

15 July 2018 The Source and the Future (Part 1) – Ps John Bendixen (Witbank)

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Praise You Jesus. Let's just pray in the Holy Ghost [Praying in the Spirit].

Praise You Jesus. Praise You Jesus. Praise You Jesus. Praise You Jesus. Praise You Lord. Praise You Lord. Hallelujah. Hallelujah. Praise You Jesus. Praise You Jesus. Praise You Jesus. Hallelujah. Glory to God. Glory to God. Father, I thank You that everything that happens in this service today is according to Your Word, glorifies the Name of Jesus and we are in complete flow with the Holy Spirit. Thank You Lord. Thank You Lord. Thank You Lord. Hallelujah. Thank You Jesus. Praise the Name of the Lord. And everybody said? "Amen". You may be seated.

There's something wrong with the sound system. It's an echo or something going on. Hallelujah. Praise the Lord. Glory to God. Hallelujah. Hallelujah. Praise Jesus. This is a very important and strategic time for us and I'm going to give the sound system guys a little bit of time to sort it out. I don't know if it affects you in any way? No? Okay. Well that's good. Praise the Lord.

It's a very important time. A very strategic time in the Spirit. Just in the last couple of days I've been going over some of, some of the things that I declared prophetically since 2010. Then 2014 was a significant year for us again and basically since then there, there has been a lot of change and a lot of movement and a lot of development that has happened in our ministry. Praise the Lord. And God has done some marvellous and wonderful and miraculous things and in the recent weeks the Lord has really laid it on my heart to begin to pray and to speak and to declare that we are in a, in a phase of the final push, into something that is bigger and greater and more significant.

Now at the time, when I spoke about the final push, I didn't see it in terms of a pregnancy. I didn't see it in terms of someone who was delivering a baby and you know you get to that stage where it's the final push and the baby is about to be born. I didn't, that wasn't the imagery or the perception that I received when I got that from the Lord. All I knew when those words came into my spirit, "The Final Push", was that we are at the end of a cycle and we were coming into a new phase. You know, and it was almost like, we were about to, we were into a final push for something that was going to be, it was going to change everything. Because I'm kind of more athletically oriented, than giving birth oriented, you know, I guess if you have to ask me what was in my heart at the time when I said, "It's a final push", I would have probably said this to you, and I would have said, It is somebody that has really been running for a long time and is coming to the finishing line and has put in a lot of hard work, a lot of effort, a lot of challenges have, have appeared before this person that's been running a long time. Challenges of, you know, as an athlete would, hydration, nutrition, maybe you're dealing with cramps. Maybe you're dealing with physical fatigue, mental fatigue. Many different things and certainly you would be dealing with people that would be competing for the space that you occupy.

You understand? So even though you may be running in your own line, in your own little space, there would be competing with you for the space that you occupy which is not a physical space. It's a space of what your run represents. And so as you would get to the final push, if you were talking in running terms, you know, you would be talking in terms of I'm, I've run my race and I've got 5 km to run and if, and these are some of the most challenging that you are going to face, it's the last 5 km and so now you've got to push, because the final push makes all the difference how you finish the race.

Anybody will tell you whether it's running or cycling or any other kind of sport, you know, where you, you'd sort of, you and yourself. If you're a runner and you're a long distance runner it doesn't matter if you've run 38 km of the 42 km race. If you stop at 38, the 38 means nothing, because you've got to get to the 42. You understand what I'm saying? It's not like it counts for nothing and exercise is always good, but stopping at 38 doesn't give you what you need when you get to 42, because when you get to 42, you cross the finishing line. Something changes. In the running world if you've run 38 and you get to 42 they give you a medal. And if you're on a timed race you can refer back to a time where you ran a marathon and that marathon is, it's recorded that you ran 42 km's in that distance, but if you were running 42 km's and you, and you quit at 38, 38 means nothing. You don't get the medal. You don't get the time, you don't get anything, you know.

And so, I mean certainly with cycling, you know, it is the same. You can ride a 120km, and you can ride 120 km at 50 km/h and certainly the Tour the France is on, right now, and you can see some of those guys. I mean, I watched a little bit yesterday and they were, they were riding and I think they were about 8 km or 10 km from the finish line, after riding 180 whatever kilometres. One of the Grand Tour contenders, a guy by the name of Dan Martin, he crashed and so his teammates all came back and they all rode him and they raced as fast as they could, to try and catch the peloton to minimize the damage so he finished the race yesterday, but he lost 53 seconds or whatever the case might be.

You understand the final push can mean anything. Certainly this last week of Tour de France riding, there's been very little mountain climbing, it's all been about the sprinters and you can see the, you know, I think it was yesterday's race, or the day before, Friday's race, I don't know; was the longest race on the Tour de France history ever, longest day, 234 kilometres or whatever the case might be. That's a lot of time to ride on a bike, even if you're a professional that's a long way to ride on a bike you know. So they rode, and they rode, and they rode and there were hardly any climbs, and there was very little wind and so they just basically, they were riding 220 kilometres so that they could go to the last 14, because the 220 is what you had to ride, in order to get to the last 14, because the final push came in the last 14 not the first 220. The first 220 was just to get you to the last 14, because that's when the racing began. Then the main sprinter that the team has been carrying and protecting from all kinds of things for 220 kilometres, now it's his time to push and so you see how all the guys and they, and they elbow each other and they push each other with their helmets and they, because they, because now positioning is everything. So although you know, you're not competing in a space, it's an end result there's competition for.

I got news for you, the same thing applies to your life, although you may not feel like your life is in a competition; your life is in a competition with illegal occupants that want to occupy the space that is destined for you to walk in, so that you can get to the end destination of where God wants you to be. It's all about the assignment and it's all about the way God wants us to be. Hallelujah. So if you had asked me about the final push, I would have said, it's more like, when you get to the finish line there's and yesterday, you know as it were has been in the last couple of days, one of the sprinters won the race and one of the sprinters he won by a bike length. Number two, number three won by half a wheel and at the end of the day, you know the guys were talking about who comes first and who comes second and they said, you know the guy that comes second is the first loser. There is only one place in that kind of competition and that's come first.

Well we're not competing against other people, but in the course of your destiny there is only one, there is only one race that you have to run; it's the race of faith. It's the race of God's assignment and gift and calling for your life. There are many illegal occupants that want to come into your space and want to bump you and push you and maybe fatigue you, or do things that are going to cause you to slow down, lose heart, lose faith and lose your strength, so that you don't push to the end.

So for us, I feel as a ministry we're in a final push, we're in a final push in a relationship with Brother Jerry that God has been restoring that the enemy try to steal the significance of that relationship for ten years and God has restored it in 18 months. It's always been there, but God has restored and taken it to a higher level and we are pushing even more into that now. Hallelujah, praise the Lord. This last week, there were things that were confirmed by Brother Jerry about things that I'm going to be participating with him in that are very significant to me before this year is over. It's just awesome for me. Praise the Lord, hallelujah. I'm really looking forward to that.

I have a, I have a vision and I have a dream, which I've had for a long time and I feel to share it with you this morning. You think the praise and worship was awesome this morning. I have asked my social, my multimedia team, not my social media, my multimedia team; I've asked my multimedia team to actually renew the prices and renew all of the equipment that we need to get, to get broadcast level camera equipment. I believe that this ministry is going to have a world-class, excellent audio-visual presentation of whatever God is doing in this ministry, to the world. I do, I have in my mind I have a vision of audio studios, sound studios, and audio-visual studios that are, we are able to rent them out to people that want to use them, because they are such a high quality, but at the same time they are able to present and represent this ministry at the highest level. I mean that at the highest level. Praise the Lord.

So I'm saying that to you, because we are, I am putting my faith out there that we are going to buy our cameras, our broadcast cameras very soon. And we are going to build our studio that is going to be really excellent, soon. I believe we will have one in Johannesburg and we will have one here in Witbank. Hallelujah, praise the Lord. It might be that if you, if you are wanting to participate in that, it might be within the scope of your business that instead of participating in terms of a financial seed, into an offering, you might want to say, you might want to hire our media company, as a

consulting company at a fee. Our consulting to you as a company will enable us to buy equipment, for example; which becomes an expense write-off for you and becomes an investment for us, which means you have access to a multimedia platform, whenever you need it as a company. Yeah, I'm just saying, the Lord is giving me ideas as I'm praying about it and I'm praying into it, that there are skills out there, there is money out there, there is opportunities out there, but I'll tell you what's going on you may not be able to get into your gift, to come and help us. Praise the Lord.

I have a lot to share with you this morning; I'm going to do my best to get through it as quickly as I can. As I was praying this week, the Lord began to just lay it on my heart to begin to speak about aspects of well, this is how He began to deal with me. So I'll just share my process with you, as I was dealing, as I was walking with the Lord. He started to deal with me to start studying and sharing with the ministry, the people, the congregation about fathers. What does it mean to be a father? What does it mean, what is the power of a father? Why is it that the church has need of fathers? The Apostle Paul says, you have many teachers but not many fathers and what does the Apostle Paul mean about it and make a differentiation between a teacher and a father? And why the modern-day church is very much against the concept of having fathers in the church as opposed to having teachers in the church? They're very easy, they're very willing and welcome to receive a teacher, but they're not so welcome and willing to receive a father. The relationships are very different.

I'm not going to start with that message this morning, I'm just telling you this is the process that I've worked with God. When I started to walk, in that process of, okay Lord, I see where You're taking me with this. I went to father Abraham and I went to father Isaac and I went to father Jacob and then the Lord began to minister to me about Jacob's constellation.

So, I phoned Sarah, and I asked Sarah, and she's in charge of my social media platform. I said, "Have I ministered on Jacob's constellation in the church, have you got a transcription for me, where we have transcribed the message of Jacob's constellation?" She said, "Interesting question? We've looked for it, can't find it, the only place we know of where you have actually ministered on Jacob's constellation, is in the Business School."

So, if you don't know it, we do have a ministry called Heritage Institute of Commerce and we have a number of programs in the Business School. And we will activate that as a digital touch program, it's one of the things, we need the studio for, we need the cameras for, because the way the Lord wants me to go about, rebuilding the Institute of Commerce, is through a digital touch program. So, people can do that digitally, in their home, with workbooks and they can come together with, business network forums and discuss what they have learned in digital touch, in the Institute of Commerce. It's one of the things the Lord's been dealing with me about. Hallelujah.

This is very necessary, because when you understand the principles of business and finance in God's way, there is just no way that you will not be productive and money will not flow to you. It will flow to you in abundance, if you get it all, in the right order.

Anyway, in Jacob's constellation, so I am going to be teaching on Jacob's constellation, but I have to cover some other things first, because of the way the Lord, gave it to me, because as I began to study it, I realized, actually there's a lot more, the Lord wants me to say. That's why He led me there.

I wanted to share this with you though, that - let me just find this here. When I went through this document yesterday, I'll tell you, it just, it just blessed me so much, all the revelation that God had given me, as part of, as part of this, whole process. (Ps John searches through the document). It's in the introduction, I'm sure and now I can't find it. I had it yesterday, still not. I read through so many things. Okay, maybe I wasn't meant to say anything about it. Really want to though, should have underlined it, hey.

Well, one of the things, I wanted to share with you, is that, it's relevant because of my message this morning, is that, you know, Jesus had a plan for the earth, and the plan that He had for the earth, was that He would have an environment where He designed creatures that would live for Him and look like Him and worship Him and in their choice, they would choose to worship Him. Man was a creature that He breathed His life into and so this man was designed to worship God. This man was designed and created to do the will and the glory and the purposes of God. When the man decided that he wanted to elevate his own choice, above God's choice, things changed dramatically as far as God's plan was concerned.

And one of the things that I teach in the business school, is that not every plan that you make, is a plan that is going to succeed, you know. And there are things that happen in your plans that you make, that you think are going to succeed, and they just don't. They don't succeed. So, what happens? What happens, when you have, when you have a plan that fails? Well, the first thing you have to do is you have to realise the plan is failing. If you, if you realize that the plan is failing then you can do something about the plan and you can release that plan. You can release that component of that business and so that, that you can restore it. Hello. So you have to realise it, so that you can release it, so that you can restore it.

So, that's what happened to God, because when God made man, He saw that He had a plan for man and things went very bad. So He realized, that He had to, He had to, change this program. And I'm going to start to read you, part of that now, because, you know, some people may say and you would be entitled to say this: God never fails, but God on purpose, made His plan, dependent on man's choices. So, wherever God has given man a choice, that man's choice becomes the foundation of everything that God can do with that man. He cannot override that man's choice. So, even though, He might have a plan for that man, if that man chooses something else, He cannot override that man's choice. Hello.

So if you like, there are two things that God can't change, or God can never go against. God cannot change His Word, cannot go against His Word. His Word has been declared, so He cannot go against His Word. It is something that God and His Word are one, so for God to change His Word He would have to change Himself. So, God cannot change His Word. So, that's the foundation of everything.

The second thing, that you, that God can never do, is because His Word has declared that man has a free choice, He can never override a man's choice. He can touch a man's heart, He can cause, He can speak to a man, but it will still be, up to man.

How do I know that? Well, because the Apostle Paul, his name was Saul, was on the road to Damascus and when he was on the road to Damascus, Jesus appeared to him and said to him, "Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting me?" Then He said, "Why are you kicking against the goads, if you continue this, it will not go well for you." Why would Jesus say, if you continue with this, it will not go well for you, if He knew what the outcome would be in His confrontation with Paul? The choice is always man's. On the other hand, I will say to you, He wouldn't have appeared to Paul, if He didn't think Paul would make the right choice. You know, but it was still Paul's choice, He couldn't override Paul's choice. Hallelujah.

So, it's important for us to know that, because it has everything to do with everything we have to say. So, I start the scripture this morning with Hebrews chapter 11 verse 1, that says; **¹NOW FAITH is the assurance (the confirmation, the title deed) of the things [we] hope for, being the proof of things [we] do not see and conviction of their reality (Hebrews 11:1 AMPC).** So the Amplified Bible says, Faith perceiving as real fact, what is not revealed to the senses. So now faith is; the substance of things that you perceive, as real fact but you don't see it with your senses. And so now people, you cannot live in yesterday's faith neither can you live in tomorrow's faith, you can only live in today's faith. Which means you can only live in today's choices. You cannot live in yesterday's choices. If you want to take yesterday's choices into today, then you are in danger of making yesterday's choices part of your today life's force and if you do that you are likely continue that pattern until tomorrow. It's not inevitable but it's a likelihood. So every day when you make a choice you must make a choice for faith. Remember I used these words, when I said, "What is faith?" And I describe faith as faith is the power released by the Father to enforce the will of the Father expressed through His words. Do you remember that? Okay. Now I'll go back to what I was telling you about.

God created man in His image, so I go to Genesis chapter 3 verse 17. I trust you ready for some teaching this morning because I'm, I'm in a bit of a teaching mode rather than a preaching mode and I trust you're going to get some really useful information and revelation that is going to help you. **¹⁷And to Adam He said, Because you have listened and given heed to the voice of your wife and have eaten of the tree of which I commanded you, saying, You shall not eat of it, the ground is under a curse because of you; in sorrow and toil shall you eat (Genesis 3:17 AMPC).** So he Adam went from being in a place where the garden was yielding everything to him without any work for his, for his lifestyle. Now he's going to, is going to work at it - **in sorrow and toil shall you eat [of the fruits] of it all the days of your life. ¹⁸Thorns also and thistles shall it bring forth for you, and you shall eat the plants of the field, ¹⁹In the sweat of your face shall you eat bread until you return to the ground, for out of it you were taken; for dust you are and to dust you shall return (Genesis 3:17-19 AMPC).** God is making an emphatic statement here, He is emphatically speaking about the natural man and

how the natural man is going to live. So the spiritual man has now come from where, a place where the natural man was merely a vessel that carried the glory of God in the Garden of Eden to the point where the natural man now is going to have a significant say in how the glorious man lives. Are you with me? Bear with me, this is going to get really good, it's going to get really good. That word in, sorrow and toil, comes from the Hebrew word and it, I don't know how to pronounce it but, but out of the Strong's Concordance it's, it's probably *issabôn* and it means and it has a source word that it has a root word that it's from and it means; to be in labour or in pain, to toil, to have hardship so God said to the woman, "When you bring forth a child you will do forth, your labour will be in pain."

Now He says to the man in sorrow will you toil, it is the same root word that you will labour, it will be painful for you to yield out of the ground. Are you with me? So all of the fruitfulness that was coming by itself to the as a glorious man, now the natural man has got a significant say in what it needs and it's going to be painful. Choices, Adam if I was Adam I would have said, "No I won't do this." The challenge is though you would have, because we are all an Adam.

The root, the primitive root word that it comes from, so it's *issabôn*, so part of the primitive word is *issab*. *Issab* is a primitive word, it means: to carve or to fabricate and it comes out of a place of grief and hurt and to be sorry and it almost has this concept of worship. It has so much of your attention, it is so worrisome, it is so painful, it is so vexing to you that your attention to it is almost a form of worship. That's how much attention you've got to give to making the land produce. Okay, so this is what God says, "Adam and Eve, carry on living." Genesis chapter 4 verse 2, **²And [next] she gave birth to his brother Abel. Now Abel was a keeper of sheep, but Cain was a tiller of the ground (Genesis 4:2 AMPC).** Verse 7, now there's an offering that is given. God accepts Abel's offering, He rejects Cain's offering. Like I said to you before, this is more about a heart condition than about what was given. Okay? Because He says in verse 7, **⁷If you do well, will you not be accepted? And if you do not do well, sin crouches at your door; its desire is for you, but you must master it (Genesis 4:7 AMPC).**

So I've ministered on this before, recently, Cain, it's about productivity, working the stuff of the ground, making the earth produce for you. So let's just put this into context very quickly. Even though Abel was a, was a herder of sheep, could he live without the vegetables and the fruit that was coming forth from the ground? So the two were always going to be inter-woven in the way that they mixed what they received from the earth, so that they could both live from the earth. Okay, so the offerings were given, one was accepted one was rejected, now sin is crouching at the door of Cain's heart. And God says, "You must master it." He wouldn't say you must if he couldn't. **⁸And Cain said to his brother, Let us go out to the field. And when they were in the field, Cain rose up against Abel his brother and killed him (Genesis 4:8 AMPC).** So he never mastered the sin, the sin consumed his heart and so it managed his future. There is only one person that knows the true condition of any man's heart and that's God the Father. Man has become very, very well exercised at showing you a face, but hiding what's in their heart and often the words that come out of people's mouths are very different to what's in their heart. God is the one who knows what's in someone's heart and only God can deal with it.

Almost always when God deals with something in your heart the dealings will come through a messenger, a human vessel. In this case with Cain and Abel there were no other human messengers to come and deal with them, so God came and spoke to them directly. Hello. Verse 11, **11And now you are cursed by reason of the earth, which has opened its mouth to receive your brother's [shed] blood from your hand. 12When you till the ground, it shall no longer yield to you its strength; you shall be a fugitive and a vagabond on the earth [in perpetual exile, a degraded outcast] (Genesis 4:11-12 AMPC).**

I want to just show you something, God has already declared that the earth will only yield through painful laborious effort, hard work that's going to cause sweat of the brow. Okay it's going to toil to bring forth productivity. Cain kills Abel, God shows up on the scene and He says, "Your brother's blood is calling to me from the earth, so now because of what you have done the first curse is unchanged. I bring to you a new curse, now you're cursed by reason of the earth, because out of dust you are made, dust you will return. Now you have caused someone to return to the dust before their time, out of the season of God. Now because you have put blood in the earth, the earth is calling out to Me. I now curse you further by reason of the earth which has opened its mouth to receive your brother shed from your hand." **12When you till the ground, it shall no longer yield to you its strength; you shall be a fugitive and a vagabond (Genesis 4:12 AMPC).**

In other words, not only are you now going to have to toil and labour and have to put in a lot of effort as almost, as an exercise of worship. That's how hard it's going to be, how much time you're going to put into it but now it's not going to yield to you its strength. So in other words if you thought this was difficult before now you're going to have much more difficulty to get something out of the ground. So God cursed man so that now he has to work the earth, now He's cursed the earth. He's put a process in place that the earth will not yield its strength to you because of the blood of men that has been shed. I would like to teach this actually to Greenpeace people who think, you know, that they can save the earth. I want to tell them that the only people that can save the earth is a manifestation of the sons of God. Really, for the sons of God to walk in their full authority.

So verse sixteen, **16So Cain went away from the presence of the Lord**, this is what happens when you do not master sin that is crouching at your heart. You leave the presence of the Lord and you leave the presence of the people that are in the presence of the Lord. You leave them because of the condition of your heart. **16So Cain went away from the presence of the Lord and dwelt in the Land of Nod**, which is otherwise known as **wandering** and he was in a perpetual wandering, **east of Eden (Genesis 4:16 AMPC).**

Let me just say this, just for, this is not the cause of, this is not the point of my main message, but let me just say this; that when people have got strong opinions and they speak about other people in the church and they've got a lot of things to say about people in the church and they've got a lot of things to say about their pastors and their leaders and have got opinions about the whole church and everything that's going on in the church and the whole story and everything is going on. What happens is that they can't settle in a church and what they do with their words is that

they kill their brothers. Come on now. They kill their brothers with their words and when you kill your brothers with their words you separate yourself from the manifest presence of the Lord. Not from the presence of the Lord as a child that is born again that has got the Father's seed in them, but this is the manifest, fellowship presence of the Lord. And they go into a state of wandering around going from place to place to try and find where they may fit, where they can get the best yield for themselves because the land cannot produce its strength for them. Hallelujah.

That's a whole new subject about the church in a different revelation the Lord gave me about the church when it comes to what happened with Cain. So Cain went away from the presence of Lord and Cain's wife which was one of Adam's offspring, so yes, he had relations with his sister. Those days the Lord gave instruction to man to fill the earth with other beings. So those were the only beings that were available. So don't get all bent out of shape with me about the laws, okay and about God. People get bent out of shape about many things; this is a factual thing in the Bible.

¹⁷Became pregnant and bore Enoch; and Cain built a city and named it after his son Enoch. ¹⁸To Enoch was born Irad, and Irad was the father of Mehujael, and Mehujael the father of Methushael, and Methushael the father of Lamech (Genesis 4:17-18 AMPC). So there's a couple of generations that are being born here but they're all living. Remember these people were living in between 500 and a 1000 years. So, a lot of these men only started to have children when they were a couple of hundred years old, because they didn't know how to die because they didn't know how to speak against God and they didn't know how to speak words of death and there was no sickness and disease on the earth, because they didn't know how to speak it into the earth with their mouth, because all they knew was the presence of God and health and healing. So they didn't know how to die. The only way that they knew how to die was to kill somebody.

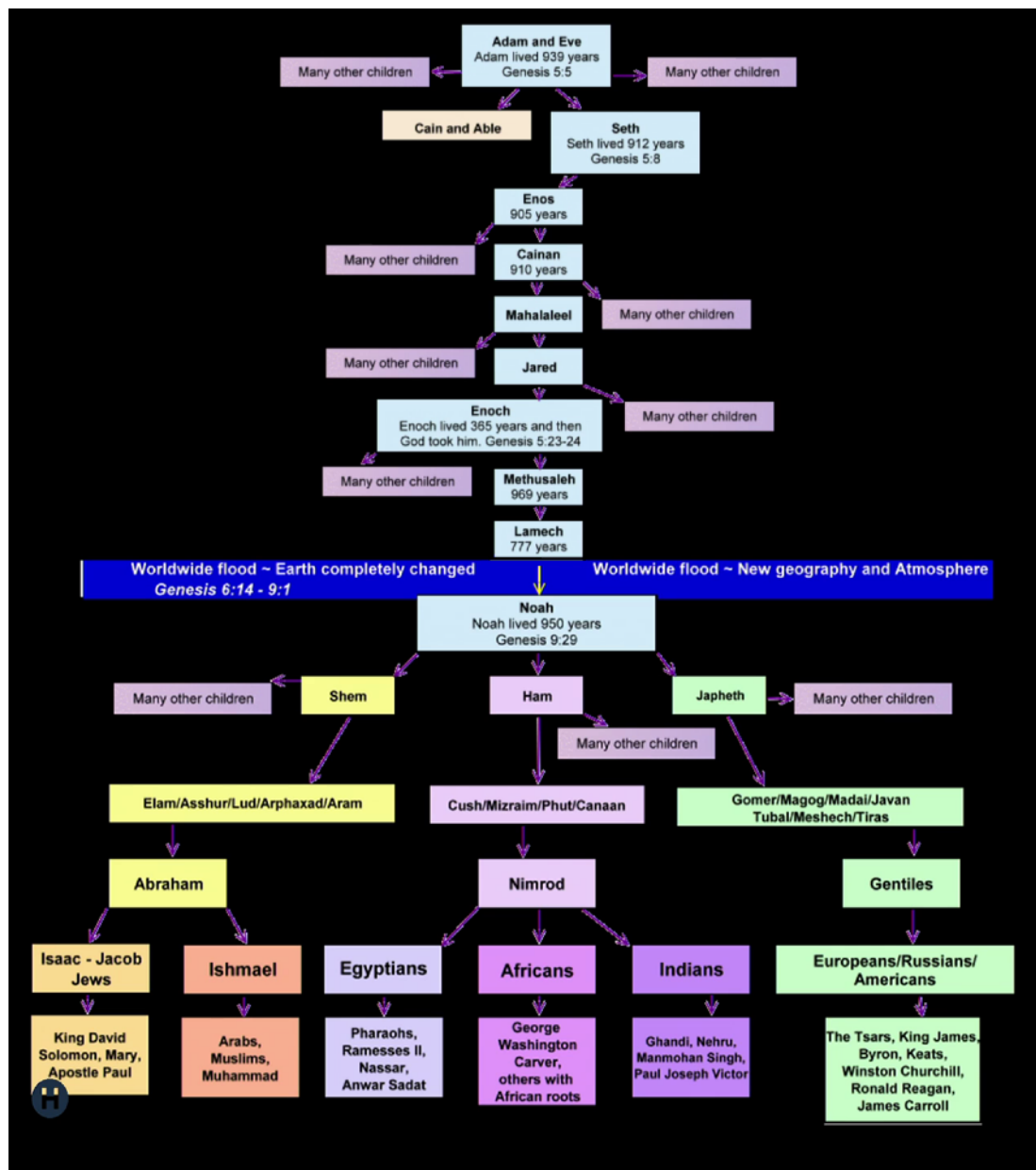
Are you learning something this morning? So Cain has sons, sons have more sons they have children and there's population explosion. One of his sons that he has is a man by the name of Lamech. And Lamech took two wife's, verse 23, **²³Lamech said to his wives, Adah and Zillah, Hear my voice; you wives of Lamech, listen to what I say; for I have slain a man [merely] for wounding me, and a young man [only] for striking and bruising me.²⁴ If Cain is avenged sevenfold, truly Lamech [will be avenged] seventy-sevenfold.²⁵ And Adam's wife again became pregnant, and she bore a son and called his name Seth. For God, she said, has appointed for me another child instead of Abel, for Cain slew him (Genesis 4:23-25 AMPC).** So I just, this is just, by the way I don't want to teach on this this morning but this is just by the way. Remember Peter comes to Jesus and he says, "If a brother offends me how many times shall I have to forgive him? Shall I forgive him seven times?" Because the curse that was on Cain was that, there was a vengeance of seven times. If anybody was trying to take Cain's life, he would have seven times more than Cain had. Lamech killed two people and he prophesies out of his own mouth, he doesn't wait for God to come and give him the prophecy. He speaks his own sentence out of his own mouth and he says, "If Cain's vengeance is seven times, Lamech's vengeance is seventy times seven." What does Jesus say to Peter? "No Peter, you shall not forgive up to seven times but you shall forgive seventy times seven." In other words Jesus is saying wherever there is a sin against you, so remember this is about an offense one brother to another; this is not about

an offense to God. An offense to God is something that God deals with because God deals with the offense of the heart. God, man can deal with the offense of man to man. In which case you deal with it seventy times seven you forgive. Thank you Lord.

Anyway, I just wanted you to see that there are things that Jesus began to address in the New Testament, with His disciples, that go back all the way to the early genealogy of the birth of man. It was not just addressing something that was in the Mosaic Law. He was addressing things that went to the source of man up to Cain, and what God spoke to Cain. This is important when Jesus says to Peter, seventy times seven. In other words, the words that were spoken into earth that said, you must have vengeance seventy times seven, He says your forgiveness must be seventy times seven. So why did Jesus not forgive Judas seventy times seven? Just so we get this into order. Because Jesus, this was not a man-on-man offense. This was an offense of the heart which Judas committed against God. That's why Jesus could not forgive Judas. Jesus could do nothing about bringing Judas back into his discipleship, because the offense was against God, not against man. Hallelujah.

Just so that we understand the order of it, otherwise maybe you left with some questions.

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I got this slide for you, and so we'll shift it down in a minute. But I've got the slide for you, and I just wanted you to see the slide, it just helps us to put things into context. So if you see the slide, you've got Adam and Eve, and they had many other children. But they also had Cain and Abel and Seth. Are you all with me? Cain, Abel and Seth. Seth had Enos, Enos had Calnan, Mahalaleel, and Jared who had, so they all had many other children, but this is a lineage. Jared had Enoch, and Enoch lived 365 years, and this is the one thing that's in there, and he was not for, God took him because he had this fellowship with God. So there's all these people being born here, and all these people making choices and along comes one man on the earth and he just loves God and worships God, and God loves him so much, He just takes him out of the earth because He says, "You don't belong here. You belong with Me in heaven, because you love Me so much." It's a man choice. So Enoch, this amazing man, has a, it is interesting to me that after Enoch, Enoch had a son, and this son whose name was Methuselah lived the longest, that ever man, no other man lived longer on the earth. Why is it that Methuselah, the son of Enoch, who was taken by God, lived the longest? Because Enoch brought into his world and his children, a

language of always worship and fellowship, so his language never brought sickness and disease, it never brought death and violence, it just brought life every day. And so in Methuselah grew up in that he had no other language to speak but that which was taught to him by his father, so he couldn't die. Methuselah has a son called Lamech. If you can go up with the slide, move the slide up.

Lamech has a son called Noah. And I, and so you know, they put there, this is the worldwide flood, flood genealogy, before the flood, this is what happened. Noah. Okay, you can leave that slide up there and I'm going to just read to you the next passage of Scripture. **²⁶Methuselah lived after the birth of Lamech 782 years and had other sons and daughters. ²⁷So Methuselah lived 969 years, and he died. ²⁸When Lamech was 182 years old, a son was born. ²⁹He named him Noah, saying, This one shall bring us relief and comfort from our work and the [grievous] toil of our hands due to the ground being cursed by the Lord (Genesis 5:26-29 AMPC).** Come on now. Enoch is taken by God, he has a son called Methuselah who lives a thousand years, more or less, you know given 40 years in a thousand does not, let's call it a thousand, you know. He lives pretty long, but he has a son called Lamech, and Lamech has a son called Noah. Am I right about this? So when he has the son Noah, so Enoch is the big guy. For me, he is the big guy. He worships God, he gives God everything, and God said to him, "Your worship before Me", and there's very little said about Enoch, but only that God took him. Because the environment was of such a nature, that the worship that Enoch had in his heart to God, so discarded the curse that was on the soil, the cursed environment that he was living in, he so never accepted that in his walk with God, as part of his worship, he gave all of his worship to God. So God said, "You are not suited to this environment that is cursed because of your worship and the way you walk with Me. I must remove you from this cursed environment."

His son Methuselah, Lamech has Noah. And Lamech prophecies over Noah, calls him by name, gives him an identity, speaks into his assignment, blesses his future, if you were like, from the beginning of his birth, and he says, "Your name is representative of deliverance". What are we going to be delivered from? We are going to be delivered from the ground, the grievous toil, the laborious things that we have to do to have the earth produce to us. So the Lord, Genesis 6:5, **⁵The Lord saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every imagination and intention of all human thinking was only evil continually. ⁶And the Lord regretted that He had made man on the earth, and He was grieved at heart. ⁷So the Lord said, I will destroy, blot out, and wipe away mankind, whom I have created from the face of the ground - not only man, [but] the beasts and the creeping things and the birds of the air - for it grieves Me and makes Me regretful that I have made them (Genesis 6:5-7 AMPC).** Wow, strong words by God. But, Noah, but Noah, who is the grandson of Enoch and was named from his birth as one who would deliver the earth from its curse. Man from the earth and the earth itself from its curse. Noah found favour in the eyes of God, or in the sight of God. This is the history of the generations of Noah.

Noah was a just and righteous man, blameless in his evil generation. Noah walked in habitual fellowship with God. Well, where did Noah learn to do this? Because he had a grandfather called Enoch who walked before God continually, who taught his

son Methuselah how to walk before God continually, who taught his son Lamech how to walk before God continually. And in multiple generations Noah was born and they were all walking before God continually because of one man's choice. Hallelujah. And Noah became the father of three sons Shem, Ham and Japheth. And so you know, later on when we get to talk, before we get to talk about Jacob's constellation, cause this is where we are going with this, we will talk about how Shem - there is an incident that happens with Noah, and I will talk to you about it - but Shem has children and part of their children brings about Abraham. Abraham has Isaac and Jacob and Ishmael. [Slide] This is basically, this just gives you an idea of, as the children were born, where the different generations come from the different people that were born in that time. Don't you find this interesting? Maybe it should be called the Bible School class. I don't need that anymore (slide to be taken off).

And so God, Genesis 6 verse 12. **¹²God looked upon the world and saw how degenerate, debased and vicious it was, for all humanity had corrupted their way upon the earth and lost their true direction. (Genesis 6:12 AMPC).** Sounds very much like our world that we live in today; vicious, debase, yes? Degenerate, debased and vicious, and man has lost their true direction. Verse 18. **¹⁸But I will establish My covenant (promise, pledge) with you, and you shall come into the ark - you and your sons and your wife and your sons' wives with you (Genesis 6:18 AMPC).** Now, **²²Noah did this; he did all that God commanded him. Genesis 6:22 (AMPC).** Well that's something that happens, when you walk with God and you are having fellowship with God, you do things that God commands you to do. That means, you do things that in Noah's case, it actually took him all of his energy, all of his life, and all of what he had to do - was he had to build an ark, all of his family had to just obey God and he got lots of ridicule for doing what he was doing. Just because you obey God, let me tell you, if you obey God you're almost guaranteed to be ridiculed. Almost guaranteed if you obey God, because it's one of the ways the enemy will try and stop the work of God in your life. It's almost a guarantee that people are going to call you radical. They're going to call you, you know, left-field, they're going to call you all kinds of names because they're going to try to stop what God wants you to do until the rain comes and they'll all want in on what God wants. And sometimes God says, "You're too late."

So, the next passage of scripture is very important and I'm getting to the crunch of it so please just bear with me. We have a, we have another 10 minutes or so. Will you give me 10 more, 10 or 15 more minutes? Are you okay with this? Because the really the end result of this is really powerful. **¹⁵And God spoke to Noah, saying,** so now the rains come and they are on the earth, 10 months, 2 months, another few more days and you'll see now what happens. **¹⁵And God spoke to Noah, saying, ¹⁶Go forth from the ark, you and your wife and your sons and their wives with you. ¹⁷Bring forth every living thing that is with you of all flesh—birds and beasts and every creeping thing that creeps on the ground—that they may breed abundantly on the land and be fruitful and multiply upon the earth Genesis 8:15-17 AMPC).** This is exactly the same words that God used to Adam in the beginning before the curses. **¹⁸And Noah went forth, and his wife and his sons and their wives with him [after being in the ark one year and ten days] (Genesis 8:18 AMPC).** So they were in the ark one year and ten days. This is not a small amount of time. Okay. So, **¹⁹Every beast, every creeping thing, every bird**

—and whatever moves on the land—went forth by families out of the ark. ²⁰ And Noah built an altar to the Lord and took of every clean [four-footed] animal and of every clean fowl or bird and offered burnt offerings on the altar (Genesis 8:19-20 AMPC).

So he just wiped out the other half of the species. Or what? Maybe not. Maybe they were actually breeding in the ark. Why would they not? 12 months, 10 days, their natural function that God caused animals to do, to bring forth. Huh. Anyway. ¹⁸And Noah went forth, and his wife and his sons, okay, ²⁰ And Noah built an altar to the Lord and took of every clean [four-footed] animal and of every clean fowl or bird and offered burnt offerings on the altar. ²¹ When the Lord smelled the pleasing odor [a scent of satisfaction to His heart], the Lord said to Himself, I will never again, come on, listen to this; I will never again curse the ground because of man, for the imagination (the strong desire) of man's heart is evil and wicked from his youth; neither will I ever again smite and destroy every living thing, as I have done. ²² While the earth remains, seedtime and harvest, cold and heat, summer and winter, and day and night shall not cease (Genesis 8:18-22 AMPC).

In other words, with one man who said I will worship God all my life, God said, "You don't belong in this environment. Your offering of your life's worship is so powerful to Me, you cannot remain in this environment of corruption. I must take you. But you left enough seed in your sons that your sons would have sons who would have sons who would carry the same heart of worship and in their worship they would declare that there would be a man whose name would be called Noah and he would bring about a redemption of all of the sins of man as one that will come before him, or after him. He would come before the One that would come." But God makes a declaration and He says, "Never again will I curse the ground for man's sake." So, understand this; man still has the Adamic curse, the ground does not have the curse that says it shall not bring forth its strength. It's important for us to see the distinction because what I'm about to say to you, this whole puzzle comes together very nicely.

Okay, you ready? And Genesis chapter 9 verse 1, ¹And God pronounced a blessing upon Noah and his sons and said to them, Be fruitful and multiply and fill the earth. ² And the fear of you and the dread and terror of you shall be upon every beast of the land, every bird of the air, all that creeps upon the ground, and upon all the fish of the sea; they are delivered into your hand. ³ Every moving thing that lives shall be food for you; and as I gave you the green vegetables and plants, I give you everything (Genesis 9:1-3 AMPC). Hello? In other words, God is pretty much restoring everything back to man other than, there is a work that man has to do to get the strength of everything. But God has said, "They'll all be under your authority and your control." Hallelujah. Mark chapter 4. So you understand I'm not going to read to you the whole of Mark chapter 4 because you know what Mark chapter 4 says. It's about the sower sows the Word. Maybe I should read it to you. Let's read it so we get the whole thing in context, shall we?

Mark chapter 4 verse 13 in the Amplified Bible; ¹³ And He said to them, Do you not discern and understand this parable?" of the sower sows seed, How then is it

possible for you to discern and understand all the parables? ¹⁴ **The sower sows the Word.** Into what? Your heart. What is your heart? It's the soil, it's the production engine of your life. ¹⁴ **The sower sows the Word.** ¹⁵ **The ones along the path are those who have the Word sown [in their hearts],** the Amplified Bible says, **but when they hear, Satan comes at once and [by force] takes away the message which is sown in them (Mark 4:13-14 AMPC).** By force. That means he comes with a forcefulness of ideas, of emotions, of the presentation of life things that you desire more than the Word of God and he comes to you with such force that it has no opportunity to come into your heart. The force of it makes your heart hard.

Remember what I told you; only man can look on the outside, but God sees the heart of every man. ¹⁶ **And in the same way the ones sown upon stony ground are those who, when they hear the Word, at once receive and accept and welcome it with joy (Mark 4:16 AMPC).** Ja, this is a good word, this is an amazing revelation, we receive it. Hallelujah! Praise Jesus! And then what happens? ¹⁷ **And they have no real root in themselves.** So they've created a heart condition where their heart condition has no real substance to it. It's a shallow lifestyle. It's a shallow evaluation of everything. Everything is on the surface. Stony ground. Come on now. ¹⁷ **And so they endure for a little while; then when trouble or persecution arises on account of the Word,** - in other words for what the word stands for, now you got to make a stand for the Word - they immediately are offended (become displeased, indignant, resentful) and they stumble and fall away. ¹⁸ **And the ones sown among thorns are others who hear the Word;** ¹⁹ **Then the cares and anxieties of the world and distractions of the age, and the pleasure and delight and false glamour and deceitfulness of riches, and the craving and passionate desire for other things creep in and choke and suffocate the Word, and it becomes fruitless (Mark 4:17-19 AMPC).**

What are these, three conditions reflect to you? These three conditions are first of all they reflect at the very worst a Cain syndrome, where you cannot even get something out of the earth it will not yield its strength to you. To a syndrome of the fallen man where you have, you can bring forth out of the ground but you got to really toil and work and there's a mixture of all kinds of anxieties and all kinds of desires and all kinds of issues that you have to deal with. Come on, but then Jesus says, ²⁰ **And those sown on the good (well-adapted) soil are the ones who hear the Word and receive and accept and welcome it and bear fruit – some thirty times as much as was sown, some sixty times as much, and some (even) a hundred times as much (Mark 4:20 AMPC).**

What is Jesus speaking about here? He is saying, "I am the Word, I have become flesh and I am dwelling among you. I am the Word, if you receive Me you will receive Me and you will bring up to thirty, sixty and a hundred fold return in your heart of who I am. And what I am will produce in your life, all that you need without toil and sorrow."

But the Bible says that Jesus who is the cornerstone has also become the stumbling block. I have to quit because I'm running out of time, teaching time this morning. I wanted to show you that this goes all the way back to Adam and Eve, it goes back to the Garden of Eden, it goes back to Cain and Abel, it goes back to Lamech; then it

goes back to Noah where everything is restored in human man who is in covenant with God. Jesus comes onto the earth and He says, "I am the way, the truth and the life. If you believe in Me, you will have eternal life in this eternal state of being where you have your heart receiving Me. You no longer have to live in a condition that Adam and Eve lived in, you can live in a condition where the Spirit of God works through the soil of your heart, into your environment and reproduces after the kind of the Word." Not just one for one, not just by hard toil, but thirty, sixty and a hundredfold return, it is returned back to you.

You ask me, Pastor John you started of this message talking about fathers? And you're going to talk about Father Abraham, Father Isaac and Father Jacob and then you're going to talk about Jacob's constellation. I have to talk to you about Jacob's constellation in the context of everything that went beyond before, because you can't really understand what happened to Jacob and what happened to him cutting the pieces of twigs and branches and throwing it into the water, and God blessing him in one year and giving him one year's wealth that would have, that he got more in one year that would have taken twenty years. You can't understand everything that happened to Isaac in this place in this time you sow and you receive a hundredfold return from this soil where there is famine. If you don't understand what has happened in the time of Adam and Cain and Lamech and what the curses were that came with them. So you can't really fully understand when I talk about Jacob's constellation and I start with the first one which is the blessing of fathers. You can't understand how powerful the blessing of the fathers are, if you don't understand that is was Enoch who walked with God and then God took him, but he left him a legacy and a seed inside of him that would come through Methuselah, would come through to another Lamech and it would eventually be Noah who brought about salvation. You can't understand about Jacob's constellation until you know that there was all of this in place and God had this legacy, this lineage, this faith line that came all the way down to Abraham. And if we think that we can just come and go to church because it suits us and it doesn't suit us and we like this church and we don't like this and we prefer this worship and it makes us feel good and it gives us goose bumps when we walk out, we are mistaken church. That kind of attitude that gets people killed.

So I finish my message this morning. **1Now faith is the assurance, (the confirmation, the title deed) of the things we hope for; being the proof of things we do not see and the conviction of their reality (Hebrews 11:1 AMPC).** So we can say now faith is what's, faith is perceiving as real fact what is not revealed to the senses. So I say, if you choose to walk with God, God through Jesus takes this attitude; walk with Me and your worship of Me transcends the environment that you live in. So that I take you out of your environment to walk with Me and when you walk with Me what you declare into your environment is designed and destined to reverse even what your forefathers have left you. And all of what has been left to make you toil and sorrow in the earth, when you worship Me, Jesus, I now leave you the legacy of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob. I leave you the legacy of the King David, I leave you as Jesus, as the Father would say, and I leave you the legacy of Jesus the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. Now you don't have to live in the corruption, you can live out of the corruption. And we go to John chapter 17 when Jesus is standing and He is praying for His disciples and He says, "Father I'm not asking You to

remove them from the world because they cannot but I'm asking You to protect them in the world. I'm asking You to protect them from the evil one and I'm saying Father that My words have cleaned them and made them righteous and You have separated them unto Me, Father. And now as I go to You, I say to You that My glory will be upon them. And as My glory rests upon them so they will be led by the Holy Spirit. They will be called the sons of the God, and the sons of the Holy Spirit. And the Holy Spirit will come and be their Comforter, and the Holy Spirit will be your Truth-giver, and Holy Spirit will be your Counsellor." And as you walk and transcend into this time of worship and fellowship, you will find yourself in a place where your environment and all of its stuff that is caused to bring you down, God elevates you above it and as you speak words out it yields forth 30, 60 and a 100 fold."

Hallelujah. Praise Jesus, praise Jesus. Come on I told you I was going to teach to you today. Hallelujah. Because when I get into Jacob's constellation, you got to have a background, a context. And as I was studying this and wanted to start teaching on Jacob's constellation today, the Lord yesterday, the Lord said you have to go back and you got to teach some of these other things. And Sharon was out with the grandchildren yesterday, and I was studying the Word and the Lord gave me all of this stuff, and I said, "Lord". And when she came home I said, "I can't preach on Jacob's constellation." She looked at me and said, "Why not? You've been studying the whole day you know, why not, what's your problem?" I said, "You don't understand what I've been going through the whole day today." Hallelujah. Praise Jesus, praise Jesus. Glory to God.

I'm telling you, God has given us all things that lead to life and godliness. He has given us the ability to live life and live it more abundantly. We are not subject to the things of this world even though it is corrupt; we are above it if we give God's Word that place in our hearts. All we got to do is be ones that love Him, love His Word and worship Him and I'll tell you what - you speak into the world and it becomes what you need it to become.

Just as Jesus walked into the earth and the storm came, and He says, "I am not worried about a storm, shut up, stay, lie down, keep still, you can't kill Me, off we go. Oh we need food? Ok, let's just break a few loaves here, and just keep feeding." How does that happen? Well, when you worship God, then the curse of the environment is no longer your portion. It is the very portion of Jesus Christ Himself that say, "I will have miracles come out of your mouth and out of your hands". Hallelujah.

We are still with Abraham where we have to work, but our work is not a work unto sorrow and toil. I got one more scripture for you; can I read it to you? I thought I was finished, but you know, its Proverbs chapter 10 verse 22, you have heard this before.

The blessing of the Lord, it makes truly rich, and He adds no sorrow with it, [neither does toiling increase it] (Proverbs 10:22 APMC). Can I read that to you again please? **The blessing of the Lord, it makes truly rich, and He adds no sorrow with it, [neither does toiling increase it] (Proverbs 10:22 APMC).** In other words, the blessing of the Lord is upon us, He has given Jesus, He's given it to us so that He wants us to be truly wealthy in every area of our lives. And harder

work and toiling and all that comes up, can't increase it, but with the great God that is in you, coming out of your mouth, it just happens.

I'm just, you know, if I could teach it today I would, I would say if you want to talk about a scripture that says, he that has, more will be given, and he that has not, even that which he have will be taken away from him. This is what we are talking about right here, but I haven't got time to teach on that today. This is why I need a studio with cameras so that I can keep teaching, every day I can keep teaching. I can keep teaching, I can keep teaching, so that you can all listen and get it day after day at home, in your workplace, wherever you got time. You can go on YouTube, or you can log into our channel and you can get 10 minutes or 15 minutes of Word that will just help you. Because He wants us to be rich and adds no sorrow to it. Praise the Lord.

I really got a vision for this. I want to see business people come home, because this has been on my heart a long time, the Institute of Commerce. Let me tell you I want business people to be coming home every day, and instead of putting on the news and finding out what happened to the share price, and what happened to the gold price, to the whatever this and whatever you know. Now we are going to go and take all the lands from all the rich and give it to the poor, and all that kind of rubbish you know.

You get into the Word and you say, "I'm above this corrupt environment, I'm above it because I pray for my government. I have leadership that is going to favour me and God is going to bless me and prosper me, regardless of what government say." And you get into the Word and you have 15 minutes of Word and then you've got homework to do and things to do, and you say, "Yes, I have got no sorrow in getting my wealth and my riches. He blesses me and He causes me to be full of abundance and increase all manner of good things." Hallelujah. This is the Word; this is the truth that the Bible said will set us free. So today you've had a kind of genealogy, a kind of Genesis to Revelation, almost history lesson. But I had to do that before I can start talking about the blessing of the fathers and the blessing of your future and the blessing of identify change.

I can't wait, I can hardly wait; praise You Jesus, won't you all stand with me please, and just pray this prayer with me all together, all just pray this prayer - Jesus, I receive You as my Lord and Saviour, as my Master, and from this day onwards you are my Lord, you are my Master, you are my Saviour, in Jesus Name. I believe it with my heart, I confess it with my mouth, and all my sins have been forgiven me, in Jesus Name, Amen.

I was just making sure everybody was save. Hallelujah. Because the entrance to all of this blessing is so that everybody got to be saved. Hallelujah. And now further, I want to declare that the blessing of father Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, the blessing of David, the blessing of Jesus, the blessing of the Holy Spirit is upon you this week. You shall be blessed going out and you shall be blessed coming in. You will have a mind-set that will begin to change the way you see things, and you will say that God is the God who truly blesses me with riches and He adds no sorrow and toil with it, in Jesus Name. Hallelujah.

I declare that you are protected by His Word and by the Blood of Jesus. No weapon formed against you or your household shall prosper, in Jesus Name. I declare that He is a light to your path and a lamp unto your feet. I declare that your foot will not get caught in a hidden snare. I declare that your ways are full of prosperity and blessing and increase, in Jesus name. Hallelujah. And you have the power and the ability that God has given you by grace to take every thought captive and to pull down strongholds that rise up against this message and want to try change to your mind on it. I say, "No in the Name of Jesus." You have the strength to overcome it and pull down those strongholds in Jesus Name. Hallelujah.

I declare you to be one of those sons of God that walks strong in faith, that walks strong in the anointing of the Holy Spirit, that walks strong in Jesus Name. Hallelujah. And even though weapons may be formed against you, and fiery missiles may come against your faith, you have the shield of faith, you have the armour of God, you have the sword of the Spirit, your feet are shod with the preparation of the gospel of peace, and your loins are girded with the truth in Jesus Name. And on you is the breastplate of righteousness, and you can stand strong in Jesus Name. Hallelujah. Hallelujah. Praise Jesus, praise Jesus, praise Jesus, praise You Jesus, praise You Jesus. Hallelujah Lord! Don't worry about who wins Wimbledon or who wins the World Cup, this is the real deal right here. Hallelujah. Glory to God. Well I suppose if you want to go home, you have to go home now. Thank you for coming to church. God bless you.