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# ~The Urim and Thummim~

- Guarding The Message Pt. 2 -

Urim means lights, Thummim means perfection, thus we have lights of perfection. Brother Branham, in his Hebrews teaching pg 8-9 speaks concerning this.

Now in the Old Testament, they had three different ways they can know a message. First, the law, that was just the law. Secondly, they had a Prophet, a dreamer. Thirdly, they had the Urim Thummim. Now that may be a little deep to us.

The Urim Thummim was the breastplate that Aaron wore on his breast. In there were twelve stones: jasper, sardius, carbuncle, and so forth. They got all twelve of the big stones that were in the breastplate showing that he was the high priest of all the twelve tribes of Israel. This breastplate hung on a pillar in the church, and when a Prophet prophesied and they wanted to be sure if it was right or not, the Prophets or the dreamers stood before this Urim Thummim and told his dream or his vision, whatever he had seen.

And if the Sacred Light.. Oh, do you see it? God has always dwelt in the supernatural realm. The conglomeration.

of those lights were just normal until this voice went forth. And when the voice struck those stones, if it wasn't supernatural, they laid dormant. But if it was supernatural, those lights all reflected the rainbow color together. Amen. Then that was God speaking, "That is my prophet. That dream came from me." It was according to the Urim Thummim that they judged.

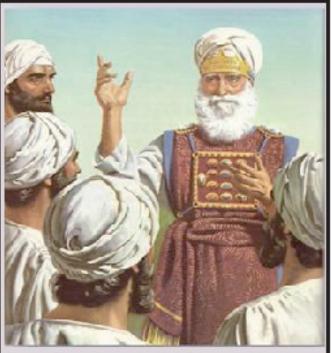
Exodus 28:29-30 And Aaron shall bear the names of the children of Israel in the breastplate of judgment upon his heart, when he goeth in unto the holy place, for a memorial before the LORD continually. And thou shalt put in the breastplate of judgment the Urim and the Thummim; and they shall be upon Aaron's heart, when he goeth in before the LORD: and Aaron shall bear the judgment of the children of Israel upon his heart before the LORD con-

tinually.

Now, the Aaronic priesthood ceased when Jesus died. And now, when law is separate from grace, we still have a Urim Thummim. And Paul was using It. See? The Urim Thummim today is God's immortal, eternal, everlasting Word.

Ephesians 6:14 we read Stand therefore, having your loins girt about with truth, and having on the breast-

plate of righteousness; Now to follow the type of Aaron wearing the breastplate means we also have the Urim and Thummim in the breastplate, for we are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation of our King and High Priest Melchisedec. We are also written epistles not with ink in tables of stone (law) but in the fleshly tables of the heart. Also in Hebrews 10:16-17 This is the covenant that I will make with them after those days, saith the Lord, I will put my laws into their hearts, and in their minds will I write them:



Picture: Shows Aaron, the High Priest, teaching his sons the Urim and Thummim.

And their sins and iniquities will I remember no more.
"The Urim and Thummim over the heart"

The bride is fully guarded in The Word and that Word is not subject to any thoughts outside the revealed Word (message). Today we have the perfect revelation of The Word in the rainbow colours of the words Urim and Thummim reflecting in the Seven perfect colours of the Seven Church Ages, Seven Seals and Seven Thunders all perfectly identified, vindicated and totally guarded.

Greetings to all the lively stones of this spiritual house.

> from Brother Barrie Boyes Lower Hutt.

### ~Who Is This~

Every year this great Passover took

place. And it was one of the most outstanding events of the Jewish Religion, because it meant the time that they were delivered. All the people loved to think of that – the time they were delivered.



Each of us tonight can go back to the time when we were delivered, what it meant to us...! can remember in my own experience, of how my poor boy's heart craved to touch God. I thought, "If I could only go up and knock on His door and talk to Him a little while." And of course you know my story. I got me a paper and pencil, and was going to write Him a letter, 'cause I couldn't talk to Him. And I knowed that He lived in the woods, because I'd heard Him, and I'd seen His moving in the woods. And I...

A certain old familiar path that I used to go down when I would be hunting or going fishing, I thought I'II—I'II just tack it on the tree and address it to Mr. Jesus. Just some way so that that burden could be from my Heart.

On that night down yonder...I might forget my age. I might even forget my name sometimes. But I can never forget that hour when He delivered me from sin. Something took place down inside me, that has helped me through the great hours and darkness, the hour of my deliverance. The weights of sin left me, and I was a new person. I've been a new creature in Christ Jesus ever since.

Taken from Bro. Branham's Library

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### ~ Nail it to The Cross ~

Is there something in your heart,
Between you and The Lord?
Are you drifting apart – Not as close anymore?
There is nothing you can do
that He cannot forgive:
Bring it to the Cross – Let it die so you can
live.

There are burdens you bear,
That've got you battered and bound,
Struggling for strength;
do you long to lay it down?
Don't take another step —
just kneel where you stand
Lay it at the Cross!
and take the hammer in your hand!

Nail it to The Cross! Give it unto the Blood!

Drown your pain - in every stain 
Of the Mercy's Blood.

Nail it to The Cross!

Find Hope and Forgiveness

Kneel at the Tree – Walk away free!

Nail it to The Cross!

A beautiful new Chorus

There was One who was willing to die in my stead

That a soul so unworthy might live And the path to the Cross, He was willing to tread.

All the sins of my life to forgive!

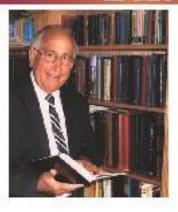
He is tender and loving and patient with me,
While He cleanses my heart of its dross,
And there's no condemnation, I know I am
free,

For my sins are all nailed to the Cross.

They are nailed to the Cross!
They are nailed to the Cross!
Oh how much He was willing to bear
With what anguish and loss,
Jesus went to the Cross!
And He carried my sins with Him there!

A beautiful old Chorus

# Fromvike Editor's Desk



Greetings to our Believer friends, in our Lord's mighty Name — the name above all other names. It has come to our attention of late, the wonderful work that is going on, in the mission fields—in The

Middle East there has been persecution which resulted in a number of Message Brethren being cast into prison. The devil doesn't like it does he. Please pray for our Brethren!!

Bro Tony expressed to me his heartfelt appreciation for the prayers of New Zealand saints and their support. So keep praying, dear ones here in N.Z. and in the Pacific Nations. In fact, all over the world.

We will bring all the Middle East ministering saints, all the ministers in Uganda, Brother Derrick Donaldson's ministry in P.N.G, Brother Adrian Gray's work in Vanuatu and others as well before the Throne of Grace. We in N.Z. have a wish to support them, and we praise The Lord when we can.

Ministering Brethren who are out in the fields for The Lord, do let us know if you need support with materials etc. we will happily put it in the Believers Newsletter. And currently the Brothers have a Youth Camp in Rotorua. What a help for our Youth, to reach out and touch Jesus! They need our prayers.

At Tinopai, Bro. Bullie and Sis. Josie invited us to be with them and support them as we listened to The Word ministered by Bro. Freddie Esau. What a blessing we received! Small Tinopai – big blessing!

Brother Adrian Gray arrived home from the Philippines this week, too late to give us an article on the blessings. We look forward to receiving it next month!

The Committee members send you all our love in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Bro Charles

We invite testimonies, comments, news, interesting anecdotes. Anything that would glorify God and could encourage your fellow pilgrim. And suggest that any doctrinal questions be directed to your Pastor. ~The Age of 'Dying Out'~

An unpopular concept:-

Now, the third stage is coming on. But the Church still follows on - Elisha, following Elijah. And then he gets across... down to the Jordan. Jordan means 'separation' or--or 'death'. You've heard many times "when I come down to the chilly Jordan." Jordan was death. The Lutheran age was followed by the Methodist age. But we come to another age now,

the age of "dying out."

All your worldly pleasures. God has got to do something with you in order before He could give you the Holy Ghost. He's got... Got to die out, get dead. You don't die out, you can't...

You remember, life can only come out of death. A seed can only die. Anything else can only die. And out of death comes life. Out of the death of Christ comes the resurrection of Life. And the only way that you can tonight, become alive to faith in God, is die out to yourself and symptoms, everything around you, and become alive: Die out, die out to symptoms, die out to circumstances, die out to everything else and become alive in Christ.

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Sent in by Bro. Ross Lane

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As I write this testimony of the wonderful saving Grace of The Lord Jesus in my Life, my heart skips a beat and I find myself being enveloped in his LOVE. The first time the Lord Jesus made Himself known to me was on a day like any day in my drug and alcohol mucked up self indulged life that I happily lived. I am one of 14 children and at the time The Lord came and turned my life right side up, one of my sisters started telling my brother Stephan and I about Jesus. We of course argued our different points of view and questioned and ridiculed anything and everything about her testimony of Our Lord.

That same night my brother and I were discussing what our sister was telling us and we again started ridiculing her testimony, and at the same time we were smoking cigarettes. We were also supposed to go to a drug party but I'm so grateful that The Lord Jesus had a different path for us. As my brother and I ridiculed The Lord Jesus, we found ourselves being enveloped in a Presence that was so present that my brother, as I watched him in fear, awe, and absolute peace, his being was lit up with a light that seemed to lift him up and me also. We never knew anything of The Lord or what He had to offer. We just had ridicule and ignorance but in His Sovereignty He came and set us free from the drug parties, cigarettes, alcohol and our ignorance.

That night we went to the drug party but with a testimony that

The LORD JESUS LIVES! and all our friends couldn't believe what had happened and they thought we were high on drugs. So for two weeks they visited
us to see if Jesus was real. Jesus didn't disappoint them. We also received the
Prophet's message in those early weeks too. One of our friends who was coming
to see us, met a precious brother who used to give pamphlets out to everyone he
met and one came to our door. As soon as my brother and I read the pamphlet
of "a Prophet sent from God", the same Annointing that visited us that night
came and confirmed that this was Him.

As I write this, The Lord Jesus who enveloped me then and showed Himself to me is still the same, A SOVEREIGN GOD WHO CAN DO ANYTHING WITH ANYONE. I am a testimony of a predestinated seed who knew nothing of God and didn't want anything to do with Him but -He still came anyway and I am humbly His.

Love always to You and Brother Sister Ana Van Duin

# ~UGANDA UPDATE~

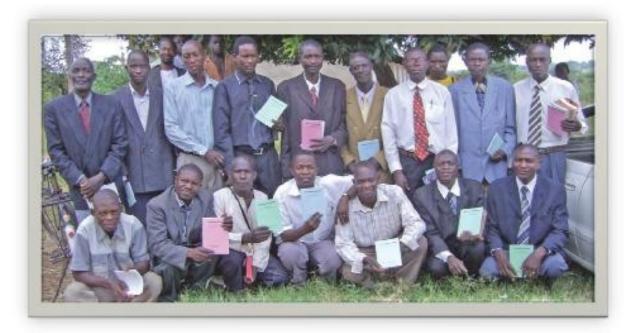
The new Print Station at Pastor Robert Kabasi's church in Uganda's capital Kampala operates as much as it can producing Luganda and English message books. We do not fund this unit for paper, toner and other necessary items, nor do we pay a wage for someone to produce message books. This is covered voluntarily by Brother Robert's church. This does severely limit the output but virtually all our income in Eltham goes to ensure message book translation into Luganda continues and that some books are printed and distributed from our Kamuli base.

There are an estimated 32 million people in Uganda and about 4 million live in or close to the capital Kampala. Without a large manufacturing base the country is agriculturally based. With neither the technology nor infrastructure for large scale farming, most farms are small family units growing fruit and vegetables with goats and chicken as the source of meat.

Although there are roads throughout the country these are not necessarily sealed. Even if sealed they are often poorly maintained. Travel is slower, more uncomfortable and tiring than in New Zealand. People frequently do not have enough money to travel by bus so walk or cycle. As a result, groups of believers can exist in areas unbeknown to others.

Such was the case when, in December last year, a church from Mityana in Western Uganda contacted us through our website. They live many miles from our translation base at Kamuli, 3 hours to the north of Kampala. I asked if they knew of Pastor Baliita Hannington and the Luganda translations. They were unaware of both. The fact that there was translation work being done interested them greatly. As a result Pastor Baliita Hannington and several other ministers travelled to Western Uganda for a series of meetings.

Below: Ministers who attended the Western Uganda Meetings - each with a Uganda Message Book!



This is Bro. Baliita's report: Brethren in Western Uganda send their love and greetings to you. They held meetings for us last week (Jan 2010) from Friday to Sunday. The Lord moved mightily during meetings. Several churches gathered there from Hoima, Kisolo, and Kiboga Districts. Also some Pentecostals attended and one of those pastors promised to cross to the message and he said he is coming to our area to meet us and see how we shall handle these things. We travelled with hundreds of Luganda message books for those brethren and they appreciate for the books and the Luganda Translation book activity. They request and pray that we keep constant supply for the books, as most pastors, ministers and the majority of believers did not receive education. Believers and pastors can hardly read English Message books, so these Luganda books is a major help for them to know and understand the message of the hour. We found out that many more Luganda books are needed. Here we also found a great cry for Luganda song books. Thanks for supporting this worthy cause. Extend our sincere thanks to the saints in New Zealand for their love for us. God bless you all. Brother Baliita Hannington

[Sent in by Bro Richard Oliver]

# Benjamin Netanyahu is a Brave Man!

By Joel Rosenberg
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Netanyahu at Auschwitz Says: 'The Prophecies of Ezekiel 37 Have Been Fulfilled.'

This weekend, I was in Edmonton, Alberta, Canada, where I will be teaching the prophecies of Ezekiel 36-39, and showing the people of the epicenter unconditional love and unwavering support.

As I was preparing to teach on these topics today, I awoke to read news coverage of Israeli Prime

Memorial: Bergamin Netanyahu at Auschwitz (Reuters: Peter Andraws)

Minister Benjamin Netanyahu's address this week in Poland, commemorating the 65th anniversary of liberation of Auschwitz.

Speaking on the actual site of the Nazi death camp, the Prime Minister delivered a major address warning the world of new genocidal threats against the Jewish people and the importance of acting early enough to prevent such threats from coming to pass. He also declared to the people of Europe and the world that the prophecies of Ezekiel 37 have been fulfilled.

It was an extraordinary moment. Rarely has any world leader given a major address on an international stage declaring that End Time prophecies from the Bible have come true. But that is exactly what Netanyahu did.

#### Excerpts:

- "The most important lesson of the Holocaust is that a murderous evil must be stopped early, when it is still in its infancy and before it can carry out its designs. The enlightened nations of the world must learn this lesson. We, the Jewish nation, who lost a third of our people on Europe's blood-soaked soil, have learned that the only guarantee for defending our people is a strong State of Israel and army of Israel. We have learned to warn the nations of the world of impending danger but at the same time to prepare to defend ourselves. As the head of the Jewish state, I pledge to you today: We will never again permit evil to snuff out the life of our people and the life of our own country..."
- "After the Holocaust... the Jewish people rose from ashes and destruction, from a terrible
  pain that can never be healed. Armed with the Jewish spirit, the justice of man, and the vision of the
  prophets, we sprouted new branches and grew deep roots. Dry bones became covered with flesh, a
  spirit filled them, and they lived and stood on their own feet, as Ezekiel prophesied:

'Then He said unto me: These bones are the whole House of Israel. They say, 'Our bones are dried up, our hope is gone; we are doomed.' Prophesy, therefore, and say to them: Thus said the Lord God: I am going to open your graves and lift you out of your graves, O My people, and bring you to the land of Israel.'

"I stand here today on the ground where so many of my people perished - and I am not alone. The State of Israel and all the Jewish people stand with me. We bow our heads to honor your memory and lift our heads as we raise our flag - a flag of blue and white with a Star of David in its center. And everyone sees. And everyone hears. And everyone knows – that our hope is not lost."

The question for all Israelis and all people everywhere is now this: If the prophecies of Ezekiel 37 have come to pass in our lifetime, isn't it remotely possible that the prophecies of Ezekiel 38-39 will come true in our lifetime as well?

# They shall Lay Hands on the Sick – ~And They Shall Recover



## -Testimony by: Brother Dean Gilchrist –

This testimony is about the incredible healing of a work colleague who by the laying on of hands — according to the Scriptures - was brought

back to life from his death bed about 18 months ago. Victor was a work colleague of mine who I had spoken to on different occasions about my faith and belief in God's Word. He became suddenly sick with a very rare and deadly cancer. They rushed him to Palmerston North Hospital where they had specialized doctors and equipment to try to deal with this particular disease.

Victor was a devout denominational church person and one day when I was expressing with him the truth of water baptism in the Name of The Lord Jesus Christ and not in the titles of Father, Son and Holy Spirit, he rang his priest there and then and got me to explain it to him over the phone. We had a very wonderful and respectful debate for around 35 minutes in which he assured me that his church does not change scripture but defines it. I replied that it didn't need defining as Peter did that for us when he gave us the formula for salvation in Acts 2:38. We agreed to disagree. I met him on a few occasions after that time.

Victor became steadily worse during the next few months. He would have a few ups and then go down again. I kept in touch with him, and things didn't look good and he deteriorated to the point where he caught pneumonia and ended up in ICU with all the medical life support equipment hooked up to him. He couldn't even breathe for himself. One of the machines was pushing air into his lungs just to keep him alive.

His wife called me and said that he was very low and it didn't look like he would make it. So I drove straight over to Palmerston North during the day time. Victor was situated on the 5th floor of the hospital. His priest had already arrived and was in the waiting room talking with Victor's wife. He had not yet been in to see Victor. I had just arrived, and as a minister myself, it felt a little like the Mt. Carmel showdown at the top of the hospital, except in this case I wanted to do the calling on God first.

Looking back, I can see the hand of God in it all as I did get to see Victor first before the priest. Apparently he had come to do whatever a priest does or says over one of their own before they die.

I knew in my heart that if I could just lay my

hands on Victor, according to the promise of the Scripture, God would then fulfil His Own Word, as He promised in Mark 16:18 – that if a believer lays their hands on the sick, they shall recover – and I am a believer. God made the covenant, and therefore if I did what He said to do, then God would make good His promise.

As I was guided into where Victor was, the male nurse and I chatted for a little while about the equipment. Victor was completely unconscious and very pale. Death was certainly all over him. It is in moments like these that you realise the inability of man, and how powerless, weak and fragile we really are without the help of Christ.

I put both my hands on Victor's arm. It felt cold and numb. I didn't pray out loud or make any religious gesture. I didn't even feel spiritual. In my heart I muttered the weakest little prayer anyone could have said, like, "Lord, I don't know what to say. But I put my hands on Victor according to Your Word, as You have told us to do. Now I rely on You because without Your mercy, my friend will die. Please fulfil Your Word that I have tried my best to honour."

About two weeks later, Victor was awake and had completely astounded all the doctors with his miraculous recovery. He is alive today as a testimony to the mercy and healing power of God.

A few months later when we were together, he asked me what I did on that occasion when I visited him as he lay unconscious. I told him that I didn't do anything except do what the Bible said. I knew that as a believer, if I could just lay my hands upon him, then God would do His part. It wasn't what I did but what God promised, and what God did. I was then able to tell him of his need – to follow The Lord according to what He has told us in His Word and not what any man says. God is only responsible for what He has said in His Word. I believe that Victor is alive today because of God fulfilling His Word through the obedience of a believer.

Please pray for Victor as he has yet to fully surrender to The Word. His finds his denominational belief very hard to give up. If he could just grasp that it is not about giving up, it's about receiving and obeying truth.

I trust that this testimony will encourage us all to follow and simply obey what The Word instructs us to do, as then and only then can we be certain that God will honour His part, because —

His Word can never fail!

Your brother in Christ

Dean Gilchrist

# Middle East Update: ~ Syria, Iran, Egypt and a Voice Out of Laodicea... 12th February, 2010

Greetings to all our precious Brothers and Sisters in Christ.

the families and those believers imprisoned in Iran, as you have joined with them in prayer during this difficult time. As the Gentile age is winding up, we are certainly seeing the spiritual power of the "Prince of Persia" coming to bear upon the true believers there. Like Daniel, let us not faint in prayer as we wait for the answer by the power of God.

We received word yesterday that by God's grace, Brother Davoud in Rasht was released! Though details are sketchy, the court apparently accepted a letter of guarantee – a kind of "bail". Brother still has to appear in court and if he flees – or is unavailable, the one who put up the guarantee will suffer the consequences, which was either a believer or family member.

In addition to this, the believers have been forbidden to meet at all. If they do they will be arrested. May the Holy Spirit direct them in the same way the Chinese believers who faced similar circumstances, were sovereignly directed to the place and time of fellowship without pre-planning the meeting place or time.

Egypt: Brother Pierre and I were in Egypt in January for further follow up ministry. We spent time with those who attended the End Time Message Conference in October, Because of Brother accident we had been hindered from returning sooner. We had meetings each of the days we were there. Besides ministering the Word in an even greater depth, we also answered many questions. Plans are again being made for another smaller conference for the home church leaders who desire a deeper understanding of the Word of God. Aware of the urgency of time with respects to the fullness of the Lord's coming, their desire is to minister The Word so that greater faith may grow in their congregations.

Syria: In January we also made a follow up visit with those who came to Lebanon in October for the Convention. We are pictured here having a private meeting in our hotel room. The presence of the Holy Spirit was felt in our meetings in a powerful way. The Word was confirmed with revelation as Broth-

er H. and Brother G. saw the fullness and importance of the life of



the "seed" expounded from Genesis to Revelation.

Turkey: Since January the Prophet's message has been translated into Turkish and broadcast via radio in the region where the seven cities of Revelation are located. Living in this last Laodicean church age, it was very fitting that a voice was heard coming out of "Laodicea". From this very city, Sukru and Ali and Selma have heard the Word and responded, asking "...to learn more about the end time's prophecy..." and to pray that "... God would restore His church back again in this land..."

Other responses are coming from further south in Antalya, Isparta and from Ankara - the Capital City. We rejoice in the fruits of this work. Next week Rebekah and I will be joining Brother Prater and Brother Roberts of Arkansas, who have played an integral part of the radio ministry these many years. This is for further follow up ministry in Turkey and to meet some of these new listeners to share more of the Word with them.

Once again, we sincerely thank you for your prayers and faithful support. In addition to the needs of the Believers in Iran, we covet your prayers as we minister here in Lebanon and as we travel to Turkey next week.

May the Lord richly bless you, Brother Tony & Sister Rebekah

# Middle East - Iranian Prisoner Update 21.2.2010

Greetings to all our precious Brothers and Sisters in Christ. We are presently in Turkey to followup with those who have heard the Prophet's message in Turkish. We covet your prayers for the meetings we will have in Laodicea there with those who wrote and requested more information about the end times and the "Voice" to Laodicea.

Iran: While in Turkey I've also been with an Iranian brother who felt it necessary to flee Iran and has lived in Turkey for the past 3 years. He informed us that a few days ago two more
believers in Iran were released —
known as
The sad news is that a day or so after these two were released - another couple was arrested
and imprisoned. This is Brother and his wife from a city near Tehran. We were
told that their arrest was quite brutal and that Brother William was beaten and bloodied. A few days
later his wife, was released and confirmed the details of the physical violence. Please continue in fervent prayer for our mighty God to intervene in this situation as it is still very serious. In spite of the continued assault against the believers, these events have not escaped our
Lord's attention. He is mindful and in full control of this situation. We encouraged Brother Firous
from the Word that the power of God is the same in Iran today as it was when He delivered Daniel
and the three Hebrews. We asked him to convey to the believers in Iran that saints from around the world are holding them up in prayer. They will be comforted with this as this is the true source of their strength and power.
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May the Lord bless you, Your Brother in Christ, Brother Tony & Sister Rebekah

God is not independent of us, in creating us,
And we are a part of God.
We are not independent of one another.
Now, how many understand that?

Jesus said, 'When I come in the form of The Holy Spirit,
In THAT day —

You will know that I am in the Father And the Father is in Me.'

And Brother Branham said, 'That was This Day.'
That was THIS Day

\_A Godly Poem\_

The following is a poem written by Judge Roy Moore from Alabama .

Judge Moore was sued by the ACLU:for displaying the Ten Commandments in his courtroom fover

America the beautiful, or so you used to be.

Land of the Pilgrims' pride; I'm glad they'll never see.

Babies piled in dumpsters, Abortion on demand, Oh, sweet land of liberty; your house is on the sand.

Our children wander aimlessly poisoned by cocaine choosing to indulge their lusts, when God has said abstain

From sea to shining sea, our Nation turns away
From the teaching of God's love and a need to always pray.

We've kept God in our temples, how callous we have grown.

When earth is but His footstool, and Heaven is His throne.

We've voted in a government that's rotting at the core, Appointing Godless Judges; who throw reason out the door,

Too soft to place a killer in a well deserved tomb, But brave enough to kill a babe before he leaves the womb.

You think that God's not angry, that our land's a moral slum? How much longer will He wait before His judgments come?

How are we to face our God, from Whom we cannot hide? What then is left for us to do, but stem this evil tide?

If we who are His children, will humbly turn and pray; Seek His holy face and mend our evil way:

Then God will hear from Heaven; and forgive us of our sins, He'll heal our sickly land and those who live within.

But, America the Beautiful, If you don't - then you will see, A sad but Holy God withdraw His hand from Thee.

~~Judge Roy Moore~~

### ~To Him that Overcometh~ Pt 4 Brother Freddie Esau



It took Joseph thirteen years to get to that place of power. It took him thirteen years to get him to the place where that dream has now come into that manifestation. Thirteen years it took him. But Brother, he had his night seasons.

He had his time of weeping. But The Bible says that 'weeping endures for a season but joy cometh in the morning'. Joy must follow weeping. Joy must follow it as light follows night and as night follows light. So, joy must follow weeping. We are going through a time of weeping. We are going through a time of trials. We are going through our times, experiencing things daily in our lives, knowing circumstances that we have never ever before experienced.

You know why? You know why the trial has lifted? Do you know why the trial has become more hot and heavy? I'm going to let you know, the more you overcome, the more your faith rises. I spoke about it last week, of how David, as a young lad, overcame the bear. And he could bear witness of that bear.

He said, 'I overcame the bear' and then his faith rose a level and then God increased the trial by sending him a lion. And Brother, when he faced the lion, he would show them. He said, I'm a keeper of my father's sheep and a bear came and I killed him and a lion came and I grabbed him by his beard and I killed him. AND WHO IS THIS UNCIRCUMCISED PHILLISTINE? Hallelujah! His faith has risen and that's the reason you are going through the trials you are going through. That's the reason you are going through the testing you are going through, because your faith had risen another notch.

The devil cannot do anything to you unless God allows it, because you're a son and because you're a daughter of God. The Bible tells us that He chastises those He loves. So God allows these things to come your way. But brother and sister, let me tell you this morning, there is something within you. You cannot understand it. There's something within you that holds the reins. There's something within you, brother. Hallelujah! In times past, it would have got you

down. In times past brother, you would have complained and gone into a state of depression. But now, that something that God has placed within you, brother, in your famine you can draw - Hallelujah! — on God's favour towards you. Hallelujah!

So Joseph went through his final trials, brother. He went through his hardships because you see what God had ordained for Joseph. Now we read in the Bible that Joseph was a type of Jesus Christ. He had to be perfect in all his ways. When people said things against him, when he was wrongly accused, brother - Hallelujah! When he was accused of attempting to rape Potiphar's wife, he could have called in the gardener and said to him, 'You tell the master how many men came visiting his wife while he was not around'. He could have called in the cook - how many times she had to prepare food for the lady's lover. He shut his mouth. He didn't say a word. He had to learn to control his tongue. Brother, don't worry. That's what the Bible speaks of in Isaiah 53. He was led as a lamb to the slaughter and he opened not his mouth'.

He was the perfect type of Christ. Did it say that God had to teach him? He ended up in the dungeon. He ended up there brother – Hallelujah! You see, even in that situation in the dungeon, God's favour smiled on Joseph.

Even in your situation this morning, even if you are at the lowest of the lowest, brother, let me tell you, God's favour so smiles on you. God's favour, because you are His son, because you are His daughter, because you are a part of Himself, is why God is so mindful of us this morning. Church, it doesn't matter what happens to us in the world; it doesn't matter how the economy is; it doesn't matter how many people lose their jobs, the Bible says to me and to you that 'a thousand may fall at thy side and ten thousand at thy right hand but it shall not come nigh unto thee. Only with thine eyes shalt thou behold and see the reward of the wicked'.

So those around you can lose their homes and lose their jobs and their cars, but for you, let me tell you, it will not come nigh unto you, for the Bible says He has given His Angels charge to encamp around you and to deliver you. The hour that we are living in as believers, this time of gloom and darkness, brother, I would let you know the Light of God is shining through into the lives of His people.

## "The Harlot"

#### [An extract from this message] Bro Jeff Jenkins

Satan hates the word 'submit'. Satan hates the word 'obey'. Satan thinks he's his own man. He really thinks he's his own man, BUT let me give you a revelation. Satan is a tool in the hand of God. He is NOT his own man. He is so deceived, he thinks he's his own man, but he's only a tool in the hand of God.

You have the Boss of a drug ring and he makes everyone else think they are doing their own thing. They can get their cut and their share but all that boss thinks about and all he cares about is himself. And for the many men he has working for him, they are layers that are insulating him from the police. They are merely pawns on his board. He thinks of no one but himself. His reasoning and wisdom is shrewd, intelligent. His reasoning is almost flawless and yet it is false. Satan will appeal to your flesh. Satan will appeal to your pride. Satan will appeal to the outward and not the inward. Satan is featured in glamour, fine dressing, dapper, strong square chin, tall, graceful, self assured, but behind that beauty and that charm is a reckless lust for power, a lust for fame, a lust for prominence, a lust to bring his kingdom over and above Michael's kingdom - to even establish his kingdom on the sides of the North where Jesus Christ will establish his on Mount Zion.

He will destroy anyone who stands in his way. And he will use Religion – the beauty of Religion to destroy the Christ. Now I want to say that again. What keeps individuals from meeting Jesus Christ is stopping at the beautiful form and beauty of religion. Did not John the revelator marvel at her beauty? And did not the angel say, 'Wherefore didst thou marvel?' I will show thee all about this whore. Then I saw the woman and heard the Bible say, 'She is mystery Babylon.'

When John heard the woman and then heard she was a whore, he couldn't believe it. What? Wait a minute! She's too innocent looking. She's too beautiful. She can't be the harlot. She's not hard like I thought a harlot would look like. Satan has a disdain and hates The Word. Satan

hates the word 'submit.' Satan hates the word 'obey'. Satan hates the word 'yield'. Satan hates the word 'surrender'. He hates the word 'honour'. That's what Satan hates. So when Mom says, 'Honey, I want you to obey me because I said so.' And Dad says. 'You need to listen to me and you need to obey me because I said so.' Flesh might want to 'rise up' but just remember, every choice you make is forging the character you will be. Satan looks out for 'self'. Period. He's always on the sly. He's always doing things his way, independent of every power and authority. He doesn't want any authority over him. He cares for no one else - absolutely no-one. Every mortal [listen to me now] - Satan, the fallen angel, Lucifer the serpent, the destroyer, the dragon, cares for no one. Every mortal on the face of this earth, either now or that's ever been alive for 1000s and 1000s of years, he sees as merely a pawn in his hand. Every mortal is a means to an end. That's Satan's objective. Satan cares for no one. He thinks about himself only. That's Satan. Like a cat with a mouse, he plays with you and then he destroys you.

Now Satan also is deceived. He goes about deceiving, he goes about destroying, he goes about seeking who he may devour. But the ultimate is: Satan in the end is totally taken off, totally swallowed up, totally enveloped in his own lie. Satan isn't only deceived, but he is totally duped as well. Satan is the father of lies, yet swallowed up in lies. He's the deceiver of all deceivers but he will be caught up in his own deception...Satan thinks he's his own man.

I'm glad Satan's sorry,
He's sorry – I'm glad!
He once was so happy when I was so sad.
He delighted to think I was one of his own,
But I'm glad to say, 'He's mistaken!'
Oh I am so happy to know I am free!
And Satan no longer has power over me!
While trusting in Jesus, I know I shall be –
Counted one of the sorrows of Satan.

[An old Sunday School song.]