

W O R D A T W O R K

Creative Miracles III

Dear Friend:

Psalm 44:1-4 says, *"We have heard with our ears, O God, Our fathers have told us, The deeds You did in their days, In days of old: You drove out the nations with Your hand, But them You planted; You afflicted the peoples, and cast them out. For they did not gain possession of the land by their own sword, Nor did their own arm save them; But it was Your right hand, Your arm, and the light of Your countenance, Because You favored them. You are my King, O God; Command victories for Jacob."* I'm encouraged because the Lord is inviting us to trust Him to **command victories!** We know if God commands it, we have it!

The Hebrew word for command is **tsaw-vaw**, meaning 'To cause to exist, to appoint or create.' The best dictionary for the Bible is the Bible. Context always determines meaning and Psalm 7:1-6 says it all, *"O Lord my God, in You I put my trust; Save me from all those who persecute me; And deliver me, Lest they tear me like a lion, Rending me in pieces, while there is none to deliver. O Lord my God, if I have done this: If there is iniquity in my hands, If I have repaid evil to him who was at peace with me, Or have plundered my enemy without cause, Let the enemy pursue me and overtake me; Yes, let him trample my life to the earth, And lay my honor in the dust. Selah Arise, O Lord, in Your anger; Lift Yourself up because of the rage of my enemies; Rise up for me to the judgment You have commanded!"*

David understood His covenant to include access to creative miracles for healing, deliverance and judgment. In this election year, we can ask God to strangle the finances of every individual and corporation giving to the support of politicians promoting evil including their minions in the mainstream media! The appropriate judgment for NBC, ABC, CBS and CNN is bankruptcy. David prays that in Psalm 109. While we need to see God's Judicial Hand on the news media, I believe the Lord's Heart is toward the personal pain of His servants and the creative will start there first. Make your requests known and call forth God's creative Hand!

Yours in Him,

Al Houghton

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TUESDAY, MAY 1

Scripture: Genesis 44:4

When the Lord woke me up at 4:44 AM He said, "Look up what this means." I was led to the fourth verse of the five different places in Scripture where there are 44 chapters. Genesis 44:4 says, "When they had gone out of the city, and were not yet far off, Joseph said to his steward, 'Get up, follow the men; and when you overtake them, say to them, 'Why have you repaid evil for good?'" Joseph used his favorite cup to bring his brothers back and deal with the core issue of the early years of his life. That core issue became a foundation for every person who is called to make any contribution for God. The same war that Jesus faced by the baptism and cup, we face by a baptism and a cup. The ultimate issue, is "Why have you repaid me evil for good?" Jesus took all the evil that could be poured forth in order to redeem mankind and pour out salvation. The preparational process demands that we taste the parallel measure determined by our call. We fill up in our generation what is missing in the suffering of Christ (Colossians 1:24-28). Persecution from the perverse justifies perdition (Phil. 1:27-30).

WEDNESDAY, MAY 2

Scripture: Mark 10:35-39

Mark 10:35-39 says, "Then James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came to Him, saying, 'Teacher, we want You to do for us whatever we ask.' And He said to them, 'What do you want Me to do for you?' They said to Him, 'Grant us that we may sit, one on Your right hand and the other on Your left, in Your glory.' But Jesus said to them, 'You do not know what you ask. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, and be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?' They said to Him, 'We are able.' So Jesus said to them, 'You will indeed drink the cup that I drink, and with the baptism I am baptized with you will be baptized;..." James & John decided they wanted a high position in the Kingdom. But what they did not understand was that every position has a preparational price. Jesus focused on their lack of understanding of the price that goes with the call. He made it clear that every call has both the price of a cup and a baptism. The cup reflects the internal pain of God either allowing things to come our way or leaving us in them when we know He could deliver us. The baptism is the outer, physical discomfort that comes with the adversity that arises. That School of the Spirit and how we navigate it as we taste the Cross determines whether we can come to the fullness of our call. Joseph experienced a baptism and a cup, Jesus had a baptism and a cup and we have a baptism and a cup.

THURSDAY, MAY 3

Scripture: 2 Timothy 1:6-9

2 Timothy 1: 9 tells us that everything starts with God's purpose. It is God's purpose that dictates the power that we have to qualify for. It is the power that dictates the adversity. So the way to look at 2 Timothy 1:6-9 is to start with verse 9 and move backwards through it until we get to the ultimate issue which reveals again that every call has a baptism and a cup. The purpose of God determines the call. The call determines the power necessary to perform it.

And the power to perform it determines the adversity that comes against us. Hence we see what is behind the baptism and the cup and the process parallels that of Jesus. Jesus had a purpose that determined the call, a call that determined the power and a power that determined the adversity. Because He was taking it all away from the enemy, He had to overcome all that the enemy could throw at Him. As we fulfill our purpose, we get the parallel of that process. It is a matter of choosing to accept that path and navigating it by the Holy Spirit. There is no way out of the adversity. People who look for a way out, often forfeit the character development necessary to stand in their call.

FRIDAY, MAY 4

Scripture: Revelation 19:10

Revelation 19:10 says, *“And I fell at his feet to worship him. But he said to me, ‘See that you do not do that! I am your fellow servant, and of your brethren who have the testimony of Jesus. Worship God! For the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy.’”* When we are listening to prophecy about the end-times, one of the things we need to recognize is that there is a biblical, foundational pattern to all prophecy. There is a thumbprint-thread that one has to have to qualify. That thumbprint-thread is it must follow the testimony of Jesus. The testimony of Jesus, as we have seen, includes a baptism and a cup. The purpose determines the call, the call determines the power and the power determines the suffering. Any prophecy that has no price-tag for the church in the last days does not have the testimony of Jesus in it and therefore comes from another spirit. Every time we have heard individual ministers prophesy the date of Jesus’ return, there is no price-tag in it at all, and the prophecies have always proved false. Any “victorious eschatology” that has no price is of another spirit and it is not God. The testimony of Jesus carries a cost!

SATURDAY, MAY 5

Scripture: Matthew 10:16-22

One of the saddest things that is emerging today is something I call sanitized Christianity. Sanitized Christianity has the Cross removed, has the cost removed and consequently we have people with unrealistic expectations for what it means to serve the Lord. They are not willing to pay the price because they have not been told what the price is. If we want to possess the power of God that goes with our call, then we must walk out the price of the baptism and the cup. Joseph had to grow to understand it and Jesus declared it to the Twelve. It is just as valid today and it is time that we recognized this process has a graduation. When graduation day comes, we will be invited into the fullness of the power that goes with our gifting and calling. It is because of the joy that is set before Jesus that He walked it out and it is the same for us. The joy of fullness of knowing that we are coming to that point is what makes it all worthwhile. Are we embracing that joy in order to walk in this School of the Spirit until its conclusion? I trust we are.

SUNDAY, MAY 6

Scripture: Matthew 10:23-28

Matthew 10:28 says, *“And do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. But rather fear Him who is able to destroy both soul and body in hell.”* We represent a God who will intervene in our behalf, if He has to, in order to spare our call. He did it for Peter, He did it for Jesus, He did it for David – there is hardly anyone in the Bible He did not do it for. That brings us to misplaced fear. The issue of misplaced fear is what man can do to us. Jesus made it very clear that we are not to fear those who kill the body. The One we are to fear kills twice. When God intervenes to remove people like Herod, He kills twice. That is the God we represent and we need to know Him, because to save nations, we need lots of interventions!

MONDAY, MAY 7

Scripture: Matthew 10:34-36

Matthew 10:34-36 states, *“Do not think that I came to bring peace on earth. I did not come to bring peace but a sword. For I have come to ‘set a man against his father, a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law’; and ‘a man’s enemies will be those of his own household.’”* Jesus made it very clear that part of

every call is a suffering, even within our own house. The issue in that process is how we deal with the adversity that comes at home. It is part of every call. Part of this process is showing ourselves worthy in that place.

TUESDAY, MAY 8

Scripture: Genesis 44:4

Genesis 44:4 states, *“When they had gone out of the city, and were not yet far off, Joseph said to his steward, ‘Get up, follow the men; and when you overtake them, say to them, ‘Why have you repaid evil for good?’”* This had to be Joseph’s misunderstood heart-cry for years – *“Why have you repaid me evil for good?”* The baptism is when people repay evil for good, the cup is when God repays evil for good. The cup is harder than the baptism. The core issue in this passage is, *“Why have you repaid evil for good?”* The heart of every preparation boils down to this issue. Can we continue to give good for evil, even in the midst of paying a preparational price? Jesus is our example. When people pay us evil for good, they fill a cup and when the cup is full, the God who kills twice visits!

WEDNESDAY, MAY 9

Scripture: Genesis 45:4-5

As Joseph revealed himself to his brothers, we are told in Genesis 45:4-5, *“And Joseph said to his brothers, ‘Please come near to me.’ So they came near. Then he said: ‘I am Joseph your brother, whom you sold into Egypt. But now, do not therefore be grieved or angry with yourselves because you sold me here; for God sent me before you to preserve life.’”* As Joseph revealed himself, he declared his understanding of God ultimately being responsible for all of his adversity. His brothers started it, but it was God's purpose that brought him, through adversity, into that place so that he could ultimately make the contribution to the Kingdom that would save a generation. Every baptism and cup has a graduation. Every baptism and cup has a fulfillment. Joseph was declaring his and he had forgiven and come to terms with the process. There are seasons when God brings us to the conclusion of the process. To tap into the fullness of God's creative anointing, we have to make sure we forgive all who have repaid evil for good and accept that it was God's Hand and His price bringing us into that place. A failure to preach the cross helps satan destroy believers before they can graduate from God's School of the Spirit. This may be the greatest single failure of today’s church!

THURSDAY, MAY 10

Scripture: Psalm 44:1,2

Psalm 44:1,2 says, *“We have heard with our ears, O God, Our fathers have told us, The deeds You did in their days, In days of old: You drove out the nations with Your hand, But them You planted; You afflicted the peoples, and cast them out.”* God revealed that His primary weapon for dispossessing the enemy is affliction. When we realize that God is in the affliction business to dispossess an enemy, it gives us new ammunition with which to pray. Responding correctly to “evil for good” qualifies us to initiate judicial affliction. Once qualified with the authority to release it, dispossessing the enemy takes on a whole new meaning. Jesus died so we could rule. To rule means praying judicial affliction on the wicked before they destroy future harvests! Defunding evil through affliction is an eternal work!

FRIDAY, MAY 11

Scripture: Jeremiah 31:15,16

Judicial affliction removed people from the land but the Lord gave them hope that when the process was over they would find complete restoration. Verse 16 says, *“Thus says the Lord: ‘Refrain your voice from weeping, And your eyes from tears; For your work shall be rewarded, says the Lord, And they shall come back from the land of the enemy.’”* God is always faithful to finish a process and when the process is finished, we possess what He has for us. Be faithful and possess it! The time is at hand. The wicked only prevail when the church fails to use what God has ordained for saving their harvest field! All authority in heaven and earth is ours!

SATURDAY, MAY 12

Scripture: Jeremiah 50:24,25

We find in Jeremiah 50:24,25 that God has an armory and that armory contains weapons accessible for the end-times. It includes adverse weather, whirlwinds, tornadoes, hurricanes, cyclones and hail. When it was time to deliver Israel from the land of the Chaldeans, God opened His armory and brought the people out. When it is time for a harvest of nations, God opens His armory. The question is, does He have any graduates from the School of the Spirit who can access it as needed in order to augment the harvest? It is time for us to approach Him. The judicial Hand of God needs to be moved on politicians forwarding evil agendas, all media outlets who cover their sins and the sponsors who finance them! The full weight of affliction should be consistently prayed on their heads! Don't be surprised when God moves!

SUNDAY, MAY 13

Scripture: Job 38:22,23

Again we find in Job 38:22,23 the armory of God. These Scriptures say, *"Have you entered the treasury of snow, Or have you seen the treasury of hail, Which I have reserved for the time of trouble, For the day of battle and war?"* God has an armory and it is obvious that weather is part of that armory. Earthquakes are very much a part of His armory as witnessed by the crucifixion and prophesied for the last days. His armory is accessible for the purpose of battle and war. His armory is accessible in order to dispatch, destroy, disarm and remove an enemy who is hindering the harvest. Have we gotten to the place where we can walk with the Lord and ask Him for access to His armory? The time is fast approaching.

MONDAY, MAY 14

Scripture: Joshua 10:9-12

Joshua 10:9-12 says, *"Joshua therefore came upon them suddenly, having marched all night from Gilgal. So the Lord routed them before Israel, killed them with a great slaughter at Gibeon, chased them along the road that goes to Beth Horon, and struck them down as far as Azekah and Makkedah. And it happened, as they fled before Israel and were on the descent of Beth Horon, that the Lord cast down large hailstones from heaven on them as far as Azekah, and they died. There were more who died from the hailstones than the children of Israel killed with the sword. Then Joshua spoke to the Lord in the day when the Lord delivered up the Amorites before the children of Israel, and he said in the sight of Israel: 'Sun, stand still over Gibeon; And Moon, in the Valley of Aijalon.'"* The interesting part of this Scripture is how God intervened on behalf of Joshua and Israel. God destroyed more than the children of Israel killed. As we move into the last days, we must understand that we serve the God who selectively intervened many times in history and destroyed multitudes of people because of their perversions and abominations. We find ourselves in the place where we have to appeal to that God in order to intervene so our harvest field is not destroyed. Abominable politicians are destroying it right now! Are we ready for access to the creative armory? It may be closer than we think.

TUESDAY, MAY 15

Scripture: Psalm 44:3,4

Psalm 44:3,4 states, *"For they did not gain possession of the land by their own sword, Nor did their own arm save them; But it was Your right hand, Your arm, and the light of Your countenance, Because You favored them. You are my King, O God; Command victories for Jacob."* Just as the Israelites did not gain possession of the land by their own sword, we cannot gain a harvest of nations by our own arm. It takes the right Hand of God, it takes the Arm of the Lord, it takes the light of His countenance, it demands His favor and ultimately it rests on whether or not He is our King. If He is our King and if we are in touch with the judicial anointing of the living God, then we can expect to command victories. Are we ready to walk with God and by His Spirit command victories? If we want a harvest of nations, we are going to have to find that place in the Lord.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 16

Scripture: Acts 2:32-36

In Acts 2:32-36 we find Peter explaining, through Scripture, what God had just done for the early church by baptizing them in the Holy Spirit. He says that what the Father promised David in Psalm 110:1 had happened. In verse 36 he says, *“Therefore let all the house of Israel know assuredly that God has made this Jesus, whom you crucified, both Lord and Christ.”* Do we know for certain the Kingly Judicial Christ? Can we call Him into action? Can we call for victories that demand His intervention through judgment? That is what is on the table and that is what is being promised. If He is our King, He is going to command victories on the Priestly side that save people and on the Kingly side that judge people and destroy the enemy. If we do not find that dimension, we forfeit victories that God intended and we forfeit harvest fields that are ripe!

THURSDAY, MAY 17

Scripture: 1 Samuel 8:4,5

1 Samuel 8:4,5 says, *“Then all the elders of Israel gathered together and came to Samuel at Ramah, and said to him, ‘Look, you are old, and your sons do not walk in your ways. Now make us a king to judge us like all the nations.’”* It is obvious that God had an intent and purpose for the Kingly anointing. Kings have to judge. They have to judge right from wrong. As a King, you and I stand before the Throne and have to make judgments. When we make judgments between what is right and wrong, we have to call the judicial fire on what is wrong so that it does not continue and destroy our intended harvest field. A failure to stand up and call for the judicial King is to enable evil and forfeit a harvest God wants to give.

FRIDAY, MAY 18

Scripture: 1 Samuel 8:19,20

1 Samuel 8:19,20 states, *“Nevertheless the people refused to obey the voice of Samuel; and they said, ‘No, but we will have a king over us, that we also may be like all the nations, and that our king may judge us and go out before us and fight our battles.’”* The two distinct ministries of a king in Scripture are to judge right from wrong and to fight the battles necessary to uphold right and overcome evil. Kings had that assignment. When Jesus made us a King, that became part of our assignment. We have to uphold a standard of righteousness, we have to declare what is right and we have to bring the judicial Hand of God on what is wrong. A failure to move God's Hand against what is wrong enables evil and forfeits a harvest.

SATURDAY, MAY 19

Scripture: Revelation 19:11

Revelation 19:11 says, *“Now I saw heaven opened, and behold, a white horse. And He who sat on him was called Faithful and True, and in righteousness He judges and makes war.”* It is obvious that Jesus, once He had ascended to the seat at the right Hand of God, stepped into the fullness of His Kingly role. He therefore now stands as the Judge of all the Earth and is ready to war alongside His Kings as they face evil, in order to enable them to overcome it. Do we have the confidence necessary to represent the King of Kings and Lord of Lords and confront evil? Do we have the confidence necessary to bring His judgment on evil in order to see it removed so that we can gain our harvest field? Without that confidence, we are not where we should be.

SUNDAY, MAY 20

Scripture: Matthew 10:14,15

Matthew 10:14,15 says, *“And whoever will not receive you nor hear your words, when you depart from that house or city, shake off the dust from your feet. Assuredly, I say to you, it will be more tolerable for the land of Sodom and Gomorrah in the day of judgment than for that city!”* Jesus made it clear to the Twelve that they must represent a

judicial King and as a result, if they were not received, there was a very stiff penalty. They were to shake the dust from their feet and declare that penalty. Have we heard that judicial Christ taught from the pulpit? Are we teaching it to our younger generations? He is rising and ready to display in behalf of His people the fullness of who He is as King of Kings and Lord of Lords. Jesus made clear the judgment of Sodom was real and repeatable. God kills perverse people!

MONDAY, MAY 21

Scripture: Luke 10:3,4

When Jesus sent out the Seventy, He was as consistent as when He sent out the Twelve. He told them the same thing in verses 10-12: "Wipe off the dust and declare judicial, covenantal judgment when you are not received." Leadership, for the most part, has hidden that part from the church and yet the time of restoration is here because Jesus is doing it! It is time the officials of nations see the judicial Christ. Without these manifestations we will not gain the harvest God intended us to have. Pray, prophesy and declare the judicial Christ as led by the Spirit!

TUESDAY, MAY 22

Scripture: Luke 22:35,36

In Luke 22:35,36, Jesus announced His own transition from the Priestly to the Kingly. It says, "*And He said to them, 'When I sent you without money bag, knapsack, and sandals, did you lack anything?' So they said, 'Nothing.'* Then He said to them, '*But now, he who has a money bag, let him take it, and likewise a knapsack; and he who has no sword, let him sell his garment and buy one.*'" For the first time, Jesus made it clear that His disciples needed to buy a sword more than they needed a garment. He even said, "Sell you garment and buy a sword." Now that is the Jesus that we have not brought to the church. Jesus marked His own transition to the Kingly ministry and let every one of them know that they were going to have to transition with Him. He was making available a spiritual sword and access to the Kingly justice from the very Throne. Once He ascended and took His seat there, it would be fully available to them. It is now fully available to us when we need it the most. And for the most part, the church does not realize it is there. It is time to walk with the King. It is time to *act* like a King. Our harvest depends on it.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 23

Scripture: Luke 22:37,38

In Luke 22:37,38 it says, "*For I say to you that this which is written must still be accomplished in Me: 'And He was numbered with the transgressors.'* For the things concerning Me have an end." So they said, 'Lord, look, here are two swords.' And He said to them, '*It is enough.*'" Jesus made it clear that He was about to finish what was prophesied concerning Him as a Priest. When the Priestly price was finished, He would ascend and become the Ruler of the heavens and the earth. He was going to take all authority in the heavens and the earth away from the enemy and give it to the church. The thing they needed most was the Kingly access because that is where the judicial Hand of God was accessed. That is where we have the right to declare the biblical standard of righteousness and declare God's judgment on those who refuse His ways. Jesus made it clear He was opening a door and judicial authority would be available to the church from then on! What are we doing with that judicial authority? Are we calling it down? Are we asking? Are we warring with the authority of a King? The time is now, before the enemy does more damage!

THURSDAY, MAY 24

Scripture: Revelation 2:1-5

In Revelation 2:1-5, Jesus is making it clear to the church of Ephesus that He is the King and He is the Judge. He is calling them to repent or else His judgment is coming. The judgment coming is spiritual death. He says, "If you do not repent I will remove your lampstand." Translation: "I will kill your anointing. I will take everything you have. You are finished. It is over." These are the words of a Judge. These are the words of a King. We have represented only the Priestly, Gospel of Christ. We have not balanced that out with the Judicial, Kingly Christ. The entire book of Revelation

pictures Jesus ascended, seated and **judging**. He judges first the church, then the world. If we would welcome Jesus the Judge to the church, we could represent Him to the world.

FRIDAY, MAY 25

Scripture: Revelation 2:8-11

In Revelation 2:8-11, Jesus tells them very plainly He knows where they are. He experiences their poverty, the blasphemy of the counterfeit religious and He exhorts them, "Do not fear. You are going to have to suffer persecution and death, but walk through it and you will have the crown of life." Jesus' ministry to Smyrna is Priestly. But He still tells them everything they are going to have to face. He says martyrdom is in their future. Does that sound like the Gospel you and I hear on Sunday morning? Does that sound like the Gospel that is preached to us? Can we build a church in our current culture if we really preached the entirety of God's Word? Or would it quickly turn into a very small group?

SATURDAY, MAY 26

Scripture: Revelation 2:12-17

To the church of Pergamos, Jesus is very clear. He is coming with a sharp two-edged sword and He is going to use it because He has people in Pergamos that have embraced the doctrine of Balaam. They entertain sexual immorality. They tolerate perversion. As a result, Jesus said He is coming to fight against them with the sword of His mouth. That should be very clear based on what we know about the Kingly Christ. He is about to intervene and they are going to lose their lives. Jesus is the ultimate Judge and Warrior in Revelation. He demonstrates that by judging the world only after judging His church. Jesus the Judge is coming to church!

SUNDAY, MAY 27

Scripture: Revelation 2:18-29

To the church at Thyatira Jesus said in verse 20, "*Nevertheless I have a few things against you, because you allow that woman Jezebel, who calls herself a prophetess, to teach and seduce My servants to commit sexual immorality and eat things sacrificed to idols.*" They refuse to resist evil. They are tolerating evil among them. They refuse to restrain it due to passivity. It is so much like what we see in today's church. Sexual immorality is a norm. In every church that ordains homosexuality, they have it. Jesus makes it clear in verse 23 that when that doctrine permeates their spiritual children, He is going to come and remove them because then they will have filled the cup of iniquity. Two generations promoting sexual immorality in the name of the Lord face judicial death by the Judge. He goes on to say that those who resist it and those who overcome, He will give them a rod of iron. They are the ones who will stand up and declare that judgment and see it. They will be declaring the future Ananias and Sapphira events. It is obvious that the Jesus of Revelation is quite different from the Jesus of the Gospels. In the Gospels He is Savior. In the book of Revelation He is Judge. Why is it we have only chosen to represent the Savior and neglected growing to the point where we represent the Judge. That has to stop and it has to stop now. If we are going to have an end-time harvest, we have to come into the fullness of what God has.

MONDAY, MAY 28

Scripture: Revelation 3:1-6

To the church of Sardis, Jesus says, "You have not finished what I have asked you to do. As a result, I am coming to you. But when I come, I am coming as a thief. I will take every good thing away. If you do not repent, the Judge is standing at the door. Now repent and get on with completing your call." How could we have missed this Jesus? John 10:10 says, "*The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly.*" In the Gospels, the Priestly Christ says the thief is the devil. But in Revelation 2, the ascended, seated King of Kings and Lord of Lords says, "If you do not repent, I am the thief and I will take away from you everything that you have." Are we ready to represent Him? The truth is, we represent both. The time to represent the King is here.

TUESDAY, MAY 29

Scripture: Revelation 3:14-22

Philadelphia is a good church. They get blessed. They do not meet the King, but Laodicea does. Laodicea is nailed for being lukewarm. They are told to buy gold tried in fire. Jesus the Judge tells them about their pride, about their condition and how much trouble they are really in. One of His greatest promises to the overcomers is that He will bring them up to sit with Him on His Throne, meaning they will flow in the Priestly and in the Judicial at the same time. If we can overcome the emphasis on Priestly Christianity and overcome the temptation to tolerate evil then we can sit with Jesus on His judicial Throne. That is the call and that is the offer. It is about time we said yes to it!

WEDNESDAY, MAY 30

Scripture: Psalm 2:1-6

Psalm 2:1-3 says, *“Why do the nations rage, And the people plot a vain thing? The kings of the earth set themselves, And the rulers take counsel together, Against the Lord and against His Anointed, saying, ‘Let us break Their bonds in pieces And cast away Their cords from us.’”* It is obvious in Psalm 2 that David understood judicial, kingly warfare. He describes God's heart and God's response when the enemy rises up and says, *“We resist everything you stand for.”* At that point the Living Christ is ready to go into verse 4 and 5. He sits on His Throne and laughs and then He speaks to them in His wrath and will distress them in His deep displeasure. The Hebrew word for wrath is **aph** and it is used by God when He comes down the mountain and says, *“Get out of the way, Moses, and let my wrath/aph burn against the people. I will start over with you.”* That meant the utter removal of the entire group. When He uses the word *“distress,”* it is used for what happened to Job. There is a wide swath of destruction. Is it any wonder that we find the judicial Christ is necessary for an end-time harvest? The question is, can we represent Him to gain that harvest?

THURSDAY, MAY 31

Scripture: Psalm 2:6-12

Psalm 2:6-9 says, *“I will declare the decree: The Lord has said to Me, ‘You are My Son, Today I have begotten You. Ask of Me, and I will give You The nations for Your inheritance, And the ends of the earth for Your possession. You shall break them with a rod of iron; You shall dash them to pieces like a potter’s vessel.’”* It is obvious that the harvest has a resistance and the resistance to the harvest has to be challenged by us. We think God is going to do it, but He makes it very clear in verse 9 that the one who breaks the resistance with the rod of iron is us. We are the ones who dash the enemy in pieces, not God! We do that through His anointing. We do that by asking for His intervention. We do that by representing the Judicial Christ. A failure to represent the Judicial Christ means we enable the resistance instead of stopping it. What are we going to do? It is time we entered into the fullness of what God has for us. Are we ready to take the admonition of Jesus to the kings? Psalm 2:10 says, *“Now therefore, be wise, O kings; Be instructed, you judges of the earth.”* Are we ready to realize that we are the ones who can kindle God's wrath? When we choose to trust in the Judicial Christ and represent Him then the reality of, *“Ask for the nations...”* begins to come in view. The resistance to that harvest, you and I break with a rod of iron. We strike it with an authority that has already been given to us. We have been made Kings for a reason and that reason is to bring the judicial Hand of God on the resistance. Are we ready to step into that place? Because if we are not, we will forfeit what God has for us. Are we willing to face Jesus having forfeited nations because we would not step into a judicial place, because we would not grow to a place where we could represent the judicial Christ? It is time to stand like warriors in the last days.

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