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**REVIVAL IN AMERICA  
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We continue our *“Revival in America”* series in our Scripture text: *“And he said, Let him alone; let no man move his bones. So they let his bones alone, with the bones of the prophet that came out of Samaria. And all the houses also of the high places that were in the cities of Samaria, which the kings of Israel had made to provoke the LORD to anger, Josiah took away, and did to them according to all the acts that he had done in Bethel. And he slew all the priests of the high places that were there upon the altars, and burned men’s bones upon them, and returned to Jerusalem” (2 Kings 23:18-20).*

In last month’s newsletter, we ended with Josiah looking over at the other sepulchers. Suddenly Josiah cast his gaze upon one particular sepulcher and questioned: *Whose sepulcher is that?* The men of the city informed Josiah it was the sepulcher of the prophet who had prophesied Josiah’s birth, kingship, and the very things he was doing regarding revival and restoration. After Josiah was informed, he said, *Leave that sepulcher alone.* We witness as Josiah broke down all of the houses of the high places where multitudes of depraved immoralities had been carried out by both male and female prostitutes.

Tragically the same needs to happen in the modern church. Many today have become filled with putrid abominations, spiritual whoredom, apostate leadership, and a host of other debasements.

Recently in April, at a *Stronger Men’s Conference* in Missouri, there was a vast gathering of men in the

Great Southern Bank Arena. The meeting opened with a male stripper dancing, erotically removing his shirt, and climbing a pole.

What in the name of Jehovah does that wicked display of carnality have to do with edifying the body of Christ and glorifying the Lamb of God? The truth is it has absolutely nothing to do with godly edification and the Lamb of God. That purported Christian event was nothing more than a carnal display that would only appeal to the appetites of the wicked and lawless. It was the same vile and public display of Ashtoreth and paganism. It was the very thing Josiah despised and sought to reform during his time of leadership.

In our Scripture text, we see Josiah went so far as to slay the depraved priests and burned their bones so he could pollute and desecrate the pagan altars those backslidden priests had built. The priest Hilkiah, spoken of in our text, is addressing those priests concerning the high places and they were very different from the priest of **2 Kings 23:8-9**. The priests in our Scripture text were priest of idolatry, in the former text we see priests of God; however, some were functioning in the wrong way.

Regrettably, there is much dysfunctionality in the ministry today because many fail to abide by the Word of God. Any time we abandon and forsake the Word of God we will surely fall into spiritual error. Jesus said to the Sadducees of His day, *“Ye do err, not knowing the scriptures, nor the power of God” (Matthew 22:29).*

The Word of God declares in the last days there will be a famine of God’s Word; and that, in itself, will beget gross error. We read: *“Behold, the days come, saith the Lord GOD, that I will send a famine in the land, not a famine of bread, nor a thirst for water, but of hearing the words of the LORD” (Amos 8:11).* As saints of God it should be evident to us there is a profuse departing from the faith and a famine of God’s Word in this hour.

As an example, the Bible declares: *“And the child Samuel ministered unto the LORD before Eli. And the word of the LORD was precious in those days; there was no open vision (revelation)” (1 Samuel 3:1 KJV).* In the days of Eli there were no messengers with divine revelation or anyone proclaiming the uncompromised Word of God. Therefore, Jehovah rose up Samuel to be His messenger in that hour of great peril.

Be assured Jehovah will never be without a messenger or a voice in the earth. There will always be God’s messenger who will cry aloud and spare not. Today, however, those messengers are becoming more and more unpopular. Any time men of God respond like Josiah, who was determined to have revival and reformation, those reformers will be castigated, criticized, and lambasted by the local community.

The spirit of this age has overtaken many churches and that is why men are cowardly in heart and refuse to take a godly stand against sin and lawlessness. Many today are not worth the salt in their bread because they have sold out for gimmicks,

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popularity, and self-aggrandizement.

The church is to be the salt and the light in the earth, but when men fail to preach the Word of God, they fail to shine the light of the Gospel, which is Christ our Lord. Furthermore, the Word of God is what preserves and protects spiritual truth and integrity.

I am discovering there is lack of truth and integrity with many in leadership today. There needs to be an abundance of correction within the church but many refuse to wield and enforce the Rod of Correction, which is the Word of God.

We read: ***“O LORD, are not thine eyes upon the truth? thou hast stricken them, but they have not grieved; thou hast consumed them, but they have refused to receive correction (chastisement): they have made their faces harder than a rock; they have refused to return” (Jeremiah 5:3).***

Presently, we are witnessing a landslide and proliferation of rebellion throughout the world, especially in America. Once again, anti-Semitism is allowed to flourish in America, which means fascism and tyranny are well on their way to becoming deeply rooted here.

Some believe I am too harsh and should lessen my intensity. **I refuse to bow to the powers of darkness.** The early church would not bow and neither should we. If we bow we lose and also risk losing our souls. With the state of our nation and the world, it is high time somebody stands and wields the bloodstained banner of Christ our Lord.

The spirit of lawlessness that was running rampant in both Josiah's and Jeremiah's day is now flooding America on a scale not seen in our lifetime. We read: ***“Why then is this people of Jerusalem slidden back by a perpetual (continual) backsliding? they hold fast (embrace) deceit, they refuse to return (stiff necked). I hearkened and heard, but they spake not aright: no man repented***

*him of his wickedness, saying, What have I done (they have no godly sorrow)? (Jeremiah 8:5-6).* Because we are living in such a perilous and dangerous hour, the church and the world need to hear from God through His Holy Word.

Paul admonished Timothy: ***“I charge thee therefore before God, and the Lord Jesus Christ, who shall judge the quick (the living) and the dead at his appearing and his kingdom; Preach the word; be instant in season, out of season; reprove (point out their faults), rebuke (forbid), exhort with all longsuffering and doctrine. For the time will come when they will not endure (bear) sound (healthy) doctrine; but after their own lusts (coveting what is forbidden) shall they heap (gather) to themselves teachers, having itching ears (who tell them what they want to hear); And they shall turn away their ears from the truth, and shall be turned unto fables (fiction)” (2 Timothy 4:1-4).***

In my Christian life, I have never witnessed as much fallacy, heresy, and mendacities as I am witnessing today. Recently, I heard a minister proclaim that after the rapture of the church, the Holy Ghost would be removed from the earth. That is in direct conflict with the Word of God and the prophecy the apostle Peter gave on the day of Pentecost: ***“And it shall come to pass in the last days, saith God, I will pour out of my Spirit upon all flesh: and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams: And on my servants and on my handmaidens I will pour out in those days of my Spirit; and they shall prophesy: And I will shew wonders in heaven above, and signs in the earth beneath; blood, and fire, and vapour of smoke: The sun shall be turned into darkness, and the moon into blood, before that great and***

*notable (memorable) day of the Lord come: And it shall come to pass, that whosoever shall call on the name of the Lord shall be saved” (Acts 2:17-21).*

Twice in this passage Peter declares by the inspiration of the Holy Ghost God would pour out His Spirit upon all flesh, and He reiterates: *[God] will pour out in those days of [His] Spirit.* It is impossible for anyone to be born again without the Spirit of God: therefore the apostle Peter prophesied of those end times: *“whosoever shall call on the name of the Lord shall be saved”.*

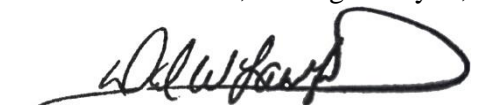
It is high time we get back to godly accuracy concerning the Word of God. A lack of accuracy is just another reason for error and fallacy having inundated the church.

I encourage you to please find time each day to pray and immerse your mind and spirit in the Word of God. Please share these newsletters and the broadcasts with those you feel would enjoy them.

Thank you so very much for your faithful support for the ministry. Do pray with me concerning the building of a renewed and strengthened church. I am concerned about my children, grandchildren, and those I leave behind. We need Holy Ghost, Spirit-filled churches to be a beacon in this very dark world that would also be able to stream all of our services around the entire world.

Please remember our meeting,  
**“Revival in America”**  
September 20-22, 2024,  
at the  
Hickory Metro Convention Center,  
Hickory, North Carolina.

Until next time, serving with you,



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