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Etch a sketch

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I was unable to sleep and heard...

"I am painting a new picture of My church. In My church there is a people, a remnant who will pray to Me about the people they love; who will come to Me for My opinion before forming their own about others. I am forming a people for Myself, who will shed the trappings of this world and give up all they have to establish My goals and purposes for My church.

They will share with the poor who have less or nothing. They will not hold onto their rights. They will not hold onto their belongings as if I did not give them the jobs, and health to work in the first place. I am etching in their souls compassion and love for the lost. I am etching into their souls MY heart for the jeered at, the forlorn, the tormented, and all who are outcast. I am etching into the church a will to do church MY WAY instead of the way it has been done for years, which only represents all that the locusts have eaten.

I am restoring a church who will be more concerned with healing and deliverance than notches in their belts for every new person who gives their heart to me......As if I were keeping score, and going to give them a prize for something the Holy Spirit does in the first place. I am etching into hearts a people who are more concerned with relationship than performance and looking good to others.

Song: They will know we are Christians by our love, by our love....

I am etching a sketch of a church I DESIRE to build. A HOSPITAL for the lost; a Holy Ghost Hospital that takes in the ones no one else cares about, instead of looking for the tithers who will support them. Whose hearts are more concerned with

giving than getting. I am etching a people that will depend on ME for everything instead of looking to their own methods and ways and means to get what THEY want. Everyday children are dying of starvation, yet My people who boast in having a relationship with ME are holding on to the world instead of being a light to the world

I am etching into hearts a boldness to proclaim My love in manifesting kindness, goodness, gentleness and self-control, instead of selfishness, self-indulgence, greed, competition and jealousy. I have said "COMPETE YE NOT WITH ONE ANOTHER!" Yet MY people who are called by My name are full of sibling rivalry and striving.

Come to ME, the Author and Finisher of your faith. Faith comes by hearing and hearing by the Word of God. Come and fill yourselves up with MY goodness, MY strength, My wisdom, MY kindness, MY love, MY patience, MY tolerance, MY faithfulness, MY grace. If you want to be like ME, then come to ME. Come to ME and find the answers. Come to ME and lay your own agendas aside. Answer the call to perform MY agenda My people! Every good and perfect gift comes down from the Father of Lights with Whom there is no turning.

Isaiah 40:21-31 NKJV Have you not known? Have you not heard?
Has it not been told you from the beginning? Have you not understood from the foundations of the earth? 22 It is He who sits above the circle of the earth, and its inhabitants are like grasshoppers, Who stretches out the heavens like a curtain, and spreads them out like a tent to dwell in.

23 He brings the princes to nothing; He makes the judges of the earth useless. 24 Scarcely shall they be planted, Scarcely shall they be sown, Scarcely shall their stock take root in the earth, When He will also blow on them, And they will wither, And the

whirlwind will take them away like stubble. 25 "To whom then will you liken Me, Or to whom shall I be equal?" says the Holy One. 26 Lift up your eyes on high, And see who has created these things, Who brings out their host by number; He calls them all by name, By the greatness of His might And the strength of His power; Not one is missing. 27 Why do you say, O Jacob, And speak, O Israel: "My way is hidden from then LORD, And my just claim is passed over by my God"? 28 Have you not known? Have you not heard? The everlasting God, the LORD, The Creator of the ends of the earth, Neither faints nor is weary. His understanding is unsearchable. 29 He gives power to the weak, And to those who have no might He increases strength. 30 Even the youths shall faint and be weary, And the young men shall utterly fall, 31 But those who wait on the LORD Shall renew their strength; They shall mount up with wings like eagles, They shall run and not be weary, They shall walk and not faint.

Why Do the Nations Rage?

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Psalm 2:1-7 Amp 1 Why do the nations assemble with commotion [uproar and confusion of voices], and why do the people imagine (meditate upon and devise) an empty scheme? 2 The kings of the earth take their places; the rulers take counsel together against the Lord and His Anointed One (the Messiah, the Christ). They say [Acts 4:25-27] 3 Let us break Their bands [of restraint] asunder and cast Their cords [of control] from us. 4 He Who sits in the heavens laughs; the Lord has them in derision [and in supreme contempt He mocks them].

5 He speaks to them in His deep anger and troubles (terrifies and confounds) them in His displeasure and fury, saying, 6 Yet

have I anointed (installed and placed) My King [firmly] on My holy hill of Zion.

In Acts 4, this is quoted from just before the apostolic prayer that John and Peter prayed, saying beginning in v.29 "Now Lord look on their threats, and grant to Your servants that with all boldness they may speak Your word by stretching out Your hand to heal, and that signs and wonders may be done through the name of Your holy Servant Jesus." And it says," when they had prayed, the place where they were assembled together was shaken and they were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and they spoke the word of God with boldness."

I believe the Lord is saying that we are in the same position now as then, that we must pray for boldness and for signs and wonders that we must go forth in power, and this is a time when the enemy has risen up to intimidate us, to keep us from fulfilling our call to the nations. But like the apostles almost 2000 years ago...We must not be intimidated by the threats of the enemy. WE MUST FULFILL THE GREAT COMMISSION by going forth.

The signs and wonders are His part. We just have to be obedient to go when and where He sends us. This is a daily dying...dying to what we want, and doing what He wants, despite what others think of us or will do to us. We must go forth in confidence of His ability to perform whatever He has given us to do.

Then I heard Him speak

"If I am for you, who can be against you. For even as they mock you, they mock ME. Even as they refuse your words and love, they are refusing Mine. Even as they persecute you and spitefully use you, they do so to Me. So be unafraid in the face of danger or resistance of the enemy. I have called you to do the greater

things which shall soon be upon you. Will you believe that I have more power than the enemy to destroy you?

Will you speak out for me as Elijah did and watch and see what I will do? I only ask that you do it out of getting your instructions from Me...to do it in My love and compassion. If you do whatever YOU feel is right to do...what good is that? Do what I ask you to do, and you will see results. I am not a harsh taskmaster. Spend time with Me to understand what it is and how it is that I want you to act and you will be in My will and not your own and the results will terrify the enemy!

I have another thing to say to My church, and that is If you love only those who love you, how is that better than the unbelievers? For even they love those who love them. I have called you to a higher purpose, to My purposes. And if there is any lack in your life of the LOVE I have for the lost then all you have to do is come to Me and ask, and I will give you the compassion you need. I will give you the nations as your inheritance, if you but ask, and die daily to your own wants, and do what it is I want. Love one another as I have loved you. The world is full of hate and violence so LOVE as I LOVE. Treat others as you would have them treat you. Lay aside all distractions of the enemy, all condemnation, all fear, all guilt, all worldliness and come into ME.

Come into My grace, My strength, My compassion for you and you will receive all that you need. The time for harvest is here. The fields are white. Each of you, from the strongest to the weakest have people I want you to affect...people I want you to love, so they will know that I love them. Do not be distracted by the world and what is going on it. I am greater than all the circumstances of your lives. My heart is greater than your heart. Look at what I see, what I want to be established and believe in your hearts that I can do it. The enemy has come in like a flood

to cause confusion and dismay and mayhem but I AM the Author of PEACE. Even in a flood of many waters, I can give you My peace and you will be able to walk on the waters that surround you. Love is as strong as death.

Death will be conquered by LOVE. MY LOVE in your heart to others.

Translations

Priscilla Van Sutphin 01-05-02

"The time is at hand for greater faith. Man is not capable in understanding all the ways of God. But there is a need for FAITH to be released in My people for thengreater things that are coming.

{ My thoughts went to picturing the TBN movie, where the two witnesses are depicted with being translated from one place to another }

I AM not a God of limitation, but a God of provision..Jehovah Jireh. Even the lack that will come on the earth will not stop My plans for people. There are people who will experience great translations. And when they are done with what I want them to do in one place, they will be taken another place. You may see this as an out of reach phenomonen. But it will not be out of reach. If

I tell you something, I will fulfill My word to you. You must believe that what I say is true, and that I am not limited by time or space or your ability to provide anything.

You think Peter's shadow falling on people and healing them is an amazing wonder. But I have told you that GREATER things are coming. And there is much unbelief in My church for even the above. The reason for this is that the American church has become used to what THEY CAN DO, not what I can do. Unbelief is sin. And it is prevalent in My church today.

I said, "When I return will I find faith on earth?"
I already knew the answer to that. I didn't ask because I didn't know. The unbelief is described in Timothy... Men will be lovers of themselves instead of lovers of GOD. They will believe in THEIR abilities over My ability. I will confound the wisdom of the wise in their own OPINION.

Days of GLORY lie ahead. Do not fear the sabotage and persecution of My church. Miracles are coming....Miracles, upon miracle. If I send you to a foreign place and there is no food to feed people with, can you believe for a miracle? Or do you think YOU have to provide."

{ Again my thoughts went I think a year ago an article someone sent me about starvation in a part of Ethiopia. My brother explored Ethiopia a few times when he was in the army, and stationed in Eritrea. So I have a bit of heart for this nation, and I remembered praying, God you are not limited by their poverty. Bring food to them. You're God...You love Your children. You don't want them to die honest to God, 2 weeks later another person sent me an article from the Ethiopian newspaper about a town that got showered with fish...it just fell from the skies. It was as if a giant angel went fishing with an invisible net and then dumped the contents on a town in Ethiopia...what a miracle! I know there were surely others praying, and God answered.}

You know God is not limited by our thoughts of how He can work. Often what we think, is unbelief. God is BIG, BIG, BIG. He can do anything. After all He made the heavens and the earth. We were formed from the dust of the earth. Peter said, if we don't speak, these rocks would cry out. Because GOD IS GREAT! He is the ONLY GOD. WE ARE NOT GOD. WE CAN DO NOTHING,

NOTHING, NOTHING without HIM. He is not afraid of the men who are plotting vain things____the Kings of the earth.

He has HIS OWN PLANS and nothing they can do can stop HIS WORK. HE IS COMMITTED TO HIS OWN PLANS. NOT ONE JOT OR TITTLE WILL CHANGE what is written in Revelation. It will be done. Martyrdom is increasing, but HIS WAYS are higher than our ways. We only have to BELIEVE. The Greek word, remember means to put the WHOLE OF OUR TRUST IN HIM. People think they have to provide yet ELIJAH WAS FED BY ANGELS, AND RAVENS.Our God is too small people. We must BELIEVE for the greater things if we want to walk in them! Our thinking has to change. We see nuclear fallout as one of the worse possibilities, and are afraid, but God the Creator, Elohim, could change the nuclear fallout to nothing. He could blow it all away and make it disappear. HE IS NOT LIMITED. He could shield His own from it.

In fact in a vision by A.C. Valdez in 1929 I think it was

(It's on the Bill Somers site archives, www.etpv.org) There is a
vision of exactly that! He was in a vision and standing on the
Berkeley hills, when he saw San Francisco hit by a nuclear bomb
and God took him to different levels of the fallout and in the last
place, far away and in a safe valley, lush and green were
Christians who had been translated, unharmed!

Yet we find ourselves sometimes worrying, scurrying, fretful,
about events to come. Fear not! Fear Him Who is able to cast
your soul in hell! Him shall you hallow, Him shall you fear! He
Who is MIGHTY, will do Mighty things in the days ahead. Lay all
fear to rest. BASK IN HIS ARMS OF LOVE RIGHT NOW. ASK
FOR HIS LOVE THAT CASTS DOWN ALL FEAR TO SURROUND
YOU AND YOUR LOVED ONES. God will rend the heavens and
come down for those who love Him with abandonment.

The Winds are Blowing

through Priscilla Van Sutphin 1/9/02 0200 hrs

I was watching the worship channel and there was a video shown of palm trees blowing in the wind off an ocean shore during a worship song and the Lord said...

"The winds are blowing The Northeasters are blowing hard now to prepare my people, for soon the HOT Southern winds will blow bringing a new refreshing, something not seen before, something not felt before, quite like this wind. This is the Wind of the Kingdom of God and nothing will be like it after it, nothing has been like it before this. The Winds of Holiness have been blowing.

The call to intimacy has been trumpeted throughout this nation. I will breathe on the dead bones of My church and it will be transformed by My GLORY! Do not resist the northeasters that are blowing for their purpose is to blow away all the chaff, that you can be blessed by the winds that will bring great change to MY church and the earth. Fall on the Rock, lest it fall on you, and you be crushed.

Trumpets are blowing, Trumpets are blowing all over the earth and nothing will ever be the same. Look up, for your Bridegroom is coming He will enter the church like a Mighty Rushing Wind and all will be transformed and the lost will be drawn to you. They will be quickened by MY LOVE poured out in you. Hosts of angels are waiting for this trumpet Ancients are waiting to see the great drama unfold. Beware of the snare of the fowler, for He is watching as well and hopes to swallow up MY beloveds. UNITY is coming to MY CHURCH, for the GREAT LOVER of your souls is stirred. He is putting on His colorful robe and grooming Himself for His bride. He is coming in POWER and

GLORY to transform His Bride and to lay waste the enemy of your souls for those who are ready and waiting. Do not grow weary in doing good . REACH OUT to others and I will reach out to you!

Ring the bells, sound the trumpets, FREEDOM is coming. LIBERTY of soul is near. Do not be discouraged in your hearts, for He Who is greater than your hearts is coming and the mountains will be laid low, and every valley will be exalted. The Lame will leap like a deer. Blind eyes will be opened. Stir up FAITH in your soul.

REACH OUT and touch someone! For lo the Bridegroom cometh! He has fire in His eyes and a sword in His mouth. He will ride forth for justice, mercy and truth."

"The Revolution is coming! It will pour out into the streets and highways and byways and the halls will be filled to the brim with the lost and backslidden who will return to ME. Do not make the same mistake as the Sauls and allow yourself to be lifted up instead of Me. DO NOT TOUCH MY GLORY!! For I will not give My glory to another. There will be greater consequence once this earthquake occurs. Judgment is coming to the house of the Lord. Do not think oh hypocrites, that you can hide from the swift sword of My righteousness.

I will break the chains that bind you, but if you dare to touch My glory, you will perish as quickly as Uzzah did. I will release My compassion upon intercessors and great miracles will be released as FAITH is restored. But do not think to market this move of My Spirit. Do not think to add to your gain without considering the poor. Be willing to pay the full price, be willing to lay down your lives for your brother, for the glory that is coming will burn up all the chaff.

Removing the Masks 1-13-02 Priscilla Van Sutphin www.upstreamca.org

Last night I quipped to a friend, a dead man cannot be offended; something I heard, that a man spoke on TBN this week. I have no idea who that black man was but he was right on in what he had to say, and I was surprised at his honesty in all he talked about. And I knew it to be true So of course this morning, I got tested on that quip. I had a sure word, I thought for the church but they would make no room for hearing it, so I was perturbed.

I felt sad and angry that no one really wants to hear the word of the Lord today unless it is soft, yet what I had, I thought to be an encouraging word. Obviously I am not dead enough. I had to go to the jail to see someone, so I just left early and I pondered all that had happened, worshipped and repented to My Lord. This is what I had seen...

First I saw a mask on a man, not like one of those hard plastic masks, but the kind in the movies where someone actually looks like someone they are not; soft rubber and the Lord's hand was removing it not gently, not really roughly, but firmly and quickly removing it. I believe He is saying "I am removing the pretense off My church" And since He has been doing this in many of us, I can tell you it is painful, but also necessary. It is His grace and mercy to do so.

And the scripture He gave me was from 1 Kings19 where Elijah is running from jezebel's threats, and then come the wind, the earthquake, and the fire.

1 Kings 19:11 NKJV Then He said, "Go out, and stand on the mountain before the LORD." And behold, the LORD passed by,

and a great and strong wind tore into the mountains and broke the rocks in pieces before the LORD, but the LORD was not in the wind; and after the wind an earthquake, but the LORD was not in the earthquake; 12 and after the

earthquake a fire but the Lord was not in the fire, and after the fire, a still small voice.

When the purging comes, the voice of the enemy can be louder than the voice of God. It is important to listen for the still small voice. We are tested as by FIRE the winds will blow away the chaff, but in all of this, we must listen for that familiar, still small voice of TRUTH. Do not let the enemy tell you that God cannot forgive the pretense you have been walking in all the sin that is behind it He died for all of your sins. He is not surprised at your failures. Apart from HIM we can do NOTHING anyway. It was by grace you were saved and that alone. Otherwise we could boast in our own efforts. And there is the voice of the harsh taskmaster that has been ruling in the church today, prodding the sheep to get it together, but not willing to sacrifice anything of their own lives to help in the process - just impatient that the sheep aren't better.

In this, I am also guilty. I have been tired of the church that is without compassion. Too much in a hurry, and no time to give to people. But then that takes LOVE. Love is able to deny self long enough to give to someone else without compromising our health. But the church is filled with people who have not truly been healed and delivered. All of us are there. I don't care who you think you are. Someone who is well known in our area has just admitted to a homosexual lifestyle. Religion has been covering for a long time, but God is removing the masks. HE WILL HAVE A BRIDE WITHOUT SPOT OR BLEMISH and like a friend aptly put, when God shines His glory on you, you suddenly become more aware of your blemishes, not just the light of His

glory.

We cannot serve two masters. The master of deceit is the author of pretense. The Master of the Universe is a God of LOVE who is ready to forgive the one with a contrite heart, no matter where that heart has strayed. Jump into the fire and remember that Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego came out not even smelling of smoke and with them was the Master in the middle of the fire.

Yesterday, I had spent all afternoon and evening at a deliverance session just north of LA where we had church as it should be...a hospital, where people get healed and delivered, then as they get free, they are free to minister in prophecy or healing, or whatever the Lord is saying is allowed to come forth, and the body as a whole is participating in the process...It is a place where there is much compassion, and I couldn't help think...why can't it be this way all the time? Where the Spirit is allowed to be in charge of all that goes on, and where each part of the body plays it's part. This is where the Lord wants to take us...but until we get the healing and deliverance we need...we will be living with our own imperfections...and must have the forbearance that God has, with us, for each other."

Dynamic LivingPriscilla Van Sutphin 1/18/02 1253 hrs

"Pray that the veil of apathy, complacency and somnolence will be removed over the land and over My church. These have become strongholds because of UNBELIEF. Come into My throne room with faith to remove the obstacles. Believe that your prayer, joined with others who are given similar purpose, is able to tear down these strongholds. And that this prayer, joined with the action of those who DO reach out to the poor and downtrodden will cause a great earthquake in My church.

The Lion of Judah is on the prowl, and His judgments are in the land. Do NOT be discouraged by the attempts of the enemy to keep you from My purposes, for I WILL ARISE on behalf of the willing hearts who have given their lives to Me, for MY purposes. Nothing will keep you from your destiny in Me! Be not afraid of the terror that flies by night. Be unafraid of the fowler! For the Lord Your God is arising with HEALING IN HIS WINGS and every mountain of injustice and indifference will be laid low.

Every valley will be exalted and the base and lowly things of this world, will be used to confound the wise in their own opinion. Do not turn back from FAITH in the Son of God - For without FAITH it is impossible to please God. Do not turn to taking things into your own hands. I asked the priests of the Lord to wear LINEN, not wool that causes sweat for it is by FAITH you have been saved. It is by FAITH I have called My people to live, NOT their own self-sufficiency.

Self-sufficiency is the fruit of PRIDE. There is a rest for the people who live in FAITH in the Son of God. If there is something you should DO trust me to show you. Be open to the things I am calling you to do. I will be calling on some to give up homes, and comfort, to go for me and to give to those who are willing to go. Others I will call to keep the homes they have so they can teach others what I have taught them. Do not judge by your own eyes. I will call many to lay down ministries of their own making, that they can help support those who are doing ministry of MY making. If you are faithful in obeying Me you can stand before ME in that day and I will say, "Well done, good and faithful servant". If you choose to rebel, or not listen to my prompting, you will come under my wrath. There are blessings and curses according to obedience and lack thereof.

Choose this day, whom you will serve! Choose the narrow path for I am not willing that any should perish. Come and sit at My feet. Come and spend yourselves on ME.....that you may be healed and prepared for what is at hand. Look to Your Father Who loves you as no other loves you. I am a Father Who gives good gifts to His children and it is a time for restoration of TRUTH. It is a time for restoration of ALL THINGS.

Those who obey will walk in power and authority. Those who don't, won't. I am pouring out double GRACE for those who will come to Me. Won't you come and spend time with ME? I am the Lover of your soul. In quietness and rest you will be restored.

Raindrops Are Falling

through Priscilla Van Sutphin 29 January 2002 0205 hrs <u>www.upstreamca.org</u>

I heard the song, "Raindrops keep falling on my head"
"The rains are beginning here, and a sign of what I am doing in
the Spirit realm. They will continue till the water becomes a flood
on the dry ground. The waves of My glory will not be stopped until
every soul has had the chance to make a choice in all
the nations of the world. The rains will overtake many in such
extraordinary ways, that people will be shocked and astounded!
Unbelief will be shaken out of My church and the church will take
on the function of a living breathing organism like it was in the
beginning. Deep will call unto deep at the sound of the waterfalls.
Souls will come into alignment for My purposes and plans.

Many who have been sleeping will awaken and be changed by My glory, and the world will reel and quake at the thunder of My judgments in the earth. Be not afraid, My children, for I have overcome the world. The thoughts and intentions of many hearts is to do evil only. Therefore there will be judgments

For it is judgment that provokes men to take stock in what they believe, and to shake them from their pretense and delusions.

Come unto ME, my sons and daughters. Come away with Me in the secret place for I have things to share with you - things that I have been longing to tell you.

Come away from the busyness for events will soon catapult you into busyness of MY

making and you must have My heart You must have MY character to be able to

function in the times ahead and to not faint. Perilous times are upon you, and if you

don't get filled up you will be like the foolish virgins who were left without oil for

their lamps. Come and drink of the Living Waters of Life. I will refresh you. I will

extricate the enemy from your souls if you will come and be quiet before ME; for in quietness and rest you will be restored!

A flood of souls will soon begin to be ushered into the Kingdom so prepare your hearts

by spending time with ME. Do not forget the first things Do not run away from My

voice. Be willing to get quiet and do not move until you have heard My voice. Sit

patiently, and I will come to you and we will have sweet fellowship together. Cease

from striving and busyness. Abandon the ways of the world that you can inherit the

greater things. Just as the dew refreshes the grass and plants It comes down like a mist, and brings life-giving moisture to the plants in My garden, yet many of my plants are withered and dry

and bent over and SO thirsty, that even the dew is not enough they need the heavy rains, that fill the dry land and break up the clods of dirt and wash away the contamination and just as the floods from the river replenish the minerals in the plants on the land. This flood of many waters from above will replenish what has been dry and stagnant, if you will let it.

Let ME be pre eminent. The Holy Spirit and I are ONE. He moves where I tell Him to move. Honor Him as you honor ME for we are ONE. Let Him tell you what is next to do. Let HIM be in charge of your day, your relationships, your work, your life. Let HIM order your day. I said that unless I left, He would not come. He is the Comforter, the TEACHER, so let HIM IN. LET HIM be glorified in your midst, and I will be glorified, for we are ONE.

Brake-time

Thru...Priscilla Van Sutphin 6 Feb 2002 0100

"At a secular job, there is always time relegated as break-time. In fact it is the law. So I am calling for a brake-time a time to get away from the busyness and rush and come to Me and be held in My arms. I am longing for time with you; will you listen to Me? Will you cut out of your schedule all unnecessary busyness? Will you look at what is not important eternally and just sit at My feet and allow me to be your first love again?

Once there was a time when I wooed you to My side, remember in the beginning how you would "feel" the urge to do something and it would be Me calling you? I want you to listen again and come to Me when I call; take a break- put on the brakes of your life and sit and listen, and I mean quietly listen - not hurry off in 5 or even 10 minutes. Well, I didn't hear anything, so I am going to do something else. I am talking about purposeful listening. Maybe you don't hear anything at first. Maybe at first you hear nothing.

Yet it is purposeful exercise to get you into the practice of listening for the still small voice.

All hours of the day, practice of it, makes a habit. I want you to listen, as in the days ahead it will be VITALLY important for you to listen because of the perilous times you are walking into. You must go by MY will and not your own if My purposes for your life are to be fulfilled. Do not take for granted anything. Those who wait upon the Lord will mount up with wings as eagles My word says they will be able to fly with Me. To do what I want. Spend yourselves on Me, and I will do for you all your heart desires and more than you Could ever imagine. I am the Prince of Peace. I am the Light of the World I am the Hope of your life!

Come to ME. I am waiting for you. There is a wind of adversity coming that will test the flesh of men, but before the dawn of adversity, there is a move of power and holiness I want to bring. But you must come to My side to stay your mind on Me in sweet communion with Me. Forsake the world and all it's enticements. Pray together in groups as you can and strengthen one another in every time you meet together. Build each other up in the Spirit, that your hearts will be strengthened for the days that lie ahead. Be willing to give up your programs and do what I want to do. LOVE ONE ANOTHER as I have loved you!

Love on one another. Lay down your lives, that you may save them. Embrace the cross each day, each hour, each moment. Do not delay to come aside with Me. I have vats of oil to pour out, and I am waiting for you to come to Me. I want to give you good gifts. Come aside and allow Me to touch you! I want to heal your wounds and strengthen you in your inner man that you may know with all the saints the length and breadth, width and height of the love I

have for you; that you will be filled with the knowledge of the Lord and walk in the Light as I am in the Light.

Dancing with Diamonds

Thru Priscilla Van Sutphin 2-19-02

I heard this phrase "Dancing with Diamonds" and the Lord said: "I had a plan. My plans are above the plans of men or demons. I am Elohim after all, Creator God of the universe. Have you not known, have you not seen? He who sits above the heavens laughs at the derision of His enemies. The enemy has always been deluded in thinking he has the upper hand but I AM that I AM, and I will complete the work I have begun in you. I will fulfill my call to the nations and in this nation.

Have you ever seen the way a diamond comes out of the ground? Enveloped in the carbon substance of it's growth, black and useless, yet it is formed into something quite beautiful and impenetrable. And that is how I am making my diamonds in the rough. Those I have made into My image and who have surrendered to My ways, are being cut and polished and formed into a thing of beauty to display My glory through. When you shine light through a diamond it scatters and you see light all over the room it is in. If there are malformations, elements in the diamond that dull it's appearance, the light will not scatter as is intended to project. Therefore, I am removing all the impurities in My people, that they may glow with the GLORY I want to pour into them.

Come to my side virgin daughter of Zion and I will dance with you! I want to sweep you off your feet, that you will be enthralled with the Lover of your soul, that you will

know HOW MUCH I love you! Come to ME! Let me have this dance, that will put the finishing touches on My diamonds of glory! You are coming forth and will shine My Light to the whole world around you wherever you go, if you will but come to ME. I am a jealous Lover and I will have no other gods before Me. I did not call you to idolize your ministry, your family, money, things of the world or anything but ME. All that can be shaken WILL be shaken so come NOW, that you might be polished The diamond is first plucked from the charcoal and rock and then cut and faceted but then it is polished and I have a shine to put on My diamonds too. Come away with Me, that you may fly higher and higher so that you will learn to only be carried by the wind of My Spirit that none of your ways are mixed with My ways.

Polishing just takes a little rubbing, cutting is painful, but rubbing is just a bit of irritation and a final gentle touch to bring the process to an end.

Then I saw a vision of jeweler spraying something on a diamond he was polishing and rubbing it, and it shone much brighter.

And this reminded me of Esther, how she was sprayed with perfumes in the second half of her preparation, representing the aroma of the Lord.

Then I again heard the Lord say:

I will cause you to distinguish between the good and the bad and the ugly as you receive this polishing, and as the light shines through you it will penetrate into the hearts of others. And this will allow you to see into their souls and see the anguish and turmoil of their hearts. And I will show you great and mighty things and the church and world will be dismayed, at the mighty army I have formed in darkness, just like the diamond..

It comes out of darkness and then will be used to shine into the whole world to display My love and power.

Your president said there is an "axis of evil" and he said well. But his idea of how to fight it, and Mine are different. He is using war and invasion forces. I too have My invasion forces but they will go under a covering of surprise and hiddenness (darkness) yet shine MY Light to the nations and compel the masses to come to Me.

He has his smart missiles and I have Mine, that will deliver a death blow to the powers of darkness that have held people in their grip for centuries and ages, even from the beginnings of time. So NOW I will muster My army, and they WILL come forth, and the means to send them forth will be generated, that they can do what I have called them to do for the sake of MY NAME! They will be great LOVERS of Me, not fighting against My will, but yielded vessels of My glory. They will not break ranks as they plunge against defenses. They will walk in UNITY of purpose; MY PURPOSE.

There will be no lack to those who are given to My purposes. And I will make a display of the enemy in the midst of persecution and every other evil that the enemy brings. I will use My army to lay waste the enemy of your souls. NOTHING will ever be the same. A fire devours before them, and behind them a flame burns. The glory of the Lord will be seen upon them.

WATCHMAN, WHAT OF THE NIGHT?

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I heard from the Lord, "Watchman, what of the night?" and I sat to pray and I began to wail and scream in terror for the pain I was feeling. And I asked the Lord what this was about, to show

me why I am feeling all this pain and terror. I then looked up the scriptures that had this phrase.

Isa 21:1-16 NKJV The burden against the Wilderness of the Sea. As whirlwinds in the South pass through, so it comes from the desert, from a terrible land. 2 A distressing vision is declared to me; The treacherous dealer deals treacherously, and the plunderer plunders. Go up, O Elam! Besiege, O Media! All its sighing I have made to cease. 3 Therefore my loins are filled with pain; pangs have taken hold of me, like the pangs of a woman in labor. I was distressed when I heard it; I was dismayed when I saw it. 4 My heart wavered, fearfulness frightened me; the night for which I longed He turned into fear for me. 5 Prepare the table, set a watchman in the tower, eat and drink. Arise, you princes, anoint the shield! For thus has the Lord said to me: "Go, set a watchman, let him declare what he sees." 7 And he saw a chariot with a pair of horsemen, a chariot of donkeys, and a chariot of camels, and he listened earnestly with great care. 8 Then he cried, "A lion, my Lord! I stand continually on the watchtower in the daytime; I have sat at my post every night. 9 And look, here comes a chariot of men with a pair of horsemen! " Then he answered and said, "Babylon is fallen, is fallen! And all the carved images of her gods He has broken to the ground."

10 Oh, my threshing and the grain of my floor! That which I have heard from the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel, I have declared to you. 11 The burden against Dumah. He calls to me out of Seir, "Watchman, what of the night? Watchman, what of the night?" 12 The watchman said, "The morning comes, and also the night. If you will inquire, inquire; Return! Come back!"

13 The burden against Arabia. In the forest in Arabia you will lodge, O you traveling companies of Dedanites. 14 O inhabitants of the land of Tema, bring water to him who is thirsty; with their

bread they met him who fled. 15 For they fled from the swords, from the drawn sword, from the bent bow, and from the distress of war.

16 For thus the LORD has said to me: "Within a year, according to the year of a hired man, all the glory of Kedar will fail; 17 and the remainder of the number of archers, the mighty men of the people of Kedar, will be diminished; for the LORD God of Israel has spoken it."

Then He spoke:

"I have drawn My sword, and I will carry My bow and shoot My arrows at the inhabitants of the earth who refuse to lay down their sword against My people. I will shoot My arrows into the nations who rise against Israel and there will be such distress upon the nations whose thoughts are to devour instead of to build. Truthfully, I tell you, that if any man wants to choose death instead of life, he will receive what he has asked for by his presumption and pride. The LAME will take the prey in this war of wars, believe Me when I say that I will have MY vengeance upon all who have come against My own.

Tighten your belts, and cling to Me, for the ride will be bumpy and dangerous for those who have only half-heartedly committed their lives to Me. He that is not FOR ME, and for those I call My own, is not going to be able to stand in this day. This is the year of My VENGEANCE and I will stir up the whirlwinds and many will be taken in their pride and arrogance. SEE THAT YOU ARE HIDDEN IN ME! And do not turn away from your prayer closets. Keep your face to the wind and continue to pursue My presence diligently for I will not disappoint you. I will do all I have said I will do for you. I have not forgotten My promises. YOU WILL GO FORTH IN POWER AND GLORY if you will stay your eyes on ME.

Watchmen, stay on the wall and open your mouth like a trumpet to all around you. When I speak to you a warning, or an admonition, or an encouragement do not hold back, for I am pouring out trumpets of many kinds. Speak, and do not faint. Do not look at their faces for I have called you to stay your course and to continue to warn and admonish a rebellious and hard-necked people. DO NOT SHRINK BACK. Speak as I call you to speak, and do not be afraid of their rejection. It will soon mean nothing, for MY JUDGMENT BEGINS IN THE HOUSE OF THE LORD.

Those who say they are Jews (spiritually) but are of the synagogue of Satan, will come and bow down at your feet, and they will know that I have loved you! So do not be afraid for I am Your Vindicator. I am still doing some polishing and I urge you to stay in My presence that you may ONLY speak what I tell you. No more, and no less. Speak LIFE to the DRY BONES, My people. Speak LIFE, that the church may become ONE. The Day of the Lord is at hand and nothing will ever be the same. Lay down your swords against each other. DO NOT JUDGE LEST YOU BE JUDGED! LOVE ONE ANOTHER as I have loved you. LET them know that YOU are Mine, by this; that you love one another.

What good does it do a man if he gains the whole world but loses his soul, I said, yet many have not given up their lives, but still cling to them. LOVE OF THE WORLD IS ENMITY WITH GOD. That is what MY Word says. Come out of her... keep yourselves unblemished from the world and all she has to offer. Cling to ME that you may be saved in the day of My wrath that is coming upon the earth. Pray for your loved ones and watch them come into My arms. I am arising My people. I am listening to those who are Mine ! LIFT YOUR VOICES IN PRAISE ~

REJOICE AND BE GLAD, FOR THE DAY IS APPROACHING. LIFT YOUR VOICES IN HARMONY GATHER TOGETHER AND WORSHIP ME IN THE SPIRIT OF HOLINESS. Keep communion with Me! ASK ME AND I WILL GIVE YOU THE NATIONS. I am birthing salvation in the earth. The knowledge of Me will fill the earth. I am trumpeting a time of GLORY, such as never has been seen. Come, come to ME, and I will fill you with My glory.

Below are Matthew Henry's Commentary notes.. on this chapter in Isaiah Isaiah 21:1-10

The doom of Babylon

We had one burden of Babylon before (ch. 13); here we have another prediction of its fall. God saw fit thus to possess his people with the belief of this event by line upon line, because Babylon sometimes pretended to be a friend to them (as Isa 39:1), and God would hereby warn them not to trust to that friendship, and sometimes was reallyan enemy to them, and God would hereby warn them not to be afraid of that enmity.

Babylon is marked for ruin; and all that believe God's prophets can, through that glass, see it tottering, see it tumbling, even when with an eye of sense they see it flourishing and sitting as a queen. Babylon is here called the desert or plain of the sea; for it was a flat country, and full of lakes, or loughs (as they call them in Ireland), like little seas, and was abundantly watered with the many streams of the river Euphrates. Babylon did but lately begin to be famous, Nineveh having outshone it while the monarchy was in the Assyrian hands; but in a little time it became the lady of kingdoms; and, before it arrived at that pitch of eminency which it was at in Nebuchadnezzar's time, God by this prophet plainly foretold its fall, again and again, that his

people might not be terrified at its rise, nor despair of relief in due time when they were its prisoners,

Job 5:3; Ps 37:35-36. Some think it is here called a desert because, though it was now a populous city, it should in time be made a desert. And therefore the destruction of Babylon is so often prophesied of by this evangelical prophet, because it was typical of the destruction of the man of sin, the great enemy of the New-Testament church, which is foretold in the

Revelation in many expressions borrowed from these prophecies, which therefore must be consulted and collated by those who would understand the prophecy of that book.

Here is, I. The powerful irruption and descent which the Medes and Persians should make upon Babylon (v. 1-2): They will come from the desert, from a terrible land. The northern parts of Media and Persia, where their soldiers were mostly bred, was waste and mountainous, terrible to strangers that were to pass through it and producing soldiers that were very formidable. Elam (that is, Persia) is summoned to go up against Babylon, and, in conjunction with the forces of Media, to besiege it. When God has work of this kind to do he will find, though it be in a desert, in a terrible land, proper instruments to be employed in it. These forces come as whirlwinds from the south, so suddenly, so strongly, so terribly, such a mighty noise shall they make, and throw down every thing that stands in their way. As is usual in such a case, some deserters will go over to them: The treacherous dealers will deal treacherously. Historians tell us of Gadatas and Gobryas, two great officers of the king of Babylon, that went over to Cyrus, and, being well acquainted with all the avenues of the city, led a party directly to the palace, where Belshazzar was slain. Thus with the help of the treacherous

dealers the spoilers spoiled. Some read it thus: There shall be a deceiver of that

deceiver, Babylon, and a spoiler of that spoiler, or, which comes all to one, The treacherous dealer has found one that deals treacherously, and the spoiler one that spoils, as it is expounded, Isa 33:1. The Persians shall pay the Babylonians in their own coin; those that by fraud and violence, cheating and plundering, unrighteous wars and deceitful treaties, have made a prey of their neighbours, shall meet with their match, and by the same methods shall themselves be made a prey of.

II.

The different impressions made hereby upon those concerned in Babylon. 1. To the poor oppressed captives it would be welcome news; for they had been told long ago that Babylon's destroyer would be their deliverer, and therefore, "when they hear that Elam and Media are coming up to besiege Babylon, all their sighing will be made to cease; they shall no longer mingle their tears with Euphrates' streams, but resume their harps, and smile when they remember Zion, which, before, they wept at the thought of." For the sighing of the needy the God of pity will arise in due time (Ps12:5); he will break the yoke from all their neck, will remove the rod of the wicked from off their lot, and so make their sighing to cease.

2. To the proud oppressors it would be a grievous vision (v. 2), particularly to the king of Babylon for the time being, and it should seem that he it is who is here brought in sadly lamenting his inevitable fate (v. 3-4): Therefore are my loins filled with pain; pangs have taken hold upon me, etc., which was literally fulfilled in Belshazzar, for that very night in which his city was taken, and himself slain, upon the sight of a hand writing mystic characters upon the wall his countenance was changed and his thoughts troubled him, so that the joints of his loins were loosed and his knees smote one against another, Dan 5:6.

And yet that was but the beginning of sorrows. Daniel's deciphering the writing could not but increase his terror, and the alarm which immediately followed of the executioners at the door would be the completing of it. And those words, The night of my pleasure has he turned into fear to me, plainly refer to that aggravating circumstance of Belshazzar's fall that he was slain on that night when he was in the height of his mirth and jollity, with his cups and concubines about him and a thousand of his lords revelling with him; that night of his pleasure, when he promised himself an undisturbed unallayed enjoyment of the most exquisite gratifications of sense, with a particular defiance of God and religion in the

profanation of the temple vessels, was the night that was turned into all this fear.

Let this give an effectual check to vain mirth and sensual pleasures, and forbid us ever to lay the reins on the neck of them-that we know not what heaviness the mirth may end in, nor how soon laughter may be turned into mourning; but this we know that for all these things God shall bring us into judgment; let us therefore mix trembling always

with our joys.

III.

A representation of the posture in which Babylon should be found when the enemy should surprise it-all in festival gaiety (v. 5): "Prepare the table with all manner of dainties. Set the guards; let them watch in the watch-tower while we eat and drink securely and make merry; and, if any alarm should be given, the princes shall arise and anoint the shield, and be in readiness to give the enemy a warm reception." Thus secure are they, and thus do they gird on the harness with as much joy as if they were putting it

off.

IV.

A description of the alarm which should be given to Babylon upon its being forced by Cyrus and Darius. The Lord, in vision, showed the prophet the watchman set in his watch-tower, near the watch-tower, near the palace, as is usual in times of danger; the king ordered those about him to post a sentinel in the most advantageous place for discovery, and, according to the duty of a watchman, let him declare what he sees, v. 6. We read of watchmen thus set to receive intelligence in the story of David (2 Sam 18:24), and in the story of Jehu, 2 Kings 9:17.

This watchman here discovered a chariot with a couple of horsemen attending it, in which we may suppose the commander-in-chief to ride. He then saw another chariot drawn by asses or mules, which were much in use among the Persians, and a chariot drawn by camels, which were likewise much in use among the Medes; so that (as Grotius thinks) these two chariots signify the two nations combined against Babylon, or rather these chariots come to bring tidings to the palace; compare Jer 51:31-32. One post shall run to meet another, and one messenger to meet another, to show the king of Babylon that his city is taken at one end while he is revelling at the other end and knows nothing of the matter.

The watchman, seeing these chariots at some distance, hearkened diligently with much heed, to receive the first tidings. And (v. 8) he cried, A lion; this word, coming out of a watchman's mouth, no doubt gave them a certain sound, and every body knew the meaning of it, though we do not know it now. It is likely that it was intended to raise attention: he that has an ear to hear, let him hear, as when a lion roars. Or he cried as a lion, very loud and in good earnest, the occasion being very urgent. And what has he to say?

- 1. He professes his constancy to the post assigned him: "I stand, my lord, continually upon the watch-tower, and have never discovered any thing material till just now; all seemed safe and quiet." Some make it to be a complaint of the people of God that they had long expected the downfall of Babylon, according to the prophecy, and it had not yet come; but withal a resolution to continue waiting; as Hab 2:1, I will stand upon my watch, and set me upon the tower, to see what will be the issue of the present providences.
- 2. He gives notice of the discoveries he had made (v. 9): Here comes a chariot of men with a couple of horsemen, a vision representing the enemy's entry into the city with all their force or the tidings brought to the royal palace of it.

V.

A certain account is at length given of the overthrow of Babylon. He in the chariot answered and said (when he heard the watchman speak), Babylon has fallen, has fallen; or God answered thus to the prophet enquiring concerning the issue of these affairs: "It has now come to this, Babylon has surely and irrecoverably fallen. Babylon's business is done now. All the graven images of her gods he has broken unto the ground."

Babylon was the mother of harlots (that is, of idolatry), which was one of the grounds of God's quarrel with her; but her idols should now be so far from protecting her that some of them should be broken down to the ground, and

her that some of them should be broken down to the ground, and others of them, that were worth carrying way, should go into captivity, and be a burden to the beasts that carried them, Isa 46:1-2.

VI. Notice is given to the people of God, who were then captives in Babylon, that this prophecy of the downfall of Babylon was particularly intended for their comfort and encouragement, and

they might depend upon it that it should be accomplished in due season, v. 10. Observe,

1. The title the prophet gives them in God's name: O my threshing, and the corn of my floor! The prophet calls them his, because they were his countrymen, and such as he had a particular interest in and concern for; but he speaks it as from God, and directs his speech to those that were Israelites indeed, the faithful in the land.

Note,

- (1.) The church is God's floor, in which the most valuable fruits and products of this earth are, as it were, gathered together and laid up.
- (2.) True believers are the corn of God's floor. Hypocrites are but as the chaff and straw, which take up a great deal of room, but are of small value, with which the wheat is now mixed, but from which it shall be shortly and for ever separated.
- (3.) The corn of God's floor must expect to be threshed by afflictions and persecutions. God's Israel of old was afflicted from her youth, often under the plougher's plough (Ps 129:3) and the thresher's flail.
- (4.) Even then God owns it for his threshing; it is his still; nay, the threshing of it is by his appointment, and under his restraint and direction. The threshers could have no power against it but what was given them from above.
- 2. The assurance he gives them of the truth of what he had delivered to them, which therefore they might build their hopes upon: That which I have heard of the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel-that, and nothing else, that, and no fiction or fancy of my own-have I declared unto you.

Note, In all events concerning the church, past, present, and to come, we must have an eye to God both as the Lord of hosts and as the God of Israel, who has power enough to do any thing for

his church and grace enough to do every thing that is for her good, and to the words of his prophets, as words received from the Lord. As they dare not smother any thing which he has entrusted them to declare, so they dare not declare any thing as from him which he has not made known to them, 1 Cor 11:23.

Isaiah 21:11-12 - The watchman interrogated
This prophecy concerning Dumah is very short, and withal dark
and hard to be understood. Some think that Dumah is a part
of Arabia, and that the inhabitants descended from Dumah
the sixth son of Ishmael, as those of Kedar (v. 16-17) from
Ishmael's second son, Gen 25:13-14.I

- Gen 25:13-15 NKJV And these were the names of the sons of Ishmael, by their names, according to their generations: The firstborn of Ishmael, Nebajoth; then Kedar, Adbeel, Mibsam, 14 Mishma, Dumah, Massa, 15 Hadar, Tema, Jetur, Naphish, and Kedemah.
- OT:1746 Duwmah (doo-maw'); the same as OT:1745; Dumah, a tribe and region of Arabia: KJV-Dumah.
- OT:1745 duwmah (doo-maw'); from an unused root meaning to be dumb (compare OT:1820); silence; figuratively, death: KJV-silence.

OT:1820 damah (daw-mam'); a primitive root; to be dumb or silent; hence, to fail or perish; trans. to destroy: KJV-cease, be cut down (off), destroy, be brought to silence, be undone, X utterly.

OT:8165 Se` iyr (say-eer'); formed like OT:8163; rough; Seir, a mountain of Idumaea and its aboriginal occupants, also one in Palestine: KJV-Seir.

Others, because Mount Seir is here mentioned, by Dumah understand Idumea, the country of the Edomites. Some of

Israel's neighbours are certainly meant, and their distress is foretold, not only for warning to them to prepare them for it, but for warning to Israel not to depend upon them, or any of the nations about them, for relief in a time of danger, but upon God only. We must see all creature confidences failing us, and feel them breaking under us, that we may not lay more weight upon them than they will bear. But though the explication of this prophecy be difficult,

because we have no history in which we find the accomplishment of it, yet the application will be easy.

We have here,

1.A question put by an Edomite to the watchman. Some one or other called out of Seir, somebody that was more concerned for the public safety and welfare than the rest, who were generally careless and secure. As the man of Macedonia, in a vision, desired Paul to come over and help them (Acts 16:9), so this man of Mount Seir, in a vision, desired the prophet to inform and instruct them. He calls not many; it is well there are any, that all are not alike unconcerned about the things that belong to the public peace. Some out of Seir ask advice of God's prophets, and are willing to be taught, when many of God's Israel heed nothing. The question is serious: What of the night? It is put to a proper person, the watchman, whose office it is to answer such 21 enquiries. He repeats the question, as one in care, as one in earnest, and desirous to have an answer.

Note,

(1.) God's prophets and ministers are appointed to be watchmen, and we are to look upon them as such. They are as watchmen in the city in a time of peace, to see that all be safe, to knock at every door by personal enquiries ("Is it locked? Is the fire safe?"), to direct those that are at a loss, and check those that are disorderly, Song 3:3; 5:7. They are as watchmen in the camp in time of war, Ezek 33:7. They are to take

- notice of the motions of the enemy and to give notice of them, to make discoveries and then give warning; and in this they must deny themselves.
- (2.) It is our duty to enquire of the watchmen, especially to ask again and again, What of the night? for watchmen wake when other sleep.
- [1.] What time of the night? After a long sleep in sin and security, is it not time to rise, high time to awake out of sleep? Rom 13:11. We have a great deal of work to do, a long journey to go; is it not time to be stirring? "Watchman, what o'clock is it? After a long dark night is there any hope of the day dawning?" [2.] What tidings of the night? What from the night? (so some); "what vision has the prophet had to-night? We are ready to receive it." Or, rather, "What occurs to night? What weather is it? What news?" We must expect an alarm, and never be secure. The day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night; we must prepare to receive the alarm, and resolve to keep our ground, and then take the first hint of danger, and to our arms presently, to our spiritual weapons. [Pris: interjection The word what has also the meaning "how long" how long the night ? Of the night is Hebrew layel or layelah properly a twist (ing) (away of the light) and figuratively night also has the meaning of adversity - night season.]
- 2. The watchman's answer to this question. The watchman was neither asleep nor dumb; though it was a man of Mount Seir that called to him, he was ready to give him an answer: The morning comes. He answers, (1.) By way of prediction: "There comes first a morning of light, and peace, and

opportunity; you will enjoy one day of comfort more; but afterwards comes a night of trouble and calamity."

Note,

In the course of God's providence it is usual that morning and night are counterchanged and succeed each other. Is it night?

Yet the morning comes, and the day-spring knows his place, Ps 30:5. Is it day? Yet the night comes also. If there be a morning of youth and health, there will come a night of sickness and old age; if a morning of prosperity in the family, in the public, yet we must look for changes. But God usually gives a morning of opportunity before he sends a night of calamity, that his own people may be prepared for the storm and others left inexcusable.

(2.) By way of excitement: If you will enquire, enquire. Note, It is our wisdom to improve the present morning in preparation for the night that is coming after it. "Enquire, return, come. Be inquisitive, be penitent, be willing and obedient." Themanner of expression is very observable, for we are put to our choice what we will do: "If you will enquire, enquire; if not, it is at your peril; you cannot say but you have a fair offer made you." We are also urged to be at a point: "If you will, say so, and do not stand pausing; what you will do do quickly, for it is no time to trifle." Those that return and come to God will find they have a great deal of work to do and but a little time to do it in, and therefore they have need to be busy.

Isaiah 21:13-17 The doom of Arabia

Arabia was a large country, that lay eastward and southward of the land of Canaan. Much of it was possessed by the posterity of Abraham. The Dedanim, here mentioned (v. 13), descended from Dedan, Abraham's son by Keturah; the inhabitants of Tema and Kedar descended from Ishmael, Gen 25:3,13,15. The Arabians generally lived in tents, and kept cattle, were a hardy people, inured to labor; probably the Jews depended upon them as a sort of a wall between them and the more warlike eastern nations; and therefore, to alarm them, they shall hear the burden of Arabia, and see

it sinking under its own burden.

- I. A destroying army shall be brought upon them, with a sword, with a drawn sword, with a bow ready bent, and with all the grievousness of war, v. 15. It is probable that the king of Assyria, in some of the marches of his formidable and victorious army, took Arabia in his way, and, meeting with little resistance, made an easy prey of them. The consideration of the grievousness of war should make us thankful for the blessings of peace.
 - II. The poor country people will hereby be forced to flee for shelter wherever they can find a place; so that the travelling companies of Dedanium, which used to keep the high roads with their caravans, shall be obliged to quit them and lodge in the forest in Arabia (v. 13), and shall not have the wonted convenience of their own tents, poor and weather-beaten as they are.
- III. They shall stand in need of refreshment, being ready to perish for want of it, in their flight from the invading army: "O you inhabitants of the land of Tema!" (who probably were next neighbours to the companies of Dedanim) "bring you water" (so the margin reads it) "to him that is thirsty, and prevent with your bread those that flee, for they are objects of your compassion; they do not wander for wandering sake, nor are they reduced to straits by any extravagance of their own, but they flee from the sword." Tema was a country where water was sometimes a scarce commodity (as we

find, Job 6:19), and we may conclude it would be in a particular manner acceptable to these poor distressed refugees. Let us learn hence.

1. To look for distress ourselves. We know not what straits we may be brought into before we die. Those that live in cities may be forced to lodge in forests; and those may know the want of necessary food who now eat bread to the full. Our mountain

stands not so strong but that it may be moved, rises not so high but that it may be scaled. These Arabians would the better bear these calamities because in their way of living they had used themselves to hardships.

2. To look with compassion upon those that are in distress, and with all cheerfulness to relieve them, not knowing how soon their case may be ours: "Bring water to those that are thirsty, and not only give bread to those that need and ask it, but prevent those with it that have need; give it to them unasked." Those that do so shall find it remembered to their praise, as (according to our reading) it is here remembered to the praise of the land of Tema that they did bring water to the thirsty and relieved even those that were on the falling side.

IV

All that which is the glory of Kedar shall vanish away and fail. Did they glory in their numerous herds and flocks? They shall all be driven away by the enemy. It seems they were famous about other nations for the use of the bow in battle; but their archers, instead of foiling the enemy, shall fall themselves; and the residue of their number, when they are reduced to a small number, shall be diminished (v. 17); their mighty able-bodied men, and men of spirit too, shall become very few; for they, being most forward in the defense of their country, were most exposed, and fell first, either by the enemies' sword or into the enemies' hand.

Note.

Neither the skill of archers (though they be ever so good marksmen) nor the courage of mighty men can protect a people from the judgments of God, when they come with commission; they rather expose the undertakers. That is poor glory which will thus quickly come to nothing.

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All this shall be done in a little time: "Within one year according to the years of a hireling (within one year precisely reckoned) this judgment shall come upon Kedar." If this fixing of the time be of no great use to us now (because we find not either when the prophecy was delivered or when it was accomplished), yet it might be of great use to the Arabians then, to awaken them to repentance, that, like the men of Nineveh, they might prevent the judgment when they were thus told it was just at the door.Or, when it begins to be fulfilled, the business shall be done, be begun and ended in

one year's time. God, when he please, can do a great work in a little time.

VI.

It is all ratified by the truth of God (v. 16); "Thus hath the Lord said to me; you may take my word for it that it is his word;" and we may be sure no word of his shall fall to the ground. And again (v. 17): The Lord God of Israel hath spoken it, as the God of Israel, in pursuance of his gracious designs concerning them; and we may be sure the strength of Israel will not lie.

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OT:1746 Duwmah Dumah = "silence" as a proper noun, masculine:

1) son of Ishmael and most probably the founder of the
Ishmaelite tribe of Arabia as proper noun, location: 2) a town in
the mountainous district of Judah, near Hebron 3) a mystical
name of Edom indicating death and ruin
OT:8165 Se`iyr -- Seir = "hairy" or "shaggy"as a proper noun,
masculine:

1) patriarch of the Horites, the inhabitants of Edom before the descendants of Esau, the Edomites as a proper noun, territory: 2)

the land of Edom, south of the Dead Sea as a proper noun, mountain: 3) a mountain range in Edom extending from the Dead Sea to the Elanitic Gulf; apparently also called `Mount Seir' and extending most of the distance of the mountain range itself 4) a mountain in northern Judah lying westward from Kirjath-Jearim

OT:8485 Teyma' or Tema' -- Tema = "desert" as a proper noun, masculine: 1) the ninth son of Ishmael as a proper noun, location:2) the land settled by Tema, the son of Ishmael
OT:6938 Qedar -- Kedar = "dark" as a proper noun, masculine: 1) a son of Ishmael as a proper noun, people
2) the descendants of Kedar
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Be Not Afraid
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"From time eternal I have planned out the ending of the earth, for I knew all that would be, and all that would happen, and I am not surprised by the things going on. But you will be surprised My people, for you have relied on your own wisdom instead of My glory.

I am about to do a new thing in the earth and your eyes will behold it with wonder and amazement. Do not think I came to bring peace, I said, for I came to bring a sword that would divide families and friends, and I have a work to do. Multitudes,

I have Mine and whose do you think will prevail? Though they kill My beloveds, daily in many nations, I will have My vengeance on those who practice witchcraft, who take things into their own hands. Those who meet behind secret doors and secret gatherings are no secret to ME!

Will I not do as I have said? Will I withhold all I have said I would do? No, My friends. I am always about My Father's business, whether on this earth or in heaven above. Learn a lesson from the fig tree. Walk in faith and you will see your hearts rise above the circumstance and realize, that I am with you in all things, I said, even until the end of all time. I will never leave you or forsake you. I never said, you wouldn't have to suffer, only that I have already conquered the world. All who suffer with ME, will receive My glory. Do not run from the presence of the Lord in these days My friends. Stay very close to Me. Listen for the still small voice for that is where I AM. Be not afraid, for I am with you in all things.

If you have sought My face, indeed you will reign with Me in glory and even through the perilous times I will walk beside you, closer than ever before. Take no stock in the threats of wickedness, for soon all the wicked will be stubble. For I am arising from My throne and all who trust in ME will walk in the grace I have for these times. I know that your hearts ache for what you see going on in the world. I know that you have grown weary waiting, but the rewards for those who have set their hearts upon ME will be great. Do not strive; listen for the still, small voice and only do what I give you to do.

Rest in ME, for I am lowly and humble of heart, and if you ask, I will give to you the keys to nations, the keys that will unlock

principalities and powers from their thrones. Trust in ME alone, for I alone am Faithful. Some of you I have called to this hour to intercede. Be content in interceding; your tears move the direction of hearts. Your tears are not missed by Me. Each one is stored in a bottle. Your tears are effective intercession, so do not be ashamed when you feel MY heart aching, My heart weeping in terror for the things My children do to each other. Continue to seek My face and you will be greatly rewarded for the tear stained pillows, for the many hours of intercession before My throne. I count you as My close friends and I have given you this privilege to share My heart for the nations of the earth in this dark hour. Ride on; do not stop. Ride on with Me, and help Me to conquer the hearts of men and women, boys and girls.

There are many who still do not know Me. I am in the intercession; it is ME working in you, My purposes, and My heart. Rejoice, and be glad, worship in the beauty of holiness. Many of you, I have been equipping with My compassion, My heart for the lost that in this hour, I might send you out like smart missiles for a given purpose and target.

And because you will have My heart and compassion, you will be effective in your aim; you will be effective in your tears, so long as you remain dependent on ME and do not rely on your own knowledge. Self-sufficient pride is not of Me. I AM humble of heart. I don't force you to love Me or to do anything for Me. I am not controlling. I am not ordering you around. I allow you to choose for yourself the path you will take. I give you choices but it is you who must choose. And do not allow the whispers of the enemy to torment you. Rebuke the devourer for I AM in you working My will in you. Do not listen to his condemnations and doubts. Speak My word and he will flee. Gird your loins with the belt of Truth, and do not deter from soaking in My word for it

will bring life to many in the days ahead My love. My peace I give to you, not as others give, do I give. I love you My Bride. Keep oil in your lamps for the hour is late.

Bridge on the River Kwai

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I heard.." Bridge on the River Kwai" and I vaguely remembered watching this many years ago so went to the site that reviews movies and found this:

Shot on location in the steamy, colorful, dense tropical jungles of Ceylon (Sri Lanka), the story's theme is the futility and insanity of war, viewed through the psychological, confrontational struggle of imperialistic wills between a British and Japanese Colonel. The two protagonists are symbols of different, opposing cultures, but actually they share much in common - egotistical pride, dedication, a belief in saving "face," and stubborn, inflexible obedience to their class, military codes and rules.

Themes of heroism, pride, military tradition, hierarchy, and power are masterfully interwoven into a plot that is ambiguous enough to allow for various viewpoints and perspectives. Before and during the title credits, an evocative opening shows a single soaring, circling hawk, free from restraints. The aerial camera view pulls back to reveal a vast, green, tropical jungle (from the hawk's point of view), then descends into the teeming, chattering, underbrush of the forest to pan by a row of crude graveyards (in the jungle and next to train tracks), marked with makeshift wooden crosses. A train with a machine-gunner on top whistles as it roars past the graves, coming upon POWs in a World War II Japanese prisoner of war camp. The camp inhabitants and building one link in the infamous Bangkok-Rangoon "death railway."

I am asking the Lord, what do You want to say about this Lord? The underlined above really stood out to me and reminded me of Israel and the Palestinians. And then the Lord spoke to me...

"I AM looking to build a bridge between two brothers. They think alike in many ways. They too, are stubborn and prideful, dedicated to their "rules and laws." And in building this bridge, I am looking for those who will lay down their lives for their brothers, to pray for them, to cry out for justice. I desire more than anyone for peace to have reign in the middle east. I am desiring that the lion lie down with the bear - that the commonness of the things they value would be looked at by either side and that they would lay down all ancient hatreds and lay down their weapons. I am calling to My watchmen to stand on the wall and to build with one hand through worship and praise, and to wield their weapon in the other hand, and speak the Word.

Peace will be accomplished, though at a cost. It will come more quickly if My intercessors will worship and warfare. Lift up your voices and do not get bogged down in earthly measures. Keep your eyes on Me, and fulfill the will of My heart, through MY MEANS - worship and prayer till Jerusalem is made a praise in the earth.

Call for the wailing women. Call a solemn assembly. Gather together and storm the heavens till My will is accomplished. Your worship gives strength to those in the heavenly battle.

I Am like that bird. I circle around Jerusalem and I see what is going on and though it looks from above to be the Holy city, it is filled with graves now, and death lingers in the corners of My city.

Ariel has been My dwelling place, and now it is filled with graves of many of My children from both ethnic groups; Brother against

brother because of a lie. My intention IS to bring down the walls of Islam, but I need My warriors to AGREE and not take sides. I do not take sides. I see with a singular eye. I see a people lost and forlorn, abandoned and full of hate and revenge, murder and desperation and I see another people, who still hold revenge for what was done to them in a former generation because they do not know the extent of My love for them, and do not know MY SON.

So I am asking you, oh watchmen, to not take sides but see this from MY perspective and to seek MY FACE to bring down the prince of the air, to bring down the walls of ISLAM in all the nations that serve it. That the true gospel can go forth to the nations. THIS is what is on MY HEART. Stay the course till you see the signs of it's unraveling. The tear has begun. Apply more pressure and the walls will crumble. Worship in the Spirit of holiness. You cannot have My perspective if you have hatred and revenge in mind, or in your own heart by taking sides.

Both brothers are in need of the ultimate reconciliation. And My desire is to bring a NEW reconciliation through LOVE and kindness, not hatred and revenge, but forgiveness and humility. Seek MY HEART, and MY mind. And I will move the mountains of false authority and false religion from the mountains surrounding Jerusalem.

Under Water Swimming
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During a nap today, had a vision of one person with a mask for diving on his face, the kind with oxygen tanks that go on your back for diving. He was looking at another who was diving into deep water with no mask and he struggles, but then suddenly realizes he can breathe under the water and breathes through his nose, and he relaxes. I asked about the meaning...

"There are those who dive into revival knowing something about it and eager to receive, wanting all they can get from their Lord, and they are unashamed of anything HE chooses to do in them. There are others who wear protective masks due to fear, who are reluctant to dive into it, and have their protective gear on, not really desiring to go into it too deep, but if they have to, will at least have some protection in the form of control. These only want so much of God, but not enough to make them look foolish or different. They are like the man with the safety mask.

There are others who get thrown into the water, unprepared, who are shaken, but once in it, realize how wonderful it is, realize they can breathe in the waters of the Holy Spirit. Maybe they struggle at first, but they seek to understand, and asking for that, they are given what they need to proceed. They are like the second man with no mask, but he learns he can swim in the river and breathe / live at the same time.

Well, I am about to introduce to the church another type. The one who knows NOTHING about My ways, or revival, yet when he experiences My presence, He is drawn to Me and wants more, and more, and more.

There will many in the coming move that will be ushered into the kingdom, who have NO foreknowledge of such events; who will need things explained to them. And they will be so transformed by My glory that it will seem like, they will go from 0 to 100 in knowledge of how to communicate with Me overnight. They will have visions, dreams, words, wisdom, understanding poured into them with salvation and they will never be the same. They will

need homes; places where spiritual mothers and fathers dwell who

will NOT judge or impose their religion on them, but who will just LOVE them into the kingdom, building precept upon precept through the word.

This is going to come so suddenly and like a flood that you need to prepare! You need to have bibles to give away. You need to have established home groups, and new-believer classes with consistent teaching. You need disciplers who are willing to give of their TIME to help explain and guide young converts. You need fish cleaners.

You will need discernment more than ever. I am preparing you. I have been urging you to come and spend time with ME, that I could show you all that will be needed. I am come to urge you again to get quiet with ME so I can give you MY strategies, MY ways of dealing with what lies ahead. I am releasing miracles, I am releasing angels on assignments to encourage, and to impart, to heal and to deliver. I am releasing more of MY power to heal and teach, to love and endure. I am releasing more of MY PEACE. You only have to ask! Come to ME and no burden will be too great.

I WANT TO INFUSE YOU WITH MORE OF MY SPIRIT. YOU MUST DECREASE THAT I MAY INCREASE! Do not be too busy to come and spend time with ME NOW! Do not be timid in asking for all you want for the sake of MY KINGDOM. The Lord God Almighty does not sleep and there is nothing I won't do to help if you but ask. Ask for My fire. Ask for My love. REACH out to others with what you

have. REACH OUT with My love and MY MERCY."

There is a song on the album "We want to see Jesus lifted high"
15 songs from the British Awakening,

Take us to the River written by Robin Mark (from Ireland)

Take us to the river Take us there in unity to sing A song of Your salvation To win this generation for our King A song of Your forgiveness For it is with GRACE that river flows Take us to the river in the city of our God Take us to Your throne room Give us ears to hear the cry of heaven For that cry is mercy Mercy to the fallen sons of man For mercy it has triumphed Triumphed over judgment by Your blood Take us to the throne room in the city of our God Refrain: For the Spirit of the Sovereign Lord is upon us. This is the year of the Lord. Take us to the mountain Lift us in the shadow of Your hands Is this Your mighty angel Who stands astride the ocean and the land? For in his hand Your mercy Showers on a dry and barren place Take us to the mountain in the city of our God

Trumpeteers

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I received this during worship at church tonight.

"I am sending trumpets...Trumpets to the nations. I am sending apostles, prophets, teachers, evangelists to the nations. And even

to THIS nation, I am sending those as examples to you from the nations who will show you how to lay down your lives.

For those who are willing, there is nothing I won't do for you. for I Am your Resource for all your needs. Think higher! Think greater! Because many have thought in their minds in ways that limit what and how I can do things. But I AM NOT LIMITED!

I Am the Creator of heaven and earth. Is there anything too great for me to do? If I am with you, then who can be against you? I'm a Father who gives good gifts to His children. I am releasing miracles. I am releasing more of MY LOVE and COMPASSION and WISDOM. I WILL give you all you need. Just come to Me! I am waiting to hear your cries to Me, and I am asking you to be willing to hear the crying of My heart. For My heart is torn for the lost! It aches for the children caught in the crossfire of war. It

aches for the widows, for the poor and homeless. It aches for the perpetrators who don't know My love, for the prostitute who has never felt the pure love of a father, for the witch who was so abused that her only solace is in hatred and anger. There is no one my love cannot transform. Be transformed by My love, so that I may use you to demonstrate My love that is greater than death, that casts down all fear."

Rattling of Teeth
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Do you hear the rattling of teeth? The bones are moving as you pray for these dry bones of My church the bones are beginning to come together. But it is My love poured out which will bring the sinews and flesh upon these dry bones.

Persecution is light at present but that too will change in time, especially when the world sees My Sons of Glory...Those who have no desire to change, will be jealous, like ancient Pharisees, and Romans, and will cause a great stir against My church. But there is yet favor to be poured out upon the dry bones for a time, that MY will, will yet be accomplished. Shaking is coming, but the shaking is minimal for the sake of purifying by fire, the sons and daughters of the kingdom. Also there is shaking in the world to

the sons of the church. Will you love those who are terrified?
Will you love those who are brought low, that they might know MY
LOVE?

Do not be proud and arrogant, for the Lord Your God has no pleasure in the derision of his enemies. I would that none should perish. I am saddened when it takes judgment to get men to turn to Me. Will you put on robes of humility and love, and righteousness, that justice will be served? My justice, not man's? I have many treasures in barren places and I am thirsting for justice. Many are kept in holes and prisons, and there is none who sees, who cries out for them, who is willing to give of themselves that others may live.

Isaiah 42:22-23 Amp But this is a people robbed and plundered; they are all of them snared in holes and hidden in houses of bondage. They have become a prey, with no one to deliver them, a spoil, with no one to say; RESTORE them! 23 Who is there among you who will give ear to this? Who will listen and hear in the time to come?

All over the world, nations of people are in hunger...they are in hunger and thirst and barrenness, due to ignorance and unwillingness to change, but when MY LOVE consumes you, I will

send you to bring HOPE and LOVE, and MIRACLES, that they may know that I DO know their struggle....that I AM is not far from them.

How will you know My agenda if you are too busy with your own? How will you know My mercy, if you are not receiving it yourself? How will you know My LOVE, if you are not sitting at My feet receiving it? If you are too busy to come? Mary knew what was more important. Martha was not just being responsible. She was avoiding Me. Many who call Me by name avoid Me. They dismiss the small gentle voice of My Spirit. Then wonder why I am not speaking to them. My heart so weeps when you turn away to do something you think is more important than what I have to say to you. It aches, when in church, you take off with your own agendas, but are not willing to listen to Mine.

You should love and desire prophecy because it is MY VOICE in your midst.

It comes through communion with ME. It is the testimony of Jesus...Whenever you gather I AM in your midst...Why do you come together anyway? Do you come just to have a service? Are you really interested in My view of things? Are you really interested in MY encouragement? Or do you have no need for Me or My voice and opinion because you are SELF-sufficient?

Are you willing to hear something besides tintillating words? Do you only want to hear smooth words? Or are you willing to hear the fullness of My voice the fullness of MY WISDOM? The fullness of MY POWER? I am interested in healing the sick, in healing the broken hearted, in delivering those who are bound, in encouraging those that need encouragement. This comes through the gifts. Why are My children ashamed of their gifts? Who has taught you false humility?

Will you LOVE My sheep as I love them? My love never fails. My love never fails. It never is cut off. My love never fails. ALL people fail from time to time. All will disappoint someone some of the time. But I am always here for you. I encourage you to come and buy gold refined in the fire. Don't hold back. Don't procrastinate. Ask and you shall receive all that you need. My yoke is EASY and My burden is LIGHT! Walk in the Light as I am in the Light. Come and let Me share my secrets. I only want to kiss you - to comfort you. I am not a harsh taskmaster. You were made for intimacy with ME. Come, for I know the plans I HAVE for you, plans for good and not for evil, to give you a future and a HOPF.

On the Wings of a Snow White Dove

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"I am forever with you My church. I have not gone anywhere. I am just purifying My Bride for the day of My vengeance is close at hand. Can you see the signs of the times? Can you see the thoughts and intents of the hearts of men? How wicked they have become? You will see nations saved in a day! Open your hearts that I might fill them with the Kingdom! I am coming soon. Watch what you are preoccupied with! Are you serving me or serving yourself? Do you cry over the children who are kept in bondage like I do? Do you weep over the children who are murdered every day?

Do you hear the sounds of children crying whose parents have been murdered in the name of a false god? Do you cry over the sounds of children being beaten and maimed to serve Allah? Do you weep over the many souls who have NOT come to the Kingdom

each day? Every day people are dying without knowing ME! Do you care? Do you weep great tears like I do?

The storms of unrighteousness are increasing. Are you watching? Can you hear the sound of the coming rain? I said ask for the latter rain. Pour out your hearts to Me in prayer and worship for the world is on the brink of a new day. Come to Me when your heart is lowly for I am meek and humble in heart. Come to Me for the love you need. Come to Me for the injustices you see going on. Silently and steadily, I am soaring over the church. But I see a preoccupation with the things of this world instead of a preoccupation with ME. I AM that I AM!

The only place of safety is in Me! Can 't you see? Can't you hear? The Lord Your God is with you. I am longing to be with you MORE to occupy the places the enemy has kept for himself. So I am coming. I AM COMING TO TAKE YOU TO A PLACE YOU HAVE NEVER BEEN. AND YOU WILL BE FREE FROM HIS ATTACKS WHEN THIS HAPPENS, AND YOU WILL SOAR WITH ME. NOTHING WILL EVER BE THE SAME! KEEP YOUR EYES ON ME!

[was on missions trip to India for 3 months]

COME AWAY MY LOVE

September 27th, 2002 0200 hr Priscilla Van Sutphin

I was instructed to read Isaiah 23 and was reading the commentary when

I felt the Lord's nudging, that He had something to say.

I AM that I AM. I will not have any other gods before Me.

I will not allow men who were made in My image to bow down to men.

I am removing the vanity of men. But before I do, there will be an increase

In this nation that MY WORD will go forth to the nations as I have heard the cries of My people who HAVE humbled themselves and prayed for this nation and the other nations of the world to be harvested. And I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh before the great and terrible day of the Lord.

However some things are in motion already that will not be stopped, that will ensure a wake up call in My people, for them to get their priorities straight. The earth groans, and many disasters, pestilences and wars will continue to plague the earth as it groans for My return. But MY PURPOSES WILL BE FULFILLED regardless of the plans of men. Their plans will be spoiled until I have completed the work I WANT to do in this world. You are on the precipice.

Nothing can stop the flow of My Spirit, for the purpose of harvesting the lives of those who do not know the power of My love and grace. The YOUTH are about to encounter the Living GOD as never before. The gates of HELL will NOT prevail against MY Church. I have said that I am returning for a spotless Bride. So all is working to that purpose. The times ahead are perilous. You must be ready for what I want YOU to do in this coming season. YOU MUST DRAW NEAR to My heart. Lean your head upon My chest and worship at My feet that you may know My heart for you, and my heart for those I have called to be MINE who are in the world.

WHO WILL GO FOR US? WHO WILL LAY DOWN THEIR LIVES AND PICK UP MINE? WHO WILL CARE FOR THE

CHILDREN WHO ARE BEING CAST ASIDE? WHO WILL LAY ASIDE YOUR AGENDAS AND PICK UP MY AGENDA????? I WILL GRANT YOU THE GRACE IF YOU WILL BUT ASK FOR IT! COME TO ME ALL YOU WHO ARE HEAVY LADEN AND FIND REST.

COME INTO MY ARMS OF LOVE.COME TO ME.I WILL HEAL YOUR FEARS AND ANSWER ALL YOUR QUESTIONSBUT YOU MUST COME AND REST AT MY FEET. I WILL NEVER FORSAKE MY OWN. SO EVEN IF YOU SEE CORRUPTION AND IDOLATRY IN MY CHURCH YOUR JOB IS TO PRAY AND SEEK MY FACE, TO WORSHIP AND BRING MY GLORY WHERE YOU ARE. COME, COME ASIDE AND SPEND TIME WITH MEGET MY PERSPECTIVE AND YOU WILL HAVE PEACE THAT PASSES ALL UNDERSTANDING. LET ME TOUCH YOU AND POUR OUT MY GLORY

IN YOU! COME AWAY WITH ME MY LOVE! COME AWAY!

Destiny At the Door
Priscilla Van Sutphin
Oct 27, 2002 0119 hrs

"I have extended My hands to reach out to those who would receive what I have to give, but so many are SO busy, too busy to sit at My feet, even though, I have comforted, extolled, laid a foundation of My love in their lives that is supposed to be shared with the many who don't know it.

I am coming to set the enemy running, that those who are called by My name will move and have their being in Me and NOT in the world, or all it entices them to lay hold of.

Do you not see that the time is short? That two years from now, there will not be the opportunity that lies before you now? That

the world is escalating in violence and perversion? Soon you will wonder if I am even around because the forces of darkness have increased so in the earth, that My voice will be difficult to discern for those who are not familiar with it.

I have said to "Come away My love" because I meant it. The hour is close at hand, when you will not have the ability that you do now to be free in worshipping and following Me. Time awaits no man.

I am about to catapult many of you into your destinies that thing that I have called you to from the beginnings of time. Lay down your busyness and come to ME for instructions, for healing, for infilling and all manner of preparation for the days to come. YOU are about to know me in a depth that you cannot have imagined Do you value My presence so little, that you are willing to trade it for a TV show, a movie, to sleep, or to drink, for work. What is really the most important to you? Is My presence so cheap and worthless, that it is easily slid aside to make room for more pleasure. Or is it so cheap, that you prefer the words of men, over the words of Your God?

When will you learn oh man, that injustice will not be cured till I come in majesty. Then I will rule in justice and mercy. Come to me. Come away. Spend time with ME and I promise it will not be wasted. This generation is rebellious and many have no idea what they are here for, but I have called you to preach the good news to them, that life may come in abundance. Corruption is in every aspect of life here today. There is no escape from the influences of the world without My grace. Come to Me and lay down those heavy burdens. Lay down all pretense and lying to yourself. Lay all your burdens at My feet and I will make your feet like hinds feet, that you may walk on your high places of trouble, suffering, and responsibility without heaviness, without worry, without anxiety.

Can you imagine abundance like never before? I hear the sound of abundance of RAIN. Come and sit and be warmed by My presence, be courageous to stand against the enemy with the Word of Life. For I am with you always and forever.

Some of you have felt like it is too late to receive what you need to do what I have called and spoken to you to do. I alone know all things. I alone am your provider and you cannot imagine all the good things I have stored up for those who are willing to do my will at any cost. For some of you it has been a great cost, to the point of near death.

But you know the signs of the times, and that My own ministry lasted how long? 3 yrs? Alot can be accomplished in a short time when I am made preeminent in your life. 1000's and millions can come to Me at a time and you are going to see it in your days left....that even nations will come in a day to the brightness of My glory. Do not give heed to the vision of man, but come to ME for insight, perspective, and vision for the days ahead. I have laid the path before you for all you are to do. I alone know all things.

Depend and rely on ME alone and you will fly and soar in the heavenlies with Me.

I have come to give you Resurrection Life and LIFE more abundantly than you could ever imagine. Come away and separate yourself from all that is unholy. Forgive all who have slighted or ignored, or underestimated you...all who have maligned or been jealous of you. Forgiveness is something the enemy cannot fight against. Humility and forgiveness are key tools in the battle that lies ahead along with full TRUST and dependence on ME.

Do you hear the sound of drums beating? Do you hear the sound of trumpets blowing? Come to My side My Bride, that I can adorn you with gold of Ophir and sapphires and make you into the diamond, polished and shining that reflects the fire of My love to the world. I would have you dressed in the finest linen garments, garments that breathe, and do not make you sweat. For sweat comes with MAN's efforts but this work ahead will be done by My Spirit alone, and not the efforts of man. I will draw all men to myself and whomever cries out to me will be saved.

I am coming to break the chains, to make a display of the enemy that will never be forgotten. I will have a spotless bride, who will NOT touch My glory. The fear of man will no longer be taught by men, but by a display of My power as never seen before. How will you react when you do not know how to bend to My presence now? I AM that I AM and I will have no other gods before Me. Humble yourselves in the presence of the SON and you will live. Humble yourselves under the mighty hand of the Lord and HE will lift you up. No longer will I allow man to lift himself up when I do this. Worship in the beauty of holiness. Worship Me in Spirit and in Truth.

Ask of Me, and I will give you all that you need. I will abundantly pour into your bosom all that is needed for the days ahead if you will just ask and humble yourselves. I will make you ONE as We are One, so that all the earth may know that I am LORD and there is no other.

Isa 2:11-17 NKJV The lofty looks of man shall be humbled, the haughtiness of men shall be bowed down, and the LORD alone shall be exalted in that day. 12 For the day of the LORD of hosts shall come upon everything proud and lofty, Upon everything

lifted up--And it shall be brought low13 Upon all the cedars of Lebanon that are high and lifted up, and upon all the oaks of Bashan; 14 Upon all the high mountains, and upon all the hills that are lifted up; 15 Upon every high tower, and upon every fortified wall; 16 Upon all the ships of Tarshish, and upon all the beautiful sloops. 17 The loftiness of man shall be bowed down, and the haughtiness of men shall be brought low; The LORD alone will be exalted in that day,

Isa 13:11-12 NKJV Job 20:6-9 NKJV

Mercy and Justice are the foundation of My Throne!

Through Priscilla Van Sutphin Nov. 9, 2002 0200 hrs www.upstreamca.org

I am calling together a counsel of elders...

We have looked down upon the sons of men and seen the things that are erupting in the world and we see the way man has corrupted himself. The time for the end of all times is here and the captains in the earth are taking their places, but they have no idea of MY counsel, of My plans. They think their plans will keep

going on and on till they accomplish their foolishness.

I raise up and I put down. I am the Author and the Finisher of Your faith. Certainly mercy and truth have kissed one another and I am bringing forth my sons and daughters to take their place in this end times battle. I am pruning and I am tearing away. I am polishing and buffing out the rough edges. I am putting the finishing touch on My Bride and she will shine like the stars in the heavens when I am finished. There are so many who feel like failures despite their pruning and being perfected. This is

because those who don't want to change are making them feel not good enough, not perfect enough to take their place in my army. Some think I only want to use the few, the proud and the ugly. Some think I only want to use the churchly delegated.

Some think that I disqualify the weak, when in fact I love taking what seems

impossible and doing the improbable with them. I am not a God afar off! I see your hearts. I know your motivations. I know all your hurts. I know all the places in your heart that have wounds. You cannot hide from the King of Kings. You cannot hide any longer from yourself even. I am coming. I am coming to set things straight that have been crooked. I will remove all pretense!

I will have a bride permeated with the fragrances of heaven instead of the

fragrances of the pig-sty. I smell the aroma of pride and vanity in My church. I smell the stench of fear and suspicion. I smell the greed and desire for power outside My will. I smell all the judgments and criticism. I smell all the unforgiveness and pain and resentment and anger. It has arisen to My nostrils and I am coming. I'm letting you know beforehand.

I AM COMING. I AM COMING into your congregations...not to soothe,

not to whip the weak into shape, but I am coming to extricate the smell...like a divine Clorox if you will. I will pour out My love, MY Ways of LOVING. MY perceptions, MY opinions. And by the way, My opinions are the only ones that count. YOURS do NOT!

I don't care who you think is ready or prepared, or mature. Your opinion does not matter. I am going to clean and scrub out all jealousy, all fear, all religion, all judgments, all criticism, all vanity

and selfish ambition, all greed and arrogance. And you WILL KNOW that I AM a God of TRUTH - that I AM TRUTH. All that can be shaken will be shaken until I have shaken off all that opposes MY WILL IN YOU! Do not think it is going to be meek and mild Jesus entering MY CHURCH! It is going to be the Lion of JUDAH that enters in, and I will ROAR over My anointed ones - those I HAVE chosen and when I pour out My love in your hearts in this violent fashion, You will feel foolish for your sins. You will FEEL ashamed of all the things you have done for the wrong reasons. All opinions you have had that are foolishness. You will be remorseful for all the times you talked instead of prayed. You will wish you had taken more responsibility for helping in the maturing of others through Spirit-filled prayer and intercession.

I am warning you now YOU MUST LAY DOWN YOUR WEAPONS OF WARFARE AGAINST YOUR OWN BROTHERS AND SISTERS! NO MORE FRIENDLY FIRE! I am calling you to HUMILITY.

Look at the log in your own eye and look to eliminating it. Seek MY FACE and ask for TRUTH. ASK for humility. Ask for HOLINESS to be established in your lives. I will sanctify you with MY TRUTH if you but ask ME. I am coming to sanctify you with My GLORY. The FIRE is increasing across the nations. Be ready. Be ready for My visitation. Be ready for My entrance into MY CHURCH! For I AM to be preeminent. I AM the All Consuming Fire and I will burn away all that stands in the way of accomplishing MY WILL in the earth through you. Come to ME. Come to ME and let me reason with you. Let Me tenderize your heart and give you a heart of flesh...a heart with no pretense. A heart that is like My own!

I AM LOVE. All that I do is intended tobring you to this place IN ME that feels and knows MY HEART, that feels and knows the

pain I have for others...the LOVE I have for those who do not know ME, for all

those who are made in My image. Will you come to ME? Are you willing to be changed into My vessels of gold and silver? Will you buy from Me gold refined in the fire? Are you willing to lay down your lives and pick up Mine?

Who Can Dwell With Everlasting Fire?

Thru Priscilla Van Sutphin 11/23/02 0013 hrs

It was in the LA Times that the day Homeland Security was established, that 160 homeless in LA were arrested. That is a small number compared to the many. But what are the homeless doing in jail you might ask. It's a good question I say. I was talking with a friend about the homeless woman, who was MPD that I met in the park last week, and all that happened. Then a friend pointed out an advertisement on TBN for someone asking \$2500.00 to do deliverance on someone...came as a package deal with information etc.

There are other things revealed that are too horrendous to put in print. Then felt the unction of the Lord, later He said to me...

"Who can dwell with everlasting burnings? Who can ascend to the hill of the Lord? He who has clean hands and a pure heart.

"Blessed are the pure in heart for they shall see God.", I have said. How I have longed to see Your face, you sing. How I long to see You, you say. Words, words, words. All I hear is words. But words alone are not where it is at. Love is also action - obedience to My Word. I AM a God of action! I perform My word. I am NOT a God afar off, but close at hand.

I see the poor, I see the homeless. I see the widows weeping. I see the single mother who cannot buy her son new clothes. I see the apathy, and the complacency in My church. I see the men who use and abuse women. I see the women who use men for money. Some of them are married to men for their money and are just as much prostitutes as women who work as prostitutes on the street. But I have a plan. It's not a 5 year plan or a ten year plan. It did not come out of a strategy meeting. How ridiculous is it, for men to make plans apart from ME? Do You know My heart?

Do you even know Me?

Do you see how my heart breaks for the fatherless and the widows, the street children who prostitute themselves to survive? Do you see the works of wickedness on the news every night? That the thoughts and intentions of the hearts of men have become so wicked they can drag a young woman's body through the streets gleefully celebrating satan's admonition to them to murder and maim? That a doctor can do unnecessary serious surgery just to make more money? That people kill others to get transplant organs? Do you not see that the days are like the days of NOAH?

Do you see what makes up the heart of murder in your own hearts when you deny the homeless even some food or a little donation to scrape by with? Do you see the mentally tormented on the streets and stop to demonstrate MY compassion? Or are you afraid they might steal something or hurt you? Will you yield to MY NUDGINGS to DO something when I ask you? Can I have your will so I can make it one with My will?

I AM telling you that your hearts are too corrupted by the comforts of the world and YOU HAVE NEED OF ME! You have need of Me my children, more of ME...more of MY HEART. More of My compassion and mercy. Will you get it from spending time

doing only? Will you get it from those who haven't the heart to DO anything for the poor, but only play lip-service to the commandments of a Righteous Judge?

Do you think the lost will buy your brand of Christianity when you do nothing to help them with their problems? When you refuse to deny yourself anything? If you are a judge of the law, then you are not a doer of the law. Do you think for even one moment, that everything you have could not be taken away in one day? Do you think I as a righteous Judge Who listens to the cries of the weak and hurting will ignore them forever? Do you think I will stand by and watch you murder the lost and hurting without suffering judgment. Who will stand up for ME against the evildoers? Who will cry out in prayer for the lost? You will ONLY have authority over those things you have compassion for and pray for.

My LOVE is coming like a river of HONEY and it will transform you into who I want you to be. But you must cry out, you must WANT this transformation. For it will make you ONE with MY WILL. ONE with MY heart. One with the US Who cry "Who will go for us?" Will you be your brother's keeper? Or will you continue to close your eyes and hope for the continued comforts which you have satiated yourself with?

When I come it will be very violent!

My voice is in the lightening. My Voice is in the winds. My voice is in the roaring of the oceans! My voice is in the thundering and the shaking of the earth. For once again I will shake the heavens and the earth and MY HOUSE will be filled with MY GLORY. NOTHING will be the same. Are you ready? Are you ready for MY GLORY? Come My children and let us reason together. Come and cast your heavy weights on My shoulders, for My burden is easy, My yoke is light. I LOVE YOU with an everlasting LOVE, but YOU MUST COME! Come to Me. HIDE yourself in ME...that you

may really, really know ME. That you may not only know My heart, but be filled to the full with MY goodness, My love and mercy, that you will have what you need to minister to the LOST and hurting world.

Itching Ears

Via Priscilla Van Sutphin Dec. 4th, 2002 0424 hrs www.upstreamca.org

2 Tim 4:1-5 NKJV I charge you therefore before God and the Lord Jesus Christ, who will judge the living and the dead at His appearing and His kingdom: 2 Preach the word! Be ready in season and out of season. Convince, rebuke, exhort, with all longsuffering and teaching. 3 For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine, but according to their own desires, because they have itching ears, they will heap up for themselves teachers; 4 and they will turn their ears away from the truth, and be turned aside to fables. 5 But you be watchful in all things, endure afflictions, do the work of an evangelist, fulfill your ministry.

For many days now, my ears have been itching and I couldn't understand this. They'd never done this before. Sometimes in the summer when I got real hot...but it is cool weather now. So tonight I asked the Lord if this was a sign as this is something He has done in the past. That is, He would do something for a sign for the church and I would be looking for what did I do - when He was trying to teach me something, and to get me to intercede or look to Him. So He said, look up itching ears in the bible...

One of the most disheartening things about doing ministry overseas is coming home to the lukewarm church and the worldliness here in California. So from time to time, I'm saying

Lord, show me who is ready here when I go out. Send towards me those who WANT to be healed, those who want GOD but haven't known how to connect. I don't want to stand and argue with somebody. I just don't have the mind for that, I'm too slow to think and speak things out. I just want to see Your power. I want to speak the truth and see YOU DO SOMETHING. Because here, the crowds seem to not even think about God.

I am and have been praying for awakening here for the 18 years I've been saved. And this is the only scripture, so what did YOU want to say Lord about the itching ears..?

"Many are already to the point of not wanting to hear anything about God. The days have come when men will not endure sound teaching...because they have formed Me into the image THEY want. Aberrance is more common than sound doctrine. Everyone wants to add their opinion instead of MINE. They won't even come to ME to find out what I think. Many just don't have time for ME anymore. They are too busy, or too complacent or apathetic to the needs that surround them. Or they are too overwhelmed with it all, that they just ignore it, instead of coming to Me to find out what I WANT."

John 5:38-45 NKJV But you do not have His word abiding in you, because whom He sent, Him you do not believe. 39 You search the Scriptures, for in them you think you have eternal life; and these are they which testify of Me. 40 But you are not willing to come to Me that you may have life. 41 I do not receive honor from men. 42 But I know you, that you do not have the love of God in you. 43 I have come in My Father's name, and you do not receive Me; if another comes in his own name, him you will receive. 44 How can you believe, who receive honor from one another, and do not seek the honor that comes from the only God?

"You honor one another, but ME you do not have time for. You sing 7 songs on

Sunday, but worship in Spirit and truth does not exist in the manner it needs to be. I AM ALMIGHTY GOD, THE CREATOR OF HEAVEN AND EARTH yet some think that when they come together to worship, that I can stand outside the door. They don't want me interfering in their order. For others it's a social amenity.

Yet, I came so that men could have LIFE and life abundantly. How will they have it if you do not let the Lord of Life into your meetings because you have your own agendas and your OWN order? Blind guides are filling up the pulpits, in pretense many who attend the meetings, think that they fulfill some obligation to ME by showing up, then the rest of the week - I am a byword, assigned to the closet like a neglected child.

I AM THE LORD OF GLORY. I WILL HAVE MY WAY IN MY CHURCH AND IN THE WORLD. GREAT DARKNESS IS COMING. Many go on blithely, as if this is just another day. BUSINESS AS USUAL. Noah would be in familiar company. So I admonish you to NOW come and buy from Me gold refined in the fire, that you may be rich; and white garments, that you may be clothed, that the shame of your nakedness may not be revealed; and anoint your eyes with eye salve, that you may see.

For unless you come to Me and find your hope and life in Me...the burden of your own sin will destroy you when My glory comes. Do not neglect your own need. Don't look to the right or left - look to ME for all you need. Come away with Me My beloved for the darkness is increasing, but I will make those who love me to shine like the stars in the heavens and MANY will come to the

brightness of My glory! My glory will be SEEN upon you, and you will rejoice and be full of JOY for all I will do in you, if you will be come to ME."

"But you be watchful in all things, endure afflictions, do the work of an evangelist, fulfill your ministry."

An ambassador gets his instructions from the top man, the president. You too must get your instructions from the top man. I Am that top man. I am the Omnipotent God and you must come to ME for directions to fulfill your ministry in the earth. You all are called to disciple others...some 10 fold, some 30, some 50, some 100's, some 1000's and ten thousands. So come and let us have sweet fellowship together and I will tell you all you need to know...I will train your hands for war. I will teach you all you need to know. Do not get distracted by all the fear and stirrings of war...FIX

What is This Love?

YOUR EYES ON ME.

Priscilla Van Sutphin 12/12/02 www.upstreamca.org

I had asked the Lord for a Christmas message and tonight He answered.

"In the congregation of the righteous, they say God is love. So what is this love, the love of God? It is going twice the distance when someone asks you to go a mile. It is loving your enemies, loving those who hate you. Have I not loved you even when you hated Me? Even when you had no real knowledge of the Holy One? Did I not draw you unto Me, that you would know how much I have loved you? Did I not give you the GRACE to pursue the knowledge of Me? Did I not give you the GRACE to diligently

seek Me to worship Me? Have I not corrected you with gentleness and poured out My gifts in you?

Then would you withhold from others what I want you to give, when I have said, to treat them as you would have them treat you? This is a season of GIVING, because I set the example of giving. I gave all I had to give. I gave up My life, that you could be redeemed. Will you look back on all I have given you? Will you look back on all the joy that has come to your heart from My intimacy with you and share it with those who are least likely to know it?

Will you find someone in your community who is poor, and bless them each of you? Will you extend your hand to the needy, and push back the apathy and complacency, the greed and lust that is in the land. This too is intercession. Will you befriend someone who annoys you? If you love only those who love you, how are you better than the Pharisees? Take a plate of your best food to a homeless person. Invite them to your home for Christmas to share in the fellowship. Go only by My leading, but extend your hands for the sake of the nations. Remember the true meaning of the season. For I am kind to the unlovely. My love leads to repentance.

A generous man is known by his generosity, and by his generosity he will stand. Let your gentleness be known to all men that your Father in heaven may see that you truly love Him,...that you love who He loves. Some people who are downtrodden, are so wounded that they bite the hand that feeds them. But they will never forget and I will see that your love goes beyond what I saw in the Pharisees, and relent from judgment when your need is before me.

What is love? It is more than saying a prayer and speaking peace to someone who is hungry. You go home to your comfortable beds and warm surroundings, when My children are roaming the streets, unwanted and unloved. Some are being accused falsely for My name's sake. Some are being reprimanded. Some will be murdered. Some will go insane, because no one showed mercy to them in their need. Some are insane because no one has ever shown them true kindness

They are love-starved and in terrible barrenness spiritually, physically and mentally. Many slander My name because they do not see this love in the church. Will you help change their mind? Will you be a true ambassador for the King of Kings? For the Prince of Peace and sow peace? "Peace on earth good will towards men" you sing. Peace is brought to earth in the form of a KING WHO LOVES HIS PEOPLE. I have poured into you My love and wealth. NOW, will you pour it out to others, that they may know and see that you truly love Me? It is wrought one by one. Do to at least one, to the least of these My children. Know that what you sow, you will reap. If you turn your head from those in need, you will reap what you sow when your turn comes. Their cries are coming unto ME and I am a JUST GOD. Whatever you do to them, remember that you are doing it to ME. "

Days of Glory On the Way

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"If you think the prince of England is something else, wait till the Prince of Peace arrives at your doorstep. I am coming, and I am coming to wipe away all the entrapments of the enemy. He will be dismayed when I do my glorious new thing in your midst. You are about to partake of a most bounteous meal. There is no

turkey, no potatoes, no desserts, but there is an amazing array and display of My power and My glory, so that you will be well suited for the days ahead.

Are you ready to be a brave-heart? I know it seems far from your strength now to do so, for some of you, but when I get done preparing My bride, she will endure all things for the sake of the Kingdom of God, and she will do many wonderful and amazing exploits in My name. There will be tremblings, and many changes in the days ahead, but know that the Prince of Peace stands with you in this battle of all battles. Many angels are on guard for this time, and many more loosed from the heavenlies to aide My people in this most glorious time. Heavenly visitations will be common.

Children will know Me, not because of stories their parents told them, but because of encounters with Me. Youth will no longer be doubting and skeptical when they see Me in great displays of power and get shown the realm of the spirit world. Even the things in the world have prepared them more than you recognize, as the forms they have seen in movies will come and take on a different "aspect" than they have seen before. They will know that the spiritual battle in the heavenlies is REAL and not imagined, is not "magic".

I have My heavenly "barkers", just like on earth, and they will be sounding forth warnings, and judgments in the earth. They will enter into your midst and you will know that the Lord Your God is with you and you will tremble before Me. You will no longer take for granted the grace you have received. You will know the true fear of the Lord. And you will partake of heavenly gifts that will turn the world upside down. For never before has there been such an army. All of heaven is watching and waiting and more than ever will be participating in the events the ages have longed to see.

I am stirred in My Spirit and My heart is longing to be one with yours, My beauty, My Bride! I am coming to give you a new heart, My heart so that you will be able to live how you have longed to live and do all the things I have promised you will do. Do not think you can stop this. Do not think the enemy can stop this.

NOTHING can stop My love from being poured out. My glory will rain down but how it affects you depends on the condition of your heart. So keep it soft. Keep it free from bitterness and hatefulness, and pride.. For I AM the ALL-CONSUMING FIRE and I WILL SEE THAT YOU ARE MADE INTO MY IMAGE that you can be and do all I want you to be and do.

Scepticism, doubt and unbelief are at an all time high but I know the ones who are ready to see change, who are ready to believe. There are many who have wanted to believe, but have been denied access. There are many who have wanted to taste something real of ME and they will not be denied. I have marked those who are My own, and those who are to be My own. Seek MY face for all the answers you need. I AM the Desire of all Nations and every knee shall bow, and every tongue shall confess that I AM LORD.

I will not leave anyone out whom you have prayed for, so keep your loved ones close to your heart in prayer. Get ready to ride the waves of My glory. They are coming like the waves of the sea. I will sanctify My house with My glory and I will have a pure and spotless Bride. I heard that Don Potter song: Come, Come, Come.