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I ministered a word a couple weeks ago, here at home in Lubbock, and for a while, that's what I thought I was supposed to minister today, but very early this morning, the Lord started to speak to me a number of things; so, I'm going to use the framework of that word, but I'm also going to minister, for the first time, some of what He was speaking to me.

So, Lord, I ask you to direct our steps together here this morning. Direct our steps through Your word. Direct our steps as we trace Your wonderful, and very visible hand in our affairs and the affairs of the nations. Be with us, Lord, that we may see that, to which You are taking us. In Jesus' name; Amen.

I'd like to take us to Daniel 7; I've been here before, but the Lord is showing me newer things. It helps, in Chapter 7, to set, once again, the framework in which we find ourselves; where the world is and what God is doing at this very moment.

Daniel, at the beginning of the chapter, begins to see four visions. He sees one of them as a lion, then a bear, then a leopard, but the fourth vision starts to unfold in verse 7:

Daniel 7:7-8 (New American Standard Bible-NASB), 'After this I kept looking in the night visions, and behold a fourth beast, dreadful and terrifying and extremely strong; and it had large iron teeth. It devoured and crushed and trampled down the remainder with its feet; and it was different from all the beasts that were before it, and it had ten horns. While I was contemplating the horns, behold, another horn, a little one, came up among them, and three of the first horns were pulled out by the roots before it; and behold, this horn possessed eyes like the eyes of a man and a mouth uttering great boasts.'

Daniel talks here about how this fourth beast was so great and it made him afraid. That fourth beast, I believe, is the beast of the international financial global elite. The 10 horns match the 10 financial zones the world is divided into, whether we have known it or not. It's coming forth, very visibly and in fullness. When you see how deeply intrenched it is, worldwide, how advanced they are in their plans, and Brother Sam talked about it openly. You can see though, in this hour, there is only one power that can reverse it.

So, we then go to verse 9:

Daniel 7:9- 10 (NASB), "I kept looking until thrones were set up, and the Ancient of Days took His seat; His vesture was like white snow and the hair of His head like pure wool. His throne was ablaze with flames, its wheels (it's a wheel within a wheel) were a burning fire. A river of fire was flowing and coming out from before Him; thousands upon thousands were attending Him, and myriads upon myriads were standing before Him; the court sat, and the books were opened."

This is very important, because this happens in conjunction with the appearance of this beast. We see the god of this world making a final attempt to secure the world unto himself and to block everything that God is doing, and yet as that beast comes to its fullness, we see this magnificent vision of the Ancient of Days coming. There's a set of thrones that have been set up, just like in Revelation 4, because He's coming in government. We've been hearing about divine government for only about 50 years.

In the outer wheel, it uses the word "myriads," which I always thought were angelic hosts of myriads that are around Him, who are waiting to serve Him. Then there is the inner wheel, which is one million that are around Him in the center and they minister unto Him. In the New American Standard Bible, which I happen to be using this morning, thousands upon thousands were attending Him. So, you have a wheel within a wheel. Notice that this comes out visibly in conjunction with the beast rising to its fullness. These two things come together.

As I said, I usually have, in the past, considered that to be the angelic hosts because He is known as the "Lord of Hosts," that is the same as saying the "Lord of the Armies" of the angelic realm. Early this morning, it became very, very clear to me that is not what it is. It's the saints. It's a circle of the saints. About the inner circle, thousands upon thousands were attending to Him.

So, I want to go back to the Concordance in the back of this Bible; it happens to be a Key Reference Bible. I want to read the definition for the word "attending." First of all, to my surprise, understand that this is the only time in all of the scriptures that this Hebrew word occurs. It occurs one time and we are looking at it.

This "attending" on the part of the inner circle around the presence of the Lord Himself, the definition here refers to it as 'a stunning vision of God.' Then it goes on to say, 'The connotation here seems to be that of having absolute devotion to the person, just as all who serve God must be wholeheartedly devoted to Him. This serving is voluntary for those who love God.'

This "attending" is a company, throughout all the ages but gathered all through the nations today, that are completely cleaving unto Him. They have given Him a full devotion, with nothing in between. Nothing for self; all ambitions are laid down before Him. That is what that inner circle is.

Daniel 7:10b-12 (NASB), "The court sat, and the books were opened. Then I kept looking because of the sound of the boastful words which the horn was speaking;" (I have likened that speaking horn, it doesn't mean this exclusively, but I have likened it to the mass media of the world, which speaks the same narrative over and over again, often with a boastful attitude.) "I kept looking until the beast was slain, and its body was destroyed and given to the burning fire. As for the rest of the beasts, their dominion was taken away, but an extension of life was granted to them for an appointed period of time."

I often saw that the circle of thrones was where God's Son sat, and then the Lord came into the center of the thrones. No; the Lord is bringing that company, who is cleaving to Him, He's bringing them into the realm of the thrones, because it's time for them to be seated, it's time for the government to be opened. It's completely matched to the coming of the beast to its fullness.

When you read the list in Timothy, that Paul gives, about the 21 signs of the end times, you are looking at the fullness of iniquity, which is what 21 represents. We are looking in this hour at the fullness of iniquity. If it has not come up to its total height, then it's about to, because it's been scheduled; it's on God's schedule.

So, we see the fullness of iniquity as never before. When we see that, we can become as awed by it, as Daniel was. But it's going off the charts. The Lord Himself has this timed perfectly. He has a company that's cleaving to Him more than ever before. Remember in 2 Samuel 19, when David had fled from Absalom to the other side of the Jordan, and it was time for him to come back, you remember that all 12 tribes talked about the return of the king. All 12 tribes, equally, of the church today, talk about bringing back the king. But the king himself sent word to the tribe of Judah, that we were related to them, and Judah went, and they brought back the king. When he came over the Jordan with them, they clave to him; it says (in Samuel 20:2), "they clave to him," they abode in him all the way back to the throne. If that isn't a picture of this inner wheel that is abiding to him. This is the purpose of God in that.

But the Lord showed me this morning that the inner circle and the outer circle, I believe, shows the priesthood. God has called us to be kings and priests. My sonin-law, Mauricio, just ministered a word this morning, that when the 12 tribes came to gather around the tabernacle, in the journeys of the tabernacle, the 12 tribes were divided by threes on each of the four sides, but then the priesthood was right around the tabernacle. I believe that just fits so perfectly in this picture.

What is this priesthood that is there? The Lord showed me, and I'd still have to think about it, this is a picture of the Melchizedek Order. It's the Melchizedek Order that God is bringing in, and bringing to its fullness. That's why He called us to be kings and to be priests, for such a time as this. But you see a time like this, of great upheaval, from Covid to everything else, this time of upheaval, whether we think so, or not, is the perfect time that drives us into a relationship, deeper than before, until that relationship comes to bear the fruit that He intends it to bring.

So, the beast is coming up to the fullness of its nature, and God is finishing His work, I believe on both sides of the veil, in his sons to produce that key of divine government that will reign for this whole 1,000 years and then the ages of the ages. That's where I believe that we actually are.

Then we go into verse 13:

Daniel 7:13-14 (NASB), "I kept looking in the night visions, and behold, with the clouds of heaven, one like a Son of Man was coming, and He came up to the Ancient of Days and was presented before Him. And to Him was given dominion, glory and a kingdom, that all the peoples, nations and men of every language

might serve Him. His dominion is an everlasting dominion which will not pass away; and His kingdom is one which will not be destroyed."

That is what the Melchizedek Order has been brought forth for. That is the order by which he orders and reigns in the midst of His kingdom. That is why He has brought up a company of kings and priests, down along the way through the generations, and He is bringing them up now to the fullness. That Son of Man— Jesus called Himself the Son of Man—Jesus is certainly the head of that Son of Man, and as incredibly as it is, those that cleave to Him, those who are centered on Him, those for whom He is their entire life, they are the body of that Man.

It's that same picture back in Revelation 11. The two witnesses are here in Chapter 11 and then they are slain and their bodies lie in the streets. Then in verse 11:

Revelation 11:11-12 (NASB), 'But after the three and a half days, the breath of life from God came into them, and they stood on their feet; and great fear fell upon those who were beholding them. And they heard a loud voice from heaven saying to them, "Come up here." Then they went up into heaven in the cloud, and their enemies beheld them. And in that hour (notice the result of this ascendency), there was a great earthquake, and a tenth of the city fell; seven thousand people were killed in the earthquake, and the rest were terrified and gave glory to the God of heaven.

Now in the 15th verse (NASB), 'Then the seventh angel sounded; and there were loud voices in heaven, saying, "The kingdom of the world has become the kingdom of our Lord and of His Christ; and He will reign forever and ever. And the twenty-four elders, who sit on their thrones before God, fell on their faces and worshiped God, saying, "We give You thanks, O Lord God, the Almighty, who are and who were, because You have taken Your great power and have begun to reign."

All along I have seen this differently. I've seen this as the apostles and the prophets, but now I see it as the kings and the priests. It's a kingdom of priests that are to reign. For example, apostles and prophets are part of the five-fold ministry. In fact, they are the very foundation to that ministry. Then you add the rest of the five-finger hand, as Sam so faithfully laid out to us years ago. You have

the apostles, prophets, pastors, teachers, and evangelists. You see, that is the foundation for the Church. No wonder I took it and saw it as being foundational here in Chapter 11. But you see, there's a timeframe to apostles and prophets in the five-fold ministry. It is meant to be swallowed up. It is put into place and it has been renewed and brought forth, two Jubilee years ago, but it is there in place and is foundational to the House until. Until. The Lord has really been impressing that upon me. Until. Until the whole body comes up into the fullness of Christ. That doesn't do away with the five-fold ministry, but it is completely immersed and it has accomplished its mission, that the whole body comes up to that same level. I believe that is the level of the Melchizedek Priesthood.

Brother Sam said himself, "We as the ministry are called to preach ourselves out of a job." I'm not saying that is all over; I'm not saying we are at that level, but I am saying that I believe that is where God is taking us. He is taking us into a deeper relationship with Him. We don't have to look at world affairs to see the timeframe and to see the page on the calendar, because I believe that every single one of you hearing me right now, that you can bear witness to me that something is going on more deeply in your relationship with Him and in your relationship with one another. God has opened the door; He has brought us up into a new realm, and a new level for a finishing work. That finishing work was timed for a specific season, for a specific "kairos" time that matched perfectly when the sons of iniquity come up to their fullness. This is the great contest of the ages, and we happen to have been called into it.

Daniel 7:18 (NASB), 'But the saints of the Highest One will receive the kingdom and possess the kingdom forever, for all ages to come.'

Every move of God has been raised up by the Lord. Every move has come to the zenith where it has accomplished what God designed for it to do. Every move of God through history, which is a very exciting history just to read it. Every move of God, they have all laid their lives down. They have all cleaved to Him alone; they have forsaken, maybe not the whole (of everyone), but there's a company in the middle that has forsaken all else to cleave to Him and to come into that one-on-one relationship with Him, and they provided the next key step, the next key truth, that would lead to the next move of God. Until it came into the move of God that we came into, where God brought forth the two foundational ministries

of apostles and prophets. God has built this continually. Every move of God down through history, it rises up and then it diminishes; it waxes and then it wanes.

But notice this, this one does not. Verse 18:

Daniel 7:18 (NASB), 'But the saints of the Highest One will receive the kingdom and possess the kingdom (not for a season, not to the limitations to which they were called, but), forever, for all ages to come.'

This is a point of finality. That is why we are seeing the striving that's going on outside in the realms of darkness. We are coming to the end of the race. We are coming to the end of the government of man. This is the Seventh Day; this is God's Day; this is the Sabbath Day; this is the kingdom day, and the six days of the government of man is waning. But the enemy is not taking this sitting down. In fact, he will come up with everything that he knows to do to hold onto his position. Who would have dreamed that we would have been brought to be here at this time, and to see this time? You might get afraid of the situation and wish that we hadn't been, but you turn back to Him and His strengthening and His indwelling starts to flow once again, and you realize He's got the whole thing in His hands.

Daniel 7:21-22 (NASB), "I kept looking, and that horn was waging war with the saints (Yes, I believe that system out there is waging war with any political system that opposes it in any of the nations, but primarily it is with the saints) and was overpowering them until the Ancient of Days came and judgment was passed in favor of the saints of the Highest One, and the time arrived when the saints took possession of the kingdom."

And so, I believe that is exactly where we are at. I believe that Sam was pointing to this so clearly 50 years ago, and we are watching this great contest taking place. But we are not just watching it, Brethren. You and I have been called to this. We have been called into a partnership with Him. How do you figure that? Why would God partner with His sons? Why does He want His sons around Him and to come into the partnership, which is the "koinonia?" But that's exactly where we're at. In fact, God has designed it that He would not finish this up on His own. He would finish it up with His sons.

The song, "Beloved, beloved, now we are the sons of God, and it doth not yet appear what it shall be." Brethren, we have gone through all of the tests and all the trials, up to this time, and none of them were without meaning; none of them were without a contribution to bringing this company—and it's on both sides of the veil—up to the place where it is.

What is the answer for us in this day? It's to cleave to Him. It's to cleave to Him as never before. To ask His assistance in doing that. Every father and every king want to bring up their sons around them, and that's not any different with the Lord.

We watch all that's going on, and we keep looking, I do at least, when is it going to go back to normal? We're in an abnormal situation right here on this Zoom meeting. But when is it going to go back to normal? I can see the signs, but I sure don't know when it goes back to normal.

The signs are rather remarkable, folks. I'm going to take a minute just to talk about them. The Lord coordinates the signs of the heavens with the signs in the earth, and I believe that is perfectly true.

For example, the Supreme Court's taking down of Roe vs. Wade. Do you realize how much prayer and intercession has gone behind that over the decades? Ever since it was put in. They took it down just in front of May 14th, if I remember correctly. May 14th is known as the Second Passover. It's mentioned in the book of Numbers. The Passover was in April, but if you were disqualified to be there for the Passover (for example, if you had touched a dead body, and anything else that would have disqualified you), then the appropriate amount of time was given to pass, so that you had a second opportunity on the 14th—it was on the 14th of this year.

So, Brother Robert, I think it was, was pointing out to me, that's another opportunity for people to come in under the blood of the sacrifice at Passover, and I believe that is a large part of it.

On the 14th, we had a Blood Moon occur; there are twin Blood Moons. So, on the 14th, after the bringing down of Roe vs. Wade, we have the first Blood Moon. I've come to call them the "bookends." The bookends of a special season that we are going through. When is the second Blood Moon? They said it's identical, it's

exactly the same; it will rise to the same place. When is the second Blood Moon? Brethren, it is on Election Day this November. Who does all that? I can hear Brother Buddy saying to me, "John, who does all of that?" Of course, it's a rhetorical question. There's only one power who does. In between, in the months of June, July and August, each one of them have a Super Moon. We have gone out and looked at it. I remember the last time, and it may not be the only time, but it's the only time I remember, there were three Super Moons that close together was when President Trump declared Jerusalem to be the capital of Israel, for the first time in 2,000 years. Now, we are into three more Super Moons. We are about to come into the 9th of Av. The month of Av is August and its sign is the lion, and its tribe is the tribe of Simeon. In other words, from the point of the Rabbis, the month of Av's centrality is in the hearing ear. All these disasters that happened to Israel, on the 9th of Av, which is August the 12th this year. But there would come a time of reversal. The Holocaust again, both temples were destroyed on the exact same day of the 9th of Av.

There is a whole list of them that I could give you, but here is the point: What is the original issue that started the 9th of Av, to be so negative towards Israel? The 9th of Av is when the spies returned from the land. The 9th of Av is when two of the spies, Joshua and Caleb, encouraged the taking of the land. But the other 10 spies, which were princes out of the tribes of Israel, didn't just give a negative report; the scripture says they brought an evil report, not to go up and take the land. This resulted in the entire body of Israel wailing. They wailed. Where this was a misstep was in hearing. This is a month of hearing on the part of the sons of God.

Brother Fey Chavez got up this morning and he ministered a beautiful word on Gideon's 300. I never saw it this way before, but as he was ministering, the Lord showed me that there were only 300 of them who refused to lap the water out of the brook like a dog. The rest were sent home. Those 300 hundred were all that it took. I always thought that it was because they refused to take their vision off the enemy, but the Lord made it so clear to me, made it so relevant to me this morning, that we were not to lower our vision. Ten spies lowered their vision; two of them kept on vision. You and I have been given a vision. We didn't adopt it; it's been planted inside of us. We've been given a vision that we have been called to Him in such an hour as this. Are we small in numbers now compared to back then? I remember when there were 2400 people packed into the coliseum in Lubbock, which is no longer there; they just took it down. I remember over 2,000 of us in the armory at Miami. I remember Brother Sam standing up and saying, "Brother Sam is not so foolish to think that all of you will still be with him at the end; I know that many of you will turn aside." But Brethren, God delights in small things; he sent, I think it was 32,000 people away and He kept 300. A small number is not a burden; a small number is exactly the right size for God to display His power and to display His glory. We cannot look down. We have to understand that the catastrophes of the 9th of Av can be turned to the positive. Because in the middle of all that's taking place right now, God is going to do it in a small company, and He's busy doing it right now when things are not normal. I keep moving my "normal" expectancy. I thought that it would come in June, July, or so. But it did not; it's not going to.

I firmly believe there are certain things in front of us. I tend to believe what I have heard and that is that the Supreme Court will decertify the election, probably in October. There is going to be many people who are going to be brought into investigations, etc. between now and then, but it won't happen until the month of October. Already, I believe, and I'm not here to frighten anybody, but I think you can see it for yourselves. This summer will be a time of great upheaval because when a beast is cornered, there is nothing it can do except bare its fangs and lunge. I believe that we are going to see some upheavals. It looks like that there's going to be a food shortage. Somebody please tell the Lord there is going to be a famine, so that He knows. The Lord already knows that there is such a thing! When a famine was about to come about in the then known world, back in Joseph's day, he was still a prisoner in the back of the prison. And the Lord spoke about the famine. He already knew about it ahead of time, but he didn't speak it to Joseph; he spoke it to the king. The king of the system, and none of his wisemen, as you well know, could discern what it meant. And finally, one remembered Joseph, and the next thing you see is the imperial guard racing on chariots through the streets to the king's prison. They ran through and shouted, "Joseph, the Semite! Joseph, the Semite," until they got a hold of him. They washed him and put him into a robe; they put him into the chariot; they rushed him before the king. The Lord did not give that vision to Joseph, but he gave it to the king; he gave the interpretation to Joseph. Joseph was a ministry in God's hands that he raised up. He did not only feed the house of God; he then went on

to feed the then known world of nations that were around him. Somehow, God has got an answer in this, folks, as we keep our eyes on Him, he is going to take us through this. We are going to come out the other side, but Brethren, I believe with all my heart, we will not come out the other side in the same way we went in, because the time of fire and pressure is needed to purify this gold and to bring it up to its optimum value.

I think, as far as upheaval is concerned, if this is true, and it's decertified in October, then the beast is going to say, "Well, that's it for me." He's going to sit down and let the process go on. No, sir! You will find, again, a raging tumult to keep the thing from happening.

As I said, God knows all about this; God has planned this whole thing. In the middle of it—like we saw in Daniel—God decides to hold court. He comes and He holds court. And out of it comes this man, this son, to whom is given stewardship over all of the ages to come, and particularly this age. In the middle of it all, He does that.

Brethren, we are about to encounter God. I believe, when we see this, when He starts doing this in the midst of us, you and I are going to be ecstatic. We are going to be filled with joy. Because, even though we have ministered on it, it has not really entered into the heart and the mind of man, the things that God has laid up for us. When we see this, all of the tests and the trials will be turned into inexpressible joy.

I want to see another principle that's very important here. It's in Isaiah 61, please. What we have here in the first two verses in Isaiah 61, is what Jesus read in the synagogue at Nazareth at the beginning of his public ministry. He had left Nazareth and gone to be baptized by his cousin, John, in the Jordan River. On His way back, the Spirit of God started to flow through Him and people were getting healed, and there were miracles, and floods of people coming to him. Then He returned to Nazareth and on that Sabbath when He went in, He must have asked for the scroll of Isaiah, and this is what He read:

Isaiah 61:1-2a (NASB), 'The Spirit of the Lord God is upon me, because the Lord has anointed me to bring good news to the afflicted; He has sent me to bind up

the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to captives, and freedom to prisoners, and to proclaim the favorable (the KJV says "acceptable") year of the Lord.'

And that's where he stopped and that's what he went on to do. He proclaimed it throughout Israel and throughout Judah. He proclaimed it all the way to the cross. That was his first coming. His first coming was to proclaim the acceptable year of the Lord and freedom to the prisoners of both sin and death.

But then the rest of verse 2, he left off. The rest of the verse reads, 'and the day of vengeance of our God.'

Brethren, He didn't read it because He knew that was His second coming. That was His second appearing in which the vengeance of God would be enacted. He came the first time, it says in Hebrews, to deal with sin, but He's coming the second time to bring forth the fullness of salvation. That's what is going on, on our side. He's come to bring forth the fullness of salvation. But on the world's side, He came the first time to proclaim the acceptable year of our Lord, but the second time He comes with the vengeance of our God. He comes the first time as a Lamb, and Brethren, He comes again, the second time, as a Lion. The Lion is the sign of the month of Av.

This is what we're seeing. If you want an interesting study, because I can't cover it here this morning, and you may not even want me to cover it. But if you're interested, just go to a concordance and look up the word "vengeance," and trace it through. It's phenomenal, because we're talking about a lion that returns with fire in His eyes. He returns specifically to retrieve and to keep His people. He will roar over them as a lion.

Let's go to Isaiah 63, I am going to cover a couple of the instances of "vengeance". He is asked why His garment is red, like one who has treaded the winepress. He answers in verse 3:

Isaiah 63:3-4 (NASB), "I have trodden the wine trough alone, and from the peoples there was no man with Me. I also trod them in My anger and trampled them in My wrath; and their lifeblood is sprinkled on My garments (this is the statement that goes into verse 4), and I stained all My raiment. For the day of vengeance was in My heart, and My year of redemption has come."

Isaiah 63:6 (NASB), "I trod down the peoples in My anger and made them drunk in My wrath, and I poured out their lifeblood on the earth."

Then it says in:

Isaiah 64:2 (NASB), 'As fire kindles the brushwood, as fire causes water to boil—to make Your name known to Your adversaries, that the nations may tremble at Your presence! When You did awesome things which we did not expect, You came down (that's that wheel within the wheel coming and being seated in the circle of the thrones in Daniel 7, and in Revelation 4), the mountains quaked at Your presence (the mountains that are the high places of man and the high places of man's government).'

Isaiah 65:17 (NASB), "For behold, I create new heavens and a new earth; and the former things will not be remembered or come to mind.

Isaiah 66:5c-9 (NASB), "But they will be put to shame. A voice of uproar from the city, a voice from the temple, a voice of the Lord who is rendering recompense to His enemies." And then in verse 8, "Who has heard such a thing? Who has seen such things? Can a land be born in one day? Can a nation be brought forth all at once? As soon as Zion travailed, she also brought forth her sons. Shall I bring to the point of birth and not give delivery? Says the Lord. Or shall I who gives delivery shut the womb?" says your God.

He is saying, "I planned this from before I set the ages and the times into place. And now, especially that it has come to the zenith of the event, am I going to call it off? No! I am going to bring forth a manchild that is caught up immediately to the throne of God. And that's what the Melchizedek Order is designed to do. You cannot be a priest and come upon a throne; it's against the law. You cannot be a king and attempt to be a priest; it's against the law. And kings pay mightily for crossing that line. But in Christ Jesus, He has brought us into one new man. He has brought us into one where the kingship and priesthood are brought together into one new man, which is known as the Melchizedek Order, and that, as you know, in Chapter 2 of Songs, that is what causes the kings of the nations rage and to say, "Let us cast off His bonds; we want nothing to do with what He is doing." In that divine order, God makes the promise to his son. You ask of Me—this, by the way, requires resurrection life—and I will give you the "goyim," the nations, for your inheritance.

This is the time in which he does that; when the kings are in an uproar. Because God, in order to perfect the priesthood of Melchizedek, He must bring us up into the fullness of His life, where death is swallowed up. He must bring us to that. Remember, resurrection is not something that is external. Remember that Christ Jesus was raised from the dead by the Spirit of Holiness. It is the Spirit of Holiness that raised Him from the dead. That is the exact same Spirit that is dwelling in you and me. Brethren, if we remain cleaving to Him, if we remain centered around Him, the calling that's over you and me, we all know it. We preach it. We've seen visions on it. But Brethren, we are about to see, and I have no timeframe on this, absolutely not, we are going to see something that is so much deeper, so more potent, so more with such breath and so much meaning to it, that at that time, we will clap our hands. Is He going to bring us to the very point of it and then call it off? No way! No way! God is not going to call it off!

The first resurrection is also a picture of the marriage feast of the Lamb. If you want to see that, and why I can say that, look at the Greek words, as they're parsed in the text of the footnotes of 1 Thessalonians 4, as seen in The Passion Translation. As Paul shows, he equates it with the marriage of the Lamb; it's a beautiful picture.

Here's the way a Jewish marriage took place: The father and the son came to the bride's father's home and they arranged the marriage. The wife said that she would marry the son. And then they were taken outside and I can't remember what it's called in the Hebrew, but it's a place of garlands and the two of them would stand together, side-by-side, and they would take vows together. I think rings would be exchanged, and then there was a glass of wine. You see then, the bride went back to her father's house to prepare a garment that would be without spot or wrinkle. And the groom was taken by his father to return to their place where they came from. Because while the bride was tasked with bringing forth a beautiful gown, without spot or wrinkle, the groom was tasked with preparing a place for her and that place had to be more superior than her father's place. It has to be a place that was superior to anything that she had known.

So, the groom couldn't slap things together in a hurry and skip a few nails, and then say, "Dad, I'm done. I'm going for my bride." No. The groom could not be released until the father said so. The father had to approve the place. Jesus went to prepare a place for us. I guarantee you, the place He is building for you and me is far beyond the furthest reaches of our imaginations, even mine. But when the father says so, when the father says to the bridegroom, "Yes, you have completed your part. Now you can go and get your bride." The bridegroom says, "Well, Father, I think I can go in about two weeks." No way! No way! He made a beeline back to where that bride was. The announcement went out that the bridegroom is coming! There is no way that we have come to the epicenter of the times and of the seasons in which God is going to call this off. There is no way that you are going to keep the Son Himself, the King, from claiming His bride.

What is the timeframe, Brother John? I don't know, but I can recognize the generality of it. This thing will not be called off. What He has initiated, He has every intention of finishing it. "But Brother John, I don't feel ready." I said that to Brother Buddy. Brother Buddy said, "You'll be ready when he tells you, you're ready." I said, "Yes, sir!" Which was a wise answer to a lot of statements from Brother Buddy.

But you may not feel ready. I understand that; I don't feel ready. But Brethren, you can look at yourself and see all the points of disqualification. So where is the answer? It comes back again to that simple thing. Just as the men of Judah cleaved to their king. They became one with their king on his journey back to his throne. This is the key that has been built into you and me, even though we have walked away from it at times, in order that we might understand how much we appreciate it when he allowed us to return. We have been through every test and every trial, and now it's deepening. Don't look at yourself; I can't look at myself. It's time to look away from ourselves, totally, and look unto Him, because we are not holding onto Him by our own strength. We have been called into this and we're being held on by Him.

This thing is perfectly coordinated and it will come together.

Isaiah 66:18 (NASB), 'For I know their works and their thoughts. The time is coming to gather all nations and tongues and they shall come and see My glory.'

And at the end of verse 19, 'They will declare My glory among the nations."

Do you know the state of the nations right now? The nations are tottering. The one world global financial elite is tottering. I don't know whether you're following all of this; you don't have to. Let me just assure you that what they thought was such a sure deal; what they thought they had in the bag; what they thought was the finish line for all opposition, is crumbling in their hands. One national leader after another is stepping down. Nations are heading towards bankruptcy. There's a stirring amongst the whole thing because God is bringing forth a new world order and it centers around His Son, and therefore, it centers around His sons.

This is a time—if we allow Him to speak to us, and we have the ears to hear from Him—this is a time, at least at times, of inexpressible joy. On the other hand, it's a cry of outrage and also consuming fear. God is having His own way as He brings us to full stature and the fullness of the son.

Let me just say this. Like I said, the five-fold ministry is not finished until we all come up in the fullness of Christ. Well, thank God for Zoom. Thank God that though we are bound, so to speak, the word of God is not bound. We're glad for that. I've been asked the question a number of times, "Will the ministry start traveling again?" Maybe. Maybe we will. Maybe that's exactly what will happen. But what if it doesn't happen? What if the upheaval becomes a barrier?

Brethren, we have to understand something: we are called to come up to the fullness of the nature of Christ. As I look at our situation, it makes me think, it could very well be—I'm not putting anything in concrete—it could very well be, that God is using our extenuating circumstances to bring us to a depth in Christ where we have to call out for the finishing work. Because it's not in us, as a traveling ministry, or a five-fold ministry, it's up to the head. We are not the head; we are the hands. It's the hands that minister to the body, but only as the hands are joined to the head. It's the head that brings this fullness. We do our part; we move in obedience; we move in under Him. He has the grace and the mercy to sometimes anoint us. That word can be imparted, but it comes up, also, out of the prophetic word. It's all there, but Brethren, He's going to call sons that have to stand up and to step into that realm along with the whole body.

Is this such a time? Is this such a time to lay hold of Him? I believe that it is. I believe that is exactly where He's taking us. Though the company seems to be getting smaller and we have precious ones that are being taken to the other side of the veil, and you look around at the fewer and the fewer, just remember that God only needs 300 out of 32,000. He only needs 300 who will not lower their vision. And when they come up against doubts about themselves, and about what's going on out there, they know where to go. They go and get before Him and hear from Him one more time.

That's the word I have for you and I want to take you to Ezekiel 44.

Ezekiel 44:1-3 (NASB), 'Then he brought me back by the way of the outer gate of the sanctuary, which faces the east; and it was shut. The Lord said to me, "This gate shall be shut; it shall not be opened, and no one shall enter by it, for the Lord God of Israel has entered by it; therefore, it shall be shut. As for the prince, he shall sit in it as prince to eat bread before the Lord; he shall enter by way of the porch of the gate and shall go out by the same way.'

You see, that's what we are called as kings and priests in our young place as kings; we are princes, and we have the ability, we have the right, we have the privilege of eating bread before the Lord. But it comes down to verse 4. The same one who ushered Ezekiel into proximity, took him:

Ezekiel 44:4 (NASB), 'Then he brought me by the way of the north gate to the front of the house; and I looked, and behold, the glory of the Lord filled the house of the Lord, and I fell on my face.'

There was probably was more than one way to take Ezekiel to the front of the temple. Probably more than one way, but no, he took him by the way of the north. Why the way of the north? The way of the north, the north side is the place of testings. It is the place of trials. It can be of reversals; it can be the place of total emptyings of ourselves. But there is one other thing about the way of the north. Promotion does not come from the south. Promotion does not come from the west. But promotion does come from the north.

Ezekiel had to pass through the northern realm on the pathway that brought him back to the very entrance, so that he would be fully prepared for what he was about to see; he was fully prepared for the exact timing of what he was about to see, but he came around to the front of the temple and he was begged to look up. The glory of the Lord filled the house and he fell on his face. That sounds like Isaiah in Chapter 6: 'Holy, holy, holy is the Lord; the whole earth is filled with His glory.' That's where this is going; that's where this calling is going. Brethren, we are in a time on the north side, but we are progressing towards a coming into the greatest thing that has ever happened: to step into the glory of the Lord, and yes, we will fall on our face.

This is what I believe is in front us, in spite of the upheavals. The upheavals simply outline and they define the season, the "Kairos" season. We don't know the exact points on the calendar. If I knew, and I don't know, I would be glad to share it with you. I know there are certain things are going to happen. We are going to have to watch how the Lord does this. But Brethren, you and I are in the season.

One other verse I have to read. I have to read this:

Ephesians 1:9-11 (NASB), 'He made known to us the mystery of His will, according to His kind intention, which he purposed in Him, with a view to an administration suitable to the fullness of the times, that is, the summing up of all things in Christ, things in the heavens and things on the earth. In Him we also have obtained an inheritance, having been predestined according to His purpose who works all things after the counsel of His will.'

'...with a view to the "administration" suitable to the fullness of times.' It says "dispensation" in the King James. I started looking that up, years way back. I found it means, the law of the house. Finally, I realized, the Lord just gave it to me, that it meant, "administration." I started looking through every translation that I own. It only took me a week. I finally found it. I finally found somebody that put it in that term, "an administration." I believe it was in the Concordant Literal, I can't remember which one it was. 'With a view to an administration suitable to the fullness of times, that is the summing up of all things in Christ.'

So He had a view to this. You and I were invited with a view to government. You see, that's what happened to me; that's what happened to you. That's what

happened to us 50 years ago, you old timers. Fifty years ago, or whatever time in the timeline you've been brought in, the possibility of me ending up in Miami, by means of Gray Ledges, and coming into this; the possibility of any of us coming this way, it has to have been the hand of the Lord. What did He have in view when He did it? He had in view an administration for the final season of this hour. An administration for the fullness of times. He called us at exactly the right time. He ordered all of our steps and all of our battles, so that we would learn to cleave to Him. So that we would learn to give up every other ambition, any other pursuit, any other sideline, and to cleave to Him and to cleave to Him alone, and to remain there by His power. It was viewed there all along, as He reached out to pull in His sons.

But now, it is the time of the vengeance of our God. As He comes forth to shake every nation and to claim His people, wherever they are, and then at the same time to bring His sons up into the fullness of the calling, into the fullness of an anointing, and don't you and I think for one moment that, that cannot be done in these times. That's what all of this behind us is for.

So Brethren, I'm one of you. That's all I am. I am one of you. I'm going to believe for you, and you can believe for Nancy and me, and all of the saints everywhere that we will not lower our vision in drinking the word, but we will drink it out of the hand, and keep our vision on Him because God has not brought this to this point in order to cancel out, to add in another generation. He intends to finish, completely, what He has started and no one can keep Him from doing this.

So, Brethren, we are one, regardless of the space of time, regardless of the space of geography; we are one body. Rise up! Rise up, and give yourself to Him as never before, because our God is about to do great things, which eye has not seen and ear has not heard, and I'll tell you where it'll end up. We will fall flat on our face in the midst of His glory, for His glory will rise upon you and upon me. It'll rise upon us, in its due time. In Jesus' name; Amen.

And I thank you, once again, for providing this platform. And on behalf of all the ministry, I thank all of you who have poured out, over and over and over again to support us and to support this Zoom ministry. Thank you so much. We are all one in this. God bless you. God bless you; in Jesus' name; Amen.