**Christmas 2022 Part 2 “Time to Showcase Jesus” (sjm 12-18-2022)**

 **The Light and The Glory**

**(Revelation of God)**  **(Manifestation of his presence)**

**Matt 24:14** The Gospel shall be **Hab 2:14** The earth shall be filled with the

 Preached in all he earth knowledge of the glory of God

Many People are walking in less than there covenant privileges (from partial to full darkness)

 **Eph 5:27**  That he might present to himself a **glorious** church, not having spot, or wrinkle, or any such thing; but that it should be holy & without blemish. (**Glorious** = worthy of fame or admiration)

**I BELIEVE THE CHURCH WILL BE WORTHY OF THIS WHEN WE DO A BETTER JOB OF SHOWING OFF JESUS!**

 **Acts 1:8** But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: & ye shall be **witnesses** unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the **uttermost part of the earth.**

 **Witness** –having knowledge of an event from personal observation or experience.

 For many people they haven’t **heard** the fullness of God or maybe more importantly **seen** the glory of God

**Illumination** – the act of supplying or **brightening** with light or **full illumination**

**\*Can’t give what you don’t have! Acts 3**: Silver and gold have I none but such as I have, I give thee…\*

**TIME FOR CHRISTIANS TO BE AN EFFECTIVE WITNESS FOR JESUS**

1. Must HEAR or have revelation knowledge from Jesus
2. Should be manifesting the promises of God into your life (manifestation of the Spirit given to every man)
3. **Then:** Be a witness to the FULL GOSPEL THEREBY **BRINGING GLORY** TO THE FATHER

**What Should we be Manifesting or Witnessing to the World – God’s supernatural attributes:**

The world likes to showcase their goods

1. Top movies are highlighted
2. Grammy awards for music
3. TV shows are ranked (Nielsen ratings and Emmy awards)
4. Tony awards for theatre
5. Sporting events have ranks for most viewed
6. People’s choice award for popular culture
7. Just came off an election & now even started to show polls of popularity

All this and every year it seems we are being restricted more & more for talking the true meaning of Christmas

**God Spoke to Me and stated “It is Time to Showcase Jesus”** (reveal the fullness of the Father to the world)

**Jesus** – primary purpose was to bring the light to a dark world (if then, what about now?)

**John 1:9** He Lighteth every man that cometh into the world “**Jesus came to bring light = life in all realms”**

**John 10:10** Came to bring life and life abundantly (God is all about life)

**Matt 21:32** I am the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob [[Ex. 3:6](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Exod.3.6&version=EXB); **C**God is still the God of the patriarchs, so they must have a continued existence after death].’ God is the God of the living, not the dead.” (inactive things) **Not God of the dead but God of the living (concerned about now)**

**Rom 4:17** He **quickeneth** the dead & calleth those things that be not as thou they were (makes alive)

 **Gen 1** Created something from nothing

**Glory – Manifestation of God (shall fill all of the earth)**

**Ps 19:1** Even the heavens declare the **glory** of God; and the firmament sheweth his handywork.

**Ps 72:19** And blessed be **his** glorious name **for** ever: and let the whole earth be filled with **his** **glory**

**John 2:11** This beginning of miracles did Jesus in Cana of Galilee, and manifested **for**th **his** **glory**; and **his** disciples believed on him.

**John 11:40** Said I not unto thee that if thou wouldest believe thou would see the glory of God

 (they were having trouble believing)

**2 Tim 1:6** Wherefore I put **the**e **in** remembrance that thou **stir** **up** **the** **gift** of God, which is **in** **the**e

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

**Rom 10:17** Faith Cometh by hearing and hearing by the word of God

**Finally: 2 Cor 10:5** **Casting** **down** **imaginations**, and every high thing that exalteth itself against the knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ; (Jesus had to)

**Don’t compartmentalize Jesus**

**Take up your cross (might be more time praying, fasting Readng the word – preparing yourself**

**Looking back (at the things of the world)**

**First love …..**

**Study**

**Stir**

**For his Glory**

**Only what he say the father do….**

**H/S only**

**About his Fathers business**

**Vine branches otherwise cant do nothing**

**Will he do more miracles than this**

**Go tell John the bapist that the …………………………………**

**What is the fruit of the vine …..**