

Revelations in Revelation – 17

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I thank the Lord for this precious journey through this wonderful study of Revelation, and thanking God that He tells us very specifically that we’re called to know this. This is something that He has given us all the provision, and the one provision we needed was the Holy Ghost; that’s why our precious Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ ascended to the Father, and ascended to the right hand as He told those precious disciples, they said oh Lord, don’t leave us, but He said look; If I don’t go, I can’t send the Spirit. I can’t send the Spirit of truth; I can’t send the comforter. He said there’s many things I want to tell you, but you can’t understand them. Those disciples that had been with Him all those years that they’d seen Him, touched Him, fed with Him; they never wanted to leave Him. And He’d spoke such beautiful truth to them, but He said there’s many things I have to tell you, but you can’t understand them now. But He said, but you know what? When He, the Spirit of truth hath come; when the Holy Ghost is come, oh He’s been with you, but shall be in you. SHALL BE IN YOU, I pray you’re getting chills; I mean that very sincerely. But when He comes and He’s in you He will guide you into all truth. Praise the Lord.

So, in this precious encouragement that we have, that God wants us to know, and to know Him as the word of God tells us, to know the love of Christ and that doesn’t just say to know it. To know the height, the depth, and the length, and the breadth; every dimension of it. To know not just the good, not just the acceptable, but the very perfect will of God that we would grow up, that we wouldn’t be children any more. It’s wonderful to be a child, especially to be a child of God. But just like any proper parent, you want that child to grow, you want them to fully flourish, you want them to come to full maturity; that’s everything about this. And it’s not just that He wants you grow up to any maturity, He wants you to grow up to the measure, and the stature, and the fullness of Jesus Christ. It goes on to say unto a perfect man. And I’m telling you, you’re looking at me, and this ain’t no perfect guy, and you ain’t no perfect either, so it can’t be you, it’s got to be something in you. And isn’t that wonderful. That’s what was done, hallelujah, done, finished on that cross.

And as we say Lord, come into my life, I’m crucified with Jesus. I’m crucified with Christ, nevertheless I live, yet not I that live, it’s Christ that lives in me. And the life that I now live, I live by what? By worry, by education, by doctors, huh? No, I live by the faith of the Son of God; the faith of the Son of God. See, there’s no way I could live by the faith of the Son of God if I didn’t have that life in me; the faith of the Son of God. See, that’s why I say I can’t have faith. The only one that could have faith is the life of Jesus Christ in our life. Isn’t that beautiful? Isn’t that beautiful to know that you don’t rely on you; you rely on the new man, that life that lives in you. And we feed this life, and we grow up.

Praise God, and He’s readying us, and I thank the Lord for this precious time, but what a journey, praise God. We’ve come to see this from the very beginning of Revelation, the Lord shows us that he’s walking through those candlesticks. He’s walking through the churches right

now, and He's calling out truly, and wants us to have His perfect will. And the judgment that's going on right now is the judgment of reward for His people. See, the word of God has told us, and really know this and rejoice in it. He that's born of God doth not commit sin, neither can he sin. You mean the Lord did that, His blood was that powerful to take all my sin away? Oh yes, it is, and oh yes, it was. So here I am, I'm free. I'm free, He took that law, and He took those ordinances which He says were against me, and He nailed them to the cross. He nailed them to the cross. He fulfilled them all, and then He told me in Romans, He said now honey, where there's no law there's no sin. So, you mean I, there's no speed limit for me? No. Now let me tell you something, I render unto Caesar what's Caesar's; I get that, but as far as all of that precious law that was given, the precious law was given to show that that perfect one would come; our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, and He could be the only one that could ever fulfill it; ever, and He did.

And in that praise God, in His life, and in His death and that shedding of blood, by faith by believing Him as my Saviour, I'm now made the very righteousness of God in Christ Jesus; the very righteousness of God. And in the word of God the Father tells us He loves righteousness. So, think of this what He's done for us, He made us what He loved. Now are we the sons of God, and yet it says and it doth not yet appear what we shall be. Yeah, we kind of look a little rough. Huh? Come on, it's the truth. You still got things? You sure do. You mean you have thorns? Amen, and they're the thorns to show you that you always need Him; always need Him. Always need to be looking at that beautiful mercy, He loves His mercy, right? That's what He loves, you read this you have to come to a conclusion. This God, He loves me and He says He bestows the riches of His glory. I mean the height of everything He has, He bestows on His vessels of mercy. Right? He sees the proud afar off. The legal ones, He say oh my. As Paul went back to Peter, as Paul went back to Barnabas, ones that knew the Lord, filled with the Holy Ghost, preached the word of God, and he said to that group of Galatians, and they were right there with him; who hath bewitched you? You're going back into that legal stuff. You're going back and try to keep the law and do all these things; I took care of it, I finished it, that foundation is laid. Now go on. Go on, praise God?

So, the Lord, He showed us He's walking through those candlesticks, so precious that He's searching for reward. There's nothing to judge of guilt upon our life because it's been all washed. So now it's reward and that's what He wants. He's looking for the true worshippers that worship Him in spirit and in truth. He's seeking out the goodly pearl. Many daughters have done virtuously, but thou excelles them all. Amen. Yeah. So, we see that, then we see very quickly that there was John, he was taken up in spirit, he saw these things, and then boom on the Lord's Day. He hears a trumpet, and oh yes there's going to be a trumpet blast and that Lord's Day is going to start with a rapture; oh yes, it is, but we see in this study of Revelation very clearly everybody don't get to heaven at the same time. Every child of God is going to be in heaven, amen. Amen, but at that first trump sound we know that that is that company, that readied one just like that Shulamite in the Song of Solomon. She's in love. Oh, those daughters of Jerusalem, they tried to get her to step back and said oh, there's other lovers. Oh, not to her, I love him, and just like in the Song of Solomon when she left, they said O return, return O Shulamite. There was no more returning, she was taken, it was gone. Alright?

So, we see that in those four living ones that are taken, and they're right there in the midst of the throne ruling and reigning, and praise be to God, and at that moment that's when the whole tribulation starts off. Seven years starts a clicking, and it's not going to click because Jesus Christ has His bride. He's not going to take the throne as God, because remember He's at the right hand of God? We're going to read about that tonight, He's got the right hand of God, and He's not going to take the throne as God until He has His wife. That's the truth. He had just like old Solomon said about Abishag. You know how his brother, he wanted. Well, just go ahead and give me her. What did Solomon tell him? He says without her I have no kingdom.

I'm ready to jump out of my skin. That's you, this is the time you live; this is it. It might be tonight; I don't know but I'll tell you what, I love that appearing. I know the appearing of the bridegroom. I know Jesus my Saviour, I know God my Father, I know Jesus my best friend, but I've grown up and I understand Jesus is my bridegroom; oh yeah. So, we'll see that first company there in Revelation Chapter Four right there in the midst of the throne. They have crowns, they're reigning, and then we see things occur that the tribulation is started somewhere. A year or two later this whole host, the innumerable multitude they just whissh; there they are; Revelation Chapter Seven, but they don't have crowns, they're not reigning. They're not of that company of the queen to the King. They're standing before the throne, and they don't have crowns, they have palms in their hands, and they wave them, and they say salvation to our God. They know Him as Saviour, but they don't know Him as the bridegroom. And that's an innumerable multitude; it's innumerable because that is the majority of Christianity. And I thank God for the family of God. I love the family of God, but I love God's word; we want the family of God to grow up. Amen.

A short time later we see the hundred and forty-four thousand taken up, praise the Lord. So, there with those companies, the church is complete. Once that church is complete, praise God, that's right at the middle of the tribulation, and we went right in to the great part of that tribulation known as the great tribulation. Right? That's when the antichrist fully comes forth. He declares himself as God. He takes away all of those things that were given for a moment to Israel. Yeah, you're not going to do the sacrifice up there no more. It was just a big lie; I've come to destroy you; my power is of Satan himself, gathers that all around him, we he see Babylon, that great whore, that mysticism that's been going on forever and ever, the form of ungodliness that denies the power thereof. And you know what, the antichrist don't like that either, so he destroys her through those kings that are with her. Then he gathers up all the nations and says we're going down there to get those Jews.

Isn't it interesting that the Lord is shown us throughout history too, those Jews have been sought out to be killed many times. Destroyed. Amen. Not even a hundred years ago there were peoples that tried to destroy them. Don't you think God is trying to awaken first of all Israel up? But they're not going to awaken as the word of God says until we go through, and in to this tribulation time; that's when they'll turn to the Lord; that's right. That unfaithful wife Israel to the Father God, they'll be faithful again but not until it's time. So, all of those things can happen and you think why can't you see this? For the word of God says they have eyes and they see not, and they have ears, and they hear not; they don't come to that. And as Jesus Christ came, He

came to His own, the Jew, but His own received Him not. Amen? So, He turned to the Gentiles because it was the plan of God. In the Old Testament you always find over, and over, and over the wife whether it was Ruth, or Earther, or Bathsheba, all of them, they were Gentile. Isn't that something? You mean David was going to have a Bathsheba that you traced her roots back, she was a Gentile? Ooh. That's how? That's it. Ruth same way. Boaz the redeemer saw her and said that's the woman for me; put her in my field. That's why the Lord's put us in this field to feast upon this depth, and this is why we come after it, amen? Amen. So, all throughout that seven years, the Lord gave two witnesses there at the first of it anyways the two began to minister to Israel. While all that stuff was right as the innumerable multitude was taken, the hundred and forty-four thousand was taken, and those two witnesses kept witnessing to them.

Right at the middle of the tribulation those two witnesses are killed, but they rise up. That probably gets the attention of Israel, doesn't it. Another thing that gets the attention of Israel is all the nations led by that antichrist are coming down to destroy them, and the Lord says come on down. I've got a valley Megiddo, a battle called Armageddon that I prepared a long time ago. Make sure all those that don't even want a war and fight, tell them to come. All those that have the hose, and the different things like that; pruning shears, make sure they're weapons and come on down. And then we read all that was being prepared, and all that and it says and the Lord destroyed them. Boom. It was over. See, God's word is that quick and powerful; showed us with Sodom and Gamora, showed us with all of those things in the Old Testament. Opens up the earth, see, He's shown us all these things that He tells us are going to be in Revelation. He's already shown us that in a smaller scale, He's done this throughout the Old Testament. This is, there's nothing hard for God. So, we came to the time that that was finished; seven years are done, and praise the Lord we saw that He took first of all, He took the antichrist, and He took the false prophet, and He put them right into that lake of fire. That evil had to go; done!

But as we start tonight, we begin with a little bit of housecleaning before we go from the seven-year tribulation, now we're going to move into the millennium time. Alright? So, let's go ahead and read where the Lord begins to deal and take us into that thousand year millennium after the seven year tribulation, and I'm going to read from Revelation Twenty, and we'll begin reading one through three. He says there, and I saw an angel come down from heaven, having the key of the bottomless pit and a great chain in his hand. This angel that comes down from heaven that's got the bottomless pit key is the Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. We know this because He's got the key, and He's the One that can open and close heaven, so we know this is Him. We know it's Him that's taking care of the devil.

Isn't it interesting as we've been reading about the seven angels; isn't that something? The ones that are with the Lord, Amen. The one of the seven angels that's been walking John around and showing him these amazing things, and John keeps falling down; John, the one that was with Jesus all those years that knew Jesus. Jesus said He's the disciple that I love. You know Jesus loved them all, but there was a bond; there's a preciousness there. Amen, it's like John, a little lover, that look at John; oh my, the love, the love of the Father, the love of the Son; it's the Holy Ghost chapter, that's the bringing in of the holy Ghost; that's why it's love. Amen. But John, even though he knew Jesus so well, and all of that, that one that is walking him around, John

keeps worshipping him. And that angel tells him, he picks John right up and says John, don't do that. I'm redeemed just like you. You worship the Lord. So, it was showing us that that bridal company; those ones that have grown to the measure, the stature, and the fullness of Christ, they sure have. They look like Him, their voices of thunder like Him, and here it is that Jesus Himself, John says and an angel came down. John sees the Lord just as he's seen those four living ones, the seven angels; the bride has grown up so fully she is like Him; she's like Him. Praise God, and she's one with Him, hallelujah.

S, it says, and I saw an angel come down from heaven, having the key of the bottomless pit and a great chain in his hand. And he laid hold on the dragon, that old serpent, which is the Devil, and Satan, and bound him a thousand years. So, this is interesting, He doesn't come and take Satan and throw him into the lake of fire like He did the false prophet, and the antichrist. He's got a different thing here. He binds him up, and he puts him in a bottomless pit, and He casts him in the bottomless pit, and He shut him up and set a seal upon him that he should deceive the nations no more till the thousand years should be fulfilled, and after that he must be loosed a little season.

Now, there's wonderful purpose in this, and the Lord is going to glean more glory through this plan of God, and not destroying Satan right now. Satan was already destroyed on the cross; I hope you understand that, he was defeated right then, but there was the plan of God for us. If it was all about salvation, then Jesus would have just died on the cross, and it would have been over; that was more. And this is part of the more for every one of His peoples; I shouldn't say His people, but His companies that He calls and there's going to be more glory for Him in this. The devil's going to be dealt with after this thousand years, but see, God's promise to Israel must come first. See, God promised Israel they would reign upon this earth; this earth, alright? And Israel is going to be established as the nation over all the nations on this earth.

So, the devil cannot be rid yet because the earth, I love this, and I thank God for just revealing this. See, this earth has a curse on it, the bible's told us that. It was made perfect, it was good and all this, but when the devil was cast out of heaven, he's the curse that came. Alright? So, as beautiful as this world is, and all the things that we can't even imagine how beautiful it was. But God got even more because after this millennial time, the heaven and the earth are going to flee, and God is going to make a new heaven and a new earth. And in that new heaven and new earth, turn on over to Isaiah; keep your thumb here as well too. And in Isaiah Sixty-five, it's not only a new heaven and a new earth, but it says in the verse seventeen of Isaiah Sixty-five, for behold I create new heavens and a new earth, and the former shall not even be remembered, nor come into mind. Nothing of this earth, or world; there's not going to be any remembrance of sin. There's not even going to be remembrance of the devil. So, everything, everything is going to be made new. Now think what the Lord did in your life to show you how He does that. The moment you accept Him in as Saviour, you're born again. What happened there? There's no more remembrance of sin in your life. Justified just as if you never sinned; isn't that incredible? So, He's showing us in that same power that He's going to even to do this with everything. Isn't that going to be a wonderful time when we will not? There won't even be the remembrance of this stuff. Thank You Lord. Thank You Lord.

So, going back to Revelation Twenty, let's go ahead. And now in the perfect order everything in its time, we're moving into the thousand years so let's go ahead and read from verse four. So, the devil's been put into the bottomless pit; he's going to be there a thousand years, and here is what John's shown. And I saw thrones, and they that sat upon them. Now, we're talking about the earth now, and judgment was given unto them. So, there's these thrones, and these ones sitting upon them, and judgment was given unto them. And I saw the souls of them that were beheaded for the witness of Jesus, and for the word of God, and which had not worshipped the beast, neither his image, neither had received his mark upon their foreheads, or in their hand. So, we know that these are the ones that were beheaded, and the ones that were killed during the tribulation. These were the ones that did not receive that mark of the beast, alright? And they were killed, and they died but look what it says. And they lived and reigned with Christ a thousand years.

So, we see how faithful our God is, so not only is Israel being at this time, and we'll start to read about this, Israel has come through, The Lord protected them and they lived all the way through that tribulation. But there's ones that died during this time. Well, the Lord has a perfect place for them, this same place that Israel has; that reigning that Israel will have, and that place they have to be resurrected, don't they? So, they're going to be resurrected, so there'll be one which we will refer to, or call the earth dwellers that will dwell upon the earth during the millennial time; obviously it's going to be Israel, and it's also going to be these that had died during that time that the Lord reigned. How glorious is that? And you thank God and say praise His name that how faithful He is, but it said the rest of the dead lived not again till the thousand years were finished. So, the rest of the dead? This is the first resurrection.

So, we're so thankful that that first resurrection meaning the ones that have died knowing Jesus Christ that have been resurrected. Hallelujah. That's done, and it goes on to say and blessed and holy is he that hath part in the first resurrection. On such the second death hath no power, but they shall be priests of God and of Christ, and shall reign with Him a thousand years. So again, it's speaking of those earth dwellers. So what we have here is we understand that there is that first resurrection, and we're part of that first resurrection in the company that we're at, and this resurrection of these last ones resurrected that died during the tribulation, they're the last part of the first resurrection. Alright? And they never tasted, neither will we or any of that the second death. Those that it says have died that did not partake in the first resurrection. So, we know that all of those that have died that didn't participate in the first resurrection; those are sinners. Those are the ones that will face that second death. Those'll be the ones as we get to chapter twenty-one, God willing in a week or two that have to come before the great white throne of judgment, and they're going to be judged, and they're going to be judged according to their deeds, and once you're judged according to your deed it's over. There's only one thing you want to be judged by, and that's by the blood of Jesus Christ, and then in that there's no judgment.

So, this is who this is speaking of in that second death. So, isn't this glorious that we see that the church has been raptured, we're so thankful there, and here now we are moving into this glorious time of this millennial reign. This, and speaking of those, remember how it said there in verse four, I saw those on thrones that were ruling and reigning over those ones that were on earth? Turn on over to Matthew, let's read who they are. Matthew Chapter Nineteen, this is Jesus speaking to His disciples. In Matthew Chapter Nineteen as it says there in; let's go ahead and go

on over to verse twenty-seven because Peter is the one asking the question. Then answered Peter and said unto Jesus, behold we have forsaken all, and followed thee, what shall we have therefore? I love Peter, he had something; I just love him, alright. And Jesus said unto them: verily, I say unto you, that you which have followed Me in the regeneration, when the Son of man shall sit in the throne of His glory; so, we know this is the time Jesus Christ will be reigning. So, we know this'll be the thousand-year period, this'll be the millennium, because Jesus is at the right hand of God. So, when He takes the throne as God what does it say, ye also shall sit upon twelve thrones judging the twelve tribes of Israel. So that's the beautiful part about those disciples. It's not the bride; it's not that company for them. It's not the innumerable multitude, it's not the hundred and forty-four thousand. There was a special place that God had given them; those twelve thrones over the twelve tribes. So, that's a sweet part to understand. Every group, every company has their perfect place in its perfect time.

So, Israel is restored in this thousand-year period, they're reigning over the nations, Jesus is their Saviour. Isn't that glorious, that's the best of all, and it tells us of this in Zechariah Chapter Two, it begins to tell us of this glorious time and it says there in verse ten through twelve. We'll be popping back and forth to the Old Testament here a little bit tonight. Sing and rejoice, O daughter of Zion: for, lo, I come, and will dwell in the midst of thee, saith the LORD. That's Israel, and many nations shall be joined to the Lord in that day and shall be My people, and I will dwell in the midst of thee, and thou shalt know the LORD of hosts hath sent Me and to thee, and the LORD shall inherit Judah his portion in the holy land, and shall choose Jerusalem again. Praise the LORD.

Now, this is such a beautiful time because Israel in that day as we've read and studied, and continue to and we will read some more tonight. They're the ones that have the calling to fulfil the Great Commission. It's to them that it is appointed to, and none else to convert the nations. Believe it or not, yet the word of God tells us that it will be Israel that will be going out and converting the nations. How beautiful, how wonderfully beautiful. See, and I want you to understand, yes there are people coming to the Lord and taking Jesus as Saviour, and it's a wonderful thing, and I thank the Lord as He said he that winneth souls is wise. Jesus said I would that all men be saved and come to the full knowledge of the truth. So, I thank God that we preach the word when God gives us opportunity to tell people, but remember this because I love how the word of God says it. It says be ready to give an answer to them that would inquire of the hope that lies within you. That's the beautiful part. So, we thank the Lord for this, I thank God for His ministers, that's a beautiful thing, but this is not the time of the Great Commission. Matter of fact, the word of God we've even been reading, this is the time of falling away. The love of many that is waxing cold; yeah, and that's why the Lord has started off with Revelation, He's walking through the candlesticks, and He's telling them to wake up. Things are about to die in Christianity. Get awake, get out of those places that call themselves Christian that aren't preaching the word of God; don't be found there. Go get it, but now praise God, in the millennium all of this now is going to come forth.

And let's turn over to Matthew Twenty-eight because here is the beauty of it all, and here's how we really get to understanding. If we really want to get to understand in this age that we live in, and not be confused with this millennial time that we'll be in. It'll be a glorious time, but this is not the millennium right now, so in Mat 28:18 it says, and this is Jesus speaking to His

disciples, but He's speaking to them; He's prophesying to them of a future time. And Jesus came and spake unto them, and saying all power is given unto Me in heaven and earth, go ye therefore and teach all nations baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the holy Ghost. Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you, and lo, I am with you always even unto the end of the world.

Now, all power is given unto Me. This is a key to really understanding that when Jesus is speaking to them, and telling them to go baptize in the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Ghost, that's not the time we live in, we baptize in the name of Jesus. It's not this this time yet, this is gorgeous, and the Lord'll put this together for us tonight, we're going to Mark; we're going to go to some other places, but this is the key. As He says, all power is given unto Me. Alright? Well, let's go on over the Heb 2:8 and here is our answer for this. Here's how we know when this time of baptizing in the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Ghost is in the millennium. Because remember how we read a couple times already, Jesus is at the right hand of the Father. He will only take the throne as God during, and at the time of the millennium. Alright? That's when it will be established on this earth as I'm speaking of.

In verse eight of chapter two it says, Thou has put all things in subjection under His feet. For in that He put all in subjection under Him, He left nothing that is not put under Him. He is all powerful, it's all under Him, but now we see yet not all things put under Him. Brothers and sisters, it's just like Jesus to dying on the cross, Jesus dying on the cross happened about two thousand years ago. Alright, we understand that, but the word of God tells us the Lamb of God slain from the foundation of the world. It was as good as done. Because it's the word it was as good as done, but yet He had to come, and He had to fulfil all those things, but there wasn't a doubt that He was going to come, and there wasn't a doubt He wasn't going to die on that cross. Amen. And there's no doubt that all power's been given unto Him, but yet it hasn't been shown yet. And we see this world, it hasn't been shown yet. They think that they can do and be as blasphemous as they want, and it's only going to get worse.

But it's going to be stopped, you know it. Every knee's going to bow, and every tongue's going to confess that He Lord; oh yes that's going to happen, and I thank the Lord, what a day that will be, hallelujah. But it's done, all power is given unto Him, but yet it is not revealed yet, and again, He will not take that throne until after the tribulation on this earth when the thousand-year millennium begins. So, now hallelujah, Christ, praise God, once we hit the millennial time, He'll be with His bride reigning over the heaven and the earth. The Father has given over His throne to His Son, and now the millennial time is when it's fully manifest and made known. Praise the Lord.

Now let's go on with that thought. The sad part, and we mentioned this a little bit earlier, is the majority of Christianity speaks about the kingdom right now. The millennial time is the time of the kingdom. That's when it's going to be established again. That's when Israel will reign again over the nations. Christ their Saviour, and that kingdom will be established. Now is not the time for that. As the word of God tells us, now is the time that the Father is searching and seeking out the true worshipper that worships Him in spirit and in truth. Amen? Now is the time of the merchant who sold all that he had to seek out the goodly pearl. Amen? Now is the time for the ones that are in love to be the lover of His Son; now is the time of the bride for the Lamb of God.

Praise His name. Jesus at this time is not on the throne as God, He ascended to the right hand of the Father. Amen. And just like that precious story in Genesis Twenty-four, the bride rises. Praise God? Isaac's daddy knew that his son needed a wife, amen. They lived in Canaan. At that time there was not a godly group of people in that area for them to choose for their son. So, Abraham, what did he do? He said I'm going to send my servant, and I'm going to send my servant back to my people; my people. I'm not going to send the servant out to the world, I'm going to have my servant go to the people; my people, my family, and from my family I'm going to find a wife for my son. That's exactly what Jesus did when He ascended to the right hand of the Father as He told those disciples; I go to send Him, the Spirit of Truth, to give you this message of the mystery of Christ in the church, to give you the mystery of the bride of Christ.

See, Rebekah at that well would have never known about Isaac needing a wife. Amen? Unless that servant was sent. She would have been in a family, she would have been just fine, but she would have been oblivious to knowing that there was a husband for her. So, the servant had to be sent, and the servant was sent by the father. It was a specific plan just like it tells us in John, it's the Father that's seeking the true worshipper. Remember worship? Worship means to draw nigh in fervent love to kiss Him. The Father is seeking that one for His Son; the lover of His Son. Just like that one that was sent by Abraham. Abraham, you're going to find, you're going to get that wife, and you're going to bring the wife back. The son's not going to her, you're going to bring the wife to him; he's staying with me. Jesus is at the right hand; He's staying with the Father.

But here came the Holy Ghost ministering. Oh, the son is going to have a bride, and that servant it said of Abraham's had all the things of the master. He had everything to offer her, and it wasn't the whole village that was at the well, was it? There wasn't the whole family there, oh no it wasn't; it was one. It was one, and as Abraham told that servant because the servant said; well, what happens if? You'll find her, she'll be there. I'm going to make that appointment specifically exact perfect, and here we are tonight. And here we are tonight, we had that calling praise God; that's that calling from the family of God, but not the whole family. And it's not anything brothers and sisters to boast about, feel proud about, arrogant; no, we praise Him in the most merciful way. If you really know this you understand grace, you understand it's not a shred of you, it was only by the grace of God; that's it.

And so here He draws us in and oh my, I like thought I was just going to the well to get some water. Oh no honey, you didn't realize, I saw you in love in ages past; I was in love with you from beginning. I saw you in My Son. I know the foreknowledge of God. Foreknowledge, I'm not talking about predestination here, it's the foreknowledge of God. God, this ain't no guessing game to God, He knows everything, and He knew who would have this heart, and whom He foreknew, then He predestinated. Always know that. Grace found you. How marvelous, so right now Jesus is sitting at that right hand, and I am so thankful tonight I can see Him. He's standing, oh Father, is it time? Is it time, can I call her to me now? That was the one thing Jesus does not know. He does not know the appointed time that the Father will hand Him His throne. So, He does not know the appointed time that His Father will tell Him Son, call Your bride. Isn't that just glorious? And that's the word of God.

This is Jesus Who said He created the heavens and the earth, He just spoke them, everything's been put under Him, but the one thing He doesn't know; how romantic is that? People laugh at this, they say oh yeah, you're just a nut. I'll tell you what, I've lived a great life, and a wonderful life, but I ain't no nut; I believe this. And as the word of God said, as thou have believed, so shall it be done unto you. It's by faith, it's by faith! Huh?

Now, here we go. It's then when He has His wife that Jesus Christ will rule on that throne as God, and that's when the millennium begins. Now let's take a few minutes tonight as we go to close this, what things are in that thousand-year time? Turn back over to Mark Sixteen, and this is so beautiful here, because this is Jesus again appearing after the resurrection to His disciples. And in Mark Sixteen this is how gorgeous this is in verse fourteen. So, He is appearing afterward to His disciples that didn't believe the words from the others that had saw Him and said He's risen. Alright? So, in verse fourteen in Mark Sixteen it says, afterward Jesus appeared unto the eleven as they sat at meat, and upbraided them with their unbelief and hardness of heart. So, here you have these disciples, and Jesus is telling them exactly what they're in. They're not believing, and when you're not believing the Lord when you know the word of God, you got a hardness in your heart. Alright? But what did the Lord already tell them about what they were going to reign on those thrones, amen? So, who's the faithful ones? Was it the disciples? Absolutely not, it's Jesus. He called them to that, that's why the Lord says to us, He says I'll perform the good work which I've begun in you. What does the clay do? I just sit there. I'm a lump, hallelujah. But I got the hands of that wonderful Lord on me, putting that oil, and water, molding me and making me after all of His complete and perfect will. Amen.

So, it says afterward He appeared to them, and they had unbelief and hardness of heart because they believed not them which had seen Him after He was risen. They didn't believe the word of God, and He said unto them go ye into the world and preach the gospel to every creature. So, you see that these disciples, they represent Israel. He came to them, He preached to them, but they were hardened of heart, but there's going to be a time that they're revived, and it's that time praise God that He's telling the disciples what they'll do someday ruling on those twelve thrones over the twelve tribes And He says go unto them into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature. Let's keep reading how we know this. He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved, but he that believeth not shall be dammed. So, again in the millennial time there'll be people that believe. I'm going to tell you something, the devil won't be out there to deceive, that word will go forth in abundance, but there will still be ones that are just going along and never receive Him as their Saviour.

At the end of this millennial time, we'll get to, He says I'm going to separate the goat nations, and the sheep nations, and I'll tell you what, the lake of fire is going to get even a little bit more full because there's going to be people that will not believe. There was a feigned obedience, it wasn't true. But He says to them, and these signs shall follow them that believe. In my name they'll cast out devils. Well Thank the Lord, we have that today. They shall speak with new tongues; oh, praise God, the Holy Spirit's still there in the millennial time? You betcha, people are going to be praising the Lord, and they're going to be full of the Holy Ghost; it's a marvelous time. It says, now wait a second, they shall take up serpents, and if they drink any deadly thing it shall not hurt them. Now we know that that's not true. I'm not going to go grab a poisonous snake right now; that would be really stupid because I'm going to get bit, and I'm going

to get really sick, and possibly die. I'm not going to drink things that are poisonous, I'm not going to do that either. But is this time they'll be able to do that. So, I know this isn't this time. Amen? See, that's why I say, you've got those people, and they're my family of God, that we've all have family that are natural that I don't think they're all there. Well, they're the ones that are out there that are grabbing snakes, flipping them around, and you know, they ice them up, they do all this stuff to do it. Well, once in a while those snakes wake up and they give them a bite, and you know, some of them have died. And they say oh look, it makes the . . . No, the Lord doesn't look foolish, you're foolish because you don't know the word of God. Amen.

So, this is how we're so thankful to know these things. These disciples again, just like Israel they turned away, but this is what the Lord's telling them. He's encouraging them, you're going to go forth, you're going to be on these twelve thrones reigning over the twelve tribes during this millennial time, and praise God you're going to baptize in the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Ghost, people are going to get saved, people are going to get filled with the Holy Ghost, it's a marvelous time; you're going to go ahead and even pick up snakes, and they're not going to harm you, you're going to drink poison; no harms going to come to you. And why? Because that devil's in that pit. The devil's in that pit for a thousand years.

Now let's go on back and read Matthew Twenty-eight again. Well, I mentioned that, but we'll go ahead and read it again. Matthew Twenty-eight. As it says there Jesus says, all power is given unto Me. Now go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost. So, this is what's happening all the time during that thousand years. Let's go back now to the Old Testament, and let's read a little bit more in depth what the Lord already wrote for us about this time as well too. We'll start in Isaiah. Again, I prayed the Lord just encourage us and quicken. I'm encouraged to go through these last verses because it just ties in so beautiful, and the Lord keep us awake; I know we're tired. But in Isaiah 2:2-4 it says, and it shall come to pass in the last days that the mountain of the Lord's house shall be established in the top of the mountain, and shall be exalted above the hills, all nations shall flow unto it. See, all the nations, they're going to obey, and there's going to be ones in those nations, some of them that will love the Lord and encourage the Lord, but there's ones that are just going to obey because God's going to make them obey, but they're still not going to believe in His Son as their Saviour. And many people shall go up, and come up and say let us go into the mountain of the LORD to the house of Jacob, and he will teach us his ways, and we shall walk in His paths. For out of Zion then shall go the law, and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem, and He shall judge among the nations, and shall rebuke many people, and they shall beat their plow with plow shares, and their spears unto pruning hooks nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more. So, we see that we have this time of this peace because once again the enemy, Satan has been put into the pit.

Now go on go on over to chapter eleven and read a little bit more here. There's so many verses and chapters in Ezekiel, and all these different places. These kind of stand out to me by the Holy Ghost, so we'll talk about these tonight. And it says in the fourth verse of the eleventh chapter, but with righteousness shall He judge the poor, and reprove with equity for the meek of the earth: and He shall smite the earth with the rod of His mouth, and with the breath of His lips shall slay the wicked.

And the righteousness shall be the girdle of the loins, and faithfulness the girdle of his reins. Now here we go, this is what will happen during the millennial time. The wolf also shall dwell with the lamb. Isn't that something? Yeah, usually I see the little deer when I go up to the mountains, and they run away from the wolf, and run away from the cayotes; they're just running all the time. Not now, not in this time. The leopard shall lie down with the kid; the goat, isn't that something? The calf with the young lion and the fatling together; and a little child shall lead them. And the cow and the bear shall feed; their young ones shall lie down together: and the lion shall eat straw with the ox. Isn't that something how the Lord is going to do this? It's not hard for Him; He put all them animals in the ark. I don't know what He had to do then, but He just said that's what's going to be, so you know compared to a fish that swallows Jonah. Didn't need to figure which one he was going to eat, he just had to prepare it. Right? They shall not hurt nor destroy in all my holy mountain: for the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the LORD, as the waters cover the sea. Won't that be a beautiful time? What a glorious thing to see. What a praise to see our faithful God bring back Israel.

Now, go on over to Isaiah Sixty-five. We read from there just briefly, and let's go ahead and read back there again. Now see, in verse seventeen where He says behold, I create new heavens and a new earth, and the former shall not be remembered any more, that's speaking of after the millennial time. That will even be completely fulfilled. Now, when this tribulation happens, that war, those bombs, all those things it's going to destroy so much of this earth, and it is. And there's going to be damage to it, and the Lord said that where there was a mountain, there'll be a valley, or a valley a mountain, or all of that He's going prepare and do those things. He's going to make that one place all of a plain; all of these things. But once again, that's just going into the millennial time just like He's doing with these animals He's going to have the lion eating straw; yeah, God can do that, but when He's speaking of this time of the new heaven and the new earth, that's when you move out of the millennial time into, oh my, the exceeding riches of His grace that He's got for us who believe.

I'll have a body like unto His own; oh, what it's going to be. Praise God. But here going back to the Kingdom Age here's verse eighteen again. But be ye glad and rejoice for ever *in that* which I create: for, behold, I create Jerusalem a rejoicing, and her people a joy. 5407 And I will rejoice in Jerusalem, and joy in my people: Isn't that beautiful and the voice of the weeping shall be heard no more in her, nor the voice of crying. There shall be no more thence an infant of days, nor an old man that hath not filled his days: for the child shall die at an hundred years. So, see when we don't have Satan doing all the things that Satan does, I'll tell you what, we age pretty good. It's amazing what sin does do us, amen? And this sinful world, it's like we say, we try to eat this way and eat that way but shoot, man's poisoned it all anyways. That's why pray, trust God, and what's soever just say you know what, just don't call it unclean in Jesus' name, because I don't even know what I'm eating sometimes, so Lord help me.

Okay? So, there you go, and so it says, and the sinner being an hundred years old shall be a curse. So, we see during this time there's going to be people that don't believe. And when you don't believe it don't matter if the devil's there or not, you're a curse. Alright? And they shall build houses, inhabit *them*; and they shall plant vineyards, and eat the fruit of them. They shall not build, and another inhabit it; they shall not plant, and another eat: for as the days of a tree *are* the days of my people; My elect shall long enjoy the work of their hands. They shall not labour

in vain, nor bring forth for trouble; for they *are* the seed of the blessed of the LORD, and their offspring with them. And it shall come to pass, that before they call, I will answer. Isn't that beautiful. He's just so faithful, and while they are yet speaking, I will hear. The wolf and the lamb shall feed together, and the lion shall eat straw like the bullock: and dust *shall be* the serpent's meat. They shall not hurt nor destroy in all my holy mountain, saith the LORD. That is a glorious time.

Two more little verses here and then we'll close up. Micah Chapter Four, verses one through seven. It just gives us more of this rejoicing. Again Micah 4:1-7, but in the last days it shall come to pass, *that* the mountain of the house shall be established in the top of the mountains, and it shall be exalted above the hills; and people shall flow unto it. This is again what He's going to do with His people Israel; this is what He's going to do with the Jews, and all the nations are going to flood to it. oh my. And many nations shall come, and say, Come, and let us go up to the mountain of the LORD: see, those are going to be the sheep nations that say let's go to the mountain of the lord, and to the house of the God. See, it didn't say all nations, did it? Because there's going to be nations that don't believe. and He will teach us of His ways, and we will walk in His paths: for the law shall go forth out of Zion, and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem. And he shall judge among many people, and rebuke strong nations afar off; and they shall beat their swords into plowshares, their spears into pruninghooks: nation shall not lift up a sword against nation; isn't that something? Boy, we see war and rumor of war everywhere, don't we? Neither shall they learn war any more. For they shall sit every man under his vine and under his fig tree; and none shall make *them* afraid: for the mouth of the LORD of hosts hath spoken *it*.

For all the people will walk everyone in the name of God, everyone is going to, and we will walk in the name of the LORD our God for ever and ever. In that day, saith the LORD, will I assemble her that halteth, and I will gather her that is driven out, and her that I have afflicted. See, He afflicted Israel. And I will make her that halted a remnant, and her that was cast far off a strong nation: and the LORD shall reign over them in mount Zion from henceforth, even for ever. So, even after that thousand-year period of time, because we're going to read how the nations; the goat nations are going to come down into Jerusalem again. Yeah, it's just something, the devil's so stupid he keeps doing the same thing. He just does. And they're going to going to come down there again, and you know what? It's over. God does it like that again, praise the Lord. Short times going to let him think you know again.

And finally, tonight in Zechariah go to the fourteenth chapter. This'll be our final verse. And in the sixteenth verse of the fourteenth chapter it says, and it shall come to pass, *that* every one that is left of all nations which came against Jerusalem shall even go up from year to year to worship the King. Isn't that amazing? They are going to know that He is God. the LORD of hosts, and to keep the feast of the tabernacles. Praise God. There's your millennial time; that's the thousand years, and I thank God. I know this is quite a bit tonight, but you know the Holy Ghost is really good at taking quite a bit, and putting it in quite fact. Matter of fact speedily. And I encourage each and every one of us, lets just go back and listen, continue to study, and by the grace of God, even so come Lord Jesus, amen. Let's stand and be dismissed, hallelujah.

Zec 14:17 And it shall be, *that* whoso will not come up of *all* the families of the earth unto Jerusalem to worship the King, the LORD of hosts, even upon them shall be no rain.

Zec 14:18 And if the family of Egypt go not up, and come not, that *have* no *rain*; there shall be the plague, wherewith the LORD will smite the heathen that come not up to keep the feast of tabernacles.