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“Seed of Promise”

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We are excited about what God is doing in this hour and how He is moving in such a mighty way and how He is using different ones, who really know Him, to do exploits in this hour. They are *His* exploits that He is doing through them. We give Him all the praise and all the glory. We thank God that He reigns and that He is in control.

We live in perilous times. We live in the times in which the Lord said there would be. We are in those days and those times right now. Turmoil is going on all over the entire world.

The Lord has been speaking about some things that we are going to get into, and He really wants you to listen diligently to what He has to say because it is important. God's word is very important. The good news is that you need to have an understanding of what is going on. If you really understand what is going on in the world and what God is doing, and you have that truth in your mind. Then you can stand in that truth without having any fear whatsoever. You can walk in peace in Christ every day of your life, knowing that He has a purpose for all that's going on in the world. He has a great

purpose that is going to continue to unfold and to happen for all mankind to see. I've had people ask, "What in the world is going on? What's going on in the world? What's going on in the people? So much is going on that seems to be manifesting like nothing we have ever seen before." Well, God wants to answer you, because we are the children of the day. We are not the children of the darkness.

The children of the day are God's people who are yielding to the lordship of Christ. They are allowing Jesus Christ to be in control of their lives. Those who are allowing Christ to be Lord of their lives in this day, dwell in the secret place of the Most High God. Those who dwell in the secret place of the Most High God are going within because the kingdom of God is within you. You are going within more than you ever have in your whole life, and you spend more time with Him we are abiding in Him today. We live and we move and we have our being in Him, but we are looking out and seeing all the things that are happening in the world today.

It says in *Psalm 91 (verse 7)*, "*(A thousand shall fall at thy side, and ten thousand at thy right hand; but it shall not come nigh thee.)*"

You are in the secret place of the Most High God, abiding under the shadow of the Almighty. Those who love Him, He will set on high. The more you walk in the spirit, it is as though you are on the inside looking out. Have you noticed that? You do know in your heart that this is the beginning of sorrows for many, many people. In your own walk with God you have had a night. "*(Weeping may endure for the night, but joy cometh in the morning.)*" *Psalm 30:5*

The old flesh man is dying in you, and you need to reckon him to be dead. We are yielding the members of our body to Christ and causing them to serve righteousness so we can walk in that resurrection life with Christ *now*.

Matthew 13 not only applies to you but also applies to what is going on right now in the world. This chapter is the parable of the seed sower. Christ himself is sowing the seed, and the seed is that incorruptible seed which is the word of Christ coming out of the spirit. He's sowing it in your mind because your mind is the soul. Your mind is where the will lies. (The seat of emotions of mankind). God is sowing the

seed, a word that will sustain and change you. He's sowing this seed in His people.

Matthew 13:1, There is another one who is sowing a seed. The seed is being sown in the world. It is sown in the field, and the field is the world. So, therefore, you see that the seed is being sown by the sower. God has His angels, who are messengers with a word, and they are sowing the seed in His people's minds.

You know that when you started out with God, you were a child. With Christ, you had wheat, but you also had tares, because the wheat and tares are within you. The seed is the word of God and the word of God is pure and true, and there is nothing corruptible in that pure, precious seed. The only things that can corrupt that seed are the tares that comes up in your mind. Those tares are thoughts that are not the thoughts of Christ.

God lets His wheat and tares grow in us at the same time. Isn't that interesting? Have you noticed that there are some people who do not allow Christ to change their lives or to transform their minds? The older they get, the more stuff starts manifesting out of their minds. Some go crazy if they have never had healing in their hearts, and never been restored from anger or never had restoration to their soul. This causes negative things to manifest as a person ages. The tares grew and began to take over the garden and began to take over the mind.

You have allowed Christ to

put you through the fire and to burn up the tares in your mind week after week, and He is dealing with those tares. The wheat and tares had to grow together. If there is anything left in you, it is going to come out. Anything that is not of the nature of the Lord Jesus Christ and has not been purged in your soul, must surface to restore your soul. He is a God of restoration and is in the process of restoring. If He immediately consumed all those tares in your soul when you started out, you could not handle it. That is why He allowed the wheat and the tares to grow together. Then the angels came. God sends the angels, which are messengers that have a word.

Let's talk about children because we bring a lot of childish ways into adulthood. If you were stubborn as a child and you had to have your own way, and your daddy and mother pampered you, and you were number one, your parents did not know the damage they were doing in raising you because a child will continue to act out his childish ways when he gets older. If you have been taught to fear as a child, then that continues to be in your life when you are an adult. That's one of the tares that choke out the wheat and the Word of God in you and me.

If you had your way as a child and you didn't come under the discipline of the love of your parents, and you carried that up into your adulthood, then that is a tare in your life. That's why Timothy said in I Timothy 3:4 that

every bishop of his household must bring his children into subjection to Christ. This is what God is doing. He is bringing all of your childish behaviors and childish ways into subjection to the Christ. (If they don't come into subjection, I will show you what will happen.)

We must come into maturity. God never wanted you to stay as a child. He gave you the Holy Spirit that you might become a son in the kingdom of God. He is gentle and patient with us, but He is exposing and revealing what He wants changed. He is causing the tares in you and me to be burned up, and consumed by the Spirit of the Lord. That is why He has to shake your heavens, and that's why He has to shake your earth. Sometimes when He shakes your earth, you feel like you're going through an earthquake. You know what it is like to be shaken by the Lord. Sometimes you feel that God is constantly shaking you. He is putting on the final touches right now, and He is about ready to consume anything that is not of Him that's still there in us. He is about ready to completely deliver Zion. In the process of your letting Him burn up those tares, you have already come to the valley of Jehoshaphat.

Many times I did not understand why God called this the valley (Jehoshaphat). God began to explain to us this week what the valley of Jehoshaphat is. Sometimes God puts you in a wilderness in your mind. Why does He put you in a valley? To

bring death to an area of your life that needs to change. The valley is nothing but a decision you and I have to make to let go of what God wants us to let go of, so He can be Jehovah in you and me. He can be who He is in you and me.

We looked up the word Jehoshaphat and got so excited. Jehoshaphat's name means (and I love this) "He who is." Who is He talking about? Who God is. Not only does it mean "He who is," but it also means "He who *is*, He who *was* and He who *will be* manifested." He who will be manifested in your life. Christ will be manifested in our lives for people to see. To see what? His fullness with peace, joy, love, patience, kindness.

Not only that, Jehoshaphat means "judged—the judgment of Jehovah." I love this. Jehoshaphat allowed God to judge him and correct him, to bring him to correction, to correct his life. Every time you come here, you are sitting at the judgment seat because you are hearing the word of God.

Sitting at the judgment seat is not something in the future like the church taught us. Every time we commune with the Lord, we are before the judgment seat. Every time we come and hear the word of the Lord, we are before the judgment seat.

Jehoshaphat allowed the word of the Lord to correct him. You are in the valley of decision every time God corrects you or judges you.

Do you know what repent

means? It means **change your mind**. So it's an ongoing process of God, changing and allowing Him to consume the tares that steal the righteousness of Christ from you. The Bible says that God will cause anything that offends the kingdom of God to be burned up so that His righteousness can shine forth in His kingdom through His people. Isn't this exciting?

As you obey the Lord and as you honor Him, you will have fewer valleys. God is bringing your valleys up and He is bringing your mountains down. When pride sets in, you're headed for another valley, because pride can be a thought—a thought in the mind that exalts itself against Christ. God says, "(we are to bring every thought into captivity unto the obedience of Christ.)" **2Cor. 10:5** Once we've learned our obedience, then God uses us to bring the thoughts in other people's minds into captivity to the obedience of Christ. That's the good news, saints.

The Lord began to speak to me from **Matthew 13, verse 24** "(The kingdom of heaven is likened unto a man which sowed a good seed in his field...)"

The field is the world.

"(But while men slept, his enemy came...)"

I am going to take this into another understanding of what is going on today.

"(While men slept, his enemy came and sowed tares among the wheat and went his way.

But when the blade was sprung up

and brought forth fruit, then appeared the tares also.)"

That just jumped out at me. I said, "God, what are you trying to tell me?" He said, "Okay, Joyce, I want to explain to you what is going on in the world. The blade has sprung up." (We have been using the wheat and the tares to relate to you and me, but now I am going to use the wheat and tares to relate to the two types of people who are in the world.)

There are only two men in the earth, and there are only two women in the earth. You might really get a brainstorm from this.

There are only two types of people in the entire world. The 1st man, Adam, was natural man. The last man, Adam, was after the spirit, just like people who are after the spirit of God. Their nature has changed, and there is an ongoing process of changing.

There are two types of people in the earth, two women in the earth. One is the New Jerusalem, the mother, the body of Christ. This group is composed of those who have been born by the blood of the Lamb. It is not their membership in the church that has saved them, but it is the grace and mercy of God that has saved them. These are born again believers who have been birthed and have had a spiritual experience. Jesus said, "(That which is flesh is flesh and that which is spirit is spirit.)" And these are people who have been born again and are in the process of being born again completely.

The 2nd woman is the one who is of the world. She is

Babylon, the systems of the world, the worldly cares.

God said that when you see the blade, you are going to see the tares. And God began to tell us, "Because the fruit is starting to come forth in some of my saints, you are going to see the manifestation of the wicked. That has increased as well. The transgressor has to come into the fullness of his development, and they have to grow together."

I said, "God, we have wickedness all around us. We have evil all around us." He said, "Yes, I had to put you all together to grow together."

He said in the last days iniquity would abound, men's hearts would wax cold. They would become lovers of self. You are going to see people very self-centered, and all they can think about is themselves. It's just themselves and their problems, with no concern or cares for others. If you are born again, you are supposed to deny self-daily. God is trying to get you to mature and grow and understand and have compassion, not just about your little family but about the whole world. You are the saints of the Most High God. The saints of the Most High God are to judge the world. God is using the saints to judge the world, because this is the day for Esau to be judged.

Even in the natural, you see the wheat and the tares growing together. As the wheat gets stronger, God goes in and begins to bind up the tares. The Lord began to tell us that as the

darkness begins to escalate, look up because something is getting ready to happen, something great is getting ready to happen in God. He said men's hearts would fail them because they are watching what is happening in the world. God said, "Look up." This is the day for you to keep your mind in the spirit, and look up to see what God is doing and what He is bringing about. This is not a day for you to be captivated with fear or anything like that because God is love and peace. He wants us to walk in the spirit. He also wants us to minister to people who have been victims, because the time is coming and already is, that the Lord wants His sons to take their positions seriously in this day of battle. I heard this very clearly, that this is the day of battle. What do you mean? What battle? The battle of Armageddon. **The battle of Armageddon is the battle between your ears. It is thoughts that war against the Christ.** If you will let God change your mind and your thinking, you will be able to walk in peace and joy every day of your life. You need to yield to Him and allow Him to change your way of thinking and let go of your worries and concerns. Jesus said, "Let not your heart be troubled" and "cast all of your cares upon Me." He doesn't want you to worry about anything. Instead, He wants you to trust Him like you have never trusted in Him before. Therefore, the battle of Armageddon has started in you. **The battle of Armageddon is the tribulation.**

The tribulation is God putting people in the fire. The purpose of the tribulation is to bring a change in the mind, so that those things in you that is not like Christ will bow down to Christ. God is catching you up into a realm of the spirit and bringing you to the end of your tribulation. Therefore, the more you let God deal with your thoughts, as you are caught up into a realm of the spirit, the problems you face will not get you down. You are going to have problems, but they won't control you. You rise above them in Christ, and you put your trust in Him. Whatever you are going through, whether it's the body or something else, you trust Him. Let me tell you what He told us—the battle of Armageddon has already started for the whole world.

Arm is the arm of the Lord. That's why it's called *Armageddon*. Mageddon, if you've noticed, is speaking of a battle.

In the Old Testament, Megiddo was where a battle was fought with Israel, and they slew all the kings of Judah. You can have thoughts in your mind that are like a king. They rule in your mind to slay your joy. God wants you to understand that you don't have to stay there. Let the arm of the Lord arise in you. Let the Christ arise in you and cast down those thoughts that are not like Him so that you can continue to walk in peace and joy that's in Christ. The battle of Armageddon is happening all over the world right now, and I want to show you

what the Lord showed us.

Turn with me now to Obadiah. The Lord kept speaking about a battle, and it's not your battle, yet it is your battle. What do you mean, sister Joyce? It's God's battle.

God resides in you. You are His kings and priests. As you take your position in Christ to rule and reign with Him now, as you go within and worship Him, He's doing the battle through you and bringing judgment upon Edom.

Obadiah, Verse 1. *"(Thus saith the Lord God concerning Edom; We have heard a rumour from the Lord, and an ambassador is sent among the heathen...)"* Well, guess who the ambassador is? You. You are the ambassadors of Christ, and every time you get in the spirit, there is a war cry that goes out. God is speaking to the nations and to the world. What is He saying? He says Arise. This is the day to arise and ascend in Christ. *"(...Arise ye, and let us rise up against her in battle.)"* Against whom? Edom. If you study Edom, it is the generations of Esau. It is important that you understand. Esau is the carnal man, the flesh man. Esau is not the seed of promise.

God created the wicked as an opponent. He created that natural man. When Abraham had two sons, one was after the flesh. In Galatians 4:24, God called Hagar the bondwoman. But remember, Isaac was the seed of promise. You are the seed of promise. It doesn't mean that God is going to forget the generations

of Esau. He even blessed Jacob's brother. God put blessings upon him, for God loves everybody.

Eventually certain ones will be elevated in God's time. In Rebekah's womb there were two nations, and there was struggling in the womb. When you start out with Christ, you have both Christ and pride (self) in the womb. He begins His work in you, and there is a birthing that takes place in you and me to bring us into that new man.

I never had a battle in my whole life until I got filled with the Holy Spirit. As long as I was a carnal, natural Christian out in the world, I didn't have any battles in my mind. I was very carnal, just being who I was. Then when God filled me with the Holy Spirit, my world turned upside down. "Wait a minute, God, what's going on? I felt such peace and love from you. What is this?" He said, "When you come to know who you are in me, and I awaken you in your mind, I will bring you into a rest." You must start understanding that you are Christ in the earth, because "I have broken down the walls of partition." (Eph 2:14) He went to the cross and He broke down the walls of partition so that we could be one with God. You are not separated from God, you are one with Him, and you are walking in oneness with Him now. It's not something in the future. You need to understand that you are walking in oneness with God every day of your life. The only thing that separates you from Him is a thought in your own mind.

God is telling you that you are not separated, because "I crucified the old man on the cross." You need to be awakened and understand that you are not that old man, but you are Christ in the earth; therefore, you need to yield to your true self.

There are times my body wants to succumb to pain, but I have learned I cannot come into subjection to that. You have to know who you are in God. When you awaken to that, you begin to shut out these thoughts that are carnal because that's not you. That's not your true self.

He said the time would come that you will enter into a rest. That's what God is doing, He is bringing you into a rest in Him, so you will walk in that oneness daily in your life.

This is the day that God is beginning to judge, and He is doing it in degrees. He is judging that flesh man whose corruption has killed the innocent that takes the lives of the poor and the needy. This is the day for God to begin to arise in His people and bring the judgments in the earth. When the judgments go forth in the earth, God's people will rejoice because the judgments will bring about correction. Obadiah speaks about people with pride in their hearts. They have come to the understanding that they can live in the cleft of the rock of Christ. They can fly like an eagle, but they have pride, and the pride has to go. This is the day when we must walk in humility and not allow that pride to exist in you and me.

That pride is the self-will that does not want to yield to the Christ. The good news is that God will be supreme in a people throughout eternity. It doesn't matter how long it is going to take. God is going to have to take people into the valley of decision until they finally yield to His lordship.

Obadiah Verse 6 says, "(How are the things of Esau searched out!)"

He is searching the hearts of man. "(How are his hidden things sought up!)"

God is exposing things. For the past several years He has been exposing the systems, He has been exposing man's governments, so mankind can see the corruption and the greed. He has been exposing the money and greed in the United States of America. He is bringing it out in the open.

Go to Verse 17, "(But upon mount Zion shall be deliverance, and there shall be holiness;)"

Holiness in the kingdom of God. "(And the house of Jacob shall possess their possessions. And the house of Jacob shall be a fire, and the house of Joseph a flame, and the house of Esau for stubble; and they shall kindle in them and devour them; and there shall not be any remaining of the house of Esau; for the Lord hath spoken it.)"

The Lord is judging the flesh man, and the time is coming when you will not see him any more. He will be removed from the earth. The church has it all messed up in the rapture teaching. The Bible says one man will be left and the other man will be taken, one woman will be left and the other

woman will be taken. God says, if you go a little before that, it will be even as the days of Noah. The Lord spoke to us and said, "This is where I am now, where I was in the time of Noah." He said, "In the time of Noah, I created man, but there were imaginations, every wickedness that was in the mind of man, and He said that He repented that He had created man. And so God began to bring judgment with the flood, but this time He does it with the fire, which is tribulation.

Let's talk about the one man that is taken. The only ones who were taken in Noah's time were the wicked ones, the disobedient ones, those who would not obey Christ or God. Noah remained, and he issued in a new world.

We don't want to leave out Verse 21, "(And saviours shall come up on mount Zion to judge the mount of Esau; and the kingdom shall be the Lord's.)"

Notice what kind of people that He is using to judge Esau because out of all this judgment, many are going to come to Christ. That's the good news. Saviors means to save somebody, means to deliver somebody, to deliver him or her out of that corruption that is in their mind, to deliver them, to remit their sins. Isn't God something else?

Joel, 2. We brought this out Thursday. We saw an alarm clock bouncing on the table. It was jumping all over the table. We heard really, really loud, "(Blow the trumpet in Zion and sound an alarm.)" This trumpet that's being blown is a war

trumpet. It's a battle trumpet. Sound an alarm. God wants us to have awareness. He wants us to be awakened to what is going on right now. The Lord showed us that some of His people are not awakened. They are still taking part in everyday life. God showed us, taking people by the shoulders, and we were shaking them and telling them to wake up, wake up, wake up. Take your positions in Christ. Don't you know what hour we are in? God said that, very strongly to us, and we knew it was true. He said, "Don't you know what hour we are in?" He said, "Awaken, understand what I am saying." All of a sudden another individual brought out, "Battle cry. Battle cry." Then later on she shared what God gave her. I thought it was very good to bring out because of what God was saying. God began to tell her about her husband who used to be in the navy.

You are the army of the Lord, are you not? You have been drafted by Christ. In the natural, you get drafted whether you want to get drafted or not. God drafted you whether you wanted to get drafted or not. I don't know why He picked us, but He did. Not that you are any better than anyone else, but God began to show us that He has given each one an office and a position. In the government that is in the natural, we vote people into office. They can be voted out. God can do the same. He votes you into the office. If you don't want to do what He wants you to do in the position He

has given you, you can be voted out. He puts someone else in your place. That's the way it is. So God says this is the day for you to take your position more seriously than you ever have in your life.

She began to share that when her husband was in the navy, if there was a battle cry on that ship, even the cook had to stop what he was doing. Everybody on the ship had to take his or her battle station. She also shared that in one country, people go out into the fields to work. They keep their weapons ready for whatever may come, and they stay alert. You have the weapons of God, and your weapons are not carnal but mighty through God. If God says for you to go within and let Him intercede through you to deal with whatever He wants to deal with, then do it. I mean, He interrupts us all the time now. I can go driving down the street with my eyes open. Oh, yes, you can have your eyes open. Well, sister Joyce, I am at work. That's okay. It's a state of being. You can hear the tug and say okay, God, and you can be communing with Him, while Christ works through you. He is executing His word through His great army. So God doesn't want you to let your guard down because sometimes when you are in a battle, you get weary because of the things that are going on around you. So when you keep your eyes on Him and are obedient to His word, your work just gets done. I don't know why or how, it just gets done. And it gets done quicker

because you obeyed Him. Many are caught up in making money, in meeting their needs, and yes, we do need to do those things. When God tugs on you, do it! He will take care of the money and your needs. You are His government in the earth, so take your position seriously in Christ and allow the mind of Christ to operate through you as you commune with Him. That's all it is, it is Christ operating through you. **There are times you might be tired, but I tell you when you go and get with Him, you get quickened. There is a surge of energy. He does take care of you.**

There is a battle cry going on. What is it about? The battle of Armageddon. God sees things and conditions out in the world. Look at the sniper. I asked, "Lord, what are you saying there?" He said, "I'm trying to tell you that the evil has increased in the world, and it is increasing and increasing, but it has to. It has to reach its fullness, and that's when I'm going to cut it off." Hallelujah! He began to speak about a third world empire, Alexander the great, I believe it was, and He said, "If you look in *Daniel, 8*, it said there would be a king and a ruler and he would have power and he would get control and go and ravish the land. *Daniel 8:23*. It says, "*(when the transgressors are come to the full.*" He brought an end to the power of Alexander the great. He brought an end at the time of Noah. And then Edom is the generations of Esau, which is in *Gen. 36:19*. If you look at that,

they came against Israel and there was a time that God almost brought an end to Esau. It didn't happen completely because it wasn't time to cut Esau off completely because there had to be a 4th world empire to come on the scene. The 4th beast in *Daniel 7:23*, God interprets it for you Himself. He said this 4th beast is the 4th world empire, which is the worst of it all. The 4th world empire will have kings. These are rulers who rule the world with the carnal mind. God is getting ready to bring an end to the ruler ship of Esau. Well, how is He going to do it? Through His saints. And He will deal the final blow at His coming. He does it in degrees and has been doing it in degrees. He said the saints of the Most High God will judge the world, did He not? Notice, Most High God. It is not you judging it. It is Christ in you bringing the judgment as you worship Him. That's why I say sometimes, "God, I don't want to see what you are doing. It's okay. I don't need to know. Just do your thing. I'm just your vehicle, Lord. I don't care, because, God, people are suffering." You see the suffering of the innocent out there.

What God did with the sniper was a representation of what is going on in the world. What did God do? He said pray for him as well. The sniper gave the information to be caught. Why? Because people were praying for him as well. You see how the police worked together in oneness and unity, and they worked day and night without

any sleep? This is how God wants His sons to come together in oneness and unity. When God wants you to get in the spirit, you don't break any ranks. You are executing the judgments of Christ in the earth to bring correction on that flesh man that is causing so much turmoil in the world. God is good, isn't He? He is so wonderful. He is the Most High God.

It says that the 4th world empire will war with the saints. The battle is going on; they don't want to give up their power. They don't want to give up their strength.

The Lord has been dealing with religion that is in the body of Christ and the church. God wants the church to wake up. A lot of His people are in the world, having religion with a lot of "do's" and "don'ts," and a lot of rituals that cannot change you. It is Christ in you that changes you. You cannot change yourself, but Christ in you can change you as you yield to Him. The Lord is trying to get our attention, letting us know that the kingdom lies within us. We have all been taught down through the years to go outside, but the river is flowing within. The kingdom of God is within you.

It is the day of the Lord. God is having His day. The flesh man has ruled for a very long time. God has let man rule the world for a long time. "(The earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof.)" God says, "Enough is enough. I'm about to take over. I'm going to

rule the world. I'm going to rule it in righteousness. I'm going to rule it in peace." God is so good.

There has been a flame burning behind you because that's all the stuff God has burned up as far as you have gotten in Him and there is also a flame in front of you because He still has some stuff left to burn out of you and me. That's in Joel, chapter 2.

The Garden of Eden is before you, and we have expressed before, that God is taking you not to the place where God made Adam as a living soul. That's where the fall of the soul began—when the soul and spirit were separated from one another. Adam was separated. Remember, God created Adam and called them "they." You never saw the word Eve at all. He called them "they." Adam was spirit, total spirit, in the image of God in all of His glory. He had all the precious stones all over him. He was the cherubim, that beautiful angel. That was Adam: a corporate man whom God created in the beginning in His likeness and His image. He called them "they" because the soul and the spirit were one with the Father at that time. There had been no fall, and no separation. It was in God's plan for the fall of Adam because in Romans chapter 8:20, tells us that God caused all creation to come into subjection to the corruption and the vanity that's in the mind. God caused it. The Bible said that God put Adam to sleep, and He created Eve so that Adam would not be alone. Eve

and the soul in Adam, were one and the same. In fact, the word Eve was never announced because it was Adam who named her, not God. Adam named her Eve.

When your soul has lain down with the Christ, then you are walking in the spirit. You are a spirit man in Christ, a spirit woman in Christ. That's what God is doing; He is working on you to make your soul to lie down with the Christ and become one with Him.

When God took the woman out of the side of Adam, that was when the separation began.

Why do you think that Jesus at the cross had to have a sword pierce His side? This was the atonement to make man one with God again, to bring the soul back into the oneness with Christ. He had to be crucified and be pierced in His side. In the beginning God created Adam, but then He formed him. Two different things are going on there. He formed him a living soul. It wasn't Adam's fault. Yet pride set in within Adam's mind. If he kept feeding off of the tree of life, he would not have died. God knew he was going to go with the woman. God knows there are times you will go with the woman. The woman is your soul, the one who talks to you. Do you ever hear your soul talking to you? "Come on, you can do that. God won't mind. You can get away with it. All you have to do is confess your sins. He'll forgive you." Yes, you will get away with

it for a while, but then your own sins correct you. I said, "God, you are something else." It says in Ecclesiastes that your own sins will correct you. Thank God that He knows how to correct us.

There was a separation that took place, but then Christ made it so the soul could go back and become one with the Father again and walk in that state of oneness. I know some of you know these things, but we are saying it for the benefit of others. Here is an army that is starting to walk in that oneness with Christ because they know who they are, and they don't break any ranks. Do you know what your rank is in Christ?

Someone shared this with us about Joel 2:6, it says, "(before their face these people are strong people because their strength is in the Lord.)"

We are back with the army of the Lord again. They are a strong people who make the noise of the flame of a fire to devour the stubble, because whatever God has burned out of you, God uses you to burn that same thing out of others. So they are a strong people, but they are set in a battle array.

Joel 2:7, "(They shall run like mighty men and they shall climb the wall like men of war)".

Joel 2:6 ("Before their face the people shall be in much pain. All faces shall gather blackness.") Because the tares are growing, whatever has been hidden, surfaces in people's lives all over the world. There are those who do not know Christ and don't have that relationship and union

with God. They are caught up in what is going on in the world. The reason their faces are black is because they are in darkness, and they fear what is going on. You can look at their countenance and see it. Just recently you looked at a lot of people's faces and all you saw was fear and anxiety. That's the darkness that you see in the faces of people because they are not strong in the Lord, and they are not trusting Christ with their life. And you see the fear and the anxiety and the worry in their faces and the pain of uncertainty because they do not know what is going on. God wants you to know what is going on today, and He wants you to take your positions in Christ very seriously in this hour.