

Transcript – The Glory of the Latter House

Shabbat shalom again. And I thought the Torah reading, at least in some degree, not exactly, but goes somewhat good with the message I'm giving today, which is called *The Glory of the Latter House ... The Glory of the Latter House*. And I'd like to start in Joel 2.

I've been giving a number of sermons ... We don't usually do live service three, four weeks in a row. We have been. But like I said, it's not really, I wouldn't call it a series. I've done some series on sanctification and different things. But a lot of the messages are connected. If you could say the connection ... all of them have to deal with end time and things that are happening right now. And hopefully this message is going to kind of tie in a lot of the other messages I've been giving the last few weeks. And then I will be away, so we won't be giving any, at least any live service, for probably the next month or so.

Joel 2 and verse 23. And again, the book of Joel, three chapters, all end time, a great book. Because, I mean, if there's any book that not only prophetically tells us a lot of things about the dividing of Jerusalem and Yahweh's wrath coming, but it clearly tells us about the redemption of Jerusalem and Yahweh dwelling there in the end time, salvation being there. I'm going to hit a little bit on another aspect of it today dealing with the latter rain. So, I'm going to start in verse 23. He says:

Joel 2:23-24 *Then be glad, sons of Zion, and rejoice in YAHWEH your Elohim. For He has given to you the early rain according to righteousness, and He will cause the rain to come down for you, the early rain and the latter rain in the first month. And the floors shall be full with grain, and the wine vats overflow with wine and oil.*

Comment: And we said this before. I gave a message a few years ago at the Feast on *The Grain, the Oil, and the Wine*. They're all connected because they show Yahweh's sustenance to His people. The grain is where we get our bread from. It's the staple of food in every ... since the Garden of Eden basically. And then we have the oil that shows the Holy Spirit. It's for healing. So many things that oil represents in the Bible. We had other sermons on that. And then the wine, the wine shows happiness. It shows security. It shows lack of war. It shows peace. It shows all the things. So, when they say the wine is taken away, it's not for alcoholics to be sad. It's showing that happiness is taken away. It's showing that peace is taken away. So, we see the grain, the wine and the oil. And He says:

Joel 2:25 *And I will restore to you the years which the swarming locust has eaten, the locust larvae, and the stripping locust, and the cutting locust, My great army which I sent among you.*

Comment: So, remember, though, this is dealing now ... He's metaphorically dealing it with the latter rain. So, He's talking to His people. This is all about the latter rain that's coming, and He's saying that His people have lacked this. So, it's not just physically talking about grain, oil, and wine; it's talking about the sustenance of His congregation, the sustenance of His people. And He's saying once this latter rain comes, I'm going to restore this to you. I'm going to restore something that you've lost.

And there was just something I was just thinking about just a couple of months ago, saying, wow, on a worldwide scale, why does it seem like things are falling apart more than coming together? And praise Yahweh, in the Congregation of Yahweh Jerusalem, I don't think I've ever seen it more unified and more growth, more growing. But outside of it ... Because I know we're not the only part of Yahweh's congregation. There's many other people. The only thing I think, "Where are they ... where are they?" And I'm looking for them, and I'm open to it, and I want to join with them, but where are they? Where are leaders that are teaching the right doctrine? Where are leaders that are teaching about Israel and Jerusalem? Where are these congregations that are teaching judicial order? And it's hard to find them.

But now Yahweh is saying, as the latter rain is coming, He's saying, this is what I'm going to restore to you. I'm going to restore it on a big scale. He says:

Joel 2:26-27 *You shall eat fully and be satisfied; and you shall praise the name of YAHWEH your Elohim, who has dealt wondrously with you. And My people shall not be ashamed forever. And you shall know that I am in the midst of Israel, and that I am YAHWEH your Elohim, and there is no other. And My people shall not be ashamed forever.*

Comment: So, He's bringing back to us, He's bringing back to us a pride through Him, a good pride, something that He's going to glorify His congregation through what He's doing.

Joel 2:28-29 *And it shall be **afterward**, I will pour My Spirit on all flesh. And your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your old men will dream dreams, and your young men will see visions. And I will pour out My Spirit on the slaves and the slave-girls in those days.*

Comment: So first in verse 23, He's telling to His people, His congregation, He's going to give the latter rain. But when we look in verse 28, this is afterward. This is after Yahshua returns that His Spirit is poured out on all flesh. It's not the same thing. It's not the same occurrence. First you have the latter rain, then you have the outpouring of the Spirit on all people. So that will definitely not happen until the Millennium comes because that's the reason Yahshua is coming. He is coming to destroy all His enemies. But whoever is left, once He comes to reign, He will pour His Spirit; and everybody during the Millennium is going to be of the same mindset. And He says:

Joel 2:30-31 *I'll give signs in the heavens and the earth: blood, and fire, and columns of smoke ... Could be nuclear war ... The sun will be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming and great and awesome day of YAHWEH.*

Comment: Which could mean many things. Could be eclipses and that kind of thing. But it could also be other things that could cause the sun to be darkened and the moon turned to blood. That can happen from volcano erupting. It can happen from a number of sources.

Joel 2:32 *For it shall be, all who call on the name of YAHWEH will be saved. For salvation will be in Mount Zion, and in Jerusalem, as YAHWEH has said, and among the survivors whom YAHWEH called.*

I've said this many times, if you don't understand the redemption of Israel and Jerusalem in the end times, you have nothing to know what Yahweh is doing in the end times. Because **everything is restoring the people, restoring the land, and restoring the covenant**. That's what He's doing. And **everything that happens, happens in Israel. That's the goal of everything**.

Now after we came back from Shavuot, I felt a great revival in my spirit. I mean, Yahweh was showing me things like I never saw before, a lot of the messages I've been giving. And then I was amazed as I started getting feedback from many brethren and elders in the congregations that are saying all over the world the same thing is happening. They're all feeling the same thing. And that's why I believe the latter rain has begun.

Now again, when something happens, it never happens like you think it's going to happen, right? Because we're thinking it's going to happen that, like the day of Pentecost, the Holy Spirit will be poured out and there'll be cloves [should be tongues] of fires on our shoulders and maybe we'll all be speaking in different languages, and all these kind of things will be happening.

But remember, that's why some people say, when they talk about speaking in tongues, they say the same thing. Sometimes when people are against the laying on of hands, what do they go to? They go to **Acts 10** where the Holy Spirit dwelled on the people before the laying on hands? But why? Because they never had the Holy Spirit. They didn't know it. It was never given yet. So, Yahweh had to show Peter at that point, he didn't even know, that somebody that's not a Jew or an Israelite could be in the covenant. So sometimes when it's the first thing for something, Yahweh does it in a spectacular way. But it doesn't always happen that way.

Now for us, we've had the Holy Spirit for 2,000 years. So, in my mind now, as I see it starting to happen, I realize why it wouldn't have to happen that way; why it wouldn't have to be fire from heaven and cloves [should be tongues of fire] on the shoulders. Because we already had the Holy Spirit for 2,000 years.

But you know how it's going to happen? I'm going to prove it to you today. I'm going to prove it because I believe with all my heart that the latter rain has started now. The latter rain has started. Yahweh from this Shavuot I believe He started to pour out His Spirit on His people, and I believe it will only increase until Yahshua returns. And how much it will increase is how much you yield to it. And that's what you'll see. The people that are taking it serious, that are yielding their life to Yahweh, that are repenting of their sins, that are coming toward it, you will start seeing the Holy Spirit in ways we've never seen it before. And I do believe there's going to be more miracles happening, more healings happening.

For the ones that are living to the world, that will not come outside of the system of Babylon, which is worldwide. I'm not talking about just America. But the ones that are going to stay in the system, the opposite will happen. They'll start to think this is all a lie. "I don't see it in my life. I don't see anything different now." And that's the way Yahweh works. **It's not a right you have to His Holy Spirit. It's a gift.**

And isn't it the way it always works? There's people when I baptize that somehow think at their baptism that's going to happen. They think they're going to be baptized and a dove's going to come from heaven. They think that, all of a sudden, they're going to have all knowledge. They think they're going to overcome everything. But how many believers does it happen to that way? None! Not even in the days of the apostles did it happen that way.

We see Peter, the main apostle, years after he's baptized, Paul's coming to him, and one minute he's eating with the Gentiles, and then the Jews come and he won't eat with them. And Paul says, I had to rebuke him to his face. So, even in the days of the apostles it wasn't that when the Holy Spirit comes on you, you're not human anymore. But what we see from that day, and what we will see from this day forward is **the more you yield to Yahweh's Spirit, the more you are going to see it in your life.** And it will give you peace of mind. It will give you peace of all understanding. And it's going to be the thing that's going to help you through the end time.

So again, the grain, the oil, and the wine. **I think Yahweh is showing that the ones who are His true remnant, the ones that are going to surrender to Him in all things and really allow His Spirit to fill them up, He will provide the grain, the oil, and the wine. He is going to make manna in the desert. He's going to make the water come out of the rock, Isaiah 48:20 [should be 48:21]. And we're going to see these things. We're going to see it in a spiritual way, but we're physically going to see it.** I believe 1,000%. Because there's going to be times where His remnant will be in a place where there won't be food, and He is going to have to have water come out of a rock. He did it before. Why would we doubt it now?

And that's what I was saying last week in the sermon *I Believe*. **It's not enough to just believe; you have to be convicted.** You have to be convicted that you can smack that rock and water will come out if it's the will of Yahweh. And I believe with all my heart that it will happen. Not that it just can happen. I believe it will happen. You know why? Because it says it in **Isaiah 48:20 [should be 48:21]**. He says He's going to have water come out of the rock again for His people. Hosea 6 ... Hosea the 6th chapter. He says:

Hosea 6:1-2 *Come and let us return to YAHWEH. For He has torn, and He will heal us. He has struck us, and He will bind up. After two days He will bring us to life. In the third day He will raise us, and we shall live before Him.*

Comment: So, we know primarily this is a scripture talking about the resurrection. But it's also talking about the end time as we go on.

Hosea 6:3 *Then we shall know, we who follow on to know YAHWEH. His going forth is established as the dawn. And He will come to us as the rain, as the latter and the former rain to the earth.*

Comment: So, besides talking about the three days of resurrection of Yahshua, look what He says: *After two days He will bring us to life. In the third day He will raise us up.* And since the time of Yahshua ... When did Yahshua come to earth

according to Creation? The fourth day, or the fourth millennium. Because *a day to Yahweh is as a thousand years; a thousand years is as a day*. So, He came to earth on the fourth day, the day that Yahweh made the lights; and He's the light of the world, right? But then, after two more days, the fifth and sixth millennium, He comes to life. He raises us up. So, He came in the 4,000th year. After the 6,000th year, the resurrection comes.

I did a sermon many years ago on *Yahweh's 7,000-Year Plan*. It's very easy to prove from Scripture. There's no doubt about it. We have all the genealogies. It tells us all of the ages of everybody. And we can very clearly prove from Scripture that Yahweh has a 7,000-year plan. Six days for creation, seventh day for Sabbath; six days for man, seventh millennial for Yahweh's Kingdom to come. So, we see the same thing here.

Hosea 6:4-7 *O Ephraim, ... in verse four ... what shall I do to you? O Judah, what shall I do to you? For your goodness is like a morning cloud, and it goes away like the early dew. So I have hewn them by the prophets; I have slain them by the Words of My mouth; and your judgments have been as the light that goes forth. For I desired mercy, and not sacrifice; ... like we were saying before ... and the knowledge of Elohim more than burnt offerings. But, like Adam, they have transgressed the covenant; they have acted like traitors against Me.*

Comment: Purpose of man. Same purpose we have today is the same purpose Adam had. And like He's saying, *But, like Adam, they've transgressed the covenant. They acted like traitors against Me here.* Verse 10.

Hosea 6:10-11 *I have seen a horrible thing in the house of Israel: the fornication of Ephraim is there; Israel is defiled ... like we were saying before ... Also, O Judah, a harvest is appointed to you, when I return the captivity of My people.*

So again, Judah's not going to be left out. Yes, they're going to go through trial. But when Ephraim goes through their holocaust and Yahweh's ready to return them back to the Land, there's also a harvest for Judah. And that's why we see the two of them will work together in that day.

Ezekiel 2. But again, there's a great purification that has to come first. And that's why I do not believe we're at the point of Yahweh's wrath coming on the world. Because there's too many things that have to happen first. And the first thing that has to happen is Yahweh to purify His people. Ezekiel 2, starting in verse 1.

Ezekiel 2:1-3 *And He said to me, Son of man, stand on your feet, and I will speak to you. And the Spirit entered into me as He spoke to me, and He made me stand on my feet, and I heard Him speaking to me. And He said, Son of man, I am sending you to the sons of Israel, **to the nations**, the rebelling ones who have rebelled against Me. They and their fathers have transgressed against Me to this day.*

Comment: And I've said this in the sermon a few weeks ago. It's very interesting that Ezekiel is writing this in 573 BC. **He's writing this after the destruction of the Temple and Judah went into captivity. Ephraim, or the northern tribes, they went into captivity 150 years before this. And yet who is he writing to?** He's not writing to Judah here. He's writing to who? **To the sons of Israel, to the nations** ... to the nations. And that's why I believe it's end time. I believe if you look in the book of Ezekiel, about the first 12 chapters are all end time. You could clearly see it. And He says, *they transgressed against Me to this day.*

Ezekiel 2:4-6 *And the sons are stiff of face and hard and heart. I'm sending you to them. And you shall say to them, So says Adonai YAHWEH. And whether they will hear or whether they will forbear (they are a rebellious house), yea, they shall know that a prophet has been among them. And you, son of man, do not be afraid of them and their words. Do not be afraid, through [should be though] briars and thorns are with you, ...*

Comment: Remember, through thorns and thistles? The parable of the sower and the seed. Adam in the Garden, what did He say? Through thorns and thistles, you would have to by the sweat of your brow bear your food. And He says:

Ezekiel 2:6 *... though you are living among scorpions. Do not be afraid of their words, and do not be frightened by their faces, though they are a house of rebellion.*

So now, like I said, I'm 32 years in this movement with the sons of Israel. I don't know, except for myself, if I've ever heard somebody give a message that Ephraim needs repentance. What I hear is all messages against Judah ... some may be justified; some maybe not ... and just everything about how wonderful Ephraim is. And I wonder what book they're reading. Because all we see is that Yahweh is not happy with Ephraim; that they are rebellious; they are prideful. And this is Western society ... this is Western society today.

And this is where there has to be a repentance; that it's not going to be from our pride, and money, and resources that Ephraim is just going to proudly walk back here to Israel and think, "I'm going to take this land back." No, **there has to be a great repentance**. If we go to chapter 3 and verse 4.

Ezekiel 3:4-7 *And He said to me, Son of man, Go! Come to the house of Israel and speak with My Words to them. For you are not sent to a people of deep lip and difficult of language, but you are sent to the house of Israel; ... basically American speaking, English speaking peoples ... not to many peoples of deep lip and of difficult language, whose words you cannot hear. If I had sent you to them, they would have listened to you. But the house of Israel is not willing to listen to you, for they are not willing to listen to Me, for all the house of Israel are strong of forehead and hard of heart.*

Comment: Now the only place that the people fight against judicial order is Western society, in Babylon. That's the only place. Nowhere else. I can go all of Africa, Central and South America, all of Asia, anywhere else in the world, and you want to know something? Not only do the people accept judicial order 100%, they are so thankful. Because like our congregations in Africa, they were fighting before. They were splitting. Elders were leaving. As soon as they got in judicial order, everything is perfect. They're totally unified, and they're happy, and they understand because this is Yahweh's way. And what brings fighting, what brings division, what brings disunity is evil people with their evil human nature wanting to do it their own way.

But since we all have one Spirit, when we surrender to that Spirit, and we surrender to the leadership that Yahweh puts there for us in faith, and we believe what Yahweh is saying, and we all allow each other to grow in the gifts that we have, and we love each other the way the Bible says, what happens? You get a spirit of unity. And that's what He's saying. In Babylon you're not going to get that. You're going to have people that are going to fight you tooth and nail.

And He says don't be worried about them, though, because they're a rebellious house. Don't be afraid of them. And I'm not afraid of them. I don't have fear of it. It's a message Yahweh wants me to give, and it's a message I'll give. And whether they accept it, or whether they don't accept it, like He says, it doesn't make a difference. What matters is the message has to be given. He says:

Ezekiel 3:8-11 *Behold, I've made your face strong over against their faces, and your forehead strong over against their foreheads. I've made your forehead as an adamant harder than flint. Do not fear them, and do not be frightened by their faces, though they are a house of rebellion. And He said to me, Son of man, all My Words which I speak to you, receive into your heart, and hear with your ears. And go! Come to the exiles, to the sons of your people, and speak to them, and say to them, So says Adonai YAHWEH, whether they will hear, or whether they will forbear.*

Ezekiel 3:12-14 *And the Spirit lifted me up, and I heard behind me a sound of great tumult, saying, Blessed be the glory of YAHWEH from His place! And there was the sound of wings of the living creatures touching each to one another, and the sound of wheels going among them, and the sound of a great tumult. And the Spirit lifted me up and took me, and I went bitterly in the heat of my spirit, but the hand of YAHWEH was strong upon me.*

I was thinking of my trip going over to America. It almost sounds like he's taking up in the air, going on an airplane, and the wheels go in under the airplane, and you fly over there. I was kind of connecting that together here. Not a trip I really look forward to, whenever I go to Babylon, only because of the system there. I love seeing the brethren and different people. But because Babylon is such a defiled place, particularly now with just legalizing as a civil right homosexuality, it's not really something I look forward to. But praise Yahweh I'm only going to be there a few days, not very long.

But we see here, without a shadow of a doubt, there's a chastisement coming to all the house of Israel, to everybody. And how much you need to be chastised, really, is how much you're going to surrender to Yahweh with this. Because the chastisement, it's not necessarily a bad thing. Like I said, it's not a judgment. It's a purification. And some need to be purified more than others. If we go to Jeremiah 5, ... Jeremiah the 5th chapter ... Just reading 3 and 4 in our Torah study ... and I'll start in verse 20 ... Jeremiah 5 and verse 20. He says:

Jeremiah 5:20-23 *Declare this in the house of Jacob and cry it in Judah, saying, Now hear this, O foolish people, even you without heart, who have eyes and do not see, who have ears and do not hear. Do you not fear Me, declares YAHWEH? Will you not tremble before My face, that I have placed the sand as the limit for the sea by eternal decree, so that it cannot cross over? And though they toss themselves, yet they cannot prevail; though it's waves roar, yet they cannot cross over it. But to this people there is a revolting and a rebellious heart; they have turned and they are gone.*

Comment: And we see even in America, how many majority of people, not brethren but the people that live there, that are even denying that Yahweh is Creator. And He's saying, look, I put the sea there; I put the sand as the limit. The creation proves the Creator.

Jeremiah 5:24 *And they do not say in their heart, Let us fear YAHWEH our Elohim who gives us the former and the latter rain in its season; He keeps for us the appointed weeks of the harvest.*

Comment: So again, we see that you have to ask Yahweh for the latter rain if you're going to get it, but they don't even believe it's there.

Jeremiah 5:25-28 *Your iniquities have turned away these things, and your sins have withheld good from you. For among My people are found wicked ones. They lie in wait, as one who sets a snare. They set a trap, they catch men. Like a cage full of birds, so their houses are full of treachery. On account of this they have become great and grown rich. They have become fat; they shine. Yes, they pass over the deeds of the evil; they do not judge the cause of the orphan, that they may prosper. And they do not vindicate the right of the needy.*

Comment: No, it's money in Western society that has made them be not judging the sin the way they should be.

Jeremiah 5:29-31 *Shall I not visit for these things, declares YAHWEH? Shall not My soul be avenged on such a nation as this? There is an appalling and horrible thing that has happened in the land. The prophets prophesy falsely, and the priests bear rule by their hand; and My people love it so. And what will be the end of it?*

And as I'm reading that scripture, I'm thinking of all of these CDs they have out in the last year on the blood moons, on the shmita, on all this, and it's like it's a big game to these people. They don't realize that even if these things are true, they're showing that judgment is coming. Judgment is coming on this nation, on these people, because of their sin and their arrogance. And they sit there like it's a big joke, "and just buy the CDs." You know why? Because *the prophets prophesy falsely, and the priests bear rule by their hands; and the people love it so.* Because they're not telling the people they need to repent. They're not telling the people of their sins, that they need to change. They're basically giving them soft answers, and the people are loving it. But He says, *what will be the end of it?* What will be the end of it?

Haggai 1 ... Haggai 1 and verse 2. Because if we want to be part of the latter rain, if we want to be part of Yahweh's Spirit being poured out, we have to understand the times we're living in, and we have to ask for it. We have to surrender to it and ask for it. Haggai, the 1st chapter, starting in verse 2.

Haggai 1:2 *So speaks YAHWEH of Hosts, saying, This people says, The time has not come, the time to build the house of YAHWEH.*

Comment: That's what we hear continuously. Peter says it, *in the end times, there will be scoffers and mockers saying, where's the promise of His coming? Since the fathers fell asleep, things stayed the same.* So, people will be saying, "The time has not come." "No, no, no, we have more time." "We have 50 years." "We have 100 years." So, what are they doing

in the meantime? Even if we did have 50 or 100 years, what are they doing? Are they working on building the house of Yahweh? Are they working on making the congregation stronger? Are they making their lives stronger? No, look what Yahweh says:

Haggai 1:3-4 *And the Word of YAHWEH was by Haggai the prophet, saying, Is it time for you yourselves to live in your roofed houses, while My house lies in ruin?*

Comment: See, they're building their own life. Remember what we've been reading the last few weeks. *Unless you forsake everything, you can't be My disciple. He who tries to save his life will lose it; and he who loses his life for the Kingdom's sake will make it.* And this shouldn't just be in the end time. It shouldn't be a fear tactic because there's only a few years left before Yahshua returns.

This is something for 2,000 years that any disciple that goes under that water of baptism and accepts the shed blood of Yahshua for the forgiveness of his sins, the sacrifice that Yahshua did, the humiliation and beating and everything He went through in 33 years in His birth as a human, that every believer should be living for Him. It's our duty. **1st Corinthians 6:18 and 19**, right? **It's our duty.** Don't you know that you're slaves of Messiah? Don't you know you're bought with a price? So, that's what He's saying, *Is it time to live in your roofed houses, and My house lies in ruin?*

Haggai 1:5-6 *And now, so says YAHWEH of Hosts: Set your heart on your ways! You have sown much, and you bring in little; you eat, and you're not satisfied; you drink, but you're not filled; you dress, but there's no warmth. Yea, one earning wages, earns his wage to put it in a bag with holes.*

Comment: So even in Babylon, I hear it all the time. "How can we leave? We have no money. I'm going to leave in two years, as soon as I save enough money." Two years later, the person is more in debt than they were the two years before that. This is Babylon. People work, work, work, and they put it in a bag with holes. There's nothing to prove from it. And then five years, 10 years, 15 years later, you know what? They're still in Babylon. They still bore no fruit. They still have no money. And they're still saying the same thing. Only 15 years of their life have gone by with nothing to prove to Yahweh. Is it time? Is it time to live in our paneled houses, while Yahweh's house lies in ruins?

Haggai 1:7-8 *So says YAHWEH of Hosts: Set it on your heart on your ways. Go up the mountain and bring wood and build this house. And I will be pleased with it, and I will be glorified, says YAHWEH.*

Comment: And this is the message today. The latter rain has started. It's going to start real small, and it will continue until Yahshua returns. But it's here if we accept it. Do you want to be part of it? If you want to be part of it, you know what? Then go up that mountain and start grabbing wood. Start getting some nails. Start putting it together. **Start dedicating yourself to building the house of Yahweh.**

Because He's not talking about a physical temple. What did Yahshua say? *I will destroy this sanctuary and rebuild it in three days.* And they said "It took 46 years to build this." But they didn't realize He's talking about the temple of His body, the sanctuary of His body. **And all of us as baptized believers are part of that sanctuary.** We're all part of the sanctuary. So, it's not about running to the hills and hiding yourself until Yahshua returns. It's about getting some wood and building the house of Yahweh. That's what He's telling us to do. And Yahweh says, He'll be pleased with it, and He'll be glorified.

Haggai 1:9 *You looked for much, and, you behold, little! When you brought it home, then I blew on it. Why? Because My house is in ruins, and each man runs to his own house.*

Comment: Why are they not prospering in Babylon? He's telling us right here. Because nobody's looking to build the house of Yahweh. They're all looking to build their little kingdoms, and they all have time frames. "In another year ... another year ... another year ... another year ... another year." And I'm telling you, it's the normalcy bias. But year is going into year, and we're running out of years. We're running out of months, never mind years. And the time has come to build the house of Yahweh.

So, now, either people are going to get involved, or they're going to go by the wayside. You want to keep building your paneled house? You know what's going to happen? There's a hurricane coming that is going to knock that house down, and there'll be nothing left of it. So, you decide this day forward. Do you want to build the house of Yahweh? Or you want to build your own kingdom?

Haggai 1:10-11 *On account of this, the heavens above you have held back the dew, and the earth is held back from her produce. And I called for a drought in the land, and on the mountains, and on the grain, and the new wine, and the oil, on which the ground produces, and on man, and on livestock, and on labor of your hands.*

Comment: Remember when we read in Joel? What did Yahweh say? He said, when the latter rain comes, I'm going to pour out these things. And here Yahweh's saying, you know why I held it back? Because you're building your paneled houses, and My house lies in ruins. But if you go and get some wood, if you start working for Me, I will pour out the heavens and I'll give you the grain, the oil, and the wine.

Haggai 1:12 *Then Zerubbabel, the son of Shealtiel ... Very interesting. The word Zerubbabel means 'born in Babylon' ... and Joshua, the son of Jehozadak, the high priest, **and all of the remnant**, obeyed the voice of YAHWEH their Elohim, and the words of Haggai the prophet, and YAHWEH their Elohim had sent them. And the people feared before YAHWEH.*

Comment: And I've always believed that Zerubbabel and Joshua are a type of the two witnesses. And what I find very exciting about this, **it's not only Joshua and Zerubbabel that are empowered with the Holy Spirit, but it's the whole remnant that obeys** ... the remnant that obeys. And like I said, as time goes on, I know every week, every month, every year, more and more people will be writing and saying, "We're seeing more power of the Holy Spirit." More people are feeling it. I just got an email yesterday from Africa. They said, "You can't believe what's going on down here."

And I know the other ones that are living for themselves, it'll be the opposite. They'll call me a liar. They'll say nothing's happening. This is it. This is where the rubber hits the road, like we say. You can either be part of it, but Yahweh Spirit is moving, or you're going to be left behind.

Haggai 1:13-14a *And Haggai, the messenger of YAHWEH, spoke the message of YAHWEH to the people, saying, **I am with you, says YAHWEH** ... This is the message I'm giving you: *I am with you, says Yahweh ... And YAHWEH stirred up the spirit of Zerubbabel, the son of Shealtiel, governor of Judah, and the spirit of Joshua, the son of Jehozadak, the high priest, **and the spirit of all the remnant of the people.****

Comment: Are you getting in the latter rain? He didn't give them the Spirit; He stirred it up. We already have it ... **we already have it.** We don't need more of the Spirit. There's one Spirit. You know what you need? **You need to stir up that Spirit. You need to use it. You need to surrender to it. You need to yield to it.**

Haggai 1:14b *And they came and worked on the house of YAHWEH of Hosts, their Elohim,*

This is where we're at. We're reading prophecy come before our eyes. This is where we're at. Are you willing to work for the house of Yahweh? Or are you going to work for your own house? Like Yahweh says, why did He hold it back? Because *My house lays in ruin, and each goes to their own house.* So, what an exciting time to live in, a time where Yahweh is doing this not only, like I said, to Zerubbabel and Joshua but to all the remnant at that time.

1st Peter 4 ... 1st Peter 4. Somebody said to me recently, they said, "Don, did you notice that there's a lot of trials it seems with brethren lately, more than normal." I said, "Yeah, but don't worry about that." Like I said, trials are not judgment; **trials are purification.** You have to reframe it. It's how you look at it. Now if there's a reason for your trial, if you're sinning, if you're causing it yourself, if you're making bad decisions, if you're reaping what you're sowing, that's something else. We always have to question ourselves. But most of the time when we go through trials it's because Yahweh loves us and He's purifying us. I'm going to start here in 1st Peter 4 and verse 1.

1 Peter 4:1-4 *Therefore, Messiah having suffered for us in the flesh, also you arm yourselves with the same thought, because he having suffered in the flesh has been made to rest from sin, for him no longer to live in the lusts of men, but to live the remaining time in the flesh in the will of Elohim. For the time of life having passed is sufficient for us to have worked out the will of the pagans, having gone in wantonness, lusts, drunkenness, parties, indecent singing, lawless idolatries; in which they are surprised that you do not indulge with them in past excesses and they blaspheme against you;*

Comment: You see that today, right? They want you to do the same things that they're doing that you used to do, and now you won't do them anymore. And they want to judge you bad for it because of it.

1 Peter 4:5-6 *who will give account to Elohim, who is to judge the living and the dead. For to this end also the good news was preached to the dead, that they might be judged according to men in the flesh, but live according to Elohim in the Spirit.*

Comment: Of course, it was preached to them while they were alive, not while they're dead. And what he's saying is now that they're dead, there's only judgment waiting them.

1 Peter 4:7-10 *But the end of all things has drawn near ... **but the end of all things has drawn near** ... Be of sound mind then, and be mindful of prayers; and above all things having fervent love to yourselves, "Because love will cover a multitude of sins." Be hospitable to strangers without murmuring, so let each one of you according to the gift he received from Elohim, minister the same to your fellowman as good stewards and of manifold grace of Elohim.*

1 Peter 4:11-13 *If any man preach, let him preach the word of YAHWEH; if he ministers, let him do according to the ability that YAHWEH has given him in all things that you may do, YAHWEH may be glorified through Yahshua Messiah; to whom belongs glory and honor forever and ever. Amen. Beloved, do not be astonished at the fiery trial happening among you for your testing, as if it was a surprise happening to you; but **rejoice**, ... Rejoice at this. Why? ... **that you participate in the sufferings of the Messiah, so that you may also rejoice and exult at the revelation of His glory.***

Comment: Baptism of fire. We have to go through it. So, like I said, yes, right now the next phase that's going to happen, it's not going to be the destruction of this or the destruction of this. The next phase is going to be *judgment starts in the house of Yahweh*. And there is going to be many trials we're going to go through, but it's not because Yahweh is judging us. It's because He has to get us ready for the time that's coming.

And we are literally, like Paul said, he was fulfilling, adding, to the suffering of the Messiah, as he said in one scripture. And you think, how could he add to Yahshua's suffering? But this is what he's trying to say here, that **if we suffer with Him and we allow Him to purify us, then we may be glorified together. But there's things in each of our lives that we have to get rid of in order for this latter rain to come and for Yahweh's Spirit to fill us the way He wants it to.**

1 Peter 4:14-15 *If you are reviled in the name of Messiah, you are blessed, because "The glorious Spirit of Elohim rests upon you." For do not let any of you suffer as a murderer, or a thief, or an evildoer, or a meddler in others' affairs.*

Comment: So, like I said, if you're going through trials because you're sinning, you're reaping what you're sowing. Don't think any great thing is happening.

1 Peter 4:16-17 *But if you suffer as a Christian, do not let him be ashamed, but to glorify Elohim in this respect. Because the time has come that judgment must begin with the house of YAHWEH; and if it first begins with us, what will be the end of the ones disobeying the good news of Elohim?*

Comment: See, by the time the Day of Yahweh comes, it's not a purification. It's not a judgment in love. The Day of Yahweh is coming to wipe out every enemy. But now He's coming to purify us in love. He's gently trying to chastise us to get closer to Him and get our life together. And that's what he's saying, *judgment starts with the house of Yahweh*. This is what's coming now. This is what's next. *But if it begins with us, what will be the end of the ones disobeying?* We know what the end is.

1 Peter 4:18-19 *And “if the righteous is scarcely saved, where will the wicked and the sinner appear?” Wherefore, let us who suffer according to the will of YAHWEH, commit your souls to Him in well doing, as [to] a faithful Creator.*

And this is where the faith comes in. This is where not only the belief, but the trust, the conviction. That we have to know when we're going to go through some things now in this next short period of time, ... I don't know if it's one year, two year, five year; only Yahweh knows the time ... But as we go through these things now, we have to be able to learn and grow from it. We can't let it make us fall apart, because then we had no faith to begin with. Like I said, if you can't get through one year, or two years, or five years, or whatever, how on earth would you ever get through eternity? Everything in life is a test, and Yahweh will be testing us.

He will be testing us, and we should look forward to that because it's something that He is going to be there to get us through every trial. You're not going to go through the trials alone. He will be there. And we have a High Priest that went through every temptation we do. So, as you go through these trials what He's going to teach you is put it to Him. Stand back and see the salvation of Yahweh, and you be still. Stop fighting it yourself. Give it up to Him. That's what faith is, and that's the lesson He'll be teaching us. Hebrews 12 ... Hebrews 12. He says:

Hebrews 12:1 *So therefore, we also, having such a great cloud of witnesses lying around us, having laid aside every weight and the sin which does so easily beset us, **through patience** let us also run the race set before us,*

Comment: So, again, patience. **We have to have patience. And He's going to teach us patience through the things we're going to suffer for.**

Hebrews 12:2-3 *looking to the Author and perfecter of our faith, Yahshua, who for the joy set before Him endured the torture stake, despising the shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of YAHWEH ... Praise Yahweh ... Consider, therefore, how much He suffered from those sinners, for those were adversaries to their own soul, so that you do not become weary, fainting in your souls.*

Comment: Like I said, let the trial encourage you. **Let the trials that are going to come, let them build your faith, not discourage it.**

Hebrews 12:4 *You did not yet resist unto blood, striving against sin.*

Comment: That's the other thing. **We have to get any form of sin out of our life.** This is a time that Yahweh is going to sanctify His people from the world and from sin and get us ready for His Kingdom.

Hebrews 12:5-7 *And you have forgotten the exhortation which He speaks with you, as with sons, “My sons, do not despise the chastising of YAHWEH, nor faint while being corrected by Him. For whom YAHWEH loves, He chastises, and He disciplines every son with whom He is well pleased.” If you endure discipline, YAHWEH is dealing with you as sons; ... or children ... for who is the son whom a father does not discipline?*

Hebrews 12:8-10 *But if you are without discipline, of which you have become sharers, then you are strangers, and not sons. Furthermore, indeed we have had fathers of our flesh as correctors, and we respected them. Shall we not much more be subject to the Father of spirits, and shall live? For truly they ... our earthly fathers ... disciplined us for a few days according to the thing seeming good to them; but He ... Yahweh ... for our profit, in order for us to partake of His holiness.*

Comment: So again, without holiness you won't see Yahweh. We are going to have to clothe ourselves with holiness, sanctification; and the only way to do that is He has to teach us through these trials.

Hebrews 12:11 *And all discipline for the present indeed does not seem to be joyous, but grievous; but afterward it gives back peaceable fruit of righteousness to the ones having been exercised for it.*

Comment: Right? I don't think Job was that happy as he is going through and losing everything, but afterward, wow, he was very happy.

Hebrews 12:12-15 *Because of this, "straighten the hands" hanging alongside, "and the enfeebled knees;" "and make straight tracks for your feet," that the member which is lame may not suffer, but rather be healed ... And like I said, I do believe there will be a lot of healings coming ... Eagerly pursue peace and holiness with all, without which no one will see YAHWEH. Watch diligently that not any lack from the grace of YAHWEH, that "no root of bitterness growing up" may crowd "in on you," and through this many are defiled;*

Comment: Where does root of bitterness come from? Pride, envy, self-ways.

Hebrews 12:16-17 *That not any fornicator, or profane one, ... also careless or profane ... as Esau, who for one meal gave up his birthright; for you know also that afterwards desiring to inherit the blessing, he was rejected, for he found no place of repentance, although seeking it with tears.*

And like I said last week in that sermon on faith, if somebody offered us 2 million dollars, the neighbor, for two hours to go there and rake their garden, if we're honest, ever one of us would do it. Because we know what that could change in people's lives, how we could help people, maybe build 100 kibbutzes somewhere, right? And yet what Yahweh is offering us now, to work for Him in these short, tiny, little bit of time of eternity ... And whether that means two years, five years, 10 years, 12 years, 15, it makes no difference. It's the tiniest point of time ... that if you work now, He says I will reward you forever.

If we don't do it, if we walk away from this and either don't listen to it or whatever, or even worse, say what a great message it is and then don't do it, we're no different than Esau. We're doing exactly what Esau did. We're being careless with our birthright. That Yahweh ... Like we just said, right? You are one in 5 million people in this world! And Yahweh didn't do that to pat you on the shoulder and say, "What a great person you are!" He didn't say, "Don, I called you because you look so nice, and you're just a great person and a good speaker."

No, He called me to bear fruit for His Kingdom, and I'm accountable. And if I don't bear that fruit—parable of the talents. We read it last week—I am going to have to suffer for that. Now like I said, He's giving His remnants one last chance, because we're moving forward to that time. The fact that there's years left for other things has no difference. There may not be years left for us. This is the time now to change our life. This is the time now to dedicate for what? Yahweh. This is the time to build the house of Yahweh and not be only building our own life.

So, like I said, it's a choice you have to make. Do you want to be like Esau, a profane, careless one, who for one meal gave up his birthright? *Many will be in that day saying, "Master, Master," I'll say I never knew you. There'll be weeping and gnashing of teeth.* Because right now the normalcy bias is we think this is all normal. And that's why people say, "Oh, no, it'll never happen." "Oh, they've been saying this forever." As if every empire hasn't fallen, which it has. "But America can never fall." Why? Normalcy bias.

It will happen. And there will come a day, and it's up to Yahweh when that day is, but Babylon will fall. The beast power will rise. The two witnesses will come on the scene. Yahshua's feet will go on the Mount of Olives, and His Kingdom will be here for 1,000 years during the Millennium, and then world without end. It'll happen. It'll certainly happen because everything is on a time frame. And Yahshua came exactly at the right time. When the time was fulfilled, Yahshua came. So, we're not looking for that. We're not looking for promises that Elohim, the Creator, is going to come to the earth in a human body, and we're all mindlessly thinking of this false thing. No, it already happened! It already happened!

And just two weeks ago we were blessed to look and see the same star that happened the night that He was born. If that's not enough to show us, what more do we want? What more do we want? We've seen about every sign Yahweh can ever show to say, "Wake up!" Wake up.

It's like the old story. The guy is ... the flood is coming, and they're telling him to leave his house, and he's saying, "Oh, no, no, I have faith." So, all of a sudden, the flood starts coming, and they're coming, "Joe, leave the house." "No, no, no, I have faith." And then it gets up to the third level, and they come with a boat. "Joe, Joe, come in the boat." "No, no, no, I have faith." Then the next day it gets higher level. They come in another boat. "Joe!" "No, no, no, I have faith." Then he's up on the antenna, and they're like "Joe! Joe, here's a helicopter." "No, no, no, I have faith." Then the house gets drowned. Joe dies. It's the resurrection. And he's wondering, he says, "Yahweh, what are you doing? I trusted in you! Why didn't you help me?" He says, "Joe, I sent you two lifeboats and a helicopter." Yahweh is showing us—He's showing us!

The star of Bethlehem that hasn't happened in 2,000 years just happened two weeks ago. That's only one thing. We can sit here all day and just talk about all the signs that ... The Tabernacle of David. It's been buried for 3,000 years. It's not buried anymore. And the Bible says, when this is dug up, the Messiah appears. What more do we need to see?

Because if Yahshua came tomorrow, we would be in trouble because we're not ready yet. That's what this is about. The latter rain is only beginning. It's only beginning, and it's not going to be a fun time if we don't surrender and allow it in our life. We have to go through this purification—every one of us! It's not about, "Oh, ho, ho, I'm glad I'm not in Babylon." They may go through worse, but every one of us has to be purified. And we have to get that mindset for it. We have to have patience, and we have to be ready for it.

Revelation 6 ... Revelation 6. I gave a message not that long ago, Is the Fifth Seal Been Opened? [should be *Is the 5th Seal of Revelation Opening?*] Revelation 6 and verse 9.

Revelation 6:9-11 *And when He opened the fifth seal, I saw under the altar the souls of those having been slain for the Word of YAHWEH, and for the witness which they had. And they cried with a great voice, saying, Until when, holy and true Master YAHWEH, do You not judge and take vengeance for our blood, on those dwelling on the earth? And there was given to each one a white robe. And it was said to them that they should rest a little while, until might be fulfilled also the number of their fellow-servants and their brethren, those about to be killed, even as they were.*

That's not a punishment. These are the martyrs of Yahshua. They're being glorified that they're allowed to give their life the way Yahshua gave His life. This is a great blessing. These people are going to get a reward like you can't imagine, and it could be some of us. It could be some of us. It's already happening. Who would have a couple of years ago, who would have ... even two years ago, if I was sitting here saying the time is going to come where they're going to start chopping off heads, "Ah, come on ... come on." And here we are. In a year what's going on—unbelievable—to believers ... to believers! And it's only the beginning. *Judgment starts at the house of Yahweh.* We can't fear it ... can't fear it. You have to embrace it! And like I said, *through patience you are to possess your soul ... through your patience you possess your soul.* Zechariah 10 and verse 1. He says:

Zechariah 10:1 *Ask from YAHWEH in the time of the latter rain. YAHWEH will make thunderbolts and give them showers of rain, grass to each man in the field.*

Comment: So, remember, the Bible talks about the early rain and the latter rain. And the early rain isn't heavy rain. It's just enough rain that that seed has to germinate. And without the early rain there's nothing there; the seed just lies on the ground. And then you get rain. The Bible really doesn't talk about the rainy season, ... maybe a little bit here and there, but not much ... where real rain comes. Like here, where you can have 28 days out of 30 days of rain—heavy rain. But the latter rain isn't. It's not a pouring out, but it's enough rain to make the fruit come to fruition.

So, here we are. We're in the time of the latter rain, which means we're not planting seeds in our life. That should have been done a long time ago. We're already a sprout up here. What we need is, we just need enough of that rain to come on us to bring it to fruition. And that's what he's talking about. But you have to ask from Yahweh. And he says, if you ask, He'll bring thunderbolts. He'll give it to us if we ask. Verse 6.

Zechariah 10:6-9 *And I will make stronger the house of Judah, and I will save the house of Joseph. And I will return to save them, for I will have pity on them. And they shall be as though I have not cast them off, for I am YAHWEH their Elohim, and*

I will answer them. And Ephraim will be like a mighty one, and their heart shall be glad as the wine ... Right? Happiness. It's showing it ... And their sons shall see and be glad; their heart shall rejoice in YAHWEH. I will whistle for them and gather them, for I have redeemed them. And they shall be many as were many. And I will sow them among the people, and they shall remember Me in their far countries, and they shall live with their sons and return.

So, here it is. It's a great time. It's something great that's happening. Like we were reading in the Torah study, it's a time of redemption. It's a time of calling back. We just have to not put the cart before the horse. There has to be repentance first. There has to be a sanctification of our life. There has to be a full dedication to Yahweh. And then He's going to do things that we would have never imagined to do. Like He talks about in Habakkuk, *I will show you a work in your day that you would not believe it if I told you so.* And here we are ... here we are! Luke 11 and verse 9. Like I said, every day we should be asking Him for this in our life, every day! Luke 11 and verse 9.

Luke 11:9-13 *And I say to you, Ask, and it will be given; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened. For everyone asking receives, and the one seeking finds, and to the one knocking, it will be opened. And who among you if he is a father, if his son asks for bread, he will give him a stone? And if he asks for a fish, he will give him a snake instead of a fish? And if you should ask an egg, he will give him a scorpion? And if you who are evil, know to give good gifts to your children, how much more your Father in Heaven will give the Holy Spirit to those who ask Him.*

Just like we were saying in Hebrews 17 [should be **Hebrews 12**], when our earthly fathers corrected us, they didn't even know what they were doing. And yet they were doing it out of love, and it bore fruit. And here it is Yahweh, though, He knows what He's doing ... He knows what He's doing. And **we need to be asking Him all the time. We need to be surrendering in a way we never did before. We need to ask everything. We need to make Him a part of every part of our life. We need to talk to Him daily. He has to be so real to us and part of our life!** This is what it is. It has to be not just belief but conviction, like we were saying. Ezekiel 20 and verse 33 ... Ezekiel 20 and verse 33.

Ezekiel 20:33-36 *As I live, says Adonai YAHWEH, Surely with a mighty hand, and with outstretched arm, and with fury poured out, I will reign over you. And I will bring you out from the people and gather you from the lands in which you were scattered among them with a mighty hand and outstretched arm, and with fury poured out. And I will bring you into the wilderness of the people, and I will be judging with you there face to face. Just as I was judging your fathers in the wilderness of the land of Egypt, so I will be judging you, declares Adonai YAHWEH.*

Comment: And like I said, we've been in that wilderness. We've seen it. And this is what He's saying. Now He's bringing us back to the wilderness, where it all started, where it will end.

Ezekiel 20:37 *And I will cause you to pass under the rod, and I will bring you into the bond of the covenant.*

Comment: Just like sheep. To pass under the rod means He counts every one. Each of us belong to Him, and He loves us, and He's looking for us.

Ezekiel 20:38 *And I will purge from among you the rebels and the transgressors against Me. And I will bring them out of the land where they reside, but they will not enter into the land of Israel. And you will know that I am YAHWEH.*

Comment: There may be some people getting out of Babylon, but they aren't getting to the Promised Land. Not unless there's a big change, right? There better be a change of heart.

Ezekiel 20:39-41 *And you, O house of Israel, so says Adonai YAHWEH: Every man go, serve his idols, even hereafter, if you will not listen to Me. But you will still not profane My holy name with your gifts and your idols. For in My holy mountain is the mountain height of Israel, declares Adonai YAHWEH, all the house of Israel shall serve Me there, all of them in the land. There I will accept them, and there I will seek your heave offering and the first-fruits of your offerings, and all your holy offerings. I will accept you with a soothing aroma when I bring you from the people and gather you from the lands where you have been scattered in them. And I will be sanctified among you in the eyes of the nations.*

Ezekiel 20:42-44 *And you shall know that I am YAHWEH when I bring you into the land of Israel, to the land for which I lifted up My hand to give it to your fathers. And you will remember there your ways and all the evils which you have been defiled in them. And you will hate yourselves to your faces for all the evil which you have done. And you will know that I am YAHWEH when I have worked with you for My name's sake, and not by your evil ways, nor by your evil doings, O house of Israel, declares Adonai YAHWEH.*

That's what repentance is. It's understanding our nature, and it's understanding Yahweh's mercy that He even still works with us! But it's not by our goodness that He's doing this. Yahweh will purify His people. Like we said, **Jeremiah 3**, right? *Two from a family, one from a city.* It's a remnant that returns. But it will only happen if there's a spirit of unity. **There has to be a spirit of unity.** It has to be in your families. It has to be in the congregation. There has to be that spirit of unity that's there. Psalm 133 ... Psalm 133.

Psalm 133:1-3 *Behold! How good and how pleasant it is, for brethren living together, in unity. It is like the precious oil on the head that ran down on the beard, Aaron's beard, going down to the mouth of his garments; like the dew of Hermon coming down on the mountains of Zion; for there YAHWEH commanded the blessing: life forevermore.*

Isn't it interesting that He equates unity with the oil flowing down. What is the oil? The Holy Spirit. So, it's the pouring out of the Holy Spirit is equated with unity. That's one of the things that had me very excited. Because in my mind, I wasn't planning on kibbutz life for unity, like I said. I don't even know if I was planning on kibbutz life. Going to Africa, the only thing in my mind was, wow, we have people that are in bad shape here. We have to get them somewhere.

But seeing what's starting to go on in the congregations worldwide, that people want to live in common now, that people are willing to sacrifice everything they have; that in a place like South Sudan and Ethiopia that they have nothing, somehow 20 cows appear that they donate; and they're farming and they're working together and they're surrendering their spirits; it's like, wow, this is something. This is exciting. It's like it says here, *how good and how pleasant it is for brethren living together in unity.* **Unity can only come, though, if you're going to surrender your will to Yahweh's will.**

And like I said, I don't see it in other congregations out there. I see them splintering. I see them breaking up. I see break, break, break. And we went through our trials. We went through our troubles. But I know back then, when we did, people were telling me how I was going to be judged, our congregation was going to fall apart. And here we are, six years later. This congregation has been blessed beyond measure like you can never imagine, and what Yahweh has done. Because it's His congregation; it's not mine. But it can only come if there's unity, and there can only be unity if there's judicial order.

I don't know any other congregation in the world that has unity of doctrine like Congregation of Yahweh Jerusalem does. No other congregation. You go to places and you talk to 10 people, they all believe something different. And if you don't have unity of doctrine, you're not going to have unity. And we will never have the latter rain coming if we don't have unity. It's based on unity. But again, it takes a surrendering. It doesn't just happen.

People walk in that door all the time, whether it's Feasts, whether they're coming to visit us, and they say, "I can't believe it. I've never seen a group like this." I can tell you it didn't just happen. It was a lot of hard work. And we've had our struggles through it, but we all have learned, we humbled ourselves, we surrendered to each other. And there has to be a lot more of it coming though. There has to be a lot more of it coming.

Romans 15 ... Romans 15 and verse 1. The latter rain will only come if there's unity, and unity will only come if we surrender all things to Yahweh. He says:

Romans 15:1-7 *But we, the strong ones, ought to bear the weakness of those not strong, and not please ourselves. Let each one of us please his neighbor for good, for building up. For also Messiah did not please Himself, but even as it has been written, "The curse of those cursing You fell on Me." For whatever things were written before were written for our instruction, that through patience and encouragement of the Scriptures we might have hope. And may the Elohim of patience and encouragement give you to mind the same thing among one another according to Yahshua Messiah, that*

with one accord and with one mouth you may glorify the Elohim and Father of our Master Yahshua Messiah. Because of this, be friendly, and bear one another's burdens as Messiah also brought us close to the glory of Elohim.

So again, the unity of the Spirit. Corinthians 1 and verse 10 ... Corinthians 1 and verse 10. He says:

1 Corinthians 1:10 *Now I beseech you, brothers, through the name of our Master Yahshua Messiah that you all say the same thing, and there be no divisions among you, but you be united in the same mind and in the same judgment.*

It takes humility. And that's the main thing why this is not happening in Babylon. It's simply pride. It's pride. It's that Laodicean spirit of these people thinking they're so smart, and "I'll never follow a man," and "I'll do this." It's the opposite of anything we see in Scripture. You don't see that. But now we see if Yahweh's Spirit is going to be poured out, there has to be a spirit of unity ... there has to be that spirit of unity. Philippians 1 and verse 27.

Philippians 1:27 *Only behave yourself worthily of the good news of Messiah, so that whether coming and seeing you or whether I am far away, I may hear of your good conduct, that you stand fast in one spirit and one soul, triumphing together in the faith of the good news,*

One spirit, one soul, one doctrine, one faith, one Messiah Yahshua, one Father of all. Right? We just have to believe it. Praise Yahweh, like I said, you go around the world, you go to our congregations, and whether you talk to an elder or you talk to a person, you go to another area, you'll see everybody's preaching the same thing. Twenty-two lessons. They're learning them, and they know it, and they teach it. Philippians 2. He says:

Philippians 2:1-4 *So then, if there is any comfort in Messiah, if any consolation of love, if any fellowship of the Spirit, if any mercies and compassions, complete my joy, by being in one accord, and one love, and one soul, and one mind. Doing nothing according to strife or self-glory, but in humility, let each regard his neighbor better than himself; let no one be mindful only of his things, but let each of you also be mindful of the things of his neighbor.*

It comes down to surrendering. Our human nature, you don't have to work to get your human nature working. It just happens. Wake up every day, and your human nature is going to go. You have to work to get this Spirit. You have to fight that human nature and surrender to the Spirit of Yahweh, and this will happen. It not only will happen, it is happening. Acts 2 and verse 44 ... Acts 2 and verse 44.

Acts 2:44-47 *And all the believers were echad ... united ... and had all things common. And they sold possessions and goods and distributed them to all, according as anyone had need. And continuing steadfastly with one mind day by day in the sanctuary, and breaking bread ... eating ... from house to house, they shared food in gladness and simplicity of heart, ... Is that a big one! ... and they were praising YAHWEH while finding favor before all people. And every day our Master would add to those who lived among the congregation.*

When we come together as a people, shouldn't just be nonsense talking, but we should be praising Yahweh every time we're together. We should be singing songs, reading scripture. Like I said, saturate your mind with the Word of Yahweh. Mind is like a computer. What you put in is what's going to come out. And sometimes when you're working you can't do that, right? Unless you try to do it in your mind, but if the elements around you, might not be able. But when we're together as a group we should be able to do it.

While we're eating together, talking together, worshipping, everything should be praising Yahweh, singing songs, reading Scripture, talking about things. This is the way this unity comes. We have to get it. Should be praising Yahweh, reading Scripture, focused on one mind. And that mind is the mind of Yahweh, mind of Messiah, toward His Kingdom, toward His plan, serving one another, helping each other, what it is. Galatians 5 and verse 24. But for this to happen:

Galatians 5:24 *But the ones belonging to Messiah crucified the flesh with its passions and lusts. Let us therefore live by the Spirit, and surrender to the Spirit. Let us not be of vain glory, that ridicules one another, and envies one another.*

So, again, gossip, smart talking. It's all nonsense. It's all of the devil. Our conversations should be pure. We should always be encouraging, edifying, building up. And again, as you get more and more people with the Holy Spirit and we're all yielding to the Spirit, that's where the latter rain is coming. It's not a personal thing in your life for you to say, "Wow, I feel more Spirit than this guy." No, this is something that is coming on the remnant, on the congregation. And each of us that surrender to it, each of it builds up. And like he said here, the ones that seem to be weaker, then we need to build them up—in humility, of course. Revelation 3 and verse 7 ... Revelation 3 and verse 7.

Revelation 3:7-8 *To the messenger of the congregation of Philadelphia, write: These things says the Holy One, the True One, "The One having the key of David, the One opening, and no one shuts; and shuts, and no one opens:" I know your works. Behold, I have given you a door being opened before you, and no one is able to shut it, for you have a little strength and have kept My Word, and have not denied My name.*

Revelation 3:9-10 *Behold, I give out of the synagogue of Satan those saying themselves to be Jews, and they are not, but they lie. Behold, I will make them come and bow down before your feet, and they shall know that I loved you. Because you have kept the Word of My patience, ... Again, how many times have we seen that word patience? ... I will also keep you out of the hour of trial coming upon the world in order to try those dwelling on the earth.*

Comment: Are we going to go through purification now? You better believe it. Will we go through Yahweh's wrath? Absolutely not; not unless you don't be purified. Because if you don't take the purification now, you may go through that wrath later. But it's not His will that we go through that wrath. It's His will that in love we're purified now that we don't have to go through. Look what He says: He's going to keep us from that hour of trial coming on all the earth.

Revelation 3:11-13 *Behold, I'm coming quickly. Hold what you have that no one take your crown. The one overcoming, I will make a pillar in the sanctuary of My Elohim, and he shall not go out any more. And I will write the name of My Elohim on him, and the name of the city of My Elohim, the New Jerusalem which comes down out of Heaven from My Elohim, and My new name. The one who has an ear, hear what the Spirit says to the congregations.*

So, here it is. We have to overcome. We have to endure. Now is not that wrath of Yahweh; now is the purification of His people. Haggai 2 ... Haggai the 2nd chapter. We read chapter 1 before. Now we read chapter 2.

Haggai 2:1-3 *In the seventh month, on the twenty-first of the month, the Word of YAHWEH was by Haggai the prophet, saying, ... When is this? This the last day of Sukkot, the 21st of the seventh month ... Now speak to Zerubbabel, the son of Shealtiel, the governor of Judah, and to Joshua, the son of Jehozadak, the high priest, **and to the remnant of the people,** ... So, like we said before, it's not just Joshua and Zerubbabel, but it's also the remnant ... *Who is left among you who saw this house in her former glory? And how do you see it now when compared to it? It is nothing in your eyes.**

Comment: Think about it. When the early rain came, when Yahshua started the congregation, ... We could read the book of Acts ... look at those miracles that happened. Look at the amazing things. Where's the Peter, Apostle Peter? Where's the Apostle Paul? Where's Jacob the Less? Where are these people? They're not here. *Who among you saw the house in her former glory? And how do you see it now? Is it nothing compared in your eyes?* Maybe that's a thing of humility, the fact that now I can't even compare what we're living in in this congregation to that. But maybe it's just a sign of humility. But look what Yahweh says:

Haggai 2:4-5 *Yet now be strong, O Zerubbabel, says YAHWEH. And be strong, Joshua, son of Jehozadak, the high priest. And be strong and work, all people of the land, says YAHWEH. For I am with you, ... And that's all that matters, that Yahweh is with us ... with the Word by whom I covenanted with you when you came out of Egypt, so My Spirit stands among you; do not fear.*

Haggai 2:6-9 *So says YAHWEH of Hosts: Yet once, it is a little, and I will shake the heavens and the earth and the sea and the dry land. And I will shake the nations; and the desire of the nations will come. And I will fill this house with glory, says YAHWEH of Hosts ... The fulfillment of the latter rain ... *The silver is Mine, and the gold is Mine, says YAHWEH. **The glory of****

this latter house shall be greater than that of the former, says YAHWEH of Hosts. And in this place I will give peace, says YAHWEH of Hosts.

Comment; Wow! Can you imagine what He's promising us here? We're looking out there and we're seeing the reality of it. We don't even compare to what it was 2,000 years ago. And He's saying: *Don't worry, because it's My glory. And I will make the glory of the latter house **greater** than the glory of the former house.*

Haggai 2:10-13 *In the twenty-fourth of the ninth month, in the second year of Darius, the Word of YAHWEH came to Haggai the prophet, So says YAHWEH of Hosts: Now ask the priests the Torah, saying, Behold, one bears holy flesh in the wing of his garment, and touches his wing to the bread, or boiled food, or wine, or oil, or any food, ... Again, the grain, the wine, and the oil ... will it become holy? And the priest says, No ... So, again, if you have something holy you have and you touch something profane, does that holiness make the profane holy? No ... And Haggai says, If the unclean of body touches these, will it be unclean? And the priests answered and said, It is unclean.*

Comment: So, if you take something holy and touch the profane, the holy becomes unclean.

Haggai 2:14 *And Haggai answered and said, So is this people, and so is this nation before Me, declares YAHWEH. And so is every work of their hands; and which that they offer is unclean.*

Comment: That's why the time is coming. That the world is so vile now. It is so wicked. And don't tell me it's always been like this, because it hasn't always been like this. It hasn't! Homosexuality has not been a human right in any society ever, at least any that I've ever seen. The immorality, the wickedness, I mean, it is bad. And the Bible says it. He says it's not only like the days of Noah, which was filled with violence, it's also like the days of Sodom and Gomorrah, which was every homosexuality and every kind of sexual immorality. He says it's both of those, and we're seeing it. And **He's saying you can't touch it anymore. If you stay in that society and you touch it, you're going to be defiled because it's all defiled. So, what is He telling us? Come out. Come out from among them; be ye separate.** Come out. And look what He says if we listen:

Haggai 2:15 *And now set your heart on it. From this day and onward: before the placing of a stone on a stone in the sanctuary of YAHWEH;*

Comment: Right? **You have to be sanctified before He could build the house.** It isn't going to happen, and then you're going to see it happen, and you're going to see Yahweh's glory, and you stood behind and you're going to jump into that glory at the end. It isn't going to happen that way. Either you're going to sanctify your life, you're going to walk up that mountain, you're going to get some wood, and you're going to start building that house of Yahweh, or you're going to be left behind. It's that simple. He says:

Haggai 2:16-18 *from then onward, one came to a heap of twenty measures, and there were but ten. One came to a vat to draw fifty from the wine trough, and there were but twenty. I struck you with blight, and with mildew, and with hail, in all the labors of your hands; and you did not turn to Me. Now set your heart from this day and forward, from the twenty-fourth day of the ninth month, from the day that the sanctuary of YAHWEH has been established. Set your heart.*

Comment: I find it very interesting. Just a coincidence. It doesn't mean anything, but it is a coincidence. Because the Roman calendar is not Yahweh's calendar. It has no bearing on anything. But I was looking at this, that this year the 24th day of the ninth month is the day we're all going to Sukkot on the Roman calendar. So, I'm not saying it's prophetic in Yahweh's eyes. But I'm saying, as I'm studying this, the fact that He says from this day and forward, the 24th day the ninth month, that here it is as all His people from all over the world, the biggest gathering we're ever having, will be coming to Sukkot that He's saying from the 24th day of the ninth month, from this day and onward I'll start blessing you.

Haggai 2:19-23 *Is the seed still in the barn? Yes, as yet the vine, the fig tree, the pomegranate, the olive tree ... This is all Sukkot, right? ... have not brought forth. From this day I will bless you. And a second time the Word of YAHWEH was to Haggai, in the twenty-fourth of the month, saying, Speak to Zerubbabel, the governor of Judah, saying, I will shake the*

heavens and the earth. And I will overturn the throne of the kingdoms, and I will destroy the strength of the kingdoms of the nations. I will overturn the chariots and the riders, and the horses and their riders will come down, each one by the sword of his brother. In that day, says YAHWEH of Hosts, I will take you, O Zerubbabel, My servant, the son of Shealtiel, says YAHWEH, and I will make you like a signet; ... signet ring ... for I have chosen you, declares YAHWEH of Hosts.

So, here it is, end time stuff ... end time stuff that He's taking about here. What a great prophecy. But it will start like a mustard seed. It's like He said. It always does ... it always does. Everything Yahweh does, He starts it very small; He builds a good foundation, and then it grows to this sign. The anti-Messiah, Satan, he does the opposite—lying signs and wonders; all fluff, no action. But Yahweh starts like a mustard seed. Go to Luke 13 ... Luke 13 and verse 18 ... Luke 13 and verse 18.

Luke 13:18-19 *And Yahshua said, What is the kingdom of Elohim like? And what shall I compare it to? It is like a grain of mustard seed that which a man took and cast it into his garden and it grew and became a large tree, and a bird of heaven nested in its plants.*

Comment: The mustard tree is the smallest seed, and it becomes the biggest tree. Drop down to verse 23.

Luke 13:23-25 *And a man asked Him, Master, are the ones being saved few? ... Very simple question, like I said ... But Yahshua said to him, Labor to enter in through the narrow gate, for I say to you that many will seek to enter and will not have strength ... See, they're working for the wrong things, and they're not going to have strength to enter ... From the hour that the Master of the house rises and secures the door, then they will stand outside and knock on the door and begin to say, Our Master! Our Master! Open to us! He will say, I said to you I do not know you from where you are.*

Luke 13:26-30 *Then they will begin to say, We ate and drank in Your presence, and You taught in our streets. And He will say, I tell you I do not know you, from where you are. "Depart from Me all workers of falsehood!" For there will be weeping and gnashing of the teeth when you see Abraham and Isaac and Jacob and all the prophets in the kingdom of Elohim, but yourselves being thrust outside. And they will come from the east and the west, and the north and the south, and will recline in the kingdom of YAHWEH. And, behold, there's last ones who will be first, and there's first ones who will be last.*

So, very clearly, like He says, it starts as small, but it grows throughout all the earth. It's like Matthew 25, the 10 virgins. I won't read all of it, but I will go there for a minute. Matthew 25.

Matthew 25:1-7 *Then the kingdom of Heaven shall be compared to ten virgins who taking their lamp, went out to the meeting of the bridegroom and the bride. And five of them were wise, and five foolish. Those being foolish, taking their lamps, did not take oil with them. But the wise took oil in their lamps ... We know this is the Holy Spirit ... But the bridegroom delaying all nodded and slept. And at midnight, a cry occurred, saying, The bridegroom comes! Go out to meet him. Then all those virgins were aroused and prepared their lamps.*

Matthew 25:8-13 *And the foolish said to the wise, Give us some of your oil, for our lamps have gone out. But the wise said, No, lest there not be enough for us and you. But rather, go to those who sell and buy for yourselves. But as they were going to buy, the bridegroom came. And those ready went in with him to the wedding feast, and the door was shut ... The door was shut, just like we said with the ark. Right? The door was shut ... And afterwards, they came, and they said, Open ... And what does the Master say? ... Truly I don't know you. Therefore, be alert, for you do not know the day or the hour in which the Son of Man comes.*

And for the people that are thinking, "Oh, no, no, no, no, no. There's time ... there's time ... there's time ... there's time," you're playing with Russian roulette. Because I'm telling you, **now is the time for His people to prepare themselves** ... now is the time for His people to prepare themselves. Amos 4 and verse 7. Very interesting verse. It says:

Amos 4:7 *And I have also withheld the rain from you when it was yet three months to the harvest. And I caused rain to fall on one city, and caused it not to fall on another city. One piece was rained on, and one piece it did not rain on was dried up.*

And I believe this is what we see here in the end time with the latter rain. But like I said, if somebody does not feel anymore bearing of the Holy Spirit, if somebody is not feeling the zeal of Yahweh, if someone is not feeling Yahweh's Spirit stirring in them, then you know what? Don't deny it's happening. Pray to Him and ask Him to get it. Because Yahweh says it'll rain here, and it won't rain here. And like we said, who is it going to rain on? It's going to rain on the people that are asking, and submitting, and serving. That's where it's going to rain. It's not going to be raining on the other people.

And it's only going to rain on the remnant. So, if it's not raining, ... Like I say, is it raining in your field? Is it raining in your field? And if it's not raining in your field, you really have to start praying to Yahweh and asking for it. You need to humble yourself to Yahweh and ask for the latter rain. Matthew 22 ... Matthew 22 says:

Matthew 22:1-6 *The kingdom of Heaven ... I'm sorry ... And answering, Yahshua again spoke to them in parables, saying, The kingdom of Heaven is compared to a man, a king, who made a wedding feast for his son. And he sent his slaves to call those being invited to the wedding feast, but they did not desire to come. Again, he sent other slaves, saying, Tell the invited ones, behold, I've prepared my supper; my oxen, and the fatlings are killed, all things are ready; come to the wedding feast. But they sneered at it and they went away, one to his field, and one to his trading. And the rest, seizing his slaves, mocked and even killed them.*

Matthew 22:7-10 *And hearing the king became angry. And sending his armies, he destroyed those murderers and burned their city. Then he said to his slaves, Indeed, the wedding feast is ready, but those invited were not worthy. Then go into the exits of the highway and call to the wedding feast as many as you may find. And going out into the highways, those slaves gathered all, as many as they found, both evil and good. And the wedding feast was filled with reclining guests.*

Matthew 22:11-14 *And the king coming in took [should be to look over] those reclining, he saw a man there not having been dressed in a wedding garment. And he said to him, Friend, how did you get in here, not having a wedding garment? But he was speechless. Then the king said to the servants, Binding him feet and hand, take him out and throw him into the outer darkness. There will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. For many are called, but few are chosen.*

So, you're not going to get there to that wedding supper, you're not going to get to the Promised Land by taking your tent and camping out in front of where you think it is. You're going to get there by purifying your garments. And the only way to purify your garments is going through the baptism of fire; by letting Yahweh purify us; by surrendering to Him; by letting Him deal with all the problems in our life, and having no life but Him. *He who tries to save his life will lose it; he who gives his life for the Good News will save it.* Revelation 19 and verse 7. He says:

Revelation 19:7-9 *Let us rejoice and exult, and we will give glory to Him, because the marriage of the Lamb came, and His wife prepared herself. And it was given to her that she should be clothed in fine linen, pure and bright; for the fine linen is the righteousness of the saints. And he said, Write: Blessed are the ones having been called to the marriage supper of the Lamb. And he said to me, These Words of YAHWEH are true.*

So, here it is, like He says in this parable. It wouldn't be there if it wasn't true. The invitations have gone out. The people have been warned. And year after year now they're making excuses and saying, "The time is not there to build the house of Yahweh. We have our own lives." I've had some people tell me in Babylon, "No matter what, an angel can come to me, I wouldn't leave." They're loving the captivity more than the reward. Now here it is, Yahweh's saying the time is here for My people. Do you want it or not? Do you believe it? Are you convicted? And all the parables tell us this. Jacob the 5th chapter. We're almost finished. Jacob 5. He says:

Jacob 5:1-3 *Come now, rich ones, weep, howl over your miseries that shall come upon you. Your riches have rotted, your garments have become moth-eaten. Your gold and your silver have rusted; and the rust of them will be a testimony against you; and it will eat your flesh. The treasures that have heaped together shall be as fire to you for the latter days.*

Comment: Who is he talking? He's talking here to the New World Order. He's talking to the rich merchants of the earth, like we read in **Revelation 18**, that are going to ... What's happened? Babylon is going to be wiped down, and the whole financial system is going to crash, and all the money is not going to save them. He says:

Jacob 5:4 *Behold, the wages of the workmen who have reaped their [should be your] fields cry out, being kept back by you. And the cries of the ones who have reaped have entered "Into the ears of YAHWEH Tzavaoth (YAHWEH of Hosts)."*

Comment: Seventy percent of the world makes \$5 or less a week, while you have these billionaires, multi-hundred-billionaires that are soaking all the money in. And Yahweh's saying their prayers I've heard, and I'm going to do something. I am going to tear down the system of Babylon and none of it is going to be there.

Jacob 5:5-7 *You lived luxuriously on the earth, you lived for self-pleasure; you nourished your bodies for the day of slaughter; you have condemned and murdered the righteous, and yet he does not resist you. Therefore, brothers, be **patient** until the coming of YAHWEH ... like we were saying ... Behold, the farmer waits for the precious fruit of the earth, being patient over it until it may receive the early and the latter rain.*

Comment: See, that's what the latter rain is the patience. That's the last thing. You already had the rain. The crop is already up. And now you have to be patient because the latter rain is what's going to bring it to fruition. And that's what we have to do. Like I said, it starts with a grain of a mustard seed. We're not going to see gigantic changes overnight. But you have to diligently be praying for it, surrendering to it, and you're going to see things you would have never thought in your life before. *Being patient over it until you receive the early and the latter rain.*

Jacob 5:8-11, 17 *You also be patient. Set your hearts firmly, because the coming of our Master has drawn near. Do not murmur against one another, brothers, that you not be condemned. Behold, the Judge stands before the door ... Right? We just read it. And the people are knocking ... My brothers, take the prophets who spoke in the name of YAHWEH as an example for your sufferings, and your patience. Behold, we call those blessed who endure. You have heard of the patience of Job, and you saw what YAHWEH did for him at the end, "For YAHWEH is full of tender mercy and compassion." ... Drop down to verse 17 ... Even Elijah as a weak man before [should be like] ourselves, and he prayed earnestly for it not to rain; and it did not rain on the earth three years and six months.*

Comment: Isn't it kind of interesting that's the exact time that the beast power reigns? Forty-two months. And we know from the book of **Amos 8:11**, what does He say? *There'll be a famine in that day, not a famine of food, but a famine of the Word of Yahweh.* So, now Yahweh's pouring His Spirit on His people. Now He's going to bless us. He's going to help us through purification of trials. But in that day, it will be different. So, you better grow now, because in that day there'll be no what you're going to have now. There's going to be a famine of the Word.

Jacob 5:18 *And he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain, and the earth caused its fruit to sprout.*

Again, this is the point we're at. We need patience for the latter rain. Last scripture is Mark 13 ... Mark 13. One of the synoptic Good News to the end-time scenario. I'd just like to read it because here we are living in a lot of these things here. Mark 13, starting in verse 3.

Mark 13:3-7 *And as He was sitting in the Mount of Olives opposite the sanctuary, Peter and Jacob and John and Andrew questioned Him privately: Tell us when these things will happen? And what is the sign when all these things are near to be fulfilled? And answering, Yahshua begin to say to them, Be careful that no one deceives you. For many will come in My name, saying, I AM! And they will lead many astray. But when you hear of wars and rumors of revolutions, do not be disturbed, for it must occur; but the end is not yet.*

Comment: It's what we're hearing now. It's not the end yet. It's the time for preparation. But the revolutions and the wars, that's only going to be the beginning of it. The beast power didn't even start yet.

Mark 13:8-10 *For nation will be raised against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. And there will be earthquakes in different places. And there will be famines and uprising. These things are the beginning of sorrows ... We're just in the beginning of it ... But you yourselves be careful, for they will deliver you up to Sanhedrins and synagogues. And you will be*

scourged, and you will be led before governors and kings for My sake, for a testimony to them. But first it is necessary that My Hope be published among all nations.

Comment: Praise Yahweh, we're being a part of that. By bringing this Good News to millions of people every year, we're being a part of doing that.

Mark 13:11-13 *But whenever they lead you away, delivering you, do not worry beforehand, what to say, nor think about it. But whatever may be given to you in that hour, speak. For you are not those speaking, but the Holy Spirit ... Have to surrender to it, to allow this to happen ... And a brother will deliver a brother to death, and a father the child. And children will rise up on parents and will put them to death. And you will be hated by all on account of My name. But the one enduring to the end, that one will be kept safe ... in your patience possess your souls ...*

Mark 13:14-18 *And when you see that which was spoken of [by] Daniel the prophet, the sign of unclean desolation that was standing where it should not be, then let him who reads understand, let those in Judea flee to the mountains. He on the housetop, let him not go down to the house, nor go in to take a thing out. And the one in the field, let him not return to the things behind to take his garment. But woe to those pregnant, and those nursing in those days! And pray your flight will not be in winter; ... Kind of understand that in the last couple of years ...*

Mark 13:19-22 *for there will be affliction in those days, such as has not been the like from the beginning of creation which Elohim created until now, and never will be. And if YAHWEH had not shortened the days, no flesh would live; but because of the elect whom He chose, He has shortened the days. And then if anyone says to you, Behold, He is here! Or, there! Do not believe. For false Messiahs ...*

Comment: Or in the Aramaic it says 'false anointings.' We're seeing this, right? These people that are saying there's these false anointings, lying signs and wonders.

Mark 13:22-25 *False anointings and false prophets will be raised, and they will give signs and wonders in order to lead astray, if possible, even the elect ... And that's what we say. It's not through miracles, but it's through endurance ... But you be careful. Behold, I've told you everything beforehand. But in those days, after the suffering, the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give her light; ... This is after the suffering in those days, not now ... and the stars of the heavens will be falling, and the powers in the heavens will be shaken.*

Mark 13:26-30 *And they will see the Son of Man coming in clouds with much power and glory. And then He will send His cherubs and will gather His elect from the four winds, from the beginning of the earth to the beginning of the heaven. And from the fig tree learn the parable: When its branch becomes tender and puts out leaves, you know that summer is near. So you also, when you see these things happening, know it is near, at the door ... Israel's the fig tree. We're 68 years into it, so not a lot of time left ... Truly I say to you, Not at all will this generation pass away until all these things occur.*

Mark 13:31-37 *The heaven and the earth will pass away, but My Words will not pass away! But concerning the day and the hour, no one knows, not the cherubs, those in Heaven, nor the Son, except the Father. Watch! Be alert, and pray. For you do not know when is the time. As a man going away, leaving his house, and giving his slaves authority, and to each his work he commanded the doorkeeper to be vigilant, then you watch, that you do not know when the Master of the house is coming, at evening, or at midnight, or at cock crowing, or morning; so that he may not come suddenly and find you sleeping. And what I say to you, I say to all, Watch!*

So, here we are ... here we are. Praise Yahweh that He doesn't have us setting dates and making up ridiculous things, but what He does have us do is He does love us enough that He's showing us signs of the times we're living in; that He's giving the message to His congregation that now is the time to prepare. Now is the time to surrender our life to Him, get our prayer life better, to get our focus better, to get any kind of sin out of our life, to be sanctifying our life before Him. And now is the time to do all these things to prepare. Because like He said, the exciting part is that the glory of the latter house will be greater than the glory of the former house. And don't we all want to be part of that glory? Yahweh bless. Shabbat shalom.