully share the Word of life in love with them. Let us take note that many young

people growing up in the last days will not find marriage in the Kingdom context an exciting thing to consider. On the other hand it will seem horrifying to some who will opt for singleness yet without the gift of celibacy. This will lead some to perdition as they engage in immorality as a lifestyle without qualms. Those who have the gift of celibacy should celebrate and live it out for it is a good gift. A careful reading of 1 Corinthians Chapter 7 is recommended.

Assignment

- (1). Which of these 4 fulfilled prophecies made the Holy Scriptures come alive for you?
- (2). What is the overall message Holy Spirit is speaking to your heart about the times we live in?

Chapter 15

Fulfilled & Unfolding Prophecies Part 4

Let us continue to understand what has been unfolding in our time. It is a case of hiding in plain sight!

#8. Food ‘theology’ will come to new heights and many will walk in condemnation via the voice of the accuser.

1 Timothy 4:1,3b (KJV) 1 Now the Spirit speaketh expressly, that in the latter times some shall depart from the faith, giving heed to seducing spirits, and doctrines of devils

3 Forbidding to marry, and commanding to abstain from meats, which God hath created to be received with thanksgiving of them which believe and know the truth.

All over the world, there is a new degree of consciousness that people are ‘what they eat’. While this is a generally true concept of how intake of food can affect health, there are some deviations from balance which have created a whole new theology. The strict nutritional campaigns which take out meat altogether as basis of sound health is suspect as a spin-off of secular humanism. The Vegetarian movement may have over-reached itself in the process of demonization of meat.

#.9. Self-Love will become order of the day: Enthronement of Self rather than Yeshua

Another clear marker of the end times is when Self-love, Self-centredness and Selfishness becomes so pronounced. The issue here is not a matter of taking care of needs but rather an inversion of the just demand of Elohim for primal worship. When humans and especially those who claim to be Christians elevate themselves and their needs above Elohim, Self becomes a real idol sitting on the throne of the human heart. This is the root of iniquity of all types.

2 Timothy 3:1-6 (KJV) 1 This know also, that in the last days perilous times shall come. 2 For men shall be lovers of their own selves, covetous, boasters, proud,

blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy, 3 Without natural affection, trucebreakers, false accusers, incontinent, fierce, despisers of those that are good, 4 Traitors, heady, highminded, lovers of pleasures more than lovers of God; 5 Having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof: from such turn away. 6 For of this sort are they which creep into houses, and lead captive silly women laden with sins, led away with divers lusts,

In order to deal with this idol, Yeshua placed this demand on all who seek to follow Him. It was to be a bellwether to signify their difference from those who merely seek to 'get' bread and butter from Him:

Matthew 16:24-26 (KJV) 24 Then said Jesus unto his disciples, If any man will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow me. 25 For whosoever will save his life shall lose it: and whosoever will lose his life for my sake shall find it. 26 For what is a man profited, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul? or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul?

While over 2.5 billion humans lay claim to the identity of 'Christian', the vast majority are in self-deception, along with their religious leaders who reject the narrow way in preference of the Broadway!

Matthew 7:13-14 (KJV) 13 Enter ye in at the strait gate: for wide is the gate, and broad is the way, that leadeth to destruction, and many there be which go in thereat: 14 Because strait is the gate, and narrow is the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it.

#10. Perilous Times will be order of the day

2 Timothy 3:1-7 (KJV) 1 This know also, that in the last days perilous times shall come. 2 For men shall be lovers of their own selves, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful,

unholy, 3 Without natural affection, trucebreakers, false accusers, incontinent, fierce, despisers of those that are good, 4 Traitors, heady, highminded, lovers of pleasures more than lovers of God; 5 Having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof: from such turn away. 6 For of this sort are they which creep into houses, and lead captive silly women laden with sins, led away with divers lusts, 7 Ever learning, and never able to come to the knowledge of the truth.

If you examine the scope of 21 negative qualities which constitute 'perilous times' in the scripture above, you will find that this is the order of life today! One thing that must not be lost is that Paul, by the Spirit, was speaking of the end result of 'Christian religion' which strays outside the simple gospel of the Kingdom! Taken down further, this is the end result of lives that are not broken at the Cross. Verse 7 is telling: 'ever learning and never able to come to knowledge of the truth!' The rise of Terrorism which will create fears and phobias in the public space

In another sense, there is no doubt that we now live in an age of extreme peril. Terrorists seem to have infiltrated many nations. In the recent past, some countries were safe havens for terrorists to set up training camps where young men lured from western nations received extensive trainings and then sent back to operate under cover in their own nations. Many people no longer fly out of fear since September 11, 2001 incidents at the World Trade Center, Manhattan, New York and The Pentagon in Virginia. The rise of Al Qaeda and its various offshoots following the assassination of Osama Bin Laden has complicated counter terrorism operations and lifestyles of watchfulness in several Western Nations. The short reign of the Islamic State with its display of raw brutality and adept use of social media induced a state of mass hysteria world-wide.

The core principle of terrorism is partial fulfilment of the scripture in Luke 21 which says the heart of many will fail out

of fear (though it spoke directly about natural disasters). This is the reality in many Western Cities.

Unfolding Prophecies – right before our eyes, these prophecies are about to be fulfilled:

#11: Perfection of Communication which turns the world into a true Global Village.

This has virtually been fulfilled with Satellite, broad band, Cable, Social Media and various forms of instant communication. Information Communication

Technology will be one of the infrastructures that will serve the man of Sin when he manifests to rule the world. Through this convergence of mass communication modes, one of the greatest global events prophesied to happen within the last seven years of the human age will be relayed, in High Definition, real time, world-wide:

Revelation 11:3-11 (KJV) 3 And I will give power unto my two witnesses, and they shall prophesy a thousand two hundred and threescore days, clothed in sackcloth. 4 These are the two olive trees, and the two candlesticks standing before the God of the earth. 5 And if any man will hurt them, fire proceedeth out of their mouth, and devoureth their enemies: and if any man will hurt them, he must in this manner be killed. 6 These have power to shut heaven, that it rain not in the days of their prophecy: and have power over waters to turn them to blood, and to smite the earth with all plagues, as often as they will. 7 And when they shall have finished their testimony, the beast that ascendeth out of the bottomless pit shall make war against them, and shall overcome them, and kill them. 8 And their dead bodies shall lie in the street of the great city, which spiritually is called Sodom and Egypt, where also our Lord was crucified. 9 And they of the people and kindreds and tongues and nations shall see their dead bodies three days and an half, and shall not suffer their dead bodies to be put in graves. 10 And they that dwell upon the

earth shall rejoice over them, and make merry, and shall send gifts one to another; because these two prophets tormented them that dwelt on the earth.¹¹ And after three days and an half the spirit of life from God entered into them, and they stood upon their feet; and great fear fell upon them which saw them.

#12: Gentile claims over Jerusalem and global conspiracy to take it from Israel

The year 2013 turned out to be a moment of truth within and without the nation of Israel. Since then, there has been a state of systemic disunity within the nation arising from the clash of Orthodox religious people and other institutions. Many tend to forget that Israel is a thoroughly secular nation that is based on democratic ideals, not religion (Christian or Judaism). The same Israel which Yahweh birthed through Abraham and Jacob has over the years drifted away from Him to embrace the world and secular humanism.

Since March 2013 when the past coalition led by Likud embraced secularists, the main religious parties have been pushed to the margins. Yesh Atid, party of Yair Lapid, the former Finance Minister, insisted that religious Jews in Yeshivas (Rabbinical seminaries) must be part of the draft (compulsory military service) and that the State should not underwrite Religious Education. These two demands and their acceptance were devastating to religious leaders which led their Members of Knesset to shed tears and rain curses on the Government and nation when that coalition was inaugurated in 2013.

Things came to a head leading to dissolution of the government and ruling coalition. In March, just two short years after an acrimonious general election, Israel went into another election, bitterly divided than at any other time since 1948. It is a case of Things Fall Apart and the Centre cannot hold among the Hebrew citizens of Israel. The razor thin majority coalition Prime Minister Netanyahu cobbled together

seem to be programmed to give Gentile nations cause to be further estranged from Israel.

In this state of internal angst, Israel is confronted with new realities. The first is that the 20 percent Arab minority citizens cannot be wished away. They are a fact of life. Dissatisfied Arab youths within the borders of Israel have escalated terrorist acts on a more regular basis which the eagle eyed Shin Bet (Secret Service) has to contend with regularly.

Externally, Hezbollah has grown large with generous Iranian financial and strategic military support. Hamas in the Gaza strip has grown bolder, regularly firing off rockets into Israel. This culminated in Operation Protective Edge during which Israel lost an extremely high number of soldiers (far more than civilians) in a hastily organised and planned ground war in Gaza. The extent of damage inflicted on the Gaza strip and high civilian casualties played into the hand of the Palestinian narrative that Israel is an aggressor-State.

The Palestinian Authority led by Mahmoud Abbas has shaken off complacency and is aggressively engaged in seeking to gain UN approval for nationhood with a major pitch at the UN Security Council. Now that a friendly Trump administration is in place, there seems to be a stalling of that effort.

Since 2014, a prophetically significant reality hit home: Palestinians are determined to count their nation a done deal already and are now training their sights to something more profound: all of Jerusalem at best or at worst Eastern Jerusalem, including the assumed Temple Mount as their capital city! What this means is that the sceptre of Jerusalem being a Gentile city is no longer a remote but rather a distinct possibility.

What all this means is that Jerusalem may be taken over by the United Nations to be preserved and run as an International City controlled entirely by Gentiles or awarded to either Israel or Palestine or divided it into Eastern part (as Capital of Palestine) and Western part (as Capital of Israel). By so doing, Gentiles will control this city.

On April 1, 2015 another milestone to Palestinian Statehood was crossed with their formal membership of the International Criminal Court under the Rome Statute. Already, the PA is compiling war charges against Israeli Political and Military leaders.

It must be noted that all through history, no global empire considered itself fulfilled until its soldiers and officials ruled Jerusalem. This was the case of Egypt, Assyria, Babylon, Medo-Persia, Greco-Macedonia and Rome. Now the last world ruler may be the one to fulfil the desire of humanity through the ages – have the whole or a viable piece of the pie that is Jerusalem! The first part of this prophecy is about to be fulfilled. The second part will be fulfilled with the Battle of Armageddon!

Zechariah 12:1-3 (KJV) 1 The burden of the word of the Lord for Israel, saith the Lord, which stretcheth forth the heavens, and layeth the foundation of the earth, and formeth the spirit of man within him. 2 Behold, I will make Jerusalem a cup of trembling unto all the people round about, when they shall be in the siege both against Judah and against Jerusalem. 3 And in that day will I make Jerusalem a burdensome stone for all people: all that burden themselves with it shall be cut in pieces, though all the people of the earth be gathered together against it.

The reason why Gentiles have shown great interest is that the god of this world knows it is the very city that Elohim chose for Himself as Capital of the world! Well before David took it from the Jebusites several centuries before Yeshua was incarnated, Melchizedek was its King as recorded in this scripture:

Genesis 14:18 (KJV) 18 And Melchizedek king of Salem brought forth bread and wine: and he was the priest of the most high God.

As shown in Hebrews 5:6, 10, 11; 6:20; 7:1-21 Melchizedek was a Theophany of Yeshua! What this means is that before the

foundation of the world, Elohim had chosen Jerusalem as capital of the world! It is from this city that Yeshua will rule and reign for a thousand years after His Second Coming with the faithful remnant who overcame on this side of eternity as Kings and Princes in various nations and regions of the world.

Revelation 20:1-4 (KJV) 1 And I saw an angel come down from heaven, having the key of the bottomless pit and a great chain in his hand. 2 And he laid hold on the dragon, that old serpent, which is the Devil, and Satan, and bound him a thousand years, 3 And cast him into the bottomless pit, and shut him up, and set a seal upon him, that he should deceive the nations no more, till the thousand years should be fulfilled: and after that he must be loosed a little season. 4 And I saw thrones, and they sat upon them, and judgment was given unto them: and I saw the souls of them that were beheaded for the witness of Jesus, and for the word of God, and which had not worshipped the beast, neither his image, neither had received his mark upon their foreheads, or in their hands; and they lived and reigned with Christ a thousand years.

In 2017, the Trump administration excited many Jews and Christians worldwide by recognising Jerusalem as the Capital City of the State of Israel. That was act 1 of a 2 part package. The world is now waiting with bated breath to see the Peace Plan between Israel and Palestinians which the Trump administration assigned to Jared Kushner, Ambassadors Greenblatt and Friedman to package. What it will say on the subject matter may have extreme prophetic significance. If as has been hinted through several sources that it will be the Deal of the Ages which will finally usher in peace to the most troublesome hotspot of the world, the counsel to the remnant is to look to scripture and depend on Holy Spirit for guidance on the way forward. No remnant should be caught up with the euphoria that will no doubt envelop the world. When we hear such lofty ambitions of human ability to bring peace into the

earth realm, without suggesting anything, the safest context to place what will be over-hyped as the road map for enduring peace is this ominous warning:

1 Thessalonians 5:1-10 (KJV) 1 But of the times and the seasons, brethren, ye have no need that I write unto you. 2 For yourselves know perfectly that the day of the Lord so cometh as a thief in the night. 3 For when they shall say, Peace and safety; then sudden destruction cometh upon them, as travail upon a woman with child; and they shall not escape. 4 But ye, brethren, are not in darkness, that that day should overtake you as a thief. 5 Ye are all the children of light, and the children of the day: we are not of the night, nor of darkness. 6 Therefore let us not sleep, as do others; but let us watch and be sober. 7 For they that sleep sleep in the night; and they that be drunken are drunken in the night. 8 But let us, who are of the day, be sober, putting on the breastplate of faith and love; and for an helmet, the hope of salvation. 9 For God hath not appointed us to wrath, but to obtain salvation by our Lord Jesus Christ, 10 Who died for us, that, whether we wake or sleep, we should live together with him.

#.13. Wars and rumours of Wars

Wars and Rumours of War are to precede the final end of the age. The generation that will be on earth before the time determined would have experienced this reality already before the final chapter comes to be. If we use the Azusa Street marker to determine the world from 1906, here is what we shall find fulfilment of this prophecy by Yeshua to the letter: Matthew 24:6-7 (KJV) 6 And ye shall hear of wars and rumours of wars: see that ye be not troubled: for all these things must come to pass, but the end is not yet. 7 For nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom: and there shall be famines, and pestilences, and earthquakes, in divers places.

Mark 13:7 (KJV) 7And when ye shall hear of wars and rumours of wars, be ye not troubled: for such things must needs be; but the end shall not be yet.

World War 1 which involved 32 nations with mass casualties
World war II engulfed nearly all the world with very few neutral countries

Since then, there have been Civil Wars, Regional Conflicts, Genocides and all kinds of activity involving light and heavy duty weaponry.

#.14. Natural Disasters: Earthquakes; Tsunamis, Volcanoes and Hurricanes

While the earth realm has always experienced natural disasters, the reality is that its intensity has increased. In the latter years, what we see is intensification of the occurrences and widescale

Matthew 24:7 (KJV) 7 For nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom: and there shall be famines, and pestilences, and earthquakes, in divers places.

Luke 21:11 (KJV) 11 And great earthquakes shall be in divers places, and famines, and pestilences; and fearful sights and great signs shall there be from heaven.

Despite technological advancements, there has been substantial crop failures leading to food shortages and family in several places.

#.15. Pestilence and Outbreak of Pandemic diseases

The Olivet prophecies of Yeshua included reference to pestilences as part of what would have happened before end of the age (Luke 21:11)

This generation has witnessed these pandemics and more

1. HIV/Aids
2. General Sexually Transmitted Diseases
3. Ebola
4. Yellow Fever
5. Malaria

#.16: Hatred of Christians, Persecutions

Across the world today, it is dangerous to be a true saint in several nations. In Communist and Socialist nations, there are legal constraints to practice of the Faith; apart from Dubai and a handful of other nations, Christians are severely constrained in nations that are covenanted to national religions.

In nations where militant Islamic groups operate, the lives of Christians are regularly wasted in savage attacks. The Lord gave us clarity that these are things to be suffered for His name sake. The solution does not lie in retaliation or dangerous prayers but to obey His word on how to respond – even when it involves death or destruction of property.

Luke 21:12-19 (KJV) 12 But before all these, they shall lay their hands on you, and persecute you, delivering you up to the synagogues, and into prisons, being brought before kings and rulers for my name's sake. 13 And it shall turn to you for a testimony. 14 Settle it therefore in your hearts, not to meditate before what ye shall answer: 15 For I will give you a mouth and wisdom, which all your adversaries shall not be able to gainsay nor resist. 16 And ye shall be betrayed both by parents, and brethren, and kinsfolks, and friends; and some of you shall they cause to be put to death. 17 And ye shall be hated of all men for my name's sake. 18 But there shall not an hair of your head perish. 19 In your patience possess ye your souls.

#.17. Betrayal of the Elect by Friends and Family

Over 2000 years ago, King Yeshua made the startling remark that those who are in true relationship with Him would be hated by members of their own family and friends to the degree that they would be betrayed to authorities as if they were evil doers

Luke 21:16 (KJV) 16 And ye shall be betrayed both by parents, and brethren, and kinsfolks, and friends; and some of you shall they cause to be put to death.

Explanation of events leading to end of the age.

As long as the elect remnant remain vigilant, watching, waiting and occupying their allotments, there will live in acute sensitivity of the times that we are now in. As events unfold

in the earth realm, the media will report same from their ideological perspectives. One of the reasons why the elect remnant cannot afford to play the ideological game is that they need the detachment from both in order to be on the watch tower to 'see' and understand world events from a biblical frame work. With this approach, the saints will see how seemingly innocuous events on the world scene actually fit into each other to create a mosaic of end time events.

18. Quest for Middle East and Global Peace.

1 Thessalonians 5 Verse 3 gives us a hint of one of the critical things which will presage the end:

1 Thessalonians 5: But of the times and the seasons, brethren, ye have no need that I write unto you.² For yourselves know perfectly that the day of the Lord so cometh as a thief in the night.

3 For when they shall say, Peace and safety; then sudden destruction cometh upon them, as travail upon a woman with child; and they shall not escape.

4 But ye, brethren, are not in darkness, that that day should overtake you as a thief.⁵ Ye are all the children of light, and the children of the day: we are not of the night, nor of darkness.

It is in this regard that we can fully understand prevailing sentiments on these three hot issues:

5.1. Need to resolve the Israeli-Palestinian and by extension Arab/Muslim conflict once and for all.

After 70 years of constant conflict and countless lives wasted; permanent tension, radicalization of Muslim and Arab youths, leaders of Gentile nations will frame the Israeli-Palestinian crises as the root of all terrorism and crises in the world. They may come to a place of unanimity or near unanimity at both the UN Security Council, General Assembly; USA, EU and other levers of power that if this crisis is resolved, the world will experience peace.

5.2. Resolution of any mutual challenge which threatens to upend establish and acceptable world order.

A typical example is what happened since 2014 when the world was confronted with a new reality: Islamic State. In the bid to establish itself as a force to be reckoned with, ISIS estranged a broad spectrum of the world – Western nations and values as well as caused the biggest rift ever seen within the Ummah (Muslim believers). In waging a brutal war against Shiites (people of Iran, Iraq and some other nations) who it considers apostates as well as wealthy Sunni nations like Saudi Arabia which it considers backslidden.

Various spectacular acts of terror including beheading western journalists shocked the world. These provided the impetus for the United States to assemble a coalition of about 60 nations – almost one third of the United Nations to fight ISIS. The brutal cremation alive of Jordanian pilot, Flight Lieutenant Muath alKasaesbeh allegedly on January 3 2015 became a potential game changer for rallying the world together to wipe out terror and enjoy ‘global peace’.

5.3. P5+1 deal with Iran on freezing its Nuclear Project.

The Five Permanent Members of the UN Security Council (USA; UK; France; Russia & China) plus Germany achieved a rare feat in brushing aside objections of Israel to negotiate what they dubbed a historic deal with the Islamic Republic of Iran. That agreement had all the features of a prophetic sign that something of extreme significance for the End Times may be afoot. Even though the Trump administration has pulled out of the deal and effectively scuttled it, the significance of that deed is also prophetic.

5.4. Humans shall be tired of wars and rumours of wars including terrorism of the most barbaric grade to the degree that they desire peace. Various New Age movements enfolding opinion leaders and decision makers of extreme importance have been recruited in various generations to push the ‘Global Peace’ agenda. With bodies like the United Nations and all of its agencies, the ascendant liberal, anti-war media, this trend will gain traction.

In this state of affairs, the question is: who will give the world the Peace it now desires urgently? How will he or it emerge? To answer this critical question, let us read this scripture first: 2 Thessalonians 2:1-17

Let us wait for another lesson to break down this scripture as Holy Spirit leads in order to decode two extraordinary events which will come upon the world swiftly and suddenly that will usher in the last years of humanity! No saint, redeemed by the Blood should ever be in ignorance of those two events which revolve around three distinct personalities/entities that are set for manifestation on the day and time which only the Father knows and approves!

To be able to decode the seeming maze of things happening world-wide requires a fresh breathing of Holy Spirit upon the Words of Scripture! Please pray lifting us up to the Lord in intense prayer for revelation, understanding and unction to release!

Saints, as some Americans would say, let us stay 'Woke'! It is time to Awake, Arise, Align to Advance!

Assignment

(1). In what way has this lesson helped you to grasp the reality that this generation is indeed close to end of the age? (2). Mention and explain 3 fulfilled signs of end of the age that resonated most in your heart.

Chapter 16 Section C:

What Next? The Rapture (1)

The Things to Come: What Next? Let us now proceed to examine the first of three things that will be manifesting in the earth realm on the day appointed. Any time may be any time – whether imminent or further afar is only known to Elohim! The Holy Scripture places them alongside each other so we need to discuss them in the order that the Holy Scriptures suggest.

#1. The Rapture of Saints

In the nearly two thousand years of the Church on earth, Satan has used striving about words and times to confuse and divide saints into bitter camps and sects in mutual hatred and evil speaking of one another. Paul warned Timothy about this tendency:

2 Timothy 2:14 (KJV) 14 Of these things put them in remembrance, charging them before the Lord that they strive not about words to no profit, but to the subverting of the hearers.

2 Timothy 2: 16-18 (KJV) 16But shun profane and vain babblings: for they will increase unto more ungodliness. 17 And their word will eat as doth a canker: of whom is Hymenaeus and Philetus; 18 Who concerning the truth have erred, saying that the resurrection is past already; and overthrow the faith of some.

Beyond Satan, mortal man has a proclivity to read what he wants into the Word. The result is that many saints prefer to give a wide berth to certain topics in the Bible.

There are others who have been under backslidden leadership all their lives and what such preachers teach are basically what to eat and drink and how to get on with life on earth in pursuit of the ‘dream’ that defines their particular nations, an exact opposite to the Kingdom saints are called

upon to seek (Matthew 6:25-34). It is interesting therefore how saints try to re-define The Kingdom which is not about ephemeral things as Romans 14:17-18 says. Another set of saints are those who have bought into the false grace movement which teaches that ultimately, 'everyone will be re-connected to God' (saved in spite of how they lived) because He is too good to cast any one into eternal damnation'. These tendencies come to a head especially in considering messages of the End Times. That Satan is behind all these is evident in the strange situation where a large mass of Christians – who have eternal life – do not seem to remember to care for which side of eternity they will end up in. This is why there is so much space for the enemy to operate in the End Time Church using the same trick he tried at The Garden of Eden and against Yeshua, Jesus in the wilderness to make Kingdom Life of none effect: Lust of the eyes, lust of the flesh and pride of life (1 John 5:15-17). Let us also note that assumptions are certainly dangerous. Ignorance is even worse as Hosea 4:6 says.

The Unnecessary, Bitter War: When will the Rapture happen?

Many professing Christians are, unfortunately programmed to see themselves as products or even properties of the denominations through which they came to know Yeshua, Jesus or where they settled in at a later stage. This principle of organisational, rather than divine ownership is rank idolatry! Each saint is bought with the price of the precious Blood of Jesus (1 Corinthians 6:20). It is a very satanic attempt to control saints in such a way that the denominations or congregations they 'belong to' defines for them, in a systematic brain wash, what to believe in, even if such beliefs were based on partial or limited revelations some humans, long dead received. Denominations program their members to cling to such 'revelations' even if, in the passage of time, Holy Spirit brings greater illumination and clarity or if at a later stage, they are found to be blatantly contrary to

the what is clearly stated in the Word. Let it be said that it is better to be prepared for any eventuality which lies solely in the hands of the Most High Who alone has ultimate perfect knowledge of how the end will unfold! After all, we humans only know in part and prophesy/teach in part.

Three Schools of Thought

It is true that there are some Christian sects where no one is even taught about the Rapture on the basis that there is no such word in the Bible. The word 'Rapture' is not a biblical term but rather a phrase to describe a clear biblical reality that true saints of Elohim will one day be miraculously caught up into the heavenly realms for a season. This is not a new concept but one which has twice been demonstrated in the Old Testament involving two Prophets:

- Enoch who was caught up to heaven in an instantaneous translation which meant he did not go through the normal gate of mortality to immortality which is death (Hebrews 11).
- Elijah who a Chariot of fire was sent to take him to heaven. This was an instantaneous translation which meant he did not go through the normal gate of mortality to immortality which is death (2 Kings 2:11).

Let us examine the three main schools of thought on the subject matter before we zero in on the one we believe is most biblical and consistent with the revealed will of the Most High. In so doing, we do not demonise the other two schools of thought in any way. We rather acknowledge the merits in some of their postulations because there are scriptures which suggest so.

Post-Tribulation Rapture

This School of Theological thought insists that saints will go through the whole 7 years of the reign of the anti-Christ, suffer the extensive pains associated with same and will overcome at the end when Yeshua, Jesus returns at His Second Coming. To be fair, this School of thought has many biblical passages

that validate its position and we recommend that saints lose nothing but gain all to understand the strong case made by it. They argue with passion, that most pretribulation teachings have made many saints unprepared for crises by focusing on heaven, rather than earthly realities. For such people, there is an element of escapism in pre-tribulation rapture teaching.

Mid-Tribulation Rapture

This is the School of Theological thought which places the rapture of saints in the middle of the 7-year period of the anti-Christ. This School of Thought essentially says that saints will be rescued supernaturally by Elohim when the anti-Christ demands that they receive his mark.

Pre-Tribulation Rapture

This is the School of Theological thought which teaches that shortly before the anti-Christ will manifest on earth to execute his satanic agenda, Yeshua Ha Mashiach, Jesus the Messiah as a compassionate King Who has promised to safe-guard His own from trouble would call forth all saints: the dead first and then those alive to meet Him in heaven (1 Thessalonians 4:13-18; 1 Corinthians 15:50-55). The clearest biblical reference which make a close connection between the rapture and timing of manifestation of the anti-Christ is this passage:

2 Thessalonians 2:1-12 (KJV) 1 Now we beseech you, brethren, by the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, and by our gathering together unto him, 2 That ye be not soon shaken in mind, or be troubled, neither by spirit, nor by word, nor by letter as from us, as that the day of Christ is at hand. 3 Let no man deceive you by any means: for that day shall not come, except there come a falling away first, and that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition; 4 Who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called God, or that is worshipped; so that he as God sitteth in the temple of God, shewing himself that he is God. 5 Remember ye not, that, when I was yet with you, I told you these things? 6 And now ye know what withholdeth that he might be revealed in

his time. 7 For the mystery of iniquity doth already work: only he who now letteth will let, until he be taken out of the way. 8 And then shall that Wicked be revealed, whom the Lord shall consume with the spirit of his mouth, and shall destroy with the brightness of his coming: 9 Even him, whose coming is after the working of Satan with all power and signs and lying wonders, 10 And with all deceivableness of unrighteousness in them that perish; because they received not the love of the truth, that they might be saved. 11 And for this cause God shall send them strong delusion, that they should believe a lie: 12 That they all might be damned who believed not the truth, but had pleasure in unrighteousness.

Among this School of Thought, there are two streams.

- The one which does not go further to say what will happen to saints after experiencing the glories of heaven.
- Another stream goes into detail to show, through scripture, the subsequent dealings of Yahweh with those saints raptured and how they will receive rewards and be the army that will accompany King Yeshua, Jesus at His second coming. This School proceeds to show from Scriptures, how the saints who reclaimed the world with King Jesus will rule and reign here on earth with Him for 1,000 years when Satan is locked away in what is called the Millennial Reign of Yeshua, Jesus (Revelation 20:1-6). It is this position that we are persuaded of and which we will show what the Holy Scriptures says.

An unnecessary debate

Over the years, we are convinced beyond doubt that the Pre, Mid and Post Tribulation debates are totally unnecessary! As they pit brethren against brethren and denominations against denominations, the enemy is smiling all the way! The debates

and arguments give him even more satisfaction because they evidence his handiwork of divisiveness.

The Absolutely Necessary Truth to know

The absolute, necessary truth to know is ‘what’ it is, irrespective of ‘when’ it will occur! Let us therefore feel free to study all the presentations, know and be persuaded of the truth that saints will be raptured and be in a state of readiness by His Grace that no matter when it occurs, we will be among the number found faithful!

1. Saints need to know that the Word is clear that those who abide in Yeshua, Jesus and allow His words to abide in them have a Blessed Hope.
2. That Blessed Hope is that the Seal of Redemption which is the Holy Spirit will quicken them one day to have celestial bodies – whether they were dead before then or alive at that the time appointed by the Father.

2 Corinthians 1:22 (KJV) 22 Who hath also sealed us, and given the earnest of the Spirit in our hearts.

Ephesians 1:13 (KJV) 13 In whom ye also trusted, after that ye heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation: in whom also after that ye believed, ye were sealed with that holy Spirit of promise,

Ephesians 4:30 (KJV) 30 And grieve not the holy Spirit of God, whereby ye are sealed unto the day of redemption.

3. Saints will see and experience heaven which we have heard of all our lives!
4. Saints who served faithfully occupying till King Yeshua, Jesus returns will rule and reign on planet earth with Him as co-heirs over specific peoples, territories and regions (Revelation 1:6; Revelation 5:10; Revelation 20:6).
5. In effect, saints need to know that there is more to life than the present sin-wracked, trouble filled one. We therefore cannot live here on earth, focusing on material things of the day which will pass away!

1 Corinthians 15:19 (KJV) 19 If in this life only we have hope in Christ, we are of all men most miserable.

At the beginning of this chapter, we read about the three concepts of timing of the Rapture of Saints and clearly established that what is of utmost importance is to be ready as prescribed in the Word (not by subjective reasoning, feelings or assumptions!). Let us now proceed to dig deeper into what The Rapture is, see examples in the past that are precedents which illustrate what it is clearly and then speak of the nature of the event which will shake the world. The truth is that since the world began, there has been nothing like it before!

What is it?

The Rapture of saints is the separation of true and faithful saints from the rest of humanity (including Christians who strayed away from the heart of King Yeshua, Jesus and His grip). In a split second, those saints who abide in Jesus till that date and live in obedience to His Word by His Grace are translated from a state of mortality to immortality through shedding of their perishable bodies in exchange for the celestial ones with which they will live for eternity. Shortly before this happens to the living, the dead in Yeshua will be resurrected and changed first. That this matter is stated with clarity in two scriptures by Paul, the vessel elected as Master builder of the Church deserves strong attention.

1 Corinthians 15:50-55 (KJV) 50 Now this I say, brethren, that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God; neither doth corruption inherit incorruption. 51 Behold, I shew you a mystery; We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed, 52 In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed. 53 For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality. 54 So when this corruptible shall have put on incorruption, and this

mortal shall have put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written, Death is swallowed up in victory. 55 O death, where is thy sting? O grave, where is thy victory?

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 (KJV) 13 But I would not have you to be ignorant, brethren, concerning them which are asleep, that ye sorrow not, even as others which have no hope. 14 For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so them also which sleep in Jesus will God bring with him. 15 For this we say unto you by the word of the Lord, that we which are alive and remain unto the coming of the Lord shall not prevent them which are asleep. 16 For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first: 17 Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord. 18 Wherefore comfort one another with these words.

Precedent

There have been two specific precedents in the Bible of rapture of saints. The facts are so clear, needing little clarification. Enoch was so pure in thought, word and deed that Yahweh simply called him home as a vessel through which He gave saints of the ages a sneak peek of what would happen en-masse towards end of the age!

Hebrews 11:5 (KJV) 5 By faith Enoch was translated that he should not see death; and was not found, because God had translated him: for before his translation he had this testimony, that he pleased God. The case of Elijah is intriguing and reveals the depth of the Grace and Mercy of our heavenly Father towards His own. This man had been used mightily to execute judgement against evil rulers, Ahab and Jezebel and their idolatrous court. But he fainted out of isolation! In his anguish, he asked

Yahweh to terminate his life and ministry. Yahweh sent a chariot from heaven to give him a joy ride like never before!

2 Kings 2:11 (KJV) 11 And it came to pass, as they still went on, and talked, that, behold, there appeared a chariot of fire, and horses of fire, and parted them both asunder; and Elijah went up by a whirlwind into heaven.

These two instances in the Old Covenant did not just happen, they were written so that we can be assured of what will happen to us, if we remain faithful till the end!

How the Rapture will happen

It is Swift and Sudden. The first thing to note is that there will be no warning! In a moment of time, it is over! Saints who died in Jesus will first resurrect in a new body followed by those alive whose bodies are changed instantly and ‘caught up’ to be with Jesus forever.

1 Corinthians 15:51-52 (KJV) 51 Behold, I shew you a mystery; We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed, 52 In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed.

Assignment

- (1). What is the rapture? Cite two scriptures which explain what will happen.
- (2). What are the 3 schools of thought on timing of the rapture?
- (3). Why is the controversy over timing unnecessary? What should saints rather focus on?

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8. True or False: Satan, the Anti-Christ, and the False Prophet will make up three evil personalities imitating the God Head
9. Explain briefly, what it means for the church to be raptured. When will this happen?
10. List 3 of the 7 outcomes that will manifest during the reign of the anti-Christ as world ruler.

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